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Notice of Sheriff's Sale.

(Real Estate.)
By virtue of an execution issued out of the honorable county court of Houston county, on the 5th day of Jan., A. D. 1905, in the case of G. W. Mobley versus J. M. Long No. 1062 and to me, as sheriff, directed and delivered, I have levied upon this 5th day of January, A. D. 1905, and will, between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 4 o'clock p. m., on the first Tuesday in February, A. D. 1905, it being the 7th day of said month, at the court house door of said Houston county, in the town of Crockett, proceed to sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash in hand, all the right, title and interest which J. M. Long had on the 16th day of November, A. D. 1904, or at any time thereafter, of, in and to the following described property to-wit: Situated in Houston county, Texas, being a part of a 200 acre tract purchased by H. R. Jordan from Chas. Beazley out of lot No. 20 of the Ramon De La Garza 11 league grant, about 11 miles north 40 west from Crockett, on Elkhart creek. Beginning on the north-west B line of lot No. 20 at P. S. Haynes' north-west corner, a pine 16 in. marked X hrs. north 61 west 8 vrs. Thence south 35 east with said Haynes line at 1180 vrs. his south-west corner on Collins & Douglass north-west B. line a P. O. 14 in. marked X hrs. south 40 west 2 1-2 vrs., a pine 8 in. marked X hrs. south 70 east — vrs. Thence south. 55 west with Collins & Douglass line at 333 vrs to M. F. Singleton's south-east corner on Collins & Douglass north-west B. line a P. O. 16 in. marked X hrs. S. 2 east 7 and four tenths vrs., a pine 12 in. marked X hrs. south 85 east 5 vrs. Thence south 35 west with the north-east B. line of lot No. 19 to the north-west corner of said 200 acre tract. Thence north 35 east with the north-west B. line of lot No. 20 at 333 vrs. to the place of beginning, containing 69 1-2 acres of land, said property being levied on as the property of J. M. Long, to satisfy a judgment amounting to \$265.23, in favor of G. W. Mobley, and costs of suit.
Given under my hand this 5th day of January, A. D. 1905.
A. W. PHILLIPS,
Sheriff, Houston County, Texas.

Reception.

On the afternoon of the 5th inst. the sweet home of Mr. and Mrs. May, which is a paragon of hospitality, was thrown open from 3 to 5 o'clock, when Mrs. May and her daughter, Mrs. Jensen, invited their friends to welcome Mrs. S. L. Murchison, who so completely won the heart of one of our young men while here on a visit last year, and now bids fair to take all our ladies captive. The day was bright and balmy, and all nature seemed to strike a responsive chord in our hearts.

Mrs. Jensen greeted us at the door and escorted us into the drawing room, where Mrs. Geo. Crook stood at the head of the receiving party to introduce her new sister, Mrs. Murchison, who wore her wedding gown of white crepe de chene, with real lace, pearl and diamond trimmings, and never did she look prettier. Next to the bride stood Miss Le Gory, then Misses Joe Bayne, Stokes, Lacy and Emily Smith.

All the Calendar Club girls who had been members with Mrs. Jensen were asked to be in the receiving party and represent with their bright faces the twelve months of the year, but some could not be present.

Soft, sweet music floated through the rooms, the curtains were drawn, the mellow lights, the dainty sprays of southern smilax here and there, the festoons of moss, the mistletoe glistening with its berries, made a most pleasing aspect.

Mrs. W. C. Lipscomb showed us into the dining room, which was a feast for the eye as well as the appetite. The guests were seated and Mrs. H. F. Moore had charge of us here, and we were served to rich cream with the colors harmonizing with the decorations of the room—brown, red and white. With the cream we were served to fruit cake and wafers. After chatting pleasantly here for a time we were escorted into the next room, where Mrs. Newton served us to a "cup that cheers"—chocolate.

In the next room stood little Misses Louise Moore and Sara Mae Crook to pin a spray of mistletoe on each one and have us register in the guest book.

The time came all too soon for our departure, but all good things have to have an end, and we will await another opportunity to accept an invitation from our hostesses, Mesdames May and Jensen.
I. C.

Children Poisoned.

Many children are poisoned and made nervous and weak, if not killed outright, by mothers giving them cough syrups containing opiates. Foley's Honey and Tar is a safe and certain remedy for coughs, croup and lung trouble, and is the only prominent cough medicine that contains no opiates or other poisons. Sold by Smith & French Drug Co.

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LEE BUTLER, Trustee,
Tyler, Texas, or
ADAMS & ADAMS,
Crockett, Texas.

Notice of Sheriff's Sale.

(Real Estate.)
By virtue of an order of sale issued out of the honorable District Court of Houston county, on the 29th day of December, A. D. 1904, in the case of W. E. Mayes versus Alford West, No. 4876, and to me as sheriff, directed and delivered, I have levied upon this 2nd day of January, A. D. 1905, and will, between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 4 o'clock p. m., on the first Tuesday in February, A. D. 1905, it being the 7th day of said month, at the court house door of said Houston county, in the town of Crockett, proceed to sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash in hand, all the right, title and interest which Alford West had

on the 11th day of October, A. D. 1904, or at any time thereafter, of, in and to the following described property to-wit: A part of the Pliney Blanchard league, about 7 miles S. E. from the town of Crockett, and bounded as follows: Beginning at the N. W. corner of the Cal Beeson survey out of said Blanchard league, a post oak 10 in hrs. N. 55 W. 3 5-10 vrs. Thence S. 423 vrs to the N. W. corner of a survey sold to Craddock & Co. Thence E. 1332 vrs Craddock's N. E. corner. Thence N. with the division line to Alvis and Cal Beeson corner, a post oak 16 in hrs S. 45 E.

3 vrs. Thence E. 210 vrs to S. W. corner of a school lot to branch from which a sweet gum 18 in hrs S. 45 E. 2 vrs Do. 24 in mkd X. hrs N. 3 vrs. Thence N. at 416 9-10 vrs with meanders of branch to the N. W. corner of said school lot, a post oak 18 in hrs S. 40 E. 6 vrs. Thence with said N. B. line to the place of beginning, said property being levied on as the property of Alford West to satisfy a judgment amounting to \$428.76, in favor of W. E. Mayes and costs of suit.
Given under my hand this 2nd day of January, A. D. 1905.

A. W. PHILLIPS,
Sheriff Houston county, Texas.
By JOHN ESTES, Deputy.

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Citation by Publication.

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

You are hereby commanded to summon N. J. Bowdoin 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 holden at the court house thereof, in Crockett on the second Monday in March, 1905, the same being the 13th day of March, 1905, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 23rd day of November, 1904, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said court No. 4931, wherein Mrs. Eliza Kempner, a feme sole, and the duly qualified and appointed survivor in community of H. Kempner, deceased, and engaged in business in the name and firm style of H. Kempner, is plaintiff, and N. J. Bowdoin is defendant, and said petition alleging that defendant about Dec. 19, 1899, executed to J. E. Hollingsworth his five certain promissory notes, each dated Dec. 19, 1899, due Nov. 1, 1900, 1901, 1902, 1903 and 1904 respectively, each for \$300.00 with ten per cent per annum interest from maturity and providing that all past due interest on each note should bear interest after maturity at 10 per cent per annum, and providing for 10 per cent as collection fees if said notes should be placed in the hands of an attorney for collection or if collected by legal proceedings; each of said notes payable to J. E. Hollingsworth, or order, and that same were given for the purchase money of 346 acres of land situated in Houston county, Texas, about 17 miles N. W. from the town of Crockett, and being part of the John Edens league, it being lot No. 9 in the partition of said league by the heirs of said John Edens. Beginning at a stake in the north boundary line of M. C. Dukes 500 acre tract and the S. W. corner of lot No. 8 from which a black-jack 16 inches in diameter brs. N. 144 W. 15 yrs. Thence N. 69 W. with said boundary line 1687 yrs. to a stake in the west boundary line of said league, from which a black jack 12 inches in diameter brs. S. 3 E. 9 yrs. and a hickory 14 inches in diameter brs. N. 58 west 12 yrs. Thence N. 30 E. with said boundary line 1158 yrs. to a stake from which a black jack 8 inches in diameter brs. N. 78 E. 3 yrs. and a hickory 4 inches in diameter brs. S. 18 W. 3 yrs. Thence S. 60 E. 1687 yrs. to a stake in the west boundary line of lot No. 7 from which a hickory 10 inches in diameter brs. N. 60 W. 3 and seven tenths yrs. Thence S. 30 W. 1158 yrs. to the place of beginning. That the vendor's lien was retained in the deed of conveyance and in said notes on said land to secure the payment of said money, interest and collection fees. That said J. E. Hollingsworth for a valuable consideration to him paid by plaintiff sold and delivered said notes to plaintiff before the maturity of the same, and plaintiff is the owner of them and of said lien. That said notes are due and plaintiff has demanded payment from defendant who has failed and refused to pay same except as follows: Jan. 24, 1901, \$79.36, Feb. 2, 1901, \$120.46, and April 21, 1901, \$19.08, which amounts are credited on said notes which matured first. That plaintiff has placed said notes in the hands of her attorneys for collection and suit, and prays judgment for the amount due on said notes, principal, interest and collection fees, for foreclosure of the vendor's lien on above described premises, for order of sale of same and writ of possession, costs of suit 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 of the district court of Houston

county.

Given under my hand and seal of said court, at office in Crockett, this the 23rd day of Nov., 1904.

J. B. STANTON,
Clerk Dist. Court, Houston Co.

Citation by Publication.

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

You are hereby commanded to summon the unknown heirs of D. O. Warren, deceased, by making publication of this citation once in each week for eight 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 3rd judicial district; but if there be no newspaper published in said judicial district, then in a newspaper published in the nearest district to said 3rd judicial district, to appear at the next regular term of the district court of Houston county, to be holden at the court house thereof, in Crockett on the second Monday in March, 1905, the same being the 13th day of March, 1905, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 6th day of January, 1905, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said court No. 4940, wherein A. H. Wootters and R. H. Wootters, executors of the estate of J. C. Wootters, are plaintiffs, and Lee Warren, Bruno Durst and the unknown heirs of D. O. Warren, deceased, are defendants, and said petition alleging that plaintiffs are the owners in fee simple, claiming the same by chain of title from the sovereignty of the soil, of the following described tract of land: Situated in Houston county, Texas, being a part of the John Durst three leagues and eighteen labors on the Trinity river, containing 8618 1/2 acres and beginning at the N. W. corner of said grant on the N. E. bank of Trinity river in the southern line of the J. Musquez survey at a stake from which an ash 18 inches marked BX X brs. N. 83 W. 12 yrs. and a cotton-wood 6 ft. marked X brs. S. 88 W. 15 yrs. and a box elder 12 in. marked X brs. N. 52 W. 8 yrs. Thence N. 55 E. with the southern boundary of said Musquez survey 11790 yrs. to the most northern corner of said John Durst grant, and the N. W. corner of the Jose Estrado league, corner on an over-cup 24 in. from which do. 20 in. brs. S. 77 E. 5 yrs. and do. marked X 24 in. brs. N. 15 W. 3 yrs. Thence down Ruceas Creek with its meanders to the corner of said Durst grant, corner on an over-cup 6 in. from which do. marked X 13 in. brs. S. 69 W. 9 yrs., do. marked X brs. N. 80 W. 8 yrs. Thence S. 6 E. 1350 yrs. to another corner of said Durst grant, a B. J. 3 in. for corner from which a B. J. 13 in. marked J. D. brs. N. 22 E. 13 yrs. and a hickory marked JD 18 in. brs. N. 66 E. 21 yrs. Thence S. 70 E. with the N. E. line of said grant 400 yrs. Bozeman Ferry road, 1280 yrs. to San Antonio road, 1629 yrs. to stake 8 in. from which a P. O. 16 in. marked D brs. N. 6 and four tenths yrs., do. marked D 30 in. brs. S. 51 W. 17 and four tenths yrs. Thence S. 55 W. 4100 yrs. to a stake from which a P. O. marked D brs. N. 13 W. 4 yrs. Thence N. 35 W. 100 yrs. a stake from which a P. O. 12 in. marked D brs. S. 42 W. 14 yrs., do. marked D brs. S. 2 E. 22 yrs. Thence S. 55 W. 2260 yrs. to stake from which a spanish oak 12 in. marked D brs. N. 24 W. 146 yrs. Thence N. 35 W. 570 yrs. to Bozeman Ferry road, 600 yrs. a persimmon 4 in. for corner, from which a sweet gum 12 in. marked D D brs. N. 56 E. 32 yrs. Thence S. 55 W. 200 yrs. a stake in bottom prairie from which a sweet gum 14 in. marked WD brs. S. 72 1/2 W. 150 yrs. Thence S. 35 E. 500 yrs. to Bozeman Ferry road, 1413 yrs. corner on the N. bank of Patterson lake on a burr oak 15 in. from which a cotton-wood 4 ft. marked D brs. N. 33 E. 5 yrs., a persimmon 12 in. marked WD brs. S. 30 W. 5-10 yrs., a burr oak 10 in. marked H. Thence S. 55 W. 40 yrs. to Patterson lake, 270 yrs. pass said lake, 1000 yrs. a stake, 2320 yrs. to the bank of said Trinity river at Bozeman Ferry, a stake from which an elm 15 in. marked XD brs. N. 64 E. 28 yrs. and a hackberry 15 in. marked D brs. N. 76

E. 22 yrs., do. marked H brs. S. 31 1/2 E. 22 yrs. Thence up the E. bank of said Trinity river with its meanderings to the place of beginning.

That plaintiffs also claim title to said land by the three, five and ten years' statutes of limitation, and allege that the claims of defendants cast a cloud on their title, and pray judgment for said land and quieting their title to the same.

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 of the district court of Houston county.

Given under my hand and the seal of said court, at office in Crockett this the 6th day of January, 1905.

J. B. STANTON,
Clerk, Dist. Court, Houston Co.

Citation by Publication.

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

You are hereby commanded to summon Richard Douglass, L. W. Rook, Richard Rook, Rush Aldrich, the unknown heirs of Mary Moore, deceased, the unknown heirs of Mary Rook, deceased, and the unknown heirs of Jacob Masters, Sr., deceased, by making publication of this citation once in each week for eight 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 3rd judicial district; but if there be no newspaper published in said judicial district, then in a newspaper published in the nearest district to said 3rd judicial district, to appear at the next regular term of the district court of Houston county, to be holden at the court house thereof, in Crockett on the second Monday in March, 1905, the same being the 13th day of March, 1905, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 10th day of January, 1905, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said court No. 4943, wherein Arch Baker is plaintiff, and Silas Douglass, Albert Douglass, Everett Douglass, Richard Douglass, R. S. Willis and wife, Willis, L. W. Rook, S. H. Rook, Richard Rook, H. A. Rice, Joe Rice, Willie Dawson, A. E. Monk, John Gossett, Dozier Gossett, Buck Jeter and wife, Jennie Jeter, A. A. Aldrich, Rush Aldrich, C. I. Aldrich, R. L. Aldrich, C. M. Newton and wife, Elizabeth Newton, the unknown heirs of Mary Moore, deceased, the unknown heirs of Mary Rook, deceased, the unknown heirs of Jacob Masters, Sr., deceased, and the International & Great Northern railroad company, are defendants, and said petition alleging that plaintiff is the owner in fee simple of the following described tract of land, to-wit: 458 acres of land lying and being situated in Houston county, Texas, about 6 miles N. E. from the town of Crockett, and being a part of the Jacob Masters, Sr., league. Beginning at the north-west corner of block No. 1 of partition of said league on the north-west B. line of same, 684 yrs. from the south-west corner of same, a B. J. marked X for corner. Thence S. 44 E. 3750 yrs. with division line between lots No. 1 and 2 of said division to corner on south-east B. line of said league, stake in field near San Antonio road. Thence north 46 east with said south-east B. line 684 yrs. to south-east corner of lot No. 3 of said division, a hickory 3 in. marked X brs. south 55 east 1 and two tenths yrs. and a P. O. 3 in. marked X brs. south 67 east 2 yrs. Thence north 44 west with the division line between said lots No. 2 and 3 3750 yrs. to the north-west B. line of said league, two P. O. marked X. Thence S. 46 west with said north-west B. line 684 yrs. to the place of beginning. That said Jacob Masters, Sr., league was divided between the heirs of said Jacob Masters, Sr., and said 458 acres was set apart to Elizabeth Shaver, a daughter of said Jacob Masters, Sr. That there is no record of said partition in the deed records of said county. That plaintiff claims said land by deeds from the heirs of said Elizabeth Shaver. That defendant's

claims cast a cloud on plaintiff's title, and plaintiff prays for judgment establishing said partition and for judgment for said land, quieting his title thereto, and for such other and further decrees as plaintiff may be entitled to in law and equity.

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 of the district court of Houston county.

Given under my hand and the seal of said court, at office in Crockett, this the 10th day of January, 1905.

J. B. STANTON,
Clerk, Dist. Court, Houston Co.

Citation by Publication.

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

You are hereby commanded to summon the unknown heirs of John Moore, deceased, the unknown heirs of Telithia C. Barnett, deceased, the unknown heirs of S. S. Barnett, deceased, the unknown heirs of W. W. Wingfield, deceased, the unknown heirs of Phillip Lively, deceased, the unknown heirs of R. N. Read, deceased, the unknown heirs of Adeline Atkinson, deceased, by making publication of this citation once in each week for eight 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 3rd judicial district; but if there be no newspaper published in said judicial district, then in a newspaper published in the nearest district to said 3rd judicial district, to appear at the next regular term of the district court of Houston county, to be holden at the court house thereof, in Crockett on the second Monday in March, 1905, the same being the 13th day of March, 1905, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 9th day of January, 1905, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said court No. 4942 wherein George Nicolson is plaintiff, and the unknown heirs of John Moore, deceased, the unknown heirs of Telithia C. Barnett, deceased, the unknown heirs of S. S. Barnett, deceased, the unknown heirs of W. W. Wingfield, deceased, the unknown heirs of Phillip Lively, deceased, the unknown heirs of R. N. Read, deceased, and the unknown heirs of Adeline Atkinson, deceased, are defendants, and said petition alleging that plaintiff is the owner in fee simple, by the three, five and ten years' statutes of limitation, of the following described tract of land, to-wit: Situated in Houston county, about 5 1/2 miles S. W. from the town of Crockett, and being a part of the John Moore league, containing 100 acres of land and beginning at the S. W. corner of the Lewis Atkinson 200 acre survey, whence a hickory 12 in. marked X brs. S. 20 W. 3 yrs. Thence N. 35 W. with Atkinson S. W. B. line at 1172 yrs. a stake in the Huntsville old road from which a B. J. 12 in. marked X brs. N. 56 W. 9 yrs. and a B. J. 12 in. marked X brs. N. 32 W. 10 1/2 yrs. Thence N. 32 E. with Taylor Rasher's line at 442 yrs. to his Ell corner, a rock from which a P. O. 10 in. marked X brs. S. 72 E. 6 yrs. Thence S. 35 E. with said Rasher's line 265 yrs. to a rock in old field. Thence N. 55 E. 55 yrs. to F. G. Edmiston's N. E. corner, a rock in old field. Thence S. 35 E. with Edmiston's line at 1080 1/2 yrs. to his S. W. corner a hickory 12 in. marked X brs. S. 48 W. 7 yrs. and a hickory marked X brs. N. 54 W. 1 1/2 yrs. Thence S. 55 W. with Atkinson S. E. B. line at 470 yrs. to the place of beginning.

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 of the district court of Houston county.

Given under my hand and the seal of said court, at office in Crockett this, the 9th day of January, 1905.

J. B. STANTON,
Clerk, Dist. Court Houston Co.

Citation by Publication.

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

You are hereby commanded to summon N. J. Bowdoin 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 county court of Houston county, to be holden at the court house thereof, in Crockett, on the first Monday in February, 1905, the same being the 6th day of February, 1905, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 23rd day of November, 1904, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said court No. 1069 wherein Mrs. Eliza Kempner, the duly qualified and appointed survivor in community of H. Kempner, and engaged in business under the name and firm style of H. Kempner is plaintiff, and N. J. Bowdoin and J. E. Hollingsworth are defendants, and said petition alleging that about Dec. 10, 1903, defendants, for a valuable consideration, executed their joint and several promissory note to plaintiff, dated Dec. 10, 1903, due Nov. 15, 1904, for \$355.47 with 8 per cent per annum interest from maturity and providing for ten per cent additional as collection fees if suit should be brought on same; that defendant, N. J. Bowdoin, to secure the payment of said note about Dec. 10, 1903, executed to plaintiff a certain chattel mortgage in writing on two mouse colored mare mules, about five years old, medium size, two black horse mules, about 10 years old, about 15 1/2 hands high, one 3 inch Bois D'Arc Star State wagon, twenty head of stock cattle, consisting of 12 cows and 8 head of bull, steer and heifer yearlings, most of them branded B on left hip. That defendants have failed and refused to pay said note though payment thereof has been demanded of them, and plaintiff has placed said note in the hands of her attorneys for collection and suit, and prays judgment against defendants, jointly and severally, for the amount due on said note, principal, interest and attorney's fees, for foreclosure of her said mortgage lien, for order of sale of said described personal property, costs of suit 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, N. E. Allbright, clerk of the county court of Houston county.

Given under my hand and the seal of said court, at office in Crockett, this the 23rd day of November, 1904.

NAT E. ALLBRIGHT,
Clerk, Co. Court, Houston Co.

In Bankruptcy.

On Friday at 12 o'clock noon, January 20th, 1905, at Grapeland, Houston county, Texas, I will offer for sale at sealed bids to the highest bidder for cash, the bankrupt stock of general merchandise and fixtures of Faris & Spence, which invoices \$5600.00. The right to reject any and all bids is reserved and sale to be made subject to approval of court.

I will be in Grapeland all morning on day of sale, to show stock etc. Inventory subject to inspection. For any further information prior to sale, address, Lee Butler, Trustee, Tyler, Texas, or Adams & Adams, Attorneys, Crockett, Texas.

At same time I will offer for sale notes and accounts due Faris & Spence amounting to \$3,500.

LEE BUTLER, Trustee.

A Life at Stake.

If you but knew the splendid merit of Foley's Honey and Tar you would never be without it. A dose or two will prevent an attack of pneumonia or la grippe. It may save your life. Sold by Smith & French Drug Co.

ALL DONE OUT.

Veteran Joshua Heiler, of 798 South Walnut street, Urbana, Ill., says: "In the fall of 1899, after taking Doan's Kidney Pills I told the readers of this paper that they had relieved me of kidney trouble, disposed of a lame back with pain across my loins and beneath the shoulder blades. During the interval which has elapsed I have had occasion to resort to Doan's Kidney Pills when I noticed warnings of an attack. On each and every occasion the results obtained were just as satisfactory as when the pills were first brought to my notice. I just as emphatically endorse the preparation to-day as I did over two years ago."



Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y., proprietors. For sale by all druggists, price 50 cents per box.

The Automobile Use!

Automobiles have been put to many uses, but it remained for a clever German town electrician to put a machine to use as novel as it was ingenious, though simple at that. The arc light at the northwest corner of German town and Chelten avenues suddenly went out on Thursday night. Kicking the pole and a dozen other familiar methods failed to jar the carbons into proper position.

Then the lamp was lowered, but all were afraid to touch it, as no one had rubber gloves or other insulation. The chances of an accident were increased by the wet pavement and dripping lamp. Just then as the darkness and delay became most vexatious at that much frequented corner, an automobile drove up and its owner got out and went into the postoffice. A happy thought struck the electrician, and he had a minute's hurried conversation with the owner. The electrician raised the lamp, while the automobilist drove the machine under it. Then the electrician stood on the automobile, safe with the protection of insulation from the four rubber tires, and easily adjusted the carbons, and there was light again.—Philadelphia Record.

A city firm received no fewer than 998 applications in response to an advertisement for a clerk. The salary offered was 20 shillings (\$7.50) a week.—London Daily News.

Especially for Women.

Champion, Mich., Jan. 9.—(Special.)—A case of especial interest to women is that of Mrs. A. Wellatt, wife of a well known photographer here. It is best given in her own words.

"I could not sleep, my feet were cold and my limbs cramped," Mrs. Wellatt states. "I had an awful hard pain across my kidneys. I had to get up three or four times in the night. I was very nervous and fearfully dependent."

"I had been troubled in this way for five years when I commenced to use Dodd's Kidney Pills, and what they caused to come from my kidneys will hardly stand description."

"By the time I had finished one box of Dodd's Kidney Pills I was cured. Now I can sleep well, my limbs do not cramp, I do not get up in the night and I feel better than I have in years. I owe my health to Dodd's Kidney Pills."

Women's ills are caused by Diseased Kidneys; that's why Dodd's Kidney Pills always cure them.

A correspondent of the London Times calls attention to the fact that William Pitt said: "America, Canada and Louisiana are the three countries on the continent of North America."

Rest and Sleep.

Few escape those miseries of winter—a bad cold, a distressing cough. Many remedies are recommended, but the one quickest and best of all is Simmon's Cough Syrup. Soothing and healing to the lungs and bronchial passages, it stops the cough at once and gives you welcome rest and peaceful sleep.

Pineapples are now sent successfully from South Africa to Europe, packed in a special kind of peat, which prevents rot or mold.

A Rare Good Thing.

"Am using ALLEN'S FOOT-EASE, and can truly say I would not have been without it so long, had I known the relief it would give my aching feet. I think it a rare good thing for anyone having sore or tired feet.—Mrs. Matilda Holtvert, Providence, R. I. Sold by all Druggists, 25c. Lat to-day."

Dr. Thorley, a medical town councillor at Bolton, England, calls small bedrooms death traps, and the council is seeking parliamentary powers to prescribe a minimum cubic space for bedrooms.

When Your Grocer Says

he does not have Defiance Starch, you may be sure he is afraid to keep it until his stock of 12 oz. packages are sold. Defiance Starch is not only better than any other Cold Water Starch, but contains 16 oz. to the package and sells for same money as 12 oz. brands.

Owing to the scarcity of box cars in Russia, flat-cars are used for hauling grain in sacks.

GOOD INDEX TO CHARACTER.

Habits and Idiosyncracies Betrayed in the Laugh.

Anthropologists say that the ability to laugh comes to the child as it grows older. The first smile is observed when the child is about forty to sixty days old, but it does not begin to laugh until some time after that.

Children and women laugh more than men, not because the cares of life lie less heavily upon them, but because the former are more excitable, and because the moderating power of the cerebral hemispheres is less in them than among men generally.

Profound study makes men serious, and so foolish people are sometimes noted for laughing immoderately. Yet laughter is not so much an index to intelligence as it is to the condition of health. Healthy, vigorous people are proverbially of good-humored joyous, laughing natures, while the "sallow, gloomy-eyed dyspeptic" is a description scientifically accurate.

The envious, wicked and malevolent rarely laugh, because, phrenologists say, they are impregnated with bile, and are, therefore, morose. The haughty, the vain and the awkward also laugh very little, for fear of losing their dignity. The Spanish people, proverbially grave, are a good example.

People who have lines extending downward from the angle at the mouth toward the chin well marked rarely laugh, and, moreover, show a tendency to pensiveness in youth and melancholy in after life.

Those who have lines raying outward from the eyes are, on the contrary, people who laugh a good deal, especially when the upper lip is framed by two deep furrows running down in the mouth.

BEST POSITION FOR WORK.

Facing the East is Recommended by an Authority.

To test the truth of the assertions of many persons that they sleep better with their heads pointing to the north, work better facing the east, and so on, Dr. Charles Fere, who is well known for his studies in physiological psychology, has constructed a delicate machine which he calls an ergograph, with which he has achieved some interesting results. This machine registers the number, rapidity and quality of the movements of the index finger when writing or performing any accustomed work.

He announces that his experiments with it prove that work done by a person facing the west or east is better by 25 per cent than similar work done by a person facing the north or south, and that when working facing the west it is about 25 per cent better than when facing the east.

This matter of orientation seems to have an influence upon the nervous system, due largely, it is believed, to the fact that the earth is a gigantic magnet. Many learned men have noticed that they sleep best with the head to the north and work better facing the west, while at least one famous pianist finds he plays with the greatest ease when the piano faces the east.

It may be that the great migrations of the human race, all of which have been from east to west, and the observed tendency of trees to develop in the same general direction are in some way related to these phenomena.

The Porch.

When father built the veranda, He kicked about the expense, But ma, she said: "Don't mind it, Ed—Don't think of dollars and cents."

That autumn Clara was married, It made pa glad as could be, And ma would smile Most all the while, "I'm proud of that porch," said she.

Last summer both Belle and Amy Would race for the porch at night, And all the rest Of us thought least To stay indoors, out of sight.

But Belle ran faster than Amy— She got her man in July, And I'll commend That porch to send A lachelor's oath sky high.

Last Sunday Amy informed us That she had told Jimmy "yes," And now us three, Pa, ma, and me, Can get on that porch, I guess. —Cleveland Leader.

Retaliation at a Dance.

She was young. It was her first season, and it pleased her to snub her cub cousin most unmercifully when-over he asked for a dance.

"No," she protested, one evening, "you can't see my program—it's all full."

"But there'll be extras. Can't I have an extra?"

"Ye-es," returned the young woman, grudgingly relinquishing her card, "but don't take the first one, it's promised."

Later in the evening when she looked to see which dance her cousin had appropriated she found that she had food for reflection. The young man had put his name down for the four hundred and ninety-ninth extra. —Chicago Record-Herald Sunday Magazine.

SIGNS OF GOOD MANNERS.

Elder Sister's Effort to Uphold Reputation of Family.

As the oldest of the family, Anna felt keenly the necessity of keeping a close watch upon the manners of her two younger sisters, lest disgrace be attached to the good name of the family. Her intentions, at all events, were beyond cavil, although as much could not always be said for her manner of carrying them out.

Certainly the provocation was great when Anna's younger sister deliberately put an entire hard-boiled egg in her mouth in the crowded steam car on the way home from school. Only a few persons saw the dreadful deed, yet Anna straightway rose, crossed the aisle and administered to the offender a box on the ear which resounded from one end of the car to the other. Thereupon she resumed her seat, in the proud consciousness of a duty well performed.

"Why, Anna, how could you do such a thing, and publicly, too?" said her mother later after hearing a tearful recital of the incident from the lips of her youngest daughter.

"Well, I just wanted to show the people," was the reply, "that even though Letty behaved so badly, I, at least, had been taught to have good manners."—Chicago Record-Herald Sunday Magazine.

Looking After German Title.

The Prussian authorities are taking steps to prevent the unlawful use of the prefix "von." The police have been ordered to send in lists of all persons who prefix "von" to their names. These will be carefully gone over by the heralds, and all persons found using this highly-prized addition, but not entitled to do so, will be notified that unless they discontinue its use they will be punished.

Import English Song Birds.

An attempt on a large scale to introduce English song birds into British Columbia is at present being made. The Victoria (B. C.) Natural History society is taking out a consignment of 500 birds, consisting of 100 pairs of goldfinches, 100 pairs of larks, and fifty pairs of robins.

A Bargain.

If you wish to buy a bargain, all you have to do is get a bottle of Dr. Caldwell's (laxative) Syrup Pepsin, and use it at the least sign of headache, dizziness, constipation, biliousness, indigestion, etc. This small investment will be the best bargain you ever bought, for it will bring you health at a nominal cost. Try it. Sold by all druggists at 50c and \$1.00. Money back if it fails.

Truth crushed to earth may rise again, but like the cow which survived a locomotive collision, will run the next time the whistle blows.

Important to Mothers.

Examine carefully every bottle of CASTORIA, a safe and sure remedy for infants and children, and see that it

Bears the Signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher* In Use For Over 30 Years. The Kind You Have Always Bought.

Goats' milk is found to be immune from tuberculosis germs.

McGANE'S DETECTIVE AGENCY, Houston, Texas, operates the largest force of competent detectives in the South. Give them a call.

Some people are so egotistical that they imagine everybody they meet is glad to see them.

A report from German East Africa is to the effect that there are over 250,000 zebras in the colony. They appear sometimes in herds of from 200 to 400 animals.

Some people who try to be foxy only succeed in making geese of themselves.

Pico's Cure for Consumption is an infallible medicine for coughs and colds.—N. W. SAMUEL, Ocean Grove, N. J., Feb. 17, 1900.

Vigorous sneezing is evidence of a robust constitution. People in feeble health rarely sneeze.

Try me just once and I am sure to come again. Defiance Starch.

A locomotive going at express speed gives 1056 puffs to the mile.

A GUARANTEED CURE FOR PILES. Itching, Bleeding, Protruding Piles. Your druggist will refund money if PICO OINTMENT fails to cure you in 4 to 14 days. 50c.

Either you like a girl because she is nicer than the other girls or the other girls aren't as nice as she is.

MEDICAL EXAMINER

Of the United States Treasury Recommends Pe-ru-na.

Another Prominent Physician Uses and Endorses Pe-ru-na.

DR. LLEWELLYN JORDAN, Medical Examiner of the U. S. Treasury Department, graduate of Columbia College, and who served three years at West Point, has the following to say of Peruna:

"Allow me to express my gratitude to you for the benefit derived from your wonderful remedy. One short month has brought forth a vast change and I now consider myself a well man after months of suffering. Fellow sufferers, Peruna will cure you."

A constantly increasing number of physicians prescribe Peruna in their practice. It has proven its merits so thoroughly that even the doctors have overcome their prejudice against so-called patent medicines and recommend it to their patients.

Peruna occupies a unique position in medical science. It is the only internal systemic catarrh remedy known to the medical profession to-day. Catarrh, as everyone will admit, is the cause of one-half the diseases which afflict mankind. Catarrh and catarrhal diseases afflict one-half of the people of United States.



Dr. Llewellyn Jordan, Medical Examiner United States Treasury.

Robert R. Roberts, M. D., Washington, D. C., writes: "Through my own experience as well as that of many of my friends and acquaintances who have been cured or relieved of catarrh by the use of Hartman's Peruna, I can confidently recommend it to those suffering from such disorders, and have no hesitation in prescribing it to my patients."—Robert R. Roberts.

Catarrh is a systemic disease curable only by systemic treatment. A remedy that cures catarrh must aim directly at the depressed nerve centers. This is what Peruna does.

Peruna immediately invigorates the nerve-centers which give vitality to the mucous membranes. Then catarrh

disappears. Then catarrh is permanently cured.

If you do not derive prompt and satisfactory results from the use of Peruna, write at once to Dr. Hartmann, giving a full statement of your case, and he will be pleased to give you his valuable advice gratis.

Address Dr. Hartman, President of The Hartman Sanitarium, Columbus, Ohio.

NOW DON'T FORGET

Don't forget when you order starch to get the best. Get DEFIANCE. No more "yellow" looking clothes, no more cracking or breaking. It doesn't stick to the iron. It gives satisfaction or you get your money back. The cost is 10 cents for 16 ounces of the best starch made. Of other starches you get but 12 ounces. Now don't forget. It's at your grocers.

MANUFACTURED BY THE DEFIANCE STARCH CO., OMAHA, NEB.

Sufficient sherry wine to supply the world's demand for a quarter of a century is said to be contained in the storehouses of Jerez la Frontera, in Spain.

It's funny what the women's clothes that are never seen are mostly made for show.

Despite the fact that hara-kiri is regarded as a national institution of Japan, instances of self-destruction in that empire are much fewer than in the leading lands of Europe.

The physicians find it more lucrative to practice than to preach.



Largest Pure 50 Bar.

ALWAYS CALL FOR A CIGAR BY ITS NAME

"CREMO"

MEANS MORE THAN ANY OTHER NAME

BROWN BANDS GOOD FOR PRESENTS

"Largest Seller in the World."

For **Soreness and Stiffness**

St. Jacobs Oil

The Old Monk Cure

From cold, hard labor or exercise, relaxes the stiffness and the soreness disappears.

Price, 25c. and 50c.

EVENTS OF EVERYWHERE.

Sparks from a passing engine started a fire at Aspen Hill, Tenn., which burned 110 bales of cotton.

Headquarters for the United States Entomological department of Texas has been moved to Dallas.

Isaiah Carter was convicted in the District Court at Beaumont of assault to murder and sentenced to the penitentiary for three years.

The 3-year-old son of W. O. Burr, living near Wakita, Ok., was instantly killed Friday by being thrown from a horse and dragged to death.

Tuesday a vote was taken in Eastland precinct on the stock law and resulted in eighty-three votes for and thirty-eight against the law.

Two hundred thousand dollars of Dallas County road bonds of the new issue have been sold to the general school fund of the State of Texas.

A franchise has been granted by Wichita Falls to a company to install a hydro-carbon gas plant to furnish gas for lighting, heat and power.

Because he was afraid of banks J. Bardenhiser, a Chicago jeweler is out \$1,800 which he lost somewhere on the streets while down town on business.

Justice Greenbaum of the New York State Supreme Court has denied the application of Nan Patterson for bail, pending a new trial on the charge of the murder of Caesar Young.

The Waco Floral Society is arranging to build an extensive exhibition hall for this year's show, and other buildings will be added for other exhibits.

A negro woman named Bryant was shot and killed at Lone Oak Wednesday morning. The bullet tore the top of the woman's head off, killing her instantly. Her husband was arrested and taken to Greenville.

Dr. W. H. Clagett, president of the Board of Trustees of the Texas Presbyterian University, was married in Philadelphia, Pa., Tuesday afternoon to Miss Jennie Clagett of that city.

Dr. Clagett and wife will spend some time in New York City and return to McKinney about Feb. 1.

Representative Maynard of Virginia in a bill introduced, proposed to increase the salary of the president to \$75,000 a year, the vice-president to \$15,000, and to give the president after his retirement from office an annual salary of \$25,000 per annum for life.

France and Morocco have settled their recent misunderstanding and the French minister at Tangier is proceeding to the court of the Sultan. This news comes in a cablegram from Mr. Phillip, American vice consul at Tangier.

Near Petersburg, Tenn., dynamite was exploded under the house of Joseph Short, a prominent negro. One of Short's sons was fatally injured. There is no clue to the perpetrators. Short is a very wealthy negro.

Suit for \$5,000 damages has been filed against Chief of Police John T. Rowen, Sheriff Henry Thomas and Deputy Sheriff C. J. Allen of Galveston, by a man named Herbert Johnson, for unlawful imprisonment and refusal to accept bail bond.

Representative Cowherd of Missouri has introduced a bill fixing the rate of postage on books and merchandise mailed at the distributing postoffices at rural free delivery routes at 3c for each pound or fraction thereof.

In a quarrel between J. A. Lumley and John Thorsen, two young men employed at the refinery of the Security Oil Company at Beaumont, Thorsen was struck in the head with a hatchet and injuries inflicted from which he will probably die.

The match between Joe Ganz and Jimmy Gardner, scheduled to take place in San Francisco on January 27 has been declared off. Gardner wired his refusal to appear, saying he had a fight in Denver on the 25th.

The Galveston Business League has decided to take a stand with the railroads and commercial organizations of Texas to have the ticket scalping laws amended, and if present laws are in force to ask the Legislature to

Move for Six Year Term. Warm Talk on Reports

Washington, Jan. 6.—Senator Bailey yesterday submitted to the Senate a proposed amendment to the Constitution fixing the term of the President at six years and making him ineligible for re-election. The text of the amendment follows:

"The executive power shall be vested in a President of the United States, who shall hold his office during a term of six years, and together with the Vice President, chosen for the same term, be elected as provided in Article 12 of the Amendments to the Constitution. The President shall forever be ineligible to a re-election, nor shall any person be eligible to an election to the Presidency who has served as President under any succession provided for in the Constitution or in the laws in pursuance thereof."

The Senate Committee on Commerce yesterday authorized a favorable report on the nomination of W. D. Crum to be collector of the port at Charleston, S. C. Confirmation of the Crum nomination has been opposed for three sessions of Congress by Senator Tillman on the ground "that a colored man is objectionable to a majority of those who transact business through the Charleston custom office." Crum is filling the position of collector on a third recess appointment, and the indications are that he will now be confirmed by the Senate despite the objections of Senator Tillman.

The joint statehood bill again yesterday occupied the major portion of the attention of the Senate and Mr. Nelson completed his speech in support of it. The omnibus claims bill was read in part, but no effort was made to secure action on it. Bills for the reorganization of the medical corps of the army and regulating promotions of army officers in the ordnance department were passed.

The House.

The time was taken up principally with a discussion of the Government report on cotton. Mr. Livingston of Georgia seemed to want some sort of a different report.

Mr. Bursleson answered him, his main point being that before the Government took in hand the matter of reporting crops, the speculators and spinners did this with the result that at the beginning of each season there

was a big crop and consequent low prices. When the time came when the truth would be known the crop had been sold by the farmers at a low price. If it was a short crop the speculators enjoyed the high prices of a short crop. He said that since the Government had undertaken the work of gathering information no one listened to the expert speculator and spinner. The two years in which the Government had been in the work had demonstrated its value, since the farmers were enabled to know as much about the crop as anybody else and besides had profited by it. He said the only people who complained were the speculators.

The dissatisfaction came from the cotton gamblers who were on the wrong side of the market and the farmers who, when they held their cotton for a price higher than justified by the law of supply and demand, had become speculators. He was one himself since he had held his cotton for a price greater than the supply and demand justified. When he was through he was applauded by the House.

Mr. Bursleson has introduced a resolution requiring the statistical department which gathers cotton reports to include in its work a report on the annual consumption of cotton, the amount of cotton used by the mills and the surplus left over at the end of the season, together with the amount exported.

The River and Harbor Committee is still at work on the bill and it is given out now that it can not get its measure in shape before the last part of next week. One of the projects of river improvement which has commanded general attention is that of the Trinity.

At this session the Trinity has come in for much criticism and several times it looked as if it would have a poor show to receive recognition. But the project has a better chance for recognition and indorsement by the committee than it has ever had during this session.

Mr. Burgess, who is of the committee, says the Galveston improvements are to meet with generous treatment by the committee.

Mr. Cooper has introduced a bill for the construction of a public building at Nacogdoches.

RUSSIAN FLAGSHIP SUNK OFF MADAGASCAR

Chefoo, Jan. 6.—Advices from Japanese sources say that the condition of Port Arthur is chaotic, but that Gen. Nogi and Gen. Stoessel are rapidly systematizing affairs.

Gen. Nogi, through agents, who have been recruiting for months, will put a force of Chinese coolies at work re-fortifying Port Arthur immediately after the Russians are disposed of. Vast quantities of cement and timber are ready on the Yalu river for this purpose, while steel plates and other manufactured necessities are ready in Japan for transportation to the fortress.

The Japanese are confident that the re-fortification of Port Arthur will place the fortress in a better condition than ever, with the Russian defects eliminated before Russia can besiege it, if such a thing ever occurs.

Ammunition, food and medical supplies to last for years will be sent to Port Arthur, Japan being heedful of the

Waxahachie Mills Pay.

Waxahachie: At a meeting of the stockholders of the Waxahachie Cotton mills a cash dividend of 10 per cent was declared, leaving a balance of \$42,000 surplus to be invested in improvements, etc. Since beginning operations the mills have made annual earnings of 13.85 per cent, though the dividends heretofore have been expended in improvements, increasing the facilities of the plant. The value of the mills has increased from \$95,000, the original cost, to \$141,000.

Not So Bad as Reported.

London: Special dispatches from Tokio say that the Port Arthur garrison was marshaled at 9 o'clock Thursday morning at Yuhustui in accordance with the terms of supplementary agreement. The Standard's Port Arthur correspondent reports the town is little damaged by the bombardment. Carriages and rickshaws, he says, are moving about with well dressed people who apparently are anything but starved.

Independent Telephone Lines.

Dallas: About thirty men interested in the independent telephone business principally in the northern part of the State, and a majority of them connected with the toll line branch of telephone service, held a meeting for four hours Thursday afternoon in the private dining room of the Oriental Hotel, and organized the Texas Independent Telephone Association. The officers are: President, E. W. Dunaway, Paris; Secretary-treasurer, J. B. Earle, Waco.

The Legislature.

Austin: As early as Friday the city is pretty lively with the presence of some members, those who are seeking places and the lobbyists and grafters who "follow up the show." If the threatened deluge of Mills take place, there will be a wholesale job before the committees, and unless the vast majority fill an untimely grave, the session will be either an extremely busy one or an excessively long one.

TO RESTORE CANTEEN

WOMAN'S ARMY AND NAVY LEAGUE PETITION CONGRESS.

Since the Canteen Was Abolished the Army Has Greater Drunkenness than Ever, Proving the Abolition of the Well Regulated Army Saloon to Be a Mistake.

A very promising and significant development in the canteen controversy is involved in the recent action of the Woman's Army and Navy League, says the Washington (D. C.) Post of Dec. 5th. The resolution adopted at the last meeting of the league sufficiently explains the contemplated movement:

"Whereas through a misapplied zeal and a lack of appreciation and understanding as to the reasons why canteens or post exchanges were originally established at army posts, as well as a misconception of the manner of conducting the sales of beer; and whereas a three years' test forbidding the sale of beer or light wines on any government reservation has proven detrimental rather than beneficial to the enlisted men; and whereas the Woman's Christian Temperance Union has influenced the Congress of the United States to abolish the canteen by the act of February 2, 1901, be it here

Resolved, That the women of the Woman's Army and Navy League, whose object has been for seventeen years to work for the general welfare, the contentment, and amusement of our soldiers and sailors, shall present at the next session of Congress a petition urging that the canteen or post exchange, with the same conditions as to a restricted sale of beer and light wines as existed prior to February 2, 1901, be restored at an early date."

The fact that this resolution passed without a single dissenting voice contains all the comment needed as regards one aspect of the matter, but it must be considered also that this league is composed of women immediately connected with the military service and, therefore, sincerely interested in its welfare. The wives, sisters, daughters, etc., of army and navy officers are in far better position to speak with knowledge and authority than women who discuss the canteen only in a theoretical way. These latter no doubt sincerely believe that the abolition of the canteen removes temptation from our soldiers and sailors, thereby elevating their morals, improving their health, and generally exalting the service. They have sought and, for the moment, achieved this consummation, and without inquiring into the practical results of the supposed reform, they tell themselves that their work is good and must be perpetuated. The women of the league, however, see what the others cannot see. The evil fruits of the rum shop, the dance house, the vicious deadfalls that have sprung up on the ruin of the canteen are before them hourly. They know that the existing law has not checked the consumption of liquor by the men, but has, on the contrary, increased it. The effect of the law has been, simply, to release the practice from rational control and endow it with a license. There was beer drinking in the canteen, but it was subject to official observation and susceptible of restraint. The drinking outside of the canteen is no longer limited either as to quality or quantity. What was once convivial recreation, kept within bounds of decency, is now an unbridled orgie, a brutal revel, ending much too often in disease and crime. The facts are notorious. Any one who really wishes the material good of the soldiers and sailors and is willing to seek that good by practicable methods, can have the last doubt removed by consulting the official record.

It will be interesting to watch the course of Congress when the issue shall have been fairly joined. Nearly four years ago, the canteen law was repealed at the instance of certain well-meaning persons. Since then every one really interested in the welfare of the men and the morale of the service—interested, we mean, to the extent of ascertaining the practical results of the change—has come to realize that the reform in question operates a curse rather than a blessing. There is infinitely more drunkenness among the men than there was before, while as for degradation, disease, insubordination, and general immorality, these have multiplied incalculably. The truth is flagrant. It cannot be denied or explained away. Everybody in a position to know admits it with sorrow but without reservation. The league, therefore, will approach Congress armed with absolute information and inspired by intelligence as well as sympathy. The organization is composed of women whose sincerity is unquestionable as their knowledge is authoritative. Thus we shall soon know whether Congress is open to reason and common sense or prefers the company of its now unmasked delusions.

A match cutting machine is an automatic curiosity. It cuts 10,000,000 a day, and arranges them over a vat where the heads are put on.

In a Liverpool school lately a number of scholars were asked to explain the meaning of "righteous indignation." One little chap replied: "Being angry without swearing"—Ram's Horn.

That and This.

"Twelve years ago I bought my first bottle of Hunt's Lightning Oil. For Cuts, Burns, Sprains and Aches it was the best remedy I had found to that time. After the lapse of one dozen years I can truly say, it is the best remedy I have found to this time."

John P. Thompson, Red Rock, O. T.

25c and 50c bottles.

The first regular English pantomime is said to have been "Harlequin Executed," produced at the Lincoln's Inn Fields theater, December 26, 1717.

To the housewife who has not yet become acquainted with the new things of everyday use in the market and who is reasonably satisfied with the old, we would suggest that a trial of Defiance Cold Water Starch be made at once. Not alone because it is guaranteed by the manufacturers to be superior to any other brand, but because each 10c package contains 16 ozs., while all the other kinds contain but 12 ozs. It is safe to say that the lady who once uses Defiance Starch will use no other. Quality and quantity must win.

The American hens lay eggs enough in one month to pay the interest on the national debt for that time, according to the latest official calculation.

Many Children Are Sickly.

Mother Gray's Sweet Powders for Children, used by Mother Gray, a nurse in Children's Home, New York, cure Feverishness, Headache, Stomach Troubles, Teething Disorders, Break up Colds and Destroy Worms. At all Druggists. 25c. Sample mailed FREE. Address Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y.

The whole Moslem race despise and hate the sound of bells, which they say causes the evil spirits to assemble together. In consequence, they are never used on Mohammedan mosques.

Why Do We Die?

Vital statistics classified show the respiratory organs to be the feeble point in man. Diseases of the lungs are out of all proportion in fatality. Take Taylor's Cherokee Remedy of Sweet Gum and Mullein for coughs, colds and consumption.

At druggists, 25c., 50c. and \$1.00 a bottle.

After a woman has fallen in love with a man, she finds it takes more than a box of candy to make her forget her unhappiness.—Atchison Globe.

Finding a long, rusty nail in his morning roll, a Viennese citizen charged his baker with endangering the public safety. The baker was fined \$4.

Beware of Ointments for Catarrh that Contain Mercury.

As mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surface, such articles should never be used except on prescription from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is ten fold to the good you can possibly derive from them. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O., contains no mercury, and is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure you get the genuine. It is taken internally and made in Toledo, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney & Co. Testimonials free. Sold by Druggists. Price, 75c. per bottle. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

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Every housekeeper should know that if they will buy Defiance Cold Water Starch for laundry use they will save not only time, because it never sticks to the iron, but because each package contains 16 oz.—one full pound—while all other Cold Water Starches are put up in 4-pound packages, and the price is the same, 10 cents. Then again because Defiance Starch is free from all injurious chemicals. If your grocer tries to sell you a 12-oz. package it is because he has a stock on hand which he wishes to dispose of before he puts in Defiance. He knows that Defiance Starch has printed on every package in large letters and figures "16 ozs." Demand Defiance and save much time and money and the annoyance of the iron sticking. Defiance never sticks.

Rubber is now successfully being cultivated on the Gold Coast of Africa. Several companies have recently started work on a large scale.

Not Disappointed This Time.

"I have been often disappointed in the use of some widely advertised remedy, claiming to cure this or that trouble. Nevertheless, on the strength of one of the testimonial letters published, I decided to try a box of Hunt's Cure. My trouble was eczema of the lower limbs, from which I long suffered. One box cured me. I have had a pleasant, peaceful summer, thanks to Hunt's Cure."

Mrs. Alice Fortune, Shell Knob, Mo.

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Congressional Forecast.

Week's Plans of Solons.

Washington, Jan. 9.—The joint state food bill will continue to be the principal topic of discussion in the senate during the present week, but other measures will receive attention each day during the morning hour, among them the omnibus claims bill, for which Senator Warran stands sponsor. The bill comprises more than 200 pages, but the senator already has succeeded in having it read by utilizing odd hours and thus has put a large and important part of the work of consideration to the rear. There will be an effort made to get through the bill providing for the compensation of American fishermen whose vessels were seized previous to the arbitration of 1893. This measure is in the hands of Senator Fulton, who will press it as an act of justice to men whom he thinks have been discriminated against.

The pure food bill will remain in the background, not because the friends of the measure have abandoned it, but because they consider its chances will be improved by not pressing for immediate consideration. Discussion of the statehood question was begun with a speech by Senator Morgan and he was followed by other opposing senators. The present plan of the opposition is to keep the discussion going until some of the appropriation bills are reported and it becomes necessary to take them up or, if this is

postponed too long, to displace the bill with the pure food bill. Failing in all the expedients they probably will seek a compromise. The only real fight is against the uniting of Arizona and New Mexico and there is talk of eliminating these Territories entirely from the Statehood proposition. It is believed if this were done the bill for the consolidation of Oklahoma and Indian Territory would pass. Thus far there has been no conference of organizing factions on the subject and probably there will be little done to change the present status so long as the leaders are anxious to keep other matters in the background, as appears to be the case at present.

It is the intention of the house to begin active consideration of the appropriation bill during the present week.

Today is District of Columbia day and the resolution providing for the ceremonies of the inauguration of President Roosevelt and deciding where the inauguration ball shall be held will be considered.

The pension appropriation bill will be reported today and possibly taken up for consideration Tuesday. It will be followed by the Indian and the District of Columbia appropriation bills. While they may not all be considered during the week, they will be ready for action. The Hill currency bill remains the unfinished bill and Friday will be devoted to pension bills.

THE LEGISLATORS GATHER AT AUSTIN

Austin, Tex., Jan. 9.—Although many of the legislators are here, the hotel lobbies present no scenes of activity similar to those of two years ago. More or less interest is manifested in the makeup of the committees. Mr. Seabury, speaker-to-be, declines to make known his selections at this time and is still listening to advice.

In the lobbies it is current that some of the house committees may be headed as follows:

Finance—W. O. Murray of Wilson County.

Revenue and Taxation—W. D. Williams of Tarrant County.

Judiciary No. 1 or Banking and Privileges—Thomas B. Love of Dallas County.

Constitutional Amendments—A. T. McKinney of Walker County, who was a member of the constitutional convention of 1875.

Internal Improvements—Richard H.

Days of Navarro County.

Hon. William B. Wortham, former State treasurer, it is said, will be appointed clerk of the Finance committee of the House.

Forecasts concerning the chairmanship of the Senate committee on Finance are to the effect that D. A. Paulus of Lavaca county will be named. The Senate Finance committee handles tax measures as well as appropriations.

Although there is much canvassing for positions in the Legislature, no very great interest has been manifested in any of the races save that of the House chaplaincy. The candidates are Rev. Geo. C. Rankin of Dallas and Rev. L. L. Tucker of Upshur County.

The friends of each of these reverend gentlemen claim a cinch. A senate caucus will be held tonight for the purpose of deciding who shall be employed by this branch of the legislature.

FROM THE ORIENT.

Port Arthur to Be a Naval Station. Returning Russians.

Tokio, Jan. 9.—The Japanese intend to establish a naval station at Port Arthur. Vice Admiral Y. Shibayama will probably be placed in charge of it.

The military administration at Port Arthur will retain only a small garrison as soon as the prisoners are withdrawn and order is restored.

The fleet is busily engaged in clearing mines, but owing to their great number navigation will be unsafe for a long time. Only Government craft will be allowed to enter the harbor.

It is probable that Dalny will soon be opened up to neutrals. Japanese companies are preparing to establish weekly services to that port.

It is proposed shortly to float a fourth domestic war loan under the same conditions as the third was negotiated.

Woman Arrested for Killing Negress.

Temple Mrs. Monroe McCelvey was arrested as an outcome of the death of the negro woman Mamie Phoenix, from pistol shot wounds received last December. The Grand Jury investigated the case and failed to indict at the time. Since then the injured woman died. Mrs. McCelvey's arrest followed and at her examining trial she was allowed bail in the sum of \$2,000, which was given.

To Follow Government's Plans.

Beeville: In Bee County this year there will be at least one field of cotton farmed strictly in accordance with the suggestion of the Agricultural Department. Roland D. Watson, one of the department's men, who makes Beeville his headquarters, is an advocate of the use of fertilizers in the cotton fields, and following his ideas Carl Rankin will cultivate twenty acres this year, fertilizing and cultivating as Watson suggests.

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Lieut. Gens. Fock, Smirskoff and Gorgatowsky and Rear Admiral Wilmann will be brought to Japan as prisoners of war.

Lieut. Gen. Stoessel will leave Dalny Jan. 12 on a Japanese transport for Nagasaki. He will be accompanied by the other paroled officers. The Russians probably will remain in Japan a few days and then proceed on a French steamer to Europe, going by way of the Suez Canal.

Gen. Nogi reports that the officers paroled to date number 411 and orderlies 229.

Former Governor Lloyd Lowndes of Maryland died suddenly at his home in Baltimore Sunday. There had been no indication of illness and Mr. Lowndes appeared to be in his usual good health and spirits when he arose in the morning.

Contract has been let for a \$20,000 Methodist church at San Angelo. The structure will be of brick and stone.

The general offices of the Pecos Valley Railroad at Amarillo were damaged by fire to the extent of \$2000 a few nights since.

At a recent meeting of truck growers at Yoakum pledges were made to plant, among other truck, seventy-two acres in cucumbers.

The house committee on military affairs Saturday practically completed the army appropriation bill. It carries in round numbers, \$69,000,000, which is about \$3,000,000 less than the estimate, and \$5,000,000 less than the appropriation for the current year.

Mrs. Lizzie Stone, wife of a farmer near Appleby, Nacogdoches county, was burned so badly by her clothing catching on fire Wednesday of last week that her death followed and she was buried Saturday.

NO PEACE IN SIGHT.

Japan Pressing to Hold Prestige, Russia to Gain Standing.

Washington, Jan. 7.—Japan has made no overtures for peace to Russia directly or indirectly through the United States or any other power, and knows of no such action, and now that Port Arthur has fallen, proposes to press the war in the North all the more vigorously by reinforcing the Japanese armies at Liao Yang, with the greater part of the troops which have been besieging Port Arthur. This, in brief, represents the views of Kogoro Takahira, Japanese minister, who has recently assumed charge of the legation at Washington after a long illness in New York.

"The fall of Port Arthur," said the minister, "is but a step in the war which Japan is waging for a principle. Certainly it is an important step, but nothing could be farther from the truth of the assumption that because Japan has captured a stronghold, the fall of which has long been expected, the government of Japan will now make overtures of peace. Japan is too busy fighting. We are as much in earnest today as we were at the outset of the war. We have made no overtures of peace either directly or indirectly, nor have the powers approached us with any idea of intervention."

At the Russian embassy it was reiterated that Russia would fight all the harder in view of the temporary loss of Port Arthur. Europe, it is learned, is firmly of the conviction that however dark the outlook for peace at the moment when the prospect brightens, it is to be President Roosevelt that the neutrals as well as the belligerents will look as the intermediary through whom peace negotiations will be initiated.

As a European ambassador said today, the American government is practically the only government to which both belligerents will be willing to look for assistance in reaching a settlement when the time comes and aside from this fact, the high personal regard in which the president is held both at St. Petersburg and Tokio, makes it all the more probable that through him when Russia and Japan have fought their fight the powers must hope for peace.

No Bail for Nan Patterson.

New York: Miss Nan Patterson became hysterical when Abraham Levy, her counsel, informed her that Justice Greenbaum's decision was to deny her bail. She wept and refused to be comforted. Later when her father visited her an affecting scene took place. The young woman tried to restrain her emotion, but finally threw her arms around her father's neck and burst into tears. He, too, was overcome, and it was necessary to send him home in a cab.

Beef Trust on the Griddle.

Washington: The beef trust case, which ranks in importance with that of the Northern Securities Company, was called in the Supreme Court of the United States Friday and arguments were begun by John S. Miller of Chicago, leading counsel for the beef trust, who spoke for three quarters of an hour, and Attorney General Moody for the government began his argument, but he had spent only ten minutes when the court adjourned until Monday.

Will Everidge of Grant has been appointed Sheriff of Klamitia County, Choctaw Nation, to fill the vacancy caused by the killing of Sheriff W. M. Russell.

Killed His Wife.

Handley: Thursday a Mr. May, living on one of Mr. Handley's farms, walked out into the yard and discharged his pistol for the purpose of cleaning it. On re-entering the house his wife made some joking remark and he, pointing the pistol at her, replied in fun, "I will shoot you," then pulled the trigger, when, to his horror, the weapon was discharged and his wife fell mortally wounded. Physicians were summoned but could render no relief.

National Cotton Raisers.

Fort Worth: Vice-President Murray has sent Oswald Wilson, national secretary, Fort Worth, the names of the state executive committee for Texas of the National Cotton Raisers association, as follows: O. P. Pyle, Mineola; John T. Garner, Grey Rock; Oswald Wilson, Fort Worth; J. D. Montgomery, Gordon; F. W. Davis, Gainesville; Newton Gresham, Point. The work of organizing the different counties will be taken up at once.

State Shoot at Waco.

Waco: At a meeting of the Local Gun Club arrangements for the April State shoot were made and W. A. Holt was appointed manager. The spring meeting will bring to this city gunners of international fame, some of whom won trophies in Europe. On the first day the chief event will be the live bird match for the State championship medal in that class, now held by Edgar Nolls of Austin.

In the live bird shoot some of the crack shots of America will be entered. The individual target championship medal will be the chief prize in contention on the second day and several experts, at least one of whom has made a name in England, will enter for the trophy. On the third day the two-man-team target championship medal, now held by Turner E. Hubby and Ed Forsgard, both of Waco, will be the prize.

Four Tracks to the Gulf.

Chicago: It is understood surveyors are in the field between Chicago and Kankakee locating a right of way for four permanent tracks for the Illinois Central railroad. It is proposed to extend the suburban service of that line to Kankakee, and while no official announcement has been made, the additional tracks will probably be continued southward, should traffic justify such a course.

The Illinois Central line is now double tracked from Chicago to Memphis, and with the Yazoo and Mississippi Valley railroad extending from the latter city to New Orleans, the system has practically two through tracks.

It has been said that with the completion of the Nicaraguan canal the South can boast of a four-track line from the Lakes to the Gulf.

Dutch in South Africa.

The Dutch language does not seem now at a very high premium in the opinion of the heads of families in South Africa. A petition was recently presented to the board of management of the Kimberley high schools in favor of the teaching of Dutch to the scholars attending these schools. In order to ascertain the views of those most concerned the board sent out a circular letter to 444 parents, requesting those who were desirous of Dutch being taught during school hours as part of the ordinary curriculum to write to the board stating their wish. Only twenty, however, were anxious that Dutch should be so treated, and these twenty parents represented only thirty-six children out of a total of 775 attending the high schools.

Railroad Statistics.

Here are a few figures from Poor's Manual, a high authority on railroad statistics: The number of tons of freight carried one mile was 90,522,000,000 in 1892, and 171,290,000,000 in 1903, the increase in ten years being 80,768,000,000 tons, or close to 90 per cent. The average rate received per ton per mile in 1893 was .893 cent; in 1903 it was .781 cent, showing an average reduction per ton per mile of .112 cent, or a little over a mill per mile, amounting to a total rate reduction of over \$171,000,000. The gross income of American railroads in 1903 was \$1,998,000,000; operating expenses, \$1,316,000,000; net earnings, \$682,000,000, leaving \$122,000,000 available for dividends.

James Rollins, son of J. Mart Rollins, who lives five miles east of Farmerville was found dead in his bed Wednesday morning. He was about 23 years old.

Temple Gets a Park.

Temple: The interurban line will open an amusement park on its line at Midway, and H. A. Stuart will personally manage the park. There is in course of construction a large auditorium suitable for the accommodation of conventions and large assemblages, with a seating capacity of 1,600. A summer theater has also been contracted for and five companies booked for two weeks each for the summer.

Speaks 400 Languages.

Alfredo Trombetti of Bologna enjoys an international reputation as the world's greatest linguist. He speaks 400 different languages and dialects and is still adding to his knowledge of strange tongues. Ever since he was fourteen years of age he has been mastering the various languages of the world, and he intends shortly to come to America to complete his knowledge of the dialects of the Indians of the Rockies.

ALL OVER TEXAS.

Brown County farmers have generally agreed to reduce the cotton crop 25 per cent.

The Corsicana cotton mill has increased its force and is now running day and night.

Rev. Abe Mulkey, the Methodist evangelist, began a protracted meeting at Rockwall on Thursday.

The W. O. W. Camp at Ringgold unveiled the monument of J. W. Richey at Ringgold cemetery, Jan. 6.

There were only eight votes cast against the proposition to issue \$15,000 worth of bonds to build a brick schoolhouse at Alice.

It is announced that commencing in the spring 30-minute cars will be run by the Interurban railway between Dallas and Fort Worth.

A Katy switch engine and twenty cars, half of them loaded, were derailed at Roanoke and two men riding in one of the cars were crushed to death.

President Prather has been advised that the examinations for the Rhodes scholarships from Texas will be held at the State University in Austin on Jan. 17 and 19.

W. W. Page, aged about 60 fell from his wagon seat at Roxton Friday, dead. Mr. Page lived about two miles north of town and had come to town, accompanied by his daughter.

The Cotton Belt depot at Bullard was broken into Tuesday night and three hundred gallons of whiskey poured into the streets from the express department. No clue.

The protracted drouth at Greenville has caused an alarming scarcity of water. The waterworks company has cut off all mains and is keeping what there is on hand for fire protection.

Much interest is being taken in the forthcoming exhibit of the Bell County Poultry Association to be held Jan. 24 and 25 in Temple. The catalogue has been issued and is being distributed.

Dallas is raising \$50,000 by subscription among the citizens to assist in building a home for the Southwestern Medical College, a \$75,000 structure which it is proposed to build in that city.

Friday fire totally destroyed the Waco Steam Laundry, owned by Louis and Frank Crow. The total loss will be \$10,000; insurance, \$3,000. Of the loss \$3,000 was in clothing in the laundry for points in Waco and outside.

Union brick masons of Dallas have served notice on the building contractors that they will expect an increase in wages commencing the 1st of March from \$5.20 per day to \$6.00, the day to be eight hours.

An unknown man was run over and killed by a train in Dallas Wednesday morning. He was about 55 or 60 years old and weighed 190 pounds, five feet nine inches high, and was well dressed. No sort of a mark of identification could be found.

The formal transfer of the water plant of the old Bell Water Company to the City of Waco really took place last week and the money due on the plant, and which had been secured by sale of bonds, was paid. The original price was a little less than four hundred thousand dollars.

Col. Frank P. Holland and John V. Hughes left Tuesday morning for Washington to personally present to President Roosevelt the invitation of the Dallas Commercial Club to visit that City.

The Great Southern Refining Company, which is operating a small refinery at Beaumont, will try the experiment of putting its illuminating oil on the local market and will sell it in competition with the Standard at several cents less a gallon.

The bondsmen of Claud Wilson, charged with killing F. O. Porter in Commerce a few weeks ago, withdrew their names as sureties for his appearance in court. Defendant was placed in the county jail.

There are seventeen national and private banks in Hill County and their deposits on December 31 amounted to \$2,000,000. A large portion of this money belongs to farmers. There was nearly \$1,000,000 on deposit in the Hillsboro banks.

John Bagwell, from Arkansas, stopped at Dallas to change cars, and while waiting for his train loaned \$35 to a stranger "for a few minutes" while the stranger stopped out to get a check cashed, but never returned.



Mrs. L. C. Glover, Vice Pres. Milwaukee, Wis., Business Woman's Association, is another one of the million women who have been restored to health by using Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

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Women should not fall to profit by the experience of these two women; just as surely as they were cured of the troubles enumerated in their letters, just so certainly will Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound cure others who suffer from womb troubles, inflammation of the ovaries, kidney troubles, nervous excitability, and nervous prostration; remember that it is Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound that is curing women, and don't allow any druggist to sell you anything else in its place.

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MORGAN SAYS CONTROL ELECTIONS AMONG GREASERS.

STAND FOR WHITE SUPREMACY.

Says Framers of Constitution Did Not Intend Giving Mexicans Citizenship.

Washington, Jan. 10.—After the passage of the omnibus claims bill and fixing January 28 for the delivery of addresses in memory of the late Senator Hoar, the senate devoted yesterday to the statehood bill. Mr. Morgan spoke for two hours against the bill. When the senate convened yesterday, Mr. Mallory presented the minority report of the merchant marine committee. It was referred to the committee on commerce.

A bill was passed authorizing the county of Itawamba, Miss., to construct a bridge across the Tombigbee river near the town of Fulton.

The omnibus claim bill was then considered. Several committee amendments were adopted and the bill was passed. It carries direct appropriations amounting to about \$2,800,000. At 2 p. m. the statehood bill was laid before the senate and Mr. Morgan spoke in opposition to the bill. Mr. Morgan spoke particularly on the character of the population of New Mexico and Indian Territory. He declared that the framers of the constitution were of the white race and that it was not the intention that Mexicans, Indians, negroes and half-breeds should be brought into citizenship. He said that if Arizona and New Mexico were admitted into the Union, this class of citizens would control the elections, and said that bribes and whisky might control them.

At 4:05 p. m. the senate went into executive session and at 4:25 p. m. adjourned.

ACT OF SUSPENSION.

President Roosevelt Removes Two Officials from Office in Oregon.

Washington: As the result of the investigation and prosecution of land fraud cases in Oregon, the president yesterday signed an order suspending from office James H. Booth and Joseph T. Bridges, respectively registrar and receiver of the United States land office at Roseburg, Ore. The action is on the recommendation of Secretary Hitchcock, and was based on a telegram from Assistant United States District Attorney Henry, who alleged that the affairs of the Roseburg office were in a bad condition.

Farmers Have the Advantage.

New Orleans, La.: "The farmers of the South have already sold 4,000,000 bales of cotton this year at 10 cents per pound," said M. H. Thomas, a cotton factor of Dallas, Texas, on the floor of the Cotton Exchange yesterday. "They have sold 3,000,000 bales more at 9 cents. They have sold 1,000,000 bales at a less price; therefore they have between 4,000,000 and 5,000,000 on hand.

"The spinners have sold from 10,000,000 to 11,000,000 bales of cotton in their future orders for goods for the present year. That means they are now about 5,000,000 bales short. The farmers are long and the spinners are short."

No Change in Fall River Strike.

Fall River, Mass.: The cotton millia claimed to have made large gains yesterday upon the beginning of the twenty-fifth week of the strike, but the labor leaders say that all gains have been offset by losses from among those who previously had gone in. Thirty-five weavers of the Bourne mills came out again yesterday, saying that they could not make living wages. There is no change in the general situation. The labor men expressed a willingness to arbitrate, but the manufacturers demand unqualified surrender.

La Grange Fire Boys' Carnival.

La Grange, Texas: The carnival shows arrived here yesterday, and under the auspices of the La Grange fire department the carnival and state fair opened at 7 o'clock last night. Many visitors are in the city and a week of gaiety is promised.

Russian Port Arthur Losses.

Tokio: It is believed that the Russian casualties at Port Arthur will total about 25,000.

Denounced Armour.

Washington: Armour & Co. and the private car were denounced at yesterday's hearing before the interstate commerce committee of the house by George E. Mead, a member of the National Commission Merchants' League and the Boston Fruit Dealers' Exchange. He complained of the inroads on his business of the so-called private car lines. He said that Armour & Co. "practically controlled the price of perishable food commodities in this country. They preyed upon our business and held us by the throat and demand whatever they see fit." Mr. Mead said that there were many refrigerator car companies that do work the Armour cars could not do, and yet the shippers of fruit from Southern states could not use those better cars because Armour & Co. had the exclusive contract.

Dodge's Treasurer Gone to Halifax.

New York: Edward J. Bracken, whose presence is so greatly needed by District Attorney Jerome as a witness in the Dodge-Morse case, is no longer in this country. On good authority it was learned yesterday that he is probably at this time somewhere abroad, having sailed from Halifax. He returned to New York from Texas, where he had acted as treasurer for Charles F. Dodge, two days before Dodge was brought here by sea. After a brief conference with a relative he visited his house in Harlem, under the very eyes of two detectives, and immediately thereafter hurried to Canada.

Hampers by Storms.

Tokio: The work of removing the mines and other obstructions at the entrance to the harbor of Port Arthur and of examining the Russian war vessels is hampered by the storms and the cold weather. There is every indication it is reported that some of the vessels are savable.

Superintendent Huss Resigned.

Dallas, Texas: J. A. Russ, superintendent of the Texas division of the Pacific Express Company, tendered his resignation last night. He gives no reason for the change. Immediately after making the announcement that the resignation was effective at once Mr. Russ left for South Texas.

Skull and Spine Injured.

Beaumont, Texas: B. M. Brammett, 20 years old, employed at the Spindle Top oil field by Contractor Kissick, fell from a derrick yesterday afternoon and sustained injuries which may prove fatal. He was brought to the Sisters' hospital at 6 o'clock and the surgeon found that he had sustained a fractured skull and that his spinal chord was seriously injured.

Hard Rains in West Texas.

Houston, Texas: Prof. H. P. Attwater returned yesterday from a trip to West Texas, and reports that they have been having some very hard rains in that section of the state of late. Stock is looking fine and the grazing is much better than heretofore at this season of the year.

Shooting at Brenham.

Brenham, Texas: In Campground last night Arizona Henderson, colored, was shot and her mother, Jane Taylor, shot at. Arizona Henderson was wounded in the side, a bullet deflecting the bullet, and the wound is not considered fatal. The Taylor woman caught the pistol and pushed it above her head, but had her hand badly powder burned. Ivy Henderson escaped on a horse.

Lost on Pontchartrain.

New Orleans, La.: By the capsizing of a boat on Lake Pontchartrain yesterday afternoon three men lost their lives and two were unconscious from exposure when rescued. The dead are Michael Kline, aged 19; Emil Vogringer, aged 21, and Carl Schumacher, aged 21. The boat was capsized by a sudden squall. The two men who were rescued clung to the bottom of the boat for two hours before they were rescued by a pleasure yacht passed.

Mrs. Laughlin Shot Herself.

Brenham, Texas: Mrs. C. A. Laughlin, wife of the relief agent on the Santa Fe, with headquarters in Brenham, and who returned yesterday from a month's sojourn in Talpa, shot herself just above the heart, and the wound is considered a fatal one.

Karnes City, Texas: Quite a number of people owning the field trial dogs arrived yesterday and they have fifteen dogs so far. Tomorrow is the opening day and quite a crowd will be on the grounds.

An Up-to-Date Angel.

She sat beside her nurse, swinging her doll by one arm and turning an angelic face confidently up to the passersby, none of whom passed her without a second glance.

"Isn't she a perfect little seraph?" exclaimed one lady as her eyes dwelt admiringly on the child's golden curls and eyes of heaven's own blue. "But aren't you afraid you'll hurt dolly, dear?" she added, pointing to the battered plaything, whose head was being beaten to a pulp against the bench. With a sweet smile the seraph replied:

"It's my doll; it ain't up to you to butt in."

BABY'S TERRIBLE SORE

Body Raw With Humor—Caused Untold Agony—Doctor Did No Good—Citicura Cured at Once.

"My child was a very delicate baby. A terrible sore and humor broke out on his body, looking like raw flesh, and causing the child untold agony. My physician prescribed various remedies, none of which helped at all. I became discouraged and took the matter into my own hands, and tried Citicura Soap and Citicura Ointment with almost immediate success. Before the second week had passed the soreness was gone, not leaving a trace of anything. Mrs. Jeannette H. Block, 281 Rosedale St., Rochester, N. Y."

Sad Domestic Blow.

The honeymoon hadn't even begun to shoot the chutes when he came home one evening and found her crying as if her heart would break.

"Why, darling, what in the world is the matter," he asked.

"O, J. John," she sobbed, "I'm so d-discouraged I d-don't know w-what to do."

"What is it, little wife?" he queried as he gathered her into his arms.

"I w-worked all afternoon making c-custard pies b-because you are so f-fond of them," she replied, "and they all t-turned out s-sponge cakes. Boo-hoo-hoo!"

How much a man does for his wife depends on how much she doesn't do for herself.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY
Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All drug stores refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25c.

A man never gets much hold on heaven when he grasps humanity with just two fingers.

The fellow who wins a girl's hand feels that he carries off the palm.

All there is to some celebrations, you hustle to get there, and hustle to get back.

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

Often the man who runs after the car to come down town misses the last one home.

"Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy" gave me prompt and complete relief from dyspepsia and liver derangement. B. T. Trumbull, Harrison, N. Y.

The chronic kicker never realizes that there are people worse off than he is.

They sure do knock colds out—Cheatham's Laxative Tablets, guaranteed.

Motor car renting in New York is said to be very profitable.

WHY GET SOAKED WHEN IN TOWER'S FISH BRAND OILED CLOTHING WILL KEEP YOU DRY IN THE HARDEST STORM!

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Qualified with Thompson's Eye Water cure eyes, see!

Local Items.

Do not disfranchise yourself through neglect.

Hyman Harrison of Palestine was here Monday.

This is the last month in which to pay your poll taxes.

Chas. M. Pape of Columbia, Mo., is here prospecting.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. P. Luckett have returned to Bastrop.

T. J. Cook of Percilla was in to see us Thursday of last week.

You can get tourist and Buster Brown caps at the Novelty Store.

The Big Store can furnish you with all the seed potatoes you may need.

You can get anything in tinware and crockeryware at the Novelty Store.

The Big Store is going to sell 'em cheaper than ever before this year.

Have your steaks cut by J. P. Millar at the City Meat Market. He has the best.

You can sure get a bargain in ribbons, veilings and velvets at the Big Store.

Ladies' \$1.50 silk draped hats in black, blue or brown, now 95c at the Novelty Store.

Fence up your property. Buy your barbed and hog fencing wire from the Big Store.

H. G. Hurt, J. D. Hill and Joe Matlock were among those calling at this office Saturday.

The new year of 1905 finds the Big Store still the leader in quality, quantity and price.

Dudley Woodson is at home from Ruston, La., where he has been working during the past year.

Just received one car of the celebrated Minnesota Triumph potatoes for early planting.

J. P. Millar, at the City Meat Market, has the best beef, pork, sausage, mutton and veal in the market.

"Old Crimp" hasn't left us yet, but one of those good, cheap fascinators at the Big Store will keep him off.

R. H. Gallant, one of the school teachers at Kennard, was in the city Saturday and paid the COURIER a visit.

Johnson Arledge and Roy Deu pree have bought the Baker Bros. stock of groceries and will take charge on the 15th.

J. P. Millar has bought the City Meat Market from Spence & McKelvey and asks his friends to call on him at their old stand.

J. S. Bitner, a substantial farmer and long-time friend of the COURIER, living near Lovelady, was in to see us Wednesday.

Wm. A. Eddy and family from Wisconsin arrived last week and went out to the place west of town bought by Mr. Eddy last spring from W. A. Ponder.

The City Meat Market is now in charge of J. P. Millar, who bought the same from Spence & McKelvey and wants his friends to come around and see what he has.

Hons. C. C. Stokes and I. A. Daniel are both at Austin for the opening of the legislature. Mr. Stokes made a visit to the Rusk penitentiary before going to Austin.

A beautiful line of lace curtains and table scarfs are on display at R. L. Aldrich's furniture store, which will be sold cheaper than ever before to meet the low price of cotton.

We Aim

To always give you a little more for your money than you can secure elsewhere. If we please you, tell others; if not, tell us.

SMITH & FRENCH DRUG CO.

Now is the time you need rubbers. The Big Store has the line. Why not?

Pay your poll tax and then come right across the street and renew your subscription to the COURIER.

W. S. Sproles, an attorney from Angleton, has located here for the practice of law. He has a family.

Mrs. Addie Boone of Brandon, Hill county, was visiting her father, J. W. Madden, and family here last week.

R. L. Smith and family arrived last week from Fulton, Mo., and are now at Mr. Smith's farm southeast of town.

Remember that we are selling no chances at that organ. We are giving them to you absolutely free with every subscription to the COURIER paid a year in advance.

The COURIER's premium offer is worth the while. You don't get a chance free at an \$85 organ every day. The only thing the COURIER hopes to gain by it is many new subscribers and renewal of old ones.

The COURIER premium offer will be held open during the month of January, after which time we expect to draw it to a close. All subscriptions paid to January, 1906, will be entitled to a chance.

Notice, City Tax Payers.

After January 31, 1905, there will be a ten per cent penalty added to taxes for 1904. You can pay at the saddle shop.

G. M. WALLER,
City Marshal.

Notice to Customers.

My former customers can now find me at the barber shop of Mr. J. D. Friend where I will be glad to see them.

BARKER TUNSTALL.

All subscriptions paid to January, 1906, will be entitled to a chance at the COURIER's premium drawing. The offer will be held open during this month. We want to give all a chance at the premium.

Notice.

I am now living in Bruner Addition and all wanting good, fresh bread can be supplied on short notice. All orders will be appreciated.

MRS. W. D. PRITCHARD.

Last Call.

The undersigned, having sold out his entire interest in the drug business, hereby gives notice that all parties owing him on open account or otherwise are expected to come forward and settle. I will be glad to have all who are indebted to me to come forward and settle, otherwise all claims which are not settled will be placed in the hands of an attorney for collection. Respectfully,

B. F. CHAMBERLAIN.

Wanted.

I want renters and hands for wages for the year 1905. Have lumber and corn for sale. Also want goobers. For further information apply to J. G. Matlock, Crockett, Texas. 4t

Money Order Transactions.

The following is a brief summary of the money order transactions for the year 1904 at the Crockett postoffice: Balance from last year, \$199.28; domestic orders issued, \$26,616.46; fees on domestic orders, \$247.41; international orders, .30; auditor's circular, \$22.14; drafts on New York, \$18. Total, \$28,302.59.

The Big Store will soon send their buyer to the northern markets with cash in hands to purchase the most exquisite and up-to-date line of spring and summer dress goods, clothing, shoes, hats and gents' furnishing goods ever brought to Houston county. The Big Store has resolved to make the year 1905 their banner year. Call and see their mammoth stock and secure some of their many bargains.

Negro Woman Killed.

Cora Masters, a young negro woman, was shot and killed by Harry Reynolds, a young white man, in the house of the woman, east of town, at about 4 o'clock on Thursday morning of last week. Reynolds was arrested and placed under a bond of \$1000. Two bullets were found in the woman's body by Sheriff Phillips. Reynolds claims the shooting was accidental.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles May entertained the following gentlemen at dinner Wednesday evening in honor of Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Murchison: George W. Crook, H. F. Moore, Thos. Self, W. W. Aiken, Arch Baker, D. A. Nunn, Jr., M. P. Jensen, Col. Earle Adams, John Le Gory, Walker King, R. H. Wootters, J. S. Shivers and W. I. Kennedy. The dinner was elegantly served and was as follows:

Puree of Tomatoes	Potato Croquettes
Roast Turkey	Fried Oysters
	Wafers
Chicken Salad with French Peas	
Ice Cream	Cake
Coffee	Cheese
	Wafers
Frappe	Mint

To the Teachers of Houston Co.:

The schools of Houston county commenced last fall—that is, a majority of them, began much earlier than ever before. The cause of this was the shortage of crop, and children were ready for school much earlier than previous years. Naturally this caused a greater demand upon the treasury. A greater part of the available school money is collected in February, March and April. I advise all teachers to hold their vouchers until Feb. 18, 1905, unless otherwise advised.

PORTER NEWMAN,
County Judge.

Fine Hogs.

We learn from the Navasota Review that John H. Stewart, the Nut-Cracker tobacco man, has just returned from a visit to Kansas City and while there purchased about a dozen very fine Poland China hogs, from the Winn & Martin prize herd of Kansas, whose hogs took three-fourths of the premiums at St. Louis. Their herd is conceded by experts to be the largest and best in the world. Mr. Stewart is an extensive raiser of this breed, and they do not get too fine for him to purchase in order to maintain the record he has already established in selling his pigs. He gave his personal attention to the selection of these hogs and got the best that money could buy.

Money to Loan.

We Buy and Sell Real Estate.
List Your Land With Us.

Fire Insurance Written in Best Companies.

WARFIELD BROTHERS,
Office Over J. E. Monk's Store.

TOBACCO GROWING.

Houston County Land the Right Kind—Time Now for Farmers to Act.

Editor COURIER:

As is generally known the U. S. Government planted an experiment crop of tobacco on my place near Crockett last year. The results of this experiment are already partially known to the public, and the writer is in a position to say that the government officials under whose care and supervision this character of work comes are highly pleased with the grade of tobacco which they got from Houston county soil in 1904. I had a letter a day or two ago from the gentlemen in charge of all Texas work on tobacco lines, growing, fermenting, packing, etc., in which he says he will be in Crockett some day this week for the purpose of seeing if enough farmers can be induced to go into the growing business to plant as much as fifty acres in tobacco this season. The government desires that no one shall plant less than two acres nor more than ten acres. If this arrangement can be made the government will put a man in this county—not to grow a crop of its own as it did last year—but to superintend and direct the cultivation of the fifty acres, giving full directions, and watching the planting, cultivation and cutting of the crop, etc. Having satisfied themselves that this county has the right kind of soil to produce the high grade Cuban filler for making fine cigars, they propose this year to cooperate with enough farmers to plant fifty acres or more. It is now up to the farming element—at least that part of it which has the soil suitable for growing such a crop—to do something. We now have an opportunity to introduce and install a new industry, something very much needed at this time, and all depends on the fact, whether or not, enough farmers can be induced to join in the proposed new enterprise. The government chief of such work will be in Crockett this week for the purpose of advising and consulting with those interested in firmly establishing this new industry. All who desire information on the subject can call on undersigned at his office in COURIER building where full particulars will be given to all who wish to cooperate in the undertaking.

In this connection I can also say that Col. D. A. Nunn is in correspondence with a gentleman of long experience in tobacco growing and handling who wishes to come here and organize a company to grow and handle tobacco as well as to establish a cigar making plant. In view of the depressed condition of affairs, agriculturally speaking, of this section, it is to be hoped that all who can will join in and give their best energies and counsel to these new undertakings. Very respectfully,

W. B. PAGE.

Pneumonia and La Grippe.
Coughs cured quickly by Foley's Honey and Tar. Refuse substitutes. Sold by Smith & French Drug Co.

Wholesale Thieving.

Last week Sheriff A. W. Phillips got wind of the operations of horse and hog thieves in this county, and after working on the case, succeeded in locating the thieves in the eastern part. Tuesday afternoon he telephoned the officer at Kennard to be on the lookout for them and left for Kennard. Constable Deb Hale of Crockett was already at Kennard, and he and Deputy Sheriff E. Winfree organized a posse and went in pursuit. They overtook the thieves in the woods near Kennard, where they had camped for the night, and taking them by surprise, arrested them without any trouble. There were three of the thieves and they said, after being arrested, that if they had known they were dealing with officers they would have put up a fight, as they were well armed with repeating rifles and revolvers. They were held by the deputies and constable until the arrival of the sheriff, who in the meantime was on his way from Crockett. On his arrival he took charge of them and landed them in the county jail Wednesday afternoon. The names of the men are as follows: Jim Smith, Chas. Burke and J. E. Batton. They had three horses, a wagon and a camping outfit in their possession when arrested, all of which had been stolen. They had just traded horses with M. C. Dupuy and his horse was returned by the officers. Last week they sold five stolen hogs to Arrington & Daniel and stole a saddle from E. B. Hale. These are only a few of the numerous thefts charged up to them. The sheriff of Robertson county was here Saturday afternoon and took the three men to jail at Franklin.

The prevention of consumption is entirely a question of commencing the proper treatment in time. Nothing is so well adapted to ward off fatal lung troubles as Foley's Honey and Tar. Sold by Smith & French Drug Co.



I have just received a large line of

MATTING and LINOLEUM

of the most beautiful patterns, which I will sell cheaper than any Matting ever brought to Crockett.

R. L. ALDRICH.

Hot and Cold Baths

AT THE

Hotel Barber Shop

J. D. FRIEND, Prop.

AN \$85.00 ORGAN To Be Given Away BY THE COURIER

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To The COURIER
To Jan. 1, 1906,
And Get a Chance
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For Honesty is
Vouched to the Fairness of
This Drawing.

The Chicago Cottage,
MANUFACTURED BY THE CABLE CO.

How You Can Get the Organ

In order to induce cash subscriptions the COURIER makes the following offer: To every new subscriber paying one year in advance we will give free a chance at an \$85 organ. To all old subscribers paying up all back dues and to January 1, 1906, we will give a chance at the organ. We make this offer for no other reasons than to stimulate cash subscriptions and to increase our subscription lists. The COURIER is \$1.00 a year. Two years in advance entitles the payer to two chances—one chance for every year paid in advance. You can send the paper to a friend for a year and get an additional chance. The organ is a beauty and is now on exhibition at the COURIER office. It was bought of Mr. Jas. DeDaines of Crockett who guarantees it to be as represented. Our plan of deciding the result will be by drawing, unless some better plan should present itself in the meantime. The date of the drawing is to yet be determined, but all holders of chances will be given due notice in advance.

We are simply making some one of our subscribers, and those who join the army of readers that now peruse the columns of the COURIER weekly, a present of this handsome and useful household article.

**If This Does Not Interest You Tell Your Neighbor
About It—He Perhaps Wants an Organ.**

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The COURIER
For One Year and
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THE COURIER.

W. W. AIKEN, - Editor and Proprietor

Publisher's Notice.

Obituaries, resolutions, cards of thanks or other matter not "news" will be charged for at the rate of 5 cents per line. Parties ordering advertising or printing for societies, churches, committees or organizations of any kind will, in all cases, be held personally responsible for the payment of the bill.

A ten per cent penalty will be added to all taxes not paid by January 31, together with disfranchisement if poll taxes are not paid. Bear this in mind.

Poll taxes must be paid by the last day of January or you lose your vote. No good citizen wants to disfranchise himself, and the COURIER therefore reminds its readers of the obligation.

We call attention of farmers to Mr. Page's article on tobacco growing in this issue. The COURIER has taken an active interest in this tobacco experiment all along and is glad to see that there is an opportunity at last for a new industry in this county.

Many farmers are holding their cotton for a better price. They believe that the price can not go any lower than now, and if there is any change it is bound to be for the better. They contend, and perhaps wisely, that cotton will soon be needed to fill contracts.

The government wants farmers to plant not less than fifty acres in high grade tobacco, no one less than two acres and none more than ten. The government proposes to put a man here to superintend cultivation and direct the work. Read Mr. Page's article in another column.

This is the last month you will have to get in the COURIER premium drawing. You may hold the lucky number. Who knows?

Every citizen of the county should have at least one of the county papers in his home. The man who does not read his county paper is behind the times.

When you have paid your poll tax and renewed your subscription to your county paper you have discharged two of the prime duties of an American citizen.

This is the last month you will have to pay your poll tax without losing your vote. Remember that the time expires with the last day of January and not with the first day of February.

Failure to pay poll tax by the last day of January does not release one from payment, but does deprive one of his vote. Although the right to vote is lost, a ten per cent penalty will be added and the tax collected by law along with other taxes. The new road law calls for all unpaid taxes to be collected by work on the public roads.

There are thousands of acres of land in Houston county, just as good and possibly better, for growing this high grade Cuban filler tobacco as the land on which the government grew the crop last year. Our information is that there is a large area around Augusta, west of Grapeland, around Percilla, east of Crockett and west of Crockett. It is now up to the farmers to meet the government and others in this new work.

A New Industry.

Col. D. A. Nunn has a letter from Mr. Blohm, a cigar manufacturer of Willis, stating that he would like to come to Crockett and engage in growing tobacco and manufacturing cigars. Mr. Blohm manufactures a fine brand of cigars—a brand that is preferred by Col. Nunn and others of our town to any of the imported brands. In view of prevailing conditions, when cotton growers are at a loss to know what to turn their lands and time to, the inauguration of a new industry would mean much for Crockett and Houston county. The COURIER would be glad to see Mr. Blohm come here with his cigar factory. It would create a new market for a crop that would no doubt in the course of time become one of the staple crops of the county. Our people are ready for and stand in need of a new crop. Mr. Blohm is not only a manufacturer but a grower of tobacco, and has confidence in the soil around Crockett. He will no doubt receive the encouragement of the business interests of the town. Our people are now forced to turn their attention to other crops than cotton. Mr. Blohm will likely be in Crockett soon to look the situation over.

In Bed Four Weeks With La Grippe.

We have received the following letter from Mr. Roy Kemp, of Angola, Ind. "I was in bed four weeks with la grippe and I tried many remedies and spent considerable for treatment with physicians, but I received no relief until I tried Foley's Honey and Tar. Two small bottles of this medicine cured me and now I use it exclusively in my family." Take no substitutes. Sold by Smith & French Drug Co.

Attention to Those

Who Are Interested in Good Horses.

He is a genuine registered horse, foaled at Highland, O., in the spring of 1899. He is a large handsome, dark bay horse, with left hind foot white; stands 16 hands 1 inch, weighs 1200 pounds. In conformation he is a grand, big horse, with a beautiful head and neck, and the very best of feet and legs; short knee, deep body and very fine neck and hock action. His lines are the very best of northern horses. That he will beget speed and grand road qualities there is no doubt, as he not only inherits, but possesses, those qualities. Even common mares bred to a horse of this class can not fail to produce foals that will find a ready market as carriage horses or roadsters as well as general all-purpose horses. He can be found at my barn just north of the residence of John Monk. Mares from a distance will be taken care of without charge except for feed. Will not be responsible for any accidents while in my care.



J. W. T. No. 35496.

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