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GRAND JURY REPORT.

REVIEW OF COMMISSIONER LIVE LY'S CRITICISM.

Observations on the Commissioner's Record and Allied Subjects.

(FIRST INSTALLMENT.)

Editor Courier: The rush of business incident to the holidays being over, I hope I shall not be trespassing overmuch in asking the Courier to be generous and the reading public to be patient while the writer presents the views of himself and other members of the Grand Jury on the article of Commissioner Lively. The article is not worthy of notice at length but it affords a text for some observations touching the manner the financial affairs of Houston county are guarded and looked after and from this point of view it is a source of pleasure to be able to get before the public and turn on the light. It is not possible to say all to be said in one issue of this paper for the field is an inviting one and rich in material for discussion and

The last Grand Jury was not the first or only body of which the writer has been a member to roll up their sleeves and go into the doings of the Commissioners' Court or some member thereof. It occurs to the writer that in nearly every report of the Grand Jury for a year or more there has been more or less drawing that grave body of statesmen over the coals. That is evident to every one who can read. The writer is one of those who hold to the maxim that "public office is a public trust" and those chosen to fill official places servants and not

lasters of the people. Commissioner Lively is exceedingly sensitive over any investigation or criticism of his record or that of the court. This is not the first time he has rushed headlong into print to defend something indefensible, to occupy the public ear with his trumpet of self-glorification and to acclaim himself the Twentieth Century Napoleon of Commissioner Lively can slush and slump and slop along in his original and unique way for which he seems to have a genius and no one must dare exercise the sovereign right to question anything he or the court does. After he has been in office longer he will learn a great deal more about the right of the public in the conduct of their affairs. As yet he has been in office only long enough to put a bad taste in

He appeals to his Guide as his "Pillar of Fire" and is ever ready to rap whosoever questions his official conduct over the head with the frayed-out remains. After a little more light is thrown on some things, the public will conclude that a safer mentor would be the Ten Commandments instead of the Guide.

Are Houston county official bodies the only ones who have the directors.

dared to rise up and say aught about the Commissioners' Court Doctor Brumby, paid his respects to some members of that body a short time since. Where was Commissioner Lively then that he didn't resent the impudent intrumembers of the Houston county Commissioners' Court evidently had a "touch of the hook-worm malady and needed a dose of thymol or thyme" (not time, please note Mr. Lively) where was Mr. Lively then? When Dr. Brumby virtually applied the epithet of the "Hook Worm" Court to our honorable, worthy body, oh! where was Roderick then? Did he hart back the base imputation through the Post or the News or did he go slumping and sloshing out into the cover-in profound silence? Never has there been a Grand Jury, a Finance of Roderick Lively.

Not a sound was heard, Only a whispering note,

As that letter in the archives we buried: Not a commissioner took a farewell shot As back to his home he hurried.

We put it down deep, at dead of night, The hole for that "hook-worm" letter: We hoped it never would see the light Nor greet the gaze of human sight, And Roderick felt all the better.

Mr. Editor, this communication is but a beginning, introductory ple a New Year's party last Saturto one next week in which we day and everybody seemed to have shall open up on some of the a nice time. statements Commissioner Lively has made. We propose since he school at Tyler Sunday. has opened the subject to review some of the charges he has made, the Union Grove school, spent We also intend to analyze his al- Saturday and Sunday with home leged facts and figures—compare folks. his claims with the hard, indisputable facts as/shown by the Gilbert were married Sunday eve minutes of the Commissioners' at three-thirty, Rev. Snell of Court. The public will likely find Groveton officiating. Miss Alice some of it interesting, very inter- Gilbert is the daughter of Mr. and esting, if Commissioner Lively Mrs. Joe Gilbert and is one of doesn't. This road law of which Lone Pines prettiest and most he so glibly and flippantly speaks charming young ladies. Mr. Calhas a very interesting history and Mann is a farmer and belongs to we think the public will agree the best of old Southern families. with us when we present some Mr. and Mrs. Mann will make features of it. W. B. Page.

The First National Bank.

National Bank of Crockett met have a few old bachelors down Tuesday and elected the following here, and may be if they could board of directors for the ensuing find them a cook they would quit year: H. F. Moore, J. B. Smith, grumbling about times being dull. Jas. S. Shivers, Arch Baker, M. P. Jensen, D. G. Moore and W.

Following this the directors and Gilbert marriage Sunday eve. held a session and elected the following officers: H. F. Moore, president; J. B. Smith, vice president; Arch Baker, active vice president, and M. P. Jensen,

Arch Baker was formerly cashter and M. P. Jensen assistant cashier, each of whom have received promotion at the hands of tion. Sold by The Murchison-

The Crockett State Bank.

At the regular annual meeting or Commissioner Lively? We of the stock holders of the Crockunderstand that the reputation of ett State Bank on last Tuesday, some members of the Court has the following directors were electassumed state wide proportions ed to serve for the ensuing year: and reached the Capital of the W. H. Denny, G. Q. King, W. A. state; that State Health Officer, Norris, C. C. Stokes, E. T. Ozier, B. L. Satterwhite and Geo. W.

Immediately following the stock holders' meeting, the directors met and elected the following sion of Dr. Brumby? When Dr officers: W. H. Denny, president; Brumby said in fact that some [G. Q. King, vice president; D. O. Kiessling, cashier.

A dividend of 10 per cent was declared and \$1000.00 was passed to surplus,

The president of the bank, on being interviewed in regard to the affairs of the bank, stated that he was very much gratified with the business the bank had received during the past twelve months, and that the future outlook for the institution was very encouraging, and being asked about th new Bank Guarantee law, that the Crockett-State Bas accepted the guarantee feature

the State Banking law, and that Committee or a citizen of Houston with the pank's resources which courty who was bold enough to were now over \$200,000.00, and say as hard a thing of any member the protection offered the depositor members of an official body as or under the State Bank Guaran-State Health Officer Brumby, tee law, that, in his opinion, this And still not a ripple of sound or bank offered absolute protection a wheezy blast from the trumpet to the depositor, and he stated further that, with the present resources of the bank, it was able to extend all accommodations consistent with conservative banking methods to its patrons.

Lone Pine Locals.

Editor Courier:

Miss Edna Burton was on the sick list this week.

Mrs. Wills gave the young peo-

Mr. Edd Mann returned to

Mr. Hubert Burton, teacher of

Mr. Cal Mann and Miss Alice their home at Saw Dust.

Mr. Editor, I wish you would get a bunch of girls together and The stockholders of the First send them down this way. We

> Miss Ada Brewton spent Saturday and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert, attending the Mann

Success to the Courier. A Friend.

Every Mother

is or should be worried when the little ones have a cough or cold. It may lead to croup or pleurisy or pneumonia-then to something more serious. Ballard's Horehound Syrup will cure the trouble at once and prevent any complica-Beasley Drug Co.

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GOR YOUR liberal patronage during the year that has just closed, and with full confidence in our ability to serve the trading public better, we come before you in this way and ask that you give us a greater portion of your business for the year 1910. It shall be our aim to keep before our customers only the very newest and freshest goods of every kind in each and every department of our great store, and always at rock bottom prices. And now in order to close out some few items before the season closes and in order to make room for the new goods which are daily coming in, we call your attention specially to the following articles:

Ladies' Felt Slippers.

Of these we have a very fine collection that we desire to close and are now selling the \$1.50 kind for \$1.25 and the \$1.75 and \$2.00 kind are going for \$1.35.

Next we offer you

Ladies', Misses' and Children's Cloaks.

We have quite a good many of that we wish to close out and in order to do so will offer each and every one at 10 per cent above cost. These are excellent bargains and should attract your attention.

Child's Leggins.

Something nice—ask about them. We also offer special prices on men's and boys' leggins and rubber boots.

Men's Work Gloves.

We have a large stock of these and the quality is the very best. All will go at special closing prices.

Laprobes.

We have a few very fine lap robes that we desire to close out at very low prices. Be sure to see them if you want something of this kind.

Clothing for Men and Boys.

We have a few suits of these left for both men and boys, good smooth stock, and they, too, must move in order to get the roomand in order to close these we will offer all at cost, and many of these suits will go at below cost price.

Ladies' Dress Skirts.

We have a fine lot and will close at 10 per cent above cost. Don't fail to see them. All bright, new and snappy styles, but we must make room for the spring stock which is soon to arrive.



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U. D. C.

meeting of unusual interest that of the D. A. Nunn Chap-U. D. C., at the residence of G. Q. King, Dec. 27, 1909. A prit of good cheer and hostality pervaded the atmosphere this lovely home, as the guests re received at the door by Mesmes King and J. C. Millar, and hered into the spacious reception Il and parlor, which had been autifully decorated for the occaon in the yule-tide colors of red and Pritchard Millar.

nd green. The decorations were Christastide suggestions throughout. pended holly wreaths encircling istmas bells, and festoons of served with appropriate exercises. ailing smilax intermingled with he red of holly berries draped the alls and arches—everywhere the mbolic colors of red and green ere artistically blended.

The first hours were devoted to he usual routine of business.

The President being unable to e present, Mrs. W. C. Lipscomb, st V. Pres., called the meeting to order, and after the opening prayusiness on hand.

This being concluded, our delete to the State convention at wood, Mrs. Berta Wootters, s. Nunn who elso attended, oth gave interesting and instructive reports of the proceedings of

In response to a call for new mbers, the chapter was delighted to add to its membership the mes of Mrs. H. Durst and Mrs. W. LeGory, whom we hope will find our work both pleasant and instructive.

As a de ghtful conclusion to the program, musical selections by Mrs. J. P. Hail and Mrs. Willis Higginbotham were very much en-Quite a number of visitors were

After the chapter adjourned a social half hour was enjoyed by the hostess and her guests, during which time delicious refreshments of chocolate and fruit cake were served by Mesdames J. C. Millar

present and greatly added to the

interest of the meeting. Among

the out of town guests were, Mes-

dames P. R. Denman, Jere Crook,

Abe Prewitt, D. H. Barnett, Willis

Higginbotham and Miss Wake-

The next place of meeting will be with Mrs. D. A. Nunn, Jan. 29, 1910, on which occasion the rom chandeller and arch were birthdays of Generals Lee and Stonewall Jackson will be ob-

> Mrs. John LeGory, Cor. and Rec. Secretary.

U. D. C.

Historical program for D. A. N. Chapter U. D. C., month of January, observance of "Anniversary in Honor of Generals Robert E. Lee and Stonewall Jackson," January 29, 1910, 3 p. m.:

1. Roll call. Name some mer, proceeded to dispose of the morial or philanthropic work of the Daughters of the Confederacy.

2. Music.

3. Reading, "Memorial Ode to Robert E. Lee."

4. Paper, "Review of the Life of General Lee."

5. Talk, "General Grant, as to the Surrender of General Lee's Sword." (See Confederate Vet-

eran, August 19, 1909, page 414.) 6. Reading, "Stonewall Jackson-As a Friend, Patriot and

Christian."

7. Song, "Let Us Pass Over the River and Rest Under the Shade of the Trees."

8. Music, "Dixie." Mrs. D. A. Nunn,

Historian.



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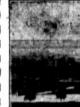
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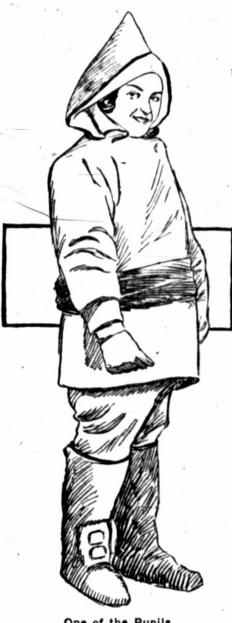
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Class of Chicago Children, In Eskimo Garb Study in the Open

Chicago.-While their teacher shivered and wished for garments such as Cook and Peary wore in the polar regions, 30 little children clad in Eskimo garb studied their lessons on the roof of the Mary Crane Nursery during the recent cold snap."

Thirty pairs of eyes sparkled and 30 pairs of cheeks rivaled the rose in tint, although the children in attendance are those threatened with tuberculosis.

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the branches of the United Charities of Chicago, and is under the superintendency of Miss Myra Brockett. Dr. James A. Britton, physician in charge, is enthusiastic over the results of the experiment of keeping these children in the open air.

"There is no question of the benefit they are deriving from this mode of treatment," he said. "They gain at least one pound a week in weight, and some have gained as much as five pounds. One boy who had been sick for a year before he came to us in September, weighing 771/2 pounds, now weighs 96% pounds. Pretty good argument, isn't it?"

Miss Esther Sandus, the teacher sent by the board of education to conduct this school, reported to Mrs. Ella Flagg Young, superintendent of schools, that the children complained of the cold. Miss Sandus says that while she considers the plan to be eminently a good one, it should be modified to suit the more delicate chil-

Literally So.

Owing to a change for the worse in the character of the neighborhood a family which for many years had lived in the same house was compelled to sell it and move elsewhere. Their old house became a Home for Aged Colored Women. One day a member of the family happened to visit it. Things were indeed different within. Being one of those who harbor a sense of humor, the former occupant, in whom his old abode was filled, re. tween being interesting or original." marked:

"I may truthfully say the whole complexion of the place has changed."

The First House.

At some time man had little better than a hole in the ground for a home. The strong man would be satisfied in such life, for he would be too busy to think out anything better. But there were others. Now, somebody or other invented and built the first house, tamed the fox and wolf into man's best friend, and made of wild, horned animals the milk and flesh kine; even as the wild plant, the wild vine, the educate him. wild tree, the wild root were domesticated, and improved and helped along civilization. Was it woman or man? .-New York Press.

Fluctuating Price of Brick. The average price of common brick at the kiln decreased from six dollars in 1907 to \$5.73 in 1908, while for vitrified paving brick the cost in 1907 was \$11.02 as against \$10.90 last year.

Says McGowan: "Some min shape dheir moral duty on th' belafe th't dheir enemies 'ill all tie foorst." -Cleveland News.

BACKACHE—A SIGNAL OF DISTRESS

A WARNING THAT MUST NOT BE IGNORED

Pain in the back is the kidneys' signal of distress. If this timely warning is ignored, kidney disease silently fastens its deadly grip—for kidney sickness first shows itself in pains and disorders in other parts, and the real cause is too often hidden until fatal Bright's disease or diabetes has set in. Suspect the kidneys if you are rheumatic and nervous or have lame back, painful, too frequent or scanty urination, weak heart, dizzy spells, headaches, bloating or neuralgia. What you want is a special kidney medicine — not an experiment, but one that has stood the test for years. Doan's Kidney Pills relieve weak, congested kidneys—cure backache—regulate the urine.



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DOAN'S KIDNEY PILLS began curing lame backs and sick kidneys 75 years ago. The demand lead a nearby druggist, James Doan, to prepare it for sale. From him the magic formula passed to the present proprietors. Now, as in those early days, Doan's Kidney Pills are made from only the purest drugs and are absolutely non-poisonous. They are used and praised all over the civilized world.



DOAN'S KIDNEY PILLS MAKE LASTING CURES

J. R. Black, 1005 E. Sixth street. Topeka, Kansas, says: "In the spring of 1899 Doan's Kidney Pills brought me such great relief that I did not hesitate to make the fact known and give this remedy my most earnest endorsement. In my statement I said that for three years I had suffered from kidney complaint. I had a dull grumbling ache across the small of my back that greatly inconvenienced me when reaching and straining in doing my work. An annoying kidney weakness was also in evidence and it was out of the question for me to sleep well. In the morning I was all tired out and it can be seen that I was in bad shape. The use of Doan's Kidney Pills quickly and surely drove away these symptoms of kidney complaint and I have since been in good

The foregoing statement was given in March 1905, and when Mr. Black was interviewed on Nov. 12, 1908, he said: "I have never had a return attack of kidney complaint and I know that my cure is a permanent one. My faith in Doan's Kidney Pills is stronger than ever.

Mrs. James Crooks, First St., N. W., Americ Fork, Utah, says, "I had kidney complaint for t years or more. Sometimes a twinge darted through the small of my back and I often became so help that I was compelled to go to bed with my clo on. The attacks often lasted for days at a and I could not even stoop to put on my s My condition was certainly alarming. The s tions from my kidneys were irregular in pa and contained a heavy sediment after sta-well know what the misery kidney causes and I can therefore appreciate the merits of a remedy that cures this disease. Doan's Kidney Pills lived up to the claims made for them in my case and effected a cure. My kidneys were restored to a normal condition and my health greatly improved." (Statement given Aug. 22,1902) On Aug. 24, 1909, Mrs. Crooks was interviewed by one of our representatives and she said. "It gives me pleasure to reendorse Doan's Kidney Pills. They cured my backache and my health

is now good. Other members of my family have

taken this remedy with decided benefit."

Cut out this coupon, mail it to Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y. A free trial package of Doan's Kidney Pills will be mailed you



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Still in the Family. Among the domestic duties of a young husband is the careful swervision of the toilets of his wife's two horrid?" dogs, one a Great Dane and the other a by no means diminutive St. Bernard.

"Oh, Marie," shouted hubby from the yard late one afternoon, "there's not a flea on the dogs now!" "How splendid!" shouted back

Marie. "Not a single flea?"

"No!" yelled Tom. "They are all on

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A Question to Be Considered. "Do you consider plagiarism permis-

sible under any circumstances?" "Well," answered Senator Sorghum, describing his impressions while vit's pretty hard when you find youramong the aged colored women with self compelled to make a choice be-

> For Headache Try Hicks' Capudine. Whether from Colds, Heat, Stomach or Nervous troubles, the aches are speedily relieved by Capudine, It's Liquid-pleas-ant to take—Effects immediately, 10, 25 and 50c at Drug Stores.

> The happiness of our later life is in great part made up of the pleasurable memories of early years .- Dr. Alexan-

> A TRIFLING COUGH will become a permanent one unless stopped. Allen's Lung Balsam will surely stop it. A 25c bottle is large enough for that. Sold by all druggists, 25c, 50c and \$1.00 bottles.

It costs a young man more to uneducate himself than it cost his father to

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No Nonsense to Him. "John," she said, "don't you think this talk about trial marriages is just

"Oh, I dunno." "Why, you don't believe in them yourself, do you?"

'Have to. If there's any marriage that ain't a trial you just show me."-Stray Stories.

Tightness across the chest means a cold on the lungs. It means misery and discomfort every minute, if nothing worse. What's the answer? Rub the chest with Hamlins Wizard Oil quick.

There comes a moment in every man's life when he regrets his inability to kick himself.

Genuine Seedless Satsuma **Orange Trees**

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DEFIANCE STARCH to the Iron.

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Stomach Blood and Liver Troubles

Much sickness starts with weak stomach, and consequent poor, impoverished blood. Nervous and pale-people lack good, rich, red blood. Their stomachs need invigorating for, after all, a man can be no stronger than his stomach. A remedy that makes the stomach strong and the liver active, makes rich red blood and overcomes and drives out disease-producing bacteria and cures a whole multi-

Get rid of your Stomach Weakness and Liver Laziness by taking a course of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery the great Stomach Restorative, Liver Invigorator and Blood Cleanser.

You can't afford to accept any medicine of unknown composition as a substitute for "Golden Medical Discoy which is a medicine of known composition, having complete list of ingredients in plain English on its bottle-wrapper, same being attested as correct under oath.

After a man has flattered a woman

she begins to think it over and de-

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A small boy never looks comfortable

cides that he really meant it.

in his Sunday clothes.

Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets regulate and invigorate Stomach, Liver and Bowels.





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RESTORING FARM LAND.

The world will not soon starve. The fertility of the soil is increasing and there is no such thing as the exhaustion of land. The chief of the bureau PRESIDENT HANDLES TWO IMof soils of the department of agriculture recently wrote a pamphlet or bulletin which gives negation to the croaks of soil pessimists, says Washington Star. The productiveness of WANTS NEW COURT CREATED land in the United States is increasing. The average wheat yield per acre in this country is two bushels greater Tribunal Would Hear Cases Arising than it was 40 years ago, though the corn yield per acre is slightly lower. Ignorant or careless tillage has despoiled much American land of its fertility. New England has a vast acreage of "abandoned farms," though the acreage is not so large as it was a few years ago. This result is due both to improvement of cultural methods and to the high price of farm produce. Around Washington, particularly southward, is a big area of wornout land given over to old fields, pines, scrub pine and brush. This was brought about by indefensible methods of hasbandry. This land can be restored. Goodly patches have been made fertile. The restoration of land requires some capital. It costs money to treat it with commercial fertilizer. It also costs money to restore it by the legume route. Clover seed is not cheap, and it takes time to get a stand of clover when the start is made on poor land. A farmer whose bank balance is not big (and there are such despite current reports), who has fields of poor land, faces quite a problem in bringing up this land to a high degree of fertility. It can be done, but there are difficulties to overcome.

When we look at the age in which we live from any but the grossly material viewpoint—from the viewpoint
of the things of the highest importance

money.

"2) All cases brought to enjoin, set
aside, annul or suspend any order or
requirement of the interstate commerce -do we feel this exultant condescension of the invention-dazzled person? Do we feel that the world has measured countless leagues of honor, morality, nobility, ideality, since Philip Sidney gave the dying man that immortal drink of water? Perhaps some do. But we fancy the great majority will feel wonder at the slow progress of humanity toward its goal and humility at the thought of the slight superstructure we have raised on what the "agonies of heart and brain" of all the ages have transmitted to us. This is a wonderful age in which we live, as every age before it has been as every age that follows it will be. But let us not deceive ourselves. The deathless laurel waits not for the inventor alone. An age which boasted nothing more important than his triumphs would stand naked and ashamed

The Bank of England has raised the discount rate, which is fair warning to speculators to go slow. The Bank of England always takes such action when protection of the gold reserve is desirable, and recent demands for the metal have convinced the managers that the action is opportune. Business conditions here and elsewhere are sound at heart, and the resumption of activity in nearly every line of industry is evident to all. The big crops also contribute their share toward American prosperity. But it is apparently an invariable rule that such revivals are attended by more or less speculation endangering commercial stability. The lessons of the past have no effect, and reckless individuals plunge in without regard to the risk involved to others as well as themselves. The putting up of the discount rate is a signal that should be heeded, and doubtless other institutions will take the hint.

The little republic of Costa Rica is ordinarily the most peaceful of the Central American countries and tries to get along with the neighbors without trouble. But the invasion of Costa Rica by a force of troops from Nicaragua may spell a little excitement down that way. Presumably the Nicaraguan soldiers are in pursuit of insurgents who have taken refuge in Honduras, but that is no way to .reat a friendly nation, and naturally Costa and trame agreements, the president Rica will demand an explanation.

Shooting Americans is going to prove unhealthy sport for our South American neighbors. But in the meantime all good Americans in other countries should try to keep out of troubles which might naturally embarrass their own government.

THE CROCKETT COURIER. COMMERCE LAW AND THE TRUSTS TREATED BY TAFT

PORTANT TORICS IN HIS SPE-CIAL MESSAGE TO CONGRESS.

Under the Interstate Law-Chief Executive Also Urges Federal Incorporation Statute to Suppress Abuses and Not to Destroy Legitimate Combinations of Capital.

Washington, Jan. 7 .- Needed legislation concerning the interstate commerce law and the control of trusts formed the sub-ect of President Taft's special message to congress. The president calls attento congress. The president calls atten-tion to the partial failure of the present ommerce law to get results because of the frequent appeals from its decisions to federal courts and the slowness of the supreme court in deciding these cases.

The message says:
"It would not be proper to attempt to secured so as to bring about an effective, systematic and scientific enforcement of the comerce law, rather than conflicting decisions and uncertainty of final result.

Recommends "Court of Commerce." "For this purpose I recommend the establishment of a court of the United States composed of five judges designated for such purpose from among the circuit judges of the United States, to be known as the 'United States, to be '

"(3) All such cases as under section 3 of the act of February 19, 1903, known as the 'Elkins act,' are authorized to be maintained in a circuit court of the Uni-

"(4) All such mandamus proceedings as under the provisions of section 20 or section 20 of the interstate commerce law are authorized to be maintained in a circuit court of the United States. asons precisely analogous to those induced the congress to create the

which induced the congress to create the court of customs appeals by the provisions in the tariff act of August 5, 1909, may be urged in support of the creation of the commerce court.

"In order to provide a sufficient number of judges to enable this court to be constituted it will be necessary to authorize the appointment of five additional circuit judges, who, for the purposes of appointment, might be distributed to those circuits where there is at the present time the largest volume of business such as the second, third, fourth, seventh and eighth circuits. The act should empower the chief justice at any time when the business of the court of commerce does not require the services of all the judges to reassign the judges designated to that court to the circuits to which they respectively belong; and it should also provide for payment to such judges while sitting by assignment in the court of commerce of such additional amount as its necessary to bring their annual compensation up to \$10,000.

Only Second to Supreme Court.

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"The regular sessions of such court should be held at the capitol, but it should be empowered to hold sessions in different parts of the United States if found desirable; and its orders and judgments should be made final, subject only to review by the supreme court of the United States, with the provision that the operation of the decree appealed from shall not be stayed unless the supreme court shall so order. The commerce court should be empowered in its discretion to restrain or suspend the operation of an order of the interstate commerce commission under review pending the final hearing and determination of the proceeding, but no such restraining order should be made except upon notice and afetr hearing, unless in cases where irreparable made except upon notice and afetr hearing, unless in cases where irreparable
damage would otherwise ensue to the petitioner. A judge of that court might
be empowered to allow a stay of the
sommission's order for a period of not
more than 60 days, but pending application to the court of its order or injunction, then only where his order shall contain a specific finding based upon evidence submitted to the judge making the
order and identified by reference thereto
that such irreparable damage would rethat such irreparable damage would re-

suit to the petitioner, specifying the na-ture of the damage."
"Under the existing law the interstate commerce commission itself initiates and defends litigation in the courts for the enforcement, or in the defense of its orders and decrees, and for this purpose it employs attorneys, who, while subject to the control of the attorney general, act upon the initiative and under the instructions of the commission. This blanding upon the initiative and under the instructions of the commission. This blending of administrative, legislative and judicial functions tends, in my opinion, to impair the efficiency of the commission by clothing it with partisan characteristics and robbing it of the impartial judicial attitude it should occupy in passing upon questions submitted to it. In my opinion all litigation affecting the government should be under the direct control of the department of justice; and I therefore recommend that all proceed-I therefore recommend that all proceed-ings affecting orders and decrees of the ings affecting orders and decrees of the interstate commerce commission be brought by or against the United States, en nomine, and be placed in charge of an assistant attorney general acting under the direction of the attorney general."

Would Permit Agreements. Coming to the subject of railroad pools

"The Republican platform of 1908 ex-pressed the belief that the interstate commerce law should be further amendcommerce law should be further amend-ed so as to give the railroads the right to make any public traffic agreements subject to the approval of the commis-sion, but maintaining always the prin-ciple of competition between naturally competing lines, and avoiding the com-mon control of such lines by any means

whatsoever.
"In view of the complete control over

rate-making, and other practices of in-terstate carriers established by the acts of congress, and as recommended in this communication, I see no reason why agreements between carriers subject to the act, tpecifying the classifications of freight and the rates, fares and charges for transportation of passengers and freight which they may agree to establish should not be permitted, provided, copies of such agreements be promptly filed with the commission, but subject to all the provisions of the interstate commerce act and subject to the right of merce act, and subject to the right of any parties to such agreement to cancel it as to all or any of the agreed rates, fares, charges, or classifications by 30 days' notice in writing to the other par-ties and to the commission."

Other Amendments Urged. In accord with other declarations of the Republican platform of 1908, the president Republican platform of 1908, the president further recommends that the interstate commerce law be amended so as to provide, that no railroad company subject to the commerce act shall, directly or indirectly, acquire any interests of any kind in capital stock, or purchase or lease any railroad, or any other corporation which competes with it respecting business to which the interstate commerce act applies; that a law be enacted providing "that no railroad corporation subject to the interstate commerce act shall hereafter for any purpose connected with or relating to any part of its act shall hereafter for any purpose con-nected with or relating to any part of its business governed by said act, issue any capital stock without previous or simul-taneous payment to it of not less than the par value of such stock, or any bonds or other obligations (except notes matur-ing not more than one year from the date of their issue), without the previdate of their issue), without the previous or simultaneous payment to such corporation of not less than the par value of such bonds, or other obligations, or, if issued at less than their par value, then not without such payment of the reasonable market value of such bonds or obligations as ascertained by the interests, companies or and that or obligations as ascertained by the in-terstate commerce commission; and that no property, service, or other thing than money, shall be taken in payment to such carrier corporation, of the par or other required price of such stock, bond or oth-er obligation, except the fair value of such property, services or other using as-certained by the commission." certained by the commission,

Would Prevent Wrong Practices.

The president continues: "I believe these suggested modifications in and amendments to the interstate conmerce act would make it a complete and effective measure for securing reasonableness of rates and fairness of practices in the operation of interstate railroad lines, without undue preference to any individual or class over any others.

"By my direction the attorney general

al or class over any others.

"By my direction the attorney general has drafted a bill to carry out these recommendations, which will be furnished upon request to the appropriate committee whenever it may be desired.

"In addition to the foregoing amendments of the interstate commerce law. "In addition to the foregoing an ments of the interstate commerce ments of the interstate commerce law, the interstate commerce commission should be given the power, after a hearing, to determine upon the uniform construction of these appliances—such as sill steps, ladders, roof hand holds, running boards and hand brakes on freight cars engaged in interstate commerce—used by the trainmen in the operation of trains, the defects and lack of uniformity in which are apt to produce accidents and injuries to railway trainmen. The wonderful reforms effected in the number of switchmen and trainmen injured by coupling accidents, due to the enforced introduction of safety couplers, is a demonstration of what car, be done if railroads stration of what car. be done if railroads are compelled to adopt proper safety ap-

"The question has arisen in the opera-"The question has arisen in the opera-tions of the interstate commerce employ-ers' liability act, as to whether suit can be brought against the employer com-pany in any place other than that of its home office. The right to bring the suit under this act should be as easy of en-forcement as the right of a private person not in the company's employ to sue on an ordinary claim, and process in each suit should be sufficiently served if upon the station agent of the company upor whom service is authorized is made, to bond the company in ordinary actions arising under state laws. Bills for both the foregoing purposes have been considered by the house of representatives and have been passed, and are now before the interstate commerce committee. fore the interstate commerce committee of the senate. I ear, I earnestly urge that they

Control of the Trusts.

The second part of the message is devoted to the control of trusts. After a lengthy discussion of trusts, good and bad, and the success of prosecutions unthe Sherman anti-trust act, Mr. Taft

"It is the duty and purpose of the executive to direct an investigation by the department of justice, through the grand jury or otherwise, into the history, organization of the industrial partment of justice, through the grand jury or otherwise, into the history, organization, and purposes of all the industrial companies with respect to which there is any reasonable ground for suspicion that they have been organized for a purpose, and are conducting business on a plan which is in violation of the anti-trust law. The work is a heavy one, but it is, not beyond the power of the department of justice, if sufficient funds are furnished, to carry on the investigations and to pay the counsel engaged in the work. But such an investigation and possible prosecution of corporations whose prosperity or destruction affects the comfort not only of stockholders but millions of wage earners, employes, and associated tradesmen must necessarily tend to disturb the confidence of the business community, to dry up the now flowing sources of capital from its places of hoarding, and produce a halt in our present prosperity that will cause suffering and strained circumstances among the innocent many for faults of the guilty few. The question which I wish in this message to bring clearly to the consideration and decision of the congress whether to avoid business danger something cannot be done by which these business combinations may of the congress whether to avoid business danger something cannot be done by which these business combinations may be offered a means, without great financial disturbance, of changing the character, organization and extent of their business into one within the lines of the law under federal control and supervision, securing compliance with the anti-trust securing compliance with the anti-trust

For Government Control.

"Generally, in the industrial combina-tions called 'trusts,' the principal busi-ness is the sale of goods in many states and in foreign markets; in other words, the interstate and foreign business far exceeds the business done in any state. This fact will justify the eral government in granting a federal charter to such a combination to make and sell in interstate and foreign com-merce the products of useful manufac-ture under such limitations as will secure a compliance with the anti-trus law. It is possible so to frame a statu the anti-trust that while it offers protection to a fed-eral company against harmful, vexatious and unnecessary invasion by the states, it shall subject it to reasonable taxation and control by the states, with respect to

purely local business. "Many people conducting great businesses have cherished a hope and a belief that in some way or other a line may be drawn between good trusts and bad trusts, and that it is possible by amendment to the anti-trust law to make a distinction under which good combina-tions may be permitted to organize, sup-press competition, control prices, and do it all legally if only they do not abuse the power by taking too great profit out of the business. They point with force to certain notorious trusts as having grown into power through criminal methods by the use of illegal repates and plain cheat the use of illegal rebates and plain cheating, and by various acts utterly violative of business honesty or morality, and urge the establishment of some legal line of separation by which 'criminal trusts' of this kind can be punished, and they, on the other hand, be permitted under the law to carry on their business. Now, the public, and especially the business public, ought to rid themselves of the idea that such a distinction is practic-

able or can be introduced into the stat-

"In considering violations of the antitrust law we ought, of course, not to forget that that law makes unlawful, methods of carrying on business which before its passage were regarded as evidence of business sagacity and success, and that they were denounced in this act not because of their intrinsic immoral-ity, but because of the dangerous reity, but because of the dangerous results toward which they tended, the concentration of industrial power in the hands of the few, leading to oppression and injustice. In dealing, therefore, with many of the men who have used the methods condemned by the statute for the purpose of maintaining a profitfor the purpose of maintaining a profitable business, we may well facilitate a change by them in the method of doing business, and enable them to bring it back into the zone of lawfulness, without losing to the country the economy of management by which, in our domestic trade the cost of production has been materially lessened, and in competition with foreign manufacturers our foreign trade has been greatly increased.

Asks National Corporation Law.

"I therefore recommend the enactment by congress of a general law providing for the formation of corporations to engage in trade and commerce among the states and with foreign nations, protecting them from undue interference by the states and regulating their activities so as to prevent the recurrence, under na-tional auspices, of those abdises which have arisen under state control. Such a law should provide for the issue of stock then at a fair valuation ascertained under approval and supervision of federal authority after a full and complete disclosure of all the facts pertaining to the value of such property and the interest therein of the persons to whom it is proposed to issue stock in payment of such property. It should subject the real and personal property only of such corporations to the same taxation as imposed by the states within which it may be situated upon other similar property located therein, and it should require such corporations to file full and complete reports of their operations with the department of common as with the states within which it may be situated upon other similar property located therein, and it should require such corporations to file full and complete reports of their operations with the plete reports of their operations with the department of commerce and labor at regular intervals. Corporations organized under this act should be prohibited from acquiring and holding stock in other coracquiring and noighng stock in other cor-porations (except for special reasons upon approval by the proper federal author-ity), thus avoiding the creation, under national auspices, of the holding company with subordinate corporations in different states which has been such an effective agency in the creation of the great trusts west boundary line of a tract of 281/2 and monopolies.

State Laws Conflict.

"If the prohibition of the anti-trust act against combinations in restraint of trade is to be effectively enforced, it is essential that the national government shall provide for the creation of national cor-porations to carry on a legitimate busi-ness throughout the United States. The conflicting laws of the different states of the union with respect to foreign corpora-tions make it difficult, if not impossible, for one corporation to comply with their

refuge in which to continue industrial business under federal protection. It should be said that he measure contemplated does not repeal the Sherman antitrust law and is not to be framed so as to permit the doing of the wrongs which it is the purpose of that law to prevent, but only to foster a continuance and ad-vance of the highest industrial efficiency without permitting industrial abuses.

"Such a national incorporation law will be opposed, first, by those who believe that trusts should be completely broken up and their property destroyed. It will be opposed, second, by those who doubt the constitutionality of such federal incorporation and even if it is valid, object to it as too great federal centralization. it as too great federal centralization. It will be opposed, third, by those who will insist that a mere voluntary incorporation like this will not attract to its assistance the worst of the offenders against the anti-trust statute and who against the anti-trust statute and will therefore propose instead of it tem of compulsory licenses for all federcorporations engaged in interstate

"Let us consider these objections in their order. The government is now try-ing to dissolve some of these combina-tions and it is not the intention of the The government is now trygovernment to desist in the least degree in its effort to end these combinations which are to-day monopolizing the com-merce of this country; that where it appears that the acquisition and conce pears that the acquisition and concentration of property go to the extent of creating a monopoly of substantially and directly restraining interstate commerce, it is not the intention of the government to permit this monopoly to exist under federal incorporation or to transfer to the protecting wing of the federal government of a state corporation poweries. ernmen of a state corporation now vio-lating the Sherman act. But it is not and should not be, the policy of the government to prevent reasonable concen-tration of capital which is necessary to the economic development of manufac-

ture, trade and commerce. . . May Doubt Constitutionality.

"Second—There are those who doubt the constitutionality of such federal incorpor-tion. The regulation of interstate and foreign commerce is certainly conferred in the fullest measure upon congress, and if for the purpose of securing in the most thorough manner that kind of regulation, congress shall insist that it may provide and authorize agencies to carry on that commerce, it would seem to be within its power, this has been distinctly affirmed respect to railroad companies doing interstate business and interstate ges. The power of incorporation has exercised by congress and upheld bridges. by the supreme court in this regard. Why, then, with respect to any other form of interstate commerce like the sale of goods across state boundaries and into of goods across state boundaries and into foreign countries, may the same power not be asserted? Indeed, it is the very fact that they carry on interstate commerce that makes these great industrial concerns subject to federal prosecution and control. How far as incidental to the carrying on of that commerce it may be within the power of the federal group. be within the power of the federal gov-ernment to authorize the manufacturer of goods, is perhaps more open to discussion, though a recent decision of the supreme court would seem to answer that question in the affirmative.

"The third objection, that the worst of-

fenders will not accept federal incorporaion, is easily answered. The decrees of njunction recently adopted in prosecu-ions under the anti-trust law are so thorough and sweeping that the corpora-tions affected by them have but three courses before them: them have but three

"First, they must resolve themselves no their component parts in the different states, with a consequent loss to themselves of capital and effective organ ization and to the country of concentrated energy and enterprise; or second. in splance of the law and under some secret trust they must attempt to con-tinue their business in violation of the federal statute, and thus incur the penalties of contempt and bring on an in-evitable criminal prosecution of the indi-viduals named in the decree and their as-

sociates; or "Third, they rust reorganize and ac-Third, they r'ust reorganize and accept in good fath the federal charter I suggest a federal compulsory license law, urged as a substitute for a federal incorporation law, is unnecessary except to reach that kind of corporation which, by virtue of the considerations already advanced, will take advantage voluntarily of an incorporation law, while the other state corporations doing an interstate business do not need the supervision or the regulation of federal license and would only be unnecessarily burdened thereby." CITATION BY PUBLICATION.

THE STATE OF TEXAS. To the Sheriff of Any Constable of Houston County, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon the unknown heirs of John Box. deceased, the unknown heirs of Eugenia A. Box, deceased, the unknown heirs of E. J. Loe, 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 ccunty, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the nearest county to your county, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Houston county, to be holden at the court house of said Houston county, in the town of Crockett, on the fifth Monday after the first Monday in February, A. D. 1910, the same being the 14th day of March, A. D. 1910, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 7th day of January, A. D. 1910, in a suit numbered on the docket of said court No. 5274. wherein Gilmer J. Barker is plaintiff and the unknown heirs of John Box, of such corporations to an amount equal and the unknown neits of John Box, only to the cash paid in on the stock; deceased, the unknown heirs of Euand if the stock be issued for property, genia A. Box, deceased, and the un-

FIRST TRACT. Known as the J. W. Saxon place and beginning at the north corner of N. E. Lipscomb 6 4-10 acre tract in the Huntsville road; thence with the west boundary line of said 6 4-10 acre tract 430 vrs. to the S. W. corner of said 6 4-10 acre tract continuing with the acres sold to Geo. W. Crook and others on February 26, 1896, to A. Le-Gory's north boundary line, corner on said line; thence W. with said A. LeGory's north boundary line to the southwest corner of the Saxon homestead tract a stake in Huntsville road; thence with said road in a general course of N. 15 W. to where said road crooks and at or requirements so as to carry on business in a number of different states.

"To the suggestion that this proposal of federal incorporation for industrial combinations is intended to furnish them a containing 50 acres of land more or containing 50 acres of land more or containing 50 acres of land, more or

SECOND TRACT.

Known as the Fletcher place and beginning at E. A. Box southwest or most southern point on the southwest boundary line of said league north 35 west 930 vrs. from the I. & G. N. railway a hickory mkd. X brs. N. 35 W. 4 vrs and a black jack mkd. X brs. N. 15 W. 7 vrs.; thence with said Box southeast boundary line north 55 east 1190 vrs. to said I. & G. N. railway; thence with the said railway south 18 west 1510 vrs. to the southwest boundary line of the said Johnson league; thence with league line north 35 east 930 vrs. to the place of beginning containing 98 acres of land, less 3 1-10 acres out of the north corner thereof, heretofore sold to E. J.

THIRD TRACT.

Known as the Jennings tract and beginning at S. G. Fletcher's northwest corner on the southwest boundary line of the said Francis Johnson league a hickory and black jack mkd. X; thence north 35 west with the league line at 798 vrs. to a stake for corner from which a post oak 20 in. mkd. X brs. S. 58 E. 7 vrs., a red oak 10 in. mkd. X brs. N. 72 E. 9 vrs; thence south 81 east 1148 vrs. to a stake in old field on Fletcher's northwest boundary line; thence south 35 west with Fletcher's line at 826 vrs. to the place of beginning, containing 58 38-100 acres of land

Plaintiff sets out in his original petition the full and complete title under and by virtue of which he claims said land. Plaintiff alleges that he and those under whom he claims title to said land have had and held peaceable, continuous and adverse possession thereof, cultivating, using and enjoying the same for periods of five and ten years respectively and plaintiff specially pleads the five and ten years statutes of limitation. Plaintiff alleges that the claims of the defendants cast a cloud on his title to said land. Plaintiff alleges that in the deed from E. J. Loe to E. S. Jennings conveying one of the above described tracts one promissory note is executed as a part of the purchase money and that no release of the lien retained in said deed has been obtained or executed which cast a cloud on plaintiff's title. Plaintiff prays judgment for said land, removing all clouds therefrom and quieting his title to same.

Herein, fail not, but have before said court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ, with your return thereon, showing you have executed the same.

Witness, J. B. Stanton, clerk of the District Court of Houston County. Given under my hand and the seal said court, at office in Crockett, this the 7th day of January, A. D. 1910. (Seal.) J. B. STANTON.

Clerk, District Court, Houston County Adams & Young, Att'ys for Plaintiff.

A petition is in circulation in Pennsylvania asking the legislature to establish a closed season for muskrat. The reason for this is found in the fact that in Pennsylvania and Maryland the flesh of the muskrat is esteemed as highly by epicures as the flesh of the 'possum is esteemed in the south. Instead of Trunting for rat hides, the marsh sportsmen are now after food that brings a good price in the markets.

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Santa Fe was shot to death in his ca boose in the yards Thursday night is Lrownwood

Storm warnings have been ordered the gulf from Brownsville to Tampa.

Leon De Legrange, the French aviator, almost the foremost of those who Board of Education. have set out to conquer the air, was instantly killed in Bordeaux, France, while making a flight in the presence of a great crowd Tuesday.

The village of Gilestown, across the Conemaugh River from South Fork. Pa., was practically wiped out by flood 000 damage was done.

Four lives were lost and three persons received serious hurts in a tenement house fire in Jersey City, N. J., early Sunday.

The new law against the manufacture of intoxicants became effective Saturday, and for the first time in Office with The Murchison-Beasley the history of Tennessee, it is against the law to manufacture liquors in the

The Texas and Pacific passenger operated between Terrell and Fort Worth, have been extended to Wills

The value of the output of mineral Alaska for the year 1909 was \$2,200,-000, practically the same as that of last year, according to the geological survey. Nearly all of it was gold. The day by a log of wood falling upon her production of copper was \$520,000, a loss of about \$100,000 from 1908.

Dr. Frederick A. Cook's original notebooks arrived in Copenhagen Tuesday and will be examined by the committee immediately. Rector Salmonson says, however, that the investiga- time on. judgment. He has seen the notebooks ernment service of Chief Forester Gifand is still convinced that the explorer's claim to the discovery of the pole Assitsant Forester Price and Law Offiis not bona fide.

Fire in the plant of the American Bridge Company in Milwaukee, Monday, caused the death of four firemen who were barned under a falling wall

and a financial loss of about \$250,000. The downward tendency of the mercury in Fort Worth Monday night and Tuesday, froze the drizzling rain as it fell, covering trees and other objects with a coating of ice.

Mistaking his companion, James Mullins, a prominent farmer and stockowner of Little Rock, for a wild turkey, Robert Coffman shot and killed Mullins while out hunting Monday. Mullins was some distance from Coffman and was bending over imitating the call of a wild turkey.

Struck by an incoming passenger train on the Katy in Dallas, Sunday, the 5-year-old son of John T. Hightower was probably fatally injured. In the effort to save the child Mrs. Hightower

was struck and badly bruised. During the year just closed the receipts at the Shreveport, La., postoffice amounted to \$106.701.89, which is an increase of \$4,721.89 over the year 1908, when the total receipts

amounted to \$101,980. have definitely placed the number of

dead at three. The month closing Friday will go of 1872 and 1903. The present winter's low mark, 7 degrees below zero, was forties, 5 per cent. reached at 4 a. m. Thursday.

President W. T. Loudermilk of the State Farmers' Union has issued a call for a convention to be held in Fort ly killed. Worth, Jan. 25, at 10 o'clock.

Fire Sunday destroyed the Majestic Theater, the postoffice and all but one from Suffolk, Va. The total loss is estimated at \$115,000.

After being shut down one week the Katy shops in Denison opened Monday with a full force.

President Madriz of Nicaragua has sent a message to ex-President Zelaya replying to the latter's cablegram begging that Joaquin Passos, his sonin-law, be liberated. Passos is now in the hands of the authorities on the charge of misappropriation of funds. Madriz in his message informs Zelaya that skeleton treasury bills to a large amount were found in the possession of Passos, which he intended to have signed privately.

Senator Perkins of California slipped on the ley sidewalk Thursday norning in front of his hotel in Washington, and is believed to have severely injured his spine.

The contract for repairing a damaged wall in the west wing of the main building of the North Texas Hospital for the Insane in Terrell has been awarded.

Haywood Isabel, a farmer 35 years of age, was instantly killed, his wife bruised and his father sustained a broken arm in a runaway near Ft. Worth on the Webb road, Wednesday.

Hogs sold in Chicago Wednesday on an average of \$8.60, figures which, ex-Conductor Charles Whidden of the cept during the summer of 1882, are the highest recorded here since the Civil War. A few of the best grades sold at \$8.75.

Five thousand school children were displayed on the Atlantic Coast f-,m refused admittance to the public Jacksonville to Fort Monroe and schools in Oklahoma City, Wednesday because they had not been vaccinated in obedience to a recent order of the

> The first Government sale of Indian land ever made in the Osage reservation has just been closed by Agent Hugh Pitzer at the agency at Pawhuska, Okla., selling thirteen tracts of surplus land for \$17,000.

The Temple School Board Wednesand fire Thursday. No casualties of day adopted a resolution requesting any kind occurred, but upward of \$50, the City Council to submit a proposition to the voters for the issuance of \$100,000 in bonds, the proceeds to be devoted to school purposes.

Realizing that it is absolutely neces sary, prominent men are now planning to start a steamship line from Baltimore to Galveston. The idea is to have the ships stop on the way at Mobile and New Orleans,

Eight miles of right of way, most of it continuous, has been secured for the Dallas-Terrell interurban, according to trains Nos. 25 and 26, which have been statement of C. L. Wakefield Tuesday. Some eight hundred employes of the

> New York Central Railroad and its affiliated lines were retired from active service by the new pension order which became effective Monday. The little daughter of J. R. Hamil-

ton, of Mineral Wells, was killed Tues-

head while she was playing at the woodpile. Work on the Glen Rose and Walnut Springs Railroad is completed, so far

as building the dump is concerned, but the work is to be rushed from this tion will not alter the committee's The dismissal Friday from the Gov-

> cer Shaw of the Forest Service, took place by order of the President. M. Plancon, head of the Far Eastern department of the Foreign Office in St. Petersburg, has been superseded for

> presenting a memorandum to the War Minister, alleging that Japan was preparing to attack Russia. The Right Rev. William Burt, Methodist Episcopal bishop of Europe, offi-

> ciated Thursday at the laying of the cornerstone of the building designed for the Methodist Episcopal educational institute in Rome. Eventually seven buildings will be erected. Failing to comply with a demand for

> \$5,000 contained in letters signed 'Black Hand" which were received through the mail some time ago, B. Seneni, 60 years old, an Italian merchant, was shot and instantly killed by three men Thursday in Chicago. "A very comfortable" river and har-

> bor bill, carrying upward of \$30,000,000 for new and continuing operations, Chairman Alexander of the House Committee on Rivers and Harbors emphatically stated Thursday will be reported to the House at Washington, early in February.

It is reported that J. P. Morgan of New York and the Cutsherbank of Ber-Search Sunday of the wreckage of lin, are planning a world-wide trust in cars of the California special on the the nitrate industry with a capital of Rock Island derailed and burned near \$200,000,000. It is understood that the Trenton, Mo., Saturday, revealed no syndicate intends to purchase all the further trace of bodies, and officials saltpeter mines in Chile as well as the nitrate works in Norway, where \$20,-000,000 is invested.

The Attorney General's Department into Chicago's record as the coldest Friday approved for registration \$10,-December, with the exception of those 000 Howard County common school district No. 2 school house bonds, ten

Martin E. Andrews, about 55 years of age, was struck by a street car Monday night in Dallas and almost instant-

Horace Lurton took his seat on the bench of the Supreme Court of the United States in Washington, at high of twenty-six business houses in the noon Monday. The oath of office was little hamlet of Alma, a few miles administered in the presence of a distinguished array of attorneys and members of Congress.

Efforts to secure an adjustment of the strike of the switchmen on the railroads of the Northwest have been abandoned. Messrs. Martin A. Knapp and C. P. Neill, in a final conference with H. B. Perham Thursday determined nothing further could be done to effect a settlement.

Frank Leber, aged twenty-eight, and Theresa Craig, aged twenty-five, are dead, and Mrs. Sarah Cole is probably fatally burned, as a result of a fire in a rooming house in Buffalo, N. Y., late Saturday night,

THREE KILLED; ONE **FATALLY INJURED**

COLLISION OCCURS IN TEXAS AND PACIFIC YARDS AT SHREVEPORT.

One Young Lady and Two Trammen Were Killed and Porter Fatally Injured

Shreveport, La., Jan. 10 .- Three persons killed and one fatally injured is the result of a collision which occurred Sunday night in the Texas and Pacific freight yards between a Kansas City Southern switch engine and him-into the other place. train No. 53, westbound, on the Texas and Pacific.

The dead: John Cornwall, conductor; Percy Parrish, switchman; Miss Evans, a pasesnger. John Brandon, porter on the Pulman car, was fatally injured.

The passenger train was backing through the yards from the passenger station when the switch engine, hurry ing to get out of the way of another passenger train then due, crashed with terrific force into the Pulman car attached to the rear of train No. 53, plowing its way for fully half the length of the Pullman. Conductor Cornwall and Miss Evans were standing on the rear platform of the Pullman when the switch engine struck and were buried beneath the debris. Conductor Cornwall's body was crushed almost beyond recognition, while Miss Evans, who was pinned underneath the wrecked Pullman, lived almost an hour, but was dead when workmen were able to reach her body.

Switchman Parris was riding on the rear footboard of the switch engine and was knocked off by the crash, the rebound of the engine having caught and crushed him, killing him instantly.

KILLS WIFE, TWO CHILDREN. THEN HIMSELF

F. B. Kimbler Slays Family Near Ballinger.

Ballinger: F. B. Kimbler, a prominent farmer living in this county, killed his wife, his 6-year-old son and 3-year-old daughter, seriously wounded his niece, aged 20, and ended his own life by cutting his throat with a pocket knife at daylight Sunday.

Must Appoint Health Officers.

Austin: State Health Officer Brumby Saturday advising the mayors of all Texas cities of the approval of the new sanitary code and urging upon them to appoint a city health officer at once. He is also advising of a ruling just made by the Attorney General's Department that a city health officer cannot at the same time hold the office of county health officer. In many cities of the state the city health officer is also the county health officer, but under this ruling one doctor

cannot hold both offices.

Bridge Across Rio Grande. Washington: A bill introduced by Representative Garner of Texas, authorizing the construction of a railroad bridge across the Rio Grande river conecting Laredo, Texas, with Nuevo-Laredo, Mexico, was favorably reported by the committee to the House Saturday. Mr. Garner is confident the bill will pass.

Will Build Big Dam.

Keokuk, Iowa: It was announced here Saturday that a syndicate of New York and Boston capitalists have undertaken to finance the erection of the second largest dam in the world, which will span the Mississippi River here and cost \$15,000,000.

Masonic Temple Contract.

Greenville: The contract will be awarded in a few days by the Masonic Order of Greenville for a handsome three-story brick temple, to be erected on the lodge's lot.

Robbers Kill Baggageman.

Ypsilanti, Mich.; The baggageman at the Michigan Central depot was killed in a fight with robbers here Saturday. One of the robbers was taken to a hospital badly wounded, and two escaped.

Confederate Home Full.

Austin: It was announced by Col. R. M. Wynne, superintendent of the Confederate home, that the home is now filled and not another vetern can be admitted to the home until a vacancy occurs.

Hogs Going High.

Louisville, Ky .: Dressed meats are well in the lead in the general ascension of prices of foodstuffs. Friday hogs sold on the foot at \$8.90 per 100 pounds, the record here.

Anticipation Safer Than Realization "It is not always necessary to make direct accusation," said the lawyer who was asking damages because insinuations had been made against his client's good name. "You may have heard of the woman who called to the hired girl, 'Mary, Mary, come here and take the parrot down stairs—the master has dropped his collar button!"-

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In Camp After

the hunter comes upon another animal the sight of which makes his heart beat faster the ax spinning 20 feet away. A black than did ever the sight of antiered bear will ascend a tree with the agilgame and causes him to bring his rifle ity of a cat and does so frequently to into speedy action. More often it is get the various nuts which form a the farmer living in an isolated region who comes upon this brute, the Maine black bear, as the big fellow makes off with one of his lambs. In any other animal. The head with its either case, be it sportsman or farmer who sees the bear, the view he gets is likely to be short unless he that of a hog, while the bear will eat brings the animal down, for this big anything a hog will. The bear roots brute with all his strength and formidable teeth and claws is no fighter and prefers running to fighting on almost all occasions.

Black bears are found in Maine in every county in the state with the exception of the most southerly counties west of Penobscot bay, but are of course most numerous where the deer and moose are also found in greatest numbers, in northern Hancock, Washington, Penobscot, Franklin and Somerset counties and the vast region embraced by Piscataquis and Aroostook counties, most of which is heavily timbered.

Years ago black bear were common in the regions named, but the advance of civilization has made far greater inroads on their numbers than on the deer and moose. The animals were hunted for their fur and for the bounty placed upon them by the state legislature.

The bears had no friend. They were killed at any and every time of year, for even in the summer months when their fur was of no value the bounty made hunting them worth minate hunting of while. This course speedinged out the ranks of Bruin.

five dollars was removed, and since then the hunters have lost most of their fervor. Beers are killed now wherever they are found by the ordinary hunters, but the men who made a business of trapping and hunting them have gone out of the business except for a few months in the year when the fur is in prime condi-

The Maine black bear is a queer animal. In his makeup there seems to be a combination of the characteristics of the human, the cat, the hog, the raccoon, the squirrel and several other animals. Though his natural method of locomotion is on all fours. he can walk upright almost as easily and steadily as a man, and there is something laughably human in the way one of these big brutes will sit up on his haunches and reach a fat forepaw around to scratch his ribs. At many times the bear displays almost human intelligence in the manner in which he evades traps and

deadfalls set for his destruction. No member of the cat family could be quicker with a stroke of its forepaw than is a black bear, and the bear has his paws armed with claws which a tiger or lion might envy. With his forepaws the bear can strike a blow with the swiftness and skill of a trained boxer, and many are the woodsmen who have found this out to

CCASIORALLY while | their cost when they have tried to trapping the Maine woods kill one of these animals with the in search of deer or moose stroke of an ax. One stroke of that great paw will ward off a violent blow and another may send the wielder of choice bit of his diet.

In general appearance the black bear resembles the hog more than round skull, sharp snout, short pointed ears and bright beady eyes is like about among the leaves in quest of nuts, enters orchards to eat the apples which have fallen on the ground and if they are not there shakes the tree until the fruit comes tumbling about his ears, wherein he has the advantage of the hog and resembles the human again.

More than one black bear has come to an untimely end because of his propensity for entering corn fields and eating the sweet corn from the stalks, a favorite occupation of the raccoon. Like the raccoon, too, the black bear is an expert fisherman.

He will lie at full length on a log over some quiet pool and drop a bit of wood or offal on the water. He watches the bait with his small bright eyes until some unsuspecting trout or chub comes up to investigate, then a quick sweep of one of those mighty paws lands the fish flopping on the bank and Bruin makes a dainty meal off his prize.

When the cold frosts of fall arrive the black bear begins to think of a snug home during the winter months. He looks about until he finds the place that suits him. It may be in a hollow log, and if the hollow is already the home of a family of coons A few years ago the bounty of Bruin has no scruples about turning

It may be that the bear finds a blowdown where the passing years have deposited limbs and leaves until there is a covering impervious to snow and rain, and he crawls underneath and burrows into the scurf to cave or a deep cleft in the rocks sleep fully as comfortably until warm weather comes again. The bear has like I was coffee poisoned. no larder to resort to during the winter and he wants none, for he sleeps soundly while his waste tissues are replaced by the great rolls of fat which cover his ribs as a result of a summer's foraging on the fat of the Postum about two weeks - long

The bear retires for his winter sleep just as soon as the ground begins to freeze, which is usually about the last of November. This will of course not apply to all cases, for many bears are found roaming about intil long after the first of December,

but ordinarily they den up early. The Maine black bear has been a much maligned animal. Long observation by old hunters shows that the favorite food of the bear is vegetables, nuts, berries, roots, etc. Many complaints have been made by farmers in the northern and eastern parts of the state of bears that have done damage to their sheep flocks.

HIS VISIT MOST OPPORTU

Another Day's Delay and the Result Would Have Been Unfortunate -For the Physician

A lady was very solicitous about her health. Every trifle made her uneasy, and the doctor was called immediately.

The doctor was a skillful man, and consequently had a large practice. It was very disagreeable to him to be so often called away from his other cases for nothing, and he resolved to take an opportunity of letting the lady see this. One day the lady observed a red spot on her hand, and at once sent for the doctor. He came, looked at her hand. and said:

"You did well to send for me early." The lady looked alarmed and asked: "Is it dangerous, then?"

"Certainly not," replied the doctor. To-morrow the spot would have disappeared, and I should have lost my fee for this visit."

A BURNING ERUPTION FROM **HEAD TO FEET**

"Four years ago I suffered severely with a terrible eczema, being a mass of sores from head to feet and for six weeks confined to my bed. During that time I suffered continual torture from itching and burning. After being given up by my doctor I was advised to try Cuticura Remedies. After the first bath with Cuticura Soap and application of Cuticura Ointment I enjoyed the first good sleep during my entire illness. I also used Cuticura Resolvent and the treet was continued for about weeks. At the end of that tin was able to be about the hous atirely cured, and have felt no ill cts since. I would advise any person suffering from any form of skin trouble to try the Cuticura Remedies as I know what they did for me. Mrs. Edward Nenning, 1112 Salina St., Watertown, N. Y., Apr. 11, 1909."

LOVE AND MONEY.



They say "love makes the world go And may it never cease; Quite true, but please then don't forget, Money's the axle grease.

Point of View. Benator Beveridge, apropos of the old-fashioned snowy Christmas, said

the other day: "Snow, of course, has its disadvantages from some points of view.

'Snow is beautiful in its season, Solomon said that. But I know an old Indianapolis man who, on hearing this remark of Solomon, grumbled

''Oh, yes, no doubt it was beautiful to you, sittin' with all the wives and lasses of Jerusalem beside you; but if you'd been a poor stone cutter you'd never have said any such thing."

It Would Suit Him.

"I give you my word, the next person who interrupts the proceedings," said the judge sternly, "will be expelled from the courtroom and ordered home."

"Hooray!" cried the prisoner. Then the judge pondered .-- Judge.

A WOMAN DOCTOR Was Quick to See that Coffee was Doing the Mischief.

A lady tells of a bad case of coffee poisoning and tells it in a way so simple and straightforward that literary skill could not improve it.

"I had neuralgic headaches for 12 years," she says, "and suffered untold agony. When I first began to have them I weighed 140 pounds, but they brought me down to 110. I went sleep for the winter. If he can find a to many doctors and they gave me only temporary relief. So I suffered Bruin is as well satisfied and he will on, till one day a woman doctor told me to use Postum. She said I looked

> "So I began to drink Postum and I gained 15 pounds in the first few weeks and continued to gain, but not so fast as at first. My headaches began to leave me after I had used enough to get the coffee poison out of my system.

> "Since I began to use Postum I can gladly say that I never know what a neuralgic headache is like any more, and it was nothing but Postum that made me well. Before I used Postum I never went out alone; I would get bewildered and would not know which way to turn. Now I go alone and my head is as clear as a bell. My brain and nerves are stronger n they have been for years."

> Read the little book, "To Road to Wellville," in pkgs. "There's a Reason." Ever read the above letter? A new one appears from time to time. They are genuine, true, and full of human

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Catar of the Lungs

Threatened Her Life. Miss Ninette Porter, Braintree, Vermont, writes: "I have been cured by

"I had several hemorrhages of the lungs. The doctors did not help me much and would never have cured me. "I saw a testimonial in a Peruna almanac of a case similar to mine, and I commenced using it.

"I was not able to wait on myself when I began using it. I gained very slowly at first, but I could see that it was helping me.

"After I had taken it a while I commenced to raise up a stringy, sticky substance from my lungs. This grew less and less in quantity as I continued the treatment.

"I grew more fleshy than I had been for a long time, and now I call myself weil."

Just the Place.

'Save me, save me!" shouted a man dashing into the first open doorway. They're coming to kill me!

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Local News

See Daniel & Burton for chops, bran and hay.

Rooms for rent—Apply to B. F. Chamberlain.

Frank Hill, Jr., is very sick with pneumonia.

Geo. W. Crook was in Austin the first of the week.

- Euke Kennedy of Lovelady was in Crockett Monday.

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J. E. Monk made a business trip to Teague last week.

For the best 25c meals, go to Maggie Stanton's Restaurant.

See John Arrington for horses duplicated. and mules. Stock at the Wootters

Swett Orr overalls and kbaki pants, best made, at Daniel & Bur win, of Creek Christmas week.

John B. Satterwhite was a visitor at the Courier office Wednes-

day morning. Miss Laura Sharp returned last week from a visit to relatives at should be present. Wichita Falls.

daughter were visiting in Huntsville last week.

F. N. Lewis of Lovelady was a visitor at the Courier office Wednesday afternoon.

For tombstones and monuments of every kind, see Ike Lansford, Crockett, Texas.

Miss Lalah Ponder visited her sister, Mrs. Claude Leediker, at Houston last week.

Miss Grace Truman Porter of Wichita Falls is the guest of her relative, Miss Laura Sharp.

John Goodwin of Lovelady is among the number remembering the Courier since last issue.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Weaver of Corsicana were recent guests of their sister, Mrs. O. B. Hale.

Miss Lizzie Howard of Nacogdoches was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Woodson last week.

For bath or shave go to Friend. Best equipped shop in Houston county. Cleanliness our hobby.

T. E. Callier left last week for Port Arthur to become a student of Port Arthur Business College.

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Don't fail to see Lady Blanche Society at the Big Store Friday evening. If you do you will miss

Open plow bridles, traces, back bands, hames, plow lines and all kinds of leather goods at Daniel & Burton's.

The entertainment at the Big Texas. Store Friday afternoon will be the most interesting of the season. Don't miss it.

Saturday and renewed his subscription to the Courier for the twenty-first time.

Don't forget that James Langston is agent for the Galveston Presbyterian church will give a Semi-Weekly and Daily and the Valentine party on Monday, Feb-News Almanac.

Be sure to attend the free entertainment at the Big Store Friday afternoon. Something rich-in store for you.

See that car of horses and mules to arrive Saturday for John S. Ar- to be with us Sunday and speak to rington. This stock is all young, us on Christian Education. Do sound and well-broke, and will be not fail to hear him. You will

good. Everybody attend.

Smith Bros. started some teams and scrapers to Trinity Monday morning to work on the railroad building west from Trinity.

Will Robbins of Route 1, H. H. Hallmark of Route 5 and H. L. Burton of Route 4 were visitors at the Courier office Saturday.

Will McLean will continue to handle a line of jewelry in connection with his drug business. See him for first-class jewelry.

Our stock of groceries was never more complete. Everything fresh and at prices that cannot be Daniel & Burton.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Weaver of Corsicana were visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Good-

We keep constantly in stock A. F. Daniel is among the num- Elwood hog fencing Baker Perfect ber remembering the Courier this barb wire. Get our prices before Daniel & Burton. buying.

> Don't forget the corn growers' meeting at the court house Friday. A large attendance is urged. Every farmer in Houston county

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Daniel & Burton.

John S. Arrington will have a car of horses and mules to arrive Saturday. See him if you want some good, young and gentle and well-broke work stock. Stock on exhibition at the Wootters barn.

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Lost Male.

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The Ladies' Aid society of the ruary 14, at the home of Mrs. H. F. Moore, from 3:30 to 6 and from 8 to 11 o'clock. Everybody come and enjoy yourselves. 4t

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We make shoes our specialty. in front of the Big Store Friday We garry a complete line of Wernight hids fair to be something theimer-Swartz shoes for children, misses, ladies and men. Let us show you our stock of men's heavy work shoes.

Daniel & Burton.

To Our Friends in the Country.

We cordially invite you to call at our store at your earliest opportunity and get one of our calendars and other books that will be of interest to you. Your friends, The Murchison-Beasley Drug Co.

Notice.

Strayed from Lovelady on Dec. 24, one black mare about 10 years old, 151 nands high, with split in one ear and one eye out. Will pay \$5.00 for recovery of same.

Frank Dentou, Lovelady, Texas.

The statement of the Crockett State Bank, as published in the Courier last week, shows a very healthy condition of the community in general and that bank in particular. The financial condition of the country was never better, according to recently published bank statements.

Lost Mules.

Two mules, one black and the laid to rest Monday afternoon other sorrel, both mare mules; the family burying grounds black mule unbranded, sorrel mule Prairie Point. He was the younga Pony Kelley to a disc breaker left my place Tuesday night. besides his mother, leaves Will pay reward for their re- married brothers, three sisters, J. J. Polansky,

Route 5, Crockett, Tex.

Mr. G. J. Barker, who has acquired considerable property near Crockett, has a noted harness stallion at Madison, Wis., that he will bring to Crockett if our peo-Mr. Barker's horse holds a record something Crockett has long in the harness class that is seldom

The Courier desires to congratulate Editor Albert Luker of the Grapeland Messenger and hopes it will not be considered tardy in dopeople of Grapeland, were married in that town. The Courier joins their many friends in wishing them great prosperity and unlimited happiness.

Mr. C. R. Stephenson breaks the ice this week by announcing as a candidate for the office of county commissioner in precinct No. 2. Mr. Stephenson is blind, but does not solicit the office for that reason. He is running strictly on his qualifications to fill the position of county commissioner and wishes the voters to view his candidacy in that light alone. His candidacy is subject to the democratic primary. He solicits your support.

Lost Suit Case.

Lost on the Saturday night in front. \$5 reward. Finder will train, January 1, a suit case conplease notify Cleon Goolsby at taining a man's suit of clothing and other articles; was probably left on the north-bound train. Another suit case was taken in its stead, containing a woman's clothing. Will the person who has the first mentioned case kindly return it to Mary Allen Seminary? The other case was sent to the livery stable for identification. J. B. Smith.

A Traveling Salesman.

H. F. Beers, 617-7th Ave., Peoria, Ill., writes: "I have been troubled for some time with kidney trouble, so severely at times I could scarcely carry my grips. After using o a bottle of Foley's Kidney Pill. I have been entirely relieved, and cheerfully recommend them to all." Foley's Kidney Pills are healing and antisepon exhibition at the Wootters miss much if you are not present. tic and will restore health and strength. Will McLean.

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,

Offibe North Side Public Square, Crockett, Texas

The city council met Monday and let the contract for the reel and hose to be used by the fire department. The contract went to the Fabric Fire Hose company of St. Louis and will be filled at trict. once. As soon as the water system is completed the next step will be the organization of a volunteer fire company. Contract has also been let for the concrete ant, Judge of the District Court foundation at the engine and of the United States for the Eastpower house and the machinery will be installed within the next Howard, of Crockett, in the countwo weeks.

Mr. Otis Spear, a young man 21 years old, died Sunday night his mother's home five miles from Lovelady after a week's illness with pneumonia. His remains were host of relatives and friends to mourn his loss. The family have the heartfelt sympathy and con have a full discharge from all solation of many friends in this deep affliction.

First-Class Restaurant for Crockett

F. B. Webb has procured the building adjoining Millar's tailor ber, A. D. 1909. monumental goods, see Ike Lans- or desire to improve their stock. shop and will open up in same needed-a first-class restaurant. The building is large enough for a restaurant on one side and a confectionery on the other and in the rear a kitchen and bakery. Mr. Webb says he will have a laing so. On the day following dies' dining room separate from Christmas Albert Luker and Miss the confectionery and lunch-stand Callie Spence, both popular young for the convenience of his lady patrons who do not wish to be brought in contact with the patrons of the other departments. He expects the new place to be open in a week and asks his friends to then make him a visit.

The Meanest Man in Town

is the one who always wears frown, is cross and disagreeable, and is short and sharp in his an swers. Nine cases out of ten it' not the poor fellow's fault, it's his liver and digestion that make him feel so miserable, he can't help being so disagreeable. Are you in danger of getting into that condition?. Then start at once taking Ballard's Herbine for your liverthe safe, sure and reliable vege table regulator. Sold by Murchison-Beasley Drug Co.

Foley's Kicney Remedy, will cure any case of kidney or bladder trouble that is not beyond the reach of medicine. It invigorates the entire system and strengthens the kidneys so they eliminate the imparities from the blood. Backache, rheumatism, kidney and bladder troubles are all cured by this great medicine. Will McLean.

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Petition for Discharge

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

In the matter of J. W. Howard. Bankrupt, No. 1617 in Bankruptcy. Petition for Discharge.

To the Honorable David E. Bryern District of Texas: J. W. ty of Houston and State of Texas. in said District, respectfully represents that on the 15th day of November, last past, he was duly adjudged bankrupt under the Act of Congress relating to bankruptcy; that he has duly surrendered all his property, and rights of property, and has fully complied with all the requirements of said acts and of the orders of the court touching his bankruptcy.

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

Dated this 16th day of Decem-

J. W. Howard, Bankrupt. ORDER OF NOTICE THEREON.

Eastern District of Texas, ss. On this 7th day of January, A. D. 1910, on reading the foregoing petition, it is ordered by the Court that a hearing be had upon the same on the 22nd day of January, A. D. 1910, at the office of Hon. S. D. Reaves, Referee in Bankruptcy, at Tyler, Texas, in said district, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon; and that notice thereof be published in the Crockett Courier, a newspaper printed in said district, and all known creditors. and other persons in interest may appear at the said time and place and show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of the said petitioner should not be granted.

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

Witness the Hon. David E. Bryant, Judge of the said Court, and the seal thereof, at Tyler, Texas, in the said district on the 7th day of January, A. D. 1910. A. Q. Brackett,

Clerk. By J. W. Butler, Deputy.

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W. W. AIKEN, Editor and Proprietor.

PUBLISHER'S NOTICE.

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

The Courier is authorized to make the following announcements subject to the action of the democratic primary:

For Commissioner, Precinct No. 2 C. R. Stephenson

Party of Distinguished Visitors.

urday morning from points north tionists; 51 are Bailey men and 51 a party of visitors, composed of anti-Bailey men. This is signifithe following distinguished gen- cant in that it shows that all classtlemen: Arthur Mulberger, mayor es, both pro and con on the Bailey of Watertown, Wis.; A. J. Bar- and prohibition questions, ker, a prominent lumber dealer of supporting Davidson for governor. the same place; John J. Lietz, The tabulated list also shows that agent for the Wells-Fargo Ex- four years ago 55 of these same press company, and E. J. Mc- men voted for Colquitt, 35 for Adams, agent for the Chicago, Campbell, 12 for Bell and none Milwaukee and St. Paul railroad, for Brooks. This club has a workboth of Watertown. They were ing organization and its stated met here by Mr. G. J. Barker, membership is only a beginning. formerly of Madison, Wis., but It seems that the masses are linewho is now considered a resident ing up for Davidson regardless of of Houst county, he having past factional differences, all of boughtst part of Mr. W. B. Page's which the Courier is glad to see. farm and orchard near Crockett. Mr. Barker took the visitors in tow and showed them over his newly-acquired property Saturday afternoon, after showing them over the town Saturday morning. The party was delighted with the town and what they saw in the country. They were entertained Sunday by Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Clinton at the Clinton place two miles from town. The Clinton place adjoins Mr. Barker's property and is strictly modern in all its app sintments and conveniences. Sunday night the party left for Houston, after expressing themelves as being thoroughly satisfied that Houston county lands offer the greatest opportunities for profitable investment of any lands in Texas and that the lands of Texas are as good as any and better than many.

These gentleman were entertained on their way down at Little Rock, Ark., where they remained several days as the guests of Little Rock's commercial club. Their next stop was Crockett and from here they went to Houston, Galveston and Brownsville. On their return homeward they expect to again stop of at Crockett, for they are so well pleased with what they have seen of Houston county that they are anxious to see more.

Crockett the Home of Fine Poultry.

Crockett has been introduced to the thousands of readers of the Southern Ruralist all over the South through the publication, as prize photograph in the January 1st issue, of a photo of a pen of pedigree-bred White Wyandottes from the poultry yards at Wosumonk, the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Kalb near Crockett. In the same issue also appeared photos of the first flock of baby turks hatched on the place last winter, together with one of "Sir Launcelot," the forty-pound Mammoth White Holland turkey at the head of the Wosumonk flock last year and which attracted so much admiring interest here trades day. The publication of these pictures by the Ruralist has already CHAS. C. STARLING, brought inquiries for prices, etc., from Louisiana, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, and various nearer points, but /unfortunately Office over Crockett State Bank. Mrs. Kalb has no stock left, ex-

cept a few Holland toms, with which to meet such demands, and orders booked ahead for some time. The photos were entered simply in contest for the prize, though all three were used, the name of the place, "Wosumonk," being only given, nevertheless the resulting value of the advertisement will no doubt be worth far more to Mrs. Kalb than the money received as first prize, and will serve to call attention, too, to Crockett as the home of fine poultry.

Davidson Club at Lovelady.

A Davidson club with a membership of 128 has been organized at Lovelady. F. M. Davis is chairman of the organization and E. Kennedy is secretary. A tabulated list of the membership shows that of the 128 voters 46 are pro-There arrived in Crockett Sat- hibitionists and 56 anti-prohibi-

Brooks Withdraws.

From the Houston Post. Dallas, Texas, Jan. 10.-Judge M. M. Brooks to day formally withdrew from the race for nard church, tue democratic nomination for governor. Judge Brooks has, for the past ten days or more, contemplated taking this course, but has been deterred by persistent personal friends, who insisted that he remain in the race. Judge Brooks apparently does not feel that he, having been a candidate two years ago for delegate at large to the national convention at Denver on the Bailey ticket, and by many democrats recognized as the logical candidate of the Bailey wing of the party in the pending campaign, can afford to remain in the race with several other prominent Bailey leaders also aspiring to the nomination for governor; and, rather than jeopardize success for that element of the party, con-

A Business Education for a Little Spare Time.

cluded to withdraw.

Through the remainder of this month and February the Courier makes the following offer: To all young ladies and girls desiring to act as agents for the Courier, we will pay a commission of 25 per cent on all subscriptions to the Courier procured by them. In addition to this, the Courier will give a full-year, paid-up scholarship in the Port Arthur Business College to the girl or young lady securing the largest number of yearly subscriptions to the Courier. The Port Arthur Business College is recognized as one of the best schools in the South and the scholarship that we are offering is valued at \$110 and is good for a full year's course in the different departments. This is an opportunity to secure a business education for a little work during spare time. Two Crockett students now in this school write back that they are well pleased and making fine progress.

DENTIST.

CROCKETT, TEXAS Telephone 229.

Program.

The fifth Sunday meeting of Neches River Association is to be held with Kennard Baptist church of Kennard on Friday night, 28 of Jan. 1910. L. T. Grumbles to preach the introductory sermon. Alternates, J. L. Kee and L. F.

Topics for discussion:

- 1. How to develop a church to the greatest officiency—T. N. Mainer and H. Nelms.
- 2. The emphasis that should be put upon repentance and its relation to saving faith and genera tion-L. T. Grumbles and L. F. Jeffus.
- 3. Importance of preaching a tull gospel—A. J. Cockroft, L. T. Grumbles and Prof. Crook.
- 4. Unity of action on the part of pastors and members—Prof. Lolla and J. D. Kee.
- 5. Scriptural Sanctification-L. F. Jeffus and T. N. Mainer.
- 6. Prohibition the growing moral issue in Texas. -- Hon. Hayne Nelms, R. E. Minton and C. T. Johnson.
- 7. The missionary outlook of this Association—R. M. Champion, J. D. Kee and G. W. Blakeway.
- 8. Sunday school mass meeting, conducted by Prof. J. T. Crook.

All visitors will be entertained and it is hoped that those who usually attend and whose names may not be on the program will come prepared to take part in the discussions because many names are left off the program as the committee's acquaintance over the association is very limited.

Pastor and members of Ken-Committee.

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