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NO. 1.

## On Peanut Raising.

A Correspondent Offers Additional Facts Concerning This Important Industry. Some Valuable Suggestions.

ED. COURIER:—In compliance with promise, I hereby hand you an interview of Capt. O. F. Dornblazer of Johnson county, published in a recent issue of the Fort Worth Daily Telegram. Capt. Dornblazer lives near Cleburne, is an old Alliance member and is now a member of the Farmers' Union and a lecturer in the Union until injured recently in a railway accident. He is a man of good judgment and an esteemed citizen of his county, and anything he might have to say along agricultural lines is entitled to great weight. Capt. Dornblazer says:

"I want to tell you about peanuts," said he, "and what a great crop they are for man and beast both. I had in sixteen acres this season and despite the unfavorable conditions made an average of 37½ bushels to the acre. Besides this I used a lot of them in fattening hogs. They make the very best hog feed that one can have. The hogs will first eat all the nuts and then sail in and eat the vines completely up and as the peas and the vines both have a large per cent of protein, the authorities say as much as 29 per cent, the result is greatly to the advantage of the hog. There will be not less than 1,000 acres planted in peanuts in our neighborhood in Johnson county this coming year. The farmer has a much longer time to plant peanuts than any other plant. I planted this year first in March, then in April, then in May, then in June, on cotton land that had been planted twice and failed to make, then the first week in July, and a peck in August. The August planting made but few owing to the drouth we had for so long a time. The July planting proved the best, yielding more sound ones, while the March planting will yield more nuts but not so many sound ones, there being many faulty nuts. The June planting was between cotton and the July planting in the corn rows. The great thing with peanut cultivation is, as it is with all crops, the selecting of the seed. Young goobers for seed should be laid flat and keep them that way until you are ready to plant.

### PLANT PEAS WITH GOOBERS.

"I plant in two rows between the rows of goobers, peas, and then when the peas and goober vines are about the same condition I cut them together and they make the finest feed ever. We cut them with a regular mower. The hay, if we desired to sell, would bring probably \$8 per ton, but we have sold none yet, preferring to keep it for our own stock. Peanut hay and the nuts make the best milk I ever tasted when fed to the cows, and the quality of the butter made from it is not to be beaten. The expense is not much to speak of in the whole planting and harvesting. Any man can gather more than he can cultivate. We in our community have adopted a plow to plow them up with which is simple but very effective. Here is how: Take an old buggy axle, in the center for 18 or 20 inches it is sharpened down to an edge like a sweep; the ends are then turned up and flattened out, and holes punched in these ends. This

is then bolted on underside of a frame made out of 2x6 stuff. A wagon tongue, double tree, neck yoke and handles like cultivator are attached and there you are. Straddle a row and you will find that the instrument, crude as it is, cuts deep enough to cut the top root of the peanuts and thus detach the peas and vines both from the plant. Pitchforks are then used and the vines with the goobers attached are thrown into windrows with goobers up and left to dry which does not take long. They are then hauled to the selected place and stacked or are shocked in the field.

"There is a thrasher and a huller in our neighborhood and there's no trouble in preparing the nuts for market. The peanut is relished by all animals and fowls especially like them. Turkeys will go out to the patch in the morning and in the evening and come in with a distended crop full of goobers. We have almost another natural monopoly in the peanut here down south, for while it is grown in other parts of this country and in other parts of the world, there is hardly a country where it can be planted at so many different times with a hope of getting a crop."

I have seen the statement repeatedly made that Oklahoma furnishes 90 per cent of the hogs for the Fort Worth packeries. This is certainly an astonishing revelation. It does seem to me a fearful commentary upon the enterprise and business foresight of the people of Texas. I have valuable statistics upon this question, but cannot present them now. The people of Texas will never prosper as they should until they learn to make their own meat and bread at home. Permit me to quote from the Sulphur Springs Gazette of recent date. It will not do to say that men cannot raise hogs in this state. It can be done. Intelligent and persistent effort will accomplish anything in Texas. The Gazette says:

"There is more money in raising hogs at present prices than there would be in cotton at 15 cents, and we must remember that 15-cent cotton is yet an unrealized dream, while the fancy price for hogs has been very much in evidence for some time. If the farmers of this country will cut their cotton acreage half in two and devote the other half of their time to diversification and hog raising, they can get 15 cents for what cotton they do raise and then realize as much or more from their hogs and diversified crops as they do from their 15-cent cotton, which would be equal to or better than a bumper crop of cotton at 15 cents. In fact, there are so many things that beat cotton raising, even at a fancy price, that it is really puzzling to see farmers raising no other crop for revenue. Raise hogs, peanuts, peaches, berries, onions, ribbon cane, sweet or Irish potatoes—raise anything except a big cotton crop."

The Fort Worth Daily Telegram in commenting on the above says:

"If the farmer is not prosperous with the advantages he has at

hand he has nobody to blame for his condition but himself. He has abundant opportunity to have some sort of a money crop nearly every month in the year. And the best part about most of these crops is that they are easier to cultivate than the cotton crop and are more certain of a profitable return. A few acres devoted to the raising of feed crops will bring a lot of money, or, planted in produce crop, they afford the farmer two chances to get his money out of them where he has only one when he raises cotton exclusively. As the Gazette remarks, 15-cent cotton is largely a matter of theory and even if the theory works out the anxiety that has been experienced in the working of it is almost worth all of the extra money that the crop may bring. There is no such worry connected with some of the produce crops. If the market goes a little dull on the direct sale of these crops, which it seldom does, the farmer still has the alternative of feeding the produce to the hogs, and when he turns surplus potatoes, peanuts and corn into pork he is making money almost as surely as it is made at the mint. Let the farmers of Texas put out fewer acres, but plant a greater variety of crops on them, and when this is done the problem of the independence of the tiller of the soil will have been solved."

The Denison Herald of a recent date makes the following sensible statement:

"A farmer here Saturday is quoted in discussing future farm operations, as saying that he had been converted to the 'Cow, Hen and Hog Combination,' and that he is preparing for an extensive crop of these products. The boll weevil is helping to convert thousands of farmers to the doctrine of diversification and with the blighting visitation of this pest has come the dawning of a new era in agriculture in this section. Its presence has served to arouse the people to an understanding of the wonderful possibilities offered for progressive farming in this much-favored section where such a great variety of crops may be grown successfully."

Let the farmers of Houston county decrease their cotton acreage this year. Fight the weevil by withholding from him the substance upon which he ravages. Diversify the crops. The most successful way to bring the men and women to terms is to starve them out. The same seige will help to bring the weevil to a truce. L. N. COOPER.

### Why

should your baby suffer? When he is fretful and restless, don't experiment on him and use any old thing your neighbor recommends. Buy a bottle of White's Cream Vermifuge greatest known worm medicine and cure for all children's diseases. It is mild in action, builds up the system, makes thin puny babies fat. Mrs. J. C. Smith, Tampa, Fla., writes: "My baby was thin and sickly, could not retain its food and cried all night. I used one bottle of White's Cream Vermifuge and in a few days baby was laughing, happy and well." For sale by Murchison & Beasley.

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### THE MISSOURI RIVER AND GULF.

#### The Survey for a New Line of Railroad to Pass Through Houston County.

During September, 1907, a party of surveyors arrived at Galveston from Kansas City. They immediately began running a survey for a railroad north from Galveston, passing about sixteen miles east of Houston and continuing up the east side of the I. & G. N. to a point near Waverly. Crossing the I. & G. N. here, the surveyors continued their line up the west side of the I. & G. N., crossing the Huntsville Tap a few miles west of Phelps and the Trinity river west of Riverside. Coming up through Kittrell's cut-off the surveyors entered Houston county, passing first Antioch, then Porter Springs, then Reynard and on into Anderson county, crossing the San Antonio division of the I. & G. N. at Salt City Junction. All the while another party of surveyors had been at work out of Kansas City, running the line south to a connection with the survey from Galveston. The survey from the north enters the state by way of Honey Grove, passes to the east of Greenville, to the west of Mincola, through the town of Athens and on to Salt City Junction, where the two surveys are connected up. The two surveying parties, however, did not meet as planned, but met in the western part of Houston county, much better progress having been made on the north end than on the south, due to the fact that there are many jungles and marshes in the southern country.

The two surveying parties finished up their work between Antioch and Porter Springs last Friday morning, and took the night trains at Crockett and Lovelady for their respective homes in the North and East. A member of one of the parties was seen at Crockett by THE COURIER editor and he said that the name of the proposed road was the Missouri River and Gulf. He could give out no other information but that the survey was ordered by the company bearing that name.

Should this road be built, it would be a good thing for the land owners of the western part of Houston county, but a bad thing for Crockett—if built as surveyed. By diverting the road to Crockett, it would be a good thing for the whole of Houston county, for it would establish a better market and shipping point for the whole people. THE COURIER stands for everything that will better the people on the whole and would like to see some effort made to bring this new line by our town.

#### Bad Stomach Trouble Cured.

Having been sick for the past two years with a bad stomach trouble, a friend gave me a dose of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. They did me so much good that I bought a bottle of them and have used twelve bottles in all. Today I am well of a bad stomach trouble. Mrs. John Lowe, Cooper, Maine. These tablets are for sale by Murchison & Beasley.

### 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 Barton Clark, deceased, the unknown heirs of Lucy Klingleheifer, deceased, and the unknown heirs of Granson Jackson, 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 2nd Monday in March, 1908, the same being the 9th day of March, 1908, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 7th day of January, 1908, in a suit, numbered on the Docket of said Court No. 5073, wherein W. T. Bruton is Plaintiff, and the unknown heirs of Barton Clark, deceased, the unknown heirs of Lucy Klingleheifer, deceased, and the unknown heirs of Granson Jackson, deceased, are defendants, and said petition alleging that Plaintiff is the owner in fee simple of the following described tract or parcel of land situated in Houston County, Texas, about 20 miles southwest from the town of Crockett, the same being a part of the Barton Clark league, containing 300 acres, more or less, and described by field notes as follows: Beginning at the southwest corner of Daniel Clark's survey out of said league an ash marked X brs S 31 E 45-10 vrs a red elm brs N 85 W 4 vrs. Thence with the meanderings of the Trinity River southwest to corner on east bank an elm brs N 80. E 6 5-10 vrs. Thence east 2400 vrs to corner on the west side of Clark's Creek, a huckleberry marked X. Thence in a northerly direction with the creek to Daniel Clark's south line. Thence with said Daniel Clark's south line west 2000 vrs to the place of beginning.

Plaintiff specially pleads the five and ten years Statute of Limitation on said tract of land in bar of any claim asserted to Plaintiff's title by the Defendants herein. Plaintiff alleges that the claim or claims of the Defendants herein cast a cloud on his title to said tract of land, which claim or claims are specially set out in Plaintiff's petition, and Plaintiff prays judgment of the Court removing all clouds from his title to said land, substituting any and all missing deeds and for 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 the seal of said Court, at office in Crockett, Texas, this 7th day of January, 1908.

J. B. STANTON, Clerk, District Court, Houston County.

### The Joy

of living is to have good health. Use Herbine and you will have bushels of joy. You need not be blue, fretful and have that bad taste in your mouth. Try a bottle of Herbine, a positive cure for all liver complaints. E. Harrell, Austin, Texas, writes: "I have used Herbine for over a year and find it a fine regulator. I gladly recommend it as a fine medicine for Dyspepsia." Sold by Murchison & Beasley.

**THE BAR ASSOCIATION RESOLVE.**

**Palestine Lawyers Endorse Candidate for Re-Election in This District.**

From Palestine Advocate.  
At a meeting held yesterday in the court house, the following resolutions were unanimously passed by the Bar association in this city:

To the Hon. John J. Word, President of the Anderson County Bar Association:

Your committee on resolutions recommend the adoption of the following:

The bar of Anderson county, being advised that Judge B. H. Gardner has decided to become a candidate for renomination by the democratic party for district judge for the second term, desire to briefly express their approval of his official record, and their hope of success for his candidacy. Therefore be it

Resolved, That the members of this bar believe that the judicial services of Judge Gardner entitle him to the gratitude of the public. He has been untiring in the dispatch of both criminal and civil business, ever keeping in view the high end of administering speedy, exact and impartial justice. His administration has been characterized by the strictest economy, in the interest of the state and all the people. He has upheld the honor and dignity of his office in such manner as to proclaim him the worthy successor of the distinguished judges who have reflected so much credit on our district, our profession and our state.

Resolved, That as the neighbors of Judge Gardner, coming in most intimate contact with him for years, we know him not only as the able and upright lawyer and judge, but as the high-minded, pure and courageous gentleman and citizen, and as such we commend him to the consideration of all who do not so well know him.

Resolved, That the press be requested to publish these resolutions.

- JOHN J. WORD,
  - JOHN M. KING,
  - N. B. MORRIS,
  - A. G. GREENWOOD,
  - P. W. BROWN,
  - R. E. ERWIN,
  - JOHN F. WEEKS,
  - T. B. GREENWOOD,
- Committee.

The above resolution was unanimously adopted by a meeting of the Anderson County Bar Association, held in Palestine, Texas, Monday, January 25, 1908.

JOHN J. WORD,  
President.

JOHN F. BROWN,  
Secretary.

Advertisement.

**Lovely Locals.**

Mrs. J. R. Barbee, widow of the late J. R. Barbee, died at her home one mile north of Lovelady on the 23rd, after an illness of only a few days. She was laid to rest in the family cemetery by the side of her husband. She leaves a large family of children all grown and married to mourn her loss.

Dr. A. L. DeWitt spent last week in Kennard.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer McVey spent last week with relatives out of town.

Mr. John I. Moore of Crockett spent a few days in our town last week on business.

Mrs. N. T. Green, Mrs. A. S. Cannon and their brother, W. B. Cochran, were called to Livingston last week to the bedside of their father, T. S. Cochran, who was not expected to live.

Mr. D. J. Cater, Sr., of Crockett was in Lovelady one day last week.

J. M. Thompson was in Madison-

ville a few days last week on business.

Mrs. Charles Hightower of Palestine spent a few days with her aunt, Mrs. J. O. Smith, who was very sick. Mrs. Smith is improving and Mrs. Hightower has returned home.

Supt. J. F. Mangum spent a few days in Lovelady last week.

Misses Rena Rich and Annie Leffler spent several days with relatives in Crockett.

Mrs. B. T. Jordan and little son Newton were the guests of Mrs. J. H. Newton a few days.

Miss Fannie Mayfield of Creek was the guest of Miss Ella May LaRue Sunday.

A phone message was received from Mr. W. B. Cochran stating that his father died Saturday morning at 5 o'clock.

Mrs. John McCall has been quite sick with lagrippe.

Mrs. Ed Neal and little daughter Grace are confined to their beds with severe cases of lagrippe.

Ralsey and Harvey Atkinson are confined to their beds with measles.

Rev. H. E. Harris filled his regular appointment at the Baptist church Sunday.

**Resolutions of Respect.**

Whereas The Great Physician has seen fit to remove from our midst our highly-esteemed brother, Dr. B. F. Brown, therefore be it resolved by The Houston County Medical Society, at its first meeting since his death occurred, that, in his death, this Society and the medical profession generally has lost one of its most faithful, efficient and loyal members—one who had served the Society faithfully and well in the capacity of Secretary-Treasurer and had just been elected to the office of vice-president. Be it further resolved that the community has lost an upright honest and public-spirited citizen, and his family a loving and tender husband, father and brother. Resolved further that we extend to his family the sympathy of each member of this Society.

Be it further resolved that a copy of these resolutions be furnished the Crockett papers, a copy be sent to his family and a copy be spread upon the minutes.

**The Pure Food Law.**

Secretary Wilson says, "One of the objects of the law is to inform the consumer of the presence of certain harmful drugs in medicines." The law requires that the amount of chloroform, opium, morphine, and other habit forming drugs be stated on the label of each bottle. The manufacturers of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy have always claimed their remedy did not contain any of these drugs, and the truth of this claim is now fully proven, as no mention of them is made on the label. This is not only one of the safest but one of the best in use for coughs and colds. Its value has been proven beyond question during the many years it has been in general use. For sale by Murchison & Beasley.

**Carrie Nation**

certainly smashed a hole in the bar-rooms of Kansas, but Ballard's Horehound Syrup has snashed all records as a cure for Coughs, Bronchitis, Influenza and all pulmonary diseases. T. C. H., Horton, Kansas, writes: "I have never found a medicine that would cure a cough so quickly as Ballard's Horehound Syrup I have used it for years." Sold by Murchison & Beasley.

**Scholarship for Sale.**

The Courier has a scholarship in the Lufkin Business College which it will sell at a greatly reduced price. This is the chance for some deserving person to get a business education at a very small cost. For particulars apply at this office.

**Belott.**

ED. COURIER:—The writer does not feel like writing your paper any this week. A good many of our good neighbors are having lagrippe. Some are preparing for another crop. Everything is moving along all right now.

Well, Mr. Editor, I noticed a letter in the Times signed "Bachelor." Such letters I enjoy reading, for anyone like myself can get so much information on the training of children, and the pleasure that there is in married life. In my dream that night, while talking before our W. O. W., I said: "I thank God for the privilege that I have to pay dues to this good order. I consider it a debt that I owe to my family." At this time I awoke myself talking so loud, and woke my wife and told her I was talking about this old Bachelor, and in my talk while asleep I told some of the boys to get him to send in his application as soon as possible, if he was going to join in the future, for the hot weather would soon be here, and I fear his head would not stand hot sunshine. Then my wife said, "Let me alone, I am sleepy." And as a W. O. W., and he an intended brother, I will write the following scripture:

"A wise son heareth his father's instruction: but a scorner heareth not rebuke. He that spareth his rod hateth his son: but he that loveth him chasteneth betimes." Proverbs 13.

"A whip for the horse: a bridle for the ass: a rod for the fool's back." Proverbs 26.

"Who so findeth a wife, findeth a good thing: and obtaineth favors of the Lord." Proverbs 18: 22.

"Chasteneth thy son while there is hope, and let thy soul spare for his crime." Proverbs 19: 18.

Now, before I close, I will say to the editor of THE COURIER that I do not agree with him in his answer to Rev. S. F. Tenney's letter. I will say to the editor, read the first chapter of Proverbs and get some good brother to sing "O Where Is My Wandering Boy Tonight?"

Success to your good paper.

W. O. W.

**NEVADA**

**U. D. C. BENEFIT.**

There will be presented at the opera house Friday night, Jan. 31st, the beautiful Western drama, Nevada, under auspices the U. D. C. The work is under the direction of Miss Eva Hamilton Roberts of Dallas, who comes highly recommended as an artist in her line, having had a wide and varied experience in directing benefit entertainments, both in opera and drama. Some fine specialties will be introduced between the acts, forming a most attractive program. The press all over the state has given this play the highest praise and judging from the interest displayed here a treat is in store for those who attend. Below is the cast of characters:

- "Nevada".....Dr. Brandon Vermont, or Steele, Sr.
- Hermie Howard
- Tom Carew.....Dudley Woodson
- Dandy Dick, or Richard Fairlee
- Jack Beasley
- Stephen Corliss, alias Jordan, the detective.....Chas. Hassell
- Silas Steele, Jr. Grady McConnell
- Jube, the Nigger.....B. Tunstall
- Win Kye, the Chinaman
- A. R. Swancoat
- Agnes Fairlee.....Margaret Foster
- Widow Merton.....Lizzie Howard
- "Mozelle," the Wait
- Genevieve Eichelberger

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**J. W. T. No. 35496.**

deep body and very fine knee and hock action. His blood 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 cannot 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 near freight depot, opposite stock pens. Mares from a distance will be taken care of without charge except for feed. Will not be responsible for any accidents while in our care. Owned by

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**Lame Shoulder Cured.**

Lame shoulder is usually caused by rheumatism of the muscles and quickly yields to a few applications of Chamberlain's Pain Balm. Mrs. F. H. McElwee, of Boistown, New Brunswick, writes: "Having been troubled for some time with a pain in my left shoulder, I decided to give Chamberlain's Pain Balm a trial, with the result that I got prompt relief." For sale by Murchison & Beasley.

**From Creek.**

ED. COURIER:—Our people are preparing to plant another crop and we hope to make a bumper. The people in general are engaged in agricultural pursuits this year. The Farmers County Union meeting was held at this place last week. They met Thursday morning and by holding night session finished business late Thursday night. The weather was cold and the attendance not very large; however, the meeting is regarded as a successful one.

County Superintendent, Mr. Mangum, visited our school last Wednesday. We enjoyed his visit and hope the school may continue to do good work in the future.

Rev. E. Payne of Crockett filled his regular appointment at this place last Sunday.

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J. A. HUMPHREY, M. D., Physician in Charge, 506 1-2 Travis St., HOUSTON, TEXAS. 3-9-08.

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until January 1, 1908—just 25 regular price or until 200 have been sold. Will you be one of those who help make it so? If you haven't got the money to pay all your tuition, come right along and we will help you, for the president of this school was once a farmer boy and had to work his way through school, and is now offering every young man and lady in the United States a business education. If you desire to enter the commercial world any time soon write or come to see us, as we are only offering two hundred scholarships at this price and have four men selling them, and if you wait until the last of December to buy you may be too late. DELAYS ARE DANGEROUS, SO COME OR WRITE TODAY.

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## FROM ALL OVER TEXAS

Henry Morgan's store at Melissa burned Thursday night. Loss on building \$25,000, insurance \$12,000; on stock, loss \$4500, insurance \$3500.

The intimation has come from Governor Campbell that he will not call a special session of the Legislature to enact a 2-cent fare law or for other purposes.

It is thought by many that the recent freeze destroyed the boll weevil, and that little damage will be done by them in North Texas this year.

The Northern Texas Traction Company of Fort Worth has paid \$2102 taxes on gross receipts on its total receipts for the quarter ending December 31, of \$280,356.

Ed Shonts, who was present with Governor Sul Ross when he defeated the famous Comanche Chief Peter Nonca, at the battle of Antelope Hills, died last week in Oklahoma.

W. M. House, a prominent citizen of Waurika, fell dead in the Rock Island depot Sunday morning. He had been subject to hemorrhage of the lungs, but was apparently better.

Mrs. Pete Lynn, one of the first settlers of Denison, died Tuesday morning at the age of seventy years. She built the first brick house in the city and operated the first brick yard.

A pardon has been granted Len and George Gribble and B. F. Hector, who, several months ago, set a dog on a man, Legon Carlin, who was passing through the country east of Waco.

Little Diddle Vickers, six years of age, burned to death at her parents' home near Paris Thursday. Her clothes caught from the fire while her mother was doing the family washing.

William Sweeney entered a plea of guilty in the Ellis County Court for a failure to pay his poll tax or work on the county road. A fine of \$3 was imposed. The costs added made a total of \$37.60.

Vera Daniel, an eighteen year old girl student in the state normal at Denton, died of grippe on a Katy train Wednesday morning twelve miles north of Fort Worth while on her way home at Wylie.

The new town of Cement, three miles west of Dallas, which has grown up to some 500 or 600 inhabitants within the past few months, has asked permission to incorporate as a separate school district.

Some time in February, and on a day to be named later, the cornerstone of the splendid new A. & M. dormitory now under course of construction on the college campus will be laid. The ceremony will be under the auspices of the Masonic Fraternity.

The dead body of George H. Ryan was found in the elevator room of the Oriental Hotel, Dallas, Tuesday morning. Deceased was a mailman, and an overturned can indicated that he had come in to deliver the morning milk when the accident causing his death happened.

A double elopement to Fort Worth ended in one marriage, when Martin Miller and Miss Maude Taylor were married. Nellie Gaines, aged seventeen, postponed her wedding, and her fiancé, Tom Turner, is a disappointed lover. All four were from Hamilton.

The Hill County Poultry and Pet Stock Association exhibit opened Monday with entries from all over the State. About 500 choice birds of all kinds were on exhibit, which lasted three days.

It is announced that the General Managers' Association of Texas railroads and the Texas Farmers' Union have closed a contract for the construction of spur tracks to 320 Union cotton warehouses in Texas. The cost will be \$3,000,000.

It is estimated that the loss by individual Shriners in the burning of their baggage car near Waco a few days since, containing their effects in the way of clothing, jewelry, curios, etc., will reach \$25,000.

The commissioner of agriculture has given out a statement containing a list of the nurseries in Texas. The list shows a total of 234, which is a decrease of twelve from last year and a decrease of six for the previous year.

## WORN OUT WOMEN

Will Find Encouragement in Mrs. Merritt's Advice.

Mrs. W. L. Merritt, 207 S. First Ave., Anoka, Minn., says: "Last winter I began to suffer with my kidneys. I had pains in my back and hips and felt all worn out. Dizzy spells bothered me and the kidney secretions were irregular. The first box of Doan's Kidney Pills brought decided relief. I am sure they would do the same for any other woman suffering as I did."



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Mr. Murphy—Oh want to buy a pair of gloves.

Clerk—Here's something I believe will just suit you. It's a suede glove.

Mr. Murphy—Niver, begorra! Oh want Irish gloves. Swade gloves, indeed!—Kansas City Times.

Many Old People Suffer from Bronchial Affections particularly at this time of year. Brown's Bronchial Troches give immediate relief.

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## Commissioner Smith vs. The Standard Oil Co.

From the Railway World, January 3, 1908.

Mr. Herbert Knox Smith, whose zeal in the cause of economic reform has been in no wise abated by the panic which he and his kind did so much to bring on, is out with an answer to President Moffett, of the Standard Oil Company of Indiana. The publication of this answer, it is officially given out, was delayed several weeks, "for business reasons," because it was not deemed advisable to further excite the public mind, which was profoundly disturbed by the crisis. Now that the storm clouds have rolled by, however, the Commissioner rushes again into the fray.

Our readers remember that the chief points in the defence of the Standard Oil Company, as presented by President Moffett, were (1) that the date of six cents on oil from Whiting to East St. Louis has been issued to the Standard Oil Company as the lawful rate by employees of the Alton, (2) that the 18-cent rate on file with the Interstate Commerce Commission was a class and not a commodity rate, never being intended to apply to oil, (3) that oil was shipped in large quantities between Whiting and East St. Louis over the Chicago & Eastern Illinois at 6 1/2 cents per hundred pounds, which has been filed with the Interstate Commerce Commission as the lawful rate, and (4) that the 18-cent rate on oil was entirely out of proportion to lawful rates on other commodities between these points of a similar character, and of greater value, such, for example, as linseed oil, the lawful rate on which was eight cents. President Moffett also stated that thousands of tons of freight had been sent by other shippers between these points under substantially the same conditions as governed the shipments of the Standard Oil Company.

This defence of the Standard Oil Company was widely quoted and has undoubtedly exerted a powerful influence upon the public mind. Naturally the Administration, which has staked the success of its campaign against the "trusts" upon the result of its attack upon this company, endeavors to offset this influence, and hence the new deliverance of Commissioner Smith.

We need hardly to point out that his rebuttal argument is extremely weak, although as strong, no doubt, as the circumstances would warrant. He answers the points made by President Moffett substantially as follows: (1) The Standard Oil Company had a traffic department, and should have known that the six-cent rate had not been filed, (2) no answer, (3) the Chicago & Eastern Illinois rate was a secret rate because it read, not from Whiting, but from Dolton, which is described as "a village of about 1,500 population just outside of Chicago. Its only claim to note is that it has been for many years the point of origin for this and similar secret rates." The Commissioner admits in describing this rate that there was a note attached stating that the rate could also be used from Whiting.

The press has quite generally hailed this statement of the Commissioner of Corporations as a conclusive refutation of what is evidently recognized as the strongest rebuttal argument advanced by the Standard.

In fact, it is as weak and inconclusive as the remainder of his argument. The lines of the Chicago & Eastern Illinois do not run into

Chicago. They terminate at Dolton, from which point entrance is made over the Belt Line. Whiting, where the oil freight originates, is not on the lines of the Chicago & Eastern Illinois, which receives its Whiting freight from the Belt Line at Dolton. The former practice, now discontinued, in filing tariffs was to make them read from a point on the line of the filing road, and it was also general to state on the same sheet, that the tariff would apply to other points, e. g., Whiting. The Chicago & Eastern Illinois followed this practice in filing its rate from Dolton, and making a note on the sheet that it is applied to Whiting. This was in 1895 when this method of filing tariffs was in common use.

Now let us see in what way the intending shipper of oil could be misled and deceived by the fact that the Chicago & Eastern Illinois had not filed a rate reading from Whiting. Commissioner Smith contends that "concealment is the only motive for such a circuitous arrangement," i. e., that this method of filing the rate was intended to mislead intending competitors of the Standard Oil Company. Suppose such a prospective oil refiner had applied to the Interstate Commerce Commission for the rate from Chicago to East St. Louis over the Chicago & Eastern Illinois, he would have been informed that the only rate filed with the commission by this company was 6 1/2 cents from Dolton, and he would have been further informed, if indeed he did not know this already, that this rate applied throughout Chicago territory. So that whether he wished to locate his plant at Whiting, or anywhere else about Chicago, under an arrangement of long standing, and which applies to all the industrial towns in the neighborhood of Chicago, he could have his freight delivered over the Belt Line to the Chicago & Eastern Illinois at Dolton and transported to East St. Louis at a rate of 6 1/2 cents. Where then is the concealment which the Commissioner of Corporations makes so much of? Any rate from Dolton on the Eastern Illinois or Chappell on the Alton, or Harvey on the Illinois Central, or Blue Island on the Rock Island, applies throughout Chicago territory to shipments from any other point in the district. So far from the Eastern Illinois filing its rate from Dolton in order to deceive the shipper, it is the Commissioner of Corporations who either betrays his gross ignorance of transportation customs in Chicago territory or relies on the public ignorance of these customs to deceive the public too apt to accept unquestioningly every statement made by a Government official as necessarily true, although, as in the present instance, a careful examination shows these statements to be false.

The final point made by President Moffett that other commodities of a character similar to oil were carried at much lower rates than 18 cents, the Commissioner of Corporations discusses only with the remark that "the reasonableness" of this rate is not in question. The question is whether this rate constituted a discrimination as against other shippers of oil, and he also makes much of the failure of President Moffett to produce before the grand jury evidence of the alleged illegal acts of which the Standard Oil official said that other

large shippers in the territory had been guilty. Considering the fact that these shippers included the packers and elevator men of Chicago the action of the grand jury in calling upon President Moffett to furnish evidence of their wrongdoing may be interpreted as a demand for an elaboration of the obvious; but the fact that a rate-book containing these freight rates for other shippers was offered in evidence during the trial and ruled out by Judge Landis, was kept out of sight. President Moffett would not, of course, accept the invitation of the grand jury although he might have been pardoned if he had referred them to various official investigations by the Interstate Commerce Commission and other departments of the Government.

We come back, therefore, to the conclusion of the whole matter, which is that the Standard Oil Company of Indiana was fined an amount equal to seven or eight times the value of its entire property, because its traffic department did not verify the statement of the Alton rate clerk, that the six-cent commodity rate on oil had been properly filed with the Interstate Commerce Commission. There is no evidence, and none was introduced at the trial, that any shipper of oil from Chicago territory had been interfered with by the 18-cent rate nor that the failure of the Alton to file its six-cent rate had resulted in any discrimination against any independent shipper,—we must take this on the word of the Commissioner of Corporations and of Judge Landis. Neither is it denied even by Mr. Smith that the "independent" shipper of oil, whom he pictures as being driven out of business by this discrimination of the Alton, could have shipped all the oil he desired to ship from Whiting via Dolton over the lines of the Chicago & Eastern Illinois to East St. Louis. In short, President Moffett's defence is still good, and we predict will be so declared by the higher court.

The Standard Oil Company has been charged with all manner of crimes and misdemeanors. Beginning with the famous Rice of Marietta, passing down to that apostle of popular liberties, Henry Demarest Lloyd, with his Wealth Against the Commonwealth, descending by easy stages to Miss Tarbell's offensive personalities, we finally reach the nether depths of unfair and baseless misrepresentation in the report of the Commissioner of Corporations. The Standard has been charged with every form of commercial piracy and with most of the crimes on the corporation calendar. After long years of strenuous attack, under the leadership of the President of the United States, the corporation is at last dragged to the bar of justice to answer for its misdoings. The whole strength of the Government is directed against it, and at last, we are told, the Standard Oil Company is to pay the penalty of its crimes, and it is finally convicted of having failed to verify the statement of a rate clerk and is forthwith fined a prodigious sum, measured by the car. Under the old criminal law, the theft of property worth more than a shilling was punishable by death. Under the interpretation of the Interstate Commerce law by Theodore Roosevelt and Judge Kenesaw Landis, a technical error of a traffic official made the excuse for the confiscation of a vast amount of property.

### The Reason for Marrying.

"They say that he married her for her money."  
"And what did he do when she lost her wealth?"  
"He lost his reason."—Harvard Lampoon.

### It Cures While You Walk.

Allen's Foot-Ease is a certain cure for hot, sweating, callous, and swollen, itching feet. Sold by all Druggists. Price 25c. Don't accept any substitute. Trial package FREE. Address Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y.

The more judgment a man has, the slower and the more careful will he be to condemn.—Maurer.

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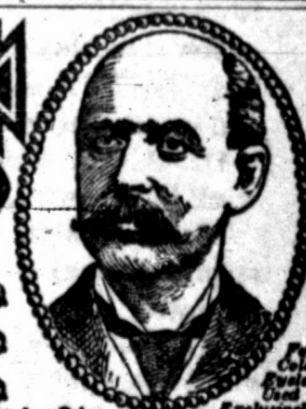
It's a sweeping assertion to say that a new broom sweeps clean.

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# THE CROCKETT COURIER

W. W. AIKEN, Editor and Prop'r  
CROCKETT, TEXAS

Take your cold home and try a few of the old reliable remedies on it.

Now that Oregon has planted 12,000 prune trees, she ought to set out some strawberry plants, besides.

There'll be no holy war in India, that's certain, while the flat of Kitchener's sword is in sight.

Castro seems to be losing his grip. He let that fleet go by without threatening it with a garden hose.

Latin America will be glad to look Alfonso over, but it wishes to warn him he'll waste his time by showing goods.

We are now sending radium to the Philippines. Could generosity to our colonial possessions be more marked than this?

That Pittsburg minister who refused the coin because of the inscription it lacked probably will have to pay in a class by himself.

A Dayton physician, sentenced to the penitentiary, was refused admittance by the warden. A proper rebuke to one who tries to butt in.

Now that Mr. Luther Burbank has succeeded in evolving a cactus fruit that is nearly seedless, we wish that he would set to work upon the fig.

A Paris editor declares that the American is "a flirt, a hypocrite and a goosie, but has a very fine back." Turned her back on him, evidently.

Richmond-Pearson Hobson is going to take a hand at straightening out the naval tangle. Perhaps he can persuade everyone to kiss and make up.

That Pittsburg pastor who wouldn't take gold coins because the motto "In God We Trust" was not on them wouldn't make much of a success in the grocery business, we fear.

At a cursory glance there is no good reason apparent on the surface why the members of the United States life saving service should not be entitled to pensions the same as some others.

If walking from New York to Chicago cures the man of the liquor habit he can recommend it to his friends, but he will never be able to put up his new discovery in bottles and sell it to sufferers at \$1 a bottle.

The New York Times indulges in merriment at the expense of the lady who locked up bank checks for safety instead of depositing them. Still, she might have done worse by depositing them in the bank and hoarding the cash. That is a masculine foolishness, more particularly.

With railroad passes abolished, it is not believed that the Republican or the Democratic national conventions next year will be largely attended by outsiders. Hitherto fully 20,000 auditors other than delegates and alternates have turned up at national conventions, to the grief and anger of the doorkeepers, but to the substantial joy of hotel men and barkeepers.

One night, says a writer in the Ladies' Home Journal, when the duchess of Roxburghe was entertaining King Edward at dinner, the bishop of London, who was present, omitted to say grace. The duchess suddenly remembered in some alarm, but his majesty soothed her feelings. Turning to her with a genial smile, he said: "Your Grace is sufficient."

Two interesting facts have been disclosed already by the investigation of Pullman car rates at St. Paul. One is that when upper berths have to be used, agents are instructed to allot them to persons of light weight, and to assign the heavyweight passengers to lower berths. The other is that the Pullman company pays its porters \$25 a month, leaving them to collect the rest of their wages in tips.

The wine merchant turned a switch and a strong electric current shot through the cask of wine. "That is this autumn's wine," he said, "and it is sweet, harsh, rough—in a word, a nasty new wine. Well, in a few days it will be smooth and fragrant; in a few days it will be eight years old. We age wine by electricity now. Wonderful thing, electricity, isn't it? It grows fruit, it rejuvenates people, and now, by jingo, it ages wine."

Chicago justice may become as famous as that dispensed in New Jersey if the courts continue in their present course. A Chicago judge not long ago sentenced a man to talk to his wife for half an hour every day for a month, and another man was ordered to give a box of candy and a bouquet of flowers to his wife once a week for four weeks. The object was to restore harmony to unhappy homes, and according to latest reports, it was successful.

## BOARD BUYS LAND.

### PLANTATIONS TO BE CEDED TO STATE PRISON SYSTEM.

Plan to Do Away With Contract System as Rapidly as Possible, Substituting Farms.

Houston, Tex.: Negotiations were completed by the Penitentiary Board which has been in conference over the proposition of purchasing two big plantations in Fort Bend County, for the taking over by the State of Texas of some of the property in question. The deal for 1,000 acres of the Riddick plantation and the entire Sugarland plantation, with the exception of the mills and refinery, has been closed in so far as the board is concerned. The proposition will be submitted to Gov. Campbell. Should it receive his indorsement, these two splendid plantations will pass into the hands of the state, and convicts will work them for the profit of the state, instead of for private individuals as heretofore.

With the exception of the representatives of the Lincoln Trust Company, which owns a controlling interest in the Sugarland properties, all who took part in the conference have left for their respective headquarters. Judge W. H. Gill, chairman of the board, and the attorneys for the company will draw up the proposition for submission to Governor Campbell. None of those who participated in the conference anticipate objection on the part of the governor to the proposition. The newspapers were requested to leave the matter of the price unpublished until the negotiations were concluded. It was in the neighborhood of \$600,000.

Among those who took part in the negotiations are: Judge W. H. Gill, Capt. Memshaw and Col. Hicks, composing the penitentiary board; Capt. J. A. Herring, Superintendent of the State Penitentiaries; Mr. A. Wagner, an attorney from St. Louis; R. W. Finley, A. B. Woerheide, E. H. Cunningham, W. T. Eldridge and Basset Blakeley.

## KILLED IN JEWETT MINE.

### A Tub of Dirt Fell Onto the Head of C. E. Kaker.

Jewett, Tex.: A hurry up call was sent in Tuesday evening from the Bear Grass coal mine for the coroner, Mr. E. E. Barnes. The justice went out and found there had been a man killed. He was working along with two others at the bottom of the mine shaft when the top man accidentally let a tub full of dirt fall back on him, killing him instantly. He was C. E. Kaker and lived on a farm close to the mine and was married. He leaves a wife and one child.

## NEGRO MANGLED.

### Section Hand Found Beside the Track Near Pendletonville.

Temple, Tex.: Lee Carroll, a negro section hand, aged 17 years, employed by the Santa Fe railway company, was found dead along the railway track near Pendleton Tuesday morning, five miles north of this city, the remains being fearfully mangled, having been run over by a train of cars evidently during the night. Justice of the Peace J. L. Ward conducted an inquest which developed the above facts.

## ARREST IN PRITICIO KILLING.

### Young Italian Captured at Waco for Lake Charles Affair.

Waco, Tex.: Sheriff Geo. W. Tilley Wednesday afternoon arrested an Italian boy about 17 years old. He is charged with being an accomplice in the killing of Joe Pritico at Lake Charles, La., recently. Deputy Sheriff Patilla of Lake Charles, having the boy in charge, left for home Wednesday night.

## Guadalupe County Lands Sold.

Seguin, Tex.: A considerable sale of ordinary post oak sandy land, including the two celebrated Capote knobs in this county, was made to Illinois and San Antonio parties Saturday by Fred Mattheis. He sold 3,000 acres, more or less, for \$35,000. He keeps his river farm of 1000 acres in cultivation and 1000 in pasture.

### Lem Moore Seriously Wounded and Ed Lewis Was Arrested.

Lockhart, Tex.: Monday morning at Taylorville in the eastern part of the county, Lem Moore was shot in the side and seriously wounded. Ed Lewis was brought to Lockhart by Constable Jeff Moore and lodged in jail charged with the offense.

Marlin, Falls Co., Tex.: J. Y. Stubbfield was the victim of a serious accident at the saw mill south of Marlin Saturday. While operating the edging saw his left arm was cut entirely off just below the elbow. He was brought to Marlin and physicians amputated the member just above the joint.

## AN IMMENSE JUBILEE.

### BEAUMONT, ORANGE AND PORT ARTHUR CELEBRATE.

## MANY PROMINENT SPEAKERS.

### Keep Eternally at It and Get More Appropriations for the Development of Waterways.

Port Arthur, Tex.: A celebration honoring the opening of the Sabine-Neches Ship Channel, which connects the mouths of the Sabine Lake Channel and Neches rivers with the Port Arthur Ship Channel, leading to the Gulf of Mexico and to the ports of the world, was held Monday in Port Arthur.

As this channel opens to shipping and commerce two populous and productive valleys and the rich country adjacent to them, the event is one of unusual importance to East Texas. The mayors of Beaumont, Port Arthur and Orange declared a large number of people from all three places gathered to celebrate the occasion. The United States revenue cutter Windom, from Galveston, joined in doing honor to the day, and this was quite appropriate when it is considered that the federal government has already spent over \$500,000 to dredge this new channel and will likely be asked for other appropriations to deepen and maintain it. One would have thought it the Fourth of July to have seen the decorations in Port Arthur Monday. The national colors were everywhere in evidence in the shape of United States flags and red, white and blue bunting.

The manner in which Old Glory was displayed indicates that the people fully appreciated what Uncle Sam is doing and has done to give this section deep water.

Speeches were made by R. H. Dunn, collector of customs of Port Arthur, Hon. R. K. Davidson and many others.

## ERECT LARGER BUILDING.

### Bids for Houston Federal Structure Were \$100,000 Too Low.

Washington: All the bids for the erection of the Federal building at Houston have been rejected and new bids will be asked for as soon as plans for a structure larger than the one contemplated in the first place can be drawn. The lowest of the first bids was something more than \$100,000 less than the amount appropriated by congress, and it is thought a larger building could be provided for without asking new bids. It has now been concluded that this can not be done. The alternative was to be content with a building only as large as first planned for, covering back into the treasury more than \$100,000 of the appropriation, or of making new plans. Supervising Architect Taylor says it will take about three months to have the new plans ready and a month or more to get bids.

## JOSE MARIA SANCHES KILLED.

### Was Stabbed to Death Near Eagle Pass—Soto Surrendered.

Eagle Pass, Tex.: Jose Maria Sanches, aged about 24 years, a well known Texas Mexican, was stabbed to death at the International coal mines Sunday night. Rafael Soto came to town and surrendered to the sheriff.

The deceased, in company with Soto and another friend, had been drinking together just before the killing occurred. The other man has disappeared.

## SENATOR UNION MARRIED.

### Miss Ada May Woodruff of Houston is the Bride.

Houston, Tex.: Senator John F. Olson and Miss Ada May Woodruff of this city were quietly married Monday at the residence of the bride's mother, Mrs. A. C. Preston. Rev. John E. Green officiated. Senator and Mrs. Olson left Monday night for New Orleans to spend their honeymoon.

## To Rebuild Plant at Temple.

Temple, Tex.: The Waters Pierce Oil Company is preparing to make extensive improvements in this city, an entirely new plant to be built in a new location. About \$7,550 will be expended. General Superintendent C. W. Cahoon of Dallas was here a few days ago and completed all arrangements for the erection of new buildings, etc.

## Abetta Heia as a Witness.

Fort Worth, Tex.: Deputy Sheriff C. Patillo of Lake Charles, La., passed through the city Wednesday having in his custody a Mexican boy by the name of Joe Abetta, who is wanted as a witness in a murder case to be tried this week at Lake Charles.

## ONE WIFE IN HARD TIMES.

### Financial Reasons Made Him Disbelieve in Polygamy.

S. P. Orth, assistant United States district attorney, was the government representative at a naturalization hearing over in Toledo the other day.

The applicant for papers, a German, who ran mostly to mustache, had answered all of the questions that had been put to him satisfactorily.

"And do you believe in the principles of polygamy?" asked the judge, in ponderous tones.

"Sure," says the German, for the word sounded as if it was something that he ought to be in favor of. Like as not it was something about the constitution.

"Do you know what 'polygamy' means?" thundered the judge.

The applicant confessed that the word was a new one on him.

"Well, I'll make it plain to you," said the court, sternly. "Can you get along with one wife?"

"Shure," replied the applicant, earnestly; "one's a plenty, the way prices are."—Toledo Blade.

## HOME RECIPE FOR COLDS.

### Will Break Up a Cold in 24 Hours or Cure Any Cough That is Curable.

Mix half pint of good whisky with two ounces of glycerine and add one-half ounce Concentrated oil of pine. The bottle is to be well shaken each time and used in doses of a teaspoonful to a tablespoonful every four hours. The Concentrated oil of pine comes in one-half ounce vials packed securely in tin screw top cases which are intended to protect it from light and retain all the original ozone. It is a product of the laboratories of the Globe Pharmaceutical Co., of Dayton, Ohio, and is guaranteed under the National Pure Food and Drug Act. Don't use bulk oil of pine or imitations of Concentrated. They are insoluble and work havoc to the kidneys. Any druggist has the Concentrated oil of pine.

## CUTTING, VERY!



Ardent Lover—Can't you see—can't you guess that I love you—adore you? The Girl—Well, I should hate to think this was just your natural way of behaving in company.

## CUTICURA CURED FOUR

### Southern Woman Suffered with Itching, Burning Rash—Three Little Babies Had Skin Troubles.

"My baby had a running sore on his neck and nothing that I did for it took effect until I used Cuticura. My face was nearly full of letter or some similar skin disease. It would itch and burn so that I could hardly stand it. Two cakes of Cuticura Soap and a box of Cuticura Ointment cured me. Two years after it broke out on my hands and wrist. Sometimes I would go nearly crazy for it itched so badly. I went back to my old stand-by, that had never failed me—one set of Cuticura Remedies did the work. One set also cured my uncle's baby whose head was a cake of sores, and another baby who was in the same fix. Mrs. Lillie Wilcher, 770 Eleyenth St., Chattanooga, Tenn., Feb. 16, 1907."

## What Hubby Missed.

"I was telephoning the other night," said the girl, "and a voice crossed mine, a whispering voice. 'I couldn't help wondering what the game was.' 'What are you whispering for?' I asked.

"Hush," she said, still in the whisper. 'I'm trying to talk under my breath. I don't want my husband to hear. Please get off the wire. Won't you?'

"I got off the wire, but I couldn't sleep very well that night for wondering what it was she didn't want her husband to hear."

## "It Knocks the Itch"

It may not cure all your ills, but it does cure one of the worst. It cures any form of itch ever known—no matter what it is called, where the sensation is "itch," it knocks it. Eczema, Ringworm and all the rest are relieved at once and cured by one box. It's guaranteed, and its name is Hunt's Cure.

It may be the uncertainty of flirting that appeals to a girl; she is never quite sure but what she really means it.

## AN ADVERTISING TRICK FOR WESTERN FARMERS.

### Real Estate "Agents" Go After Men with Land for Sale and Reap Rich Harvest.

A smooth scheme for separating farmers from their money has been worked with much success in South Dakota. An oily grafter calls on a farmer and makes a bid for his land. The figures are absurdly low at first, but by degrees are raised as high as \$60 an acre, and the farmer consents. Then the visitor explains that he is only an agent, but that he can sell the land at the price named if the owner will agree to pay for advertising at the rate of fifty cents an acre. The "agent" promises orally that the advertising money will not be payable until the land is sold, but this stipulation is not contained in a contract that the farmer signs.

In a few days he receives a copy of an ad and not over-courteous demand for money. It is said that twenty-two agriculturists were caught with this bait in Brown County and that one of them gave up \$320. Others declare hotly that they will not pay but they will make a fight in the courts.

## COMPLAINTS MANY AND VARIED.

### Complete Harmony Had to Obtain in Organizations.

"All clubs," said the secretary, "keep complaint books, and some of the complaints set down in them are funny. In our book yesterday a member complained that the hot water was always cold, and moreover, there never was any."

"A novelist last week had the nerve to complain that his last new novel hadn't been added to the club library."

"Young swells sometimes complain about the club wines and cigarettes and cigars in order to introduce brands that they are touting for on the sly."

"Sometimes anonymous scandal soils the complaint book's pages. Thus, last year, appeared this entry about a very popular member:

"Maj. Hawkins is flirting with too many of our wives. By the way, he still owes that tenner—he knows to whom."

## Makes Pain Go Away.

### Are you one of the ones who pay in toll

### For your right of way through this life?

### If so you will find Hunt's Lightning Oil

### OR

### A friend which will aid in the strife.

To those who earn their own way by their own labor, accidents occur with painful frequency. Burns, bruises, cuts and sprains are not strangers to the man who wears corns on his hands. A better remedy for these troubles does not exist than Hunt's Lightning Oil.

## Had Done His Best.

Uncle Hosea did not feel able to contribute more than 75 cents to the missionary cause, and was not particularly enthusiastic about giving even that.

"You ought to give as the Lord has prospered you," said Deacon Ironside.

"I don't think the Lord'll ever accuse me of bein' ungrateful," answered Uncle Hosea. "Six of my boys is preachers."

## Sad Memories.

The commuter handed the brakeman a five-cent cigar.

"Say, George," he said, "why does the engine always let off such a heart-rending howl just as we pass Long Oak?"

George shook his head sadly.

"Ah," said he, "it was here that the engineer, poor fellow, first met his wife."

## McCravian Barley and Speltz.

Two great cereals, makes growing and fattening hogs and cattle possible in Dak. Mont., Ida., Colo., yes, everywhere, and add to above Salzer's Billion Dollar Grass, the 12 ton Hay wonder Teosinte, which produces 80 tons of green fodder per acre, Emperor William Oat prodigy, etc., and other rare farm seeds that they offer.

JUST CUT THIS OUT AND RETURN IT with 10c in stamps for packing, etc., to the John A. Salzer Seed Co., La Crosse, Wis., and get their big catalog and lots of farm seed samples. K. & W.

## A Feat.

"Do you imagine it possible for a camel to go through the eye of a needle?"

"Oh, I wouldn't be surprised. You know how large my wife is?"

"Yes."

"Well, she goes through my pockets regularly."—Houston Post.

## 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.

## Chance to Show It.

Mrs. Biggs—I hear Mrs. Hilow is going to move again.

Mrs. Diggs—Yes, she moves every month since she got her new furniture.

**CITATION BY PUBLICATION.**

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

You are hereby commanded to summon the unknown heirs of J. A. Downey and J. L. Cooper and L. N. Cooper 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 2nd Monday in March, 1908, the same being the 9th day of March, 1908, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 5th day of January, 1908, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said court No. 5081, wherein West Lumber Company is plaintiff, and the unknown heirs of J. A. Downey, J. L. Cooper and L. N. Cooper are defendants, and said petition alleging that plaintiff is a corporation organized under the laws of Texas and is the owner in fee simple of the following described tract or parcel of land, to-wit: 640 acres situated about seven miles east of the town of Crockett in the county of Houston, and being the same patented to H. F. Craddock, assignee of J. W. Brent, and described by field notes as follows: Beginning at the S. corner of the George English 150 acre survey on the N. W. B. line of George Hallmark league, a sweet gum bears N. 24 E. 4 vrs. a do. brs. S. 73 E. 4.3 vrs., both marked AE; thence N. with the W. line of said 150 acre survey 888 vrs. to a stake on the S. B. line of the W. Wheeler league a red oak brs. S. 65 E. 5.1 vrs. a do. brs. N. 11 W. 3 vrs., both marked A. E.; thence W. with E. Wheeler line 2260 vrs. to a stake a pine brs. N. 22 E. 5.9 vrs.; a do. brs. E. 6 vrs., both marked A. E.; thence S. 1941 vrs. a stake, a white oak brs. S. 5 vrs., a do. brs. N. 21 E. 2 1/2 vrs., both marked C.; thence S. 25 E. 328.7 vrs. a hickory brs. S. 80 W. 2.9 vrs., a white oak brs. 1063 W. 9.4 vrs., both marked C.; thence N. 65 E. 1267 vrs. a stake on the S. W. line of said Hallmark league a pine brs. S. 61 E. 2.3 vrs.; thence N. 25 W. 327 vrs. the W. corner of said league a pine brs. N. 72 W. 4 1/2 vrs. and a black jack brs. S. 57 E. 1 1/2 vrs.; thence N. 45 E. with the N. W. line of said league 1223 vrs. to the place of beginning: And plaintiff specially pleads the three, five and ten years statutes of limitation. Plaintiff says that William M. Taylor in the year 1869 purporting to act under a power of attorney from J. A. Downey conveyed said land, but no power of attorney from said Downey to said Taylor either appeared on record in Houston county or can be found in existence, which casts a cloud on plaintiff's title. That said land was conveyed to Cooper & Cooper, a firm composed of J. L. Cooper and L. N. Cooper, but that no conveyance from the said J. L. Cooper to said property appears on record in said county which casts a cloud on plaintiff's title. Plaintiff prays judgment removing all clouds from said title, substituting all missing instruments and for 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, Texas, this the 9th day of January, 1908.

J. B. STANTON,  
Clerk of the District Court of Houston County.

Penniless men are at least bunko proof.

If love is blind how can there be love at first sight?

May heaven help the rich; the poor have no automobiles.

It's easy for a millionaire to preach the virtues of poverty.

A joke always needs explaining when it turns on its author.

Wise is the man who can correct a mistake before he makes it.

Many a man's so-called independence is nothing but contrariness.

Some men wouldn't take advice if it were offered to them in capsules.

Things of no cash value are generally the ones that are prized for association.

A real kind-hearted man couldn't enjoy heaven if his horse was tied outside.

Diogenes wasn't honest enough to tell us he couldn't get a smokeless wick for his lantern.

If we are everlastingly adverting to get people to see we are right we don't see we are ourselves.

Would-be reasoners ought to remember that a promise, an assumption and a proclamation don't constitute a syllogism.—Exchange.

# LONDONERS HIT THE PIPE



THE ASSOCIATION ROOM AT WONG'S

Chinatown of New York, and of San Francisco, and even of Chicago, is known throughout America as one of the sights worth seeing on a visit to any one of the cities named. And foreign visitors to this country always feel a special curiosity to go through the queer section of the cities, and think perhaps that no city of Europe can in any way duplicate the sights, the people and the customs. And yet London it seems has its Chinatown, as much as either New York or San Francisco, though perhaps not on so extensive a scale.

There are four opium dens of "Hop Joints" in London which cater for the public. Three of these are controlled by a syndicate of Chinamen, members of a "Tong" or society. The other "joint," perhaps the most luxuriously appointed place of its kind in existence, is owned by a notorious Chinaman of great wealth, Ah Wong, who, until the great feud in San Francisco three years ago between two powerful "Tongs," which led to wholesale murder, was known there as the mayor of Chinatown. This man's establishment was furnished by a well-known west end firm at a cost of \$10,000. Whereas the cost of a "layout," or use of one, ranges from ten cents to \$1.25, according to the amount of opium used, in the "syndicate joints," Wong's charge is \$5.00. All these places are within a stone's throw of each other. The Oriental sailor has less than a hundred yards to walk from the docks to reach the cheaper "joints," while Wong's place in Limehouse is just round the corner in an old-fashioned three-story brick building, formerly used as the freight offices of a world-famed shipping company. The day trade is composed mostly of sailors or Chinamen residing in the neighborhood, for the latter are barred at night, much as the residents of Monaco are denied the privilege of gambling at Monte Carlo. By three o'clock the places have been cleaned and put right for the coming night trade, and a little later the sallow-faced, hollow-eyed habitués are returning—for they have a "yen yen," which means that the terrible craving has come on them, and there is no denying it.

The visitor to "Chick's" establishment—one of the "joints" controlled by the Chinese syndicate—pays 60 cents and is given half a walnut-shell filled with opium. He then enters a large room, the floor of which is covered with rows of mattresses, and chooses his favorite bunk; and "Kip," a well-known personality in Chinatown, who acts as a sort of servant, approaches with the "lay-out." This consists of a small square Japanese tray, containing an oil lamp, a "stem," or pipe and bowl, two needles about five inches long, much like a woman's hat-pin, known as a "yen hok," and "shying needle," and a glass of water. The smoker now lights a cigarette, and proceeds to "cook a pill" by turning the needle with a small ball of opium rapidly about in the flame of the lamp. Every few moments the needle is withdrawn, and the small ball of opium it contains is rolled on the edge of the bowl for the purpose of removing a certain amount of poison and also to give the pill conformity. When properly cooked, and emitting the peculiarly pungent smell so sickening to the uninitiated, the pill is placed directly over the small hole in the bowl and the needle is pushed through; then the smoker, placing the bowl over the flame of the lamp, inhales the fumes into his lungs. A beginner usually takes short, quick pulls; but the habitue takes what is known as the "long draw," never stopping to take a breath until the pill is consumed. The bowl is then rubbed over with a small damp sponge, and

the performance repeated until the smoker has had enough.

The second of these "joints" is presided over by a person known as "Kid Lee," a half breed Chinaman, who was at one time valet to a famous Yankee jockey. Under his management this place has become the rendezvous of foreign "crooks" and "grafters," pickpockets, touts and confidence men. This place is known to the fraternity as the "Dream Shop," and is run on a slightly better plan than "Chick's," the charge being \$1.25. Partitions divide the smokers, the surroundings also are somewhat better, the walls cleaner, and the paraphernalia of a better kind, and there are two exits for use in case of emergency, unknown as yet even to the habitués. A fair estimate would show Lee to do a daily or nightly business of some three hundred "shells," or \$375, for many of his customers call for a second and third "shell of hop." Fifty per cent of this is profit, and many of the "regulars" purchase opium for home consumption.

The third of the cheaper "joints" is found six doors further down, and this time, instead of descending to the basement, one ascends the stairs of a comparatively new house, the ground floor being occupied by a fried fish shop. This place, known as "Hop Harbour," is exclusively used by Orientals, and a white man finds it exceedingly difficult to gain an entrance. Each of these places has a manager, the Chinese syndicate which owns them remaining in the background.

At Wong's there is no secret password, no special knock is necessary, for almost the moment you approach the door it opens, two Chinamen in ordinary clothes look you over, and, being satisfied, bow you to a second door, which opens silently: The hall is lighted by four large lamps bearing red shades; the walls are covered with Chinese hanging screens and ornaments, while a red sign with black lettering reads: "Chinese Restaurant." On the first floor to the right of the entrance hall is a dining room containing eight tables. Chinese lanterns hang from the ceiling; the decorations are in red and black, and even the floor is painted black with a border of red around the room. Here come any number of respectable people to dine a la chinoise. They have not the remotest idea of what goes on above the dining room floor, though others use the restaurant only for a blind, and, later on, smoke a pill or two upstairs.

You pay your bill, then ascend the heavily-carpeted stairway to the rooms above. At the top of the first flight, in a small recess, sits a Chinaman spotlessly dressed in white. He gives you a keen glance and awaits your pleasure. "I wish to rest awhile, Loo; let me have a room." Loo bows, and an attendant comes forward and leads the way into a small but luxuriously furnished apartment fitted up as a sleeping-room, the bed, however, being a divan raised some six inches from the floor, with a silk-covered mattress and silk cushions, or a pillow. The attendant waits for further orders. "Bring me a lay-out." With a bow the man departs, to return with the paraphernalia. The tray is a work of art, the stem is inlaid with ivory, and the "shell" is a mollusc's. "Shall I 'cook' for you, sir?" inquires the servant; but the visitor has been there before, and requires no assistance. Should the attendant be called upon to do the necessary "work," and added fee of \$1.25 is necessary. The man then says: "One guinea (\$5.00) please," and, taking the money, leaves the visitor to himself.

MAURICE VERNON.

Elasticity of conscience has been one handicap to our financial system.

## LIVE STOCK



### HOLDING HARNESS TRACES.

Device Which Will Prove a Great Convenience When Unhitching.

It frequently happens that the hook that holds up the traces of the farm

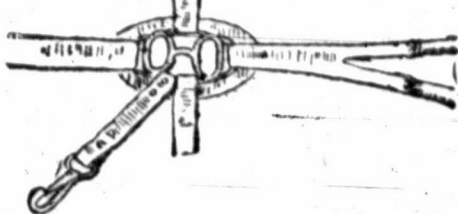


Fig. 1.—Position of Snap and Strap.

harness gets broken or the harness never had one. In either case I use a snap fastened to the back band with a piece of leather and a rivet, as shown in Fig. 1 of the accompanying



Fig. 2.—On Harness and Horse.

illustrations. If, suggests Prairie Farmer, a rather large snap is chosen both cock eyes can be held securely with one snap.

### BREAKING THE COLT.

Begin Early and Be Very Patient in the Work.

When a colt is coming two years old I put a biting harness on it and turn it out in a lot, away from other horses and colts, says a writer in Farmers' Review. I then train him to be guided by the use of lines run through rings low down on a wide strap surcingle, which I use for this purpose. I then drive the colt around the lot for a short time. When I desire the colt to turn I pull one line firmly, at the time tapping the colt gently on the opposite side with a light whip. I then train him to back and also to stop by the use of the word whoa.

I then hitch the colt in with an old steady horse that is not afraid of anything. I wish to say that a colt never should be broken with a blind bridle. Colts that are being broken should be permitted to see everything that is going on around them. When something occurs and the colt sees that the mate it is being driven with is in no way concerned, it quickly gets over its fright.

There is a great difference in breeds as to the readiness with which the colts become trained to daily work. I find the Percheron by all odds the easiest horse to train. A Hambletonian, I think, requires more time and patience to train, than any other breed with which I have had experience. The Hambletonian is naturally nervous and skittish. I have broken and trained a great many of them, but have never found one that I did not have to watch very closely. They are always on the lookout for something strange.

On the part of the trainer, the most essential elements are patience, firmness and good judgment.

### Choking of Animals.

Hardly a farmer has not had more or less experience with animals being choked. This can be remedied to a very great extent, or can be relieved. While animals will get choked once in a while it can be helped. The simplest thing to do which may save the life of a valuable animal and will not hurt it, is to insert a piece of common rubber hose about six feet long down the cow's neck; perhaps it would be well to hold the animal's mouth open with a cord until you strike the apple, or whatever it is that chokes her. Often the apple is so swelled, or so firmly wedged, as to be difficult to stir. Run a buggy whip down this rubber pipe. The pipe will fit against that apple, so there will be no danger of making any hole in the animal's gullet. Press the end of the whip carefully down until it reaches the stomach. The gas will escape quickly through the pipe and the animal will be relieved.—Dr. E. E. Tower.

### The Brood Sows.

If you expect a fine, uniform lot of pigs next spring the brood sows should be of somewhat the same type. The boar alone is not capable of curing all the deficiencies of all the sows. The profitable sow is not the big, coarse, rangy sow nor the fine, compact sow, but rather the good-sized, even, smooth sow, with plenty of good tests

### VARIETY IN HOG FEED.

The Animals Do Better When Given Many Kinds.

There are some very important considerations in feeding swine which should not be lost sight of. The hog by nature is an omnivorous animal and readily eats a great variety of food. Though domesticated for many years he has not lost his natural instincts and loves to roam the fields and woods in search of various roots and plants and is not averse to eating meat of various kinds whenever opportunity affords. This love of a great variety of food is so deeply rooted in the hog as to have made a permanent impression upon the character of his teeth which are adapted not only to the grinding of grain but also to the tearing asunder of flesh. This of itself should be sufficient to convince the feeder of the advisability of variety in the ration of the hog, but the general cultivation of corn in the corn belt and its cheapness in years gone by have led many farmers to lose sight of this essential matter. Moreover a variety of food while essential to the satisfaction of the animal consuming it stimulates the digestive organs to greater activity, which is a most desirable end to attain, and this of itself would amply reward the feeder for taking greater pains and effort to provide the hog with a greater variety of food suited to his nutrition.

The mere fact that the hog has a ravenous appetite and will eat practically anything that is placed before it should not render it insensible to the value of a variety of food. The instincts of the human being are so deeply grounded in this respect that they should teach us to have more regard for the dumb animals placed under our control and which cannot help themselves by reason of their domestication to secure many of the things which the system naturally craves.

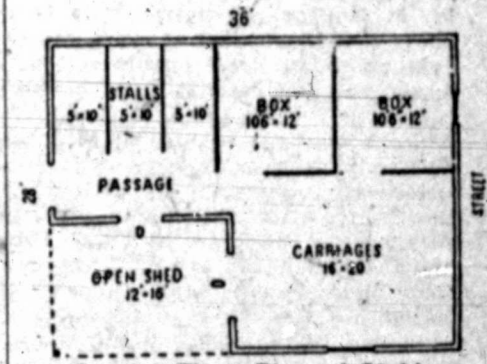
We generally regard the needs of the animal satisfied when we have given a theoretical proportion of protein, carbohydrates and fat, trusting to luck that sufficient mineral matter will be supplied in the foods fed to meet the requirements of the animal body and it is in this respect that a greater injustice is done the fattening hog as a rule than in any other particular.—Experiment Station Bulletin.

### PLAN OF SMALL STABLE.

Suggested Arrangement for Limited Space and Uneven Ground.

A Maryland farmer wishes to plan a stable 28x36 feet to have in it two box stalls, three single stalls and space for carriages. Owing to the nature of the ground he can enter in only one place.

The Breeder's Gazette suggests the following as a solution: He can have three stalls five feet wide and ten



Ground Floor Plan of Stable.

feet long, two boxes each 10 feet 6 inches by 12 feet (which will be found to be large enough for carriage horses) and a space for carriages 26x20 feet. This leaves space for a large porch or open shed, which will prove useful for many purposes, washing vehicles, hitching under to keep out of the sun or sheltering an extra vehicle in emergency.

### Good Hogs Quick Money.

Good hogs are quickly turned into money. There is little reason for disputing the value of a hog raised for pork. The boards of trade quote pork, and that brings the pig into the same category as wheat, which is about the same as money, if it is at a point of railroad transportation. The hog is the more a moneymaker because he is easily reared and within a year from birth is ready for the market. He can make use of a great variety of food and make more meat out of that food than any other animal.

### To Get Eggs.

Among other things, it takes lime, protein and fat-producing materials to produce eggs and keep the hens in flesh. It is estimated that a bushel of corn will feed 160 hens one day, but it contains only lime and protein enough to make 32 eggs, while it has fat-forming elements enough for two days' feed for 160 hens. This shows the necessity of having a variety of feed in which there is more lime and protein. Is it any wonder hens do not lay in the winter when they are fed nothing but corn?

The secret of good breeding is to have a good foundation to work upon.

## The Cause of Many Sudden Deaths.

There is a disease prevailing in this country most dangerous because so deceptive. Many sudden deaths are caused by it—heart disease, pneumonia, heart failure or apoplexy are often the result of kidney disease. If kidney trouble is allowed to advance the kidney-poisoned blood will attack the vital organs, causing catarrh of the bladder, or the kidneys themselves break down and waste away cell by cell.

Bladder troubles almost always result from a derangement of the kidneys and a cure is obtained quickest by a proper treatment of the kidneys. If you are feeling badly you can make no mistake by taking Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney, liver and bladder remedy.

It corrects inability to hold urine and scalding pain in passing it, and overcomes that unpleasant necessity of being compelled to go often through the day, and to get up many times during the night. The mild and the extraordinary effect of Swamp-Root is soon realized. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases.

Swamp-Root is pleasant to take and is sold by all druggists in fifty-cent and one-dollar size bottles. You may have a sample bottle of this wonderful new discovery and a book that tells all about it, both sent free by mail. Address, Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. When writing mention reading this generous offer in this paper. Don't make any mistake, but remember the name, Swamp-Root, Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, and the address, Binghamton, N. Y., on every bottle.

### WHY, INDEED?



There was a young man of Slough,  
Who was singing "The Mistletoe Bough,"  
When his uncle said: "Fred,  
As the young lady is dead,  
Why on earth make this terrible row?"

### An Object Lesson.

"Miranda," said the mistress, "you are a good cook, and I just know that you are too good for us to keep. Some man will come along one of these days and induce you to marry him."

"O, no, mum," answered Miranda, fervently. "I've lived with you and your 'usband, too long to want ever to get married."

There are two conclusions to be drawn from the reply of the faithful servant; one is that she was loyal to her employers, the other is as it may be.

### Second-Hand Goods.

"I don't think it is so nice to have a truthful child," said she. "Not so truthful a child as my neighbor has across the hall. The other morning I missed my paper that is left at my door. I knocked and asked her if she had seen it. She said no, but her small son, aged five, ran to the table and got it and brought it to me."

"Here," he said, "mamma took it to read it, but you can have it. She is through with it now."

### CUBS' FOOD

They Thrive on Grape-Nuts.

Healthy babies don't cry and the well-nourished baby that is fed on Grape-Nuts is never a crying baby. Many babies who cannot take any other food relish the perfect food, Grape-Nuts, and get well.

"My little baby was given up by three doctors who said that the condensed milk on which I fed her had ruined the child's stomach. One of the doctors told me that the only thing to do would be to try Grape-Nuts, so I got some and prepared it as follows: I soaked 1½ tablespoonfuls in one pint of cold water for half an hour, then I strained off the liquid and mixed 12 teaspoonfuls of this strained Grape-Nuts juice with six teaspoonfuls of rich milk, put in a pinch of salt and a little sugar, warmed it and gave it to baby every two hours.

"In this simple, easy way I saved baby's life and have built her up to a strong healthy child, rosy and laughing. The food must certainly be perfect to have such a wonderful effect as this. I can truthfully say I think it is the best food in the world to raise delicate babies on, and is also a delicious healthful food for grown-ups as we have discovered in our family."

Grape-Nuts is equally valuable to the strong, healthy man or woman. It stands for the true theory of health. "There's a Reason. Read 'The Road to Wellville,' in pkgs.



## CHILD'S OWN ROOM

PRETTY FITTINGS ADAPTED FOR THE NURSERY.

Worth Imitation is the Way One Mother Fixed Up Place Her Two Little Girls Could Take Pride In.

"I don't need a nursery to lock my children into, because the whole house is theirs," proudly says the American mother when the English twit us on our lack of nurseries. Children's furniture is so cunning nowadays, though, that some mothers simply can't resist fixing up some sort of a room that the youngsters can call their own. The plain mission furniture is being made in miniature now, and when one buys it unstained, it may be made to match the things already on hand at little expense. A mother who has recently furnished a room for her two little girls, covered the walls with plain green cartridge paper, which the doctor recommended on account of the children's eyes. The windows in the room were rather high, so she had the carpenter put a board along the wall under each one, about six inches from the floor so that the children can stand on it to look out.

The furniture in the room is the wonderful feature, considering how little expense of money and time were put into it. The two cot beds stand at opposite sides of the room, and are covered with pretty flowered cretonne spreads in the daytime. The

### FOR AFTERNOON CALLS.



Saxe blue cloth was used for above gown, which is ideal for calling or afternoon purposes. There is a panel effect in front of skirt formed by stitched bands of cloth running from waistband to foot, and the deep double hem is trimmed at set intervals with oblong pieces of black velvet. Black velvet is also used on the bodice in connection with designed pieces of cloth and a little tie arrangement; where the flat collar meets is self-tone taffeta, with silk fringe ends. The round, chemisette and tucked stock are dotted cream silk mousseline.

### DRESSING THE SMALL PERSON.

Flowered Delaines Most Suitable for Little Frocks.

The flowered delaines are well suited for the little folks' frocks, and some very neat patterns are shown in rich colors. The material is not very expensive and combines very nicely with one of the season's best trimmings, velvet.

A lovely little dress seen was of white serge. It was fashioned in a Peter Thompson style with all of the outlines trimmed with an insertion of soft white material, dotted with coin dots of pale blue. A small blue silk tie was placed at the neck as a finishing touch to the small collar.

Another very handsome little dress

children use them as couches to play on, and there is no nagging to "keep off the bed," for these plain little covers are quite washable and do not show the dirt like the ordinary white spread. Each child has its own little chair, made of old chamber chairs with the legs sawed off and pretty cretonne cushions on the bottom.

An old pine bureau from the attic was painted white like the chairs, to hold the clothing. The commode of the same set is used as a toy box, and it is so ingenious that even the mother who has no regular nursery will find it a fine suggestion. The top, like all the old-fashioned washstands, has the lid, and this compartment belongs to the taller of the children. The closet below is the property of the younger girl, and she is expected to keep all her toys in it. The mother painted the whole thing white and then bought a stencil such as storekeepers have for lettering signs to mark the owners' names on their part of the toy box. Each child feels a certain responsibility about keeping her things where they belong in such an attractive case, so that their mother is helped very much in keeping order.

A small mission Morris chair, so cunning that it makes every one who sees it wish to be back in toyland again, was bought this Christmas, and a common kitchen table with the legs sawed off has been stained to match it.

All this staining, by the way, was amateur work, but the inexpensive stains and paints for furniture are made especially for home workers, and have a wonderful way of looking smooth even when put on by a very "green" hand.

was made of rose-colored cloth. The jumper style was trimmed with many narrow bands of velvet ribbon, placed diagonally on the waist straps and diagonally on the folds around the bottom of the skirt. The ribbon was placed close together, showing alternate rows of rose cloth and black velvet of equal widths.

### Threads Breaking.

Dip a spool of silk in clear water, dry so it will not drip, then thread machine and it will never unwind too fast, twisting around spool spindle and breaking, as so often happens with a new spool.

If new cotton or linen has a good deal of finish the machine needle sometimes finds it difficult to push through several thicknesses, or the thread breaks frequently. A little soap of any kind, rubbed on along the line of stitching, remedies the trouble.

### The Use of Face Cloths.

Face cloths and sponges are often responsible for bad complexions. They are not in themselves harmful, but they are seldom kept perfectly clean. A face cloth should be used only once or twice and should then be carefully washed and thoroughly boiled before it is used again. A soiled wash cloth causes many cases of blackheads and pimples.

### CHILD'S CLOTH OF BLUE CLOTH.



The Original.  
"Darling, you are the only woman I ever loved!" the manly young fellow avowed in accents of soul-ravaging ardor.

The fair young girl looked into his face with her big child-like eyes overbrimming with trust and confidence.

"I guess," she murmured, dreamily, "that is the way Ananias began when he was courting Sapphira."

### How's This?

We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. We, the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions and financially able to carry out any obligations made by his firm.

WALDRON, KIM, AN & MARVIN, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, O. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Testimonials sent free. Price 75 cents per bottle. Sold by all druggists. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

### Object Lesson.

"Johnny," said Mrs. Blobs, severely, "I am going to punish you. Please open the windows."

"What for?" asked Johnny, beginning to cry.

"I heard our next door neighbor say I had no authority over my children, and I want her to hear you getting a spanking. Now, come here, sir!"

### Not "Just as Good"—It's the Best

One box of Hunt's Cure is unfailingly, unqualifiedly, and absolutely guaranteed to cure any form of Skin Disease. It is particularly active in promptly relieving and permanently curing all forms of itching skin.

Eczema, Tetter, Ringworm and all similar troubles are relieved by one application; cured by one box.

### Galen, Jr., Quits the Job.

"How long have you been here?" asked a physician, when his little office boy announced his intention of resigning his job.

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W. W. AIKEN, Editor and Prop'r  
CROCKETT, TEXAS

## 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 Wm. Fairfax Gray, deceased, H. W. Sullivan, deceased, Thomas H. Nelms, deceased, John Evans, deceased, Wheeler Hedges, deceased, Orlander Dorsey, deceased, Jerry Bragg, deceased, and Green Saddler, deceased, and the heirs of Ann Saddler, 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 held at the court house thereof, in Crockett, on the 2nd Monday in March, 1908, the same being the 9th day of March, 1908, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 9th day of January, 1908, in a suit numbered on the docket of said court No. 5079, wherein West Lumber Company is plaintiff, and the unknown heirs of Wm. Fairfax Gray, deceased, of H. W. Sullivan, deceased, of Thomas H. Nelms, deceased, of John Evans, deceased, of Wheeler Hedges, deceased, of Orlander Dorsey, deceased, of Ann Saddler, Octave Bragg, James Bragg, Mary Bragg, A. B. Bragg, Plov Bragg, W. B. Wall, the unknown heirs of Jerry Bragg, and the unknown heirs of Green Saddler, deceased, are defendants, and said petition alleging that plaintiff is a corporation duly organized under the laws of the state of Texas, and that plaintiff is the owner in fee simple of the following described tract of land, to-wit: Situated in Houston county, Texas, and being 225 acres out of the O. M. Vinton league, and described by field notes as follows: Beginning at the northeast corner of said league, thence west with N. B. line of said league 712 vrs. to corner; thence south 1736 vrs. to corner on the N. B. line of the Wm. Cruz league; thence S. 80 E. with said Cruz league line 724 vrs. to where the Vinton line crosses the Cruz line; thence north on the Vinton league line and W. B. line of Driskill survey 1850 vrs. to the place of beginning; plaintiff pleads the three, five and ten years' statutes of limitation, and says that plaintiff claims title to said land under duly registered deeds, and that plaintiff has had peaceable and adverse possession thereof. Plaintiff says that W. P. Ballinger, W. B. Hall and Orlander Dorsey at one time owned a part of said league jointly, and that a deed of partition was executed by and between them, by which the said W. P. Ballinger acquired title to the above described tract of land, and that said partition deed has been lost or destroyed, and casts a cloud on plaintiff's title. That the said O. M. Vinton, the original grantee of said land, made conveyances of parts of same not specifically described to various parties, which cast a cloud on plaintiff's title. That the heirs of Jerry Bragg and Ann Saddler are now asserting some claim to said land, and that the claims of the other defendants are unknown to plaintiff. Plaintiff prays judgment for said land, removing all clouds and quieting title to same.

Herein fall not, but have you before said court, at its aforesaid next regular term, 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, Texas, this the 9th day of January, 1908.

J. B. STANTON,  
Clerk District Court, Houston County.

## 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 Wm. Fairfax Gray, 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 held at the court house thereof, in Crockett, on the 2nd Monday in March, 1908, the same being the 9th day of March, 1908, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 9th day of January, 1908, in a suit numbered on the docket of said court No. 5080, wherein West Lumber Company is plaintiff, and Bella Fullen, Susan Craddock, C. R. Baggett and E. W. Windham are defendants, and said petition alleging that plaintiff is a corporation, organized under the laws of Texas, and is the owner in fee simple of the following described tract or parcel of land, to-wit: Situated in Houston county,

Texas, the same being 174.6 acres out of the E. B. Eakin survey, about 11 miles southeast of the town of Crockett, and described by field notes as follows: Beginning at the N. E. corner of the J. C. Jack survey, a stake, a post oak marked X; thence W. with the N. B. line of the said Jack survey 928 vrs. a hickory 10 inches, N. 10 W. 1.3 vrs. a pine brs. S. 30 W. 3 vrs.; thence N. 1150 vrs. to N. W. corner of said Eakin survey, a P. O. brs. N. 35 W. 4 vrs. a pine brs. S. 50 W. 6 vrs.; thence east at 1125 vrs. stake for corner in field; thence S. 790 vrs. stake for corner in James Henley's N. B. line; thence west with his N. B. line 197 vrs. to his N. W. corner; thence S. with Henley's line 360 vrs. to the place of beginning, containing 174.6 acres. Plaintiff pleads the three and five years' statutes of limitation, and says that plaintiff claims said land by regular chain of title from the sovereignty of the soil, and has had peaceable and actual possession thereof. Plaintiff says that on the 11th day of April, 1891, when said land was first conveyed, it was conveyed by Bella Fullen and Susan Craddock, who were at that time the sole heirs of the said E. B. Eakin, to Charles R. Baggett; that the vendor's lien was retained in said deed to secure the payment of purchase money notes, which notes have long been paid, but no release has been executed for said lien; that said land was conveyed at one time by E. W. Windham and wife to Collins and Satterwhite, and a lien was retained in such conveyance to secure the payment of a purchase money note, which said note has long since been paid, though no release of said lien has ever been executed, which casts a cloud on plaintiff's title. Plaintiff prays judgment, removing all clouds and quieting title to same.

Herein fall 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, Texas, this the 9th day of January, 1908.

J. B. STANTON,  
Clerk District Court, Houston County.

## 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 Wm. Fairfax Gray, by making publication of this citation once in each week for 8 successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the Third Judicial District; but if there be no newspaper published in said Judicial District, then in a newspaper published in the nearest district to said Third Judicial District, to appear at the next regular term of the district court of Houston county, to be held at the court house thereof, in Crockett, on the 2nd Monday in March, 1908, the same being the 9th day of March, 1908, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 9th day of January, 1908, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said court No. 5076, wherein West Lumber Company is plaintiff, and the unknown heirs of Wm. Fairfax Gray, defendant, and said petition alleging that plaintiff company is a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Texas, with its principal office at Westville, in Trinity county, Texas, and is the owner in fee simple of the following described tract or parcel of land, to-wit: The same being 144.1 acres out of the Pliney Blanchard league, situated in Houston county, Texas, about 9 miles southeast of the town of Crockett, and described by field notes as follows:

Beginning at the northwest corner of the Ellis 200-acre survey, a pine, 20 inches, brs N. 10 E. 4 varas, post oak, 14 inches, brs N. 23 W. 6.12 varas, marked X; thence north 92 varas, Polesek's south line, R. O. 6 inches, brs S. 34.12 W. 3.9 varas, do. 8 inches, brs N. 12.12 W. 3.7 varas, marked X; thence east to Polesek's line 782.2 varas, corner on Nunn 100-acre west line, P. O. 16 inches, brs S. 59.12 W. 15.4 varas, a pine, 20 inches, brs S. 54 W. 6.3 varas, marked X; thence S. 69 varas said 100-acre southwest corner, pine, 16 inches, brs N. 66.12 E. 4 varas, a do. 20 inches, brs N. 85 E. 4.12 varas, marked X; thence east 33.12 varas corner of Ross land, pine, 16 inches, brs S. 46.12 E. 6.2 varas, do. 16 inches, brs N. 23 W. 5 varas, marked X; thence south with Ross line 1262.8 varas, his southwest corner, P. O. 6 inches for corner, R. O. 18 inches, brs N. 3 W. 8.8 varas; thence west 300 varas, corner, an ash, 18 inches, brs S. 24 W. 6.2 varas, elm 8 inches brs N. 17 E. 11.9 varas, marked X; thence north 554.8 varas, corner, pine, 8 inches, brs S. 47.5 W. 3.9 varas, do. 6 inches, brs S. 80.12 W. 2.8 varas, marked X; thence west 561 varas, Ellis east line, hickory, 12 inches, brs N. 6 E. 8.2 varas, R. O. 16 inches, brs N. 70 E. 9.12 varas, marked X; thence N. 27.12 E. with Ellis east line 685.8 varas to the place of beginning, under and by virtue of instruments duly executed and recorded by and from the sovereignty of the soil. Plaintiffs also plead the five and ten years' statutes of limitation and allege that plaintiff and those under whom plaintiff claim said land have had and held same under duly registered deeds for periods of five and ten years, cultivating, using and enjoying the same.

Plaintiff alleges that Wm. S. Allen, who derived said land from Pliney Blanchard, the original grantee, executed contract of sale for said land to one Wm. Fairfax Gray, about the year 1835, and that said contract of sale was archived in the parish and city of New Orleans, and was not recorded in Houston county until the year 1903; and that plaintiff claims title to said land under deed of sale from the legal heirs and representatives of said Wm. S. Allen, who has always asserted title to said land. Plaintiff prays judgment cancelling said contract of sale, quieting title, removing all clouds therefrom and for general and special relief.

Herein fall not, but have you before the 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, Texas, this the 9th day of January, 1908.

J. B. STANTON,  
Clerk District Court, Houston County.

## 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 M. L. Hallmark, deceased, and the unknown heirs of Robey Renfro, 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 Third Judicial District; but if there be no newspaper published in said judicial district, then in a newspaper published in the nearest district to said Third Judicial District, to appear at the next regular term of the district court of Houston county, to be held at the court house thereof, in Crockett, on the 2nd Monday in March, 1908, the same being the 9th day of March, 1908, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 9th day of January, 1908, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said court No. 5075, wherein West Lumber Company is plaintiff, and the unknown heirs of M. L. Hallmark, and the unknown heirs of Robey Renfro and F. M. Satterwhite and M. W. Satterwhite, are defendants, and said petition alleging that plaintiff company is a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Texas, and is lawfully seized and possessed of the following described tract or parcel of land, to-wit: 150 acres out of the Robey Renfro survey, situated in Houston county, Texas, about 10.12 miles southeast from the town of Crockett, and described as follows:

Beginning at the southwest corner of the G. H. Renfro 160-acre survey; thence north with Renfro's line 950 varas pass his northwest corner at 1463 varas stake, a pine 8 inches, brs S. 30 W. 7 varas and a post oak, 15 inches, brs S. 29 W. 10 varas; thence west 873 varas to a stake, a pine 10 inches, brs S. 55 E. 8 varas; thence south 873 varas, a stake on the north line of the E. B. Eakin survey, a red oak, 10 inches, brs W. 18 varas, and a pine, 24 inches, brs N. 71.12 W. 22 varas; thence east with Eakin's line 633 varas, his northeast corner; thence south with Eakin's line 590 varas to his corner on J. Henley's line; thence east at 240 varas with Henley's line to the place of beginning.

Said petition specially pleading the five and ten years' statutes of limitation, and alleging that plaintiff company and those under whom plaintiff claims have had and held said land for periods of five and ten years. And plaintiff says that the claims of the defendants cast a cloud on plaintiff's title and plaintiff prays that all clouds be removed from plaintiff's title to said land and substitute any and all missing deeds or other instruments, and quiet plaintiff's title to said land, and for general and special relief.

Herein fall not, but have you before the 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, Texas, this the 9th day of January, 1908.

J. B. STANTON,  
Clerk District Court, Houston County.

## 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 Jno. Tyler, deceased, Joseph A. Wright, deceased, Edward Tyler, deceased, Texana Tyler, deceased, Richard Gibson, deceased, Sarah Gibson, deceased, Washington G. Tumlinson, deceased, Theresa Tyler, Sarah Tumlinson, deceased, Lucy Ann Tyler, deceased, J. P. Lundy, deceased, and W. H. O'Neill, 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 Third Judicial District; but if there be no newspaper published in said judicial district, then in a newspaper published in the nearest district to said Third Judicial District, to appear at the next

regular term of the district court of Houston county, to be held at the court house thereof, in Crockett, on the 2d Monday in March, 1908, the same being the 9th day of March, 1908, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 9th day of January, 1908, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said court No. 5077, wherein West Lumber Company is plaintiff, and the unknown heirs of Joseph A. Wright, deceased, of John Tyler, deceased, of Edward Tyler, deceased, of Texana Tyler, deceased, of Richard Gibson, deceased, of Sarah Gibson, deceased, of Sarah Tumlinson, of Washington G. Tumlinson, of Theresa Tyler, deceased, of Lucy Ann Tyler, deceased, of J. P. Lundy, deceased, and of W. H. O'Neill, deceased are defendants, and said petition alleging that plaintiff is a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Texas, and is the owner in fee simple of the following described tracts or parcels of land, to-wit: Situated in Houston county, Texas, the same being a part of the Edward Tyler league and described as follows:

First tract: Containing 369 acres and beginning at the northwest corner of said league, thence N. 65 E. with said Tyler's N. B. line at 590 varas, pass Carter's south corner at 2175 varas, stake for corner; thence south 1533 varas, stake for corner; thence west 1917 varas, stake for corner on W. B. line of said league; thence north with said W. B. line 640 varas to the place of beginning.

Second tract: Containing 369 acres and beginning south 640 varas from the northwest corner of said league and at the S. W. corner of the above described 369 acre tract, post oak brs S. 75 E. 5 varas, a pine 18 inches, brs N. 70 E. 6.5 varas; thence east with the S. B. line of said 369-acre tract 1917 varas, stake in division line of said league, post oak 8 inches brs N. 65 E. 3 varas, red oak 12 inches brs S. 22 E. 6 varas; thence south with said division line 1086 varas, corner, on same being also the N. E. corner of another 369-acre tract on said league; thence west with N. B. line of said last-mentioned 369-acre tract 1917 varas to corner on the west line of said league; thence north with said W. B. line of said league at 1086 varas to the place of beginning.

Plaintiff alleges and specially pleads the three, five and ten years' statutes of limitation and says that plaintiff is the owner of said land under duly registered deeds under title and color of title from and under the sovereignty of the soil. Plaintiff says that no conveyance of any part of said land was ever made by the said Edward Tyler during his life time, but after his death parties purporting to be his heirs and who are named herein as part of the defendants in this suit, executed conveyances to said land, to plaintiff's remote vendors. Plaintiff further says that Joseph A. Wright at one time owned a part of said property, which was conveyed by him to George F. Moore, but that said deed has been lost or destroyed, which casts a cloud on plaintiff's title, and plaintiff says that the claim or claims of other defendants are unknown.

Plaintiff prays judgment for said land, removing all clouds and quieting title to same.

Herein fall 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, Texas, this the 9th day of January, 1908.

J. B. STANTON,  
Clerk District Court, Houston County.

## 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 Greenberry Matthews, deceased, Mary A. Matthews, deceased, and Sap Campbell, 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 Third Judicial District; but if there be no newspaper published in said judicial district, then in a newspaper published in the nearest district to said Third Judicial District, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Houston County, to be held at the court house thereof, in Crockett, on the 2d Monday in March, 1908, the same being the 9th day of March, 1908, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 9th day of January, 1908, in a suit numbered on the docket of said court No. 5078, wherein West Lumber Company is plaintiff, and the unknown heirs of Greenberry Matthews, deceased, Mary A. Matthews, deceased, and Sap Campbell, deceased, defendants, and said petition alleging that the plaintiff company is a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Texas, and is the owner in fee simple of the following described tract or parcel of land, to-wit, same being 80 acres of land out of the Greenberry Matthews 160-acre survey situated about seven miles east from the town of Crockett, and described as follows:

Beginning at the northeast corner of said survey, it being also the southeast corner of the J. W. Brent survey, a white oak, brs N. 63 W. 9.12 varas; thence S. 950.1 varas to said Matthews' S. E. corner, a R. O. brs S. 60 E. 7 varas; thence west with Matthews' S. E. line at 315 varas Speer

Creek; thence up Speer Creek, with its meanderings to N. B. line of said Matthews survey; thence east with Matthews line 136 varas to the place of beginning.

Plaintiff specially pleads the three, five and ten years' statutes of limitation and alleges peaceable and adverse possession of said land under said statute. Plaintiff alleges that the certificate of acknowledgment to the deed from Greenberry Matthews and wife is defective and casts a cloud on plaintiff's title, and further alleges inability to identify or determine who Sap Campbell was at the time conveyance of said land was made to him. Plaintiff prays judgment for said land, removing all clouds therefrom, quieting title to same and for general and special relief.

Herein fall not, but have you before said court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you 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, 1908.

J. B. STANTON,  
Clerk District Court, Houston County.

## 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 Ross M. Bridges, deceased, the unknown heirs of Matilda Bridges, deceased, the unknown heirs of Mary Freeman, deceased, the unknown heirs of W. R. Conner, deceased, the unknown heirs of W. M. Conner, deceased, the unknown heirs of W. H. Cundiff, deceased, and the unknown heirs of Daniel Dalley, 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 any 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 held at the court house thereof in Crockett on the second Monday in March, 1908, the same being the 9th day of March, 1908, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 9th day of January, 1908, in a suit numbered on the docket of said court No. 5082; wherein West Lumber Company is plaintiff and the unknown heirs of Ross M. Bridges, deceased, of Matilda Bridges, deceased, of Mary Freeman, deceased, of W. R. Conner, deceased, of W. M. Conner, deceased, of W. H. Cundiff, deceased, and of Daniel Dalley, deceased, are defendants and said petition alleging that plaintiff is a corporation organized under the laws of Texas and is the owner in fee simple of the following described tract or parcel of land, to-wit: 123 1/2 acres out of the Ross M. Bridges survey, situated in Houston County, Texas, on White Rock Creek, about ten miles southeast of Crockett, and described by field notes as follows:

Beginning at the S. E. corner of the J. J. Owens survey on the West line of the M. Tascan league; thence S. 10 W. 1460 vrs. with said Tascan west line to stake for corner a pine brs N. 58 E. 3 vrs. do. brs S. 85 W. 1 1/2 vrs. thence N. 950 vrs. to the N. E. corner of a 150 acre survey made for John Terry out of said Bridges survey a stake from which a pine brs N. 6 W. 7 vrs., do. brs S. E. 5 vrs.; thence S. 80 E. 611 vrs. stake for corner; thence N. 598 vrs. to Ridgeway Creek the S. B. line of the J. J. Owens survey at that point; thence east with the meanderings of said Ridgeway Creek 240 vrs. to the beginning; Plaintiff pleads the three, five and ten years' statutes of limitation, and asserts title to said land under and by virtue of duly registered deeds, from and under the sovereignty of the soil. That the heirs of Ross M. Bridges assert some title to said land which is unknown to plaintiff. That a bond for title was executed by W. H. Cundiff, to W. R. and W. M. Conner for said land, but no deed was ever executed by said Cundiff to said W. R. and W. M. Conner, prior to said Cundiff's interest in said land having been divested, by sale under execution, and that the executor of the estate of Fred Conner, deceased, conveyed said land to one B. F. Bland, all of which casts a cloud on plaintiff's title. Plaintiff prays judgment removing all clouds from said title, quieting plaintiff's title to said land and for general and special relief.

Herein fall 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, Texas, this the 9th day of January, 1908.

J. B. STANTON,  
Clerk of the District Court of Houston County.

## The Cause of Many Sudden Deaths.

There is a disease prevailing in this country most dangerous because so deceptive. Many sudden deaths are caused by it—heart disease, pneumonia, heart failure or apoplexy are often the result of kidney disease. If kidney trouble is allowed to advance the kidney-poisoned blood will attack the vital organs, causing catarrh of the bladder, or the kidneys themselves break down and waste away cell by cell.

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### WHY, INDEED?



There was a young man of Slough, Who was singing "The Mistletoe Bough," When his uncle said: "Fred, As the young lady is dead, Why on earth make this terrible row?"

### An Object Lesson.

"Miranda," said the mistress, "you are a good cook, and I just know that you are too good for us to keep. Some man will come along one of these days and induce you to marry him."

"O, no, mum," answered Miranda, fervently. "I've lived with you and your 'usband too long to want ever to get married."

There are two conclusions to be drawn from the reply of the faithful servant; one is that she was loyal to her employers, the other is as it may be.

### Second-Hand Goods.

"I don't think it is so nice to have a truthful child," said she. "Not so truthful a child as my neighbor has across the hall. The other morning I missed my paper that is left at my door. I knocked and asked her if she had seen it. She said no, but her small son, aged five, ran to the table and got it and brought it to me."

"Here," he said, "mamma took it to read it, but you can have it. She is through with it now."

### CUBS' FOOD

#### They Thrive on Grape-Nuts.

Healthy babies don't cry and the well-nourished baby that is fed on Grape-Nuts is never a crying baby. Many babies who cannot take any other food relish the perfect food, Grape-Nuts, and get well.

"My little baby was given up by three doctors who said that the condensed milk on which I fed her had ruined the child's stomach. One of the doctors told me that the only thing to do would be to try Grape-Nuts, so I got some and prepared it as follows: I soaked 1½ tablespoons in one pint of cold water for half an hour, then I strained off the liquid and mixed 12 teaspoonfuls of this strained Grape-Nuts juice with six teaspoonfuls of rich milk, put in a pinch of salt and a little sugar, warmed it and gave it to baby every two hours."

"In this simple, easy way I saved baby's life and have built her up to a strong healthy child, rosy and laughing. The food must certainly be perfect to have such a wonderful effect as this. I can truthfully say I think it is the best food in the world to raise delicate babies on, and is also a delicious healthful food for grown-ups as we have discovered in our family."

Grape-Nuts is equally valuable to the strong, healthy man or woman. It stands for the true theory of health. "There's a Reason. Read 'The Road to Wellville,' in pgs.



## CHILD'S OWN ROOM

### PRETTY FITTINGS ADAPTED FOR THE NURSERY.

Worth Imitation Is the Way One Mother Fixed Up Place Her Two Little Girls Could Take Pride In.

"I don't need a nursery to lock my children into, because the whole house is theirs," proudly says the American mother when the English twit us on our lack of nurseries. Children's furniture is so cunning nowadays, though, that some mothers simply can't resist fixing up some sort of a room that the youngsters can call their own. The plain mission furniture is being made in miniature now, and when one buys it unstained, it may be made to match the things already on hand at little expense. A mother who has recently furnished a room for her two little girls, covered the walls with plain green cartridge paper, which the doctor recommended on account of the children's eyes. The windows in the room were rather high, so she had the carpenter put a board along the wall under each one, about six inches from the floor so that the children can stand on it to look out.

The furniture in the room is the wonderful feature, considering how little expense of money and time were put into it. The two cot beds stand at opposite sides of the room, and are covered with pretty flowered cretonne spreads in the daytime. The

### FOR AFTERNOON CALLS.



was made of rose-colored cloth. The jumper style was trimmed with many narrow bands of velvet ribbon, placed diagonally on the waist straps and diagonally on the folds around the bottom of the skirt. The ribbon was placed close together, showing alternate rows of rose cloth and black velvet of equal widths.

### Threads Breaking.

Dip a spool of silk in clear water, dry so it will not drip, then thread machine and it will never unwind too fast, twisting around spool spindle and breaking, as so often happens with a new spool.

If new cotton or linen has a good deal of finish the machine needle sometimes finds it difficult to push through several thicknesses, or the thread breaks frequently. A little soap of any kind, rubbed on along the line of stitching, remedies the trouble.

### The Use of Face Cloths.

Face cloths and sponges are often responsible for bad complexions. They are not in themselves harmful, but they are seldom kept perfectly clean. A face cloth should be used only once or twice and should then be carefully washed and thoroughly boiled before it is used again. A soiled wash cloth causes many cases of blackheads and pimples.

### CHILD'S CLOTH OF BLUE CLOTH.

Saxe blue cloth was used for above gown, which is ideal for calling or afternoon purposes. There is a panel effect in front of skirt formed by stitched bands of cloth running from waistband to foot, and the deep double hem is trimmed at set intervals with oblong pieces of black velvet. Black velvet is also used on the bodice in connection with designed pieces of cloth and a little tie arrangement; where the flat collar meets is self-tone taffeta, with silk fringe ends. The round, chemisette and tucked stock are dotted-cream silk mousseline.

### DRESSING THE SMALL PERSON.

#### Flowered Delaines Most Suitable for Little Frocks.

The flowered delaines are well suited for the little folks' frocks, and some very neat patterns are shown in rich colors. The material is not very expensive and combines very nicely with one of the season's best trimmings, velvet.

A lovely little dress seen was of white serge. It was fashioned in a Peter Thompson style with all of the outlines trimmed with an insertion of soft white material, dotted with coin dots of pale blue. A small blue silk tie was placed at the neck as a finishing touch to the small collar.

Another very handsome little dress



**The Original.**  
"Darling, you are the only woman I ever loved!" the manly young fellow avowed in accents of soul-reaching ardor.

The fair young girl looked into his face with her big child-like eyes overbrimming with trust and confidence.

"I guess," she murmured, dreamily, "that is the way Ananias began when he was courting Sapphira."

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We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. We, the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions and financially able to carry out any obligations made by his firm.

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### Object Lesson.

"Johnny," said Mrs. Blobs, severely, "I am going to punish you. Please open the windows."

"What for?" asked Johnny, beginning to cry.

"I heard our next door neighbor say I had no authority over my children, and I want her to hear you getting a spanking. Now, come here, sir!"

### Not "Just as Good"—It's the Best

One box of Hunt's Cure is unfailingly, unqualifiedly, and absolutely guaranteed to cure any form of Skin Disease. It is particularly active in promptly relieving and permanently curing all forms of Itching Knobs.

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### Galen, Jr., Quits the Job.

"How long have you been here?" asked a physician, when his little office boy announced his intention of resigning his job.

"Six months," replied the boy. "And you don't like the doctor business?"

"Naw, it's no good. I'm mighty sorry I learned it."

### In the Language.

"Some one has said that a kiss is the language of love," remarked the young man in the parlor scene.

"Well," rejoined the fair maid on the far end of the sofa, "why don't you get busy and say something?"

What you cannot avoid, learn to bear. True happiness is cheap, did we but apply to the right merchant for it—Hythe.

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In order to keep the home neat and pretty, the children well dressed and tidy, women overdo. A female weakness or displacement is often brought on and they suffer in silence, drifting along from bad to worse, knowing well that they ought to have help to overcome the pains and aches which daily make life a burden.

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Truck and Fruit Farms of From 10 Acres to 640 Acres and Two Town Lots, for \$210. Payable \$10 per Month Without Interest.

Read What a Disinterested Expert Says of Dr. Chas. F. Simmons 95,000 Acre Ranch Now on the Market.

Orange, Cal., March 1, 1907.  
Dr. C. F. Simmons, San Antonio, Texas:  
Dear Sir—Yours at hand. I would like to have called at the office when I came back, but it was Sunday and I took the train for home. I was on your 95,000-acre ranch three days. I found it much better than I expected. I am satisfied in my own mind that with proper wind breaks, as we have in this country, oranges, lemons, apricots, figs, olives and almonds can be successfully grown there.  
I am sure that south of San Antonio is the natural home of the English walnut.  
The soil on your land is much better for fruit raising than it is in this country, because you have a good red clay subsoil, while in Southern California we have gravel and rock that does not hold moisture.  
We have to irrigate here at least ten times a year and continually work the orchards, but I don't think this would be necessary on your land in South Texas, at least not so much of it, because the red clay will hold moisture and will give the fruit a better flavor.  
Orange orchards in this country are worth from \$500 to \$1,000, and walnuts from \$200 to \$500 per acre.  
I think south of San Antonio to the Gulf is a better country than from Los Angeles, Cal., to San Diego, Cal., because the soil is better, there is more water, and the climate is just as good so far as I could see and hear by talking to old settlers, and the land is so cheap that every workingman should have a home.  
I am sure that in the near future South Texas will be a prosperous fruit growing country and will be as valuable as Southern California, and the man who will lose money in South Texas is the man that does not get in on this cheap land of yours before it is all gone. A man that has lived in Southern California as long as I have can see the future of South Texas.  
Respectfully A. J. WILSON  
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# FLEECING THE FARMER

The "Improved Seed" Swindle, the "Cholera Cure" Fakir, the "Finishing" of Cattle Fraud and Other Low Schemes Employed to Separate the Agriculturist from His Hard Earned Cash.

By W. M. HAYS,  
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There are three cardinal themes which appeal to the interest—the self-interest—of the farmer: Crops, logs and cattle. Anything which relates directly to any of these vital topics is sure to command the willing ear of the man of the soil. It is not strange, therefore, that the professional swindler who makes a business of cheating the farmer has recognized this fact and made the most of it.

For many years the "improved seed" swindle has been one of the most successful and is taking hundreds of thousands of dollars from the pockets of the farmers. Besides taking money for something worthless—or next to worthless—it does the direct damage of planting hundreds of fields with seed inferior in germinating power or lacking in value per acre of the crop and of undermining popular confidence in the practical value of progressive work done by the agricultural departments of the national and state governments—for too often the seed swindlers claim an endorsement by some department or some person connected therewith. There is not an agricultural department which has not placed the emphasis of its message to the farmer upon the great gain in results to be had from the careful selection of seed—whether in corn, in the smaller grains, in cotton or in grasses, clovers and the forage crops.

In the light of four years later a man who would grossly overstate the prospective yields of a "billion-dollar grass," not only securing the farmer's money, but inducing him to plant his land to a crop less productive of value than the crop he would otherwise continue to grow, is a business pirate.

The experiment stations and state and United States departments of agriculture, state horticulture societies, field crop breeders' societies, the American Breeders' association, and similar organizations, are rapidly developing the testing of standard, newly introduced and newly bred varieties, so that they are able to advise farmers which varieties to use in their regular business planting.

The tree agent who induced the pioneer farmer to purchase from large fruit pictures orchard trees in which the family long hoped, but which lumbered the ground until the pioneer mother had brought up her family and had gone to her reward, has a mighty black spot in his record of deeds done. The seed firm which sold my friend Clark Red top seed in which Kentucky blue grass seed was mixed for a permanent hay meadow far north, made well nigh worthless large areas of peaty land situated where it could not be pastured, but would have permanently produced fine crops of timothy. The dealer was criminally ignorant, because he was asked for seed for a specific purpose, and he put in the blue grass, which grows too short to mow for hay, but crowds out the variety suited to cut for hay.

The man who sold Burbank plums in a region so cold that they could not stand the severe winters is more guilty than the man who steals, your purse. He gets a paltry \$2 each for trees that would have been valuable elsewhere, but for this small consideration he robs the farmer of his time, his land, of his opportunity to use hardy plum trees, and even robs him and his neighbors of their faith in the possibilities of a family plum lot.

Our experiment station and department plant men are rapidly learning the seed and plant variety business. They are not only learning how to create new values by breeding, but are learning how to distribute new varieties of seeds and plants. They are organizing the testing of varieties, so that few mistakes be made.

They are coming to insist for themselves, for the domestic seedman and nursery man and for the foreign seed house that the varieties must be tested within each state before they will endorse them. Seed vendors are gradually coming to see that they must get into line with the efficient and vigorous public seed service, and that they must sell only seeds which will produce wealth. A general labeling law is being talked of, and this would make it dangerous to sell two varieties out of the same bin of seeds, or sell trees under their wrong name—as it would prevent the clothing dealer from selling as all wool clothing two-thirds cotton and one-third wool.

Now the seed or tree swindlers endeavor to convert all the newly created sentiment arising from the work of the plant scientists for careful seed selection into grist for their mill. As most of their representations are made by personal solicitors, they are able to claim "department" endorsement with a freedom and recklessness which they would, perhaps, not use in printed matter sent through the mails—although they do not hesitate so to construct their letters and circulars as to deceive.

Whether the claims of these swindlers are made personally or by mail, as in some of the most exaggerated seed catalogues, the intent and the result in most cases is the same. The expectations of the ambitious and progressive farmer are raised to the point of exaggeration. He is convinced that by planting or by sowing the seed offered by the fake concern he will multiply his crop production; that his richest acres will greatly increase their previous production and that his poorest land, with pedigreed seed, will break the record of his choicest fields in corn, oats, barley, rye or cotton, and the forage crops from his wet lands will give him tons of nutritious fodder.

Of course seed which will perform such miracles of production naturally comes high in price—these swindlers are too shrewd to charge an ordinary price for seed carrying claims so high as theirs. In some instances the price is double that which the farmer would pay for bonafide, purebred, standard varieties, the yield of which has been tested by experiment stations, while in other cases four, and even six times the normal price is charged.

Now as to the results: They are disappointing. Now and then the yield is fair as from ordinary seed, but seldom does it exceed that limit. More frequently it falls below that standard. The reason for this has been discovered by a few farmers, who have had enough of the true spirit of progress to dig into the history of the seeds for which they paid so fancy a price. Here is what they found: The "great propagating concern" is without the acres of land devoted to the raising of seeds so eloquently pictured by the agent; the "scientific specialists" claimed to be in the employ of the concern dwindle into a corps of young men who draw salaries of \$50 to \$60 a month and their "scientific labors" consist of traveling from one place to another and buying corn, wheat and other grains direct from the farmers in remote locations from the region in which the grains are expected to be sold for seed.

These grains may be shipped to a dummy firm having the address of the warehouses of the seed company. There this common product of unknown fields is nicely cleaned, re-packed into presentable packages and sold to the farmers as the choicest of selected seeds.

There are many good seed merchants, some of whom grow much of their own seeds; or contract for them before harvest, superintend their harvesting, curing, grading and storing, and send them out only after their viability or ability to germinate is determined by trial. These men multiply the best plant blood as pure bred live stock men multiply standard breeds, that all growers may secure properly grown seeds and plants of the most profitable varieties. They are ever ready to take those tested, and the newly bred and tested seeds and plants secured or created by the experiment stations and departments of agriculture, and rapidly multiply them for sale at pure-bred seed prices. And they are rapidly making of their institutions both clearing houses of seed information and places where originate much of the new values in plant blood.

One of the greatest sources of profit

to the farmer of the corn belt is the fattening of hogs. Corn converted into pork on the land of the farmer is generally believed to be the most profitable corn he can raise. But there is one serious drawback to this method of converting corn into an extra profit, and this is the hog cholera. For years the agricultural departments of the nation and the states have been patiently and persistently conducting elaborate experiments in the prevention and the cure of this plague. The results accomplished have in many instances been most encouraging and the results of the experiments have been placed before the farmers of the country through bulletins and other avenues of publication. As a result of this educative work the farmers have grasped the idea that hog cholera cannot only be prevented, but also cured. This conviction is all the groundwork the "cholera-cure" fakir needs for his business. All the careful and qualified work of honest and scientific specialists in this branch of agriculture is perverted into preparation for the success of the swindler when he finds a man whose knowledge of facts is practically restricted to the conviction that this swine plague is not beyond the reach of scientific treatment. Consequently "swine disease specialists" swarm like buzzards in every big hog raising district where the cholera obtains a start—and there are few, if any, localities largely given to the raising of swine where, sooner or later, this plague does not appear. This information as to where the disease is prevalent is easily obtainable by the hog-cure swindlers from a systematic reading of the farm journals and agricultural papers. One of the first claims generally put forward by the swine specialist when he comes in contact with a farmer whose herd is afflicted with the cholera is that his remedy has the indorsement of the agricultural department. He sells the remedy at a high price and if the plague is general in the locality he finds it easy to depart with hundreds of dollars in his pocket as a result of a few days' work.

Of course some hogs which are given the remedy recover—in spite of it—and such cases are made the most of in testimonials.

Analysis shows that the remedies are usually compounded after some ingenious and worthless formula as the following:

"Coal oil—one gallon.  
"Saltpeter—two pounds.  
"Sulphur—two pounds.  
"Assafetida—two pounds.  
"Tobacco stems—two pounds.  
"Boil the last four ingredients in water, and then add the coal oil. Drench each sick hog with a pint of the liquor."

Some omit the coal oil—perhaps by way of variety. The result is the same, for the hogs really affected by the cholera die, and the "swine specialist" has the farmer's money.

Some of the serums being devised may prove effective, at least in making the campaign sooner or later to be made to eradicate hog cholera from the country, as the federal and state governments are now eradicating the "cattle tick," and the Texas fever. But the thousand and one internal remedies are quackery, and when a farmer uses a serum he should get it only of reputable concerns or of public departments.

The feeding or "finishing" of cattle is another profitable specialty of the corn belt farmer. To take a rough steer from the pasture or range and put him in fat and sleek condition in the minimum of time and the minimum of expense for feed is a very vital problem to the "feeding" farmer. So it is to the nation at large, and therefore the research departments of agriculture have given much effort to the practical solution of that problem. The "balanced ration" idea was once widely exploited by the scientists, though now not regarded so important as formerly. Latterly reasonably well balanced rations of those common grains and rough and green forage foods have been shown to be the real profitable feeding stuffs. And nothing is clearer in American feeding experiments than that adding so called stock foods with their minimum of well nigh useless minimum amount of condiments, flavoring matter and medicines is practically and absolutely a general humbug. But his faith in science makes the farmer ready to accept the blandishments of the traveling stock food purveyor. He has no more trouble to find the occasional farmer who will testify that this particular stock food worked wonders in his herd or flocks. It is on the same basis as testimonials from people who, having failed to die or even to continue sick when taking a given patent medicine, are willing to have their testimony published. And in not a few cases false testimonials are used.

The purveyor of fake cattle foods seldom fails to convince the feeder, at the start, that his particular food is a real Simon-pure balanced ration backed by the department of agriculture. Again, the swindler is wise enough not to lessen his chances of sale by putting a cheap price on his product. Occasionally he sells it as low as \$2.50

the hundredweight, but more frequently the price is much above that—sometimes as high as \$7.50 or \$150.00 per ton. The sales are for cash and the farmer is separated from his money before he has an opportunity to test out the ration in actual demonstration.

What does he find when the feeding period draws to a close? That his cattle have, perhaps, fattened to about the same proportion as when he used his own materials, grown on his farm and possibly supplemented by ground feed from the local mill or feed store. These balanced rations are often found, by analysis, to consist of the "tailings" of mills, elevators and breweries mixed with molasses and salt to make the compound palatable to the cattle. And one of the largest stock food companies is said to use fine sawdust finely ground to cheaply bring up the weight of his product. Instead of buying a superior and expensive "balanced ration" containing high fattening qualities and acting as a tonic, he has paid a high price for a feed containing, along with ordinary grains, finely ground alfalfa hay, and other common food stuff worth \$5 to \$25 per ton, a high percentage of refuse and non-nutritious matter, some of which may be positively dangerous to the health of his stock.

Naturally the question is asked by the farmer: How may I detect any or all of these fakes when they are offered to me? In the first place bear in mind that the department of agriculture and experiment stations are very chary of giving endorsements which may in any manner be used to the commercial advantage of any person, firm or corporation. These endorsements are conducted for the benefit of the people as a whole and great care is taken to prevent their authority or influence from being subverted to the special advantage of any person or individual enterprise. Therefore, when the seller of selected or "pedigreed" seed grains, or a remedy for hog cholera or of a "balanced ration" for the quick fattening of cattle claims that his wares have the endorsement of a department of agriculture or a state station it is safe to assume that he is a swindler. At any rate, there is only one safe rule to follow: Do not buy until you have written to the department or station from which it is claimed that the endorsement comes. You will get a prompt answer—and I believe that your inquiry will generally save you from being swindled. In the matter of buying choice seed grains I would add this suggestion: Your safest course is to buy only of those firms that you know to have large tracts of lands specially devoted to the scientific cultivation of grains for seed—grains which have made a record for strong vitality and large dependable productiveness. There are plenty of these great seed farms which are scientifically and honestly conducted by men of capability and established reputation. Still another suggestion, which applies to all the cardinal interests of the farmer, is to read the bulletins and reports of the agriculture departments and state stations systematically and carefully. This will do much to protect you from imposition on the part of swindlers who base their hopes of success on the enlightened sentiment for progressive farming awakened by the national and state departments, for it will give you actual knowledge as to what is and what is not commended by those authorities.

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## Secrets May Not Be Hidden.

Lord Esher, deputy governor of Windsor castle, is a confidential servant of the British crown, and was entrusted with the selection from the correspondence of Queen Victoria. Besides this, at the instance of King Edward, he is busy framing an amendment to existing law concerning official secrets, which shall place stringent restrictions on those retired servants of the state who make copy and money by writing books out of things they have learned in the service—and, in fact, shall "muzzle" these indiscreet gossips. And yet it remains true, that word of Scripture that "Nothing is hidden that shall not be made known"—and the archives of Sфиндас and the papyri of Egypt tell their stories.

## Earthquake-Proof House.

Colonel Henry E. C. Kitchener, Lord Kitchener's eldest brother, who resigned from the British army several years ago to become a banana planter in Jamaica, is now in England purchasing material for the construction of an earthquake proof house on the "Kitchener" model, says the Cement Age. Colonel Kitchener's residence is badly damaged by an earthquake. He has decided to build a house with walls composed of rows of drain pipes placed on-end and filled with cement, with layers of cement between, with a casing of cement on the outside and thin wood inside. He declares that this combination will resist any earthquake.

Many of the poor men covet the rich man's wealth, and most of the rich men covet the poor man's health.

## Don't Delay

The season of coughs and colds is not yet past—they will be prevalent for some months to come. Do not neglect or experiment with them. Use the safe and sure remedy—Simmons' Cough Syrup. It heals the soreness and stops the cough.

## Try It on the Piano.

There was a young chap in Des Moines Who ordered a T bone sirloin. Said the waiter: "Not so, Sir, unless you can show A sufficient amount of des coines."

This is the law of benefits between men: The one ought to forget at once what he has given; the other ought never to forget what he has received.—Seneca.

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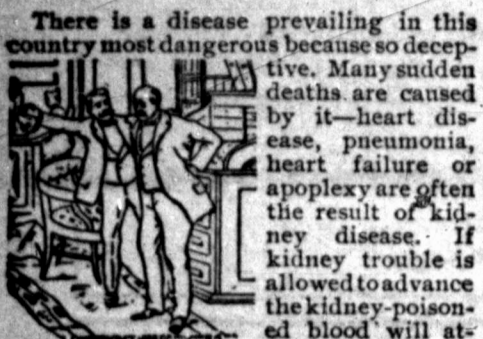
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Houston, Texas, operates the largest force of competent detectives in the South; they render written opinions in cases not handled by them. Reasonable rates.

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## The Cause of Many Sudden Deaths.



There is a disease prevailing in this country most dangerous because so deceptive. Many sudden deaths are caused by it—heart disease, pneumonia, heart failure or apoplexy are often the result of kidney disease. If kidney trouble is allowed to advance the kidney-poisoned blood will attack the vital organs, causing catarrh of the bladder, or the kidneys themselves break down and waste away cell by cell. Bladder troubles almost always result from a derangement of the kidneys and a cure is obtained quickest by a proper treatment of the kidneys. If you are feeling badly you can make no mistake by taking Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney, liver and bladder remedy. It corrects inability to hold urine, and scalding pain in passing it, and overcomes that unpleasant necessity of being compelled to go often through the day, and to get up many times during the night. The mild and the extraordinary effect of Swamp-Root is soon realized. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases. Swamp-Root is pleasant to take and is sold by all druggists in fifty-cent and one-dollar size bottles. You may have a sample bottle of this wonderful new discovery and a book that tells all about it, both sent free by mail. Address, Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. When writing mention reading this generous offer in this paper. Don't make any mistake, but remember the name, Swamp-Root, Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, and the address, Binghamton, N. Y., on every bottle.

### WHY, INDEED?



There was a young man of Slough,  
Who was singing "The Mistletoe Bough,"  
When his uncle said: "Fred,  
As the young lady is dead,  
Why on earth make this terrible row?"

### An Object Lesson.

"Miranda," said the mistress, "you are a good cook, and I just know that you are too good for us to keep. Some man will come along one of these days and induce you to marry him."  
"O, no, mum," answered Miranda, fervently. "I've lived with you and your husband too long to want ever to get married."

There are two conclusions to be drawn from the reply of the faithful servant; one is that she was loyal to her employers, the other is as it may be.

### Second-Hand Goods.

"I don't think it is so nice to have a truthful child," said she. "Not so truthful a child as my neighbor has across the hall. The other morning I missed my paper that is left at my door. I knocked and asked her if she had seen it. She said no, but her small son, aged five, ran to the table and got it and brought it to me."  
"Here," he said, "mamma took it to read it, but you can have it. She is through with it now."

### CUBS' FOOD

#### They Thrive on Grape-Nuts.

Healthy babies don't cry and the well-nourished baby that is fed on Grape-Nuts is never a crying baby. Many babies who cannot take any other food relish the perfect food, Grape-Nuts, and get well.

"My little baby was given up by three doctors who said that the condensed milk on which I fed her had ruined the child's stomach. One of the doctors told me that the only thing to do would be to try Grape-Nuts, so I got some and prepared it as follows: I soaked 1½ tablespoonfuls in one pint of cold water for half an hour, then I strained off the liquid and mixed 12 teaspoonfuls of this strained Grape-Nuts juice with six teaspoonfuls of rich milk, put in a pinch of salt and a little sugar, warmed it and gave it to baby every two hours.

"In this simple, easy way I saved baby's life and have built her up to a strong healthy child, rosy and laughing. The food must certainly be perfect to have such a wonderful effect as this. I can truthfully say I think it is the best food in the world to raise delicate babies on, and is also a delicious healthful food for grown-ups as we have discovered in our family."

Grape-Nuts is equally valuable to the strong, healthy man or woman. It stands for the true theory of health. "There's a Reason. Read 'The Road to Wellville,' in pkgs.



## CHILD'S OWN ROOM

### PRETTY FITTINGS ADAPTED FOR THE NURSERY.

Worth Imitation is the Way One Mother Fixed Up Place Her Two Little Girls Could Take Pride In.

"I don't need a nursery to lock my children into, because the whole house is theirs," proudly says the American mother when the English twit us on our lack of nurseries. Children's furniture is so cunning nowadays, though, that some mothers simply can't resist fixing up some sort of a room that the youngsters can call their own. The plain mission furniture is being made in miniature now, and when one buys it unstained, it may be made to match the things already on hand at little expense. A mother who has recently furnished a room for her two little girls, covered the walls with plain green cartridge paper, which the doctor recommended on account of the children's eyes. The windows in the room were rather high, so she had the carpenter put a board along the wall under each one, about six inches from the floor so that the children can stand on it to look out.

The furniture in the room is the wonderful feature, considering how little expense of money and time were put into it. The two cot beds stand at opposite sides of the room, and are covered with pretty flowered cretonne spreads in the daytime. The

### FOR AFTERNOON CALLS.



Saxe blue cloth was used for above gown, which is ideal for calling or afternoon purposes. There is a panel effect in front of skirt formed by stitched bands of cloth running from waistband to foot, and the deep double hem is trimmed at set intervals with oblong pieces of black velvet. Black velvet is also used on the bodice in connection with designed pieces of cloth and a little tie arrangement; where the flat collar meets is self-tone taffeta, with silk fringe ends. The round, chemisette and tucked stock are dotted cream silk mousseline.

### DRESSING THE SMALL PERSON.

Flowered Delaines Most Suitable for Little Frocks.

The flowered delaines are well suited for the little folks' frocks, and some very neat patterns are shown in rich colors. The material is not very expensive and combines very nicely with one of the season's best trimmings, velvet.

A lovely little dress seen was of white serge. It was fashioned in a Peter Thompson style with all of the outlines trimmed with an insertion of soft white material, dotted with coin dots of pale blue. A small blue silk tie was placed at the neck as a finishing touch to the small collar.

Another very handsome little dress

children use them as couches to play on, and there is no nagging to "keep off the bed," for these plain little covers are quite washable and do not show the dirt like the ordinary white spread. Each child has its own little chair, made of old chamber chairs with the legs sawed off and pretty cretonne cushions on the bottom.

An old pine bureau from the attic was painted white like the chairs, to hold the clothing. The commode of the same set is used as a toy box, and it is so ingenious that even the mother who has no regular nursery will find it a fine suggestion. The top, like all the old-fashioned washstands, has the lid, and this compartment belongs to the taller of the children. The closet below is the property of the younger girl, and she is expected to keep all her toys in it. The mother painted the whole thing white and then bought a stencil such as storekeepers have for lettering signs to mark the owners' names on their part of the toy box. Each child feels a certain responsibility about keeping her things where they belong in such an attractive case, so that their mother is helped very much in keeping order.

A small mission Morris chair, so cunning that it makes every one who sees it wish to be back in toyland again, was bought this Christmas, and a common kitchen table with the legs sawed off has been stained to match it.

All this staining, by the way, was amateur work, but the inexpensive stains and paints for furniture are made especially for home workers, and have a wonderful way of looking smooth even when put on by a very "green" hand.

was made of rose-colored cloth. The jumper style was trimmed with many narrow bands of velvet ribbon, placed diagonally on the waist straps and diagonally on the folds around the bottom of the skirt. The ribbon was placed close together, showing alternate rows of rose cloth and black velvet of equal widths.

### Threads Breaking.

Dip a spool of silk in clear water, dry so it will not drip, then thread machine and it will never unwind too fast, twisting around spool spindle and breaking, as so often happens with a new spool.

If new cotton or linen has a good deal of finish the machine needle sometimes finds it difficult to push through several thicknesses, or the thread breaks frequently. A little soap of any kind, rubbed on along the line of stitching, remedies the trouble.

### The Use of Face Cloths.

Face cloths and sponges are often responsible for bad complexions. They are not in themselves harmful, but they are seldom kept perfectly clean. A face cloth should be used only once or twice and should then be carefully washed and thoroughly boiled before it is used again. A soiled wash cloth causes many cases of blackheads and pimples.

### CHILD'S CLOTH OF BLUE CLOTH.



The Original.  
"Darling, you are the only woman I ever loved!" the manly young fellow avowed in accents of soul-reaching ardor.

The fair young girl looked into his face with her big child-like eyes overbrimming with trust and confidence.

"I guess," she murmured, dreamily, "that is the way Ananias began when he was courting Sapphira."

### How's This?

We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.  
We, the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions and financially able to carry out any obligations made by his firm.

WALDO, KIM, AN & MARTIN,  
Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, O.  
Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Testimonials sent free. Price 75 cents per bottle. Sold by all Druggists.  
Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

### Object Lesson.

"Johnny," said Mrs. Blobs, severely, "I am going to punish you. Please open the windows."

"What for?" asked Johnny, beginning to cry.

"I heard our next door neighbor say I had no authority over my children, and I want her to hear you getting a spanking. Now, come here, sir!"

### Not "Just as Good"—It's the Best

One box of Hunt's Cure is unfailingly, unqualifiedly, and absolutely guaranteed to cure any form of Skin Disease. It is particularly active in promptly relieving and permanently curing all forms of itching known. Eczema, Tetter, Ringworm and all similar troubles are relieved by one application; cured by one box.

### Galen, Jr., Quits the Job.

"How long have you been here?" asked a physician, when his little office boy announced his intention of resigning his job.

"Six months," replied the boy. "And you don't like the doctor business?"

"Naw, it's no good. I'm mighty sorry I learned it."

### In the Language.

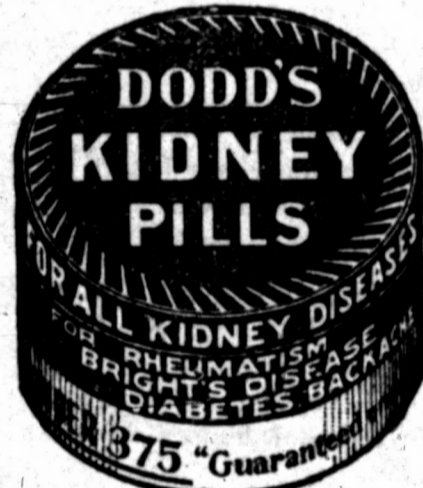
"Some one has said that a kiss is the language of love," remarked the young man in the parlor scene.

"Well," rejoined the fair maid on the far end of the sofa, "why don't you get busy and say something?"

What you cannot avoid, learn to bear. True happiness is cheap, did we but apply to the right merchant for it—Hythe.

Don't worry about your complexion—take Garfield Tea, the Herb laxative and blood-purifier! An improvement will be seen in a week.

You can't make good ginger ale if anything ails the ginger.



## HOUSE WORK



Thousands of American women in our homes are daily sacrificing their lives to duty.

In order to keep the home neat and pretty, the children well dressed and tidy, women overdo. A female weakness or displacement is often brought on and they suffer in silence, drifting along from bad to worse, knowing well that they ought to have help to overcome the pains and aches which daily make life a burden.

It is to these faithful women that

## LYDIA E. PINKHAM'S VEGETABLE COMPOUND

comes as a boon and a blessing, as it did to Mrs. F. Ellsworth, of Mayville, N. Y., and to Mrs. W. P. Boyd, of Beaver Falls, Pa., who say:

"I was not able to do my own work, owing to the female trouble from which I suffered. Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound helped me wonderfully, and I am so well that I can do as big a day's work as I ever did. I wish every sick woman would try it."

### FACTS FOR SICK WOMEN.

For thirty years Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, made from roots and herbs, has been the standard remedy for female ills, and has positively cured thousands of women who have been troubled with displacements, inflammation, ulceration, fibroid tumors, irregularities, periodic pains, backache, that bearing-down feeling, flatulency, indigestion, dizziness, or nervous prostration. Why don't you try it?

Mrs. Pinkham invites all sick women to write her for advice. She has guided thousands to health. Address, Lynn, Mass.

## Hooper's Tetter Cure

(Don't Scratch) Is sold by druggists everywhere on a positive guarantee to cure Dandruff and all Scalp Troubles, Tetter, Eczema, Itch, Ringworm, Chapped, Sunburned Face and Hands, Pimples, Itching Piles, Sore, Sweaty, Blistered Feet, Cuts, and all Irritations of the Skin. Does not stain, grease or blister. Two Sizes, 50c and \$1.00 bottles. Trial Size 10c. Mailed direct, on receipt of price.

HOOPER MEDICINE CO., Dallas, Texas.

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## Get Rich in South Texas

Truck and Fruit Farms of From 10 Acres to 640 Acres and Two Town Lots, for \$210. Payable \$10 per Month Without Interest.

Read What a Disinterested Expert Says of Dr. Chas. F. Simmons 95,000 Acre Ranch Now on the Market.

Orange, Cal., March 1, 1907.

Dr. C. F. Simmons, San Antonio, Texas:

Dear Sir—Yours at hand. I would like to have called at the office when I came back, but it was Sunday and I took the train for home. I was on your 95,000-acre ranch three days. I found it much better than I expected. I am satisfied in my own mind that with proper wind breaks, as we have in this country, oranges, lemons, apricots, figs, olives and almonds can be successfully grown there.

I am sure that south of San Antonio is the natural home of the English walnut.

The soil on your land is much better for fruit raising than it is in this country, because you have a good red clay subsoil, while in Southern California we have gravel and rock that does not hold moisture.

We have to irrigate here at least ten times a year and continually work the orchards, but I don't think this would be necessary on your land in South Texas, at least not so much of it, because the red clay will hold moisture and will give the fruit a better flavor.

Orange orchards in this country are worth from \$500 to \$1,000, and walnuts from \$200 to \$500 per acre.

I think south of San Antonio to the Gulf is a better country than from Los Angeles, Cal., to San Diego, Cal., because the soil is better, there is more water, and the climate is just as good as far as I could see and hear by talking to old settlers, and the land is so cheap that every workingman should have a home.

I am sure that in the near future South Texas will be a prosperous fruit growing country and will be as valuable as Southern California, and the man who will lose money in South Texas is the man that does not get in on this cheap land of yours before it is all gone. A man that has lived in Southern California as long as I have can see the future of South Texas.

Respectfully A. J. WILSON

Never before has there been such an opportunity to secure a home in a delightful location for so little money and on such easy terms. For literature and name of nearest Agent, write

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**DRY GOODS,**

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**and Hardware**

We Buy and Sell All Kinds of Country Produce.

**Moore & Smith**

**Local Items.**

Mr. J. R. Howard is ill. Buy it from French, the Druggist.

See Tony Gossett for work horses. All kinds of feed stuff at Daniel & Burton's.

You get the best if you buy it from French, the Druggist. Ten pounds good Rio coffee for \$1.00 at Daniel & Burton's.

Cleaning and pressing is best done by Shupak Tailoring Co. Figure with us on fertilizer. DANIEL & BURTON.

Nut Cracker tobacco, 33 1/2 cents per pound, at Daniel & Burton's. All kinds of plows and farming implements at Daniel & Burton's.

You can buy groceries and feed stuff cheaper at Daniel & Burton's. The best at the lowest price possible if you buy from French, the Druggist.

Fleece lined underwear going at 90 cents per suit at Daniel & Burton's. All people who trade with us pay the same price. Jas. S. Shivers & Co.

J. E. Bynum and Duncan Blue were among our friends calling to see us Tuesday. Don't fail to get prices from Daniel & Burton before buying your next bill.

J. A. Raterce of Lovelady and I. W. Tatum were callers at THE COURIER office Friday. We can save you money on farming implements. DANIEL & BURTON.

La grippe is prevalent in Houston county. Many cases are reported by the physicians. Make our store your home while in town. DANIEL & BURTON.

Mr. H. F. Moore has just completed a valuable addition to his residence in East Crockett. We handle everything in plows and plow shapes. DANIEL & BURTON.

Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Parker and little son of Trinity were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Self last week. Let us fill your next bill. We can save you money. DANIEL & BURTON.

Mr. J. F. Downes arrived last week from Dallas to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Downes. If you need a stalk cutter, see our line before buying. DANIEL & BURTON.

No more old time credit prices at Jas. S. Shivers & Co's., cash prices and that the lowest to all. Mrs. Chas. P. Luckett of Beaumont, who will be pleasantly remembered here as Miss Lucy Miller, is visiting in the city this week.

**For Sale.** Thirty head of good work mules. Apply to Jim Smith, Crockett. W. H. Hall was in to see us Thursday and informed us that he had moved from Belott to Kennard.

Buy a stalk cutter. Save time and labor, which is money, in its use. For sale at Jas. S. Shivers & Co's.

Marriage license was issued Saturday to Mr. J. C. Bynum and Miss Ola Herod, both of Grape-land.

Irish potato planting has started, Mr. Chas. Clinton being the first to begin. Mr. Clinton planted last week.

The best farmers of the county are using Oliver plows. The best and lightest running. Jas. S. Shivers & Co.

**For Sale.** An Aspenwall potato and corn planter, practically new. Apply to E. D. Terbell.

Baker's perfect barb wire and American hog fence in stock and we have another car coming. Jas. S. Shivers & Co's.

There is a rush on this week to pay taxes. The collector's office was crowded with those eager to save their voting privilege.

Brown Wagons give satisfaction, light running, stronger and better made. In any size at Jas. S. Shivers & Co's.

Mr. J. F. Allbright, living between Crockett and Lovelady, is among our friends who have remembered us since last issue.

**For Rent.** A good six-room house in the Bruner Addition in Crockett. Apply to S. F. Tenney.

THE COURIER office has candidates' cards in both round and square corners. We can print them for you on short notice.

T. A. Fuller of Porter Springs was a visitor at THE COURIER office Friday. He is one of THE COURIER's life-long friends and supporters.

**Wood for Sale.** We have wood any length for sale. Leave orders at office of D. A. Nunn or phone 148. Quick delivery.

Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Henry, formerly of Groveton, but who have been visiting relatives here, left for their new home at Houston Saturday.

Misses Libbie and Shermie Sherman of Kennard and their cousin, Miss Lockhart of Alabama, are guests this week of Miss Stella Sheridan.

W. G. Creath and P. D. Austin were in town Tuesday on their way to Palestine as delegates from Belott camp of the Woodmen of the World.

Call on T. H. Leaverton when in need of lumber. He can supply your wants at low prices. You will find him at the old stand of the Houston Co. Lumber Co.

Bring that suit of clothes to our shop and we will clean it and press it for you as it should be done. SHUPAK TAILORING CO.

**To the Farmers:** Notice is hereby given that our gin will be run only on Fridays from this day on. CROCKETT GINNING CO. November 13, 1907. 42-1f

Filling prescriptions is one of our hobbies. We take special pride in this line of work, and we do it right. You get the benefit of this when you need it most. Bring them to us. MURCHISON & BEASLEY.

We are still after your prescription work. Our aim is to give you the very best always. Don't cost any more. MURCHISON & BEASLEY.

T. T. Bitner, who lives eleven miles southwest of Crockett, was a pleasant visitor at this office Monday. Mr. Bitner is among the county's best farmers and citizens.

THE COURIER has just received a large shipment of cards for the use of candidates. If you are contemplating running for office, we can get out your cards on short notice and in the best style.

No physician can get the best results from his medicines unless the druggist does his full duty in dispensing the prescriptions. We certainly do that. MURCHISON & BEASLEY.

We regret to learn that Judge Porter Newman will leave Crockett about the first of February and go to Houston to reside. He will identify himself with a prominent law firm there and THE COURIER wishes him success.

Under canvas, Thursday, Jan. 30, Bobby Fountain's historical production of "Jim Bowie and Davy Crockett, Heroes of the Alamo." Hear the band concert at noon and 7.30 P. M. Watch for the street parade.

Mr. W. O. Brick of South Texas and Mrs. Burke, who has been living near Crockett, were married in the parlor of the Pickwick hotel Thursday of last week. Rev. F. M. Boyles of the Methodist church performed the ceremony.

THE COURIER office is in receipt of a large shipment of printing paper bought at a cash discount and will be pleased to have its customers call and examine the quality of same. We are in position to supply all Houston county with printed stationery.

**Shingles for Sale.** Two classes of shingles as follows: All heart, sawed, dimensions, \$3.50 per M, delivered. Mixed shingles, same, \$2.25 delivered. Address, J. M. SATTERWHITE, Crockett, Texas.

At a recent election held by the stockholders of the First National Bank of Lovelady, the following officers and directors were elected: J. O. Monday, president; W. W. West, vice president; Roy B. Sample, cashier; G. C. Leffler, Dr. W. B. Collins, H. H. LaRue, directors. Mr. Sample succeeds Mr. Clem F. Corley as cashier, the latter having resigned.

An Atchison couple had a falling out, or rather the Old Steady fell out and the New Beau fell in. The young man, who wants to be sarcastic, sends the girl two big bricks with the note that the bricks represent the load that has been lifted from his heart now that everything is off. The young lady sends back a feather to show what little difference it makes to her.—Atchison Globe.

**Money to Loan.** We make a specialty of loans on land and to farmers. We buy vendors lien notes and any other good paper. If you want to borrow money you will DO WELL to call and get our terms before placing your loan. We buy and sell real estate. WARFIELD BROTHERS, Office North Side Public Square, Crockett, Texas.

County Treasurer D. J. Cater and son, Earle, and County Judge John Spence went to Lovelady Saturday to attend the funeral of Mrs. A. M. Barbee, wife of the late J. R. B. Barbee, and mother of Mrs. Cater, Cal, Mode and Wayne Barbee. The funeral occurred at 2 o'clock and was attended by a large concourse of sorrowing relatives and friends.

**Notice to the Public.** On account of having to move the office of the county clerk soon, I would consider it a great favor if all parties having left papers with me for record that can be withdrawn from this office would please call and get same at once, as they are likely to be misplaced in moving. Trusting you will give this your immediate attention, I am, yours very respectfully, N. E. Allbright, Co. Clk.

Mr. B. F. Dent authorizes THE COURIER to announce him as a candidate for the office of district clerk, subject to the action of the democratic party. Mr. Dent lives at Lovelady and is principal in the Lovelady public school. He also holds a place on the county examining board for teachers' certificates and no young man stands higher in the estimation of the people of Houston county. He is a graduate of the law department of the state university at Austin and is eminently qualified in every respect for the place to which he aspires. Although not having been born at Lovelady, he is a nephew of Mr. W. F. Dent of that place and comes of democratic stock. Mr. Dent solicits the support of the democratic voters of Houston county strictly on his merits and ability to fill the office to the satisfaction of all concerned.

THE COURIER is authorized to make the announcement of Judge B. H. Gardner for re-election to his present office, that of district judge. Judge Gardner's announcement is, of course, subject to the action of the democratic primary. In another place in this issue of THE COURIER will be found an endorsement by the bar of Anderson county of Judge Gardner's course on the bench, and there appears in this paper two clippings from the Palestine papers which speak of him in the highest terms as neighbor, citizen and judge. But he is no stranger to our people, for he has been their district judge for four years, the length of his first term. They know with what fairness he has served them, they know with what dispatch he has conducted the judicial affairs of the county and they know with what resoluteness of purpose he has attempted to give justice to all. They have seen him clear the docket of many criminal cases of long standing, holding special terms of court where necessary. It was Judge Gardner who did away with the practice of re-summoning witnesses in cases continued from time to time and from term to term, a practice that had burdened and was burdening the county with an enormous, unnecessary and illegal expense in official fees. Judge Gardner's name will be found in the announcement column and he will probably be heard from before election day.

**Bankrupt Sale.** In the District Court of the United States for the Eastern District of Texas: Tyler Division. In the matter of John A. Strozzi, Bankrupt; in Bankruptcy, No. 1555. Creditors of the above styled and numbered cause in Bankruptcy will take notice: That Thos. D. Bonner of Tyler, Smith county, Texas, trustee of said estate, will sell at Lovelady, Texas, on or after the 6th day of February, A. D., 1908, at private sale for cash, subject to my approval and confirmation, the stock of drugs invoicing \$351.21, the store and office fixtures, invoicing \$12.00, the uncollected amounting to \$132.36 (accounts). Tyler, Texas, this 27th day of January, A. D. 1908. S. D. REAVES, Referee in Bankruptcy.

**Bankrupt Sale.** In the District Court of the United States for the Eastern District of Texas: Tyler Division. In the matter of R. H. Berry, Bankrupt; in Bankruptcy, No. 1557. Creditors of the above styled and numbered cause in Bankruptcy will take notice: That Thos. D. Bonner of Tyler, Smith county, Texas, trustee of said estate, will sell at Crockett, Texas, on the 6th day of February, A. D. 1908, by sealed bids to the highest bidder for cash, subject to my approval and confirmation, the stock of merchandise consisting principally of groceries, invoicing \$469.49, the store and office fixtures, invoicing \$138.80, and the uncollected accounts amounting to \$98.84. Tyler, Texas, this 27th day of January, A. D. 1908. S. D. REAVES, Referee in Bankruptcy.

**Don't Take the Risk.** When you have a bad cough or cold do not let it drag along until it becomes chronic bronchitis or develops into an attack of pneumonia, but give it the attention it deserves and get rid of it at once. Take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and you are sure of relief. From a small beginning the sale and use of this remedy has reached to all parts of the United States and to many foreign countries. Its many remarkable cures of coughs and colds have won for it this wide reputation and extensive use. For sale by Murchison & Beasley.

**Feedstuff.** I will keep constantly on hand at my warehouse at freight depot all kinds of feedstuff, such as Chops, Bran, Ear Corn and all kinds of Hay. Call and see me—prices are right. Top Price Paid for Hides B. L. SATTERWHITE

**Jas. S. Shivers & Company's Grocery Department**

**OFFERS**

Van Camp's Pork and Beans per can.....8c  
 Van Camp's Corn Beef and Cabbage, per can.....10c  
 Van Camp's Corn Beef Hash per can.....8c  
 Van Camp's Pickled Ox Tongue, per bottle.....16c  
 Van Camp's Melrose Pate per can.....8c  
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Also quite a line of Strawberry, Blackberry, Raspberry, Cherry and Peach Preserves, Pickled Peaches, Etc.

**Bankrupt Sale.** In the District Court of the United States for the Eastern District of Texas: Tyler Division. In the matter of John A. Strozzi, Bankrupt; in Bankruptcy, No. 1555. Creditors of the above styled and numbered cause in Bankruptcy will take notice: That Thos. D. Bonner of Tyler, Smith county, Texas, trustee of said estate, will sell at Lovelady, Texas, on or after the 6th day of February, A. D., 1908, at private sale for cash, subject to my approval and confirmation, the stock of drugs invoicing \$351.21, the store and office fixtures, invoicing \$12.00, the uncollected amounting to \$132.36 (accounts). Tyler, Texas, this 27th day of January, A. D. 1908. S. D. REAVES, Referee in Bankruptcy.

**Bankrupt Sale.** In the District Court of the United States for the Eastern District of Texas: Tyler Division. In the matter of R. H. Berry, Bankrupt; in Bankruptcy, No. 1557. Creditors of the above styled and numbered cause in Bankruptcy will take notice: That Thos. D. Bonner of Tyler, Smith county, Texas, trustee of said estate, will sell at Crockett, Texas, on the 6th day of February, A. D. 1908, by sealed bids to the highest bidder for cash, subject to my approval and confirmation, the stock of merchandise consisting principally of groceries, invoicing \$469.49, the store and office fixtures, invoicing \$138.80, and the uncollected accounts amounting to \$98.84. Tyler, Texas, this 27th day of January, A. D. 1908. S. D. REAVES, Referee in Bankruptcy.

**Don't Take the Risk.** When you have a bad cough or cold do not let it drag along until it becomes chronic bronchitis or develops into an attack of pneumonia, but give it the attention it deserves and get rid of it at once. Take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and you are sure of relief. From a small beginning the sale and use of this remedy has reached to all parts of the United States and to many foreign countries. Its many remarkable cures of coughs and colds have won for it this wide reputation and extensive use. For sale by Murchison & Beasley.

# The Crockett Courier

W. W. AIKEN, Editor and Proprietor.

## PUBLISHER'S NOTICE.

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS.

THE COURIER is authorized to make the following announcements subject to the action of the democratic primary:

For District Judge  
J. J. Faulk  
of Henderson county  
W. K. Bishop  
of Henderson county  
B. H. Gardner  
of Anderson county  
For District Clerk  
B. F. Dent

VERILY, verily, improvements continue in the dwelling places of the optimistic Crockettites, while he that is full of pessimism and cryeth hard times taketh to the woods.

OUR farmer friends should not plant too much of their farm in any one crop. Observation and experience have demonstrated that the most successful farmer is the one who does not depend on any one crop.

LET'S sing the praises of our good streets, and build more of them; of our mild climate, and enjoy it more; of our religious, literary and social advantages, for it is not every community that possesses them. In a word, let's not complain about the things which we have not, but rejoice over the many good things which we have.

THE U. S. Office of Public Roads will supply this paper with practical articles on various features of road building and maintenance, which will be published from time to time. Our subscribers are urged to give this matter careful consideration, and are requested to forward to this office for transmission to the office of Public Roads any practical question which they desire answered relating to road construction and maintenance. Questions and answers will be published by this paper at suitable intervals.

ANYTHING that builds up the county seat builds up the county. It is here that the interests of the whole county are centered. It is here our people are brought to court, it is here that their deeds are recorded, it is here that their marriage licenses are issued and it is here that their divorces are granted. In a humorous sense, it is here that their troubles begin and it is here that their troubles are ended—as far as the law and the courts can begin and end them. Because of increased population the county seat can furnish a better market for the products of the farm and better entertainment for those without our gates when they are within our gates. All interest being in the county seat, its facilities for forwarding and receiving the products of the farm and the products of the factory furnish a subject demanding the serious reflection and consideration of all. All should have a common interest in this subject. For this reason the whole of Houston county should be interested in diverting the Missouri River and Gulf railroad from the course of its present survey to a survey touching the county seat. But Crockett's interest should be paramount within the town itself,

for it is her business men who will have to bear any burden that is imposed and accepted, or the criticism that would follow its rejection. THE COURIER, in common with the business interests of the town in general, and while not deprecating the advantages that might result to any other section, would like to see some concerted effort made to bring the Missouri River and Gulf railroad to Crockett. We need the road. We cannot afford to have any more of our trade territory cut off, such as would be the case if the road were to pass through the western part of the county. This is a serious question for the business interests of the town and THE COURIER asks that every business man in Crockett give it his most careful thought and attention.

CROCKETT has a chance to get the summer normal for next summer if it will but make the effort. A summer normal will mean a great deal for Crockett. It will mean two months of school during the dull season when there is very little else doing and the bringing to Crockett of many teachers as students and teachers. Many of these will be drawn from surrounding counties. Those of our people who will reap the benefits are sleeping on their rights. They should be up and doing or they will see some of our neighboring towns walk off with the plum.

THE COURIER would like to see Congressman Gregg and County Judge John Spence given every possible encouragement in their efforts to get the national government to construct a model road from Crockett to the site of the lock and dam to be constructed at Hurricane Shoals. Incalculable good will result to Houston county from the construction of this road under the supervision of the government's engineers. It is an admitted fact that our people do not know how to build permanent roads and they need the advantage of the government's experiments in this particular work. Give the county judge and the commissioners your encouragement on this subject.

## U. D. C.

On last Saturday afternoon the Daughters of the Confederacy held their first meeting of 1908 with Mrs. W. B. Page on Main street, and was largely attended by the members and a number of visitors.

This being the time set by the local chapter for the celebration of the births of Generals Lee and Jackson, it was especially fitting that it should be commemorated in this home, as these heroes were natives of Virginia, and the estimable hostess, who is also a Virginian, spared no pains in making the day a memorable one. Her cordial hospitality pervaded the atmosphere of her elegantly furnished home, so richly adorned with a rare collection of statuary, hand-painted china, works of art and bric-a-brac gathered while on a recent extensive tour.

In the absence of the president the historian, Mrs. Nunn, presided, and the meeting was opened by reading the 133rd Psalm and repeating in unison the Lord's prayer. After the business session an unusually interesting program followed:

Music, instrumental, "Old Black Joe"—Zerah Gaines.

Greeting from State Historian—read by Mrs. Estelle W. Smith. Lee's Standing as a General—Mrs. D. A. Nunn.

Tribute to Gen. Robt. E. Lee—Miss Hortense LeGory.

Tribute to Gen. Stonewall Jack-

son—Miss Stella Sheridan. Poem, "Stonewall Jackson's Way"—Miss Margaret Woodson. Reading, "The Sword of Lee"—Miss Robards.

Music, "Dixie," Northrup's Transcription—Miss Mary Langston. At the conclusion of the exercises the chair introduced Miss Robards of Dallas, who is getting up an entertainment under the auspices of the D. A. Nunn Chapter, their part of the proceeds to go toward the maintenance of the Confederate Woman's Home at Austin. It is hoped there will be a liberal patronage, for in no better way can we honor the soldier than by providing for these aged, helpless wives and mothers who gave their all to home and country.

Miss Robards proved herself to be a talented musician and reader when requested to give some selections of her own, and furnished a rare treat to the daughters, after which Mrs. Page, assisted by Mesdames Frank Edmiston, Robt. Wootters and Sydnor Murchison, served hot chocolate, "the cup that cheers," with "Lady Baltimore" cake and bon-bons.

The chapter was invited to meet with Miss LeGory at her home on North street February 29th.

Mrs. H. F. CRADDOCK,  
Cor. Sec.

## HON. B. H. GARDNER

Announces for District Judge of This  
the Third Judicial District.

From the Palestine Herald.

Hon. B. H. Gardner authorizes the Herald to announce him as a candidate for re-election to the district judgeship of this, the Third Judicial District, subject to the action of the democratic party. Judge Gardner is at present holding this important office, completing his first term, and his record is before the people of the district. The Herald believes that no one will question the fact that Judge Gardner has made a splendid judge and made such a record as would entitle him to the best consideration of the voters of the district. His administration of the affairs of this important office has at all times been wise and inspired with a view to best serving the people of the district and guaranteeing justice to all. As a judge his ability is unquestioned, and as a man and a citizen his home people are best prepared to pass judgment and the Herald is sure it speaks the sentiments of all his neighbors and friends in saying that no man enjoys more fully the love and esteem of his fellow citizens than does Judge Gardner. As an indication of the esteem in which Judge Gardner is held by the members of the Anderson county bar, the attention of the reader is called to the resolutions passed by the members of the bar in session yesterday, commending the official conduct of the judge, and expressing confidence in the man. As a neighbor of the Judge, the Herald knows that he deserves all of the good things that can be said of him.

Advertisement.

## Tent Show Coming.

On Thursday, Jan. 30 the people of Crockett are to have the pleasure of witnessing Bobby Fountains historical production of "Jim Bowie and Davy Crockett, Heroes of the Alamo," presented under a large waterproof canvas located on the Crook lot. The Co. carries horses, cowboys, cowgirls, soldiers, Mexicans, two special cars, a large band and orchestra, and in fact everything that is needed to give a first class production. Band concert at noon and 7.30 P. M. Watch for the parade.

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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 the unknown heirs of Ramon De La Garza, deceased, and the unknown heirs of Joseph N. Craddock, 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 2nd Monday in March, 1908, the same being the 9th day of March, 1908, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 7th day of January, 1908, in a suit, numbered on the Docket of said Court No. 5074, wherein Charles Edmiston and F. G. Edmiston are Plaintiffs and the unknown heirs of Ramon De La Garza, deceased, and the unknown heirs of Joseph N. Craddock, deceased, are Defendants, and said petition alleging that Plaintiffs are the owners in fee simple of the following described tract or parcel of land, to-wit: Being 300 acres, more or less, out of Section Number 23, according to the sub-division plat of the Ramon De La Garza 11 League Grant, situated on the eastern bank of the Trinity river in said Houston County, said Section No. 23 being described by field notes as follows: Beginning at the N W corner of Section No. 23 and the N E corner of Section No. 24 and the S E corner of Section No. 17 and the S W corner of Section No. 18. Thence S 35 E between Sections 23 and 24 at 1900 vrs to the S W corner of said Section No. 23. Thence N 55 E at 1900 vrs to the S E corner of said Section No. 23. Thence N 35 W at 1900 vrs to the N E corner of said Section 23. Thence S 55 W between Sections Nos. 23 and 18 at 1900 vrs to the N W corner of said Section No. 23, the place of beginning, containing 640 acres of land, more or less, and said 300 acres being all of said Section except 340 acres out of same conveyed by Lucy Clark and H. B. Clark to Mobley & Dailey by deed dated September 22nd, 1898, and recorded in Book 23, page 122, of the Houston County Deed Records, to which reference is here made for description of said 340 acres. Plaintiffs further allege that they own and claim said land under and by virtue of deeds and instruments duly executed from and under the sovereignty of the soil, but Plaintiffs show and allege that the deed from Ramon De La Garza conveying said land and the deed from Joseph N. Craddock conveying said land; both of said deeds having been executed to Plaintiffs remote grantors, have been lost or destroyed, and upon trial secondary evidence of the existence and execution of said deed and the destruction of same will be offered, and Plaintiffs allege that by reason of the destruction of said deed a cloud is cast on their title. Plaintiffs pray Judgment for said land removing all clouds and quieting their title to same, and for 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 the seal of said Court, at office in Crockett, Texas, this the 7th day of January, 1908.

J. B. STANTON,  
Clerk District Court, Houston County.  
ADAMS & ADAMS,  
Attorneys for Plaintiffs.

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# Notice to Farmers.

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Jas. S. Shivers & Comp'y,  
By Jas. S. Shivers, President.

## Judge B. H. Gardner.

From Palestine Advocate.

Judge Gardner authorizes us to announce him as a candidate for re-election to the office of judge of the third judicial district.

At a meeting of the bar association of this city held yesterday, Judge Gardner received the unqualified endorsement of every lawyer of Palestine, and we can only add our sincere assent to all these gentlemen say in his favor. They all know him best on the bench as lawyer and judge; we know him better as a good citizen and upright Christian gentleman and we believe he unites all these characteristics and is worthy to again hold the high office he has so satisfactorily filled in the past. Advertisement.

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