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## Challenge Sale.

You Know What That Means. - - It Means Business,  
**We Challenge Them All.**

To hold the confidence of our regular customers and gain new ones, that's our aim. We roll up our sleeves, draw our sword and **Challenge all Competition**, to make such startling prices; and give such wonderful values, as we offer in this sale to the people of Crockett and Houston County.

This sale starts now. From the minute you clap your eyes on this advertisement, you'll be getting ready to attend this wonderful Challenge Sale.



Pongee, Zephyrs, Cotelaines, Gaze de Soie, Torquay novelties, silk novelties, satin stripe lace mulls at from per pattern \$2 to... \$6 00  
 75 pieces fancy colored lawns and dimities worth 12¢ and 15¢ at per yd... 10¢  
 Good quality fancy figured and striped dimities at per yd... 5¢  
 Good quality solid colored lawns, per yd... 5¢  
 Colored Scotch Lawns per yd 3¢  
 Best quality dress styles Zephyr Ginghams per yd... 10¢  
 Yard wide shirting Percals per yd... 9¢  
 Plain and fancy stripe linen Crash for skirts at per yd... 15¢  
 Cotton Coverts per yd... 10¢  
 Brown dress Linens at per yd 15, 20 and... 25¢



**NOTIONS.**  
 Our notion department is full of rich bargains not to be found elsewhere. Of course they are only small things at small prices, but as the prices are smaller than elsewhere, our customers are the gainers.

**WHITE GOODS.**  
 15c quality white Lawns per yd... 10c  
 10c quality white Lawns per yd... 8¢  
 8¢ quality white Lawns per yd... 5c  
 5c quality white Lawns per yd 3¢  
 White Organdies at per yd 10, 12½, 15, 25, 30, 35, 45, 50, 75 and... 90c  
 White Piques at per yd 10, 12½, 15 and... 25c  
 Checked Nainsooks at per yd 5, 7½, 10, 12½, 15 and... 20c  
 Checked and striped white Dimities at per yd 5, 7½, 8½, 10, 12½, 15 and up to... 25c



We are showing the largest stock of Swiss, Nainsook and Hamburg Embroideries ever shown in Crockett, and our prices on these goods defy all competition.

Don't fail to see our line of Embroideries, the kind others sell at 25c, at a yd... 10c  
 Nainsook Embroideries at per yd 10, 12½, 15 and up to... 50c  
 Hamburg Embroideries at per yd 2½, 4, 5, 8½, 10, 12½ and up to... 25c  
 Swiss Embroideries at per yd 1c to... 50c  
 Valenciennes Lace at from per yd 1c to... 12½c



Famous,  
 Fadeless,  
 Faultless,

### Topsy Hosiery.

Ladies' black cotton Hose at per pair from 5c to... 50c  
 Ladies' fancy stripe Hose at per pair 10, 15, 25c up to... 1.25  
 Complete line ladies' Laced Hose at from per pair 10c to... 50c  
 Misses' Hose, all sizes, at from per pair 5c to... 25c  
 Infants' Hose in black, pink and blue.

Men's half Hose in black and colors, plain or laced at from per pair 10c to... 1.00

### LADIES' MUSLIN UNDERWEAR.

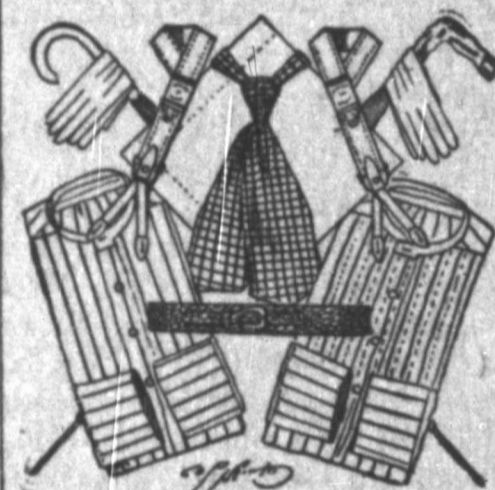
We have a complete assortment of Gowns, Chemises, Drawers, Skirts, Corset Covers, etc., at for less money than the material alone will cost you.

La. Gowns from 50c to... \$2 00  
 " Drawers " 25c to... 1 25  
 " Chemises from 50c to... 1 50  
 " Skirts from 50c to... 1 25  
 " Corset Covers from 15c to 75c



### PARASOLS AND UMBRELLAS

We have a great variety of ladies' Parasols in black and colors, plain and fancy, all stylish designs and excellent quality.  
 Prices range from 50c to... \$6.50  
 Men's Umbrellas from 50c to 3 50



### SOME MEN'S FURNISHINGS

please by reason of style, others by quality, some through low prices. Difficult as it is, we endeavor to combine all three. Success has crowned our efforts judging from the popularity of our offerings.

A man's full size knit Undershirt for... 12½c  
 A man's genuine Balbriggan Undershirt for 25 and... 50c  
 Men's fancy Balbriggan Undershirts at 25 and... 45c  
 Men's lisle thread Undershirts at... 1 00  
 Genuine No. 50 Scriven's Drawers, all sizes, at per pr. 50c  
 Imitation Scriven's Drawers at per pair... 40c  
 New line of club, four-in-hand and bow ties at 15 and... 25c  
 A full line of the newest things in men's belts at 25, 50 and... 75c

### STAPLES.

Good yard wide sea island brown Domestic per yd... 4c  
 Good yard wide bleached Domestic per yd... 4c  
 Good yard wide bleached Domestic, free of starch, yd... 5c  
 Gold Medal yard wide bleached Domestic per yd... 6¢  
 Best heavy round thread Cotton Checks, full width and weight, per yd... 4c  
 Good Cheviot Stripes per yd... 5c  
 Good check Ginghams per yd 4c



### CLOTHING.

It is conceded to us that we not only carry the best stock, but the best quality of Clothing in Crockett. We have a big lot of Men's Spring and Summer Suits in fashionable patterns and shades which are cut and finished just as well as the custom tailor will do it but at a half less than the tailors' price.  
 We sell them at per suit  
 \$2.50, \$3.50, \$4.50, \$5.00,  
 \$7.50, \$8.50, \$10, \$12.50,  
 \$15, \$16.50, \$18 and... \$20 00



Exact Reproduction of this Style Shoe

### Shoes.

In our shoe department we carry the very best brands that money can buy. We have on the merit of our goods built up a shoe trade second to none in this county, always using the utmost precaution to give to our customers the very best values for the price charged. Our line of Crossett's fine shoes for men, and "Queen Quality" shoes for ladies cannot be excelled.

36 prs. Men's Oil Grain Buckle Plow Shoes for per pair... 50c  
 36 prs. Ladies' Low Cut Shoes, sizes 1, 1½, 2, 2½, worth \$1.75 for per pr... 75c  
 Complete line of Ladies' Low Cut Shoes at \$1, \$1.25, \$1.50 per pair and up to... \$3 00  
 Misses' and Children's Low Cut Shoes, all sizes, at from per pair 35c to... 2 00

We keep competition guessing just what we will do next. You'll find we are just over the line when the other fellow comes up.

### Shoes.



# DAN McLEAN.

# THE BIG STORE.

Gas. S. Shivers & Co., Proprietors.



## Dress Trimmings.

First of all, remember, please, this is the store for whatever choice, new Trimmings you want—and that means extensive variety for selection. This season's styles are prettier than ever, and our prices are more moderate than ever. We can supply Trimming for any style or color of dress you may want.



## Have You Seen Our Dress Goods?

Of all departments, that of Spring Dress Goods possesses a freshness peculiarly its own. The delicate tints and gauzy fabrics send forth a tempting influence; and wise is the one who appreciates the importance of an early selection. Our sales of fine dress goods have increased to such an extent that we had to prepare for this season on a bigger scale than ever—the result can be seen in what we believe to be the most complete collection ever displayed in the town.

## Artistic Millinery.

The way we are disposing of goods in this department proves that the majority of fashionable dressers know where to get the most exclusive styles. We are constantly receiving the newest styles from the leading fashion centers; and our prices are so moderate that the most economical buyer can find just the hat to suit her taste and her purse. Whether you are thinking of buying a hat or not, don't fail to come in and see some of the beautiful creations we are displaying.



## "Thoroughbred" Hats.

We are the only people in Crockett who sell this celebrated brand of Hats. Every hat is guaranteed to never fade, and to give perfect satisfaction. If any man gets one and it doesn't come up to the mark, it costs him nothing.



## Stylish Shoes for Everybody.

We have outdone all our previous efforts in the selection of styles for this season; and our Shoes always come up to what we claim for them—the most up-to-date styles, the best wearing qualities and the lowest prices.

We cannot afford to sell you a poor shoe at any price, for we want your future patronage. All of you come and get fitted—men, women and children—we can please you every one.



### LION AND BULL FIGHT.

#### The First Exhibition of Its Kind Since the Days of the Bloody Arena in Rome.

El Paso, Texas, April 13.—This afternoon in the Juarez bull ring across the river and on the Mexican side of the border from El Paso, a monster Numidian lion and a ferocious Samalayuca bull from the interior of Mexico fought each other to death.

No such expedition has been given in Christendom since the bloody days of Rome when lion-bull fighting with other similar contests were in flower, and no other like it will probably be given at Juarez if the town stands a thousand years. The sangunity, rarity and uniqueness of the encounter attracted spectators from dozens of states and from all over the Mexican Republic.

The greater part of the crowd in the great circular amphitheater surrounding the ring was from New Mexico, Western Texas, Chihuahua and other nearby Mexican States. Gray haired Mexicans walked for four days from the interior of Chihuahua to witness the exhibition.

All roads led to the city across the border. Trolley cars loaded until not another passenger could cling on, landaus, carriages and pedestrians crossed the international bridge. Men and women who had not sufficient money to obtain admittance to the Plaza de Torres were attracted to Juarez as the morbidly curious are wont to congregate about the scene of a hanging, even though the exhibition is not public.

The battle continued fiercely for an hour. The bull was not fatally hurt, but the lion was gored fully

25 times and will doubtless die. His leg was broken, and completely vanquished in strength and spirit. When the lion was incapacitated the Mexican authorities ordered the battle to be discontinued. The arena was sufficiently bespattered with gore for the most fastidious patron.

In the gruesome, the sickening, the blood shed, the agony and torture of an unoffending beast, mingled with groans and captivating music the fight was an undisputed success.

The fight was held in an octagon cage ninety-six feet in circumference. The cage was securely fastened in the center of the bull ring, and by means of long rods attached at several places to the inclosure just inside the amphitheater inclosing the arena. The bull was first decoyed into the cage, and directly adjacent to this was a smaller cage containing the lion. At a blast of the trumpet the lion was admitted from the smaller to the larger cage, the doors of the lion's and bull's prison being automatically closed and the smaller cage rolled back to the side of the ring in order that the spectators' view might not be affected.

Then followed the roaring and bellowing, the crouching and charging, the spring of the lion, the mad plunge of the bull.

When the bull first entered and saw the lion crouching to await his coming he was seized with a great fear. He shivered from head to foot, but this was only momentary. In an instant he realized his danger, and began a terrible fight for his life. The lion roared and lashed his tail, and when the bull charged avoided his horns with dexterity.

He crouched close to the floor,

crept around his prey in a circle and watched his opportunity. Then came the magnificent spring into the air, and, falling like an eagle from a cliff, the lion landed like a thunderbolt with all his weight upon the bull's back and flanks.

Then followed the most exciting and blood curdling part of the battle. The bull, quivering with fright and bellowing from pain, struggled to shake his splendid adversary from his back. He rolled over and over and plunged and tossed, but the lion hung on like grim death.

The lion belongs to A. J. Morrison, who spent nineteen years in South Africa. He reared it from a cub, and the monster is now 3 years old and one of the finest specimens ever seen in captivity. He was a glorious beast to look upon, kingly in mien and with the grace of his native jungles perceptible in every movement.

#### Executive Committee Meeting.

The Democratic Executive Committee of Houston county, Texas, was called to order Wednesday, April 9th, by J. E. Downes, chairman, and a quorum not being present it was agreed between the members, and Col. D. A. Nunn and Judge A. A. Aldrich, that the primary to determine who should be Houston county's choice for congressman be held on Saturday, May 10th, 1902, and to be governed by the Texas laws regulating primary elections, and the test adopted by a previous meeting of the executive committee was adopted to govern in said congressional primary, same being as follows, to-wit:

That at said primary election only white men will be allowed to vote, and all voters at said election shall pledge themselves to support

all nominees of the democratic party for state, district, county and precinct officers. And it is further agreed by the committee and candidates that a permanent voting box be established at Kennard mills in said Houston county, and R. J. McDowell is appointed manager of said voting box, to include the following territory, to-wit:

Beginning at the most southerly corner of I. & G. N. R. R. Co. survey No. 36 on the John Box league line; thence N. 31 deg. W. with the east boundary line of the said survey No. 36 to the N. W. corner of the W. H. Dowdy 80 acre survey; thence N. to L. corner of said survey No. 36, thence east with line of same to its most easterly boundary; thence north pass the N. E. corner of the Wylie Wells 100 acres to the south line of the Wm. Erwin survey; thence west to the S. W. corner of the same; thence N. to the N. E. corner of I. & G. N. R. R. Co. survey No. 37; thence in a westerly direction to the N. W. corner of I. & G. N. R. R. Co. survey No. 31; thence S. to the S. W. corner of same on the N. boundary line of the John Box league; thence S. 59 deg. E. with said league line to the place of beginning, so as to include all of the following surveys, viz.: I. & G. N. R. R. Co. surveys Nos. 31, 36, 37, J. W. Sides, H. C. Sides, F. W. McCarty, Wm. Jones, Wiley Wells, M. B. L. Dowdy and Beard 160 acres survey. And there being no further business it is ordered that this meeting be adjourned.

J. L. JORDAN,  
Secretary, pro tem.

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When you take Grove's Tasteless Chill Tonic because the formula is plainly printed on every bottle showing that it is simply Iron and Quinine in a tasteless form. No cure, no pay. 50c.

#### Candidates' Meeting.

The candidates of Houston county met at the court house on Friday, April 11, 1902, for the purpose of arranging the coming campaign. Tony Gossett was elected chairman, J. W. Brightman, secretary, and N. B. Barbee, treasurer. The chairman was authorized to appoint a committee to see that tickets are printed; the following were appointed: C. C. Stokes, M. M. Baker, J. B. Stanton and N. B. Barbee. Each district, county and precinct candidate was assessed 50 cents to pay for printing tickets. And the committee was instructed to leave off of the tickets the names of any district, county or precinct candidate, who fails or refuses to hand in his 50 cents to the treasurer, Mr. N. B. Barbee, on or before June the first. The chairman was instructed to appoint a committee of five to arrange dates for speaking.

The following were appointed, to-wit: H. L. Mobley, Porter Newman, J. R. Richards, Earle Adams, jr., and B. M. Hatchel.

The committee recommended that the district, county and precinct candidates meet at the following places, on dates specified, which was unanimously adopted: Porter Springs, Tuesday, May 27th, 1902.

Creek, Wednesday, May 28th.  
Weldon, Thursday, May 29th.  
Prairie Point, Friday, May 30th.  
Lovely, Saturday, May 31st.  
Holly, Monday, June 2nd.  
Arbor, Tuesday, June 3rd.  
Coltharp, Wednesday, June 4th.  
Tadmor, Thursday, June 5th.  
Weches, Friday, June 6th.  
Belott, Saturday, June 7th.  
Jones' School House, Monday, June 9th.

Augusta, Tuesday, June 10th.  
Grapeland, Wednesday, June 11th.

Daly's, Thursday, June 12th.  
Crockett, Friday, June 13th.

Motion carried that the secretary furnish each of the county papers a copy of the proceedings of this meeting, with a request that they each publish the same in their next issue.  
J. W. BRIGHTMAN,  
Secretary.

### Bismarck on Champagne.

The added dignity of Ambassador is becoming to Baron Ladislaus Hengelmuller von Hengervar, who has filled with distinction the post of Minister to the United States from Austria-Hungary. The decision of his home Government to raise its Washington Legation to an Embassy is in keeping with the tendency of the nations in regard to diplomatic representation in the United States.

In the service of his country Baron von Hengervar has been stationed successively in Berlin, Paris and London, and finally in Washington.

Years ago, when he was assistant Secretary of the Austrian Embassy at Berlin, Bismarck gave a dinner to which the Baron was invited. All the guests except Von Hengervar drank champagne, and Bismarck, noting the young man's abstinence, asked the reason therefor.

"I have not yet earned the right to so indulge," was the reply.

"Ah, that will not do," remarked Bismarck; "it is allotted to every able-bodied man in this world to consume in his lifetime ten thousand bottles of champagne. So you should begin now, lest you fail to secure your just portion."

"If ten thousand bottles be the allotment for the ordinary man," responded the young diplomatist, bowing to the Iron Chancellor, "Your Excellency, being an extraordinary man, should have double allowance, and I, therefore, take great pleasure in awarding my share to you."

"I thank you," Bismarck replied, "but permit me to inform you that without waiting for your grand renunciation I have already passed the twenty thousand mark."

### Railroads and the Country.

Knoxville Journal and Tribune.

We hear it sometimes said that the railroads own the country. This is said in a complaining mood, and the statement is not without some foundation of truth, though it is an exaggeration based generally upon prejudice. The people elect their senators and representatives in congress and their representatives in the legislatures; if they have sent men to represent them who have given the railroads undue power and advantage, it is their own fault. The men who build and operate railroads are just like all other men—they want to make a good thing for themselves.

But while the statement that the railroads own the country is an exaggeration, there can be no doubt as to the fact that the railroads have made the country what it is. The railroads have built our cities, made manufacturing on a larger scale possible, increased the demand for the products of our fields tenfold more than it would otherwise have been, and they have had our mines of coal, iron and other materials opened and operated at a profit.

Take, for instance, the great coal mines in the district adjacent to Knoxville; what were they before the railroads were built so as to bring out their products? The vast beds of coal in that district were of little more practical value than the slate stone that underlies some of our least productive lands. There are persons now living in Knoxville who have seen coal hauled here from Poplar creek in ox wagons and sold in the market for 50 cents a bushel. Then coal in Knoxville was a luxury, within the reach only of those who were wealthy or well to do.

The Southern railway and its predecessors opened the way to get this coal to Knoxville, and the city has built many manufactories and has become what it could not

have become otherwise, a manufacturing city. But for the Southern railway, and its predecessors, Knoxville would to-day be a town of perhaps as many as 5000, instead of practically 50,000 inhabitants. Knoxville is indebted primarily for what she is to the Southern railway, and the different railway corporations here that have been absorbed by the Southern.

So of Chattanooga; she owes her greatness to the railways, primarily; so does Nashville, and so does Memphis. The Mississippi river would have made Memphis a good town, but nothing like what the goodly city on the Chickasaw Bluffs is to-day, a magnificent city of which every Tennessean feels duly proud. More than a million souls have been added to the population of Tennessee since the railroads became a factor in the growth of the state, and no other agency has done more to bring this increase and a larger corresponding increase in wealth than the railroads.

What is said of Tennessee and of the cities and the mines and the manufactories here, and of various branches of industry out of which we are making our living, applies to every other state and to every other city in the Union. No other single factor in the growth of the country in population and wealth has accomplished so much as the railroads. They have made neighbors of all the people, and have made the best markets the markets of all. They have caused the mines and the quarries to be opened, manufactories of all kinds to be erected and operated, and have gone out on the great prairies of the West, where the vernal sod of the rich soil has been turned under, and where crops of the cereals are now being produced that furnish bread for the world.

The management of the railroads has not always been faultless, communities may not have been fairly treated, monopolies may have grown up, but it is fair to remember that the railroads have done their full share in making our great and glorious country what it is. It is well to occasionally recall these things, lest we forget.

Railroads build cities and multiply industries. No wonder if the people of Knoxville and surrounding country are happy over the prospect of having more of them.

### Galveston the Courageous.

Manufacturers' Record.

Since the great storm of September, 1900, Galveston has built or reconstructed 2644 buildings. Commenting upon this, the Galveston News says that the restoration of confidence, to which the assurance of the construction of the seawall has largely contributed, is having the effect upon the steady advancement of the many improvements contemplated up to the time of the seawall bond election. Conditions at Galveston, where the population has displayed such a wonderful courage and confidence in the face of dire disaster, are most gratifying to everybody who recognizes the advantageous position of Galveston as a handler of the foreign commerce of the West and Southwest. For a time faint hearts feared that Galveston had been permanently crippled. The magnificent spirit of its people has banished every reason for such fears, and Galveston may be expected not only to recover its former standing, but to make even greater records.

Ever ready, always reliable, are Cheatham's Laxative Tablets. They cure a cold quicker than any known remedy. Easy to carry, pleasant to take. Guaranteed. Price 25 cents.

### Horse's Tail Came Off.

There is a gray old cabman in the Fifth Avenue Hotel rank whose specialty is driving old ladies. His name is John H. George. He has a nice old horse, which lost all the hair off its tail long ago. George rigged the old horse with a false tail. The horse is warranted not to run away.

About 6 o'clock last night an old lady who had been making a call in the hotel came out the Twenty-fourth street door and finding that it was raining asked the starter to send her a carriage. The starter called George up. George got the reins twisted in the horse's tail and gave them a jerk to free them just as the rig stopped in front of the ladies' door.

Off came the horse's tail. The old lady gave a little shriek of horror. Then she called for a policeman.

"But, madam," began the starter, "you don't understand what—"

"Oh, yes, I do," she broke in. "How inexpressibly cruel! If you don't call a policeman to arrest this driver I'll go out in the rain and get one myself."

They got Policeman Betts to please her. He knew George and he knew the horse, and when he had stifled his laughter he explained. But that cab lost that fare.—New York Sun.

### Big Land Deal.

It is rumored on our streets that J. A. Campbell has sold 405 acres of land to T. M. Campbell, of Palestine, the consideration being the sum of \$30,375. This land includes the residence of Mr. Campbell and land adjoining, and if there is any truth in the report, will be the biggest land deal ever consummated in Jacksonville.—Jacksonville Reformer.

A story is being told of a woman preacher who drew back the hymn book and said she was going to throw it at a man who was untrue to his wife, and every man in the congregation dodged. This should not be accepted as evidence of guilt. Probably every man in the congregation knew the unflinching inaccuracy of a woman's aim when she attempts to throw anything.—Ex.

The man with the longest face is not always the best christian. The man who does the most boasting is not the one who does the most work. You must make allowances for human nature if you want to see it in its best light, and remember that you do not find an egg every time you hear a hen cackle.—Rusk County News.

Houston has set a good example in decency to the other cities and towns of the state by passing an ordinance prohibiting persons from spitting on the sidewalks. There is nothing more unsightly or unhealthy than this filthy habit, and there is no excuse for it. What are the gutters for?—Green-ville Banner.

A bashful young lady of Cuero went into one of the drug stores there the other day to purchase a bath sponge, but when the young clerk stepped up inquiringly she became confused and told him she wanted a sponge bath. Then it was the clerk's turn to be confused.—Hallettsville Herald.

The prettiest things in Easter hats is the faces of El Paso girls. They were as bright as the sunshine Sunday and as lovely as the beautiful flowers they carried.—El Paso Times.

Pneumonia is Robbed of its Terrors by Foley's Honey and Tar. It stops the racking cough and heals and strengthens the lungs. If taken in time it will prevent an attack of pneumonia. Refuse substitutes. J. G. Haring.

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## Commercial Printing

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### Duelling Made Ludicrous.

In connection with the latest German duel at Jena it is interesting to note that this year sees the jubilee of a ludicrous incident in the history of duelling in England. In 1852 Lord Strangford and Col. Romilly decided to settle an electioneering quarrel with pistols. At Weybridge station, whither the duellists and their seconds traveled, only one cab could be had to convey the party to the chosen ground, and accordingly one cab conveyed them. At the fateful moment a pheasant rose out of the copse and a pistol went off prematurely. Next morning the London Times made merry over the incident, and duelling, which had already been scotched by an order forbidding it in the army, was killed by ridicule.

### Rights of Jews in Italy.

There has been no anti-Semitic agitation in Italy and Jews have stood upon an equal footing with all other citizens since 1848, when the Duke of Sermoneta obtained from Pope Pius IX. a decree abolishing an ancient custom compelling Jews once a week to attend Christian religious service and hear sermons concerning the wickedness of the crucifixion. In the sixteenth century Pope Gregory XIII. ordered policemen to go through the Ghetto and drive men, women and children with scourges into the churches and to patrol the aisles and lash those that appeared inattentive to the sermon.

### Timber From Australia.

A great deal of interest centers in the cargo of blue gum timber which has arrived at Dover, England, from Australia, for the national harbor works. Most of the baulks, or sticks, as they are termed, weigh as much as ten tons each, and range between 100 feet and 200 feet long. This kind of timber has been chosen for piling work, owing to the fact that it will not float, so that in the event of the piles being washed away in heavy gales they go to the bottom, and there is no danger of their ramming a ship like ordinary baulks of timber.

Foley's Kidney Cure if taken in time affords security from all kidney and bladder diseases. J. G. Haring.

## Scrofula

### THE OFFSPRING OF HEREDITARY BLOOD TAINT.

Scrofula is but a modified form of Blood Poison and Consumption. The parent who is tainted by either will see in the child the same disease manifesting itself in the form of swollen glands of the neck and throat, catarrh, weak eyes, offensive sores and abscesses and oftentimes white swelling—sure signs of Scrofula. There may be no external signs for a long time; for the disease develops slowly in some cases, but the poison is in the blood and will break out at the first favorable opportunity. S. S. S. cures this wasting, destructive disease by first purifying and building up the blood and stimulating and invigorating the whole system.

J. M. Seals, 115 Public Square, Nashville, Tenn., says: "Ten years ago my daughter fell and cut her forehead. From this wound the glands on the side of her face became swollen and burst. Some of the best doctors here and elsewhere attended her without any benefit. We decided to try S. S. S., and a few bottles cured her entirely."

**SSS** makes new and pure blood to nourish and strengthen the body, and is a positive and safe cure for Scrofula. It overcomes all forms of blood poison, whether inherited or acquired, and no remedy so thoroughly and effectively cleanses the blood. If you have any blood trouble, or your child has inherited some blood taint, take S. S. S. and get the blood in good condition and prevent the disease doing further damage.

Send for our free book and write our physicians about your case. We make no charge whatever for medical advice. THE SWIFT SPECIFIC CO., ATLANTA, GA.

### TEXAS AN EMPIRE IN SIZE.

Only by Comparison Can Its Vast Extent Be Appreciated.

Texas, the largest state in the union, has the proportions of an empire, and it is only by comparison that one can gain an adequate idea of her size and of the magnificent distances between her boundaries.

To say that the area of the state is 265,780 square miles conveys little meaning, but when one considers that its width is more than one-half that of the southern border of the United States; that it is larger than the whole of New England, with New York, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia and West Virginia thrown in; that it is larger than even Germany or France, and that if the whole population of the United States was placed within its borders it would be no more thickly settled than is eastern Massachusetts to-day—then one begins to realize the vastness of this great southwestern domain.

In traveling across Texas from Texarkana on the eastern border to El Paso in the extreme west one journeys nearly the distance from New York to Chicago, and in passing from the Panhandle district in the north—a strip of Texas in which the entire territory embraced in the New England states would be lost—to the gulf coast, one finds almost every variety of climate and soil represented in any part of the country.

### Story of a Stick.

The reformers who hold up the German army as a pattern to be admired will perhaps allow that even its excellent discipline has some drawbacks. Among the many regulations of the military code is one which forbids anybody to present himself before a recruiting officer with a cane in his hand. Some days ago a reservist so far forgot himself as to enter the office of a recruiting sergeant major accompanied by his walking stick. For this heinous offense the unfortunate reservist was promptly court martialled and sentenced to ten weeks' imprisonment for insubordination.

### Innovation in Japan.

One feature of the western civilization has just made its first appearance in Japan, where a native woman has brought suit for breach of promise, hitherto an unknown procedure in the land of the chrysanthemum. The lady in question is a wise young widow, who induced her well-to-do wooer to sign an agreement that in case either party changed his mind he should forfeit 1,000 yen to the other. The prospective bridegroom broke the engagement.

### Bullet Cannot Penetrate Snow.

Some interesting experiments have been made at the musketry ranges outside Christiania to test the qualities of snow for hastily improvised protective works against rifle fire. In the result it is held to be established that a breastwork of snow six feet thick, even when not pressed, is quite impenetrable to the Krag-Jorgensen rifle bullet at forty-five yards, although this weapon has a very high initial velocity.

### Another Burns Relic.

There has come to light in one of the auction rooms an interesting relic of Robert Burns. It is an ordinary businesslike tumbler, inclosed in an oak case lined with velvet and secured by a Brahmin key. The tumbler has engraved on it the following inscription: "This glass, once the property of Robert Burns, was presented by the poet's widow to James Robinson, Esq., and given by his widow to her son-in-law, Major James Glencairn Burns, 1840." The James Robinson to whom Jean Armour gave the relic was a Sunderland gentleman who became, by marriage, connected with the Burns family. The box is made from one of the piles of Old London bridge, with some lighter pieces of oak, relics of the Royal George.

### GOVERNOR HOGG RETURNING.

Gave a Big Farewell Dinner to Swell People in London.

London, April 9.—Gov. Hogg, who has been in England for some time, sailed to-day for New York on board the Teutonic. Last night he entertained a very big farewell dinner party at the Carleton, where he had been staying during his visit. The American Ambassador, the German Ambassador and the Russian Ambassador were included among the guests, as well as Lord Cland Hamilton, Mr. Roche and Viscount Deerhurst.

### New Embalming Fluid.

Battle Creek, Mich., April 9.—The body of John Leek, an aged negro, who died six months ago, and which was turned over to an undertaker in order that he might test a new embalming fluid, has been exhumed.

The body has the consistency of vulcanized rubber and might readily pass for a statue of black marble, as the petrified flesh is hard enough to take a polish. There is not the slightest trace of decomposition or wasting, the features retaining their fullness.

The experimenter says the fluid will preserve the body for centuries. It was recently discovered by an eastern chemical company, and this test on the body of an unclaimed county hospital corpse is the first made.

### A Negro Makes Observations.

R. S. Lewis, a negro raised in Bryan, and who has been living in New York City several years, has written a letter to a prominent citizen of Bryan, which includes some statements that may be read with general interest. He says: "This is a very nice place for one who will work, and you have every advantage if you prove worthy, but after all, the South, in my opinion, is the place for the colored man. There he is better treated in some respects and he is understood better by the white man, and it seems to me their relations are closer. For instance, in the whole city of New York, with its 2728 policemen, there is not one colored man on the whole force, not a colored teacher in the schools, and I can enumerate many other vocations similarly existing. I think of returning to Texas in August."

### A Rainy Night in Stageland.

Mr. Richard Mansfield is not celebrated for his lively sense of humor, but this serious cast of his mind does not prevent him from occasionally indulging in a bit of humor no less enjoyable because unconscious. Recently in conducting a dress rehearsal of a play in which occurs a rain scene, Mr. Mansfield and his entire company began coughing violently from a shower of dust which suddenly filled the wings. "Stage rain" is generally made by the dropping of split peas in a drum cylinder, and in this case there was an instant suspicion that the "rain box" had not been cleaned.

But none of the stage hands volunteered the information until Mr. Mansfield fiercely exclaimed: "I demand to know where this abominable dust comes from!"

Finally one of the men, more courageous than his associates, ventured the explanation: "I think it comes from the rain box, sir." "And can-a-n't you wash the rain?" inquired Mr. Mansfield in all seriousness.

### Why Noses Point East.

Very few people's noses are set properly upon their faces. Any observant person who will go along the street and take notice of the nasal organs of the passers-

by may easily convince himself on the subject. Not one individual in a hundred, whether man or woman, is above criticism as to the arrangement of his or her nose.

It is not that most people's noses are not sufficiently well-shaped. Whatever may be thought of the Chinese nose, or the African, or the Filipino, the average Caucasian nasal protuberance is fairly symmetrical. But, unfortunately, whatever its form may be—whether pure Greek, or Hebraic, or Roman, or plain snub—it is nearly always set crooked on the face.

One might think that nature is a little careless about this matter. When the nose turns off at an angle, instead of assuming its just and proper attitude, it tends, at all events in extreme cases, to give a disordered effect to the features as a whole. But, if Nature really does not care which way a nose points, there ought to be as many noses turned one way as are turned another.

But is this the case? Not a bit of it. As you walk down the street look at the people as they go by, and you will discover that the noses of ninety-nine out of every hundred turn to the right. When once you have begun to notice this fact it will constantly attract your attention. In truth, the objection to starting in upon a study of this kind is that you cannot get away from it afterward. It haunts you steadily and persistently. Whenever you meet a friend you look at his nose to see whether it turns to the right or not.

Some folk there are, indeed, who seem built on a bias—individuals whose eyes slant at an angle, or even at different angles, whose mouths in the very expansion of a smile twist downward to a sneer—persons warped from birth or by habit to perversity; with such it is the business of the criminologist to deal. But for the vast majority of plain people some simpler explanation must exist.

Now, the phenomenon being as described, what is the reason behind it? Why should nearly everybody's nose turn to the right rather than to the left? There seems to be only one way to account for it, and that is that almost everybody is right-handed, and uses his handkerchief correspondingly. So, from infancy to old age the nose, in the process of being blown and wiped, is persistently tweaked to the right. Hence, as the infant passes through childhood and later youth—when the nasal organ is malleable and in process of formation, so to speak—it is obliged gradually but surely to assume an inclination eastward.

If this theory be correct, the noses of left-handed persons ought to turn customarily to the left. Such, in fact, appears to be the case; but data on this interesting branch of the question are not sufficiently complete to afford a final conclusion.—Saturday Evening Post.

### Chronic Bronchitis Cured.

"For ten years I had chronic bronchitis so bad that at times I could not speak above a whisper," writes Mr. Joseph Coffman, of Montmorenci, Ind. "I tried all remedies available, but with no success. Fortunately my employer suggested that I try Foley's Honey and Tar. Its effect was almost miraculous, and I am now cured of the disease. On my recommendation many people have used Foley's Honey and Tar, and always with satisfaction. J. G. Haring."

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### HORSE DONE UP IN BANDAGES.

Team Plunges In at the Window of A Furniture Store.

New York Sun.

In these days an ambulance surgeon has to do a lot of things. One of the brotherhood yesterday bandaged a runaway coach nag that had torn his hide into ribbons by a dive through a plate glass window, and he did the job well enough to call forth the praise of the Bergh Society's equine experts.

The coach horse was the nigh horse of a green young pair owned by J. Horan of 106 Washington street. Michael Slevin, their sexagenarian driver, took them, hitched to a nice, newly varnished carriage, up to the Union Square cabstand yesterday to wait for trade.

While they were waiting, with Slevin half dozing on the box, something happened which started the horses, and with a swish they were off west through Fifteenth street.

At Sixth avenue the nigh horse slipped on the trolley tracks and slid under his mate, tripping him. Both horses got up without giving anybody a chance to hold them and with two plunges reached the most attractive part in the show window of the John H. Little Furniture Company. Slevin was thrown off when the horses fell.

The horses, with the carriage still behind them, jumped right through the glass. Then the nigh nag kicked mirrors, bedsteads and chairs into smithereens. The more he kicked the more he cut himself up, and streamlets of gore ran out over the sidewalk.

Policeman Nash summoned an ambulance from the New York Hospital—a block away—and it came rattling up with Dr. Judd in half a minute. The doctor helped bundle the unconscious driver into the ambulance and sent him to the hospital in the driver's care.

The horses were still kicking around in the window with the carriage, a miserable wreck, at their heels. They were finally persuaded to back out. The nigh horse had bled so much that boards had to be laid on the sidewalk so that women could get by without soiling their skirts.

The doctor had kept his grip, which contained several big rolls of cotton bandages. He went to work right away on the worst of the cuts on the nigh horse's hide, taking several stitches in some of them. The horse stood it all very patiently. Then the doctor wound yards and yards of bandages around the animal's cuts, around his body and around his legs.

The Bergh society men said that if the horse hadn't been attended to immediately he would have bled to death. They took him away to their hospital. The driver is getting better.

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Last fall I was taken with a very severe attack of muscular rheumatism which caused me great pain and annoyance. After trying several prescriptions and rheumatic cures, I decided to use Chamberlain's Pain Balm, which I had seen advertised in the South Jerseyman. After two applications of this Remedy I was much better, and after using one bottle, was completely cured.—Sallie Harris, Salem, N. J. For sale by B. F. Chamberlain.

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## FRONTIER CHARACTER IS GONE.

### Barney Riggs, Feudist and Fighter, Killed at Fort Stockton.

El Paso, Texas, April 9.—News has reached this city of the killing at Fort Stockton of Barney Riggs, frontiersman, feudist and fighter. Riggs was a prominent cattleman of that section. He was shot five times and instantly killed. The killing is the outcome of a family quarrel.

Twenty years ago Riggs and his bride went to Arizona. There he became a cowboy and during the intervals of his absence from the ranch owner's camp on round-ups Riggs' employer wronged him, and so it came about that Riggs, in good old Texas style, speedily killed the rancher. Riggs was given a life sentence at Yuma. One day a half dozen convicts sought to kill the warden. Armed with knives, they made a murderous attack upon their keeper, but Riggs, rushing unarmed into the thick of the fight, hurled a rioter to the floor. Grasping the man's knife, he fought until two desperadoes were killed. The guards rushing up, saw Riggs with the dagger upheld and fired, but missed. Riggs was forthwith pardoned.

Coming back to Texas, he was married to Mrs. Johnson, a sister of Bud Frazier, who was then the sheriff of Reeves county. He became a prominent rancher. Frazier had a deputy, with whom he fell out, and then was begun a prolonged, bloody and celebrated feud. Twice there were duels on the streets of Pecos, and the deputy was twice wounded, but in the meantime Con Gibson, a brother of the present district clerk of Reeves county and a friend and deputy to Frazier, was killed by a cousin of Frazier's enemy, living at Eddy, N. M.

At an election Frazier was defeated and moved over into New Mexico. He came to El Paso, but went back to Reeves county and ran for office again. His former deputy, hearing of this, went there and, suddenly opening the door to a saloon, discharged both barrels of a shot gun into Frazier's body, killing him instantly.

The circus came to Pecos, and so did Riggs; likewise John Denson and a friend bearing a reliable gun.

Meeting Riggs in a saloon, one of them made a gun play, and so did Riggs, and when the smoke had cleared away a man named Earheart and Denson had bullets in their brains.

Something bloodier would be doing at Pecos, folks thought, when Frazier's deputy should meet Riggs, for both were dead shots.

The meeting never came, but in its stead was another, and Riggs, the man-killer, hero of the insurrection at the territorial prison, fearless, intrepid, met death at the hands of a beardless boy, with whom he was romantically related.

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\$1,500 for each trip. The mail carried is limited to 300 pounds and consists generally of letters only, papers and more bulky articles being carried, however, when the mail is unusually light.

Post office department officials say that the sum paid to Fish is very reasonable when it is considered that he makes the trips by dog sledge and that he has the most dangerous route of any mail carrier in the world. His twenty-four trips a year keep him busy most of the time and he practically takes his life in his hands every time he starts out on his solitary journey.

Fish has the finest team of dogs in Alaska and some of his trips are made in record time. He has several times been given up for dead by residents of Valdez and Eagle, but so far he has always managed to reach the end of his journey, although sometimes overdue, and occasionally very much battered up. He has fallen down precipices, got mixed up in avalanches and has been starved and frost bitten, but is still drawing his \$35,000 a year from the government and says he expects to continue making his adventurous trips until "snowed under."

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### Tours in the Rocky Mountains.

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The above covers in a general way the trans-continental portion of the Denver & Rio Grande and the Rio Grande Western, but it must be remembered that this is but a part of the entire system. For instance, the line from Pueblo, over beautiful La Veta Pass, via the magnificent Toltec Gorge to Durango, and through the picturesque Animas Canon to Silverton, affords one of the grandest trips on the continent. This, in connection with the Silverton railroad and the Ouray stage line, or with the Rio Grande Southern Railroad from Durango to Ridgeway, forms the celebrated "Around the Circle" trip, the remainder of the journey being made eastward over the Denver & Rio Grande.

There are also many smaller side trips that can be made through this beautiful region. Write S. K. Hooper, G. P. & T. A. Denver, Colo., for illustrated descriptive pamphlets.

## VALUE OF CHARACTER.

### Steadfastness of Purpose an Essential These Days.

"Character" was the subject of an address which Mr. Murray Carleton, president of the St. Louis Transit and of the Carleton Dry Goods companies, delivered at the Third Baptist church, Grand and Washington avenues, before the members of the young men's league of that congregation.

Character, the speaker said, was not born in a man, it had to be builded. People were prone to accept a man's reputation as his character. A greater mistake could not be made. Many young men were brought up by kind and indulgent parents, and started life under the best of influences. Such persons went through life oftentimes and were successful, but were deficient in character in its highest sense. A writer has said that an honest man was the noblest work of God, and Mr. Carleton was fully in accord with that sentiment.

A young man should start out in life with the resolve to follow the principles which Christ laid down in the sermon on the mount. Such a man would make a kind father, a loving husband, a devoted brother. His purse would always be open to the poor and needy and fallen, and one such man would accomplish wonders in advancing Christ's kingdom upon earth. Many young men also had a misconception of character. No character could be secured ready-made. It had to be forged from self-sacrifice.

It was also a common mistake to form a misconception of religion. Mr. Carleton had no sympathy with those who thought that religion was a sort of cheerless thing. To make others happy was certain to yield joy to any right-minded man. Others thought that they were too insignificant to do much for either good or evil in the world. This was also a fallacy. Every man was a reflector and the life he led was bound to exert a greater or less influence on those around him. It was never too late to form habits, and Mr. Carleton pleaded with his hearers to form ennobling ones. A Christ-like character was almost unlimited in what it could accomplish and the members of the Young Men's league were importuned to strive to make themselves as near like Christ as possible.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

### Trinity River Appropriation.

Washington, April 9.—The commerce committee of the senate has tentatively agreed to adopt Senator Culberson's amendment with reference to Trinity river, with some slight modification. It is understood that the amount for the improvement of the river is fixed at \$750,000, and that in other respects the project is placed on the same footing it occupied in the bill of last session.

It is not believed that the committee has as yet adopted Senator Bailey's amendments increasing the appropriation for the improvement of Sabine channel and adding an appropriation for the Galveston inner harbor, but the understanding is that this will be done. It is also understood that at the instance of Senator Penrose of Pennsylvania, the committee has decided to recommend that the Haupt proposition with reference to the improvement of Aransas Pass be adopted.

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## TEXAS MAY GAIN LAND

### If the New Survey of the One Hundredth Meridian is Adopted.

Denver, Colo., April 10.—A special from Washington says: A government survey that promises either to end or cause still greater litigation over the title to thousands of acres of valuable land on the border of Oklahoma and Texas has just been completed by Arthur D. Kidder, United States examiner of surveys, assisted by Prof. Augustus Mocco-nell, formerly of Harvard. A redetermination of the 100th meridian has just been made by these men with a corps of assistants. The people of Texas have always been dissatisfied with the determination of the 100th meridian by the government just after the treaty with Mexico. They contended that they lost considerable territory because their eastern line had been located too far west and in 1892 the State appropriated a sufficient sum to have a private survey made, which verified their belief. The government refused to accept the new survey, but after nine years concluded to make the resurvey, which was completed this week. The first survey made by the government was done by the needle and proves to be, as Texas claimed, an error to the extent of several thousand acres of land. Whether the government will accept the new survey, which was made by triangulation and a Western Union telegraph line run between the disputed territory and the government observatory at St. Louis, is a question to be settled by congress. Good authority says the old determination of the 100th meridian is not apt to be changed, but if it is, Oklahoma will lose one mile of its western border, which Texas will gain with back taxes, and this, of course, means a large sum for Texas and a big drain on Oklahoma. The surveying party has been located on the Red river at a point 2500 feet east of the original monument that was planted by the government at the close of the Mexican war. It is about twelve miles east of Childress and sixteen miles west of Quanah, Texas.

### Democracy Tired of Bryan.

Washington, April 7.—Mr. W. C. McAllister, of Canton, Miss., is in Washington furthering the movement which he started in the Mississippi legislature by the introduction of a resolution, which was adopted, calling for the overthrow of Bryanism and the realignment of the Democratic party, with a union of the South and East. He is openly declaring in favor of the unloading of the Bryan Jonah, which he terms it, and the complete and radical reorganization of the Democratic party.

"I have been accused by Mr. Bryan of having been a Populist in 1896," said Mr. McAllister today. "I wrote a number of articles in 1892 in the South and campaigned through several states in an effort to prevent the development of the Populist tendency in the Democratic party. I met Mr. Bryan in 1892. He was then a candidate for Congress from Nebraska and came to the national committee seeking aims. We sent more literature into his district than we did into any other three states in the West. I have always been against his fusion ideas which he developed later and have made an effort in my feeble way to keep the party from accumulating a load of political Jonahs like Bryan and Jones and that class. I believe that 90 per cent of the demo-

crats of the South to-day are in favor of reorganizing the party and cutting away from Bryanism."

Mr. McAllister ridicules the idea that the defeat of Senator Jones in Arkansas had no political significance. "The business interests of Arkansas were aroused against Jones," said he, "and all on account of his persistent clinging to dead issues. When Bryan came out and demanded the reelection of Senator Jones the fight was over. It was a complete and thorough repudiation of Bryanism."

Mr. McAllister believes that Senator Jones, if he insists upon remaining as the chairman of the Democratic national committee, will be removed at the meeting which will be called early in 1904 or late in 1903 to select the place and time for holding the next national convention. He is in favor of the nomination of Senator Gorman for President.

### Print the News.

It is generally conceded among men of the best thought that the newspaper best serves the people when it tells the happenings of the world as they are, not as they ought to be. The preachers and the reformers are supposed to cover the field of reform, and the newspaper through its editorial columns frequently touches upon the same theme, but in the news columns, giving a true picture of events as they are, is the only policy that finds justification.

This does not mean that the columns of a newspaper should be filled with improper language or that things should be told there which the young and the guileless should not know, nor does it mean that the space should be given over to sensationalism after the manner of the yellow journals. Hunting and printing sensations merely for the sake of sensation are reprehensible, and no modern newspaper of standing does it, but there is not a successful newspaper in the country which does not give the news from day to day as it happens. True, some cases have to be handled with care in a newspaper of general circulation, but it is folly to argue that a newspaper worthy of the name should not print the news.

What the people want to know is what is going on in the world around them, and it is the province of the good newspaper to supply that want in a clean, legitimate manner.—Carthage (Mo.) Press.

### A Summer Trip Unsurpassed on the Continent.

The trip to Salt Lake City or to the Pacific coast via that point over the Denver & Rio Grande and the Rio Grande Western is the most beautiful in America. No European trip of equal length can compare with it in grandeur of scenery or wealth of novel interest. Then Salt Lake City itself is a most quaint and picturesque place and well worth the journey. Its Mormon temple, tabernacle, tithing office and church institutions; its hot sulphur springs within the city limits; its delightful temperature, sunny climate and its Great Salt Lake—deader and denser than the Dead Sea in Palestine—are but a few features of Salt Lake City's countless attractions. There are parks, drives, canons and beautiful outlying mountain and lake resorts. Imagine, if you can, a bath in salt water a mile above sea level and in water in which the human body cannot sink. Inquire of your nearest ticket agent for low tourist rates to Salt Lake City, or write for information and copy of Salt Lake City, the City of the Saints," to S. K. Hooper, general passenger agent, Denver, Colo.

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### STORIES OF RUSKIN.

#### His Interest in Pugilism—Love of the Alps—The Sale of His Books.

Westminster Gazette.

An interview with Mr. George Allen, Ruskin's friend and publisher, in Great Thoughts, throws some interesting light on the circulation of Ruskin's books. Asked as to whether he considered that the public appreciation of Ruskin's works was as great as ever, Mr. Allen replied:

"It is even more so. The modern clergyman buys him frequently, while his predecessor in the sixties looked upon him with a doubtful eye. To this day, 'Unto This Last,' which is by no means a book for the man in the street, sells to the extent of several thousand copies a year. Of 'Sesame and Lilies' I have sold 10,000 copies."

Mr. Allen once said to Ruskin: "Are you not pleased that your books are selling so well?" "Ah!" he sadly replied, "people think a great deal more of my books than I do myself."

Mr. Allen told an incident which he thinks will "horrify staunch Ruskinians, but which will throw a new light on the man:"

"When Ruskin was giving lessons at Great Ormond street, he received a letter from a friend saying: 'I am going to bring Tom Sayers to see you to-night'—it was just after Sayers had beaten Heenan in their celebrated fight.

Ruskin said to me: 'Allen, bring some port to the college to-night, as Sayers is coming here, and we must drink his health.' I did so. Instead, however, of Sayers coming, his photo came, Ruskin was awfully disappointed."

A little of the wine was drunk, and the remainder Mr. Allen took, by Mr. Ruskin's orders, to Mrs. Booth, Turner's old housekeeper, who was then lying ill at Chelsea.

In the early sixties Mr. Allen and Mr. Ruskin lived in Switzerland for a couple of years:

"Among other incidents of our Swiss life," says Mr. Allen, "I remember well seeing him on Easter Sunday, 1863, when we were high up in the mountains, kneel down and pray with a peasant girl at a wayside cross. He had a wonderful eye for the beauties of nature. I recollect him once breaking out into a rhapsody of delight on coming unexpectedly across a sloping field of star gentians. He wanted to purchase the top of the Brezon mountain, a favorite of Turner, and he said he would build a chapel on it and have Rosetti out to decorate it. I was one day talking to him about the (in those days inaccessible) peaks like the Aiguille Dru, the Aiguille Verte, and the Aiguille de Geant, and he added: 'Thank God, they will never get up those.'"

Ruskin loved to feel that a peak had not been sullied by human footsteps.

To Cure a Cold in One Day  
Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets.  
All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25c.

Now is the time lots of people start an account at the store. Next fall will bring the day of reckoning. The balance will be against the farmer, because he will buy more than he expected to buy, will buy things he would not buy when paying cash, will buy things he could do without and save the money, because it is easy to get and a long time till pay day. But that pay day will surely come and it will take hard money to pay for goods so easy bought. Stick to the cash system, gentlemen, and no power on earth can keep you down. Your success is assured, your prosperity will be unsurpassed, your supremacy will surely come.—Leonard Graphic.

#### Dreadful Attack of Whooping Cough.

Mrs. Ellen Harrison of 300 Park Ave., Kansas City, Mo., writes as follows: "Our two children had a severe attack of whooping cough, one of them in the paroxysm of coughing would often faint and bleed at the nose. We tried everything we heard of without getting relief. We then called in our family doctor who prescribed Foley's Honey and Tar. With the very first dose they began to improve and we feel that it has saved their lives." Refuse substitutes. J. G. Haring.

For catarrh and colds in the head, Hunt's Lightning Oil inhaled is a sure cure. A few drops taken internally relieves and cures cramp colic, cholera morbus and such troubles. Guaranteed. Price 25 and 50 cents.

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for children, safe, sure. No opiates.  
At J. G. Haring's.

## Social Items.

### ADVERTISING RATES.

Local rates 10 cents per line first insertion and 5 cents per line each subsequent insertion. There will be no exception to the rule except for the following: Obituaries, cards of thanks, and notices of entertainments given for religious, educational or charitable purposes, which will be at 5 cents per line. Articles or communications in the interest of candidates will be charged for according to their length.

Paul Jones did it.

W. V. Clark is sick.

Hyman will treat you right.

Bring your eggs to H. J. Phillips.

Fishing tackle at the New Drug Store.

Editor Frick of Trinity was here Tuesday.

Mrs. Frank Smith has moved to Palestine.

WANTED—Stock peas at the Big Store.

Keep cool, keep cool, by shaving at Stanton's.

Fresh, cold and good—the keg beer at Hyman's.

Buy the best cultivator on earth from the Big Store.

The coolest place in town to shave is at Stanton's.

Forty-eight bars of laundry soap for \$1.00 at H. J. Phillips.

Crockett Meat Market will pay highest market price for hides.

Hay, bran, oats and corn.  
JIM BROWN.

Marcus Dunnam is visiting in the northern part of the county.

Base ball goods of every description at the New Drug Store.

The Black Cat is still jumping. Call to see us.  
JIM BROWN.

Case whiskey 50c per pint, \$1 per quart at Lee Goolsby's saloon.

Geo. Mayes is a new subscriber to the COURIER at Porter Springs.

Porter, Pinto, Red Raven Splits and Gast Champagne at Hyman's.

The New Drug Store has the finest line of toilet soaps in town.

John A. Murchison of Athens was visiting relatives here last week.

Another good rain was had over the county Saturday night and Sunday.

S. A. Cook of Porter Springs was a caller at the COURIER office Monday.

You will find the coldest and best keg beer in town at Lee Goolsby's.

Call at Crockett Meat Market for first-class, fed beef at live and let live prices.

The New Drug Store has just added several new odors to its perfume department.

Fount Kelley, J. A. Smith and Jack Morrison of Kennard spent Sunday in Crockett.

The new tin shop is up-to-date in all repairing of windmills, stoves, tinware, etc.

Lovers of high grades of whiskey will find the famous "Lewis 66" at Hyman's saloon.

Remember that Holloway & Grebb keep oysters and fish and the best beef in Crockett.

Ira Anderson from Austin has accepted a position as salesman with Jas. S. Shivers & Co.

Prof. Dewees was in the city from Percilla Monday. His school at Percilla closed last week.

Mrs. Minnie Lunsford left Monday evening for Dallas to take a course in a business college.

Our best cotton hoes are going at 20 and 25 cents.  
JOHN MURCHISON.

## Many People

In every section of Houston county have found it to their advantage to do business with us. They have been pleased with the way we treat our customers, and have recommended us to their friends. We want your trade, and will extend to you every accommodation in our power. We see to it personally that every customer has

## The Best

Attention, and our goods and prices are always right.

## B. F. CHAMBERLAIN DRUGGIST.

Car of Alfalfa hay at 50 cents a bale at H. J. Phillips.

The Big Store will sell you 25 lbs. of sugar for one dollar.

Those linen towels at the Big Store can't be beat for the price.

Mrs. Bob Kent and daughter left Monday night for a visit to Vernon.

A New Taylor Shop.  
"Old Kentucky Taylor" at Hyman's saloon.

The W. R. Dean bankrupt stock was sold Wednesday to Parker Bros. for \$6000.

Have you seen that swell line of dress goods that are being shown at the Big Store?

Mrs. Erie Lane of Oakwoods was visiting Mrs. Ed Parker here the first of this week.

Call For  
Cracker Jack whiskey at Lee Goolsby's at \$1 per qt.

WANTED—All the beeswax we can get at the Big Store, and will pay best prices for same.

Ladies, Mrs. Bricker is constantly receiving new millinery. Call and see her this week.

Express your opinion freely. We have a nice new stock of spring goods.  
JIM BROWN.

Buy your drugs, medicines and school books from  
SMITH & FRENCH DRUG CO.

Not once a year does the Big Store have a challenge sale, but every day in the year it has one.

Buy your drugs, medicines and school books from  
SMITH & FRENCH DRUG CO.

See our beautiful line of new spring calicoes and lawn.  
JIM BROWN.

Promptness is the word at this office. All orders for job printing are turned out when promised.

Fed Cattle.  
The Crockett Meat Market is just in receipt of a car of fed cattle.

Old cooking stoves made new at the new tin shop. Get our prices on material before buying elsewhere.

There will be preaching at the Christian church next Sunday and at night by Rev. Hannis from San Antonio.

An energetic boy, willing to learn a trade at a small salary, is wanted at the Crockett Sheet Metal Works.

Henry Powers and family have moved to Huntsville, where Henry has taken charge of the electric light and ice plant.

We learn that Dr. Cunyus while at the Dallas reunion will take a two-weeks dental course given by Chicago instructors.

The COURIER will appreciate all orders for job printing. Send them along and see how promptly they can be executed.

A. B. Mulligan says he has withdrawn from the race for tax assessor. This still leaves a goodly number to select from.

Fifteen refrigerator fruit and vegetable cars have been set out at the depot for the use of the Crockett fruit and vegetable association.

Miss Willie Winfree, stenographer for the Columbia lumber company at Oakhurst, was visiting her parents here the first of this week.

The cotton exchange has been revived in Crockett, with a gentleman from Galveston and C. M. Valentine of this city as operators in charge.

New announcements this week are H. P. Almond for commissioner of precinct No. 1, E. B. Hale for sheriff and Tony Gossett for tax assessor.

John Butts has resigned his position as salesman with Jas. S. Shivers & Co. and has accepted another as travelling agent of the Galveston News.

Henry Jophn has completed a neat cottage on Grace street and will move into it this week. He and his wife have been boarding at the Norris house.

## SOME DRUG STORE ESSENTIALS.

Everybody wants quality, especially in drugs, but good service and fair prices are also to be considered. In a drug store the quality or the service is often the most important thing of all; good drugs with careless or incompetent dispensing would be a poor combination.

We see to it that you get quality throughout: The finest drugs and medicines, the most careful and courteous service, the most accurate dispensing, all at the most reasonable prices. The way that business grows shows that the public appreciates these things.

J. G. HARING,  
PHARMACIST.

After closing up the cotton exchange, Mr. and Mrs. Phillips went on a fishing trip to the Trinity river. They returned Friday and report an enjoyable time.

For Sale.  
Barred Plymouth Rocks' eggs \$1.50 per setting of fifteen.

W. D. COVINGTON,  
with G. M. Waller, 4t.

Misses Myrtle and Aria Pendleton left Monday evening for their home at Temple. They proved themselves quite charming young ladies during their visit in Crockett.

The city council was in special session Friday of last week, swearing in the new council. J. G. Haring and G. M. Waller are the new aldermen and I. A. Daniel and John Arrington are the ones retiring. The mayor and city attorney were re-elected.

T. A. Fuller, a successful farmer living between Porter Springs and Ash, called at the COURIER office Monday. He says the farmers of his section had a fine rain and some hail Saturday night and Sunday, but that the hail did no damage. He says the late rains have put the ground in good condition for farming.

You should by all means visit the millinery department of the Big Store next week for they will receive one of the most up-to-date lines ever shown before in Crockett.

Bryan Jones was summoned to Trinity county last week by the death of his mother, whose burial occurred Friday. Mrs. Jones was 72 years old and leaves nine children, the youngest of whom is 30 years old.

John W. Sydnor, who bought cotton here last season, died suddenly at Houston Monday of apoplexy. He was a native of Texas and belonged to an old and respected family. He had two brothers in Houston.

### Strawberry Supper.

The ladies of the Presbyterian church will give a strawberry supper at the church parlors and on the church lawn Friday evening, April 18, from 5 to 10:30. Price, 15 cents a saucer or 25 cents for two. Public cordially invited to attend.

### Methodist Church Notice.

The regular service will be held on next Sunday morning beginning at half past ten o'clock. Let the congregation together with candidates for church membership be on time. There will be no service at night.  
ELLIS SMITH,  
Pastor.

Geo. W. Peacock, formerly of Crockett and of Company H, but now of Cincinnati, Ohio, will, in company with his daughter, visit the Confederate Reunion at Dallas and would be glad to meet all of his old friends and comrades there. His friends will please address a letter or postal to him at Dallas stating where they can be found and he will take pleasure in hunting them up.

### A Joint Debate.

Messrs. D. A. Nunn and A. A. Aldrich, candidates for congress from Houston county, have arranged for a joint discussion at the following times and places:

Grapeland, Monday, April 28; Augusta, Tuesday, April 29; Weches, Wednesday, April 30; Coltharp, Thursday, May 1; Lovelady, Saturday, May 3; Porter Springs, Monday, May 5; Crockett, Tuesday, May 6.

W. J. Hiser is a new subscriber to the COURIER and is also a newcomer in this section. He comes from San Antonio and was a carpenter there, but has bought land in this county and will be a farmer here. Desirous of buying a farm, he was attracted here by our cheap lands and says he is well pleased with what he has seen. He is satisfied that this is the country for the man with small means. He bought land from one of the Sims.

### Evangelistic Meetings.

Rev. W. A. Freeman will commence a series of revival services at the Baptist church next Sunday morning. All the Christian people in town are expected and requested to assist in the meeting. Bro. Freeman is a gospel preacher of more than ordinary ability and is a successful evangelist. All the singers of course will help us in the singing. Let everybody come and enter heartily into the meetings.  
W. H. SOWELL.

### Marriage Licenses.

S. H. Sanders and Maggie Robbins.  
Hamilton Crawford and Ida Dowling.  
Noah Simpson and Annie Black.  
R. E. Kent and Mrs. L. M. Kent.  
F. C. Cargill and Miss Melissa Frizell.  
Eli Johnson and Josephine McKnight.  
W. J. Townsend and M. D. Goodrum.  
Mathew Willis and Lizzie Scott.  
The above licenses are for the first two weeks in April.

### Negro Shot on the River.

A negro named John Stubblefield was shot Monday afternoon by W. T. Bruton of Lovelady at his farm on the Trinity river. The facts, as near as we could get at them, are as follows: The negro, Stubblefield, was tried at Creek last Thursday for carrying a pistol and fined. He immediately began to make threats against different parties in the neighborhood, among the number being Mr. Bruton, for whom he was working. Mr. Bruton was warned against the negro by both his friends and the negro's friends, the latter of whom said that the negro, Stubblefield, was crazy. He was aware that the negro possessed both a pistol and shot gun and was told that Stubblefield was carrying the pistol. While Stubblefield was away from his house Monday morning, Mr. Bruton, in order to use due precaution against the negro, went to his house and got his shot gun from his wife. Bruton then went back to his house to wait for the negro to pass going home. About 1 o'clock he came along. Bruton went out on his front gallery and told the negro to stop; that he had been told the negro had threatened his life, and that he, Stubblefield, was carrying a pistol, and if so, for him to hand over the pistol. Our information is that the negro drew his pistol in a manner as if for use. Mr. Bruton ran from his gallery into the house, got his shot gun and fired both barrels from the doorway at the negro, one of which took effect in the right side and arm, producing a dangerous wound. Mr. Bruton gave himself over to Constable Jim Barbee of Lovelady and was in Crockett Wednesday with the constable awaiting the result of the negro's wound.

### City Council.

The city council met in regular session Monday. Among other things before the council was a proposition from a Houston firm offering to put in a system of waterworks, an electric light plant and ice factory, and asking for a franchise. The matter was taken under consideration and after some discussion it was decided by the council to call a mass meeting of the citizens of the town for Thursday at 2 o'clock. The first step to be taken is the matter of granting the franchise and then the matter of a contract between the city and the waterworks company will be considered. Mr. Griggs, the representative of the waterworks company, is to be on hand Thursday and explain to the citizens what will be expected of them and what the company will do. The council adjourned to meet again on Thursday. We will publish next week the outcome of Thursday's mass meeting of citizens and also the action of the city council in regard to the matter.

### Vegetable Growers.

Those interested in the growing of tomatoes and other vegetables are requested to be present at the court house on Saturday, April 19, at 1:30 p. m. The canning factory is well under way of construction and will be ready by the first of June. All products planted for canning purposes should be pushed. I hope all interested will be present, especially those planting potatoes.  
F. H. BAYNE.

W. A. Allen of Antioch was in town Tuesday. He says the farmers on Nevil's Prairie had a tremendous rain Saturday night and that farm work is stopped until the soil dries to some extent.

Foley's Honey and Tar contains no opiates, and will not constipate like nearly all other cough medicines. Refuse substitutes. J. G. Haring.

# THE COURIER.

W. B. PAGE, Editor and Proprietor  
W. W. Aiken, Publisher & Local Editor

## ANNOUNCEMENTS.

### FOR CONGRESS:

**CROCKETT COUNTY:**—  
You will please announce my name as a candidate for Congress in this Seventh Congressional District, subject to a Democratic Convention hereafter to be held for the District.

D. A. NUNN.

We are authorized to announce the following candidates subject to the action of the democratic primary.

For Congress:

A. A. Aldrich.

For County Judge:

Porter Newman.

E. Winfree.

For County Clerk:

Nat E. Allbright,

Hugh English,

James R. Richards.

For County Treasurer:

M. M. Baker.

G. H. Bayne.

For Tax Collector:

John W. Brightman.

For Sheriff:

Jake Sheridan.

E. B. Hale.

For District Clerk:

J. B. Stanton.

For County Attorney:

John Spence.

Earle Adams, Jr.

For Tax Assessor:

H. L. Mobley,

Sam H. Sharp.

Bailey Hatchell.

Tony Gossett.

For Representative:

N. B. Barbee.

Coil Stokes.

C. B. Isbell.

For Commissioner, Prec. No. 4:

Hugh W. McCelvey.

J. E. Smith.

Albert Douglas.

For Commissioner, Prec. No. 1:

F. P. Kennedy.

B. S. Hearn.

J. K. Jones.

H. P. Almond.

For Commissioner of Prec. No. 3:

Cal Barbee.

Ab Thomasson.

For Commissioner of Prec. No. 2:

W. E. Hall.

For Justice Peace, Prec. No. 1:

J. F. Duren,

John W. Saxton.

Watson Patterson.

For Constable Prec. No. 1:

A. W. Phillips.

T. B. Satterwhite.

Continued drouths are unknown in East Texas.

Either Trinity or Angelina should have the Senator this term. Certainly Cherokee is not entitled to it. That county has it now and neither Trinity nor Angelina has ever had it.

Over in Henderson everybody advertises, even to the heathen Chinese. The Rusk County News is about the best supported newspaper, by the merchants of its town, of any paper that comes to our exchange table.

Fruit and vegetable lands are bringing from \$50 an acre and up around Jacksonville. The same can be said of lands around Crockett in a few years if the fruit and vegetable business continues to grow as it has started.

The office of county commissioner is one of the most important in the county and too much attention can not be given to the selection of the proper man to fill this office. The county commissioner occupies the same position to the county that the state legislator does to the state.

A severe wind, rain and hail storm spread over the state Saturday night. At Orange a torrent of rain fell, accompanied by considerable wind. At Beaumont several derricks were blown over and the rainfall was heavy. Down on

the coast the heavy rain was preceded by a severe hail storm, doing damage to fruit and early vegetables. At San Antonio a heavy rain fell and a three-story brick building was blown down. The rain extended west and south of San Antonio for a hundred miles. At Austin it was almost a deluge, driven by a strong wind. The rain extended over a large portion of the state and into the Indian territory.

This is the best country on earth for the home-seeker. In Houston county continued drouths are unknown and land is cheap but productive—in fact, some of the land here is very rich, ranging from the light sandy to the black waxy. A farmer can buy good land here for what he has to pay as rent for one year in central Texas.

### DEATH OF GEN. WADE HAMPTON.

Former Cavalry Leader, Governor of South Carolina and U. S. Senator.

Columbia, S. C., April 11.—Gen. Wade Hampton died at his home here at 9:30 o'clock this morning. Death was due to a general breaking down of the system.

Lieut.-Gen. Wade Hampton was born in the city where he died 84 years ago. He came of a family of soldiers and was conceded to have been one of South Carolina's most distinguished sons. His grandfather served in the Revolution under both Sumter and Marion, was afterward elected to congress and was a major-general in the war of 1812. The father of the great cavalry leader of the Confederacy was Col. Wade Hampton, who also served in the war of 1812.

Before the Civil war the Hampton family was one of the wealthiest in the South, Col. Hampton having inherited from his father extensive plantations in both South Carolina and Mississippi. At the beginning of the war the family owned upward of 3,000 slaves. Wade Hampton was educated by private tutors and at the University of South Carolina. Then he studied law, but never practiced. The beginning of the war found him manager of his extensive estates and a member of the South Carolina senate.

Although probably the largest individual holder of slaves in the South, he spoke in the South Carolina senate against the extension of slavery and was one of the most conspicuous advocates of the pursuit of a conservative policy by the people of the South just previous to the war. When the state of South Carolina seceded, however, Hampton was one of the first to offer his services to the Confederacy and enlisted in the Southern army as a private.

A short time after his enlistment, Hampton raised and equipped at his own expense an aggregation of troops, cavalry, infantry and artillery, which became famous as Hampton's Legion. He commanded his troops at the first battle of Bull Run and was wounded. He afterward served with great distinction in the Chickahominy campaign, being wounded again at Seven Pines. At the battle of Gettysburg he received a sabre thrust in the head, but refused to leave the field and after the wound was dressed, he resumed his command. After the death of Gen. Jeb Stuart at Yellow Tavern, Hampton became commander-in-chief of the cavalry forces of the army of Northern Virginia.

He came out of the war a lieutenant-general and retired to his home, Southern Cross at Columbia. In 1876 he was elected governor of the state and was re-elected in 1878. While he was

serving his second term as governor he met with an accident while horseback riding which shattered the bones of one of his legs. The leg had to be amputated and for some time after the operation the General's life was despaired of. While he was lying between life and death, he was unanimously elected to the United States senate. He served in that body twelve years, retiring in 1891, following the wave of Tillmanism which swept over South Carolina.

In 1893 Gen. Hampton was appointed United States railroad commissioner, the last public office he held. He leaves one son, Wade Hampton, Jr., and one daughter.

### DR. TALMAGE DEAD.

Eminent Divine Passed Away in Washington.

Washington, April 12.—Rev. T. DeWitt Talmage died at 9 o'clock to-night at his home in this city. He had been ill for some time, and only a few weeks ago had experienced a change for the better, which gave hope of his recovery. Several days ago, however, his condition grew worse, caused by congestion of the brain with catarrhal complications, and since then the family had been daily expecting his death.

T. DeWitt Talmage was unquestionably one of the most remarkable men of his time. His success financially was phenomenal for a clergyman. Born in rural New Jersey, educated in New York city for the law, which he quit at his parents' desire to take a theological course at New Brunswick, young Talmage did his first preaching at Belleville, N. J., and went from there to Syracuse, N. Y., to get a better place in the Dutch Reformed church there. In Syracuse he began to develop those peculiarities which, further exaggerated, were in later years to make him talked about. He drew large Sunday evening audiences, partly because he amused the people, and when the crowds got so large that the people were pushed down the aisles, Mr. Talmage would ask the people to come to the platform, and said that he did not care if they came up and sat on the pulpit with their legshanging over.

In his Brooklyn pulpit, where he began preaching in 1869, he resorted to the tricks of manner and speech which caused him to be caricatured from one end of the country to the other. On one occasion when it was time for him to begin his sermon he went to one edge of the platform, buttoned his coat, raised his arms, and, wheeling suddenly about, dashed in running jumps across the platform, his arms waving like the sails of a windmill, his coat tails flying behind him and his trousers working up above his shoetops. He had not spoken a word, and some of his congregation were ready to shriek, not knowing what to make of it, when Mr. Talmage stopped short, turned and walked back to the center of the platform and exclaimed, as the beginning of his sermon: "Young man, you're rushing to destruction."

Then he preached of the dangers of city life to young men who yielded to temptation. By such methods he drew thousands of persons to the church. Mr. Talmage's comment on his style of preaching was: "My positive mode of preaching seems to stir the hostilities of all earth and hell."

While Mr. Talmage was at Philadelphia, where he preached for seven years before going to Brooklyn, his first wife was drowned in the Schuylkill river. Mr. Talmage's success in building

up the membership of the Brooklyn church was such that the church building in Schemerhorn street was outgrown and the first Brooklyn tabernacle, a wood and iron structure, seating 3000 persons, was put up in 1870. It was enlarged in 1872, but was destroyed by fire in December of that year.

Two years after his first wife died Mr. Talmage married Miss Susan Whittemore, of Brooklyn. His son, Frank Talmage, by his first wife, followed his father's calling.

### To the Public.

As there will be an earlier primary this year than heretofore, and as some of the candidates have been in the field for some months past, I trust that I will not be considered out of order.

The duties of the office at this season of the year will prevent me from making as thorough a canvass as I would like to make; hence I take this means of coming before the people.

You have honored me by electing me as your county clerk. I thank you sincerely, and am under lasting obligations to you for the honor. To show you my appreciation I have made you the best officer that is in me to make. It is exceedingly gratifying to hear the good reports which come to me from all over the county, that the people are pleased with my official services. Experience has qualified me for the office, and as so many encouraging solicitations from throughout the county have come to me, I am before you to ask you to again honor me by re-election.

I am aware that there are some who say they do not favor a long tenure in office. Every man has a right to his opinion on this subject, and I ask those who hold to this opinion to give me the same consideration from a business standpoint that you would give a man in your employ. If you be a merchant, farmer, railroad man or professional man, and have a man in your employ that understands your business, is capable and has been with you a number of years, would you turn him off for an inexperienced man? Would you turn him off solely on the ground that he has been with you a long time? I am persuaded that no business man would do such a thing. Then why not use the same business judgment in a public measure that you would in your private affairs? Any sound business principle applicable to your private business is also good for the public business. When we consider the long term argument generally urged against the man in, by the man out, and trying to get in, the argument is really in favor of the man in. Let's look at it for a moment. Who puts the man in office? The people. Who have kept him in office? The people. Why? Because he suits them.

Who is dissatisfied? The man who is out and wants to get in. Whose say is it, the man in or the man out? Neither. It is the people's say. What will the people do? Just what they have always done—keep the man if he be competent and is giving satisfaction, till they have a better reason for turning him off than that he has served them for a long time. There are men filling positions in all the various walks of life and in the different offices in this state who have been in such positions from one to thirty years. Why are they kept so long? Their fitness for the position they hold is the secret.

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### Frairie Point.

ED. COURIER:

The rain on Saturday night was the heaviest for more than two years. Considerable damage was done bottom farms and uplands washed badly. Two bridges on Trinity road on Cedar and Elm creeks are gone. Farming will be delayed for some time.

Jasper Rennels, who moved from here last fall to San Angelo, arrived in our midst last Friday. He says he wants no more of the West in his—that Houston county is good enough for him. Jasper tells some good yarns on that county. He says that the wind blows so hard there that every man has to carry with him a trained dog to catch his hat when it blows off his head. He says it rained none while he was there, nor does he think it has rained since Noah's flood, and any man who says that is a good farming country is—another.

Asa Speer, Sr., has been quite ill, but is improving.

Our enterprising and accommodating merchant at Lovelady, J. O. Monday, has moved into his new brick store. REX.

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