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READY FOR BUSINESS.

Read and Reflect.

For the last few months we have been watching the markets with an open eye and steady nerve, until about three months ago we saw the advance coming, and placed orders with the mills for all staple goods before any advance came. We said it and we repeat it and we still say it and watch us prove it that we own these goods for less money than any merchants in Crockett. We have bought them cheaper and expect to sell them cheaper. We wish to say that we only carry new and first class goods. No Cheap John, second hand or damaged goods of any kind. We only have the newest, best and latest styles that can be had, but we are prepared and expect to meet competition even on such goods. Of the many people trying to do business there are some who still hold to the idea that a fake advertisement is as good as one genuine. They have been practiced on the people until even the children laugh when they read one of the old time songs. After going to market and straining their credit to its last notch then come right home and write up the old song closing out at and below cost; going to quit business, going to leave the town; laughing in his sleeve when a dollar is spent with him because the customer believes he got it at cost. Others by advertising things that they haven't got and never had. We wish to say that you can find any article in our store just as it is described in this ad and will have as long as they last.

STAPLES.

Good weight, good quality, yd. wide L. L. brown domestic, 4 yds to the pound, cheap at 5c, will be sold in this sale at 4c per yd. The best brown domestic in town, yd wide, extra heavy, 3 1/2 yds to the lb, worth and sold for 7c, going in this sale for 5c per yd. Full yd wide bleach domestic 3 1/2c per yd. Better grade full yd wide bleached domestic, free from starch worth 6c, for 5c per yd. Best grade manufacture at 7c per yd. Good width, good weight round thread cotton stripes worth 4c at 3c per yd. Better grades up to the best made. A big line of canton flannel; all grades; bought at such a price as to have no competition. Good quality jeans worth 12 1/2c, for 10c per yd. Better grades at better prices. Here is the best bargain ever offered in flannel: Extra heavy all wool twilled red flannel worth 16 1/2c, for 12 1/2c per yard. Irish Frize worth 12 1/2c, going for 10c per yd. All the newest dress suits in Hamilton, Windsor, Garner's and Simpson's prints at 5c a yd.

DRESS GOODS.

Ladies we believe we can show you the best selected, most up to date line of dress goods in all the newest novelties and almost every desirable design. See our line of specials in patterns from 7 to 8 yards in each. Nothing ever brought to Crockett like them before. No two alike. All the new linings and trimmings. Listen! Here is a bargain for any one who is in need of a nice dress: Double width cashmere in all colors, (trimming to match) worth and sold for 15c, will be sold at 10c per yd. Call and see our line of heavy cotton goods in the newest designs; just the thing for a cheap, fall dress. Please give this a thought. We have only a few hundred yds of summer dress goods left. Some worth 8 to 18c will be thrown on the counter and closed at 2 1/2c per yd. Remember these goods will last only a few days and will not have them any more. Come at once and get choice. We have the latest fashion plates each month from the Butterick Publishing Co., showing all the new styles and how to make stylish dresses. We give one with each pattern that costs \$1.00 or more. A bargain for any lady. Heavy fleece lined ribbed vest with long sleeves, silk finished front with nice pearl buttons, well worth 50c, will go in this sale at 25c each. We have any quality down to the cheapest sold. We believe we can show you ladies' hose for 10c that will cost 15c in any other house. This is a far better hose than we have ever sold for the money. The ladies all know that we sell the best 25c hose in town. Gentlemen: our line of 1/2 hose range from 10 to 25c in black and tan. Also the heavy work socks at 5c per pair. Best line of suspenders in Crockett. Imitation Guyot worth 25c in nice bright patterns going at 15c per pair. Also have the genuine Guyot. We have a handsome line of woolen underwear. Call and get prices.

Gloves, Notions, Etc.

We have the most complete line of Gloves ever offered in the town. Work gloves for men at all prices. Dress gloves in Mocha addressed kid. Ladies, we have the latest in gloves—undressed Mochat tan, green, white and black. Listen! The well known Foster patent 8 hook gloves in black, tan, brown and drab worth and sold for \$1.25, going in this sale at 75c per pair. Gentlemen, our line of shirts in white, laundered and unlaundered, colored, attached and detached collars. Our line of work shirts are all at bargains. Don't forget that we are the only complete house for neck wear in the city. Scarfs, four-in-hands and bows. We have a full line of hats in all shapes and styles; the best brand of J. B. Stetson. The ladies all know that the John Kelly shoe has no equal and to find them they must come to our store. The men know that L. A. Crossett's \$2.50, \$3.00, \$3.50 and \$4.00 shoes look better and wear much longer than any other brand sold for the money. We have a nice, neat, light sole Sunday shoe, lace or congress, hub gore rubber, looks as well as a \$1.50 shoe, will sell in this sale at \$1.00 per pr. Mens' all solid heavy buckle shoes worth \$1.25, for \$1.00 per pr. Ladies' dongola pat. tip button shoes, size 3 to 8, will look as well as a \$1.25 shoe, going for 75c per pr. See our \$1.00 shoe; it can't be matched in Crockett. Our line of shoes is so large that it would take a whole page to describe and give prices. Call and see them.

McLEAN & WILSON.

War Reminiscences.

[By W. D. Pritchard, Crockett, Texas.]

We have followed the fortunes of Company I, from its organization until it is lost in the make up of the regiment and while in future, we will speak of regiments and brigades we will not lose sight of the gallant men with whom we were more intimately associated, and ever and anon hope to be able to say something of the gallantry and honor of some member of Company I. We remained in Richmond two or three weeks, drilling and learning the many acts of war, and were not slow in learning many of the vices that are incident to camp life, for instance the enticing game of Poker, Chuck-Luck, etc. These vices were but the legitimate off-spring of idleness, and were greatly augmented by the number of copper cents given us in change by the merchants, as our men not being used to them, did not consider them of much value and were the more easily induced to risk them in a game. While here Company K joined us, thus completing the Regiment. Louis T. Wigfall was appointed Colonel, Col. Hugh McCloud, Lieut. Col.; and A. T. Rainey, Major.

It was while we were encamped here we were shown the distinguished honor of having a most magnificent Lone Star Flag, presented to us by President Davis as the gift of Mrs. Davis and Mrs. Wigfall. It is said to have been made out of their wedding dresses. The flag was unusually large and beautiful. That part next to the staff and about one fourth of its length was white, with a large blue star in the center. The upper half of the remainder was a bright blue, and the lower half was a rich purple and the whole bordered with a heavy golden fringe, and it was fastened by a heavy cord and tassel. The material was of very fine satten and was of such weight that Capt. G. A. Branard (now of Houston) had to wear a belt and socket to carry it.

In presenting the flag President Davis paid a glowing tribute to Texas soldiers and gave utterance to those memorable words, "That the soldiers of other states had a reputation to gain, while the soldiers of Texas had a reputation to maintain." The flag was received by Col. Wigfall and in behalf of the regiment made a beautiful and eloquent speech in which he pledged the honor of Texas and her sons, that its folds should never trail in the dust of retreat and when found on the battlefield of Sharpsburg it was wrapped around the dead body of the last of 16 men who had fallen with it that bloody day and was left upon the field, because there was no one to carry it off.

After this we were sent to the front and took position on Bull Run where we staid only a few days and were moved to what was known as Camp Wigfall near Manassas Junction. We remained here quite a while and completed the organization of the regiment which resulted in the appointment of J. A. Schoolfield as Quarter Master; with J. P. Mahoney as Sergeant, Jimmie Pope as Commissary with Col. Aldrich as Sergeant, Henry Fontain as Adjutant, George Todd as Sergeant-Major, and the usual number of orderlies and couriers.

Company L joined us here which gave us 11 companies. In taking quarters the regiment is formed and orders given by right of company to the rear into columns. In this maneuver each Company turns to the right and forms a line at right angles with the first position, thereby leaving a space between the companies equal to their length, this space is known as the company's quarters, and is used for forming the company, cooking, amusements and all of the many duties of camp life.

For Sale.

One shingle-saw mill, one saw-mill, cotton gin and press, one yoke large, fat oxen, one Leffel Double Turbine 35 inch wheel. Terms easy. Address me at Augusta. 4t

GEO. ZIMMERMAN.

MARRIED.

The news reached Crockett by telegram on Sunday that O. D. Kirkpatrick and Mrs. Fannie Wagner were married at Austin on Sunday last.

HOG LAW ELECTION.

The vote as far as heard from is thus:

	For.	Against.
Crockett	50	220.
Pleasant Grove	12	43.
Grapeland	25	171.
Coltharp	6	117.
Daniel	14	30.
Creek	3	70.
Shiloh	0	34.
Boggs	12	35.
Portor Springs	15	46.
Dodson	4	65.
Lovelady	66	132.
Holly	8	28.

All the returns are not in as we go to press, but enough to indicate that the law is defeated by about 5 to 1.

An Attempt to Rape.

Oscar Steed, who hails from Coltharp at some period of his life, is in jail for attempting to rape Ada Broxson (col,) the four year old little girl of Martha Morton. The brute denied the charge but a critical and skilled examination of the victim of his beastly lust by Dr. S. T. Beasley furnished satisfactory evidence of the truth of the charge. He deserves to have his neck cracked with a rope and it is to be hoped that the trial jury will take the same view of it.

A Very Neat Compliment.

The writer together with Hon. J. W. Madden, Sec'y of State, about two weeks since, undertook to secure for Prof. Walker King, a position on the State Text Book Commission. This commission is composed of five teachers, actively engaged as such, and all are appointed by the Text Book Board. Those constituting the Text Book Board are Governor C. A. Culberson, Hon. M. M. Crane, Hon. R. W. Finley, Hon. J. M. Carlisle, Hon. J. W. Madden and Hon. H. C. Pritchett. The names of a hundred or more teachers were presented for position on the commission and Professor Walker King of Crockett was one of the lucky five. The compensation is ample for the time engaged but the most complimentary and satisfactory feature of the honor is the distinction and prominence which such an honor confers on those chosen. Prof. Walker King is the fourth person whom Gov. Culberson has selected from this county as members of his administration—a fact that should carry some weight in the county's choice of senator.

Strayed or Stolen.

One blue-gray filly, 3 years old, no brand, natural pacer, pet horse. Last seen on range on Gale's Creek, near Lovelady. \$5.00 for return. C. L. STEWART, Groveton.

Not What You Pay for Medicine But What Medicine Pays You.

There are two values to a purchase—what it costs and what it is worth. Corks cost 10c a pound, but if you are drowning in the Trinity river its value would be not what you pay for cork but what cork pays you. You are not drowning but you are struggling for profit in the deep and troubled waters of competition. The life preserver on which you greatly depend is cash. The question is how to invest your money to your best advantage when purchasing medicine. The point to keep in view when needing medicine is to have your prescriptions prepared at L. H. Haring & Co's Drug Store, where they will receive prompt and accurate attention, be compounded of the best chemicals to be had in the markets, in the exact proportions that your physician prescribes, by competent pharmacists and at the lowest possible price. The vital point for you to consider is not what you pay for the medicine, but what the medicine pays you in improved health.

THE COURIER.

W. B. PAGE, Editor.

ANOTHER TAX ON COTTON.

The Maritime Association of Galveston have issued an address to the cotton planters, cotton ginners, cotton merchants and cotton handlers of Texas generally, notifying them all that the Marine Insurance Companies have issued a new tariff of insurance on cotton raised in Texas. The rate is 1/4 per cent higher on Texas cotton than on cotton raised in other states. Placing the crop of Texas, a full crop year, at 3,060,000 bales, the new and additional tax is \$300,000. The question is then asked, who pays this increase in insurance rates? The answer is the Texas Farmer.

Up to last year the insurance companies accused the Port of Galveston of allowing cotton to remain on the wharves without protection long enough for the bales to absorb sufficient moisture to deteriorate the cotton all around the bale, and especially the end resting on the ground.

To place the responsibility where it belongs, the Wharf Company, at Galveston, two years ago covered all its wharves with waterproof warehouses having planked floors but still country damage claims came from abroad, and as the damage cannot occur here, the careless handling in the country is responsible for that enormous loss of \$300,000.00 in insurance.

The cotton is transferred here direct from the cars to the warehouse and from the warehouse to the steamers and there is no possibility of damage occurring.

The loss of \$300,000.00 can be prevented by the farmers, cotton dealers and compress managers taking better care of the cotton, and never letting the bales rest on the ground nor be exposed to the weather. Heavy bagging, 2 1/2 lbs. and certainly not less than 2 1/4 lbs. should be used, and skids should be placed under the bales when it is not possible to keep them in warehouses.

If the interior of the State will protect the cotton as it is done in Galveston, the question of "country damage" will be settled, and the farmers will receive \$300,000.00 more for their cotton.

The above in the main is from a circular issued by the Galveston Maritime Association. We invite the attention of the farmers to it especially and urge them to read it carefully. The time has come when farmers, ginners and all handlers must use more care in the handling of cotton than has been done heretofore. The staple should never be permitted to touch the ground at all from the picking to the factory. Many of the ginners of the country are using improved attachments for cleaning. All ginners will have to come to it, sooner or later. Buyers don't want sandy cotton and are not going to take it. Farmers should recognize this and compel their ginners to put in all equipments for taking sand and dirt out of cotton.

PROSPERITY FOR FARMERS.

Loan Companies Report a Lively Clearing Away of Old Farm Debts.

Chicago, Sept. 2.—Nothing could prove more conclusively the happy condition in which the farmers of the great middle West now find themselves than the manner in which they are dealing with their mortgage incumbrances. Reports from concerns which control a large amount of this kind of business are unanimous in saying that not in many years has there been the activity now existing in these transactions. From all over the so-called corn belt more properly called this year the wheat belt—comes the same good word. It is a day when men are taking new hold of their means of livelihood, paying up their old obligations,

clearing off mortgages and the interest accumulations that have been nagging the life out of them, or buying more land and renewing the mortgage to meet the first payments.

It would be difficult, indeed, to find a defaulting mortgagor in these days of good crops and high prices. Some indication of the prevailing hum among farmers may be gathered from instances related by members of prominent loan agencies. One tells of a farmer in Kansas who a year ago voluntarily deeded over his farm to the company, but remained on the farm as a tenant. This year he has sold his crop, paid off all arrears of interest and insurance, cut down the old debt by a big slice, and with new hope and greatly reduced indebtedness starts out again, the owner of his own farm and home.

Local men who have the most to do with negotiating loans of this character tell of many farmers who came to their agents a year ago and begged to have their property taken, so as to relieve them of the unavailing struggle to save it. This year these same men are coming back with joyful faces, clearing up the back claims, and paying off the loan either in part or whole. Many are doing what the loan agents like much better, and this is to have the old loan renewed for the purpose of making new investments or buying adjoining land.

CEDAR POINT.

ED. COURIER:

Farmers are all right in the midst of corn pulling and cotton picking. Corn is turning out well, but cotton not near so good. I don't think any of the farmers will have their corn crib in Kansas next year.

Our little town of Tadmor is on a boom, as we have a new gin and mill, and also a new blacksmith shop.

Mr. Andy Fair has just about completed his new gin house which is the best in this part of the county.

Mr. Will Creath is laying lumber and shingles on the ground for a neat new building. Mr. Wiley Wilson also contemplates building in the near future.

Miss Estelle, the accomplished daughter of Mrs. M. J. McHenry, left last week for Palestine to resume her music school.

Prof. Herbert has commenced his school again with a very large attendance.

The Ice Cream Supper given by Misses Mary Bell and Ella Miller last Friday night was a charming success, the young ladies entertained most beautifully on that occasion. Messrs George and Will Taylor and their violins accompanied by their sister Maggie on the organ, rendered some most excellent music. Mr. Jim McKinney and Bill Patton Jr., also made some music that was worth listening to. Among the visitors at the party were Misses Fannie Kennedy and Lucy McLean from Augusta, and Miss Pearl Hill of Daniels, and among the men young was Tom Hill, George and Jim Mecklin from Daniel, and Jim and Chester Kennedy and Ney Sheridan from Augusta, Dock McKennie and Bill Bradley from Drennan.

Tadmor will go against the hog law.

BERYL

Administrator's Notice.
All persons having claims against Titus Trim deceased are notified that on the 2nd day of Aug. 1897 letters of administration were granted to me by the county court of Houston county, Texas, and claims should be presented to me within 12 months from said date.

ROBERT COTTON.

Cheap Homes —IN— Houston County.

Real Estate and Land For Sale
B. F. DUREN & SON.

21 acres, Henry Masters league, miles east from the town of Crockett, Crockett and Centralia road. Level post oak land. Will make a nice little farm.—Unimproved.

400 acres, R. de la Garza league, miles north-west from town of Crockett. Well improved and an abundance of good water on Elkhart creek. Several good houses on this farm.

400 acres, Wm. Dickerson Hr., miles north from Crockett. Extra well improved, good houses, barns etc. on this place.

160 acres, Plinney Blanchard league 8 miles south from Crockett. Improved and good farming land.

75 acres, R. B. Frost Hr., 6 miles south from Crockett, near I. & G. N. R.—Improved.

160 acres, J. W. Harvey Hr., 13 miles south-west from Crockett.—Improved Good farm.

160 acres, Wesley Truss Hr., 7 miles north from Crockett on I. & G. N. R. House on this place in sight of said road. Very well improved; also farming land.

200 acres, J. B. Hallmark Hr., 3 miles east from Crockett on White Rock creek. Good improvement and about 75 acres open land and some very fine bottom land on this place.

200 acres, Joseph Teague Hr., 10 miles north-east from Crockett. Improved and also farming land.

50 acres, M. Blackshear Hr., 14 miles east from Crockett, near East Prairie. Small improvement on this place.

56 acres, M. H. Johnson Hr., 16 miles north-east from Crockett, all unimproved, well timbered.

615 acres, John Gregory league, 1 mile south from Lovelady of Tantibogue Creek—all unimproved. Very fine land.

640 acres, G. G. Alford Hr., 25 miles east from Crockett. Improved; very fine farming land, on Cochino Bayou.

UNIMPROVED TRACTS.

320 acres, W. E. Hayes Hr., 11 miles east from Crockett.—Fine land.

483 acres, J. C. Teague Hr., 10 miles north-east from Crockett.—Post oak and red oak.

248 acres, W. Dillard Hr., 14 miles east from Crockett.—Pine land.

200 acres, Antonio Baroso Hr., miles south-east from Crockett.—Pine red oak and hickory timber.

217 acres, O. Peterson Hr., 18 miles north-east from Crockett.—Red oak and black jack timber.

400 acres, Gollin Aldrich Hr., 8 miles south-west from Crockett.—Post oak black jack and hickory timber.

320 acres, F. M. McNeil Hr., 8 miles north from Crockett.—Hickory, black jack and post oak timber.

132 acres, J. Smith Hr., 8 1/2 miles north-west from Crockett.—Black jack and hickory timber.

227 acres, O. M. Vinton, 16 miles south-east from Crockett. 200 acre Wm. Cruz, 16 1/2 miles south-east from Crockett. 350 acres, John Edens, miles north-west from Crockett.—Pine oak timber.

200 acres, John Moore league, 4 miles south from Crockett, near Crockett a Huntsville road. 100 acres in cultivation and 100 acres timbered land.

132 acres, T. E. Townsend Hr., 6 miles south-west from Crockett on Crockett and San Antonio road; 65 acres in cultivation.

600 acres, Arthur Henrie Hr., 18 miles south-west from Crockett in McKin bend on Trinity river. Well improved and very fine bottom land.

Also about 20,000 acres unimproved land in different portions of the county for sale on easy terms.

350 acres, John Eden's league, miles north-west from Crockett. Very fine farming land.—Unimproved.

1500 acres, Jacob Masters league, 10 miles north-east from Crockett on San Antonio road; 200 acres in cultivation. Good dwelling house and several tenant houses on place. Very good improvements. Near good church and school house. Will sell in quantities to suit purchasers on easy terms.

453 acres, J. Masters Sr., unimproved but would make a good farm. 6 miles north-east from Crockett.

110 acres, Wm Johnson Hr., 10 miles east from Crockett. Good farming land.

88 acres, Luke Bust Hr., 10 miles east from Crockett, near Concho church. Good farming land, upland—unimproved.

100 acres, J. Allbright league on Trinity river; not subject to overflow. Very fine land.—Unimproved.

320 acres, T. J. Goolsby Hr., 10 miles north east from Crockett. Good upland.

240 acres, H. Young, 6 miles north east from Crockett, near San Antonio road; well timbered. No charge for examining titles to land. Abstracts of title furnished upon application. For terms and further information in regard to lands etc., apply to

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Office in Court House, Crockett, Tex.

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air. There your goods are checked

measured so you are sure no mis-

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YOU, **is** the way to our store where we will

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RS & CO.,

CROCKETT, TEXAS.

CULBERSON FOR SENATOR.

The political contest next year is peculiar and unprecedented, in that it has been inaugurated many months in advance of the opportune time.

Senator Mills has announced in unmistakable terms that he will go upon the stump in due season and make a fight before the people for the honor of succeeding himself in the high position which he holds.

Judge Reagan, after declining the overtures of numerous friends to enter the contest for governor, surprised every body by the announcement of his desire to re-enter national politics by succeeding to the seat once vacated by him in the national senate.

It has been known for some time that a large element of Texas democracy desired to see Governor Culberson promoted to the senate and that the efforts would be made that have been made to induce him to compete for that office.

TOM WATSON TO SAY GOOD-BYE.

Too Busy Making Money and Writing History to Stay in Politics.

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ATLANTA GA., Aug. 27.—Thomas E. Watson says he will dispose of his newspaper soon and forsake politics forever.

As a criminal lawyer are in demand all over the South. Watson says he prefers making money to an uncertain political fame.

List of Grand Jurors.

To appear at 10 o'clock A. M. Monday October 4th. A. D. 1897.

- H F Craddock, J E Downes, W H Wall, W M Stubblefield, R T Payne, C H Easley, Silas Cook, E M Young, W F Murchison, Henry Hager, W E Merriwether, Billy Darnell, W J Peacock, J C West, Jim Arlege, Berkley Ellis.

PETIT JURY FOR THE FIRST WEEK.

- To appear at 9 o'clock A. M. J H Ashmore, J J Hammon, W V McConnell, Bill Hager, B S Gray, Joe Romansky, R O Beavers, G B Kent, Call Beeson, E W Davis, J S Shivers, G W Furguson, W T Blakeway, Sam Daniel, J G Hart, J W Darnell, W F Dent, ST Anthony, J R Cupps, W J Bartee, Dosh Gossett, J B Cunningham, J B Bennett, J W Glover, O F Gootson, E E Barlow, W E Dornier, W H Bayne, T P Clayton, C H Barbee, J M Buchanan, H G Carter, J W Brent, Henry Brimberry, W N Lane.

LIST OF PETIT JURORS FOR THE SECOND WEEK.

- To appear at 9 o'clock A. M. Monday October 11th. A. D. 1897. J F Allen Sr., W T Hale, T J Dwyre, H L Braunen, Robert Owens, G R Murchison, J B Stanton, C A Granberry, H C Eichelberger, Jno. Stubblefield, J V Collins, W G Creath, J W Caskey, J W Simmons, J H Kelly, Dick English, J C Lenson Jr., G L Emerson, E W Green, F A Butler, W V Berry, Collin Aldrich Sr., W B Smith, Everet Douglass, W H Kennedy, L H Morrow, J J Taylor, J G Conner, J B Smith Sr., H J Arledge, A L Clinkscale, W H Duren, Duncan Blue, M C Dupuy, D C F Snell.

LIST OF JURORS FOR THE THIRD WEEK.

- To appear at 9 o'clock A. M. Monday October 18th. A. D. 1897. Dock Kyle, B G Kilgore, E B Dunham, W E Beard, A J Murry, W A McPlail, John Parker, S J Patton, James Langston, H A Pennington, J G Lunday, J F Linley, John Foster, T B Perry, G W Allbright, S G Arlege, A B H Shaw, W V Clark, A J Belot, G W Bradley, J D Baker, G F Boikin, J L Childs, G W Dauphin, Billy Conner, W E Cannon, J E Chaffin, W H Brown, J M Atkinson, Ben Crowson, W H Dickey Sr., J M Bristow, J F Garrett, J J Ganus, N J Mainor.

PETIT JURORS FOR THE FOURTH WEEK.

- W A R French, J M Arnold, S M Gardner, E M Callier, C R Baggett, J J Brooks, John Fair, J K Jones, M V Johnson, T F John, A Legory, A H Wooters, John Jackson, W M Harcastle, Ralph Lunday, J B Ivey, James Davis, S E H Oward, G T Hollingsworth, John Pool, N S Box, Press Conner, Jno. A Robinson, Acey Spear Sr., Johnathan Harrison, J B Harkins, David T Adair, R H Westbrooks, Jim Bridges, W G Bobett, J E Petty, H H Larue, E M L Shaw, John Luce, John Clark.

ROAD SPECIAL TRAIN OF BUCK'S STOVE AND RANGE CO. VIA THE SANTA FE ROUTE. Have received orders for OVER 80 CAR LOADS OF STOVES AND RANGES. To be shipped immediately. The first train left St. Louis August 17th; the second train, on August 24th; the third train leaves St. Louis Wednesday, September 15th. One car is billed to Arledge & Kennedy, CROCKETT, TEXAS.

- State vs Jno Crawford—assault to murder. State vs Nath Pennington—assault to rape. State vs A J Knox et al—conspiring to murder. State vs Dick Rich—robbery. State vs W M McCorkle—disposing of mortgaged property. State vs Tony Williams—theft of hog. State vs Alfred Reese—theft of 13 hogs. State vs Geo Calhoun Jr—illegally marking hog. State vs Bud Polk—assault to murder. State vs Anderson Lot—theft of hog. State vs Emmit Gibson—burglary. State vs America Kelly—bigamy. State vs Albert Terry—bigamy. State vs Turner Stuart—theft of cattle. State vs W A Collins—burglary. State vs Lee Carr—perjury. State vs Lee McKnight—perjury. State vs Jim Jackson—perjury. State vs Jim Williams—disposing of mortgaged property.

HAVE A BATH. Be up to date in your living and buy a -- "MOSELY" THESE TUBS ARE "UP TO DATE" A Perfectly Equipped Bath With Plenty of Hot Water.

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Baby Mine! Every mother feels an indescribable dread of the pain and danger attendant upon the most critical period of her life. Becoming a mother should be a source of joy to all, but the suffering and its anticipation one of misery.

MOTHER'S FRIEND is the remedy which relieves women of the great pain and suffering incident to maternity; this hour which is dreaded as woman's severest trial is not only made painless, but all the danger is removed by its use.

ESTRAY NOTICE. Reported to me by G. M. Thompson Com. Prec. No 3 Houston Co. Texas. The following described animals— One bay mare about 14 hands high, about 8 or 9 years Old. Branded thus 7 on left hip and A on left shoulder. And one bay mare colt, about 2 years old, no brand.

Lumber! Lumber! I am now ready to furnish Any and All Kinds of Lumber, of any Grade and of any Dimension. Will supply in any quantities at mill or delivered, the very Best Heart Lumber or mixed as the log runs. Any one wanting lumber for any purpose Will Find it To His Interest to Call and See me before buying. I can make it to his interest to buy from me.

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Cotton Seed. I am paying 1 1/4 cents per bushel for cotton seed delivered in Lovelady and will take all that you bring. C. B. Moore

THE COURIER.

W. B. PAGE, Editor.

REAGAN AND CULBERSON. (CONTRIBUTED.)

There is small ground for difference of opinion respecting the candidacies of John H. Reagan and C. A. Culberson for U. S. Senator when viewed in the light and measured by the standard of soundness of individual judgment and conviction respecting questions of live public interest and importance. There is little ground for difference we repeat. But there is yet another aspect of this important matter which addresses itself with peculiar force and relevancy to the understanding of the people of this county. Judge Reagan has been an office-holder for forty years or more and excepting one short interval, forty years consecutively. During all this time of place-holding we challenge all who are familiar with the public history of that period to show where he has ever done a thing for any one from this county, solicited or unsolicited. If we are not correct in this statement we will cheerfully publish a correction. This can't be said of C. A. Culberson. Whatever else may be said of him or his administration the charge of ingratitude or want of appreciation for favors extended or labor expended for his promotion will not lie. He was prompt to recognize, as soon as he was installed governor, the incalculable and decisive help which Houston county rendered him in his contest for the nomination three years since. A citizen and a son of Houston county occupies to day an important and responsible place in his administration, Hon. J. W. Madden. Other things being equal, and it can not be denied that on questions of leading importance, Governor Culberson is as sound as Judge Reagan, the democrats of the county would appear to the world as acting ungratefully if the county did other wise than give its endorsement for United States Senator to Governor C. A. Culberson. With no purpose of disparaging the claims of John H. Reagan to the support of the people for Senator, we feel it to be our duty to make public the reasons which actuate us in taking the position that the vote of the representative from this county should be thrown for the election of C. A. Culberson. To do otherwise would be ungrateful and would be equivalent to saying that his coming to this county for an important member of his administration didn't meet the approbation of the people of Houston county. Vox.

THE FUTURE OF COTTON.

New Orleans, Sept 6, 1897. ED. COURIER:—At the beginning of a new commercial season it is indeed gratifying to see signs of genuine prosperity all about us. Railroad tonnage is much heavier than for several years. Bank clearings show an enormous expansion and prices have advanced not only for manufactured goods but for all prices, have advanced not only for manufactured goods but for all farm products as well, excepting cotton alone. The advance in the price of wheat will give the farmers of this country at least \$200,000,000 more than they have received for their crops for at least four years past, for the crop is large and prices good. The farmers of the Northwest will be able to lift mortgages from their farms, buy not only necessities but some of the luxuries of life and enjoy prosperity gen-

erally. But the statistical position of cotton looks to us to be stronger than at any time since 1890. To begin with, the world's consumption of cotton last year was larger by at least three quarters of a million bales than ever before, the maximum consumption prior to last year having been 8,800,000 bales of American grown cotton. The World's visible supply of cotton on September 1st, was 300,000 bales less than on Sept. 1st, 1896. Spinners' stocks and stocks at uncounted interior towns were at the lowest figure 400,000 bales less than a year ago. Add to this the American crop of 1896—97, 3,758,000, and we have 9,458,000 as the World's actual consumption of American cotton from Sept. 1st, 1896 August 31st, 1897. We believe the accuracy of the above figures cannot be questioned. It must be remembered that, during last year there were many disturbing elements throughout the World, all of which tended to restrict trade and shake generally confidence. India was stricken with famine; constant agitation of the Cuban question and a Presidential election at home, and the political complications in Europe growing out of the Cretan question are only a few of the bug bears which brought about stagnation in trade almost the World over. The outlook for the present commercial year is much brighter: Confidence has been restored at home, the farmers are prosperous, factories are starting up, idle labor is being employed and indications are that activity in trade in this country will surpass even that of 1892. Turkey and Greece have amicably adjusted their differences, and Europe therefore breathes freely again. Congress does not meet until December and it is believed the Cuban question will be settled before that time. The National legislature will very likely take up and finally dispose of the currency question and thus give the country a rest for at least three years from constant agitation of the evils of our monetary system. When the changed conditions are considered, why should not the World use more cotton this season than last? But should the consumption only equal that of last year and should Mr. Neill's crop of 9,750,000 be realized, the surplus to be added to the visible supply at the end of the season would not exceed 300,000 bales, and with anything like active speculation even a much larger surplus could be easily taken care of at a higher level of values. But we do not believe the yield will reach the figure named by Mr. Neill, and we do not believe the World's consumption promises to exceed that of last year, and consequently we believe in higher prices. Crop damage reports from Arkansas, Alabama, Georgia and Mississippi, due to rust, shedding and worms, and with general rains these reports would doubtless become general. The wheat situation may be summed up as follows: Two thirds of the burden of feeding the importing countries is thrown on America, and it is hardly possible that the United States, with only a moderate new crop and no reserves, can sustain the efforts for long. The best foreign authorities believe that American prices will continue their upward course, because European reserve stocks are actually much less than the trade believes them to be.

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COTTON SEED.

I am paying 124 cents per bushel for all cotton seed brought me at Lovelady. Come on with them. C. B. Moore.

LOVELADY TEACHER'S INSTITUTE.

I hope the teachers of Houston county will listen, think and reflect, and excuse me if I talk too long.

The law provides that we shall hold county institutes, and in the new form of contracts a clause is inserted by which the teacher binds himself to attend the institutes, or forfeit a day's salary for each day that he, or she, fails to attend.

Now if we carry out the provision of the law, and the terms of our contracts, we shall have to meet, and organize, and set in motion, the Houston County Teachers' Institute.

But was the law wise in creating such a demand upon the teachers? It certainly was. Do we not owe it to self to equip and prepare ourselves to attain the highest possible means to better enable us to teach and instruct those precious and valuable jewels committed to our care? But do we not owe it to the community? The teacher is, as a rule, looked upon as a guide, not only in moral culture and development, but are capable to form the life and character of the many youths they often have to preside over.

But more still: We are indebted to government. It has been observed by some one that civilization is the bulwark of a government.

Civilization comprehends the refinement of the morals, habits and customs of a people. To accomplish this people must be brought up to realize responsibility, their relationship, the importance of pleasant and amiable co-operation, both in the suppression of all evils, unjust discrimination, unfair and partial legislation as well as in the highest advancement of society. Now all this in turn presupposes a teacher. But still greater the charge: We are most assuredly responsible to posterity.

The perpetuity of a government depends upon the civilization of its people, and this upon the status of its society.

If the society is good the civilized condition will be good. Hence the government will be presumably first-class. So, if we will perpetuate a good stable government we shall have to provide posterity with examples of patriotism, integrity and virtue as were left us by our noble ancestors. Now I say all this is the work of the teacher. Perhaps you ask "What part does the politician play in the grand drama?" To this I shall answer that the politician is, in a way, the reproduction of some professor on political science. In fact pedagogy is the father of all professions, and I shall here assume that it is second to none. Fellow teachers, I hope you will consider this matter seriously. Make up your minds and let us come together and work to raise our body up to that standard which the profession so much demands, and of which Houston county will be proud. Believing that our noble county judge will soon call such meeting, let me offer a few suggestions: Most of the schools are now engaged and by the middle of October the larger number will be in operation. We want to make these meetings useful, instructive and interesting. Therefore I shall offer the following program:

Call the meeting to convene at Crockett, say Oct. 15, at 10 a. m. and adjourn on Saturday, 16th, at 12 m. Then afterwards meet bi-monthly with the different communities. For instance the December meeting to be held with the community inviting the institute and so on.

By this method of conducting the institute we elicit the hearty

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I make a specialty of hand made saddles, Texas and Colorado styles, guaranteed to be the best, prices from \$7.50 up. Ladies Saddles from \$3.50 up. Good harness complete \$6.00. Don't forget that I sell

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and welcomed co-operation of trustees and patrons. Bring about a better feeling between teachers and patrons, between trustees and trustees, between trustees and trust (children.) Talk up school interests with the people face to face. The people see that you are in earnest and confidence will be inspired, schools built up, people take on new zeal, education advanced and old Houston county will be proud of her schools and fond of her teachers. See?

But is this all? No; not by any means. The teacher will gain an information he could not get elsewhere. He will be thrown in company with experienced teachers from whom privately he may obtain much needed and valuable information. He will have an opportunity to hear and see the practical observations and illustrations of experienced men and women in the school room on the subject of methods and management. In fact here is where we learn the "how," "How to teach." It is what every teacher should be after.

It is like taking an evening walk in a beautiful flower garden to cull from its many beds rare gems of exquisite beauty and weave them into a bouquet of useful lessons to present to the tender and aspiring mind.

Hoping to hear from some teacher on this question through the

"Old Reliable", (Courier) and trusting to have a good meeting, I am
Fratefnally,
S. J. S. Wood.

STRAY NOTICE.

Reported to me by W. E. Hail Comr: Pre No. 1 Houston county Texas, the following described animals. One sorrel mare branded M. D. on neck 6 on left shoulder, 14 or 14½ hands high, about 9 years old. And her sorrel colt about one year old. In care of Hal Burton 10 miles West of Crockett at Porter Springs.

Filed August 3rd 1897. Given under my hand and seal of office this 30th day of August A. D. 1897. N. E. Allbright Co. cl'k Houston Co Texas.

Mr. James E. Ferrell, of Burnt House W. Va., has discarded all other diarrhoea medicines and now handles only Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. He has used it in his family and sold it to his customers for years, and has no hesitation in saying that it is the best remedy for colic and diarrhoea, he has ever known. It not only gives relief, but effects a permanent cure. It is also pleasant and safe to take, making it an ideal remedy for bowel complaints. For sale by B. F. Chamberlain.

LOST.

Brown mare mule, 15 years old, about 15 hands high, small rope round neck, branded Mexican gourd. Five dollars for her return. A. M. Langston, Crockett, Texas.

DISTRICT COURT DOCKET.

(CIVIL DOCKET.)

Ed DeBerry vs Jerry Williams—appeal from county court.
 Caroline Jones vs Frank Jones—divorce.
 Lucy Crawford vs Geo. Crawford—divorce.
 J C Wootters vs Armstead Watson—trespass.
 F M Satterwhite vs I. & G. R. R.—damage suit.
 Amy Odem vs Steve Odem—divorce.
 Josephine Denman vs Ben Denman—divorce.
 Della Reed vs Elder Reed—divorce.
 W. H. Denny vs F. H. Bayne—trespass.
 I. A. Daniel vs I. & G. N. R. R.—damage suit.
 W. H. Vaughan vs Allen Driskell—land suit.
 Chas. Long et al vs J. B. Smith et al—for title and damages.
 Willie Squires vs Will Squires—divorce.
 Madden & Lipscomb vs Marcus Bromberg—title and damages.
 W. W. Bodenheimer et al vs W. S. Simpson—title and costs.
 Frank Jones vs H. M. Barbee—sequestration.
 David Griffin vs H. M. Barbee—sequestration.
 Home and Foreign Investment Co. vs Dan Egbert et al—promissory note.
 Emilie Freeman vs Geo. Freeman—divorce.
 First National Bank vs J. W. Hail—attachment.
 Lou Simons vs Elisha Simons—divorce.
 State of Texas vs E. P. Rankin—on bond.
 W. D. Stephens vs Mattie Stephens—divorce.
 Jas. Patton vs Amanda Patton—divorce.
 J. W. Prewitt vs S. H. Ford—divorce.
 J. A. Turner vs C. M. Turner—divorce.
 M. Harrold vs T. F. Smith—promissory note.
 H. W. Moore vs Ed DeBerry—for land.
 Malinda Jones vs Jno I. Moore—over charge.
 W. F. Bounds vs Lou Bounds—divorce.
 D. S. Smith vs Hettie Smith—divorce.
 Emma Jenkins vs Lewis Jenkins—divorce.
 J. C. DeBruhl vs P. C. DeBruhl—divorce.
 Bar Cash and Package Carrier Co. vs V. V. McConnell—suit on contract.
 B. Adams vs D. L. Key and M. Bromberg—suit to foreclose.
 J. C. Wootters et al vs Will Berry—suit to foreclose.
 H. H. Foster vs M. C. Foster—divorce.
 T. J. Davis vs J. J. Davis—damages and title.
 J. J. Schartz vs J. W. Hail—trespass.
 J. C. Wootters et al vs Berry Hodge—suit to foreclose.
 E. E. Williams vs J. F. Adams—suit to foreclose.
 Wallace Totty vs B. F. Chamberlain—suit for damages.
 A. J. C. Dunnam vs Elias Atkinson—garishment.
 J. A. Corley vs Joe Adams, county attorney—election contest.
 T. F. Smith et al vs T. V. Goodrum—attachment and sequestration.
 Mrs. V. I. Miller vs J. T. Taylor—trespass.
 Simon Walls vs Ida Walls—divorce.
 Frank Bray et al vs J. H. King et al—suit to cancel sale.
 Lawrence Harkins vs Rose Harkins—divorce.
 M. E. & W. T. Jones vs Willis Poole—trespass.
 John Aul vs J. R. Foster—for debt.
 Helen V. Hudson vs Burl Hud-

son—divorce.
 G. P. Mead vs T. F. Smith—suit on contract.
 J. R. B. Barbee vs Insurance Cos.—three cases.
 Fannie Carr vs Alex. Carr—divorce.
 T. D. Craddock et al vs J. T. Taylor—suit to clear title.
 Sue Holly vs Tom Holly—divorce.
 W. E. Mayes vs W. D. Dechard et al—suit on contract and damages.
 Peter Coulter vs Bettie Coulter—divorce.
 America Kelly vs Wm. Kelley—divorce.
 Chas. Long et al vs J. C. Wootters and E. M. Wootters—suit for land and other property amounting to over twenty-two thousand dollars without interest.

CRIMINAL DOCKET.

State vs Sam Morehead—theft of money.
 State vs Joe Robinson—theft of 31 hogs.
 State vs Tom Bryant—theft of hogs.
 State vs Felix Bryant—theft of hogs.
 State vs W. E. Nelson—disposing of mortgaged property.
 State vs Mat Harris—assault to murder, 2 cases.
 State vs Elbert Rogers—murder.
 State vs D. B. Smith—false swearing.
 State vs Wm. Tryan—disposing of mortgaged property.
 State vs Andy Nathaniel—theft of hogs.
 State vs Ed King—murder.
 State vs Covy Watson—theft of stock.
 State vs E. D. Moore—attempting to pass counterfeit coin.
 State vs E. D. Moore—passing counterfeit coin.
 State vs Wm. Smith—theft of hog.
 State vs Ed Curry—theft of mule.
 State vs Geo. Odem—theft of hog.
 State vs Robt. Box—theft of cattle.
 State vs Sam Holmes—theft of stock.
 State vs Geo. McCullar—murder.
 State vs A. J. Knox—murder.
 State vs A. J. Knox et al—conspiring to murder.
 State vs Joe Sallas—murder.
 State vs Hill Ady—murder.
 State vs J. W. Howell—murder.
 State vs Dan Harris—theft of hog.
 State vs Buck Murray—theft of stock.
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 State vs Frank Owens—assault to murder.
 State vs Jno Crawford—murder.

State vs Jno. Crawford—assault to murder.
 State vs Nurb. Pennington—assault to rape.
 State vs A. J. Knox et al—conspiring to murder.
 State vs Dick Rich—robbery.
 State vs W. M. McCorkle—disposing of mortgaged property.
 State vs Tony Williams—theft of hog.
 State vs Alfred Reese—theft of 13 hogs.
 State vs Geo. Calloun Jr.—illegally marking hog.
 State vs Bud Polk—assault to murder.
 State vs Anderson Lot—theft of hog.
 State vs Emmet Gibson—burglary.
 State vs America Kelly—bigamy.
 State vs Albert Terry—bigamy.
 State vs Turner Stuart—theft of cattle.
 State vs W. A. Collins—burglary.
 State vs Lee Carr—perjury.
 State vs Lee McKnight—perjury.
 State vs Jim Jackson—perjury.
 State vs Jim Williams—disposing of mortgaged property.

Baby Mine!



Every mother feels an indescribable dread of the pain and danger attendant upon the most critical period of her life. Becoming a mother should be a source of joy to all, but the suffering and danger of the ordeal make its anticipation one of misery.

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\$1.00 PER BOTTLE at all Drug Stores, or sent by express on receipt of price. Containing invaluable information of interest to all women, will be sent FREE to any address, upon application, by THE HEADFIELD REGULATOR CO., Atlanta, Ga.

THIRD SPECIAL TRAIN OF BUCK'S
Stove and Range Co.
 Have received orders for **OVER 80 CAR LOADS OF STOVES AND RANGES,**
 To be shipped immediately.
 The first train left St. Louis August 17th; the second train, on August 24th; the third train leaves St. Louis Wednesday, September 15th. One car is billed to
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 Be up to date in your living and buy a --
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 In care of J. B. Satterwhite, 11 miles South East of Crockett on White Rock Creek. Filed for record Aug. 12th 1897.
 Given under my hand and seal of office, this 24th day of August A. D. 1897.
 N. E. Allbright, County Clerk, Houston county.

Lumber! Lumber!
 I am now ready to furnish **Any and All Kinds of Lumber,** of any **Grade** and of any **Dimension.** Will supply in any quantities at mill or delivered, the very **Best Heart Lumber** or mixed as the log runs. Any one wanting lumber for any purpose **Will Find it To His Interest to Call and See** me before buying. I can make it to his interest to buy from me.
 Mill two and a half miles South of Crockett right on Lavelady road. **All bills Filled Promptly and at Prices that Defy Competition.** Try me.
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 D. J. Price, G. P. & T. A., Palestine, Texas.

THE COURIER.

W. B. PAGE, Editor.

ANOTHER TAX ON COTTON.

The Maritime Association of Galveston have issued an address to the cotton planters, cotton ginners, cotton merchants and cotton handlers of Texas generally, notifying them all that the Marine Insurance Companies have issued a new tariff of insurance on cotton raised in Texas. The rate is 1/2 per cent higher on Texas cotton than on cotton raised in other states. Placing the crop of Texas, a full crop year, at 3,000,000 bales, the new and additional tax is \$300,000. The question is then asked, who pays this increase in insurance rates? The answer is the Texas Farmer.

Up to last year the insurance companies accused the Port of Galveston of allowing cotton to remain on the wharves without protection long enough for the bales to absorb sufficient moisture to deteriorate the cotton all around the bale, and especially the end resting on the ground.

To place the responsibility where it belongs, the Wharf Company, at Galveston, two years ago covered all its wharves with waterproof warehouses having plank floors but still country damage claims came from abroad, and as the damage cannot occur here, the careless handling in the country is responsible for that enormous loss of \$300,000.00 in insurance.

The cotton is transferred here direct from the cars to the warehouse and from the warehouse to the steamers and there is no possibility of damage occurring.

The loss of \$300,000.00 can be prevented by the farmers, cotton dealers and compress managers taking better care of the cotton, and never letting the bales rest on the ground nor be exposed to the weather. Heavy bagging, 24 lbs. and certainly not less than 24 lbs. should be used, and skids should be placed under the bales when it is not possible to keep them in warehouses.

If the interior of the State will protect the cotton as it is done in Galveston, the question of "country damage" will be settled, and the farmers will receive \$300,000.00 more for their cotton.

The above in the main is from a circular issued by the Galveston Maritime Association. We invite the attention of the farmers to it especially and urge them to read it carefully. The time has come when farmers, ginners and all handlers must use more care in the handling of cotton than has been done heretofore. The staple should never be permitted to touch the ground at all from the picking to the factory. Many of the ginners of the country are using improved attachments for cleaning. All ginners will have to come to it, sooner or later. Buyers don't want sandy cotton and are not going to take it. Farmers should recognize this and compel their ginners to put in all equipments for taking sand and dirt out of cotton.

PROSPERITY FOR FARMERS.

Loan Companies Report a Lively Clearing Away of Old Farm Debts.

Chicago, Sept. 2.—Nothing could prove more conclusively the happy condition in which the farmers of the great middle West now find themselves than the manner in which they are dealing with their mortgage incumbrances. Reports from concerns which control a large amount of this kind of business are unanimous in saying that not in many years has there been the activity now existing in these transactions. From all over the so-called corn belt—more properly called this year the wheat belt—comes the same good word. It is a day when men are taking new hold of their means of livelihood, paying up their old obligations,

clearing off mortgages and the interest accumulations that have been nagging the life out of them, or buying more land and renewing the mortgage to meet the first payments.

It would be difficult, indeed, to find a defaulting mortgagor in these days of good crops and high prices. Some indication of the prevailing hum among farmers may be gathered from instances related by members of prominent loan agencies. One tells of a farmer in Kansas who a year ago voluntarily deeded over his farm to the company, but remained on the farm as a tenant. This year he has sold his crop, paid off all arrears of interest and insurance, cut down the debt by a big slice, and with new hope and greatly reduced indebtedness starts out again, the owner of his own farm and home.

Local men who have the most to do with negotiating loans of this character tell of many farmers who came to their agents a year ago and begged to have their property taken, so as to relieve them of the unavailing struggle to save it. This year these same men are coming back with joyful faces, clearing up the back claims, and paying off the loan either in part or whole. Many are doing what the loan agents like much better, and this is to have the old loan renewed for the purpose of making new investments or buying adjoining land.

CEDAR POINT.

ED. COURIER:

Farmers are all right in the midst of corn pulling and cotton picking. Corn is turning out well, but cotton not near so good. I don't think any of the farmers will have their corn crib in Kansas next year.

Our little town of Tadmor is on a boom, as we have a new gin and mill, and also a new blacksmith shop.

Mr. Andy Fair has just about completed his new gin house which is the best in this part of the county.

Mr. Will Creath is laying lumber and shingles on the ground for a neat new building. Mr. Wiley Wilson also contemplates building in the near future.

Miss Estelle, the accomplished daughter of Mrs. M. J. McHenry, left last week for Palestine to resume her music school.

Prof. Herbert has commenced his school again with a very large attendance.

The Ice Cream Supper given by Misses Mary Bell and Ella Miller last Friday night was a charming success, the young ladies entertained most beautifully on that occasion. Messrs George and Will Taylor and their violins accompanied by their sister Maggie on the organ, rendered some most excellent music. Mr. Jim McKinney and Bill Patton Jr., also made some music that was worth listening to. Among the visitors at the party were Misses Fannie Kennedy and Lucy McLean from Augusta, and Miss Pearl Hill of Daniels, and among the men young was Tom Hill, George and Jim Mecklin from Daniel, and Jim and Chester Kennedy and Ney Sheridan from Augusta, Dock McKenne and Bill Bradley from Drennan.

Tadmor will go against the hog law.

BERYL.

Administrator's Notice.

All persons having claims against Titus Trim deceased are notified that on the 2nd day of Aug. 1897 letters of administration were granted to me by the county court of Houston county, Texas, and claims should be presented to me within 12 months from said date.

ROSEFIELD COTTON.

Cheap Homes

—IN—
Houston County.

Real Estate and Land For Sale
B. F. DUREN & SON.

21 acres, Henry Masters league, 2 miles east from the town of Crockett, on Crockett and Centralia road. Level post oak land. Will make a nice little farm.—Unimproved.

400 acres, R. de la Garza league, 10 miles north-west from town of Crockett. Well improved and an abundance of good water on Elkhart creek. Several good houses on this farm.

400 acres, Wm. Dickerson Hr., 4 miles north from Crockett. Extra well improved, good houses, barns etc, on this place.

160 acres, Plinney Blanchard league, 8 miles south from Crockett. Improved and good farming land.

75 acres, R. B. Frost Hr., 6 miles south from Crockett, near I. & G. N. R. R.—Improved.

160 acres, J. W. Harvey Hr., 13 miles south-west from Crockett.—Improved. Good farm.

160 acres, Wesley Truss Hr., 7 miles north from Crockett on I. & G. N. R. R. House on this place in sight of said rail road. Very well improved; also farming land.

300 acres, J. B. Hallmark Hr., 10 miles east from Crockett on White Rock creek. Good improvement and about 75 acres open land and some very fine bottom land on this place.

200 acres, Joseph Teague Hr., 10 miles north-east from Crockett. Improved and also farming land.

50 acres, M. Blackshear Hr., 14 miles east from Crockett, near East Prairie. Small improvement on this place.

56 acres, M. H. Johnson Hr., 16 miles north-east from Crockett, all unimproved, well timbered.

615 acres, John Gregory league, 1 1/2 miles south from Lovelady on Tanta-bogue Creek—all unimproved. Very fine land.

640 acres, G. G. Alford Hr., 25 miles east from Crockett. Improved; very fine farming land, on Cochino Bayou.

UNIMPROVED TRACTS:

320 acres, W. E. Hayes Hr., 11 miles east from Crockett.—Fine land.

483 acres, J. C. Teague Hr., 10 miles north-east from Crockett.—Post oak and red oak.

248 acres, W. Dillard Hr., 14 miles east from Crockett.—Pine land.

200 acres, Antonio Barozo Hr., 18 miles south-east from Crockett.—Pine, red oak and hickory timber.

177 acres, O. Peterson Hr., 18 miles north-east from Crockett.—Red oak and black-jack timber.

400 acres, Collin Aldrich Hr., 8 miles south-west from Crockett.—Post oak, black-jack and hickory timber.

320 acres, F. M. McNeil Hr., 8 miles north from Crockett.—Hickory, black-jack and post oak timber.

132 acres, J. Smith Hr., 8 1/2 miles north-west from Crockett.—Black-jack and hickory timber.

227 acres, O. M. Vinton, 16 miles south-east from Crockett. 207 acres, Wm. Cruz, 16 1/2 miles south-east from Crockett. 350 acres, John Edens, 15 miles north-west from Crockett.—Red oak timber.

200 acres, John Moore league, 4 miles south from Crockett, near Crockett and Huntsville road. 100 acres in cultivation and 100 acres timbered land.

132 acres, T. R. Townsend Hr. 6 miles south-west from Crockett on Crockett and San Antonio road; 65 acres in cultivation.

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Also about 20,000 acres unimproved land in different portions of the county for sale on easy terms.

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88 acres, Luke Burt Hr., 10 miles east from Crockett, near Concord church. Good farming land.—upland—unimproved.

100 acres, J. Allbright league, on Trinity river; not subject to overflow. Very fine land.—Unimproved.

320 acres, T. J. Goolsby Hr., 9 miles north east from Crockett. Good upland.

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ESTRAY NOTICE.

Taken up by Green. Burnett on his farm, 16 miles north of Crockett. Near Augusta. And estrayed before T. S. Cook, J. P. precinct No 2 Houston county Texas. The following described animal: One light brown mare, 13 hands high, about 15 years old, star in face, branded 3-3 on left thigh, right hind leg broken, right hip knocked down, appraised at three dollars. Filed for record August 20th A. D. 1897.

Given under my hand and seal of office, this 24th day August A. D. 1897.

N. E. Allbright County Clerk, Houston County Texas.

St. Louis Fair Oct. 4th to 9th Inclusive.

The I. & G. N. R. R. will have on sale round trip tickets to St. Louis, Mo. October 3rd to 8th inclusive at rate of one fare, tickets good to return until October 11th.

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I have been in the drug business for twelve years, and during that time, have sold nearly all the cough medicines manufactured; and from my personal knowledge of such remedies, I say that Chamberlain's Cough Remedy gives better satisfaction than any other on the market.—W. M. TERRY, Elkton, Ky. Sold by B. F. Chamberlain.

LOCAL NEWS.

ARLEDGE & KENNEDY

DEALERS IN

Groceries & Hardware,

Keep a good Fresh Stock and you will do well to call on them before buying, they are never under sold A good stock of Farming tools on hand.

The oil mill is now running on full time.

All treated alike at the Aldrich House—no special dishes.

The public schools will begin work on the fourth of October.

Car load of Mitchell wagons received by Craddock & Co.

Ben Hail carried out three more convicts to the farm on Monday morning.

If you want the best wagon on earth buy the Studebaker, at McConnell's.

The storm that has been prevailing for two days has damaged cotton seriously by blowing it out.

New Photograph Gallery over Haring's Drug Store.

J. W. RHODES, Prop't.

Quite a number of persons took advantage of the extremely low rate and went down to Galveston last Saturday.

Remember sale of McCelvey place near Coltharp, first Tuesday in October. Credit of one year with good sureties.

The John McCelvey place, 240 acres, will be sold at public sale first Tuesday in October. Credit of one year with good sureties.

When you feel like enjoying a nice, ice cold schooner of Magnolia keg beer, "Hyman's Saloon" is the only place where you can get it.

No where in Crockett can you get for \$2.00 a day, such meals and lodging as you can at the Aldrich House for \$1.00 a day.

I represent five of the largest tailoring houses in America. Have the largest number of patterns to select from that have ever been shown in Crockett.

J. F. DOWNEY.

The electric light plant has begun operations again. The lights are a great comfort to the town, but it does seem that the concern could be operated without so many provoking shut-downs.

There is no wagon traveling Texas roads that will compare with the Mitchell. For ease of running, strength and soundness of material, workmanship and durability, it is without a peer. Come round to Craddock & Co's and price and see them.

Judge F. A. Williams and family who have been spending the summer in the Virginia mountains returned Wednesday. The health of Mrs. Williams is very much improved as also that of the judge. His court begins about first of October.

CASH! CASH!! CASH!!!

Best Patent Flour \$1.25. Second Pat \$1.20. Every sack and barrel guaranteed. Car Texas Red Rust Proof Oats 32c per bushel. Car Rich Texas Wheat Bran 75c per 100 lbs. Alfalfa Hay 60c per bale. Pure Leaf Lard and Bacon always on hand and at the lowest figures.

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A full line of School Books just received. The season for ice tea is here. Try me for an extra quality. Tea—I can sell you an extra fine quality.

B. F. CHAMBERLAIN, Druggist to Please.

Just received a first class grade of whiskey at "Hyman's Saloon."

Mrs. Bertha Sherril is visiting her father and mother, John Mangum and wife.

Dr. H. J. Cunyus, dentist, Crockett, Texas. Office over Arledge, Kennedy & Co's Grocer Store.

The big mast this year determined a good many votes against the hog law.

McConnell has received this week a car of the celebrated "Studebaker" wagons which he is selling at extremely low prices.

The new building on the school lawn for music teachers is going up. It will contain four rooms.

John McConnell is visiting in St. Louis and other eastern markets purchasing his winter stock of merchandise.

Mrs J. A. Bricker expects soon to open up business in a new house east of the Courier office.

A. D. Lipscomb is on a trip to Fort Worth this week looking after a case in court in that place.

If you want the best wagon on earth, buy the Mitchell sold by Craddock & Co.

J.G. Brown has bought out the blacksmith and wood work shop of Bob Rich.

For first-class Photo's go to Rhoda Studio over Haring's Drug Store.

Mrs. Henrietta Wynne who was tendered the art department of the Jacksonville College will not accept but will continue her instructions here.

When you want a good meal or bed, you can get it at the Aldrich House for \$1.00 a day.

All day Sunday and Monday the wind blew with terrible force. The rain began falling after midnight Sunday night and fell in great sheets at intervals on Monday.

The City Saloon has an elegant Ladies' Dresser to give away. All who buy a dollar's worth of whiskey will have an opportunity to get it.

G. W. BROXSON.

While you are settling your debts don't forget the Courier which has never failed to call on you once every week for the past year and in the cases of some for two, three and even four years.

Public Sale of 240 acres fine land near Coltharp first Tuesday in October. Credit of one year with good sureties.

We are pleased to get advertisements for the Courier, from all, but not for nothing. Our circulation, genuine not fakish, authorizes and justifies us in charging a legitimate fee for the same. This is all we propose to do—no more, no less, but this much for certain. Justice to those who read the paper constrains us to look to their interest somewhat and advertising at cheap john rates is not doing so.

L. W. Cooper will put up brick houses on north side of square where he now has framed structures.

Port Fulgham, brother-in-law of T. F. Smith, was married to Miss May Fox, daughter of Tom Fox, living near Daly.

The plucky little town of Grapeland is determined to be up on the front line. The Grapeland Times had hardly sold out ere home capital and talent had purchased another outfit and were ready to start. Blaylock and Stowe are the proprietors and the Herald is the name of the journal. The Courier wishes them all the success they desire. They get out a neat sheet.

Judge Bryant of the Federal Court at Tyler sentenced Davis Moore to one year's imprisonment in each of two cases of conviction, making two years in all. He also remarked that if the defendant's attorney would get up a petition asking for clemency that the period of two year's would be reduced to six months. We understand the petition has been prepared and is in circulation for signatures.

The pear-shipping business is a big one now. From eight to ten hundred pounds leave Crockett every day. The railroad and express companies get the cream of it. The writer made a small shipment to San Antonio a few days ago. His part of the returns was \$3.30. The railroad got \$14.80 for their part. What inducement is this for developing any such industry? We would like for some of these people, ever ready to fly to the defense of transportation companies, to defend such charges.

There is an intense though subdued feeling of animosity on the part of the colored people toward the negro, Oscar Steed, for attempting to outrage the little negro girl, Steed is in jail and strange to say anxious to get out. His bond is fixed at a comparatively low figure on account of his inability to give bail. If he has good sense, a matter to be seriously questioned, he will remain where he is. In a case of this kind where the brute failed to accomplish his purpose and no serious consequences follow such attempt, the Courier's advice to the colored people is to keep quiet, to do nothing rash and to violate no law.

The caliope attachment of one of Crockett's gins broke loose Tuesday night in upper C or G or upper something we don't exactly know what. At first those who heard it thought it was the horn of some belated fox-hunter returning. Others thought it was a crowd of boys out serenading and had imported a new tenor voice from Mozambique or other savage isle and had him out in the suburbs practicing. It was a strange sound, somewhat unearthly and yet not altogether such as you hear around grave yards. It tooted and screamed and wheezed and whistled. Then it stopped as if

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Bedroom Suits	\$12.50 to \$60.00
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Bedsteads	1.90 to 8.00
Rocking Chairs (large size)	1.40 to 8.50
Dining Chairs	85c to 1.50
Kitchen Safes	2.95 to 4.75
Centre Tables	50c to 6.00

We have hundreds of others which we have't space to tell you about, but everything lower than you can buy elsewhere. New goods arriving daily.

No Penitentiary Goods.

some one had caught it by the throat and was choking the "innards" out of the thing. Then it tooted and gasped and gasped and tooted. Some one evidently was clutching it by the "gozzle" and telling it to hush. Ever and anon a sickly toot would escape. The thing and the fellow were engaged in a death struggle. Finally it gasped a last gasp and then—"he or it died."

Z. D. Driskell was in to see us Wednesday.

B. F. Chamberlain left for Houston, Monday.

Judge Williams and family left for Galveston Thursday.

Two convicts escaped from Ben Hall's camp on Wednesday.

Miss Carrie McHenry of Cedar Point is visiting in the city this week.

The recent storm blew down fully six hundred bushels of pears at the two orchards.

The little child of M.S. Mims, living near Lovelady, was drowned Wednesday in a tub of water.

For a perfect fit combined with superior workmanship, at reasonably low prices, call on J.F. Downes when ready to place your orders for tailor made clothing.

Marion Satterwhite says that since he came into office there have been as many as 133 cases of misdemeanor docketed in justice court. Of these only 28 have been acquitted.

In a discussion before the R. R. Commission this week of the proposition to compress cotton for shipment, Judge Stedman representing the I. & G. N. intimated that the Crockett cotton would be hauled to Palestine, there compressed and then shipped to Galveston. Now, who is to pay the additional freight on the haul of Crockett cotton to port? The Crockett merchants will surely not sit down and permit an outrage of this character to be done.

Farmers and ginners have come in for their share of criticism for dirty cotton. But they don't deserve all the blame. The merchant and the ware-house man also must bear a share of it—the merchant for bringing on any but 2 1/2 pound to the yard bagging and the ware-house-man for permitting the cotton to lie on the ground and in the rain. We are informed that a great deal, if not the most, of the bagging is 2 pound stuff. We saw some the other day that a cat could jump through almost.

Cotton Seed Advanced.

C. B. Moore of Lovelady authorizes us to announce that he is paying from now on 13 1/4 cents a bushel or \$8.00 a ton for cotton seed instead of 12 1/4 cents a bushel or \$7.50 per ton as heretofore. On the other side of this paper Moore's advertisement shows that he is offering only 12 1/4 cents a bushel. That is not correct and the reason of it is that that side of the paper was published last Monday, before he authorized the advance in price.

FARMERS.

I have a New Ginning Outfit, complete in every appointment and equipped to do the very best of work. Everything new and in first-class order. New and latest improved gins, with condensers and all other attachments for making a good yield and a clean sample. Guarantee to knock out all sand and dirt and to take out all trash.

I will gin for \$1.50 a bale and guarantee satisfaction. I only ask the public to give me a trial. Will gin from wagon or can store for those who desire.

Gin located at Crockett a short distance below oil mill.

EARLE POWELL.

Precaution Enjoined.

As yellow fever excitement is growing in Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama, with new cases developing daily, it is of the greatest importance that each and every individual in the county and especially in the railroad towns, should look closely to the sanitary condition of their premises. Any suspicious cases should be reported promptly.

W. C. Lipscomb, M. D.,

County Health Officer, Crockett, Texas, Sept. 15th., 1897.

For Sale.

I will sell at reasonable figures and on reasonable terms the following property: One saw-mill, one gin, one grist mill, one engine and boiler, 20 horse power, one residence. If can't sell, will exchange for real estate in this or adjoining counties. The above property is situated 10 miles north of Crockett, 3 miles east of Grapeland in a good community.

J. J. BROOKS,

Grapeland, Texas.

Stray Notice!

Reported to me by W. E. Hail, Comr. Pres No.2. Houston Co. Tex. The following described animals: One brown mare, about 14 hands high, about 6 years old, branded XV on left shoulder.

One bay mare about 14 hands high, about 12 or 14 years old, no brand visible has on large bell. One black horse mule colt, about 6 month old. In care of Levi Newton, 15 miles west of Crockett Texas on Alabama and Crockett road.

Filed Sept. 6th 1897.

Given under my hand and seal of office this 6th day of September A. D. 1897.

N. E. Allbright C. C. C. H. C. Tex.

Another New Church.

The Christian denomination propose in the near future to erect a new church, 40 by 60 feet, a frame building. They have not yet decided where to erect it, though they are considering the eligibility of two or three places, one of which is on the corner west of the present Methodist Church and one on Dr. Corley's lot east of where Sam Hail formerly lived.

Administrator's Notice.

All person's having claims against Titus Trim deceased are notified that on the 2nd day of Aug. 1897 letters of administration were granted to me by the county court of Houston county, Texas, and claims should be presented to me within 12 months from said date.

ROBERT COTTON.

THE COURIER.

W. B. PAGE, Editor.

Imboden seems to be safe in the counties of Cherokee, Angelina, Panola, Sabine, San Augustine, Shelby, Harrison, Houston will be in line for him too and thus he will walk off with the prize.

Some of our friends have wished to know of us when the Courier would get out a special edition. Our reply to them was that so far as circulation and good reading matter were concerned the *Old Reliable* got out a special edition every week.

We hope that Judge Gill in his charge to the grand jury will give special instructions to spare neither time nor expense to hunt down and indict the Cracker's Bend hoodlums. The parties who engaged in that raid on the camp of unoffending citizens, attending strictly to their business, deserve to be indicted, tried and punished as the law directs and prescribes for all persons who commit an assault to murder.

The conduct of those Cracker's Bend outlaws, in assaulting at midnight a camp of laboring, peaceful and unarmed citizens who were there to work and to molest no one deserve the severest reprobation of every good citizen and the severest penalties of the law for assault to murder. It can not be pleaded by them that such conduct was inspired by a purpose to have fun or run a joke. Persons bent on fun-making don't make raids on unoffending, unarmed citizens, wrapped in slumber, and shoot some thirty or forty shots into their tents and beds. There is no fun in such proceeding as this. There is malice there and as the lawyers say, malice prepense and aforethought. All the elements of murder in the first degree are present. It was no fault of theirs that they failed to kill. It was purely accidental.

Have the good citizens of Cracker's Bend and those living near thought of the effort of those hoodlums who in the stillness of the midnight hour sneaked up to North & Nagle's camp and poured a death-dealing volley into it? The effect will be serious unless they rise up in mass-meeting and denounce those engaged in it and then go to work and find out who they are and help land them in jail. Let them show the world that they do not countenance such conduct, have no sympathy with it and lend a helping hand to the officers of the law in punishing those who are guilty. Unless the good citizens in that end of the county do this and stamp out, such lawlessness, those coming to our county in search of homes and property will shun that community as they would a country without laws, where neither property nor life was safe or sacred.

A fight occurred last week in Pennsylvania between the sheriff and his deputies on one side and a marching band of striking miners on the other. The sympathies of the people and the press generally are with the strikers and rightfully, we think, in this instance. But we make reference to this contest not so much to express our sympathy with the laboring element in their struggle for a higher wage scale as to call the attention of our readers to the character of these miners. The most of them are foreigners and foreigners of the lowest type of civilization. They have not identified themselves with this country so much as to even take out naturalization papers. While

they are right in their demands in this instance, these foreigners, especially of this class, are a disturbing, turbulent, mutinous element in our politics and are ever ready to encourage and incite riot and revolution. Below is a list of some who were shot down in the fight last week with the sheriff and his deputies. Study these names and then let us congratulate ourselves that we haven't got coalmines in our section, if we have to have such people, to have the coalmines. Those shot down were: Mike Chelok; Frank Cheka, John Stajnska, Geo. Kulick, Jacob Kulskot, John Hareska, Andrew Mohkoski, Andrew Slovonski, George Gashbush, Geo. Krezo, John Kernovich, Andrew Shabolick, John Damensko, Geo. Vercheck, John Cleshok, John Treible, Jacob Kulshot, Steve Torskuki, John Postki, John Koti, Joseph Bobick, John Bournish.

Quite a number of our exchanges are lamenting the death by assassination of the so-called humorous writer Rufus Sanders. We are not advised as to the cause of his assassination. If it was for other than the wretched flubgub which he wrote and called humor we deplore it. But if he was dispatched for the miserable stuff which he inflicted weekly on the readers of many papers, our only regret is that the foolkiller didn't come along long before he did.

The Text-Book Commission as constituted on Saturday last by the Text Book Board is as follows: Professor A. W. Orr of Smith County; Professor C. W. Tate of Travis County; Professor Walker King of Houston County; Professor W. J. Clay of Erath County, and Professor B. L. Jones of Grason County. We feel confident that the interest of the people will be in safe hands with this commission. Their character is such that the agents of publishing houses will not dare approach them with propositions of doubtful character.

By the time the Federal Grand Jury and court at Tyler get through with that band of conspirators in Cracker's Bend, they will wish they never had heard of Nagle and North's camp. Far better for them that they had "monked" with a buzz-saw. The constitution and laws of the United States guarantee to every man the right to labor and live anywhere he chooses, a fact which gives the federal Court and Grand Jury at Tyler jurisdiction over the conduct of those engaged in breaking up the camp of these men.

A deep and serious responsibility rests on such men in the eastern section of Houston county as the McCombes, the Hagars, the Englishes, the Stubblefields, the Campbells, the Smiths and scores of other citizens equally as good. These men are good citizens in every sense. They are confronted today with a profound duty which they owe themselves, their section and the entire county. It behooves these good citizens to do everything in their power to ferret out the cowardly perpetrators of that midnight attempt at wholesale assassination in Cracker's Bend a few days since. They are interested to find out the authors of it and to help bring them to justice. They richly deserve punishment and they will receive it. The machinery of the courts may move slowly at times but it will move and those guilty of that shameful stigma upon the good name of the Coltharp section of the county and of the entire county will be brought to justice in time.

The idea of trying to excuse the conduct of those Cracker's Bend outlaws by saying that they only wanted to have fun! There is a great deal of fun in such conduct to Nagle and North who have invested their money among them and dare not go in to prosecute their work. That member of the mob was bent on fun when he remarked: "Hold on, boys, I will go on into their camps and if I find one of the d—d— there, I will cut him in two with buck-shot." That member of the mob was recognized. He is known.

A large number of Houston Co. citizens attended the federal Court at Tyler last week, being called there as witnesses in the Davis Moore case. Some of those present were Dr. T. M. Sherman, Allen Newton, Charley Sheridan, D. A. Nunn Sr., Rob Nunn, Jim Brown, Jim Bridges, Ed Miller, Earl Adams, N. J. Nagle, Charley Moore, Nat Allbright, Dock Kyle, H. W. Allen, Lem Allen, Frank Edmiston, Tom Craddock. Davis Moore was placed on trial in three cases for passing counterfeit money, made of rabbit metal. He was found guilty in two cases. The Judge assessed the punishment and fixed the penalty at one year in each case.

A GREAT BUG-A-BOO.

All this bug-a-boo in the News and GLOBE DEMOCRAT about the compromise which members of the commission and Attorney General Crane ratified with the Southern Pacific R. R. for violations of the commission laws bears the flesh marks of a deeply, strongly planned conspiracy the object of which was to cast the shadow of suspicion on the motives of these gentlemen. The facts seem to be these. The Southern Pacific R. R. Co. has in quite a number of cases violated the laws of the state and the regulations of the commission by discriminating in favor of certain places on its road as against others and in favor of certain business men in a place as against others. The penalty for such violations was \$5,000 in each case. The Attorney General entered suit to recover damages in quite a number of cases. They were fought to a finish in the courts and Attorney General Crane won in all which he carried to the courts. The Southern Pacific had the right of appeal and the privilege of tying the cases up in the courts on appeal for an indefinite time. Rather than do this the attorney general and the commission consented to the payment by the Southern Pacific Road of a fine of \$25,000, agreeing to dismiss the rest of the cases. Instead of viewing such proceeding with suspicion, with the light before us the people should look on the victory of Attorney General Crane as a triumph for the state and the commission. The sum of twenty-five thousand dollars is a pretty severe penalty for the Southern Pacific to pay for the fun of discriminating and it is several times more than the road made by such discrimination. The action of Attorney General Crane will cause that and other roads to respect the laws of the state made to prevent such practices by railroads.

COTTON! COTTON!

Farmers: We will be glad to be allowed to weigh a part of your cotton. We are not so selfish as to want to weigh it all. Bring us a part and try us. Our scales are correct and are willing for them to be tested and for that reason will guarantee satisfaction in weights. Accommodations for stock in yards, plenty of water, feeding stalls etc. Accommodations for patrons who have to spend night at yard. Courteous treatment, business methods, prompt handling and a grateful appreciation to all patrons. Give us a trial.

A. M. RENCHER & CO.

Rebate Guaranteed

ON 1000 BALES.

Some farmers doubting that we will gin 1000 bales of cotton so they can get the 50c rebate. We have concluded to gin and wrap your cotton for \$2.25 per bale thereby taking off or giving the rebate from now on.

JOHN E. MONK,
A. H. WOOTTERS.

LOVELADY.

ED. COURIER:

Summer is gone, Autumn is here but no rain yet; awfully dry. Our ginners is hauling water two miles for his machinery. Short cotton crops and prices still declining. Stock all sold out of the country, so there's not much chance for a large circulation of money through this part of the country as it will take all raised to pay for the Kansas corn and bacon shipped in this year. Good mast but no hogs to eat it. Still every one seems to be cheerful. Mr. John McIver father of Mr. Jim McIver, died at this place Sunday morning, September 5th. He had been in feeble health for some time. Mr. G. B. Lundy from Crockett was a visitor last week and must be in the cotton business as he carried off an arm full of samples.

A visit to the tomb stone manufacturing establishment of Mr. J. W. Turner will convince any one that Lovelady is on a boom. He has over 200 sets now ready to deliver. Well, it is root hog or die for another year or two. The election passed off quietly. This box voted against the hog law two to one. One feature of the election is that those who had the fewest number of hogs did the most voting against the law. Well, the poor hogs can find something to eat in the woods as it seems their owners are not willing to provide for them. Nice rain to day, since we commence writing, so, if the much talked of mast holds good we may have some jowl and turnips yet, if some one will furnish the jowl.

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DISTRICT COURT DOCKET.

SUPPLEMENTAL DOCKET.

We publish on the other side what we thought was a full civil and criminal docket of the district court. Since then other suits have been filed as follows:

Hapgood Shoe Company of Phila. filed a suit through Aldrich and Lipscomb this week against R. D. King—the proceeding being intended to test the right of exemption under the constitution of the entire Capitol Hotel property as a homestead.

F. G. Edmiston for use First National Bank vs E. M. Leutwiler et al.—To foreclose lien.

Minnie Hayes vs Bob Hayes, Divorce.

Webb Wooten vs Sarah Wooten, divorce.

S. H. Oliver vs Elvie Oliver, divorce.

T. J. Clark et al vs Lucy Clark, suit for partition.

P. J. Willis and Bro. vs J. E. Downs et al, trespass to try title.

Repair Work.

I am prepared to repair and overhaul all kinds of Machinery, such as **Boilers, Engines, Mowers, Gins,** and all kinds of farming machinery and implements. Prices reasonable and to suit the times. Shop near my old stand.

J. G. BROWN.

MANGUM'S COLUMN.

MR. EDITOR:

Please say to your readers that although the Dingley tariff bill has passed and will greatly raise prices on almost everything, I shall continue the one price to all. Spot cash business on a strictly low tariff basis and when they want anything it will pay them to see me before buying. I guarantee absolute satisfaction on everything I sell and will cheerfully refund the money when found otherwise.

Respectfully,

J. M. MANGUM.

P. S. 1. By the way, how about that 20,000 bales of cotton estimate for Crockett? I can't bet hats on it for I only have one, and to lose that would mean much to me; but I am in the market for cotton and want just 10,000 bales of Crockett's receipts and will pay full market value for it.

P. S. No. 2. I have't time to give you a detailed price list this week but will try to get it ready for your next issue.

In conclusion will add that I have just received another car of the celebrated White Swan Flour, a flour that has very few equals and no superiors.

To try it is to buy it. Keep your eye on the indicator and you will see it invariably points to Mangum's as the cheapest and best place in Houston county to buy Groceries.

Yours for business and low prices,

JNO. MANGUM.

P. S. No. 3. More anon.

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