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## DISTRICT COURT.

### Criminal Docket Taken Up Monday. Civil Cases Disposed Of.

The greater part of last week was taken up in the district court with the case of J. L. Jordan against Jim Brown, a negro. This was a suit for land, and the jury, after hearing much evidence and argument, found a verdict for the defendant, Brown. The defendant was represented by Adams & Adams, and the plaintiff, Jordan, by Nunn & Nunn.

A personal injury suit disposed of the latter part of the week was that of W. J. Meyers against the Eastern Texas railroad in which the jury brought in a verdict of \$1500 damages for the plaintiff. The plaintiff sustained injuries by falling from a scaffolding at Kennard Mill.

Absent witnesses in several cases called for trial Monday morning were fined \$20 each by the judge and subpoenas ordered issued for them.

The case against Louis Shackelford, charged with assault on murder, was dismissed on motion of district attorney for lack of sufficient evidence to convict. The main witness in the case had gone.

A murder case, that of the State against Archie Smith, was set for Monday, April 10, and L. A. Salas and J. W. Young appointed as counsel for the defendant. A special venire was ordered for this case.

The case of the State against John High for theft of hogs was set for Monday, April 3.

The following business had been disposed of on the divorce docket Monday morning:

Jean Riley vs. James B. Riley—divorce; granted. This divorce was granted on the 14th day of March and the marriage license record in the county clerk's office shows that on the same day, license was issued to Jean Riley and A. J. Pratt to marry.

A. C. Estell vs. B. F. Estell—divorce; granted. License to marry was issued to A. C. Estell and J. T. Platt.

H. T. Huffman vs. Tissia Huffman—divorce; refused.

W. B. Whittle vs. India Ola Whittle—divorce; granted.

Henry Hunt vs. Fannie Hunt—divorce; granted.

Earl LaRue vs. Martha LaRue—divorce; refused.

Edner Goff vs. A. J. Goff—divorce; granted.

Jordan Barnes vs. Sallie Barnes—divorce; granted.

Sarah Murray vs. John Murray—divorce; granted.

Ellen McHenry vs. Steve McHenry—divorce; granted and custody of children given to plaintiff.

Dan Wingwood vs. Lizzie Wingwood—divorce; granted.

Mrs. Corrie Zackary vs. John Zackary—divorce; granted.

Pearle Hickman vs. Amos Hickman—divorce; granted. License to marry has been issued to Pearl Hickman and Will McCelvey.

Frances Gilder vs. Lum Gilder—divorce; granted.

La grippe coughs yield quickly to the wonderful curative qualities of Foley's Honey and Tar. There is nothing else "just as good." Smith & French Drug Co.

## NO INFORMATION

### About the Beef Trust From the Texas Sellers of Cows.

Austin, Texas, March 22.—W. J. Bryan of Abilene and A. M. McFaddin of Victoria, members of the joint legislative committee appointed to investigate the beef trust, returned this morning from Ft. Worth, where they attended the big cattlemen's convention. Owing to the lack of a quorum, the committee held no meeting in Fort Worth, as was originally intended, but Messrs. Bryan and McFaddin devoted much of their time to talking with cattlemen on the subject of the trust. They also had a two hours' conference with C. E. Russell, editor of the Chicago American and Examiner, who is the author of a series of articles on the beef trust which are now appearing in Everybody's Magazine. Mr. McFaddin said today that Mr. Russell is possessed of a vast fund of information bearing upon the operations of the trust in different parts of the country and that he told them many interesting things.

"The difficulty we are meeting with," Mr. McFaddin continued, "is the hesitancy of prominent cattlemen to tell us what they know in regard to the trust. We go to a big cattleman who we know is in possession of information which we are seeking and we say: 'Look here, we want you to tell us what you know about the beef trust.'

"The man turns pale and throws up his hands with a frightened gesture and says: 'For God's sake don't get me mixed up in this trust investigation business.' He says, appealingly: 'I have got 5000 head of cattle to go on the market and if those people know that I have been giving away any information they will black list my cattle.'

"What can we do under such circumstances? There are many cattlemen who know much about the beef trust, but we can not get them to talk.

Mr. Bryan says that the Federal authorities have thoroughly sifted Fort Worth and that a great amount of testimony bearing upon the operations of the trust has undoubtedly been brought out.

It is probable that the present investigation committee of the legislature may have its existence extended until some time after the close of the legislature in order that it may continue its investigations. No date for holding the next meeting of the committee has as yet been fixed.

### Cough Settled on Her Lungs.

"My daughter had a terrible cough which settled on her lungs," says N. Jackson of Danville, Ill. "We tried a great many remedies without relief, until we gave her Foley's Honey and Tar which cured her." Refuse substitutes. Smith & French Drug Co.

### Pneumonia Follows a Cold.

but never follows the use of Foley's Honey and Tar. It stops the cough, heals and strengthens the lungs and affords perfect security from an attack of pneumonia. Refuse substitutes. Smith & French Drug Co.

## FREE RIDE MANIA.

### Legislators Swamped by Constituents Wanting Passes.

Austin, Tex., March 22.—The demand for railroad passes is very active; that is to say, the demand upon members of the Legislature, and through them. So much publicity has been given to the fact that Legislators can get passes that they are besieged by friends, acquaintances and others to fix them up. In some cases, however, it has been known that members of the Legislature have voluntarily secured passes for constituents, evidently because of a feeling of pleasure in thus bestowing gifts.

The attorneys of the lines entering Austin have been kept especially busy in meeting the demand for passes. One of them left the city a few days ago, and left his pass-book in the hands of a friend and co-worker. This friend began to issue passes at an alarming rate. In the course of a few hours the book was exhausted, but the demands were still coming in. He fled to his room in the Driskill Hotel, hoping to avoid the clamor for transportation. But his hopes were shattered. Messenger boys began to bother, with notes from Legislators requesting passes. Finally he locked the door, and was incommunicado. He prepared the following telegram and addressed it to the attorney and sneaked it out to the telegraph office:

"Am besieged in garret of Driskill Hotel, and am out of ammunition. Shall I capitulate or await arrival of more ammunition?"

He received the following reply: "Hold out for about twelve hours, as reinforcements are on the way to your relief."

Thus, the story of the Alamo was not repeated.

Some of the railroads have received requests for annual passes to be issued to constituents of members of the Legislature. One pretty good sized request was for transportation for two families which were moving clear across the State.

Some of the members of the Legislature have been asked to get passes for so many people that they have been ashamed to make the applications all in a bunch, and, therefore, have split them up into sections, asking first one railroad man and then another. In some instances the transportation was all to be over a single line, and the applications finally got to one man; nevertheless, they were divided up and presented to different persons in order that the unwilling applicant should not blush himself to death.

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## BOLL WEEVIL SPREAD.

### About 900,000 Acres Became Infested for First Time Last Year.

Washington, March 20.—The Department of Agriculture has issued a bulletin in which it states that during the season of 1904 the increase in infested territory was but normal. About 15,000 square miles, representing approximately an area devoted to the cultivation of cotton of 900,000 acres, the normal production from which would be in the neighborhood of 350,000 bales, became invaded for the first time. This increases the infested area in the United States at present to about 32 per cent of the total cotton acreage. An interesting feature of the boll weevil situation during the past season, the bulletin says, has been the fact that the infested territory has been extending eastward much more rapidly than northward. This has led to some speculation as to whether the pest has not reached a northern limit beyond which its spread will be prevented, or at least checked, by climatic conditions. Careful examinations of portions of the Indian Territory which the boll weevil is likely to reach have failed to reveal any infestation. To the east there has been a general extension of the infested territory of about fifty miles. The pest has been found east of the Red River at three points in Louisiana, namely, Lockwood, Grand Eclaire and Shreveport. In the State the greater portion of six parishes is known to be infested.

### The Best Cough Syrup.

S. L. Apple, ex-Probate Judge, Ottawa, Co., Kansas, writes: "This is to say that I have used Ballard's Horehound Syrup for years, and that I do not hesitate to recommend it as the best cough syrup I have ever used." 25c, 50c, and \$1.00. Sold by Smith & French.

## A NEW JERSEY DANIEL.

### Judge Cook Decides That a Woman's Tongue is a Concealed Weapon.

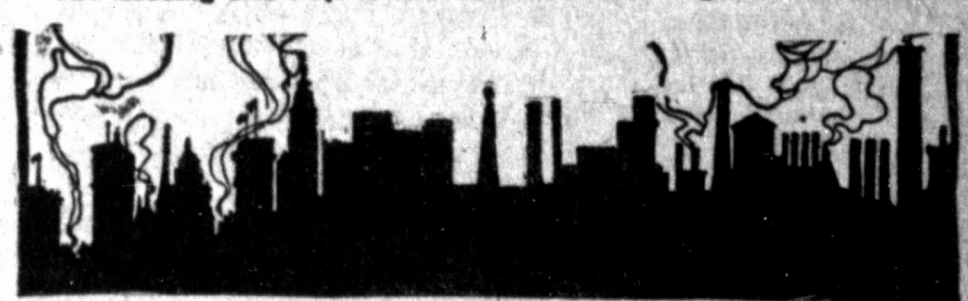
New York, March 22.—Edward L. Cook, who dispenses New Jersey justice at Madison, in that state, has decided that a woman's tongue used upon a Justice of the Peace becomes a concealed weapon.

Two women had appeared in his court, one charging that the other had called her names. The Justice tried to settle the case, and after dismissing the complaint endeavored to make the women shake hands. It was then that they turned their tongues loose upon the Justice. He did not look up the law, but made out a complaint under a section of the disorderly act which relates to concealed weapons and fined them \$10 each. One of the women hurried to her lawyer, who brought the matter before a County Judge for review. That official set aside the conviction and ordered the fines returned.

### U. D. C. Program for April.

1. Answer roll call with facts about William P. Rogers.
2. Describe Fort Pillow and its capture by Forrest, April 12, 1864.
3. In December of 1863, who was placed in command of the Army of Tennessee?—"Rise and Fall of Confederate Government," Vol. II, Chap. 48, Jefferson Davis.
4. The Fall of Atlanta.
5. Music—An old song.
6. Paper: "Our Texas Irishmen."
7. What is the leading idea throughout the constitution? By whom are the senators elected? Of what is the house of representatives composed? What does this show in regard to legislative body?—Stephens' "War Between the States," Vol. I, p. 110.
8. Poem—"Only a Private."—The Veteran for January, 1905.
9. Music—Dixie.

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### U. D. C. Department.

The D. A. Nunn Chapter, Daughters of the Confederacy, had an interesting meeting with the President, Mrs. John H. Wooters, Saturday, March 25th.

Business transacted and reports read. The net proceeds of entertainment given for benefit of the home for wives and widows of Confederate veterans, \$26.00. To this sum Mr. C. C. Warfield and Col. Nunn contributed, each, \$5, making \$36.00. The Chapter gave a rising vote of thanks to these gentlemen for their generous contribution to this worthy cause.

Report of contribution in name of D. A. Nunn Chapter for memorial occasion of Hon. John H. Reagan. This, a large Texas star, made of beautiful white flowers, with name, John H. Reagan, in raised letters of small red flowers across the star. This emblem was ordered by Mrs. Reagan to be placed over the breast of the "Grand old Roman," symbolic of his devotion to the state of Texas, and the colors, red and white, to the Confederate cause. A paper was read in memory of Miss Mabel Austin, an honorary member of the D. A. Nunn Chapter, and resolutions passed, showing our sorrow for her early death. These were placed on the minutes, a copy sent to the bereaved family and one to the editor of the COURIER, with request that it be published.

Resolutions passed that the History of the Rise and Fall of the Confederacy be purchased for use of the Chapter.

Lesson in history given for the month of April as arranged by State historian, with addition by historian of the Chapter, that each member write a history of Houston county and Crockett from organization and settlement to the present. These to be referred to a committee for examination and the best selected to be read at our annual decoration and memorial day. This day to be observed on 3rd of June, the day set apart as a legal holiday by the Legislature of Texas, at which the Confederate veterans and all interested are invited to be present. At this time crosses of honor will be given to those who have made application.

### MEMBER OF CHAPTER.

### Chief Cause of Failure in the Court House.

Results of trials of criminal cases under our present system and method are wholly unsatisfactory to the citizen who stands for justice and order and who would see the law magnified. As a rule only the weak and poverty-stricken are punished, while the influential and strong walk out of the meshes of the law even as a bull walks away the cowboys across his path in the meadow.

Various "reforms" have been proposed, but, unfortunately, most of the reforms adopted have magnified the calling of the criminal lawyer and actually made matters worse. It is now come to that pass in many of the court houses of the country that the question as to whether a murderer shall or shall not be hanged is simply a question as to the murderer's ability to pay the price to the leading criminal lawyer. On the other hand, there is no sort of doubt that weaklings without money or friends, in districts or counties presided over by "eloquent" prosecutors, have been convicted, and even hanged before conviction in some instances on scant and insufficient evidence, and even upon evidence strongly indicative of their innocence.

There is no doubt that a chief

trouble is "oratory in criminal cases." Of course perjury always plays a part, and the rascality resorted to in buying jurors and stocking juries is notorious; but to these must be added the dramatics, chicanery and hypnotism of the orators who play with the weak minds, tender feelings and bitter prejudices of jurors of their own selection.

Of course this sort of game is not always limited to the counsel for the defendant. Take the Cordova case in New Jersey for instance. In his argument to the jurors District Attorney Berdine is quoted as saying: "And I want to say to you, jurymen, that I know each of you personally, and I believe that if such a snake as this should creep into your homes (pointing his finger at Cordova) that you would take a doublebarrel shotgun and fire it to kill; and if such an event ever should happen while I am Prosecuting Attorney you will not be bothered by having to plead before this bar." The case was one in which no such promise was needed to excite against the accused the indignation of the jurors. It was a most shocking case in which Cordova would certainly have been lynched in some sections of the country. That is the very reason why the Prosecuting Attorney should have guarded against the sort of mistake which he made. Under the guise of enforcing the law he advised disregard for the law. As his statement, if permitted by the court, is reversible error, it may defeat the purpose to bring the criminal to justice.

Other instances could be cited in which outrageous mistakes have been made by Prosecuting Attorneys and by private counsel employed to prosecute, but probably most mistakes of the kind are made in favor of the accused and not against him. However, whether this is true or not, it is quite safe to say that satisfactory results in efforts looking to the administration of justice will never be attained as long as the present unspeakable plan of waiting and raving before weak-minded jurors is adhered to or tolerated.—Galveston News.

### Celebration of Easter.

Easter Day will fall this year on April 23 and the Lenten season will be at an end. Good Friday will be a day of fasting with churchmen and Sunday will be a day of rejoicing for the Risen Christ. As a rather unusual coincidence, the Hebrews will begin at sundown on April 19th the observation of the Feast of the Passover, the commemoration of the time when the Angel of Death saw the blood of the lamb on the door posts of the Hebrews and passed over their homes, while into the house of the Egyptian oppressors the dread visitor went and took away the first-born in every residence, from the hut of the pauper to the palace of the King. Following that event the Hebrews borrowed from the oppressors the things that were believed to be justly the property of the servitors, and at midnight with the consent of Pharaoh departed from the land and began the journey to Canaan. This feast of the Hebrews will continue for eight days, ending on the evening of April 26th, though the orthodox or stricter party of the people will observe still another day. Thursday, April 20, will be the great day of the feast.—Ex.

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News comes that two young men were shot down at their home in a county just south of us, and that an orderly and well disposed citizen, in the county just north of us, was shot and killed in his own house and in the presence of his family. All this within the past few weeks. We know nothing of the circumstances leading up to this work of death, but courts and schools and churches have existed in this country too long for this work of blood and death to be tolerated longer. Our courts and jurors can put a check upon it if they will put the law in force against criminals. The maudlin sentiment that finds its way into the jury box and leads to acquittal of the worst criminals is a crime itself and ought to cease. The law-abiding citizen is entitled to protection, if the neck of the murderer must be broken. Give this country a baptism of law faithfully administered, and the gospel will do a better work.—Rusk County News.

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# THE CROCKETT COURIER.

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CROCKETT, - - - TEXAS.

Sometimes as a woman grows older she becomes less dressy and more bossy.—Puck.

Dr. Loeb predicts an era of "machine made babies." Why not? Look at our statesmen.

If Napoleon were alive to-day, he might remark: "Through the Simpson tunnel lies Italy!"

Wall street has had another slump, but the visible supply of lambs' wool has not been materially reduced.

The report that John L. Sullivan has lost his voice probably originated in the old proverb that "money talks."

Through some strange oversight no college professor has taken a fall-out of the wicked bachelors for a whole week.

Incidentally, would it not be a good idea for the Philadelphians to put in a few minutes praying for themselves?

According to old records found in Gexon, it cost \$7,000 to discover America. And the money was certainly well spent.

Flowers will not be allowed in the senate chamber any more, the senators doubtless feeling they are sweet-scented enough as it is.

Some recent portraits of John D. Rockefeller bear out the general impression that personal comeliness is not the octopus' strong point.

A New York business man has had his tongue removed in order to save his life. But suppose, in addition to everything else, he had been a woman!

David Wark, though 100 years of age, is serving as a member of the Canadian senate. Mr. Wark thinks Dr. Osler may know more when he gets older.

A class of Wellesley girls has set out to "jar the professor's sense of the aesthetic as far as possible." Need it be announced in advance that they will succeed?

He is an unreasonable bachelor who kicks against the proposed tax when he thinks of the tax which the milliners' convention is preparing to levy on the married men.

We can't help sort of wishing that Oxford university would cut down its new professor's salary, in view of his advanced age and consequent inability to do full work.

A fashionable New York club ate roast rhinoceros at a banquet the other evening. This shows to what desperate straits the beef trust has driven even the well-to-do.

Dr. Woodrow Wilson suggests the advisability of looking at the souls of the directors of a trust before buying any of the stock. This ought to make business for the oculists.

One woman in a thousand has appeared. She received an eatable present from an unknown source and took the precaution to have it analyzed. It contained poison, of course.

Dr. Chadwick's daughter has gone to work as a stenographer, in spite of the fact that there are plenty of managers who would have been glad to give her a chance on the stage.

The New York man who beat his wife because she suggested that he should go to work had probably been reading Prof. Patten's argument that all married women should be wage earners.

The New York woman who agreed to give \$1,000 a volume for the works of the late Charles Dickens must have overlooked the fact that the novelist wrote several of them after he was 40 years old.

The Dowager Empress of China has sent the president a photograph which makes her appear about twenty years younger than she is. Every American woman will appreciate her feeling in the matter.

A Boston man has proved, so he declares, that the earth is flat. We note, however, that the automobile industry continues to emphasize the powers of their respective

# PUZZLE PICTURE.



Find one who is happy.

# FATE OF MRS. CHADWICK.

Cleveland, Ohio, March 25.—Unless the higher court interferes, Mrs. Cassie L. Chadwick will spend the greater part of the next ten years in the Ohio state penitentiary.

A sentence of ten years was imposed on her by Judge Robert L. Taylor in the United States District Court at 5 p. m. yesterday. The sentence came at the close of a busy day for the court, in hearing arguments on a motion for a new trial which lasted all day. The motion was overruled.

Mrs. Chadwick was convicted on seven counts and sentenced upon six counts. For four of these counts a sentence of two years each was imposed. Upon two counts a sentence of one year each was imposed, making a total sentence of ten years.

As soon as the sentence was pronounced Attorney J. P. Dawley of the counsel for Mrs. Chadwick took exception to the sentences upon each count except the first count. The defense intends to make the claim that the

court cannot impose a separate sentence for each count; that the law applies to the general charge instead of to each incident of the general charge.

Mrs. Chadwick's trial began March 5 and the jury returned a verdict of guilty on March 11.

The first disclosure of Mrs. Chadwick's remarkable financial career was made when a suit was brought by Herbert D. Newton of Brookline, Mass., last December to recover the sum of \$190,800 said to have been loaned by Newton to Mrs. Chadwick.

Shortly after the beginning of the suit Mrs. Chadwick went to New York with a retinue of servants, and after establishing herself in quick succession at several of the prominent hotels in New York was finally arrested there on December 15 by Federal officials.

Mr. J. P. Dawley, chief counsel for Mrs. Chadwick, said last night that he had nothing to say regarding the sentence nor regarding the condition of his client.

# MOSCOW NOBILITY ACT.

They Say the Ruler and People Should Be in Closer Touch.

MOSCOW, March 25.—A meeting of the nobility of the government of Moscow, in which there were participating also representatives of the nobility from various sections of Russia, has pronounced against Constitutional Government of the kind enjoyed by the nations of Western Europe, considering such conditions unsuitable to this country on account of the geographical and ethnological conditions of Russia and the political developments of the Russian people. The nobles are of the opinion that some degree of popular representation should be presented, but there should be no limitation of autocracy but of administrative arbitrariness and that the ruler of the people should be brought into closer touch.

The bar at Moscow at a meeting adopted a resolution calling for a popular assembly to formulate a Constitution defining and limiting the governmental systems. The meeting also advocated the formation of a civic militia for the protection of the citizens and controlled by municipalities of Zemsvos to which control of the police should also be transferred.

# Trusting Russians.

St. Petersburg: The report published abroad that Grand Duke Alexis had fled from Russia incognito is not true. He has not left St. Petersburg.

As showing the faith existing in remote sections of Russia that the imperial rescript of December 25 assures the establishment of a Parliament, petitions are already being received addressed to "The National Assembly," and last week the parents of school children at Eklaorinosky, South Russia, met and adopted formal resolutions for submission to the Parliament asking for the enactment of laws giving the public a share in the administration of schools and the free admission of children without regard to rank.

Russ: The whole of Vice Admiral Nebogatoff's squadron sailed southward.

# Mimic War Too Real.

Hillsboro, Texas: About 5 p. m. two negro boys, Walter Coffee, aged 13, and Wiggins Jordan, aged 10, played soldier. The former seized a shotgun and the latter a target rifle. They stood facing each other about six feet apart. Wiggins pointed the target gun at Walter and snapped it. Walter leveled the shotgun at Wiggins and pulled the trigger and the gun was discharged. The entire load entered Wiggins' left eye and tore a hole through his head. His blood and brains were scattered over the stove and floor. Death was instantaneous. Neither knew the guns were loaded. Esquire De Shazo inquested the remains and returned a verdict in accordance with the above facts.

# Status Unaltered.

Paris: The French Foreign Office renews its assurances that nothing has been undertaken here relative to peace negotiations. The Venezuelan status is unaltered, the officials here taking the view that no action will be taken until the Caracas courts decide the question pending the concessions of the French Cable Company.

# Died a Natural Death.

Waco, Texas: Dr. David S. Jordan, president of Leland Stanford University, who has just returned from Honolulu, in a dispatch to Dr. S. P. Brooks, president of Baylor University, after explaining the possibility of delay in the tour of Texas contemplated by the California editor, concluded his dispatch as follows: "There is not the slightest shadow of evidence that Mrs. Stanford, the mother of the university, died other than a natural death."

# Twombly Reached Oklahoma City.

Oklahoma City, O. T.: Sheriff Garrison returned yesterday morning from Waco, Texas, with R. W. Twombly, who is wanted here for obtaining \$852 worth of money orders from the American Express Company of this city under false pretenses. Twombly has been in Old Mexico since he left this city a year ago.

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As soon as celery has attained its full growth and is thoroughly bleached to a rich golden color, it should be dug, taking to the packing shed and roots trimmed, removing any distorted stalks. Tie in bunches of twelve stalks and ship in crates or barrels like cauliflower. Celery will go at the same weight as cauliflower. All Texas cities offer good markets for celery; in fact, the demand for celery has never been supplied with Texas celery, the most being imported from Colorado and Michigan.

**Watermelons.**  
Watermelons must be shipped in car lots only, no ice being required for watermelons. The growers of Hempstead who almost make a specialty of shipping watermelons, first place a layer of hay or straw in the bottom of the car, then fill the car about half full. They also carefully assort the melons as to size and furnish the buyers with just the size they want. Watermelons usually sell from \$35 to \$150 per car, according to earliness. Watermelons have proved a very profitable crop for Texas growers and should be planted liberally at all points.

**Onions Better than Expected.**  
Shiner, Texas, March 14.—The rains of the past week retarded the planting of corn to some extent, and a large portion of it remains to be planted this week. Onions are expected to turn out better than anticipated a few weeks ago, as they were not damaged as much by the heavy frost as looked for. All kinds of fruit trees are in full bloom, and should no late frost interfere, a heavy fruit crop is promised.

**Lettuce.**  
Lettuce should be cut while still tender and packed in barrels with cracked ice. Throughout the winter and spring months lettuce is in good demand from forty cents to one dollar per dozen heads, according to the supply, with proper cultivation and proper seeds lettuce can be grown in Texas almost any month of the year. Lettuce packed in flour barrels goes by express at sixty pounds.

**Beets.**  
Beets with tops left on should be tied in bunches from three to six beets in each bunch and packed in sugar barrels or flour barrels. The express company must take the sugar barrels at 110 pounds and the flour barrels at 90 pounds.

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## The National and Southern Cotton Associations Combined for Better Results.

The National Cotton Association, which was organized at Shreveport, La., Dec. 14, 1904, was dissolved on March 20th at Fort Worth, and its work merged into the Southern Cotton Association, which was created by the New Orleans convention January 26, 1905. Col. E. S. Peters, of Calvert, Texas, and Mr. Oswald Wilson, of Fort Worth, were the president and secretary respectively of the National Cotton Association.

The merger of the two associations, which culminated March 20th at Fort Worth, under an agreement which was entered into by Col. E. S. Peters, president of the National Cotton Association, and Hon. Harvie Jordan, president of the Southern Cotton Association, was the outcome of negotiations which have been pending along this line for the past few weeks. The Southern Cotton Association is now fully organized in all the states east of the Mississippi river, and in taking up the work which has been heretofore carried on by the National Cotton Association west of the river, it is confidently predicted that within a very short time every cotton growing state and territory in the South will be thoroughly combined under its splendid system of reorganization.

The merger is very gratifying to the officers of the Southern Cotton Association, in view of the fact that Col. E. S. Peters, who was president of the National Cotton Association, is also vice president of the Southern Cotton Association, and who will now have active charge of the work of the latter association west of the Mississippi river.

The consolidation of the two associations will avoid any friction in the future and eliminate confusion which has existed in the minds of the business people with reference to the two associations, both, apparently, working to the same end. The Southern Cotton Association looks to the combined organization of the entire people of the South, including not only farmers, but every allied business interest. The great object of the Southern Cotton Association is to protect and safeguard the cotton crop of the South from the devastating bear raids

which have so often financially depressed the price of the staple in the past.

The South's supremacy agriculturally, commercially, industrially and financially are the four great planks in the platform of the Southern Cotton Association, and in the success of its work the association fails to its aid and co-operation not only farmers, but every merchant, banker and allied business interest in the South.

The success of the Southern Cotton Association has been very marked in all of the old states east of the Mississippi river and in Arkansas. There can be no question that the entire business and farming element in the great state of Texas will quickly take hold of this movement and in the near future it is confidently predicted that the membership of the association will exceed in Texas the membership in any other state or territory throughout the cotton belt. The consolidation of the two associations guarantees perfect harmony for the future, and indicates, more than all things else, that the officers of the two associations are more deeply interested in the success of the people of the South than any advancement of the personal interest of any particular association. The president of the Texas Association, Mr. R. F. Smith, of Sherman, will be supplied with an abundance of literature of all kinds needed in the county and civil subdivision organizations, and each county can secure all the supplies needed by writing to the state secretary, Mr. W. C. Hutchinson, Dublin, Texas.

The department of publicity west of the Mississippi river will be under the direction of Col. E. S. Peters, vice president of the Southern Cotton Association, whose headquarters are at Calvert, Texas.

The entire press of the state and of the South is earnestly requested to aid the movement in every way possible, and the officers of the Association beg to convey their high appreciation at this time for the splendid interest manifested by the Southern press and the great and valuable aid which has rendered the movement through that source up to the present time.

### Swallowed Poison.

Fort Worth, Texas: Mat Percifull, of Arlington, aged about 52 years, died at police headquarters yesterday morning from the effects of poison.

At the time of his death Percifull had on his person an empty bottle that had contained chloroform and another bottle, which was also empty, that had contained carbolic acid. A note was found in which Percifull asked Sheriff Honea to notify his brother in Arlington of his death, and also asking all to forgive him, saying that he had more trouble than he could bear.

The deceased leaves a wife and four children, all of whom live at Kaufman, Texas.

### Depot Was Burned.

St. Louis, Mo.: The freight depot of the Anheuser-Busch Brewing Association, located in the center of its immense freight yards in the southern part of St. Louis, was totally destroyed by fire yesterday, together with seventeen refrigerator cars, the property of the St. Louis Refrigerator Car Company, of which Adolphus Busch is the president. The total loss is estimated at \$125,000.

### A Farmer Injured.

Paris, Texas: W. C. Edwards, a farmer of the southwestern part of Lamar county, met with a serious and probably fatal accident a few days ago. He was taking the harness off of a mule when the animal broke away. Mr. Edwards' arm was caught in the bridle and he was jerked backward, his head striking a large stone, producing concussion of the brain. His condition is critical.

### Favor of Peace.

Moscow: With the exception of the Moscow Gazette, all of the newspapers of this city are for peace on the condition that there be neither cession of territory nor payment of indemnity. At a banquet prominent merchants declared that the "happiest end of the war would be immediate peace, but if the government consents to indemnity we will throw a bomb. Enough Russian gold has been spent in Manchuria."

### Killed by a Fall.

Waxahachie, Texas: An accident occurred at the Park public school building Saturday morning which resulted in the horrible death of Wilbur Lee, a youth about 14 years of age. He fell from the second-story stairway banister to the floor below, a distance of twenty-five feet. His head struck the top of the banister post at the landing of the first stairway, crushing the back of the skull and breaking the boy's neck. He was picked up and conveyed into the library, where he expired about thirty minutes after the accident. Several persons witnessed the accident, but were powerless to render assistance.

### Flatonia Egg Shipments.

Flatonia, Texas: About 750 cases of eggs were shipped from this point this week. One firm shipped a solid carload to New York. Express shipments have been very heavy.

The past week has been very favorable to farmers and most of the corn is planted. Cotton planting will be rushed this week.

### Bankrupt Stock Sold.

Rusk, Texas: Lee Butler, trustee of the Odom & Vining bankrupt estate, sold the stock of goods of the firm yesterday and Sanger Bros. of Dallas bought them for \$1507; the stock invoiced \$3390. The notes and accounts were sold to Jack Odom for \$335.85.

### Center's Progress.

Center, Texas: The citizens of Center were very much elated yesterday when the water was turned on by the water works. The contractors think there will be an abundant supply of water. With a telephone system, an electric light plant, and water works, citizens begin to feel they are living in quite a little city.

### Jews Are Alarmed.

Kishineff: Jews here are greatly excited over a renewal of anti-Semitic agitation. The government is taking energetic measures to prevent racial collisions.

Of the the 720,000,000 acres of land, making up the total area of Argentina, 24,000,000 are arable. The principal crops are corn, wheat and flax.

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Honesty is its own reward, and sometimes its only reward.

### It's Here.

The gentle spring, and that want to rest feeling is due. To keep on your feet and defeat that feeling use Simmons' Sarsaparilla. It cuts the impurities out—makes good blood and enormous appetites.

Temptation calls on you so often that your terms with it soon become very intimate.

### Are You One?

Itching troubles appear to be epidemic at this time. Are you so afflicted? If so, give Hunt's Cure a trial. It is positively guaranteed to cure any form of itch known. A failure means it costs you nothing.

Now send your best girl a box of strawberries and thus convince her that you didn't go broke during the holidays.

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## ALL OVER TEXAS.

Col. Geo. A. Wright is preparing to put in fifty acres of cotton on a farm four and a half miles north of Palestine, to be grown under government supervision.

J. B. Petty, aged sixty-five years was shot and killed by Frank Proud at the Petty farm six miles north of Palestine at 11 o'clock Friday. One shot was fired.

The contents of the warehouse of Pedro Trevino, a grocery merchant, at Laredo, were burned Thursday night. Valuation \$10,000; insurance \$1,000 on stock, none on building.

The Red River Navigation Company, with headquarters at Denison, Texas, is negotiating with parties at Shreveport for the purchase of a steamboat to be used on Red River.

The firm of Fox & Lucas one day last week shipped five thousand dozen eggs from Palestine to New York City. This is the largest single egg shipment ever made by Palestine people.

Farmers and truck growers report that the fruit crop was but little damaged by the freezes during the winter. Peach trees are now full of blooms and the peaches are beginning to form.

The harvest of the first crop of alfalfa began Friday generally in the Sherman section. This is two weeks earlier than any previous record. The condition of the crop is quoted as prime.

W. E. Blackson has filed suit in the District Court at Sherman for \$10,000 damages alleged to have been sustained on a Houston and Texas Central train between Dallas and Denison last winter.

Ed Potts, a negro, was placed in jail at Sherman on the charge of assault to murder. The information alleges that Potts fired a rifle into a crowd of men and when remonstrated with continued to do so.

At a meeting of the citizens of Deport the sum of \$10,000 was raised for the proposed railroad between Paris and Bogota. Committees were put to work to secure options on right of way over the proposed line.

Parties in Greenville and in Dallas are making arrangements to lease a tract of land at Dixon, eight miles south of Greenville, where oil has been discovered. The formation of a corporation is in progress.

Complaints continue to come from the country around Waco to the effect that enclosed lands are being trespassed upon by hunters, and many complaints have been filed before officers in the past three months.

The contract has been let and work commenced on the Union Stock yards at Amarillo; \$25,000 will be expended on this work by the 18th of April, the time of the meeting of the Panhandle Cattlemen's Association there. The yards will cover more than 100 acres of land.

While R. M. Aikin, a fisherman at Hunts Ferry on Red River, was preparing to enter his skiff and was putting his shotgun aboard, pulling it in the boat by the muzzle, it was discharged. The contents took effect in his wrist, tearing the flesh from his forearm from the wrist to the elbow.

Traffic on the Temple-Belton Interurban line has been so heavy that the company has found it necessary to order more equipment. Three new cars have been ordered, which are much larger than those now in use, being of the double truck pattern.

The Katy has placed an order for eighty-five-pound steel rails for the Fort Worth division. The rails will be laid from Denison to Whitesboro first and then from Fort Worth to Waco.

The jury in the case of George H. Turner, on trial for murder of Mrs. Elizabeth Lynch, at San Antonio, by cutting her throat with a razor March 9, returned a verdict of guilty, and assessed the punishment at death. Insanity plea was entered by defense.

The new brick block, replacing that destroyed by fire at Willis Point last fall, has been completed and all the buildings are occupied. The Van Zandt County National Bank having been the first to move in.

Former Representative Gen. Charles Tracy, of New York, died at 57, after an illness of some months. Gen. Tracy served as a member of Congress from 1887 to 1905. In Congress he was one of the leading Democratic opponents of free silver.

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### Don't Be Afraid of Originality.

Do not be afraid of being original, even eccentric. Be an independent, self-reliant, new man, not just one more individual in the world. Do not be a copy of your grandfather, or your father, or of your neighbor. That is as foolish as for a violet to try to be like a rose, or for a daisy to ape a sunflower. Nature has given each a peculiar equipment for its purpose. Every man is born to do a certain work in an original way. If he tries to copy some other man, or to do some other man's work, he will be an abortion, a misfit, a failure.

Do not imitate even your heroes. Scores of young clergymen attempted to make their reputation by imitating Beecher. They copied his voice and conversation, and imitated his gestures and his habits, but they fell as far short of the great man's power as the chromo falls short of the masterpiece. Where are those hundreds of imitators now? Not one of them has ever made any stir in the world.—Orison Swett Marden in "Success Magazine."

### The Point of View.

The Beauty—I've had lots of poems written to me, both serious and humorous; but I've kept only the serious ones.

The Other Girl—They were better than the others?

"Oh, no, but they were much funnier!"—April Smart Set.

### What the Dentist Says.

Toledo, Ohio, March 27th—(Special.)—Harry T. Lewis, the well known dentist of 607 Summit street, this city, is telling of his remarkable cure of Kidney Disease by using Dodd's Kidney Pills.

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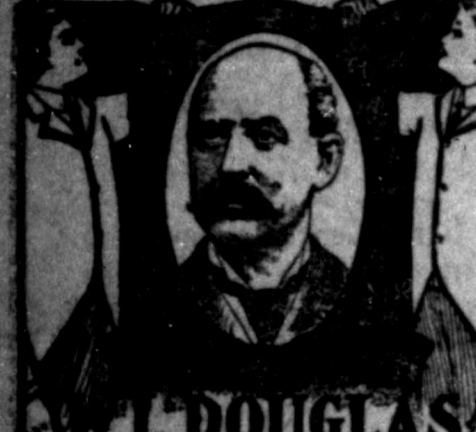


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If you have experienced or painful menstruation, weakness, of the stomach, indigestion, bloating, leucorrhoea, flooding, nervous prostration, dizziness, faintness, "don't-care" and "want-to-be-left-alone" feeling, excitability, backache or the blues, these are sure indications of female weakness, some derangement of the uterus or ovarian trouble. In such cases there is one tried and true remedy—Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.



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## FABLE OF THE WISE HEN.

How She Discomfited an Arbitration Committee and Avenged Deceit.

Once upon a time (very recently) a hen went upon a strike and refused to lay. Other hens followed her example and the scarcity of hen fruit which resulted caused eggs to retail for something like 50 cents per dozen. In other words, strictly fresh eggs laid by scab hens were worth about 5 cents each in the shell. Even cold storage eggs, which were deadly explosive and had to be handled with care, brought 30 cents.

The people got together and remonstrated with the hens, but it did no good. Finally an arbitration committee waited on the hens and tried to persuade them to go back to work. The arbitration committee pointed out that only the rich can afford to eat eggs, but the hens refused to work. The arbitration committee then told the strike they would bring race suicide on themselves.

Then a wise old hen arose and spoke as follows:

"In the spring when us hens wish to sit the people give us porcelain doorknobs to sit on. If porcelain doorknobs are as good as eggs to sit on they ought to be as good to eat as eggs. Tell the people to eat porcelain doorknobs."

The arbitration committee could not answer this argument and departed in tears.

Moral—Deceit will come home to roost.

## A Floral Clock.

Many flowers show a susceptibility to changing conditions of light and weather which make them most interesting. This phenomenon has been utilized by an Ohio landscape gardener to form a unique decoration to the grounds of the Rockefeller country place at Tarrytown. This is a flower bed which can be used as a clock. The bed is circular and divided into twelve parts. Each contains a figure composed of a flower which opens or closes at the corresponding hour. Thus the two space is occupied by the II made of hawk weed, which closes at 2 p. m. precisely. The hands are stationary, of course, and are composed of the common yellow dandelion, which opens at half past 5 and closes at half past 8 p. m., and point to arrangements of flowers representing these figures. Among the flowers used are the snow thistle, which opens at 5 a. m. and closes at 4 p. m. The blue chicory, the goat's beard, the morning glory, poppy, water lily, the pimpinell, the marigold, the Star of Bethlehem, the passion flower, the beauty of night, the white lychins and the blue convolvulus, all of which have different time for opening and closing.

## Husband as a "Nice Doggie."

There are a lot of women in this world who think that there's only one side to the married relation, and that's their side. When one of them marries she starts right out to train her husband into kind old Carlo, who'll go down town for her every morning and come home every night, fetching a snug little basketful of money in his mouth and wagging his tail as he lays it at her feet. They pat on the head and "Nice doggie."

And he's taught to stand around evenings, retrieving her gloves and handkerchief, and snapping up with a pleased licking of his chops any little word that she may throw to him. But you let him start in to have a little fun scratching and stretching himself, or pawing her, and it's "Charge, Carlo!" and "Bad doggie!"—From "Old Gorgon Graham."

## Mr. Cleveland's Musical Criticism.

Once, during his second term, Grover Cleveland was asked to speak at a function in a certain town and when he arrived at the depot, the wind was blowing a gale, sleet was driving and hailstones nearly as large as marbles were fiercely falling.

Of course, the inevitable brass band was there, and at the sight of the president, the performers struck up with all the strenuousity at their command. "That is the most realistic music I ever heard," remarked Cleveland. "What are they trying to play?" asked Secretary Olney, who accompanied him. "Hail to the Chief!" replied the president with a cheerful smile.

## A Doubting Heart.

Where are the swallows fled?  
Frozen and dead  
Perchance upon some bleak and stormy shore.

O doubting heart!  
Far over purple seas  
They wait in sunny ease,  
The balmy southern breeze  
To bring them to their northern homes  
once more.

Why must the flowers die?  
Prisoned they lie  
In the cold tomb, heedless of tears or rain.

O doubting heart!  
They only sleep below  
The soft white expanse snow  
While winter winds shall blow,  
To breathe and smile upon you soon  
again.

Fair hope is dead, and light  
Is quenched in night  
What sound can break the silence of despair?

O doubting heart!  
The sky is overcast,  
Yet stars shall rise at last,  
Brighter for darkness past,  
And angel silver voices stir the air.  
—Adelaide A. Procter.

## MISS BULL RECOVERS

FEARFUL DECLINE OF STRENGTH COMPLETELY ARRESTED.

Medical Skill Had Almost Exhausted Itself in Vain Attempts to Relieve Her—A Remarkable Result.

The recovery of Miss Gertrude L. Bull is of great interest to the medical world. A very bad cough followed a severe attack of pneumonia. It seemed impossible to break it up or to restore her strength, which had been sadly undermined. In spite of the best efforts of the doctors and the use of several advertised modes of treatment her condition daily grew more serious. She finally discontinued all medicine and gave herself up to despair.

"What was your condition at this time?" she was asked.

"My stomach was so weak I could not keep food down. I suffered from constant nausea. My kidneys were in terrible condition. My feet and ankles were swollen so badly that it pained me even to stand on them. I was very bilious. My heart was in bad shape so I could not get up and down stairs or stand any exertion or sleep in a natural position."

"It seems a wonder that you should ever have recovered. How did it happen?"

"You may well call it a marvel, but Dr. Williams' Pink Pills wrought it. None of my friends thought I could live many months longer. My parents had no hope. Just then a pamphlet advertising Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People was thrown in our door. It was a great event for me. These pills saved me from the grave. Within a week from the time I began to take them I felt better, and in three months I was entirely well. I cannot praise Dr. Williams' Pink Pills too highly and I dearly hope that my experience may bring good to some other sufferers."

Miss Bull, who was so remarkably cured, resides at Union Grove, Illinois. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills act immediately on the blood, purifying and enriching it. In all debilitating diseases, such as lung troubles, grip, fevers, and all cases in which the system is thoroughly run down, these pills perform wonders. They are sold by all druggists throughout the world. A valuable booklet on diseases of the blood, will be sent free to any one who applies for it to Dr. Williams Medicine Co., Schenectady, N. Y.

## Law of Life is Toil.

If you want knowledge, you must toil for it; if food, you must toil for it; and if pleasure, you must toil for it. Toil is the law. Pleasure comes through toil, and not by self-indulgence and indolence. When one gets to love work, his life is a happy one.

## Hard Either Way.

"Sometimes I wish," said the very lazy man, "that I liked to work, so it wouldn't be so disagreeable to me when I was compelled to do so. And then I get to thinking that maybe if I liked it I would be at it all the time, and I can't bear the thought."

## RESTORED HIS HAIR

Scalp Humor Cured by Cuticura Soap and Ointment—After All Else Had Failed.

"I was troubled with a severe scalp humor and loss of hair that gave me a great deal of annoyance and inconvenience. After unsuccessful efforts with many remedies and so-called hair tonics, a friend induced me to try Cuticura Soap and Ointment. The humor was cured in a short time, my hair was restored as healthy as ever, and I can gladly say I have since been entirely free from any further annoyance. I shall always use Cuticura Soap, and I keep the Ointment on hand to use as a dressing for the hair and scalp. (Signed) Fred'k Busche, 213 East 57th St., New York City."

## Refuse of Great City.

About 80,000 tons of dust and refuse is taken away in barges from London every year.

## Marriage Certificate Divided.

The marriage certificate is equally divided between husband and wife in Korea.

## A Father's Protection.

Father, it is as essential for you to provide a safeguard against that night-fend to your children, croup, as to their hunger. Taylor's Cherokee Remedy of Sweet Gum and Mullein will cure cough, croup and colds.

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

Spring locks are very convenient on a front door, except when you happen to lock yourself out and find that the key is inside, especially if the house happens to be securely fastened all around and a window has to be broken.

The Indian rhinoceros is slowly becoming extinct. There are only four specimens in the zoos of the continent and the rhinoceros in the jungles are becoming so rare that one is seldom seen, even by the most ardent hunter.

London's places of entertainment would hold all the inhabitants of Milwaukee—312,000 about—and then there would be several thousand vacant seats.

## THE MERCHANDISING MARVEL OF THE AGE BEGINS Thursday, April 6th, at The Boston Store HOUSTON, TEXAS

\$150,000 worth of High Grade Merchandise for Women and Children to be Sacrificed in TEN DAYS by THE BOSTON STORE, HOUSTON'S GREATEST STORE, beginning THURSDAY, APRIL 6th, at 9 a. m.

## NEVER BEFORE, PERHAPS NEVER AGAIN WILL SUCH AN OPPORTUNITY BE PRESENTED

In order to reduce our immense spring stock, we will inaugurate ten days of the greatest underselling ever put into operation in this section of the country. Our entire \$150,000 stock at the mercy of the people for ten days.

THIS SALE WILL BE OF THE GREATEST IMPORTANCE to the people for a radius of 100 miles, and is the very largest sale that was ever attempted, involving thousands upon thousands of dollars. It will, therefore convey to you some of the marvelous bargains we are going to place on sale for TEN DAYS, beginning THURSDAY, APRIL 6th, at 9 o'clock. Our building is now closed to re-mark and re-arrange our immense stock, and will open THURSDAY, APRIL 6th, at 9 a. m.

## THE BOSTON STORE, HOUSTON, TEXAS

The best and greatest values stare you in the face! The important question is, can you, dare you, in justice to yourself, overlook a chance like this, to save at least 50 per cent on your purchases?

## A CLEARANCE SALE WITHOUT A PARALLEL

THE BOSTON STORE'S entire stock will go in this sweeping sale. The most magnificent array of myriads of mystifying bargains ever gathered under one roof await your inspection.

Below we quote you a few of the many thousands of bargains included in this sale:

Ladies' Skirts, worth \$4.50, sale price	1.95	27-inch Checked Apron Gingham, sale price	3c
Ladies' Fast Black, Seamless Hose, worth 15c, sale price	7c	27-inch White Lawn, worth 3c; sale price	3c
Lonsdale Bleached Domestic, worth 10c; sale price	5c	King's Spool Cotton, sale price	2c
Turkish and Linen Towels, worth 20c; sale price	10c	Genuine Gold Eyed Needles, sale price	1c
20-inch Jap Silks	19c	Ladies' Night Gowns, worth 50c; sale price	25c
Cambrie and Swiss Embroidery Edges	1c	Ladies' Ready to Wear Dresses, worth \$1.75; sale price	98c
Torehon Laces and Insertions	2c	Smyrna Rugs, 36x60, \$3.50 values; sale price	99c
Ladies' Vests, worth 10c, sale price	5c	3-yard Nottingham Lace Curtains, worth \$1.50; sale price	98c
60-inch Bleached Table Damask, worth 50c; sale price	39c	Choice of our \$4.00 and \$5.00 Ladies Trimmings in any color for	2.98
Ladies' Lawn Suits, worth \$1.50; sale price	98c	Choice of our entire line of 75c and \$1.00 Ladies' Ready to Wear Hats	49c
Ladies' \$2.50 Silk Waists, sale price	1.69	Choice of our entire line of \$1.25, \$1.50 and \$1.75 Ladies' Ready to Wear Hats	98c
Women's Dressing Sacques, 69c values; sale price	25c		

An extra force has been employed for our Mail Order Department in order to fill all mail orders promptly.

Join the throng—all roads lead for the next TEN DAYS to the GREATEST BARGAIN FEAST on record; being held by

## THE BOSTON STORE

303-305 MAIN STREET HOUSTON, TEXAS

Thoroughness is the twin brother of honesty. When an employe gets the reputation of doing a thing not pretty nearly, but exactly right, it has more influence with his employer than brilliancy or talent.—"Success Magazine."

For devotees of outdoor recreation and tales of woodland adventure, "Outing," a magazine edited by Casper Whitney, is easily the peer of anything yet attempted. In the April number is an interesting narrative, "Pere Lacombe, a Wilderness Apostle of the North," by A. C. Lout, author of "Lords of the North." Among other catchy captions may be mentioned, "Stalking Owls, with a Camera," "Houseboat Life on the Mississippi," and "The Up-to-Date Fox-Terrier." In addition to the fiction feature, horticulture, such as making hot beds, cold frames, tools, laying out a garden, planting fences, vegetables, fruits and the lawn, receive careful attention.

## It's Oil-Right.

It may not smooth the waters, but it surely soothes the pain. Use it on your cuts, burns, bruises, aches and pains. It will make you happy, because it makes you well. Hunt's Lightning Oil.

Musk comes from the musk-deer, and is a secretion in a pouch. The musk trade is in the hands of the Chinese.

## A GUARANTEED CURE FOR PILES.

faching, Itching, Bleeding or Protruding Piles. Your druggist will refund money if FAZO OINTMENT fails to cure you in 6 to 14 days. 50c.

A man is seldom afflicted with the big head, unless he has a little heart.

## FITS permanently cured.

No fits or nervousness after first day's use of Dr. King's Great Nerve Tonic. Send for FREE 30.00 trial bottle and treatment. Dr. R. H. Knorr, Ltd., 261 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

If some men didn't have money women would have no excuse for marrying them.

The pulse is felt at the inner side of the wrist, on the thumb side.

You never hear any one complain about "Defiance Starch." There is none to equal it in quality and quantity, 16 ounces, 10 cents. Try it now and save your money.

The flirt doesn't deserve the peaceful fate of the spinster. She ought to be induced to marry a lazy man and take in washing to support him.

STATE OF OHIO, CITY OF TOLEDO, ss. I, J. C. CHENEY, Notary Public, do hereby certify that FRANK J. CHENEY and A. W. GLEASON, both of the City of Toledo, County and State of Ohio, are and lawfully are partners in the firm of F. J. CHENEY & CO., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State of Ohio, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS that cannot be cured by the use of HALL'S CATARRH CURE.

FRANK J. CHENEY, Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1904. A. W. GLEASON, Notary Public. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Send for testimonials, free. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by all Druggists, 75c. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

The accident of birth carries no insurance with it.

Insist on Getting It. Some grocers say they don't keep Defiance Starch. This is because they have a stock on hand of other brands containing only 12 oz. in a package, which they won't be able to sell first, because Defiance contains 16 oz. for the same money.

Do you want 16 oz. instead of 12 oz. for same money? Then buy Defiance Starch. Requires no cooking.

There isn't anything in the whole world that a man knows as much about as a woman knows about dress.

Salzer's Home Builder Corn. So named because 50 acres produced so heavily, that it proceeds built a lovely home. See Salzer's catalog. Yielded in Ind. 157 bu., Ohio 160 bu., Tenn. 198 bu., and in Mich. 220 bu. per acre. You can beat this record in 1905.



WHAT DO YOU THINK OF THESE YIELDS? 120 bu. Beardless Barley per acre. 310 bu. Salzer's New National Oats per A. 80 bu. Salzer Speltz and Macaroni Wheat. 1,000 bu. Pedigree Potatoes per acre. 14 tons of rich Billion Dollar Grass Hay. 60,000 lbs. Victoria Rape for sheep—per A. 160,000 lbs. Teacote, the fodder wonder. 54,000 lbs. Salzer's Superior Fodder Corn—rich, juicy fodder, per A. Now such yields you can have in 1905, if you will plant my seeds.

JUST SEND THIS NOTICE AND 10c in stamps to John A. Salzer Seed Co., La Crosse, Wis., and receive their great catalog and lots of farmseed samples. [W.N.U.] No woman is ever as happy as a man thinks she is or as miserable as she believes herself to be.



# 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.

### Social Stems.

The COURIER prints cards.  
New groceries at the New Grocery Store.  
Fruits and fancy candies at the New Grocery Store.  
Mrs. Joe Long is seriously ill, as is also Mrs. A. LeGory.  
F. P. Parker wants your trade at his New Grocery Store.  
John I. Moore was attending court at Huntsville Monday.  
Try those whole evaporated apples at Arledge & Deupree's.  
Phone No. 75 calls up F. P. Parker's New Grocery Store.  
Millinery opening at Mrs. Bricker's 4th and 5th—everybody invited.  
Now is the time to clean up premises. Warm weather is near at hand.  
Don't forget that big millinery opening at the Big Store April 4th and 5th.  
The newest is that line of ladies' neckwear that the Big Store is now selling.  
Try the New Grocery Store for your next groceries—deliveries made promptly.  
Clean up and save a doctor's bill there is much need of it in the back alleys.  
W. A. Atteberry of Kennard was attending district court as a witness Monday.  
W. V. Clark and family left Sunday night for their new home at Mineral Wells.  
An acre of tobacco under the shade will be grown on Mrs. J. H. Wootters' place.  
Don't forget the opening at Mrs. Bricker's Tuesday and Wednesday of next week.  
Hons. C. C. Stokes and I. A. Daniel were at home from Austin Saturday and Sunday.  
The Big Store is showing an interesting line of mourning hats, ribbons and veilings.  
Misses Maud Sory and Sallie Caldwell of Grapeland were visitors to Crockett Monday.  
Base-balls, mitts, bats, etc., at prices you never saw equalled.  
MURCHISON'S DRUG STORE.  
During district court is a good time to renew your subscription and pay up back dues if any.  
Mrs. Henrietta Wynne will teach a class in painting. Patronage solicited. Apply for terms.  
**Dry Bones Wanted.**  
J. C. Lansford will pay you 27¢ per hundred pounds for dry bones.  
All the newest fabrics in all the latest colorings at the lowest prices are now being sold at the Big Store.

The Shakespeare club will meet with Mrs. C. C. Warfield Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

From the finest to the cheapest—we have it in fishing tackle.  
Murchison's Drug Store.

Quality, style, fit and finish are the crowning features of those beautiful shirt waists at the Big Store.

Those ready-to-wear skirts at the Big Store have the style, color and material, all of which is the latest.

Brown Leghorn eggs for hatching purposes for sale at Daniel & Burton's; also Brown Leghorn chickens. 4t.

Plant Essex Rape seed for your hogs. You will find it at Arledge & Deupree's. Also all kinds of bulk seeds.

Mortgages, mortgage notes, vendor's lien notes and promissory notes printed and for sale cheap at the COURIER office.

Our line of fishing tackle includes everything you need except the bait.

Murchison's Drug Store.

C. W. Warburton, the government's alfalfa man was here this week. He reports work slow on account of the continued rains.

**Mike Younas Has Always**

Fancy groceries, confectioneries, fresh vegetables—tomatoes, cauliflower and asparagus. All fruits, nuts, etc. Phone No. 50.

We hope those of our friends who are brought to town during court and who have not yet remembered us will not forget to do so.

Ribbons are reigning supreme at the Big Store. They are showing the latest in dresdens, opaescent and all the leading ombre shades.

If premises are not cleaned up, much sickness is likely to follow the unprecedented spell of wet weather we have just gone through with.

Big reduction in all hack and high grade street hats at Mrs. Bricker's Thursday, Friday and Saturday—from 10c to \$1.00 reduction for cash.

Mrs. I. A. Daniel will be the guest of Mrs. C. C. Stokes Saturday and Sunday. From here she will go to Austin to join her husband, Hon. I. A. Daniel.

"The spring time has come, gentle Annie," and you surely need a pretty stylish hat. Go to the Big Store's big millinery opening April 4th and 5th.

Street Overseer Ellis has his crew of bands and teams at work leveling up the street to the depot, after which he will cover it with with four inches of gravel.

Come to the street hat opening. All prices cut for cash. Three days. Come and get your choice. Mrs. Bricker gives you the first cut price now when you need hats.

Geo. H. Campbell from Kilburn, Wis., arrived in Crockett last week with a party of prospectors. The party was delighted with what it saw and may return to buy lands.

Take advantage of this grand opportunity. Big reduction sale on street hats on March 30th, 31st and April 1st—Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Mrs. Bricker will give you the best bargains in street hats you ever had.

J. W. Springman from Illinois was in Crockett Friday with J. J. Brooks of Grapeland. Mr. Springman is thinking of locating here if he finds land to suit him. He expressed himself as being well pleased with the country.

### For Sale.

Some early maturing big boll cotton seed at 50c per bushel.  
J. S. WOOTTERS.

Dr. Miller of Belott, S. K. Boykin of Weches, W. H. Holcomb of Augusta, R. F. Hall of Belott and Eli Elkins of Lovelady are among those remembering us since last issue.

### Scholarships for Sale.

The COURIER has scholarships in two of the best business colleges in the south which it will sell cheap if taken by the first of April. 4t.

Be sure to see those exquisite Polo Turbans, Charlotte Cordays, Corday Toques, Parsifals' Kodaks, Envelopes, picturesque Pokes and typical Napoleon hats at the Big Store's millinery opening April 4th and 5th.

The statement of the First National bank, published in last issue, shows its individual deposits to be nearly the quarter of a million dollars. There is plenty of money in Crockett and all that is needed is something to get it circulating. Another railroad and more factories would do this. Then, let's have another railroad and more factories.

Five new rural free-delivery routes will be established out of Crockett on the first of April, making six in all. This means six carriers who will live in Crockett, going out every morning and returning in the evening, and it means that a large population will be served daily with mail who have not had the advantage of such facilities before. We understand Grapeland and Lovelady will have several routes.

### Four Years in the Penitentiary.

Jack Mosely, a negro, was given four years in the penitentiary this week for hog theft. His was the first case on trial in the district court on the criminal docket which was taken up Monday, and consumed Monday afternoon and Tuesday morning. Thursday afternoon Jim Winn, another negro, was on trial for perjury before a grand jury.

The Pacific Concert company of Houston gave one of its fine programs at the court house Tuesday evening. The program consisted of piano overtures and solos, violin solos, soprano solos, tenor solos, soprano and tenor duets and violin and piano music. A rare musical treat was furnished. The singing of Miss Anna Barlow was exceptionally fine and enjoyed by the audience, as was also her piano playing. The program was repeated Wednesday evening.

### A Severe Cold For Three Months.

The following letter from A. J. Nusbaum, of Batesville, Ind., tells its own story. "I suffered for three months with a severe cold. A druggist prepared me some medicine, and a physician prescribed for me, yet I did not improve. I then tried Foley's Honey and Tar, and eight doses cured me." Refuse substitutes. Smith & French Drug Co.

## Coax Me, Coax Me,

And we will sell you the late music at publishers' prices. Also all the latest Books, Magazines, Periodicals and Daily Papers. We will be pleased to call for your laundry—we give it that soft, domestic or gloss finish.

## The News Stand.

# 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.

### The Bachelor Girls.

On last Friday afternoon at 4 o'clock the Bachelor Girls met with Miss Anne Stokes and thoroughly enjoyed two hours. 4t was the game played and at the close of seven spirited games Miss Ethel Wootters and Nan Hail were the winners of two elegant silver hat pins. A luncheon of salad, wafers, olives, chocolate and cake was then served in the daintiest style, snow-white lunch cloths being thrown over the tables. In every conceivable way spring was suggested—the blue head of the violet peeping out from every nook. Miss Foster entertained the guests very charmingly at the piano. Besides the club members present, the following ladies enjoyed the hospitality of Miss Stokes: Mesdames S. L. Murchison, Fisher Arledge and C. C. Stokes. The next meeting of the club will be with the Misses Wootters. X

### Redeemed Stolen Harness.

Mr. W. E. Mayes has a little negro working for him who takes care of his horse, harness and buggy. Monday night the little negro locked up the barn as usual and took the keys to Mr. Mayes. Tuesday morning he again got the keys and went about his work. Mr. Mayes also went along and found his buggy harness missing. The boy could not account for it. Shortly after ten o'clock he brought the harness to Mr. Mayes and told him he had found them at M. Bromberg's store, where some one had left them. On going to see Mr. Bromberg, that gentleman told Mr. Mayes that the boy had pawned him the harness the evening before for \$2.50 and promised to redeem them the next morning at 10 o'clock. Promptly at 10 o'clock he was there with the \$2.50 and got the harness, restoring them to the owner. The negro boy's name is Preston Wilson.

### The Cotton Census.

The government bureau report was out Tuesday morning and was telegraphed at 11 o'clock to the Crockett cotton exchange from Washington as follows:

Total square bales, 13,103,447; total round bales, 296,151; total Sea Island, 104,137; total lint, 241,942. Running bales including lint, 13,745,857. Amount cotton estimated by ginners remaining ungunned is 192,275 running bales.

By running bales it is meant that the figures are not reduced to 500 pound bales.

The market had a bullish tendency Tuesday morning, although the census report did not seem to materially affect it.

### Safe Cough Medicine for Children.

In buying a cough medicine for children never be afraid to buy Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. There is no danger from it and relief is always sure to follow. It is especially valuable for colds, croup and whooping cough. For sale by S. L. Murchison.

### Raw or Inflamed Lungs

Yield quickly to the wonderful curative and healing qualities of Foley's Honey and Tar. It prevents pneumonia and consumption from a hard cold settled on the lungs. Smith & French Drug Co.

### Politeness in Telephoning.

Politeness is demanded as much in the use of the telephone as in anything else. There are many people who do not mean to be impolite who when they call up a place and get an answer proceed to ask in a demanding voice, "Who is that?" They usually get for an answer the question, "Who do you want?" A better and in fact the only proper and polite way to proceed when you have called for a number and get a "hello" answer, would be to simply say, "I would like to speak to Mr. So-and-so, Mrs. So-and-so, or Miss So-and-so," as the case may be. If So-and-so is at the phone, he or she will tell you, and if the one wanted is not there, you will be told so. This is the simplest and quickest way, and the simplest and quickest way through anything is always the best. There is a right and proper way to do everything and politeness should not be forgotten even in the use of the telephone.

### Estray Notice.

Taken up by Oscar Barnes and estrayed before John Kennedy justice of peace precinct No. 2, Houston county, Texas, one brown mare, 15 hands high, 10 years old, branded H on right hip. One bay mare 13½ hands high, 7 years old, branded P on right hip and O (with bar over) on left hip, appraised at sixty dollars.

Given under my hand and seal of office March 13th 1905.  
N. E. ALDRICH,  
3d Co. Clerk, Houston county, Tex.

### Cured Consumption.

Mrs. B. W. Evans, Charwater, Kan., writes: "My husband lay sick for three months. The doctors said he had quick consumption. We procured a bottle of Ballard's Horehound Syrup, and it cured him. That was six years ago and since then we have always kept a bottle in the house.

We cannot do without it. For coughs and colds it has no equal." 25c, 50c, and \$1.00. Sold by Smith & French.



# Matting

Just received a half car of Matting. This enormous bill of matting was shipped direct from the factory in Japan to me, thereby saving a large per cent in freight and jobbers' profits; consequently I can sell matting at what other dealers usually pay for it. My assortment of matting is now the largest and of the very newest patterns. I am prepared to lay it on your floor on short notice without extra charge.

**R. L. ALDRICH.**



**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.

We understand from those in position to know that the grand jury next week will devote a good deal of its time to the matter of delinquent taxes. The suggestion is made from Austin that if the taxes were closely collected in the several counties, it would not be necessary for the legislature to raise the tax rate as it is now preparing to do. The same authority from Austin also states that if the tax collectors of the different counties would do their duty and collect the taxes as the law enjoins on them to do, the state would be in possession of several million dollars cash—enough to pay the cash on state warrants as they are presented. But the state treasury can not do this. State warrants are at a discount and no money to pay, all because of delinquents in tax paying. The great majority of people pay their taxes, and if the delinquents were made to pay theirs as the law contemplates, it would not be necessary to raise the tax rate on those who do pay. We sincerely hope that there will be a concerted movement all over the state to force delinquents to come forward and pay.

What do those who pay their taxes think of the proposition before the legislature to increase the tax rate? And all because, as it comes from Austin, the tax collectors of the several counties fail to collect the taxes levied. Are the people of Houston county willing to submit to an increase of tax-rate by legislation because tax-delinquents are not made to come forward and pay their pro-rata part of the expense of the government? We hope the finance committee in its report will show just how much the state and county have lost in this county from failure on the part of tax-delinquents to pay. Those who pay their taxes have a right to know, and if failure to collect these taxes is responsible for the increase of the rate of taxation as the legislature now proposes to do, the people have a right to know that, too. The people have always looked to the COURIER for the facts in matters of county finance. They have a right to do so, and we propose to give them the facts as they are found. We propose to publish both grand jury and finance committee reports and the people can look to the COURIER for same.

We heard a gentleman say at one of the hotels last week that he expected to see some day the Eastern Texas railroad operating through trains from Shreveport to Waco by way of Crockett. This would open up a new route, as there is no through line in operation between those two cities. He expected to see it done by the Eastern Texas building into Crockett and on to Waco and operating in conjunction with the H. E. & W. T. from Lufkin to Shreveport. This same gentleman was of the opinion that such a route would not only be a big paying thing from the start, but would also be a big thing for Crockett. Besides adding taxable wealth to the county, it would open up a rich farming section now without adequate railroads. It would build up

Crockett as the railroads are building up Lufkin and Nacogdoches. There were cries in those towns that more railroads would kill the town, but the railroads came and the towns are prospering as they never have before. The business interests of Crockett demand the early extension of the Eastern Texas railroad to this place. One of the benefits to be derived would be a competitive express company, as the Eastern Texas handles the Wells-Fargo express, as does also the H. E. & W. T. railroad.

The custom heretofore prevailing in Houston county has been to re-summon witnesses in cases continued from the previous term of court, which was a useless expense to the state, but a good thing for the sheriff. Judge Gardner has refused to allow subpoenas issued for witnesses in old cases, or witnesses who had been subpoenaed at a previous term of the court in a case which was continued. The subpoena reads that the witness is to appear from term to term, and as he is on hand and in the court room he should know of the continuance of the case and appear at the next term of the court without further notice. As a result a great many witnesses have been fined in the district court this week for non-appearance and some bonds forfeited. Judge Gardner says that if every county in the state should make the practice of re-summoning it would be extremely hard on the state. In view of the fact that the state is now suffering from a deficit and that the ad valorem tax will have to be raised, extravagance by the officers of the courts in such matters is inexcusable. Extravagance of this character and failure by over-indulgent collectors to collect taxes is largely responsible for the big deficit now confronting the state and which the people will be taxed to meet. The COURIER believes that if all taxes were collected as the law directs and if no extravagance were permitted by the courts of the state, there would be no state deficit and no need for raising the ad valorem.

**SOIL NEEDED FOR TOBACCO.**

Mr. L. H. Shelfer, who first came to Texas several years ago as the tobacco expert of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, and who has since been giving his time, talent and attention to the cultivation and cure of tobacco, was in Houston last week and in an interview with the Houston Post made the following statement in reference to the soil and climate needed for the successful growing of tobacco. It is well known that Houston county contains much of this soil:

"The chocolate, or red land proper, of this section best adapted to tobacco consists of a heavy rich red or chocolate loamy soil; it is underlaid by a stiff red clay, which in many places grades imperceptibly into the weathered green sand marl, which immediately underlies all true areas of the chocolate or red land. This chocolate land occurs in rather large bodies, in the form of ridges and knolls, and has only a limited range in parts of Texas. This land is well drained, and as the natural rolling position, which is characteristic of this formation, gives it good natural drainage, it is comparatively easily tilled soil. The soil being derived from a green sand marl is naturally rich in phosphoric acid, potash and lime. It has been proven by thorough test that this soil will produce as high a grade of cigar tobacco as has been produced in

any part of the United States and equal to the average of tobacco imported from Cuba.

"Then we have the red sandy loam and gray sandy loam, both underlaid with a good clay that will produce as high grade as are used in the average cigar of this country, and work fine to blend with other tobaccos, also making a good wrapper, which is always in demand. Either of these three soils will make a good commercial crop of cigar tobacco.

"Not only is the soil of this section adapted, but we have the climatic conditions to grow the crop, as the climate here in Texas from April to July compares with that of Cuba from November to February, during which time tobacco is grown in Cuba. This land in East Texas being the first ridge of elevated section back from the Gulf of Mexico, the morning fogs and dews are deposited from the salt atmosphere. While tobacco derives a good deal from the soil, it maintains a good deal of its aroma from the air, thus making soil and climate the important factors for the quality desired for the cigar tobacco. The most important part of tobacco culture is the soil. While the plant will grow luxuriously on any soil where vegetables will grow, still the soil gives the leaf its real quality and flavor. The real value of tobacco of any section depends upon the soil for its quality, so a special soil is needed for every kind, or variety of the tobacco leaf. Sometimes the soil can be stimulated with a fertilizer that will improve the quality a great deal, and at the same time it will only improve the quality of the most adaptable soil for the special plant. You can take a soil that is adaptable to a special variety of tobacco and that will grow a fine leaf of high commercial value, and in a stone's throw will be a soil that will produce a leaf nearly worthless. Take an old tobacco section, such as Cuba, where the highest grade of cigar tobacco is produced, and you will find that it can grow a high grade only on a small section here and there, sometimes in a little narrow strip, while the adjoining lands produce a luxuriant plant of tobacco which is worthless to the trade. This applies to all the cigar tobacco sections of the world. Texas, and in all the States that produce a cigar leaf, you will find the same conditions, the choice soil in every section where the cigar leaf is produced being limited, so there is no hesitation in stating that the soil is the foundation of the cultivation of tobacco of any variety. People of the United States today do not devote enough time to classify the soil and to planting the crop that is best adapted to same, and today the most essential point, from an agricultural view, to take, is to have your soil analyzed and see if you can supply by chemicals what is needed for the agricultural crop that you may want to grow.

"Climate and soil make the different varieties of tobaccos. For instance, you can take seed of a pure variety from the choice selections of Cuba and the same from the island of Sumatra, and then from any State in the Union, and plant it all in Texas or any locality, and it will eventually run into one variety, that which is most adaptable for the soil and climate. If the climatic condition was all that was necessary the entire island of Cuba would produce the famous Vuelta Abaja tobacco, or the entire island of Sumatra would produce the famous Delhi Sumatra wrapper, or the entire State of Virginia would grow the high priced chewing tobacco wrapper, and this

would be true of any other State with respect to its famous variety. So it is plain to see that the climatic conditions go with the soil. While dwelling on this point it will be well to point a word of warning to the tobacco growers. If you are growing either wrapper or filler from seed from the Vuelta Abaja district of Cuba, for the reason there is where the world's highest grade filler tobaccos for cigar purposes is raised, wrapper tobaccos can be grown in this climate from the same seed that is used for filler, as it is in Cuba. The soils and climatic conditions of Texas will produce this filler tobacco. Notwithstanding that we compete with the wrapper of Sumatra, this latter amounts to millions for importation, while we have it where we can supply the skillful methods of our advanced American people. This applies to the country (in Texas) from the Sabine to the Guadalupe Rivers, different localities making different climate and different soils making different grades, so we can make most any class of cigars needed for all classes of humanity."

**Champion Liniment for Rheumatism**

Chas. Drake, a mail carrier at Chapinville, Conn., says: "Chamberlain's Pain Balm is the champion of all liniments. The past year I was troubled a great deal with rheumatism in my shoulder. After trying several cures the storekeeper here recommended this remedy and it completely cured me." There is no use of anyone suffering from that painful ailment when this liniment can be obtained for a small sum. One application gives prompt relief and its continued use for a short time will produce a permanent cure. For sale by S. L. Murchison.

**Avoid the Rush**

Everybody wants his spring suit for Easter sure—probably not before, certainly not after.

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**The Cotton Situation.**

The cotton market closed with a decline of six points at Liverpool Tuesday evening, and Wednesday morning showed a further decline of five points. Commenting on the government bureau's crop report Wednesday morning, the New Orleans Times-Democrat had to say editorially: "To-day the prospective surplus of cotton which the farmer apparently intends holding until the world needs it is far less terrific than it was a month ago. Radical price changes are not now looked for in the near future. No one believes the farmer intends dumping cotton on the market. Meanwhile new crop preparations and the probable size of the next yield will keep them guessing in earnest. With the planter it is a clear case of complete emancipation or continued servitude and his own destiny is in his own hands."

**Dangers of Pneumonia.**

A cold at this time if neglected is liable to cause pneumonia which is so often fatal, and even when the patient has recovered the lungs are weakened, making them peculiarly susceptible to the development of consumption. Foley's Honey and Tar will stop the cough, heal and strengthen the lungs and prevent pneumonia. Smith & French Drug Co.

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