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A CHANGE.

The Time Has Come for It—The Schools of This County Demand the Undivided Attention and Time of a Superintendent—Other News Items.

When we consider the amount of money annually expended on the schools of this county the people have a right to expect that the system of public schools for this county should be as good as any in the State. We doubt if there is a county in the State where more money per scholar is spent on the public schools than here in Houston. Let us look at the amount annually expended here and then let the people consider the matter and decide for themselves whether or not the returns from the use of such a sum are what they have a right to expect. We do not speak of this in any sense of criticism but with the view of giving the public an insight into sums annually used for such purposes with the suggestion of what they might expect from such large sums so used. In the first place the sum set apart by the State government for this county for the next scholastic year is \$4.80 per scholar. The total number of scholars on the census for this county between 8 and 17 years of age as appears from rolls is 7400. The total amount sent to this county from Austin and appropriated by the State for free school purposes is \$35,520. This of itself is a large sum but this is not all. There is a county permanent fund and the interest on this county fund becomes available. The money from this source this year will be about \$8,800. Still this is not all. There are other resources which go to support of schools in districts and levied by districts. These amount to about \$5,000 more. So adding all together we have the magnificent aggregate of over fifty-two thousand dollars applied to the free education of the children of Houston county for the next year.

This princely sum, all devoted to the free education of the youth of this county, ought to be giving rich returns for all who avail themselves of it. The system of public schools in this county ought to be a fine one, free for at least seven months in the year to every boy or girl in the county who wants to avail themselves of it? It is admitted by all that Judge Winfree has given the county the very best system of public schools possible in view of the other exacting duties of his position which demanded so much of his time. But the question is, Is the system as thorough and as efficient and have the returns from the expenditure of so large a revenue been as great and as beneficial as they would have been if he or his successor could have given his entire time and attention to the thorough organization of these schools. That is the point to consider. Are the people and the children get-

ting the full benefit they ought to get and have a right to expect from the use of such a sum of money for school purposes? Are they getting what they would get, are the schools as thorough, are they as efficient, is there that degree of systematic work for results as there would be if the entire system were taken out of the hands of the county judge who hasn't the time for such labors and put under the exclusive control of a county superintendent of schools, who could and would give his entire time to their workings, visit them personally and see that they are being conducted along lines of the highest efficiency. The cost of such a change will be comparatively small. Already the sum of \$600 annually is paid to the county judge as county superintendent. He can not give the schools the attention they should have and which they would get from one who has nothing else to do but to look after the schools. At an expense of two hundred and fifty dollars more the schools of the county could be placed in charge of a county superintendent with no other official business, who could give them his entire time, visit them, observe the methods of teaching, see the operations of the school room for himself, listen to complaints, harmonize troubles and in various other ways improve their condition, and bring about better results. These reflections are thrown out for the consideration of those concerned. In quite a number of counties the commissioners' courts have created the office of county superintendent and with fine results. The expense of such a change in this county would not likely be more than \$250.00

The Cotton Outlook.

There is no longer doubt that the cotton crop in Texas has been seriously damaged. The damage is not confined to any particular locality or county but from reports, official and unofficial, is general throughout the state. The most general causes of damage are the heavy rains the first of the month followed by insects. At present the boll-weevil and the dry weather are working the greatest detriment. The crop in the State seems to be cut off at least 25 per cent while in many counties the damage is fully 50 per cent. The boll weevil ravages are general throughout the State from Red River to the Gulf though worse in the south and middle sections. In Houston county cotton has done but little since the rains. Just before the rains the prospect was the finest and most flattering ever seen in this county and not a man could be found who didn't say that the indications pointed to

the largest yield in the history of the county. The excessive rainfall struck the cotton just as the drouth did the corn at a time and stage of development to do the greatest harm. As a rule more cotton is made in August than all the rest of the season but as a matter of fact there has been none made during August at this writing. One can look out over hundreds of acres of as fine a weed as ever grew out of the ground and see scarcely a bloom to a dozen stalks when the field ought to be white with them. While the weed is in this condition the ground will be found to be literally covered with squares and bolls. An examination of the causes of this disastrous condition shows that the boll-weevil comes first and the boll-worm next. There's no longer doubt that the boll-weevil are with us at last and here in countless numbers and here to stay until there is an effective and economical way of dealing with them. The astonishing part of it all is that so very few farmers, though in their cotton every day and seeing the damage before them, should study and ascertain the cause of all this destruction. The weevil are in the cotton and only a cursory investigation is required to find them. The crop of this county is cut down a third of what it promised to be at one time. The outlook for the future is indeed a gloomy one. The prospect is that the damage next year will be greater than this with the result that neither farmer nor merchant will know what to do. The merchant who has been making advances on cotton is likely to be in bad shape and next year there will be such uncertainty from ravages of boll-weevil, etc., that no one will feel safe to make advances to make a crop. So the prospect is anything but cheering now and will be less so next year. The crop promises to be short not only in Texas this year but in other states also and it would seem that the crop as a whole over the south will not exceed, if it reaches, that of the season just closing.

The prohibition law goes into effect on the night of the 12th of Sep.—the drouth in theory begins at 12:01 a. m., sharp on the 13th. After that we shall see what we shall see. There will be some little compensation for the personal privations which will follow, not the smallest of which will be that a man from Crockett will be able to make the trip to Lovelady and not be followed around that town by some of the pros there, because one pocket of his coat hangs a little lower than the other. "By this sign ye shall know them," is or was the motto of "the Lovelady Tippers' and Tappers' Club," composed mostly of prohibitionists.

As the day draws near for prohibition to go into effect keep your eye on some of these great big pros. They have got to have a little to put by for "emergencies" as they say. They are already scalding out the old jugs and getting them in shape. We heard one remark the other day as he went in: "I want a bottle of that best whiskey before it is all gone." We will do that one just

ice, however, to say that there will be real prohibition if no one else drinks any more than he does. We can't say as much of some of the others. They look mighty thirsty now as they pass by and cast longing looks inside.

An Order.

The Commissioners' court passed the following order at last session:

It is ordered that the tax collector proceed at once to collect by means of such proceeding as are authorized under the statutes to collect all delinquent taxes due on personal property and all poll taxes and the tax collector is requested to appoint parties to collect such taxes at once and report to this court at next regular meeting what has been done by him to this end.

Colorado Letter.

Dear Mr. Page:

I last wrote you from Denver before going to Salt Lake. After spending three days in or at Salt Lake, I again reached Denver last Monday and came here on Tuesday. I spent (Wednesday) yesterday at Cripple Creek, returning here last night.

It is real cool here this afternoon and a coat and vest are not uncomfortable. However, the general temperature is warmer than it was when I was here last summer. The people here say they are having an unusually warm summer and attribute it to the fact that comparatively little snow has fallen in the mountains for the past three winters which has also caused a scarcity of water.

Bob Janes left Monday afternoon for home.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. McConnell leave to-night for Crockett, together with Mr. McConnell's mother.

I am ready to come home now, but have promised to wait until next Wednesday for the rest of the crowd, who are at Manitou. I was at Manitou, 6 miles from here, this morning, returning here for lunch. I like this place much better than Manitou, for Manitou is down in the mouth of a canon at the foot of Pike's Peak where you can not see anything and Colorado Springs is out on a level plane with a fine view of the peak and surrounding mountains.

I am writing in the rotunda of the hotel with the windows and doors all closed and it is quite comfortable. A man has just come in with his overcoat on, but I think he has been riding on one of the mountain trains and got chilled. A light shower of rain came up this afternoon with hail and I hear that it sleeted in the mountains.

I will leave here Wednesday night and will reach Crockett Friday night.

Capt. Jack Crawford, a noted scout of the Northwest during the days of the Indians, is writing a letter just across the table from me. I have just heard him relate an experience with Gen. Miles years ago. He does not like Miles. Yours truly,

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Is far away
Sailing o'er some summer bay,
Where cool winds touch
The brows of such
As chance to have an all-year clutch.

But I am not
A lucky lot,
And while my soul is on a yacht
My body stays
These August days
In town to grab a part that pays.

I think, perhaps,
One of the snaps,
That fall to lucky maids or chaps
Will come my way,
And some fine day
I'll eat some other food than hay.

My Art demands
At some one's hands
Some other work than all-day stands
On Broadway where
I stand and swear,
And, weary, wait for answered prayer.

The ghost walks not,
The street is hot,
I lack the price of some cool spot;
It may be gay
For some who play,
But not for us who do Broadway.

Oh Thespis, you
Are cruel to
The most who seek your stunts to do;
Is it our fate,
Outside the gate,
To stand always and wait and wait?
—W. J. LAMPTON in New York Sun.

In Bankruptcy.

United States of America, Eastern District of Texas, ss. Tyler Division. In the United States District Court in and for said District.

In the matter of T. J. Routan, bankrupt. No. 1349, in Bankruptcy. Petition for Discharge.

To the Hon. David E. Bryant, Judge of the District Court of the United States for the Eastern District of Texas.

T. J. Routan of Pennington, in the County of Houston and State of Texas, in said district, respectfully represents that on the 14th day of April, last past, he was duly adjudged bankrupt under the acts of Congress relating to bankruptcy; that he has duly surrendered all his property, and rights of property, and has fully complied with all the requirements of said acts and of the orders of the Court touching his bankruptcy.

Wherefore he prays that he may be decreed by the court to have a full discharge from all debts provable against his estate under said bankrupt acts, except such debts as are excepted by our law from such discharge.

Dated this 15th day of August, A. D. 1902. T. J. ROUTAN, Bankrupt.

ORDER OF NOTICE THEREON.

Eastern District of Texas, ss.

On this 21st day of August, A. D. 1902, on reading the foregoing petition it is ordered by the court, that a hearing be had upon the same on the 13th day of September, A. D. 1902, before said court at Tyler, Texas, in said district, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon; and that notice thereof be published in the Crockett Courier, a newspaper printed in said district, and that all known creditors and other persons in interest may appear at the said time and place and show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of said petitioner should not be granted.

And it is further ordered by the Court, that the Clerk shall send by mail to all known creditors copies of said petition and this order, addressed to them at their places of residence as stated.

Witness the Honorable David E. Bryant, Judge of the said Court, and the seal thereof, at Tyler, Texas, in said district, on the 21st day of August, A. D. 1902.

Attest: D. W. PARISH, [SEAL OF THE COURT] Clerk.

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Citation.

The State of Texas:
To the Sheriff or any Constable of Houston County, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon the unknown heirs of James McDaniel, deceased, and the unknown heirs of Isaac Parker, deceased, by making publication of this citation once in each week for eight successive weeks previous to the return day hereof in the CROCKETT COURIER, a newspaper published in Houston county, Texas, to be and appear before the Honorable District Court of Houston county, Texas, at the next regular term thereof, to be held at the court house in Crockett, on the fourth Monday after the first Monday in September, 1902, the same being the 29th day of September, 1902, then and there to answer the Plaintiff's petition, filed in a suit in said Court on the 30th day of July, 1902, wherein E. L. Angier, W. H. Nichols, E. K. Nichols, P. G. Nichols, F. M. C. Nichols, T. P. Nichols, George B. Nichols, F. Nichols Stewart, John T. Dickenson, Ella D. Scott, G. R. Scott, Geo. A. Clark, Bessie T. Clark, Nannie Clark, and James A. Baker, Administrator, are Plaintiffs and the unknown heirs of James McDaniel, deceased, and the unknown heirs of Isaac Parker, deceased, are Defendants. File number of said suit being No. 4720.

The nature of the Plaintiff's demand is as follows, to-wit:

1. That plaintiffs are the lawful owners in fee simple and in right and lawfully seized and possessed of a certain tract of land situated in Houston county, Texas, being the tract of land originally granted to James McDaniel, by the State of Coahuila and Texas, by title dated Oct. 6, 1835, and commonly known as the James McDaniel one-fourth league grant in Houston county, Texas.

2. That the said James McDaniel, the original grantee of said land, is dead and his heirs are unknown to plaintiffs.

3. That during the lifetime of said James McDaniel, the title to said land was divested out of him and vested in Isaac Parker by a

deed of the District Court of Houston county, Texas; that the records of the said District Court of Houston county have been burned and said deed in said case of Parker vs. McDaniel has been destroyed and no authenticated copy thereof is in existence.

4. That the said Isaac Parker is dead and his heirs are unknown to plaintiffs.

5. That during his lifetime, to-wit: About Jan. 1, 1850, the said Isaac Parker, for a valuable consideration, conveyed said land to his daughter, Lucy Ann Hale, wife of Sam C. Hale; that the said conveyance has been lost and destroyed and no authenticated copy is in existence.

6. That the title to said land passed out of the said Lucy Ann Hale, and by mesne conveyance, became vested in plaintiffs, and is now vested in plaintiffs.

7. That the loss and destruction of said deed of the District Court of Houston county, and said conveyance from Isaac Parker to Lucy Ann Hale, renders plaintiffs' title to said land defective and imperfect and constitutes a cloud upon plaintiffs' title; that the said unknown heirs of James McDaniel and Isaac Parker are setting up some pretended claim or title to said land which casts a cloud upon plaintiffs' title.

Premises considered, plaintiffs pray that the said unknown heirs of James McDaniel and Isaac Parker, deceased, be cited by publication to answer this petition; that upon a hearing hereof they have judgment against said defendants for the title to said land; that the said clouds be removed from plaintiffs' title and that they be quieted in the possession of said land and for costs of suit and general relief.

Herein fail not, but have you before said Court, on the first day of the next term thereof, this Citation, with your return, showing how you have executed the same.

Attest: J. B. STANTON,
Clerk of the District Court of Houston county.

Given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at office in Crockett, in the county of Houston, in the State of Texas, this 30th day of July, 1902.

J. B. STANTON,
Clerk District Court, Houston county, Texas.

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Citation.

The State of Texas:
To the sheriff or any constable of Houston county, greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon F. M. Raines and Amos Raines by making publication of this citation once in each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county; if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the third judicial district; but if there be no newspaper published in said judicial district, then in a newspaper published in the nearest district to said third judicial district, to appear at the next regular term of the district court of Houston county, to be held at the court house thereof, in Crockett on the fourth Monday after the first Monday in September, A. D. 1902, the same being the 29th day of September, A. D. 1902, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 25th day of August, A. D. 1902, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said court No. 4727, wherein J. W. Hail is plaintiff and F. M. Raines and Amos Raines are defendants, and said petition alleging that plaintiff on or about the 22nd day of October, A. D. 1900, bargained to defendants certain tracts of land, for which defendants executed their five certain promissory notes each for five hundred dollars. That the vendor's lien was retained in both the deed and note. That said land is described as follows: Lying and being situated in Houston county, State of Texas, on Trinity river about 14 miles N. W. from the town of Crockett. First tract a part of the R. de la Garza. Beginning on the east bank of Trinity river where the S. E. Bdy. line of the Roman de la Garza 11 league line crosses the river. Thence N. 55° E. with said line to where it crosses Hurricane Bayou, stake for corner. Thence in a westerly direction down Hurricane bayou with its meanders to Trinity river. Thence down Trinity river with its meanders to the place of beginning, containing 736 acres, more or less. The 2nd tract. Adjoining the above described tract and bounded as follows. Beginning at the N. E. corner of the A. P. Rice survey where the same intersects the S. E. Bdy. line of the Roman de la Garza. Thence southwardly with the east Bdy. line of the R. D. Aprice sur-

vey a sufficient distance to include 150 acres by running a line parallel with the N. W. Bdy. line of said Aprice survey to the W. Bdy. line of same, the last tract or No. 2 is to contain 150 acres out of the R. D. Aprice survey; which two said described tracts of land are fully described in said deed which is duly recorded in volume 24, page 353, of the deed records for said Houston county. That defendants are insolvent and have abandoned said land, and plaintiff now has possession of said land, and title to same. That the deed from plaintiff to defendants is a cloud on plaintiff's title. That Amos Raines is a non-resident of the State of Texas, and that F. M. Raines' residence is unknown. That plaintiff has elected to rescind the bargain for the sale of said land, and has so notified Amos Raines in writing, but could not notify F. M. Raines, because his residence is unknown. Plaintiff prays citation, that the deed from plaintiff to defendants for the land above described be cancelled, and all title by virtue of said deed in defendants be divested out of them and vested in plaintiff, and for costs and general and special relief. Herein fail not, but have you before said court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same. Witness: J. B. STANTON,
Clerk Dist. Court of Houston Co. Given under my hand and the seal of said court at office in Crockett this the 25th day of August, A. D. 1902.

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC EYE

WOMEN MUST WEAR BONNETS.

Bishop Coleman of Delaware Rebukes His Congregation.

That women should be bonneted in church is the belief of Bishop Leighton Coleman of the Protestant Episcopal diocese of Delaware, and the remark which he recently made during a sermon interrupted by the entrance



Bishop Coleman.

of several young women with uncovered heads has attracted a great deal of attention.

It was at the summer resort of Rehoboth that the bishop delivered his rebuke, which was the more sensational because he changed his subject on the entrance of the women and directed his remarks almost directly to them.

"Such a practice of entering a church is unscriptural and ungodly," he said. "It looks worse than for men to attend divine service without their coats."

RABBITS RUIN A CITY.

Undermine Foundations of Embankment and Cause Flood.

Rabbits were directly responsible for the terrible disaster which overwhelmed the populous Spanish city of Lorca some time back, according to the Detroit News-Tribune. By burrowing and tunneling under the foundations of the vast embankment, which had been built high up in the hills to dam back the waters of a mountain lake, they so weakened it that it gave way. The resultant deluge wiped Lorca off the face of the earth, drowned some 1,200 of its inhabitants and inundated the country for more than twenty leagues. A similar catastrophe which befell a number of isolated towns and villages in the Mississippi Valley in March, 1890, was attributed to rats having undermined the levees near Greenville.

SAYS SPAIN IS PROSPEROUS.

Minister to This Country Talks of Conditions at Home.

Spain lost everything but honor in the late war—superficially considered.



Senor Ojeda.

Yet Senor Ojeda, her minister to this country, tells in an interview that Spain really gained a great deal by losing the burden of her colonies. The Spanish nation, he declares, needed all its strength and resources to develop its own country. There is, he says, no surviving ill-will among his people toward ours on account of the war. Certainly there is none in this country toward Spain, and Americans will note with sincere pleasure Senor Ojeda's assurance that his country "is to-day more prosperous than at any time during her recent history."

Honorary Post in Demand.

The post of lieutenant of the tower of London, which has been held by Sir William Stirling since 1900, is about to become vacant by the retirement of the incumbent. The duties of the position are not onerous, and the emoluments are small, but the post is much sought after, for it is regarded as an honor to hold it, since it is usually given to an officer of distinction. It is tenable for three years only.

AN ITALIAN CAPTAIN

Cured by Pe-ru-na of Catarrh of the Stomach After Doctors Failed.

Hon. J. D. Botkin, Congressman from Kansas Writes an Interesting Letter.



CAPTAIN O. BERTOLOTTO.

Captain O. Bertolotto of the Italian Barque "Lincelles," in a recent letter from the chief officer of the Italian Barque Lincelles, Pensacola, Fla., writes:

"I have suffered for several years with chronic catarrh of the stomach. The doctors prescribed for me without my receiving the least benefit. Through one of your pamphlets I began the use of Peruna, and two bottles have entirely cured me. I recommend Peruna to all my friends."—O. Bertolotto.

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TEXANETTES.

Cotton is being picked.
Greenville has a golf club.
Childress county had a heavy rain on the 19th.
Greenville barbers have organized a union.
Dallas expects to have twenty-one cotton buyers this season.

Boil worms have destroyed much cotton around Savoy, Fannin county.
Taxable values of McKinney are \$1,868,000, an increase of \$51,780 over 1901.

Taxable rolls of Corsicana foot up \$4,297,860, an increase of \$403,365 over last year.
The entire pear crop of Dickinson, about twenty carloads, has been sold to a Chicago firm.

J. A. Templeton, an old resident of Lamar county, died at Garrett's Bluff of cholera morbus.

The charter of the Cuero Creamery company, capital stock \$10,000, has been filed at Austin.

Some farmers of Dallas county report that the boll worm has greatly damaged their cotton.

Gabino Arango, a Mexican, was stabbed to death at Byersville, ten miles southeast of Taylor.

Judge R. S. Lovett and family of Houston sailed from New York last week for a European trip.

The 4-year-old son of J. J. Alexander fell from a wagon at Sulphur Springs and was badly hurt.

In an affray in a Childress saloon Dan Lynn was stabbed in a jaw. A man named Love was arrested.

The Old Settlers' association of Denton county held a successful reunion at Sanger last week. Denton holds the next reunion.

Navarro county will hold an election in November relative to the issuance of \$150,000 bonds to be used for the erection of a new courthouse.

A. W. Hooper of Covington, Hill county raised nineteen pumpkins on two vines this year that average fifty pounds. They were cultivated but little.

The Ancient Order of Hibernians, in session at Galveston, elected J. A. McAleer of Dallas president. The last named city was selected for the 1903 convention.

The annual Holiness campmeeting at Big Sandy, which began Aug. 6, closed with the night service of the 17th. It was a successful meeting, the congregations being large.

The assessment rolls of Lamar county show the taxable values for 1902 to be \$11,712,000. This is an increase of more than three-fourths of a million dollars over last year.

J. J. Whitley, a well known farmer, who lived between Brookston and High, Lamar county, was thrown from his wagon one night last week while returning home from Paris and killed.

Rev. George W. McDonald, formerly pastor of the First Baptist church of Temple, has accepted a call to the pastorate of the Washington Avenue Baptist church, Dallas, to become effective Sept. 1.

Dr. T. C. Osborn, one of the best known medical writers in the south and discoverer of the bichloride treatment of smallpox, died at Cleburne on the night of the 19th. He was a physician half a century.

In an altercation at Dallas Fred Herring, residing three miles east of that city on the Kaufman road, was struck in the head with a scale weight and his skull crushed. M. T. Slaughter was placed under \$500 bond.

A great many stockmen west of the Nueces will have been shipping their stock east of that stream to pasturage. Hundreds of the animals have died and many of the living ones are in a pitiable condition.

A laborer was badly injured on the Southern Pacific docks at Galveston while assisting in unloading the steamship El Cid. Too much weight was placed on one end of a track causing it to tip. The man sustained a broken leg.

Wesley Ware, an 11-year-old negro boy, was run over and killed by an International and Great Northern railway passenger train near Tyler. The unfortunate boy attempted to cross the track just in front of the moving train.

VENEZUELA BRAVE.

BRITISH EDITORS WANT THE REPUBLIC CHASTISED.

POWERS SHOULD INTERVENE

German Newspapers Suggest an International Commission to Settle the Revolution.

London, August 27.—The Daily Mail, in an editorial article on Venezuela's defiance of European powers in maintaining a blockade and seizing Dutch vessels, declares it to be impossible for Europe to allow a piratical government of this type to disturb the commerce of the West Indies and the security of the Caribbean sea. This time Venezuela must be taught a lesson, says the paper.

After inveighing against the Monroe doctrine, the editorial concludes: "America should keep her disorderly States in order and chastise them when, relying on their weakness and her protection, they offend against international law."

Berlin, August 27.—The Cologne Gazette, a newspaper which often expresses the views of the foreign office on foreign affairs, advocates the intervention in Venezuela of one or several powers whose citizens have financial interests there, particularly the United States, Germany and France, and suggests that the intervention take the form of an international commission to control the customs receipts for the benefit of the bondholders, avoiding meddling with local politics. The paper believes that General Matos, the revolutionary leader, can be induced to consent.

Willemstad, Island of Curacao, August 26.—Details of the reoccupation of the fort of Carupano, state of Bermudez, Venezuela, by the Venezuelan government forces, has been received here. They show that General Velutin with 600 men from the Island of Margarita reoccupied the port on Friday last without encountering any opposition from the insurgents.

Treasury Clerk Dismissed.

Washington, August 26.—Secretary Shaw today ordered the dismissal from the treasury department of Lorenzo G. Warfield, a clerk in the division of bookkeeping and warrants. The attention of the department was called a few days ago to a circular said to have been issued in which Mr. Warfield was treasurer. The circular gave the plans of a proposed association by which the stockholders could probably reap large returns from a scheme to play the races. One clause in the circular cited the fact that Mr. Warfield held an important position in the treasury department and gave this as an evidence of the respectability of the association. The dismissal was based on the use of the department's name in the case.

May Settle Strike.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., August 26.—N. W. Anthony, president of the North American Coal company of Scranton, addressed a letter to President Mitchell of the miners' union today, requesting him to issue a proclamation to his followers warning them not to interfere with the operation of the company's washery when work is started on the 27th instant. It is not likely that a proclamation will be issued.

The citizens of Plymouth today bought a carload of flour for the striking miners employed at the Woodward and Avondale mines of the Delaware and Lackawanna company. It will be distributed this week.

Negro Killed Near Nacogdoches.

Nacogdoches, Texas, August 26.—Yesterday at Sandhill church, fourteen miles southeast from town. Lige Price was shot through the body by Henry Randall with a large bore pistol. Price was brought to town and died this morning at 9 o'clock.

A revival meeting is under way by Elder Reed, a noted negro divine in East Texas, and while preaching was going on Price and Randall both negroes, were out in the woods near the church gambling, and the difficulty arose over the game.

Mill and Elevator Burned.

Muenster, Texas, Aug. 26.—The Crawford Mill and Elevator Company lost its mill and elevator by fire yesterday morning. Loss \$15,000, insured for \$7,000.

Galveston Coke Fiends.

Houston, Texas, Aug. 26.—Dr. E. S. Cox, county health officer of Galveston county, was at the Rice hotel Sunday. Dr. Cox is inaugurating a crusade against the sale of cocaine and morphine to the fiends who haunt the back doors of drug stores in the Island City when the shades of night have fallen.

"This is becoming a serious matter," said Dr. Cox, "and I am going into it with my sleeves rolled up. Why, sir, we had twenty-seven of these fiends in the Galveston jail last week and their condition of mind body beggars description. I don't know what your experience are in this line in Houston, but this evil is not confined to any town or section of country. It is general and increasing, and measures must be taken to stop its spread. I am now engaged in writing letters to every county health officer in the State to get co-operation in introducing a bill into the legislature to confine the sale of cocaine and morphine strictly to physicians' prescriptions. I have no selfish motive in this, but am acting simply for the sake of those who suffer directly or indirectly as a consequence of this evil."

The Underground Fire.

Sherman, Texas, August 26.—The phenomena of underground fire near Gordonville recently caused much interest throughout the State. The following has been received from State Chemist H. H. Harrington: "The substance sent me for analysis is lignite, or brown coal, and the residue left is clay. I think it is a case of spontaneous combustion resulting probably from the oxidation of the iron pyrites. Such cases are rare, but are not unprecedented. It is not at all likely that there is any oil present. Lignite occurs in many places in this State, and the mines were considered valuable before the discovery of the Beaumont oil, but it is much less valuable as a fuel than bituminous coal."

Gen. Miles on a Mission.

Boston, Mass., August 26.—General Nelson A. Miles will sail for the Philippines within a few weeks. He is reticent as to the object of the trip. When asked if he was going in his official capacity, he replied: "Well, I'm not going as a tourist, neither am I going for my health. I can not tell until I get there what I will do."

"In view of the correspondence between yourself and the war department," the general was asked, "does your visit to the Philippines in your official capacity indicate a change of heart on the part of the department?" "You will have to put that question to the department," General Miles answered. I do not keep my finger on the pulse of the war department."

Boston, Mass., August 26.—With reference to the statement that Lieutenant General Miles is going to the Philippine Islands, Secretary Cortelyou said tonight: "General Miles is going to the Philippine Islands, with the permission of the president to inspect army conditions there."

Honors to Gov. Sayers.

San Antonio, Texas, August 26.—In honor of Governor Joseph D. Sayers of Texas, who is now sojourning at the hot wells in this city for his health, there was given a general review of troops at Fort Sam Houston this morning by the officer in command of the department of Texas, Colonel W. C. Forbush.

Following the review there was an informal reception at department headquarters, where the governor was presented to the officers at the post. The review was witnessed by 2000 San Antonio citizens.

Rio Grande on a Rise.

El Paso, Texas, August 26.—The Rio Grande is rising alarmingly in New Mexico. At Lincoln the river is full to the banks and still rising. It is feared that the town may again be washed away. The dams and ditches at Las Cruces will not be sufficient to dissipate the stream.

A Painter Kill by a Fall.

Flaton, Texas, Aug. 26.—Joe Dale, a member of the Southern Pacific paint gang, fell between the cars of a running train three miles east of this city at 6 o'clock yesterday morning and was horribly mangled, causing instant death. He was on the work train and was in the act of passing from one car to another when the accident occurred. "Squire Menefee held an inquest.

THE COAL STRIKE.

HANNA CAN GIVE NO HOPE FOR SETTLEMENT.

OPERATORS STAND FIRM.

A Dark Outlook for the Miners in the Anthracite Regions if the Struggle Continues.

Buffalo, N. Y., August 25.—United States Senator M. A. Hanna was in Buffalo today on his way home from Niagara Falls. For the first time he stated his abandonment finally of all efforts to end the coal strike. He believes that the operators should meet the miners in arbitration.

"I have exhausted my efforts," said Senator Hanna. "I have done all in my power and can do no more. I will make no further attempts, for it would be useless."

He said there was no chance of arbitration so long as only one side, the miners, was willing to arbitrate. He gave it as his opinion that the miners will not give in so long as they are able to fight.

"It will not be a short fight," said he. "It will be prolonged and its prolongation will mean not only hardships for the miners and the women and children dependent upon them, but it will have its effect on the American people. The longer this struggle continues the greater will be the increase in the price of coal."

He said he considered the refusal of the operators to arbitrate as final.

"I talked with Mr. Morgan before he went to Europe," continued the senator, "and before the strike was fully under way. He deplored the situation but would take no active part towards a settlement. His attitude, in my opinion, is unchanged."

President Roosevelt will be asked to call a special session of congress to take action to end the coal strike. This was decided at a meeting of the Central Federation union, representing 250,000 workmen.

A mass meeting under the auspices of the labor unions of New York city and vicinity will be held, at which resolutions will be adopted urging President Roosevelt to immediately call congress to meet and decide upon plans which will bring the strike to a speedy termination.

Quiet in the Coal Field.

Shenandoah, Pa., August 25.—Reports received at brigade headquarters today showed the entire anthracite coal field to be very quiet. Brigadier General Corbin said today that a settlement of the strike appears to him to be as far off as when he arrived here. The troops will in all probability remain here until the strike comes to an end.

Meetings of Miners.

Thurmond, W. Va., August 25.—The striking miners held meetings at various points throughout the New and Kanawha river coal fields today. Nothing has been made public as to what was done. Some of the operators claim tonight that the strikers, or the greater part of them, are in favor of resuming work and believe that before the close of the week practically all the mines in the Chesapeake and Ohio territory will be in operation. The strikers who have been interviewed, claim there is nothing in the report that they intend to resume work, but say they will remain out all winter unless their demands are met for the recognition of the union. There was much excitement around the Rend mines today where several hundred strikers congregated and for a time it was feared the property would be destroyed. Trouble is predicted there for tomorrow.

Old Indian Scout Dead.

Guthrie, O. T., August 25.—Old Bull, an Omaha Indian chief, who was a survivor of the wars waged against the Arapahoe Indian agency. He was in the Custer battle at the Little Big Horn in 1876 and afterwards entered the regular army serving until retired on account of age.

Woman Badly Scalded.

Marshall, Texas, August 25.—This morning, while boiling a pot of soup on a gasoline stove, Mrs. Harry Kimball turned the pot over, burning herself very badly on the body. A physician was called as soon as possible and her burns dressed.

Emma.—A new telephone line has just been completed from Emma to Floydada. This gives Emma connection with all railroad points.

FIGHT BETWEEN RACES.

A Bloody Riot Occurred in a Suburb of Indianapolis.

Indianapolis, Ind., August 25.—A race riot broke out at Houghville, a suburb of this city, this afternoon between 200 negroes and whites employed by the National Malleable Casting company. There has been bitter race feeling between them for several years and trouble has frequently broken out.

Two people have already been killed at different times. A ball game this morning between the two factions caused excitement. As the crowd left the field hostilities broke out. Stones, bricks, clubs and other missiles were used. Two hundred persons were immediately crushed together in a fighting mass. Twelve or fifteen shots were fired and it is reported one negro was shot, but he was slipped from the field before the police arrived. The whites were victorious, driving the blacks from the field and wounding a number of them. Several white people were badly injured. Ten arrests have been made and others will follow as rapidly as the persons are found.

The police responded to a riot call, but on account of the distance did not arrive till after the fight had been fought to a finish. Officers of the company fear other outbreaks will follow.

Reports from St. Helena, Tangipahoa and Washington parishes, on the Louisiana border, indicate the same serious condition of affairs.

Fair Remains Removed.

Paris, Aug. 25.—The correspondent of the Associated Press learns that the remains of Charles L. Fair and wife are at Cherbourg, on their way to New York, as the result of an agreement between the lawyers to hold the bodies there until it is decided whether it is advisable to examine them with the view of ascertaining the exact nature of the injuries which caused death.

Oil Excitement at New Orleans.

New Orleans, Aug. 25.—Considerable excitement has been kicked up in the northern section of the city over the surface indications of oil. Options have been secured on all the adjacent vacant lots and drillers will be put to work searching for the coveted grease. Property in the vicinity has taken a skyward shoot and real estate agents have been doing a thriving business during the past three days.

Opening of Trinity University.

Waxahatchie, Texas, August 25.—President L. C. Kirkes of Trinity university authorizes the statement that the university will not open on September 8, as has been previously announced, but the opening will take place one week later. The delay was made necessary on account of a failure to receive the furniture for the different rooms.

Congressman Sheppard Very Ill.

Dallas, Texas, August 25.—Friends of Congressman John L. Sheppard of Texarkana today heard from Mineral Wells, where the sick statesman is resting, that he is critically ill and is hardly expected to recover. If it is thought he can stand the trip the family will start with him to Chicago tomorrow.

Exportation of Mules.

New Orleans, August 25.—The British mule trade through the port of New Orleans promises to be kept up in definitely. In addition to shipping mules and cattle to South Africa to restock the Boer farms, the English government has decided to send a number of American mules and jacks to India. The jacks will be used in the vicinity of Bombay for breeding purposes, and if the experimental shipment proves successful several more cargoes will be shipped to that country.

Bad Outlook.

Hazlehurst, Miss., August 25.—Disheartening reports come in from the cotton crop in Central Mississippi. It is not believed that this section will make any more than 60 per cent of last year's crop. Owing to the intense heat which has prevailed for the past ten days the plant is shedding everything nature attempts to put on. It is opening very rapidly and in some upland fields the entire crop is open.

Calvert.—Robertson county will send a delegation to the Brazos river conference at Navasota. It is attracting much favorable attention.

San Angelo.—Range interests, too, are apparently feeling the drouths, quite a number of ranches, herds and flocks being offered for sale.

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LOTS OF MONEY IN BANKS

Belonging to the Government, but Its Withdrawal Would Disturb Business Conditions.

Washington, August 23.—The fact that the National deficit since July 1 promises a shortage for the year of about \$75,000,000 and the heavy demand for money that will soon come to move the phenomenally large crops, have caused some little concern in financial circles as to the course to be followed by Secretary Shaw. The authoritative statement was made at the treasury department today that nothing will be done that will injuriously affect the money market or the general business conditions of the country.

This is taken to mean that Secretary Shaw has no intention of calling in any of the money that is now deposited in various banks throughout the country. If anything, a move will be made in the direction of increasing the money in government depositories so that there may be no Federal check to business activity.

The amount of government funds now deposited in private banks is greater than at any time since the adoption of this system. The statement issued today shows the sum of \$118,849,309 to be on deposit with banks to the credit of the treasurer of the United States, which is the high-water mark in this regard. During past refunding operations of the treasury larger amounts than this have been in possession of the banks for a few days, but \$118,000,000 is the largest sum that has been held by private agents designated as government depositories. Secretary Gage gave more money to the banks to be held in this manner than his predecessor, and Secretary Shaw has increased the amount.

The last increase was made in May of the present year, when about \$4,000,000 was added to the funds already out. It was the general understanding at that time that the treasury might have to call in some of these deposits along in the early fall, especially if there should be a deficit following the cutting off of the war tax. The whole policy of the department was to hinge on the showing of the daily statement, but the banks were told to be prepared to return their deposits on demand from Washington. The tremendous appropriations authorized by congress at the past session were expected to make big inroads on the treasury balance, and if a formidable deficit should appear it would naturally be expected that some of the deposits would be called in.

The deficit for the six weeks of the present fiscal year now amounts to a little over \$8,000,000.

Acetylene Gas Explosion.
Rockdale, Texas, August 23.—In charging the cylinder of a private acetylene gas plant last night Mr. Andrew Perry of the drug firm of Clark & Perry had the misfortune to be badly burned, due to gas escapement and a lighted lamp. Both of Mr. Perry's hands were scorched and his face slightly burned in the explosion, and a young boy named Red Harris also had his face burned. The injuries of neither are serious, but painful.

Death of Forster Rose.
New York, Aug. 23.—Forster Rose, of Galveston, Texas, is dead at a hospital here. Mr. Rose, who was one of the leading lawyers in the Southwest, came North six weeks ago with his wife and child. A few days later he became ill. An operation was performed for appendicitis. He rallied from the shock, but typhoid fever developed and on Wednesday he was taken to a hospital. Mrs. Rose will take her husband's remains to Galveston.

Died as a Result of Injuries.
Fort Worth, Texas, August 23.—W. D. Jones died at St. Joseph's infirmary this morning as a result of an accident which befell him last Sunday near Amarillo. He was a cowboy and while his horse was at full speed Jones' head struck a limb, knocking him from his horse and fracturing the skull. He was brought here for treatment. The body was shipped to Weatherford this afternoon.

WELCOME TO GOVERNOR TAFT.

Twenty Thousand Filipinos Gathered to Receive Him.

Manila, August 23.—Civil Governor William H. Taft reached here this morning at daylight on board the United States gunboat General Alava from Singapore, Straits Settlement. He was welcomed with an enthusiastic popular demonstration.

The day has been made a holiday and the city was decorated. Eight large arches had been erected on the streets. Twenty thousand natives from adjoining provinces participated in the demonstrations in honor of the governor's arrival. There was a parade of vessels in the bay and thirty decorated craft carrying members of the civil commission, military officers and the reception committee met the General Alava down the bay and escorted Governor Taft to the entrance of the Pasig river. The governor was escorted by a large procession to the palace in the walled city, where a public reception was held.

A Peculiar Order.

Dallas, Texas, August 23.—Chief of Police Winfrey and Chief Detectives Alexander posted orders at police headquarters today forbidding policemen or detectives from attending baseball games. The chiefs declare there are so many daylight burglaries that the policemen and detectives are needed more on general duty than they are to see how the National game is played.

Mules for India.

New Orleans, Aug. 23.—The following announcement was made at the British supply station at Port Chalmette yesterday: "The British steamship Tola, of the Elder-Dempster line sailed from Vera Cruz for New Orleans on Aug. 19, and on arrival at quarantine will be detained for five days and on her arrival up will load about 500 head of mules, with several jacks, for Bombay, British India. Should the shipment prove satisfactory, no doubt others will follow."

Jailed on a Serious Charge.

Waxahachie, Texas, August 23.—U. S. Trammell, a farmer living in the south part of Ellis county, has been arrested and placed in the county jail on a charge of criminally assaulting a girl under the age of 15. The complaint was filed against Trammell Monday after the girl had given birth to a child. A suspicion of foul play is connected with the birth of the child, as it has never been seen by any one. The officers are making a further investigation of the matter.

Two Children Burned.

Denton, Texas, August 23.—George Bradley, the 10-year-old son of Judge S. M. Bradley, and his 6-year-old sister were fatally burned this afternoon. The children were filling a lamp with kerosene and it seems that some of the oil got in the flames of a nearby fire, causing the explosion of the lamp and setting fire to the clothes of the children. They were very badly burned all over the bodies before the flames could be suffocated and neither is expected to live.

Convict Brakeman Killed.

Rusk, Texas, August 23.—Ed Owens, convict and brakeman on the State railroad, was run over and killed yesterday by the State wood train. The man had gotten off of the car and thrown the switch and the car was running slowly and he attempted to get on the car and his foot slipped and he was killed. He only had two or three months to serve until his time would have been out.

Brakeman Lost a Hand.

Greenville, Texas, August 23.—At Winsboro yesterday morning at an early hour, Brakeman T. G. Wright, on Conductor Bowen's train, met with an accident that cost him the left hand. He started to climb to the top of a car when the stirrup pulled loose and he fell with his hand on the rail.

Mexican Husband's Revenge.

Tekarkana, Texas, August 23.—At Mira, La., a small cotton shipping point forty miles south of this city, a horrible tragedy was enacted today. As Ambrose Ogallio, a Mexican, returned home to dinner he found his wife in company with Joan Emilio. They were packing goods to leave and had loaded a part of the truck on a wagon. Ogallio caught the intruder by the throat and, drawing his knife, carved Emilio to death. He then took an ax and cut off the dead man's arms and head.

EVENTS OF EVERYWHERE.

St. Louis plumbers want \$5 a day. There are 25,000 American troops in the Philippines.

Columbian revolutionists captured the gunboat Boyaca.

A storm in the vicinity of Pana, Ill., did \$150,000 damage.

Hot winds have damaged cotton around Lexington, Ok.

Forty young ladies became Sisters of Mercy at Knebs, I. T.

Christoval Fruge fell dead on his doorstep at Crowley, La.

Shah of Persia has been given a warm welcome in England.

Mrs. Denny and her infant child were fatally burned at Tuscola, Ill.

Iron ore of fine quality and in abundance has been found near Fulton, Ky.

Campaign statistics show there are in southwestern Oklahoma 1300 naturalized Indian voters.

The main building of the Marietta Paint and Color company at Marietta, O., burned. Loss, \$50,000.

Ike Wiggins was fatally stabbed by his neighbor, Leslie Garrison, in a fight near Hopkinsville, Ky.

Rev. David Hodges, for twenty-five years a prominent Baptist clergyman, passed away at Rushville, Ill.

Three fatal accidents, due to reckless automobile scorching, have happened in Germany the past few days.

The dead body of Peter Anderson, known as the "hermit prospector" of Park City, Utah, was found in his cabin.

The Indiana Association of Spiritualists held its annual campmeeting at Anderson. The attendance was large.

Northern and Southern Methodist churches have agreed to establish a joint publishing house at Shanghai, China.

Near Birdseye, Dubois county, Indiana, Serman Shields was shot and killed by his father-in-law, Thomas Mitchell.

Prof. Agassiz of Harvard college has been knighted by the emperor of Germany with the Prussian Order of Merit.

King Edward has donated the gift of 50,000 pounds sterling received from the maharajah of Gwalior to the hospital fund.

Thomas Deveraux, 78 years old, after an unsuccessful attempt to kill his wife at Davis, I. T., fatally slashed his own throat.

Moses Patterson, on trial at Pine Bluff, Ark., charged with a murder alleged to have been committed twenty years ago, was acquitted.

Charles T. Riley, a prominent hardware drummer, dropped dead on a train at Fulton, Ky. He was en route to his home at Cincinnati.

Because he twisted her wrists, Mrs. Mary C. McIntyre has brought suit for divorce at Logansport, Ind., against her erring worse half.

Conductor Kelley of the St. Louis Iron Mountain and Southern railroad was seriously injured in a wreck between Wagoner and Fort Gibson, I. T.

At a political meeting near Greenville, S. C. Carey Styles shot and killed Walter McCarrell, and seriously wounded his own brother Emmet Styles, and Ernest McCarrell.

Roy Gibson, a merchant of Millsboro, Tenn., and Miss Cora Stokes, a Missouri maiden of sixteen sweet summers, who was on a visit to relatives, eloped to Arthur and a clergyman did the rest.

As the result of the dropping of a lighted match by a tramp into a lumber pile, 500 feet of cottonwood, gum and ash lumber were burned in the lumber yard of the Sondheimer Lumber company at Cairo, Ill.

More than 250 railroad blacksmiths were at Chicago last week in attendance on the tenth annual convention of the National Railroad Master Blacksmiths' association. W. P. Salvage of Palestine, Tex., was presiding officer.

Edward Lenehan died at Detroit, Mich., from hemorrhage, caused by a bullet from Officer F. J. Lemond's revolver. Lemond discovered four men entering a grocery store. He had a round of shots with them and winged Lenehan.

Will Grady, 17 years old, an attaché of a whiskey boat, the Kiandike, anchored at Rosedale, Miss., shot and killed Ham Burt, barkeeper on the craft. It was a duel, in which each fired four shots. Grady was not hurt save by a blow.

ATTRACTIVE SPOTS.

Pure Water and Beautiful Scenery in the Indian Territory.

Davis, I. T.: The suggestion that recreation for the great outing month of August can be had nearer home than a thousand miles is well exemplified in this vicinity of the Indian country.

For those desiring a more truly Arcadian vacation the Washita river, which runs within half a mile of Davis, stretches for miles north, west and south of the town, through a densely wooded valley, in a succession of mauve-colored rapids and eddying pools.

Now look out for an air trust. A Cleveland scientist claims to have discovered a process whereby he can extract a chemical gas from ordinary atmosphere, which will be both useful and cheap as fuel.

STATE OF OHIO, CITY OF TOLEDO, Lucas County.

Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is the senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of Hall's Catarrh Cure.

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 5th day of December, A. D. 1900. A. W. GLEASON, Notary Public.

Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Send for testimonials, free.

A baby carriage which is a miniature of "the deacon's one-horse shay," and was presented to Henry L. Dawes while in congress in the '60s, when it was announced that he was the father of a bouncing boy, is now being repaired to do service for Henry L. Dawes III.

Self Home Treatment for Ladies. I will send free, with full instructions, some of this simple preparation for the cure of Leucorrhoea, Vaginitis, Displacements, Falling of the Womb, Hoarseness of Voice, Painful Periods, etc.

A Swedish writer declares, unreservedly that duels have been unknown for many years in the realm of King Oscar. This must be accounted as creditable to the Swedes.

Mother Gray's Sweet Powders for Children. Successfully used by Mother Gray, nurse in the Children's Home in New York. Cures Feverishness, Bad Stomach, Teething Disorders, cures and regulates the Bowels and Destroys Worms.

Leipzig university has had the good fortune, unusual for German universities, of receiving a \$250,000 bequest from a private individual. It was obtained after a complicated lawsuit with the University of Vienna.

McCANE'S DEFECTIVE AGENCY, Houston, Texas, for trained and reliable detective service.

At Christie's a portrait by Sir Henry Rayburn was bought by Messrs. Agnew for 6,500 guineas. It shows the two sons of David Monzo Binning in plum-brown dress, with white ruffs and stockings, seated in a landscape, the canvas measuring 60 by 40 inches.

DRUGS SPECIFIC HEADACHE POWDERS—The only reliable and sure cure for all headaches. Price 10 cents. Sold by mail, 25 cents per box. Sample free. 150 Adams Street, San Antonio, Tex.

George G. Barnard is to do the sculptures for Pennsylvania's new state house, and Edwin A. Abney the panel paintings. Rumor asserts that Abney is to get \$150,000 for his paintings and Barnard \$300,000 for his statues.

Time is the capital of the intellectual man.

Religious Notes

A HYMN OF TRUST.

God of the Spring-time's early bloom, God of the Summer's glow, God of the Autumn's tender gloom, God of the Winter's snow, God of the dew-drop and the flower, God of the starry host; We praise thy gentleness and power, And of thy goodness boast.

Christianity and Business.

It is a common occurrence to hear men who profess to be sincere Christians protest that it is necessary to yield to a certain extent in matters of religious principles in order to compete with the non-Christian business man who may be their next-door rival; yet the most successful merchants, manufacturers, bankers, and so on through the list are frequently men who never compromise in such matters for the sake of a fancied gain.

The old cry that it is necessary to do certain things in a business way that is not compatible with the religion of Christ has repeatedly been proven untrue. Not only is this so, but men who do not profess Christianity have of late come to perceive that business methods that conform to the professions made on Sunday are more profitable in the end.

Experience has shown that the man who brings into the busy life of the six week days the same spirit that dominates his actions on the Sabbath will, in the end, secure the confidence

of the people, and with that confidence he will surely pass his less scrupulous and irreligious competitors. Thus not only does every law of Christianity command the Christian business man to uphold the practice of his faith in business life, but the world has now been compelled to admit that this very faith forms his best commercial asset when the faith is kept sincerely and without relapse.

And the explanation of this is very simple. A Christian who is more than a whitened sepulchre is bound to industry, patience, forbearance and honest dealing. Thus it can easily be seen that the Christian virtues are the same as those selected by non-believers as choice business maxims. It is written, "Seest thou a man diligent in business, he shall not stand before mean men." No, it is the boast of the Christian church that not only business but the entire structure of the foremost civilization on the globe has been created under her fostering care.

God fights our foes without if we fight them within.

Life Attained.

Life! oh, how we want it! There is not a man or woman or child that does not want it. Life! Where is it? Death is everywhere. The air is choked with farewells to the dying. But I want life. O Time! Ruthless, relentless; never bought off; never made to stop in the turning of his busy wheels; old Time rides everywhere, passing away; it is on your home to-day; it is on the faces of your friends; the silvered hair and the furrowed brow and the wrinkled cheek—all are the hieroglyphics which tell the same story; dying while we live. Oh, how I want life! I long for life!

Listen: "Strive to enter in through the narrow door, for narrow is the door that leadeth unto life." There it is. Pass through that door and you come to the vantage ground whence you

look upon the perishing, passing things of to-day with perfect sense of victory over decay. Tell me I am dying, and I tell you you have not yet begun to understand the secret of Christian life. I am not dying; I am living. "Ah, but the marks of decay are on you." I know they are on me, but presently through the veil of this flesh shall flash forth the Blessed Life. Presently I shall fall on sleep, the day's work done—may God grant it be well done—the toll over; and then to sleep in the poor earth, waking into the likeness of the Master.

Life; blessed life, broad life, beautiful life. Whence came it? He, the thorn crowned, brought it out of the deep, dense darkness of death. Can I have it? Yes. How? Strive to enter in.—Rev. G. Campbell Morgan.

The Highest Happiness.

If success in life means all sunshine, then failure is the lot of everybody. But there is something higher than pleasure and pain, than sunshine and storm, to which these are only incidental, and that is doing God's will. That is supreme. That touches everything in life and makes the best of it and in making the best of things makes the best of us. That is what we are for, to glorify God—to make Him glorious in the doing of His will in every reiteration of life.

"Life," says De Torquerville, "is not pleasure nor pain, but an earnest business with which we are entrusted.

which we are to carry on and carry out with honor." "Lo, I come to do Thy will, O my God," is an utterance of the soul that gives life at once the highest unity and consistency, power and joy, peace and fruitfulness. The smallest task feels its dignity, the roughest calling becomes the more ennobled. The trying and disagreeable and wearisome things are seen in a new light and borne with a high hope. It is like work on a splendid building. Digging and carting, cutting and trimming, stone and mortar and scaffolding, all belong to a great purpose and push its fulfillment.

Danger of Attractive Sin.

Sin as a caterpillar is bad enough, but sin as a butterfly is a thousand times worse. On every wing there is a picture as varied as the rainbow; every wing iridescent with different lights that shift and change. The poets call the butterfly "a flying and flashing gem," "a flower of paradise, gifted with the magic power of light." But the butterfly is only a caterpillar beautified with wings. It is only a painted worm decked in a velvet suit and adorned with sparkling gems. If sin in its grossest form be thus dangerous, what

must be the unmeasured power of sin when it puts on the robes of beauty. Let me remind you of the power of sin to make itself attractive, and of the power of error to deck itself in robes which resemble the robes of truth, so that even the very elect of God are in danger of being deceived. For example: "Sin beautifies by assuming and wearing the wings of wit," as immorality and lust in some of our best literature; the wings of fashion, the wings of art, the wings of attractive and pleasing names.—David Gregg.

Won by The Lord's Prayer.

The following striking example of the power of Christ's words over a poor, degraded people is related by Mr. Hay in his "Western Barbary." He says:

"I remember on one occasion traveling in the country with a companion who possessed some knowledge of medicine; we had arrived at a door near which we were to pitch our tents, when a crowd of Arabs surrounded us, cursing and swearing at the 'rebblers against God.' My friend, who spoke a little Arabic, turning around to an elderly person, whose garb bespoke him a priest, said: 'Who taught you that we were disbelievers? Hear my daily prayer and judge for yourselves.' He then repeated the Lord's Prayer. All stood amazed and silent, till the priest exclaimed: 'May God curse me if I ever curse again those who hold such belief! Nay, more, that prayer shall be my prayer till my hour be come. I pray thee, O Nazarene, repeat the prayer, that it may be remembered and written among us in letters of gold.'"

TELL TIME BY CATS. CLOCKS NOT REALLY NEEDED IN CELESTIAL EMPIRE.

Eyes of Time-Keeping Felines Denote the Exact Hour of the Day—Only One Drawback to Be Noted in the Case.

According to the delightful French missionary Huc, who recorded so many queer things about the Celestial Empire, no man needs a watch or a clock, if he has the right kind of a cat. In certain parts of China they can tell the exact time of day or night by looking into a cat's eyes. The pupil of the eye, assuming that the creature in question is just what it ought to be, gradually diminishes as noon approaches, until it loses completely its oval form and becomes a thin perpendicular line. When that line is plumb it is 12 o'clock. Then the pupil begins to grow very gradually and finally becomes as big and as round as a marble. Then it is midnight. With patience, practice and good mathematical perception the happy possessor of a time-keeping cat can tell the hour of the day and of the night, because the thin perpendicular line which the pupil of the cat's eye assumes at noon gives him a clear starting point.

Unfortunately M. Huc did not tell us how to know the living time-keeper from any common roof-walker or boot-jack dodger, and that is a great misfortune. It may be that he did not discover all the ins and outs of the secret, or, if he did, he selfishly kept them to himself. How fine it would be if, instead of paying half a barrel of money for a good watch, a man could get an infallible cat for the taking away of the thing! But this, of course, would involve the necessity of carrying a bag for the cat and of keeping poor puss inside with care.

The missionary discovered this valuable piece of feline peculiarity by pure accident. He noticed a little boy minding a calf and asked him if he knew the time. The child looked up and remarked that the day was too hazy, he couldn't see the sun. "But wait a moment," he said; "we will know precisely in a moment." Then he ran into the nearest hut and came out with a big cat in his arms. "It is just half-past 11," he shouted, and running up to the missionary he placed the cat's face under the holy man's nose. "See for yourself!" said he. "Sure enough," said Huc, who had serious reasons for concealing his astonishment and his ignorance, "it is just as you said, half-past 11."

Later on, when he got among his converts, he asked them to explain the mystery. They did so and showed him some living specimens of the precious time-keepers. The good man, however, was not altogether satisfied with the proofs. He was always worried with the thought that too many cats might be cock-eyed.

A Remarkable Dog.

There is a judge living in Charleston, S. C., it is said, who owns a Skye terrier of wonderful intelligence. The court in which the dog's owner is one of the presiding judges generally adjourns at 2 o'clock in the afternoon. It sometimes happens that the session is extended until after 2 o'clock, and then, it is said, the dog makes himself manifest.

When 2 o'clock comes and court is not adjourned, so the story goes, the dog, which always lies at the feet of the judges, begins tugging at the bottom of his master's trousers. If this is not sufficient to cause an adjournment the trousers legs of the other judges are similarly attacked. On one occasion, it is said, after the usual efforts had failed, the dog left the bench and began tugging at the trousers of the lawyer who was then addressing the court.—Baltimore Sun.

Propagation of Lobsters.

Since May 1 the vessels of the United States fish commission have gathered on the coast of Maine 3,300 seed lobsters, which have yielded 45,000,000 eggs. Of these eggs, 30,000,000 have been hatched out at Gloucester, Mass., and many thousands of the "fry" returned to Maine waters. When liberated the young lobsters are about two inches long, and are much better able to care for themselves than are those developed naturally in their native waters. It is thought that, by stringent laws regarding the fisheries, the lobster may be not only saved from extinction in Maine waters, but the supply made more plentiful than at present.

Change of Diet Wanted.

There are a good many things of which even the very poor may get more than is sufficient. A tired and weary man fell from utter and sheer faintness by the roadside. A crowd gathered almost immediately, when an officious onlooker hurried forward, shouting: "Stand back! Give him air!" The fainting man rallied and sat up. "Air!" he gasped. "Give me air! Why, gentlemen, I have had nothing but air for this last fortnight."

Citizens of Charleston, S. C., are urging that the name of Meeting street, one of the widest and most important streets in their city, be changed to Hampton avenue in memory of the late Gen. Wade Hampton. In Columbia, too, there is talk of having a Hampton street or avenue.

Don't you know that Defiance Starch besides being absolutely superior to any other, is put up 16 ounces in package and sells at same price as 12-ounce packages of other kinds?

Canvasback ducks are still abundant in some parts of Mexico.

It doesn't seem inappropriate to say "back up" to a camel.

I do not believe Piso's Cure for Consumption has an equal for coughs and colds.—JOHN F. BOWEN, Trinity Springs, Ind., Feb. 16, 1900.

Well behaved club waiters are frequently called to order.

DEFIANCE STARCH should be in every household, none so good, besides 4 oz. more for 10 cents than any other brand of cold water starch.

It's a good thing to be too busy to tell your troubles.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup. For children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. 25c a bottle.

A river must be pretty angry to foam at the mouth.

TO THE HOMELESS.

If you want a home where all the cereal crops are grown and fruits and vegetables flourish, don't fall to investigate the Central East Texas country. Lands are cheap here, crops are sure, health good and the farmers prosperous. The truck and fruit growers throughout this section make annually from \$50 to \$200 per acre; why not you? For full particulars write to Sam H. Dixon, Passenger and Immigration Agent H. E. & W. T. Ry, Houston, Texas.

Even the woman of few words is continually warming them over.

Ladies Can Wear Shoes One size smaller after using Allen's Foot-Ease, a powder. It makes tight or new shoes easy. Cures swollen, hot, sweating, aching feet, ingrowing nails, corns and bunions. All druggists and shoe stores, 25c. Trial package FREE by mail. Address Allen S. Olmsted, LeRoy, N. Y.

A man growls, a woman smiles—and the latter gains her point.

CHANGE OF LIFE.

Some Sensible Advice to Women by Mrs. E. Sailer.

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—When I passed through what is known as 'change of life,' I had two years' suffering,—sudden heat, and as quick chills would pass over me; my appetite was variable and I never could tell for



MRS. E. SAILER, President German Relief Association, Los Angeles, Cal.

a day at a time how I would feel the next day. Five bottles of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound changed all that, my days became days of health, and I have enjoyed every day since—now six years.

"We have used considerable of your Vegetable Compound in our charitable work, as we find that to restore a poor mother to health so she can support herself and those dependent upon her, if such there be, is truer charity than to give other aid. You have my hearty endorsement, for you have proven yourself a true friend to suffering women."—Mrs. E. Sailer, 756 1/2 Hill St., Los Angeles, Cal.—\$5.00 per bottle if above testimonial is not genuine.

No other person can give such helpful advice to women who are sick as can Mrs. Pinkham, for no other has had such great experience—her address is Lynn, Mass., and her advice free—if you are sick write her—you are foolish if you don't.

Wet Work has no terrors for the man who wears SAWYER'S EXCELSIOR BRAND Suits and Slickers. Warranted waterproof. Get the genuine. Look for trade mark. If your dealer doesn't have them, write for catalogue to H. M. SAWYER & SON, Sole Mfrs., East Cambridge, Mass.

Social Stems.

Drink at Chamberlain's.

B-4 you buy see the Big Store's line.

Cleanliness is the leading feature at Chamberlain's soda fountain.

H. Bloch says he is going to close out and go to Beaumont.

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

See Stanton, the barber, for shaving, hair cutting and shampooing.

A solid car of Darling stoves and ranges just received at the Big Store.

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

The Big Store will save you money on your fall bill. See them before you buy.

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

Call For

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

Freeze ice cream in 3 minutes. How? Use a Peerless Freezer. For sale at the Big Store.

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

Our motto now is: "Strictly cash to all and credit to none."

HYMAN HARRISON.

Concert.

The Connor's Creek School is to have a concert on Friday night, the 21 inst.

Your home will be a happy one if you have a Darling stove or range in it. They are for sale at the Big Store.

Entire stock of Whiskies, Wines, Brandies etc., going at "selling out" prices at Hyman's Saloon.

Mrs. LeGory is thinking of taking a trip to California soon. The girls, Misses Hortense and Cary, will probably go off to school.

Weigh your cotton with Brashers, Lansford, Satterwhite & Wilson at the Wilson cotton yard. Good water and yard for our customers.

To Ginners

Now is the time to save money on bagging and ties. Make contract with Jas. S. Shivers & Co. at the Big Store.

I am representing a Jacksonville laundry. All work guaranteed to give satisfaction. Ring up No. 151 and give me a trial.

21. ANDREW J. NEWTON.

Major J. C. Wootters, Dr. Jno. B. Smith and John Murchison left Monday for West Texas to be absent several days. They go for rest and recreation and to cool off.

Prepare for the hereafter and buy your whiskey while you have an opportunity to buy it cheap at Hyman's Saloon.

Miss Sarah Bromberg who has been in Galveston, returned home accompanied by Miss Sadie Hirshfeld who will spend a week or so as her guest.

Those who got last week's COURIER could but observe the fact that it was the only paper published in the county which gave the people all the news.

Col. D. A. Nunn and Mrs. Nunn spent several days at Elkhart wells last week. There is a new management there and the place is getting to be quite a resort. The attractions of the place have been greatly added to.

Soda Water

Is the national beverage. When properly made there is no drink so healthful and refreshing. The making of it is an art. There must be attention to details, experience, knowledge, skill and conscience exercised in its handling.

We make it as it should be made. Pure carbonated water, genuine fruit syrups and abundant ice are the essential materials, and absolute cleanliness is our hobby.

B. F. CHAMBERLAIN DRUGGIST.

The Cluett Peabody shirts and collars are the swellest yet. Get 'em at the Big Store.

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

If you need any letter heads, note heads, bill heads, envelopes, circular letters, statements, blanks, or printing of any kind, telephone No. 22, the COURIER office.

Mrs. Mary Baker, wife of D. R. Baker, was quite sick on Tuesday. Judge Winfree went down Tuesday night. On Wednesday a phone message from Oakhurst stated that she was very low.

There were throngs of people here last Saturday. One had to carefully pick his way along the side walks to get to where he wanted to go. There is more evidence of drinking as the time draws near for the saloons to close.

There has been never such a demand for eggs and butter as there has been in Crockett for past twelve months. There is money in such produce if some enterprising person would but go into it.

Mistakes are Costly.

You can make no mistake by using Hunt's Cure for itch, tetter, ringworm and itching piles. No cure—no pay.

The petition for a new passenger depot is in circulation again. We hope all will sign it. We need such an improvement and are justly entitled to it. Let us all sign the petition and then send it up by a committee.

Notice.

As I have decided to go out of the saloon business, I ask that all those who are indebted to me will please call at Hyman's saloon and balance their accounts. Please remit. Yours truly, HYMAN HARRISON.

For Sale.

My entire crop of tobacco at ten cents a pound where a whole bale is taken. A bale weighs from 12 to 18 pounds. It is genuine Havana and there is nothing better for smoking. Call at COURIER office before it is all gone. W. B. PAGE.

If you want to see the largest line of the finest patterns at the most inviting prices you ever did see, drop in today or tomorrow or the first chance you get and inspect our line.

KING & MURCHISON, Merchant Tailors.

Repeat of Your Sins

And use Hunt's Lightning Oil for all pains, catarrh, neuralgia, rheumatism, cuts, burns, colic and diarrhoea. Satisfaction guaranteed or money refunded. 25 and 50 cts.

The Pecos Times says:

W. E. Mayes and wife of Crockett, Texas, stopped over here a couple of days first of the week on their return home from a two months tour of New Mexico and the Pecos Valley. Mr. Mayes was much struck with our country and says the future of the valley looks very bright. They were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Prewitt.

Electric Plant.

B. J. Cunningham, representing the old light and ice company, was here last week and stated that they had about completed placing stock for the new plant and that work would soon begin. There seems to be no longer any doubt about a new and better system being put in.

If you are thinking of attending school, don't fail to write us for our large illustrated catalogue, free. We have the largest school of bookkeeping and shorthand west of the Mississippi river. Our normal and college work is unsurpassed. Write to day.

TYLER COLLEGE, Tyler, Texas.

We are glad to know that Billy Aiken, the COURIER man, will be back this week and will be once more in charge of the paper. The writer has been dealing out "hot stuff" for two or three months and will be glad of the chance to cool off. Billy will give the public all the news with the editorial page as calm as a mountain lake on a summer's day.

Lost.

Blue-gray mare mule, 5 years old, 14½ hands high, branded D-T on left shoulder, wears a leather halter. Left my place 9 miles east of Crockett on August 18th, 1902. \$5 reward for information leading to recovery.

BOB SMITH, Arbor, Tex.

For Sale.

A farm, about 7½ miles north of Crockett on Rusk road, farming on both sides of road, 93 acres, 60 in cultivation, under good new plank and wire fence, good water, place in state of good improvement. \$900.00 cash. Bad health reason for selling.

T. P. VAUGHN, Crockett.

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Dr. Cunyus writes from Corpus Christi that they are having fine sport fishing. The doctor has caught a Tarpon six feet long. Hon. C. C. Stokes had hung one but failed to land him. Cunyus sent a scale from the one he caught as large as a half-grown oak leaf. The bait which Bill took from Crockett didn't exactly suit for tarpon fishing.

Died.

Mrs. Decatur Haile died on 21 inst. She had been ill for quite a while from organic trouble and had had an operation performed hoping to receive permanent relief. She was the widow of Decatur Haile, long time a citizen and a highly respected one of this county. She leaves two children in Crockett, Miss Ada and A. B. Haile. Her remains were interred 22nd. A large number of friends attended the funeral.

Cotton.

Cotton has been coming in freely for ten days and during the week there has been an average of forty to fifty bales a day. If there had been ginning capacity here the receipts during August for Crockett would have reached 1500 to 2000 bales. The ruling price is about 7.70 for middling with an upward tendency. Cotton seed are selling at 25 cents a bushel. All signs point to an advance in cotton. The crop is going to be short and prices should advance sharply.

Grapeland Letter.

Grapeland, Aug. 25, 1902.

Mr. Editor:

As it has been some time since I have visited the readers of the COURIER through the columns of the same, I thought I would let them know that I still exist more-over have my being.

The first and most important item of all correspondents is the crops. Well the crops as a whole are short in this section of the county, yet they are better than most of other counties as far as heard from.

The rains in the latter part of July did more harm than good to the growing cotton, as the weather has been exceedingly hot and dry, thereby causing the plant to shed, rust and get lousy—therefore the crop is necessarily short.

There have been received, up to Saturday night, 150 bales of cotton at this depot; more than were ever received before during the whole month of August. If it continues at the same rate it will all be in by the last of October.

The merchants here are receiving and opening up larger stocks of goods than formerly in anticipation of a very heavy trade. Where it is to come from I know not, as the cotton will be soon all marketed.

Mr. J. N. Parker is about finishing up his new business house on Avenue street, where he will open up in it a large stock of groceries. Mr. Spruill has put an addition to his beef market house, and will in the near future open up a restaurant. Messrs. Zack Harmon and Ed Walton have both bought lots on the Avenue. Zack is now putting the material on the ground to build a house, in which, I learn, he will open up a restaurant. Good, two restaurants in Grapeland. Bully for Grapeland.

J. E. Hollingsworth is now having his brick burned and will shortly begin the erection of his new brick store.

E. E. Hollingsworth has completed his new residence and is now occupying it.

M. L. Clewis has now in course of construction a two-story residence building, which when completed, will be quite an ornament to the town.

The fruit and vegetable association has reorganized and will try tomatoes again next season. They have placed with the nursery an order for over 4000 fruit trees. They expect to make fruit growing a specialty.

Our school will open next Monday (Sept. 1st) under the supervision of Prof. A. W. Cain as principal and Misses Ara Hollingsworth and Moselle Martin as assistants.

The Baptists are having a protracted meeting this week conducted by Rev. Maxwell of Rusk, Texas.

Prof. Crook of Weches is among us this week taking in the Baptist meeting.

Miss Ethel Smith of Huntsville is visiting the family of S. T. Anthony.

Misses Ida Coleman Lively and Lura Yarbrough are visiting in Crockett this week.

Leon F. Bookman, who has been connected with the Messenger office for quite a while, left Saturday night for Bryan where he has accepted a position in the Eagle office.

Miss Clara Grigsby, who has been visiting the family of J. E. Hollingsworth, left for home last night.

Cotton seed are selling on the streets here to-day at \$15.25 per ton.

Mrs. J. H. Laverton of Grapeland and Mrs. John Miller of

Fly Time

is at hand, as is also the time for screening your house. We have a fine line of

Screen Doors and Windows

which we are offering low down. Now is the time to buy while our stock is complete. Also a full line of

Sash and Doors

at the lowest prices.

Houston Co. Lumber Company, T. R. DEUPREE, Manager.

Crockett will leave here to-night for Fort Worth to visit relatives there.

The health of this section is remarkably good, taking the hot weather into consideration.

DOE STRICKS.

B. F. Chamberlain left last night for Memphis, St. Louis and New York.

Made to measure—suits, pants, fancy vests, overcoats, everything in outer wear for men and boys.

KING & MURCHISON, Merchant Tailors.

Coal Mines to Reopen.

Gail King informed the writer this week that the coal mines near Lovelady would begin operations soon. They had already contracted for the delivery of enough coal to keep them going a year, selling one concern 18,000 tons.

Probably the pants, the ones that come with your spring suit, want to go first—it's a way pants have of doing. Better let us make you a new pair, then have the coat and vest pressed up (also down) and you'll have practically a new suit. We are making single pants at ridiculously low prices in some cases as low as two dollars a leg—seats free. Come early and avoid the rush. KING & MURCHISON.

Fruit, Flower and Vegetable Carnival—Palestine, Sep. 16th to 18th.

Fruit, Flower and Vegetable Carnival to be held at Palestine, Texas, new freight depot, Sept. 16, 17 and 18, 1902.

Railroad will transport all exhibits free of charge, both ways. Also transportation for person in charge of exhibit.

Free exhibit space in building and person to assist in arranging the exhibit.

This carnival is given for the purpose of advertising the resources of East Texas.

Things to be exhibited: Flowers, fruit, vegetables, corn, cotton and anything grown in East Texas. Also things made from East Texas fruits, such as wines, jellies, preserves, etc. Fine poultry, live stock, timber, minerals, etc.

It has been suggested that Houston county might furnish a specimen of fine June corn and cotton grown on land that has already produced this year one hundred bushels of potatoes to the acre.

The first opportunity you have, see our large fall line. Select your suit, pants and overcoat.

KING & MURCHISON, Merchant Tailors.

Open Your Mouth

And swallow one. Cheatham's Laxative Chill Tablets combine all the qualities of the best liquid chill tonic. Dose always ready. Dose always the same. No cure—no pay.

THE COURIER.

W. B. PAGE, - Editor and Proprietor
W. W. AIKEN, Publisher & Local Editor

DEMOCRATIC NOMINEES.

For County Judge:
Porter Newman.
For County Clerk:
Nat E. Allbright,
For County Treasurer:
Hardin Bayne.
For Tax Collector:
John W. Brightman.
For Sheriff:
E. B. Hale.
For District Clerk:
J. B. Stanton.
For County Attorney:
John Spence.
For Tax Assessor:
Tony Gossett.
For Representative:
Coll Stokes.
For Commissioner, Prec. No. 4:
H. W. McElvey.
For Commissioner, Prec. No. 1:
H. P. Aldman.
For Commissioner, Prec. No. 3:
Abb Thomason.
For Commissioner, Prec. No. 2:
W. E. Hail.
For Justice Peace, Prec. No. 1:
John W. Saxon.
For Constable, Prec. No. 1:
A. W. Phillips.
For Constable Precinct No. 3:
Horace Rodgers.

A COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT

A year ago we suggested that the schools of this county should have the undivided attention of an official selected for this purpose. It is not possible for a county judge to give the schools such attention and service as they should have. They have grown into a big system, educating thousands of children and spending thousands of dollars. As a business matter, would any individual be willing to entrust the expenditure of forty to fifty thousand dollars annually to an agent who could give it but a small part of his time and attention? If an individual couldn't and wouldn't do such a thing, why should the county do it?

The COURIER is of the opinion that with a county superintendent of schools it will be found that we will have a more efficient system, giving the people longer terms of school, better service in the school room, better school buildings more comfortably furnished, greater economy in the expenditure of the school money and a more harmonious and enthusiastic cooperation between teachers and scholars and between communities. There is hardly room for doubt that no small amount of the school money is squandered under the present system and some of it corruptly so. This couldn't be the case under the new system with a competent man in office giving the system his undivided time and personal inspection. There is not a school in the county but should be visited at least twice a year by the superintendent. How many of them are visited now? How many of them is it possible for the county judge, with all his zeal and interest in the schools, to visit?

The present system is certainly a bad one, producing unsatisfactory and inadequate results. It answered when the system was small, the number of children small and the amount of money expended small. Attention of the people is called to the fact that under the present system the sum of \$600.00 of the school fund is now used to pay the county judge for the little attention he gives the schools. And with \$250.00 to \$300.00 more the school system of the county could be placed in the hands of a superintendent whose whole duty would be to look after the schools and nothing else.

In advocating the separation of the school system from that of county government we are frank to say that our purpose is purely in the interest of an efficient school system. Judge Newman has had no better friend in the county than we have been and we believe him to be a good friend of ours. But we have been of this way of thinking for some time. If the commissioners' court makes the change, it should at the same time make provision out of the county fund for supplementing the salary of county judge to the extent of the amount withdrawn for the salary of county superintendent.

The COURIER doesn't hesitate to say that some of the school money is squandered in this county and corruptly so at that. An investigation would produce some astonishing disclosures as between some of the teachers and their trustees. A system of public schools loosely conducted as any system must be when there is no superintendent is a temptation and an incentive to extravagance and corrupt extravagance too.

Judge Newman and the Commissioners' court can rely on the active support and cooperation of the COURIER in their efforts to get the county out of debt and bring the financial affairs back to a cash basis. The COURIER may be depended on to expose extravagance in any and all parts of the county government.

The COURIER hasn't got, as the Lovelady News intimates, a patent right on law and order but it has got what the Lovelady News hasn't got—positive convictions on law and order and the nerve to express these convictions.

I. & G. N. Excursion Rates and Arrangements.

Summer excursion rates to various points in Texas and to various points north and east. Low rates. Sell tickets daily. June 1st to Sept. 30th. Limit Oct. 31st.

Marlin, Texas—The great health resort. Low excursion rates. Tickets on sale daily the year round. Limit 60 days for return. For complete information call on I. & G. N. ticket agents, or address, D. J. PRICE, General Passenger & Ticket Agent, Palestine, Texas.

A Cure for Cholera Infantum.

"Last May," says Mrs. Curtis Baker, of Bookwalter, Ohio, "an infant child of our neighbor's was suffering from cholera infantum. The doctor had given up all hopes of recovery. I took a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy to the house, telling them I felt sure it would do good if used according to directions. In two days' time the child had fully recovered, and is now (nearly a year since) a vigorous, healthy girl. I have recommended this Remedy frequently and have never known it to fail in any single instance." For sale by B. F. Chamberlain.

Watch for a Chill.

However slight at this time of year and in this climate, it is the forerunner of malaria. A disposition to yawn, and an all tired out feeling even comes before the chill. Herbine, by its prompt stimulative action on the liver, drives the malarial germs out of the system, purifies the blood, tones up the system and restores health. 50c at J. G. Haring's.

How to Succeed in Business.

Keep your liver in good condition by using Simmons' Liver Purifier (tin box.) It corrects constipation, cures indigestion, biliousness, stops headache, gets your heart in the right place so you can smile at your neighbor.

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.

J. L. BATES ON TEXAS.

Next Governor of Massachusetts Delivered and Interesting Lecture on This State.

Boston, Mass., Aug. 16.—The feature of the week in educational circles was the lecture Wednesday by Lieutenant Governor John L. Bates in the Old South Young People's Course on "The Lone Star State," which, in addition to being valuable from an educational standpoint, was highly interesting when it was considered that the speaker is a typical New Englander of the old type, whose remarks were largely based on what he saw during a recent visit to Texas.

Mr. Bates, who becomes governor next fall, is one of the coming men of New England.

In his lecture Mr. Bates said:

"In 1843, 1844 and in 1845 Massachusetts was excited. So was New England, and so were all the Northern States. But Massachusetts, always the center of anti-slavery agitation, was most deeply stirred. What was the trouble? Texas, a large territory with uncertain boundaries; Texas, a rebellious child of Mexico; Texas, a fighting little Republic, had its hand on the knocker of the door to the American Union and was giving such terrific blows that the door threatened to give way in spite of all that Massachusetts and those who agreed with her could do. For three years the Massachusetts legislature passed resolutions protesting against the admission, but Texas was neither sensitive nor bashful and she knocked all the harder, and in 1845 Congress passed the joint resolution leading to her annexation. Massachusetts through her legislature said: 'We have solemnly and strenuously protested against the admission of the foreign nation of Texas as a State in the Union, because it is in direct violation of the Constitution of the United States, and because it will perpetuate the slavery of a portion of mankind in America. And we will, said Massachusetts, by every lawful and constitutional measure, annul the conditions and defeat the accomplishment of the purposes of congress.' This sounded very much like nullification, and from that day to this, the South has delighted to refer to these resolves as in a measure vindicating its own subsequent attitude when it attempted to secede from the Union. But Massachusetts did not secede, nor did she by any unconstitutional means attempt to nullify the act of congress and her attitude she believed was impelled by a consideration for the welfare of the Union, and for the perpetuation of the principles of liberty.

"We may search the pages of history, but will find no parallel to the story of Texas. It is unique. It is one, however, worthy of the study of all who find inspiration in lives exhibiting indomitable will, unflinching courage, and unwavering devotion to the principles of liberty."

Mr. Bates here told briefly the story of Texas, giving incidents connected with the early discoveries, the rival claims of France and Spain, of colonization of settlers from the United States and the Texas war for independence. Continuing he said:

"The territory of Texas is large enough to make more than 30 Commonwealths of the size of Massachusetts. You can take fast express trains and travel 1200 miles from Boston to Chicago in 30 hours, but you have not then gone so far as the distance that separates different towns in Texas. Texarkana in East Texas is no

EAST TEXAS GINNING AND MILLING CO.,

CROCKETT, TEXAS.

Incorporated under the laws of Texas with paid

CAPITAL OF \$25,000.00.

We are prepared to gin 200 bales of cotton per day. No waiting. No stopping over night. We gin a bale in every eight minutes, and have ample storage with suction unloading apparatus. We guarantee to take out the sand and dust and pack your cotton in the standard uniform square bale. Have bought the latest improved huller gins which take out the sticks, trash and dirt, thereby making a high-grade sample which is sought by spinner buyers. We have the latest and best equipped gin outfit in East Texas and solicit patronage of the farmers, guaranteeing moderate charges. Courteous business-like fair treatment to all. Your cotton will bring from one-fourth to one-half cent per pound more if you will let us gin it.

I. A. DANIEL,
A. H. WOOLTERS, } Directors.
T. P. SELF,

THOS. SELF, President,
D. M. CRADDOCK, Sec. and Treas.

further from Chicago than it is from El Paso in West Texas. England, Scotland, Ireland, Italy and Switzerland do not equal in area one-half of this immense State. This area is divided into 243 counties.

"The population of Texas is today almost entirely American. Five years after Texas had been admitted to the Union, her population was only 212,000, but in half a century it had increased to 3,048,710. That is, according to the census of 1900, Texas has a larger population than Massachusetts. Of that population 2,245,000 were native whites, while the native white population of Massachusetts was 1,829,000.

"Her population, we have already said, is largely American, and it exhibits the enterprising, energetic side of the American character. To the visitor it seems not so much like a Southern as like a Western State. Within a comparatively few years, cities have sprung up with a population of 50,000 people. Immense hotels, towering office buildings, handsome public libraries, city halls and court houses have been constructed of such proportions and such artistic merit, as to command respect and admiration. Electric railways, waterworks, sewers and other conveniences of Twentieth Cities are not lacking, while the railways upon Texas soil would reach three times across the continent. Wherever you meet the inhabitants of Texas you find a hospitable people whose doors are wide open to receive the stranger; a resourceful people, self-reliant, conscious of the magnitude of their undeveloped resources, taking a just pride in the heroic struggles of their fathers and looking with confidence for the tomorrow when they anticipate their State will be recognized, not only in territory, but in population and in wealth.

"Soon after her Declaration of Independence, Texas, with liberal hand, provided for the public education of her youth, and for the establishment of a great State University. With wise forethought immense areas of land were set apart from the sales and income of which the public school system was to be endowed. The State University, with its great buildings, occupies 40 acres in the center of the Capital, the City of Austin. Fifteen thousand teachers in the public schools are training the minds of hundreds of thousands of children. The cause of education is liberally treated by the legislature from year to year, and also has behind it an immense school fund and 38,000,000 acres of land, which, with funds already accumulated, makes and endowment for the cause of education in the State already valued at over \$60,000,000. The census of 1900 showed that out of the 3,000,000 inhabitants of Texas there were

only 30,000 native whites who were illiterate.

"Such in brief is Texas. But the most important events and considerations directly resulting from her annexation are to be told you by another, who will treat of 'The Mexican War, and What became of It.' Suffice it for me to say that her annexation was the cause of the Mexican war, which resulted in there being added to the United States the territory now included in New Mexico, Arizona, Utah, Nevada, Colorado, California and a part of Wyoming. This acquisition was just before the discovery of gold in California. Had it not been obtained when it was, like Lower California to-day, the territory acquired might still have been a part of Mexico, and much of the great development of America in the West and on the Pacific Coast, and of the growth of her commerce on the Pacific Ocean, and the expansion of her interests in the East would have been impossible.

"Years ago the North and South settled their differences."

Notice.

Orange, Texas, July 1, 1902. We, the undersigned owners of more than one-fourth of all the stock of the Orange & Northwestern railroad company, hereby call a special meeting of the stockholders of said company, to meet at the general office of said company at the city of Orange, in Orange county, Texas, at 2 o'clock p. m., on the 8th day of September, 1902, for the purpose of authorizing the Board of Directors to apply to the railroad commission of Texas for authority to register bonds of the company, and to issue such bonds as said railroad commission may authorize, and to authorize the Board of Directors to execute a mortgage on the properties of said Orange & Northwestern railroad company, including its road bed, equipments, depots and other property, limiting said mortgage, however, on its right of way and road bed to that part of said line included between the city of Orange, in Orange county, Texas, and Center, in Shelby county, Texas.

W. W. REID,
W. H. STARK,
H. J. LUTCHER,
E. W. BROWN.

We have a fine letter from Judge Lipscomb of Beaumont which reached us too late for this week's issue. It will appear in our next.

Misses McMeans and Word of Palestine are visiting friends in Crockett; also Miss Odell of Cleburne; also Miss Hirschfeld of Galveston is visiting the family of M. Bronberg.

Misses Kirkwood of Los Angeles, Cal., Florrie and Gardner of Palestine are visiting the family of Colonel Earl Adams. A reception was given complimentary to them at the beautiful home of Colonel Adams on Tuesday evening.