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HOUSTON COUNTY AGAINST STATEWIDE.

Local Option County Goes Against Statewide Prohibition by a Majority of 226.

As is generally known Houston county is a local option county. Therefore the result of Saturday's statewide prohibition election is all the more interesting.

The commissioners' court of Houston county met in special session Monday afternoon for the purpose of canvassing the vote and declaring the result. The returns from Ratcliff not being in, other business was taken up and the result was not declared until Tuesday morning. Ratcliff still not being officially heard from on Tuesday morning, the result was declared by the court as follows, omitting Ratcliff, whose majority against statewide prohibition is unofficially given as 47:

PROHIBITION.

	For	Against
Antioch	79	54
Patterson Lake	0	27
Weldon	42	58
Tadmor	19	18
Holly	4	58
Tyer's Store	16	18
Ash	15	82
Percilla	57	15
Dodson	13	29
Shiloh	17	38
Daily	33	109
Creek	17	54
Grapeland	236	173
Augusta	66	103
Porter Springs	26	77
Concord	16	19
Daniel	45	56
Kennard	103	79
Freeman	30	14
Arbor	39	56
Weches	28	57
Lovelady	146	128
Crockett	439	343

Total, 1486 1665

Majority against statewide prohibition, 179; majority at Ratcliff, 47. Total majority, 226.

Latexo Dots.

As we have seen so many nice letters in your interesting paper, thought would send in a few words from Latexo.

Miss Maggie McCorkle has been real sick with appendicitis, but am glad to know she is improving some now.

Mr. Mathe is up again from a broken leg.

Last Sunday morning while returning from church Mr. Stell Sharp's mules ran away, and threw his wife and children out of buggy and hurt his wife real bad.

Mr. Tom Sims' baby is sick at the present time.

The protracted meeting closed last Thursday night at which Bro. Cambell and Bro. Harris were the preachers. There were eight conversions.

The good people of Latexo and other places met together Saturday for the purpose of having a picnic, but on account of bad weather the people were somewhat disappointed. But still everyone had a nice time and the finest kind of a dinner. In the afternoon had a baseball game

between Latexo team and Crockett team, and Latexo beat the Crockett boys, and Saturday night there was one of the finest shows at Latexo which has ever been there before. Everybody near Latexo tried to come, for the house was full and some could not get in.

Last Saturday afternoon Mrs. John McConnell, Bro. Nixon and Bro. Payne made a prohibition speech at Latexo schoolhouse.

Mr. Schultz Jones who has been visiting friends and relatives returned to Houston Monday.

Miss Ruby Cook of Percilla has been visiting relatives at Latexo.

Mrs. E. M. Jackson of Atlanta, Ga., is visiting her nephew, Mr. John Walker. She and her nephew, Mr. W. M. Walker, will return to her home in a few days.

Mrs. Martha Wells of Texarkana has been visiting friends and relatives.

Mrs. Sam Walker and little daughter, Wonda, of Fort Worth have been visiting their father, Mr. John Spence.

Mr. Charlie Walker of Palestine attended the picnic at Latexo Saturday.

Miss Beulah Sims was the guest of Miss Ula Whittle last night.

Miss Hattie Sims of Latexo is visiting relatives at Hays Springs this week.

Miss Sadie Westbrooks is visiting in Crockett this week.

Mr. Shink Rice of Kennard spent a few days with Mr. Walter Jones.

Rev. Hodge will begin a protracted meeting at Latexo Saturday night.

The B. Y. P. U. failed to meet last Sunday afternoon on account of bad weather, but everybody is cordially invited to come next Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Henry Foley and wife have been visiting relatives near Latexo.

Everybody is about through work and are preparing to attend the meeting next week.

Redwing.

Bought Lot and Building.

The two-story brick building located on the north side of the Public square and known as the Cooper building was sold last week by Judge L. N. Cooper of Hillsboro to Jake Endel, a resident of Crockett. The amount of the transaction was not given out. Jake says he bought the building, together with the lot, as an investment, and that he may some day occupy the building himself, but that for the present it will continue to be rented. Judge Cooper was here last week to close the deal and remained for several days to visit his mother, who is in very feeble health.

Crockett and Huntsville.

Crockett and Huntsville played two games of baseball last Wednesday. The first game resulted in a score of 3 for Crockett and 2 for Huntsville. Battery for Crockett, Wakefield and Nabors; for Huntsville, Tilly and Brightly.

The second game resulted in another victory for Crockett, the score this time being four and three. Battery for Crockett, Ellis and Nabors; for Huntsville, Tilly and Brightly. The second was a six-inning game. Both games were good, the teams being nearly evenly matched.

FAIR MEETING HELD TUESDAY MORNING.

Meeting Largely Attended and Enthusiasm Plentiful—Planning for Permanent Fair Association.

A Houston county fair meeting was held in the office of H. J. Arledge Tuesday morning, which was attended by a large number of our representative citizens and with much enthusiasm.

Mr. Thos. Self, president of the fair executive committee, presided as chairman of the meeting and announced the purpose of the meeting, which he said was to see whether the fair was to be conducted this fall on the small scale as first planned or whether more extensive plans should be entered into and the scope of the fair enlarged. It was the opinion of all present that the fair should be made as large as possible and a permanent thing.

Suggestions were made by citizens present and a committee was appointed with power to act. If suitable grounds can be found at a reasonable price they will be bought, to be paid for out of funds to be raised separately from any funds previously subscribed.

The plan is to organize a stock company to buy the grounds, which are to be used practically free by the fair association, but to be owned by the stock company. The fair association is to have the option of buying the grounds at the end of ten years at the original purchase price with interest. It is estimated that twenty-five acres will be required, on which a race track will be built and other improvements made.

Other details of the fair were discussed and it was evident from the spirit of the meeting that the fair is going to be a success. Some splendid exhibits are being already booked and the manager of each department is in correspondence with other exhibitors desirous of coming in.

Belott.

Editor Courier:

Having read and heard a great deal regarding a "bumper" cotton crop, I desire to write a few lines which will be of interest to all farmers and business men of Houston county, if read closely. I wish to give my views as to the present crop; and, in order to make a close shot, one must look through the hind sight as well as the front one. To do this, I shall differ from many.

About the first of July, Houston county never had a better prospect for a cotton crop, although it was about three weeks late. The lateness of the crop, together with the weevils and a few boll worms, make the greatest drawbacks in making a crop of cotton. In addition to these drawbacks, the heavy rains—which have been general—have caused the cotton to make weed enough for a bale to the acre. I have examined it closely, and I find only a few matured bolls to the stalk, and the shedding is enormous. Much of the shedding of squares and young bolls is due to the weevil and the boll worm. To cap this powerful crop that we are hearing

so much about, we have the army worm; and, as I have said, we have only a few bolls matured. If in the past the weevil alone has captured the August and September crop, what can we count now when we have the weevil, boll worm and army worm? In many fields which are poorly drained, the ground is water-sogged. This alone will cause the shedding of nearly everything on the stalk. So much rain has caused the stalks in places to look scalded.

Some persons who have ridden along the road or walked down the turning-row without paying attention will think that I am exaggerating the present crop condition. Of course, there are always exceptions, and there is never so poor a crop year but a few good crops are made. Now the writer believes that all men who examine their crops closely will find that every cotton pest, from the louse and honeydew up, is here, and that under present circumstances the crop will be short.

Trusting that I will miss the mark, I am, yours respectfully,
W. O. Lockey,
W. M. Gregg.

ANTIS HOLDING SMALL MAJORITY.

Their Lead in State Appears to Rest Between 5000 and 6000 Votes.

Dallas, Texas, July 25.—The final step in the unofficial count showing a victory for the antis in Saturday's statewide prohibition election came over night. The widely differing counts of various newspapers and of the statewide headquarters on each side came to a nearly unanimous agreement upon from 5000 to 6000 as the anti majority.

Reports to the Associated Press this morning indicated that the returns still out might increase this majority by a small margin. It was certain that such boxes could not change the result on the face of the returns to the favor of the pros.

Already agitation is heard in Dallas over the possibility of holding an option election in Dallas county. One of the big surprises of the election was the fact that Dallas county, including the city of Dallas, went "wet" by about 200 majority.

Watch Your Kidneys

Their actions control your health. Read what Foley Kidney Pills have done for your neighbor. Mrs. H. W. Allen, Quincy, Ill., says: "About a year ago my kidneys began bothering me. I had a swelling in my ankles and limbs, then headaches and nervous dizzy spells, and later backaches. I was getting worse, when I began taking Foley Kidney Pills. I kept on taking them until I was once more freed of all kidney trouble and suffering. I have a great deal to thank Foley Kidney Pills for and shall always recommend them." Will McLean.

The Board of Directors of the Cooper Training School at Abilene for boys has let the contract for the construction of a \$10,000 administration building for this institution. The contract calls for the building to be completed not later than October 10.

RETURNS SHOW ANTI MAJORITY 6,037.

Total Vote in Amendment Election Gives Pro 230,631, Anti 236,668.

The Galveston News prints practically complete returns from the election held last Saturday on the proposition to adopt an amendment to the Texas constitution prohibiting the sale or manufacture of liquor within the state. These returns give a majority of 6,037 against the amendment, and the News believes that the final returns will not show a material difference from these figures.

ABOUT SIX THOUSAND MAJORITY.

A mass of reports is still coming in, but most of these are duplicates of former reports and many others make only slight changes from the figures already reported. The News, therefore, regarding certain that the amendment has been defeated upon the face of the returns by about 6,000 majority, will suspend compilation of the returns until the official figures are available from all of the counties.

Only a few official reports have thus far been received. The returns received show these totals:

For prohibition, 230,631.

Against prohibition, 236,668.

The only counties from which reports have not been received are: Upton and Winkler, the combined voting strength of which is 202. The News has complete reports from 236 counties and very nearly complete reports from the ten remaining counties, in which, as a rule, the vote of all but one or two small boxes have been reported.

The Airdome.

Crockett's new amusement house, the Airdome, continues to present only the high-grade vaudeville acts. The pictures are clear and bright, and as good as can be seen in any open-air theatre. The management states that their vaudeville act for Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights will be among the best presented this season—Bisbee and Connally in a novel Western musical act, Western costumes, and introducing trick and fancy lariat spinning.

There will be run each night two reels of new moving pictures, presenting Western and comedy subjects, and one double vaudeville act.

The prices of admission for vaudeville nights have been changed to 10 and 20 cents.

Crockett Schools.

Patrons of the Crockett schools living outside of the district should transfer their children to this district if they desire the benefit of this school. Hereafter six months free tuition will be allowed all children transferred to this district. Do not forget to transfer. Those who do not transfer will pay tuition for full term of nine months.

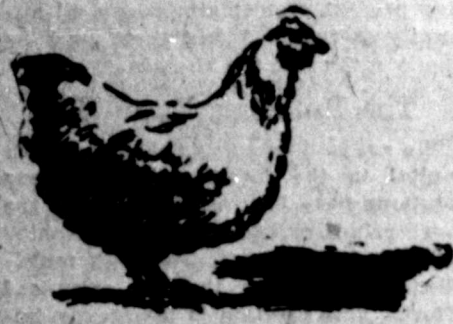
J. W. Hail,
12t President of Board.

At an election held at Granger to determine whether the streets of Granger should be paved, 106 votes were cast for the proposition and only 9 against it.

The Texas Hen

The Texas hen is the queen of the barnyard. Her cackle sounds as musical to the farmer as the clink of gold dollars and her flesh is the daintiest of food. We ship live and dressed poultry to the Northern and Eastern markets and give the nation its Sunday dinner.

The hen is the patron of mechanics, science and art and is further advanced in civilization than any other animal. She is a splendid advertiser, a good money maker and she uses as many labor-saving devices that she lives a life of ease and luxury. The incubator relieves her of the necessity of hatching her young; her nest is built by master mechanics; glass eggs take the place of the home-made product for decoy purposes and she roosts on automobiles. She is progressive, practical and happy and merrily sings as she lays 5,000,000 eggs per day.



The egg is the only animal product that is good for food and will produce its specie. It is the only product known to creation that has a dual commercial value and it finds its way to every table in the universe.

The poultry business in Texas has reached mammoth proportions. During the past year the total production, including eggs and young poultry, approximated \$15,000,000. The egg output was worth \$12,000,000. The Texas hen lays three times her value per annum. We have approximately 25,000,000 domestic fowls. We have more turkeys and geese than any other state in the Union.

Poultry farming in Texas is one of the most profitable of investments. Our natural conditions are adapted to the propagation of domestic fowls and their products and it is one of the many industrial fields in Texas, which present large opportunities to small investors.

Variety in Punishment.

It was one of the vagaries of medieval law that various local courts executed their will on prisoners without interference from the higher courts, says "The Customs of Old England." They exhibited considerable ingenuity in the treatment of prisoners. Here is a case at Liverpool in October, 1595: "One Thomas Johnson had been apprehended for picking purses. Apparently he underwent no regular trial, but was dealt with summarily, the program being as follows: First he was imprisoned several days and nights, and then he was nailed by the ear to a post at the flesh shambles. As the next item he was turned out naked from the middle upward, and many boys with withy rods whipped him out of the town. He was then locked to a clog with an iron chain and horse block until the Friday morning following and finally adjured the town before the mayor and bailiffs, at the same time making restitution of 6s. 8d. to the wife of one Henry Myln."

Gulls of the Drongo Cuckoo.

The drongo shrike is a bird of pugnacious disposition, especially at the nesting season, when it guards its nest with, for a small bird, great ferocity. Douglas Dewar, from whom this account is taken, says that he has watched a pair of these little birds attack and drive away a monkey which tried to climb into the tree in which their nest was placed. Indeed, so able a fighter is the shrike that some other birds, notably orioles and doves, frequently build their nests in the same tree in order to share the benefit of its prowess. The drongo cuckoo lays its eggs in the nests of such birds as the king crow. These are pugnacious, even ferocious, and without some gull a cuckoo could not accomplish this feat. But the drongo cuckoo is so like the drongo shrike, even having the same odd twist to its tall feathers, that the king crow is deceived by the resemblance and hesitates to give fight to what she takes to be one of the pugnacious shrikes.—New York World.

A Joke on Her Neighbor.

A queer old woman had a horse which was the pest of the neighborhood. It especially delighted in grazing on a certain neighbor's lawn. This was a great annoyance to him; but, not wishing to have any trouble, he

decided to buy the old horse. He made the woman an offer of \$10 for the old animal, which she declined. About two weeks later she came to her neighbor one day and told him she was very sorry to part with the horse, but as she was in need of a little money she had decided to accept his offer. The neighbor said, "Very well," and, drawing out his purse, handed her \$10. She thanked him profusely and started to leave when the man thought himself and said, "Where shall I send to get the horse, madam?" "Oh, he is dead down yonder in the canyon," the woman calmly replied and marched on out.

Beggars of Paris.

Not a few Paris beggars have become historical. Years ago there was a female mendicant without legs and with only one arm who could by a trick in her breathing produce in her interior a sound like the tick of a pendulum. "Listen, ladies and gentlemen," she used to exclaim. "I have a clock in my stomach!" Her gaping auditors used thereupon to apply an ear to her back. It was true. There was a clock inside her. They could hear it tick. Formerly at one end of the Pont Neuf there sat an old blind man, accompanied by a poodle. Enveloped in a large overcoat with seven plaits, he did nothing all day but keep a pair of expressionless eyes directed toward heaven and shake his tin money box from time to time. It was a tradition in Paris that he had given his daughter a dowry of 300,000 francs on the occasion of her marriage to a notary and that in the evening after rattling his money box all day the old man could often be seen in a box at the opera, to which he had driven in his carriage.—London Globe.

Indestructible Lizard.

The tuatara lizard, found in New Zealand, is one of the most ancient forms of animal life now found on earth. Originally this lizard possessed four eyes, but in the course of ages it has lost one pair and must now get along with two. The tuatara lay eggs which are remarkable in that they require fourteen months to hatch, the embryo passing the winter in a state of hibernation. These small survivors of past ages are found only in a few localities and are becoming very scarce, collectors from every part of the world being continually on their trail. They are about two feet in length and in common with other lizards have the fortunate characteristic of being able to replace portions of their limbs or tails which have been destroyed. It is asserted that one of these lizards owned by a naturalist had the misfortune some time ago to lose an eye and that a complete new eye, perfect in every way, has grown in the place of the old one.

A Crab That Makes Its Own Wig.

There is a small crab found upon the English coast that is so afraid of his enemies that he has found out or has perhaps been taught a clever way to hide himself. The writer once saw one of these crabs which was kept as a pet, and he was lucky enough to visit him when he was in the very act of making his wig. The crab first tore off a piece of green ribbonlike seaweed with his pincers and put one end in his mouth. This he sucked and nibbled and moistened with some kind of glue that hardens under water, and then he pressed the sticky end upon his back. By and by his broad back was covered with a regular green and waving wig, so that as he crawled about he looked like a bunch of seaweed in gentle motion. We must suppose that he makes a very sweet mouthful for a hungry fish and that he makes the wig to preserve him from being gobbled up. From time to time the wig requires re-paring, of course.—Raja Yoga Messenger.

Miseries of the Red Sea.

In the waters of the Red Sea the cessation of the engines on a steamer for an hour means extreme physical suffering for passengers; for a day it would involve absolute torture. The wind which prevails every day is a hot, asphyxiating blast, and its continuous directions are from north and south toward the center. As a result every passing vessel is subjected to two days of almost intolerable heat, followed by two days of comparative comfort, but instances have been known of crowded liners being compelled when traveling with the wind to turn round and steam back for an hour or so in order to give the passengers even a brief respite from the sufferings induced by the dull, dead, unbearable atmosphere.

What Twice Half Might Do.

Fred Douglass, the colored orator, at one time made a speech in Ohio. Just after this speech he overheard two Irishmen talking. Said one Irishman, "That's a mighty phoine speech for to be made by a nagger." "Ah, yes, it was quotte phoine! But he is only half a nagger." "Well, if half a nagger can make such a speech that the divil kind of a magnificent speech would a whole nagger make?"—Ladies' Home Journal.

Saw His Chances.

When all Westchester county was thrilling with the prospect of a railroad competition an agent of the new company that was to build went through Pelham Manor buying property for the right of way. He rang the doorbell of one resident, who was living in a rented house at \$50 a month. "Will you take \$6,000 for this house?" demanded the agent. "Oh, no, I couldn't," stammered the tenant. "Will you take \$8,000?" "I couldn't do it." "Well, think it over." Mr. Tenant foxily runs around to the owner of the property and gets an agreement to sell him the property for \$6,000 if he can raise the money. The railroad's agent returns. "Will you take \$9,000?" "No." "Ten?" "Yes." "Done!" Oh, yes, there is such a thing as luck when a man has the wits to see it coming his way.—New York Press.

Killing an Unfaithful Lover.

When a Japanese girl has been slighted by her lover she revenges herself according to the following quaint custom: In the dawn of the early morning she rises and puts on a white robe and white clogs. Round her neck she hangs a small mirror, which falls to her breast, and on her head she puts a metal crown with three points, each point bearing a lighted candle. In her left hand she carries a small figure of straw or rags—supposed to represent her unfaithful lover—and this she nails to one of the sacred trees surrounding the family shrine. She then prays for the death of the man, vowing that if this comes to pass she will pull out the nails which are hurting the sacred tree and make offerings to comfort her family god. Every night she comes to the shrine, strikes in two more nails and makes the same prayer, her idea being that the god, to save his tree from further injury, will kill her lover.

A Strange Species of Deer.

Just above the buffet in the dining room of a Richmond house there hangs a huge, finely mounted antlered head. This trophy of the owner's hunting prowess is fastened so firmly to the wall that the glistening neck seems to be coming right out through the plaster. When a little boy from the city saw this decoration for the first time he eyed it with considerable curiosity and very evident uneasiness. It looked almost too lifelike for comfort. Finally the youngster asked to be excused and slipped from his chair, going into the next room. He returned to the dining room flushed with embarrassment. "What's the matter, Harry?" asked his host. "I wanted to see," explained the child sheepishly, "if that animal's legs were really as long as that or if he were standing on something in the next room."—Lippincott's.

A Clear Case.

The beautiful young prisoner entered the box in her own behalf. "What is your age, miss?" asked the lawyer. "Forty-eight," was the steady reply. The feminine jury caught its breath with an audible little gasp and sat there rigid. "How much did you pay for the hat you are wearing?" "Ninety-eight cents." "Are you guilty of the crime that is charged against you?" "No." Thus did the wily prisoner attempt to establish her veracity and then convince the jury that she was innocent. But don't forget that this was a jury of women. A verdict of incurable insanity was brought in.—New York Journal.

"Yarbs" We Have Known.

What has become of the elderly lady who in the seventies and earlier always referred to an "herb" as a "yarb"? The word has gone out of use. About the meanest "yarb" was a bitter weed named "thoroughwort." Then there was camomille, dockroot and dandelion, in their miserable partnership, lobelia and catnip. These things were "steeped," and you took them of had them thrust upon you "for your blood."—Minneapolis Journal.

Aim High.

No matter what you're doing, aim for the highest point first. You may land in a jump, and if you fall that's time enough to lower your aim. People give you credit only for your best effort.—Baltimore Sun.

America.

Young Mr. Highbur—Going abroad, you say? But have you seen America first? Mrs. Blase—Oh, yes; there's hardly a spot in New York we haven't visited.—Puck.

Women Will Be Logical.

Mrs. Hoyle—Don't you think my boy is growing? Mrs. Doyle—Yes; he is pretty large for his mother's age.—Judge's Library.

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Phone 85.

Contrary Misfortunes.

"Jaggaby certainly does have all kinds of trouble." "What is the matter with him?" "He got himself an automobile, and it blew up. Then he got an aeroplane." "What happened to that?" "It blew down."—Baltimore American.

Sarcasms.

"John," said a father to his son one day when he caught him shaving the down off his upper lip, "don't throw your shaving water out where there are any barefooted boys about or they might get their feet pricked."

Persiflage in the Kitchen.

Sugar Spoon—I'm one of those gold-an spoons that get born in people's mouths. Rolling Pin—You haven't got anything on me in the wealth line. I'm rolling in dough all the time.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

If you bring a smile to the trembling lips of another you will soon discover that a smile is alighting on your own lips.

Kindness is catching, and if you go around with a thoroughly developed case your neighbor will be sure to get it.

The Primitive Man.

"Jones is so dreadfully primitive!" "What's his latest?" "Why, we were at the opera house the other night, and a stage hand removed a table, and Jones yelled 'Supe, supe!' We were dreadfully mortified." "I was at a dinner the other night, and Jones sat next to me. When he saw the row of spoons and forks and knives beside his plate he beckoned to the waiter, 'Say, boy,' he hoarsely muttered, 'I guess you spilled the spoon holder!'" "Well, it's lucky he's rich." "Ain't it?"—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

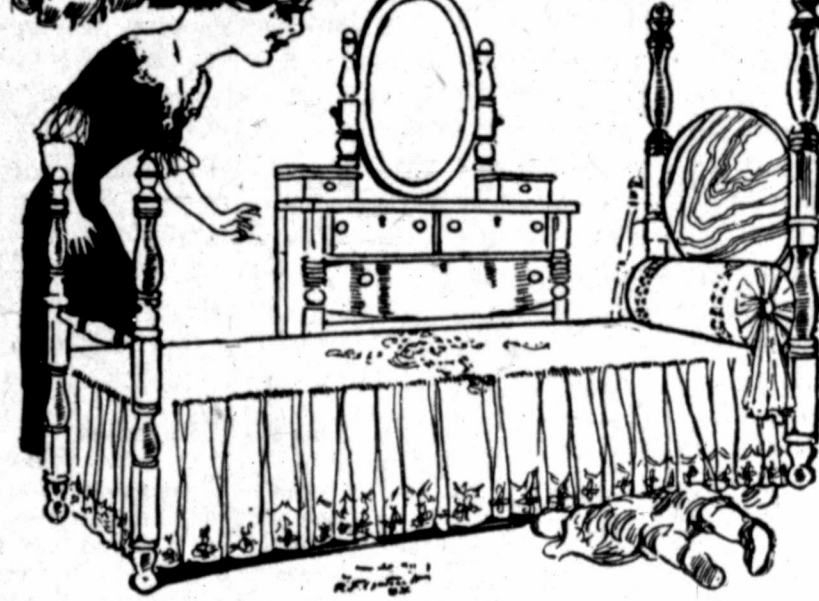
The Cuckoo.

In the middle ages the cuckoo was thought to be a god who took the form of a bird, and it was a sacrilege to kill him. The Romans were less superstitious and more practical. They caught him, killed him and ate him and held no bird could be compared with him for sweetness of flesh.

His Mean Comment.

"In three months from now," said the man cheerfully, "I expect to own my own home." "How long," inquired his cynical friend, "is your wife expecting to be away?"—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Get a new bed room set for the spare room



Crockett, Texas, July 27, 1911.

Dear Amy:

Laura and her husband stayed with us last night. How she praised the furniture in our spare room! You feel like having your friends come to visit you if your home is beautifully furnished throughout, don't you? When you go to buy furniture, you should not only know that the style is right, but that it is strongly made; and you should go to an honest store where you will know that the price is right.

Always your friend,

Lou.

P. S.—The style, quality and price will be all right, and you'll have a big stock to choose from, if you buy your furniture and rugs from

J. D. Sims

Pains All Over!

"You are welcome," says Mrs. Nora Guffey, of Broken Arrow, Okla., "to use my letter in any way you want to, if it will induce some suffering woman to try Cardui. I had pains all over, and suffered with an abscess. Three physicians failed to relieve me. Since taking Cardui, I am in better health than ever before, and that means much to me, because I suffered many years with womanly troubles, of different kinds. What other treatments I tried, helped me for a few days only."

TAKE CARDUI The Woman's Tonic

Don't wait, until you are taken down sick, before taking care of yourself. The small aches and pains, and other symptoms of womanly weakness and disease, always mean worse to follow, unless given quick treatment.

You would always keep Cardui handy, if you knew what quick and permanent relief it gives, where weakness and disease of the womanly system makes life seem hard to bear. Cardui has helped over a million women. Try it.

Write to: Ladies' Advisory Dept., Chattanooga, Medicine Co., Chattanooga, Tenn., for Special Instructions, and 64-page book, "Home Treatment for Women," sent free. 151

Towns and Their Papers.

A newspaper can never very creditably represent a town whose business men do not advertise. He may howl himself hoarse bragging about the vim, energy and enterprise of his town, but if his declarations are not backed up by a liberal amount of advertising by the business men of the town, the world will be slow to take his statements as true. It takes more than the unsupported testimonial of the local newspaper man to prove to the world that his town is the best on the market, and the best place on earth to buy goods. His evidence needs corroboration.—Toyah Valley Herald.

State Press, who sees a small mountain of newspapers every week, is downright sorry for the courageous souls who edit some of them—a few of them. These papers appear weekly with well-written editorials and snappy paragraphs boosting their respective towns and each telling what a stirring, thriving, promising little city it is published in. A glance at the advertising pages, or the pages where advertising ought to be, shows that the space is given over to plate matter or miscellaneous reprint, and that most of the merchants are dead or asleep. Now, this much is certain and does not admit of controversy: Every good town maintains a good newspaper, and the appearance of the newspaper indicates its condition. If the paper looks half starved (granting, of course, that it is the representative paper of the community), then the town is full of tightwads, and a town full of tightwads is a town full of the kind of people who will never do anything to improve their condition except to squeeze usurious interests out of needy borrowers. This is an advertising age, the age of printers' ink; and merchants who have not found that out are not ordinarily keen enough to pick up bargains for their customers.—State Press.

Texas Industrial Notes.

A building permit has been issued for \$600,000 to the Dallas Hotel Association for the erection of a twenty-two story steel-concrete fireproof hotel building in that city.

The Secretary of State has issued a charter to the Elks Building Association of Galveston with a capital stock of \$25,000. The incorporators are Fred Hartel, C. H. Rhode, and Louis C. Romanet.

The Texarkana Shingle Creosoting company of Texarkana has begun operations. It is one of the large enterprises of that city,

and gives employment to a large number of people.

Austin county has voted bonds to the amount of \$175,000 for building the Austin county link of the Red River to the Gulf highway.

Angleton is to have an up-to-date cotton gin. The engine will be a 70 horse power and the boiler 80 horse power. Work will begin on the building in a few days.

Old Folks.

It is difficult for a woman who has led an active life as housekeeper to become a passive member of her son's or daughter's home. She likes her old way best; she longs to show the younger generation how they are wasting their resources. Youth will learn only by experience. It resents interference. And so there are misunderstandings, and unhappiness results. A woman is always happier in her own home with her own income, however small it may be, than in the home of another, even of her own son and daughter, though it be a home of wealth and lavish generosity, where there is an earnest desire to make her comfortable and happy.—Longview Times-Clarion.

Fretful babies need the comforting effect of McGee's Baby Elixir. It quiets feverishness, corrects sour stomach, cures colic pains and checks diarrhoea. It is a perfectly safe and wholesome remedy containing no opium, morphine or injurious drug of any kind. Price 25c and 50c per bottle. Sold by Murchison-Beasley Drug Co.

Human Pack Horses.

"A Chinese coolie," said a missionary, "will carry 107 pounds forty miles a day over difficult and mountainous roads. His pay will be three pence per day, and on this he will live well enough, eggs, for example, costing only a penny a dozen in inland China."

"There is no porter on earth equal to the Chinese coolie. The coolies who carry Szechuen tea into Tibet travel over snow choked mountain passes 7,000 feet above the sea with loads of 432 pounds of compressed tea on their patient backs."

"Salt, coal, calico, copper and tea are carried by coolies thousands of miles. The express coolie, with his light load of 107 pounds, swings along at the rate of forty miles a day. The accommodation coolie, with 100 pounds, does thirty miles. The various freight coolies, loaded respectively with 200 pounds, 300 pounds and 400 pounds, do twenty, fifteen and ten miles.—Pearson's Weekly.

The Lubricator.

"Why do you always put a pitcher of water and a glass on the table before an orator?"

"That," said the chairman of many reception committees, "is to give him something to do in case he forgets his place and has to stop and think."—Washington Star.

FOOD FOR A GENIUS.

Dist That Enabled Mrs. Siddons to Rise to Lady Macbeth.

It is not altogether easy to imagine a Lady Macbeth eating chops. Yet her greatest impersonator got her inspiration from them, if one may rely on an altogether delightful authority. On a certain occasion, writes E. V. Lucas in his book "The Second Post," the painter Haydon paid his butcher, who reciprocated by expressing great admiration for the artist's painting of "Alexander."

"Quite alive, sir," said the butcher. "I am glad you think so," said the artist.

"Yes, sir; but, as I have often said to my sister, you could not have painted that picture, sir, if you had not eat my meat, sir."

"Very true, Mr. Sowerby."

"Ah, sir, I have a fancy for genius, sir."

"Have you, Mr. Sowerby?"

"Yes, sir. Mrs. Siddons, sir, has eat my meat, sir. Never was such a woman for chops, sir! Ah, sir, she was a wonderful creature!"

"She was, Mr. Sowerby."

"Ah, sir, when she used to act that there character—but, Lord, such a head, as I say to my sister—that there woman, sir, that murders a king between 'em."

"Oh, Lady Macbeth."

"Ah, sir, that's it—Lady Macbeth. I used to get up with the butler behind her carriage when she acted, and I used to see her looking quite wild and all the people quite frightened. 'Aha, my lady,' says I, 'if it wasn't for my meat, though, you wouldn't be able to do that!'"

THE COTTON INDUSTRY.

Alexander Hamilton Foresaw Its Importance in This Country.

There exists in the archives of one of the oldest among the cotton spinning families in northern New Jersey a long letter from a banker of New York addressed to Alexander Hamilton when he was secretary of the treasury. The banker had heard that Hamilton purposed to build a cotton mill at Paterson, N. J. This project the banker condemned and stated that it was the opinion of all the merchants in New York whom he knew that not in a hundred years would the cotton milling business in the United States employ 200.

Hamilton went ahead and planned the industrial town he named Paterson and also planned and financed a company for developing a water power and for financing corporations thereat. Hamilton's original company, known as the Society For Useful Manufactures, exists to this day at Paterson.

The agent whom Hamilton sent to England to buy cotton mill machinery was instructed to have it "knocked down" and placed in small boxes that were to be marked "Bibles For the Moravians of Pennsylvania." It was at that time against the laws of England to ship any kind of industrial machinery out of the kingdom. Hamilton's brother and two of his agents were caught trying to ship the cotton mill machinery to Paterson, and they were imprisoned for ten months.—Cotton.

A Sight Unseen.

"I guess I'm just an impressionable woman," she implored. "I gave a beggar a quarter this afternoon."

"How did he work you for it?" he asked.

"He said, 'Won't this beautiful lady help me a bit?'"

"Well, you can't help giving something to these blind men."

And he can't figure it out yet why the girl is mad at him.—Boston Traveler.

A Literary Life Preserver.

Bookseller—This, sir, is an excellent book on swimming and a very useful one too.

Customer—Useful?

"Yes, sir. If ever you find yourself drowning you have only to turn to pages 88 and 89, and there you will find full instructions how to save yourself."—London Sketch.

Equal to the Occasion.

"Doctor, I am feeling worse today."

"Then stop taking the pills I prescribed for you."

"But I haven't taken any yet."

"Then take them."—Paris Sourire.

Doubled Pointed.

Bess—I'm at a loss to understand just what Mr. Blank meant when I told him my age was twenty-five. Tess—What did he say? Bess—That I didn't look it.—Lippincott's.

C. O. D.

Tommy—Mamma had a lot of things sent home C. O. D. today. What does C. O. D. mean? Tommy's Pop—C. O. D., my son, means "Call on Dad."—Philadelphia Record.

Always the Case.

"Take away woman and what would follow?" shouted the orator.

"We would!" cried a man on a back seat.

Whitewash Brush in Spain.

In Spain, where the ruins of Moorish towers are seen upon the crests of many hills as the express train crawls along at the rate of fifteen or twenty miles an hour, the evidences of surviving Moorish influence upon the people and customs of Andalusia make an interesting study. In the city of Ronda it is plain that the ideas of home building which the Arabs brought into the Iberian peninsula remain vital today. The whitewash brush is the great leveler of distinction between the rich and the poor in Spain. The exteriors of homes—great manor houses upon the haciendas, huts of mountaineers clinging to the sides of the almost perpendicular hills, handsome homes of rich merchants in the cities and humble tenements—are nearly all of plaster. A few of them are calcined in blue or brown or pink, but the majority are pure white. Ronda is a white city with a few patches of blue and pink and looks as if the whitewash brush had just been applied.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Got Right Down to Business.

James Russell Lowell when ambassador to England contributed liberally to a London society and one day sent a deserving young American there to be assisted home. But the American was told that, though his case was eminently deserving, the society was just then short of funds.

When Lowell heard this he sat down and wrote the society a terse and vigorous letter.

"Dear sirs," he began, "for the last seven years I have contributed annually 25 guineas to your organization. I regret to learn you were unable to assist the young man I recommended to you a few days ago. If you will kindly return to me one of my contributions I will send him to America at my own expense, as I am convinced the case is a most deserving one."

The society did not return any of Mr. Lowell's cash, but it found means somehow to dispatch the young man home by the next boat.

She Could Threaten Too.

"Tickets," said the wiry little conductor as he confronted a 300 pound German woman.

"Acht! I haf lost my ticket vhat I should come back by voice."

Conductor—I am sorry, madam, but you will be obliged to pay your fare again.

Woman—Nein, nein. I paid you this morning already. I vill nicht.

Several times the conductor returned to reason with her, but each time was met with a more decided refusal than the last. Finally, losing patience, the conductor said:

"Madam, if you do not pay your fare at once I shall have to stop the train and put you off."

The woman, half rising and shaking her fist at him, said: "What! Put me off, you say? When you say dat some more by me I make you the train off and no stop it either."

A Waiter as a Tipper.

Two years ago a guest at a hotel in Frankfurt-on-the-Main which has many American patrons became a prime favorite with the waiters in the dining room because of the lavish tips he gave to the man who served him, the boy who helped him on with his coat and the various other employees. Where old customers gave 50 pfennigs he would give a mark and more, besides extras in the way of cigars. In explanation he said one day that when he was at home in St. Louis he was a waiter, and, being far away, he wanted to test the extravagant tip system.

"And how does it work?" he was asked.

"Fine. The boys think me a fine gentleman, and I think they are fine waiters."—New York Tribune.

The Judge's Whistle.

The most concise summing up on record is attributed in a volume of legal reminiscences called "The Powder" to Baron Bramwell. The defendant's counsel had closed his case without calling a witness whose coming had been much expected. "Don't you call Jones, Mr. Blank?" said the judge significantly at the close of counsel's address. "I do not, my lord," replied the advocate. The judge turned around to the jury and gave vent to a low and prolonged whistle. "Whe-e-ew!" he said, or, rather, whistled. "Gentlemen, consider your verdict."

His Sudden Call.

The Masons of Manhattan gave a banquet. The toastmaster called upon one brother whose name was not on the program. It rather confused him.

"Look here, Mr. Toastmaster," said he, "this isn't exactly fair. You have called upon me to make an ass of myself without any preparation whatever."—Kansas City Journal.

According to Rule.

"How is your mother this morning?" asked Mrs. Grey of the small boy who came with the milk.

"She's better," he answered.

"Can she sit up?" went on Mrs. Grey.

"No," answered the literal youngster. "She sits down, but she stands up."—Woman's Home Companion.

Problems of the Fireside

The American home is the throne and fountain head of greatness and the destinies of the human race must depend upon the wisdom of the fireside. Politicians may make party platforms; legislatures may pass laws, but the fundamental questions of public importance must be finally settled by the man of toil as he quietly sits by the fireside after the day's work is over.

The Struggle for Power.

The outstanding ambition of the human race today is power. Financiers, with the inventive genius of an Edison, are seeking to associate capital in such a way as to multiply power. Labor, with the mighty trend of a nation marshaling its army, is seeking to arrange its forces so as to increase power. The farmer, with the patient and honest endeavor typical of his occupation, is seeking by organized methods to gain power. Each is endeavoring to combine two or more economic units of their class in such a way as to increase the power of both. The purposes are laudable, but the methods each must employ present problems in which all humanity is involved and they must be finally settled at the fireside.

The Problems Upon Us.

We are well into these problems with capital in the foreground. Numerous solutions have been suggested, but the most primitive one is that of prohibiting by law the extension and multiplication of power through organized effort. This solution is manifestly impracticable. No one would for a moment tolerate a law that would prevent the invention or use of an appliance which would multiply the power of steam or any other potential energy, because perchance it might also increase the danger—in growth the element of danger always increases at the same ratio as other component parts. To destroy or limit power is to strike down progress and return to the dark ages, and is an acknowledgment of our incapacity to cope with human affairs. We must quickly recede from this position or pass rapidly on to government ownership.

To acquire the highest degree of efficiency in civilization, we must develop every pound of energy and power for usefulness there is in all things and multiply this power as many times as human ingenuity can devise, minimizing, as far as possible, the element of danger without weakening the source of power.

The problems in the industrial horizon today are gigantic and their solution awaits the patriotic and careful consideration of men of noble minds and big hearts as they sit by the fireside.

A Well Trained Monkey.

Paris is a favorite center for the thief who uses animals as accomplices. About a year ago a foreign looking man, rather flashily dressed, entered a jeweler's shop in the Rue de la Paix and asked to be shown some rings. A tray was placed before him, but he asked for another. The shop attendant turned to get them. The man did not move; but, as it happened, there was a mirror in the opposite wall behind the counter, put there for the special purpose of detecting thieves. In this the attendant saw a tiny brown head poked out of the customer's pocket; then a long, thin, spidery arm flashed out, seized two rings and vanished. The attendant touched an electric bell, which summoned help, and the man and monkey were both arrested. The man turned out to be a Mexican. He had been traveling with a menagerie, had stolen the monkey and taught the little animal to pick up any article which its owner had previously touched with his finger. His lodgings were full of stolen lace and jewelry.

Nearly a Joke.

The humorist was in a brown study.

"I'll get it yet," he muttered.

"What's the matter, dear?" his wife inquired. "You seem to be puzzled about something."

"Yes," the jokesmith replied. "I'm trying to make a 'stitch in time' joke about the girl who is darning the clocks in her stockings."

Useless Sacrifices.

Duncan had eaten, with symptoms of pleasure, his first shrimp, but the mushroom that followed it proved less to his liking.

"Mother," he said, pushing the partly eaten agaric to the far edge of his plate. "I wish they hadn't killed that one."—Youth's Companion.

No Crown For Him.

Sunday School Teacher—If you are a good boy, Willie, you will go to heaven and have a gold crown on your head. Willie—Not for mine, then. I had one of them things put on a tooth once.—Exchange.

Not Much Resistance.

"Did the prisoner offer any resistance?"

"Only a shilling, your worship, and I wouldn't take it."

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Does a College Education Pay?

President Eliot of Harvard University once said: "The first and greatest need of the South and of every other section is leaders—leaders of ideals and leaders of action." Such leadership a University is primarily intended to supply, but this practical-minded age goes on asking, "Does college education pay, and pay in the coin of the realm?" Dr. A. C. Ellis, of the University of Texas, has recently pointed out in an interesting bulletin a number of instances which satisfactorily answer this question. Only a few can be quoted.

"The University of Illinois receives \$125,000 a year for investigation in agriculture. Through the teaching of one man and his colleagues, the increase in production of corn in Illinois has been forty-five million bushels per year. Through similar work by the Iowa Agricultural College, the corn crop of that state has increased over five million bushels a year. Education in Entomology in California has saved that state \$5,000,000 annually from the ravages of the white scale. The work of educated men has minimized the evil of the cotton boll weevil, which at one time in Texas destroyed over \$30,000,000 worth of cotton in one season.

"Dr. Mark Francis, of the Texas Agricultural and Mechanical College, almost unaided, has practically solved the problem of the Texas cattle fever, which at one time destroyed 75 per cent of all imported cattle. He has reduced the percentage to only 5 per cent and saved Texas millions and millions of dollars in live stock. At the same time, scientific breeding has added other millions to the wealth of the state. Ticks are also to be put an end to by the scientific experts of the departments of agriculture. Educated men now control the ravages of the dreaded black leg disease, the foot and mouth disease, and the scab disease once so destructive among the sheep of Texas.

"Moreover, two college men worked out in 1880 the cyanide process of extracting gold, which is now responsible for fully one-third of the world's gold production. Other men trained in chemistry have solved the processes for refining copper and for producing steel economically. Germany has been made a rich and powerful nation, chiefly through the services of its great literary and technical universities.

"A college professor discovered formaldehyde. Scientists such as Pasteur and Lister developed the wonders of aseptic and antiseptic surgery and sanitation. Education is teaching the people how to control consumption. Dr. Behrens has reduced the death rate from 55 per cent to 19 per cent by the diphtheria antitoxine treatment. Smallpox and yellow fever are now little dreaded because of the work of educated men, and the list might be continued at very great length."

Education does pay, not only in a large return of wealth, but in the saving and conservation of human life.

Texas is not yet so generous

towards its University as are such states as Wisconsin, Michigan, California and Illinois, but the press and people are waking up to the practical value of higher education, and more generous appropriations are sure to come.

The Damage Suit Industry.

The damage suit habit in some portions of Texas has recently grown to such proportions that the patrons of the railroads, the persons who really pay these damages, are well justified in asking, "What are we going to do about it?"

It is estimated that the railroads of Texas paid out for damages last year nearly two and a half million dollars, a sum so startling in its proportion that the information can scarcely be credited, yet the figures are said to be official. If this is to continue, then what remedy will the people who are compelled to pay the bills have?

Of course, there are many meritorious claims for damages which should be paid promptly and fully, but it is probable that more than fifty per cent of the suits brought for this purpose are either greatly exaggerated in the charges, or are absolutely fakes. This is chiefly due to the energetic, if not altogether honest efforts of the professional damage suit lawyers who infest most cities and who derive their sole income from suits which they work up against some corporation, frequently for some unimportant injury which should be settled in a few dollars but for which they manage to get a verdict in the courts for several thousand, only a comparatively small portion of which goes to the injured person, the lawyer taking the lion's share.

This is not only unjust, but it is nothing short of robbery of the people, because it is the people, after all, who pay these judgments. These damages are charged up by the railroad companies as a part of their current expenses, and it is the total of these expenses that the railroad commission considers in fixing the rates which shall be charged to the patrons of the roads. If a company pays out \$500,000 a year for damages, the railway commission will allow it to charge the public a higher rate than if it pays out only half that sum, so the people are compelled to foot the bills which these damage suit lawyers collect from the companies. Not only is this true, but the person who really has a meritorious case against a company for damages, has a great deal more difficulty in securing the money than if the unworthy ones were not compelling the companies to fight through all the courts every claim against them in order to protect themselves from absolute robbery.

Apparently, the remedy lies in the formation of a public sentiment which will discountenance every man who, as a juror, will award extortionate or unjust claims to plaintiffs merely because the defendant happens to be a corporation, and which will look upon a man as a criminal if he is found to be in league with the professional damage suit lawyers, as many are. The professional damage suit juror is as despicable as the professional damage suit lawyer. Both are carons who feed off the public. —Laredo Times.

Those Who Take Foley Kidney Pills

For their kidney and bladder ailments, and for annoying urinary irregularities are always grateful both for the quick and permanent relief they afford, and for their tonic and strengthening effect as well. Try Foley Kidney Pills. Will McLean.

Advertising as News.

Advertising is news. Newspapers charge for advertising space because they create it, establishing the plant and organization and building up the circulation that makes the advertising space valuable; advertisements are an important part of a newspaper's income. Nevertheless, essentially advertising is news; it tells the public what the big merchants and the little ones have to sell. It gives the news of the stores and the shops. And as news is the way it should be written. It should give the information clearly and simply, so that it can be assimilated by the mind of the reader with the least effort.

"All the business men," says the Haverhill Gazette, "can recall a form of advertising that was very prevalent about ten or twenty years ago. The idea was to fool a reader against his will to peruse an advertisement. It was assumed that the reader was hostile to all advertising, and that the only way to get him to read it was to perpetrate a fraud. An advertisement would start in like a news article as if it were some sensational or tragic happening. With more or less ingenuity the reader would be led on to the advice to buy certain pills or corsets. The practical result was to anger the reader at so childish a deception, and few goods were sold in that fashion. The big dry goods and clothing merchants were the leaders in modern advertising! They were early with the discovery that the public does not have to be cajoled, teased or defrauded in order to get advertising read. The public does not turn to advertising for wit, humor or monkey capers. It simply asks a merchant to tell them about some of his most attractive offerings, to describe them so clearly that they can know just about what they are and what they will cost."

This is excellent advice. The fine art of advertising is summed up in the injunction to the merchant to "tell them about some of his most attractive offerings, to describe them so clearly that they can know just about what they are and what they will cost." The people are interested in what are in the stores. They have their multitudinous wants and must buy necessities and certain luxuries. They want to know where they can buy them most advantageously. They want to know about bargains. They want to know about the new things that are put on sale. Busy shoppers lack the time and energy to make the rounds of the stores. They want to know where to go to buy before they start out. And the newspaper tells them. The newspaper brings into the homes and offices and boarding houses and hotels the news; everybody wants to read the news. It also brings the advertisements; and people read the advertisements, too, attentively, because they intend purchasing or because they wish to have attractive purchases suggested to them.

Ours is the age of advertising. To succeed, the merchant must advertise in the right way, using a liberal amount of space to furnish the news of his store, and seeing to it that his news is up to date. —Houston Chronicle.

The greatest enemy of childhood is the tape worm. It destroys health and undermines the constitution. The greatest enemy of intestinal worms is White's Cream Vermifuge. It removes the worms and helps the child back to strength, vigor and cheerfulness. Price 25c per bottle. Sold by Murchison-Beasley Drug Co.

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Repaired and Overhauled.

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Have your gin lighted by electricity and receive lower insurance rates than you now receive.

Think it over and if you find anything that needs fixing send for

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Peacock Naval School

Corpus Christi, Texas

The Alta Vista Hotel

Corpus Christi, Texas

Spending your vacation in the coolest city on the gulf. The famous Alta Vista Hotel of 126 rooms, on a 30-foot bluff, Corpus Christi Bay, is now open to guests at family rates, as well as to Naval cadets. Free bathing and fishing. Pier 1,700 feet long. Gallery 900 feet. A delightful place for women and children. No dust, flies or mosquitoes. The largest and most elegantly furnished hotel on the bay. The Naval School provided for by Congress March 4, 1911. Government boats loaned by the Secretary of the Navy already on hand. Public School studies forenoons, recreation, swimming, rowing, sailing and nautical subjects afternoons. Music daily by the Peacock Marine Band. Post cards for names.

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as regards services in Plumbing work, whether it be a new job or merely repairs. And the work we do is thorough and always satisfactory, while the prices we charge are satisfactory, too. There is no time wasted by us, as we employ skilled workmen only, who know their business thoroughly and use only the best materials in order to ensure the most satisfactory results.

C. A. CLINTON,
Plumbing and Supplies.

BEGINNINGS OF HOME LIFE.

Extracts from a Sermon Delivered by Rev. Sam H. Hay, Pastor of Houston.

The usual large audience filled St. Paul's to its capacity to hear the popular minister discuss the subject of "When I Married and Started a Home."

The service was as interesting as the preceding ones of this series and gave opportunity for some very pointed and striking observations by Dr. Hay upon every-day matters.

Reading of letters from various individuals was a feature of the meeting, and Dr. Hay also read from the discipline of the church the marriage vows, explaining that marriage was a life contract, and touching lightly on the divorce question.

One letter from a gentleman said that when the writer was married he and his wife began keeping house in a rented house. "This man used sound common sense when he started in a rented house," said Dr. Hay, "for a rented house beats a boarding house all to pieces. The great trouble with so many young people is they want to begin at first where their parents are now after they have tried married life for forty years. Too many are unwilling to begin at the beginning. If they are not able to have a home with all the fashionable appointments, they prefer to go to a boarding house and play like they are rich. No man and no woman can afford to risk the insinuations that come outside of their own home. You may read between the lines for the meaning of this statement. The worst spectacle I know of is to see a young fellow pulling away at his job down town and his wife hanging around a boarding house, with nothing to do, no household duties or cares to engage her attention. It is an unnatural beginning and may bear its fruit."

The writer continued that after the first baby was born his wife suggested that they buy a home, which they did, paying \$200 down and the balance in easy payments, until the home was paid for, and the family was living comfortable.

"This letter strikes at the heart of the question," said Dr. Hay. "No man has any right to live continuously in a rented house. Good citizenship demands that every man own some foot of ground somewhere, if it is a wilderness. You may say what you please about men or companies that sell homes on easy payments, and you may criticize them if you will, but I believe in them. The man or the company with money which makes it possible for you to plant yourself in a home of your own, is your friend. I am preaching a wholesome doctrine when I urge you to get a home of your own and live for God and your country."

"I never felt right until I had a place of my own. I finally got one, and although it's not very large, if I should walk out of this pulpit to-night, never to return, because of some physical infirmity, I could manage to make a living some way on my place."

"The unit of society is the family. No community, no country and no church is better than its domestic life. You can drive down your stakes and camp with that statement. It is a sad omen for any community when its hotel lobbies and club rooms are preferred to domestic firesides. Yet we see these places swarming and seething with men who ought to be at home with their wives

and babies.

"We are not surprised to find that Jesus placed deep emphasis on the home life. He was a member of a family. He grew up in a humble home. The most beautiful paintings that have come down to us from the imagination of the master artists are scenes from His home life. One shows Him going on an errand for His mother. Another paints Him standing by the carpenter's bench. In all His teachings when He struck the question of home, of marriage and of the shepherding of men, He rang true. He was the great social champion. He held marriage a divine institution. He gave it precedence over every other relation of life. This divine seal, according to Christ, can never be dissolved. What God hath joined together let no man put asunder. This was Christ's doctrine on the beginning of married life. There would be far less divorces if people would come back to the principles of Christ. A very large per cent of the divorces are caused by the failure of the parties to recognize the duties of home building and of home life. Christ made the home the nearest thing to Heaven."

Sayings from Mahin Messenger.

It is not lack of opportunity, but lack of initiative that holds men back.

Mark to-day as an epoch in your life and as the beginning of a realization of your ambition.

He who realizes the worth of opportunity to-day, reaps the bountiful rewards to-morrow. To-day thus possesses a significant value. Grasp it.

"Dear teacher," wrote Johnny's mother, "kindly excuse John's absence from school yesterday afternoon, as he fell in the mud. By doing the same you will greatly oblige his mother."—Comic Cuts.

Watch Your Kidneys

Their actions control your health. Read what Foley Kidney Pills have done for your neighbor. Mrs. H. W. Allen, Quincy, Ill., says: "About a year ago my kidneys began bothering me. I had a swelling in my ankles and limbs, then headaches and nervous dizzy spells, and later backaches. I was getting worse, when I began taking Foley Kidney Pills. I kept on taking them until I was once more freed of all kidney trouble and suffering. I have a great deal to thank Foley Kidney Pills for and shall always recommend them." Will McLean.

Houston is to erect a young woman's home at a cost of \$200,000. The building will be modern and up-to-date, and will be equipped with all the conveniences and comforts of a home for the use of the business women of Houston.

Hay Fever and Summer Colds

Must be relieved quickly and Foley's Honey and Tar Compound will do it. E. M. Stewart, 1034 Wolfram St., Chicago, writes: "I have been greatly troubled during the hot summer months with hay fever, and find that by using Foley's Honey and Tar Compound I get great relief." Many others who suffer similarly will be glad to benefit by Mrs. Stewart's experience. Will McLean.

At an election at Teague a bond issue to the amount of \$34,000 was carried, only 40 votes being cast against the issue.

Clay county is to vote on August 5th on the proposition of issuing \$200,000 for bonds for building good roads.

WELLS FARGO TO REORGANIZE.

G. A. Taft, Superintendent in Houston, to be General Superintendent.

Changes that will revolutionize the methods of doing business by the Wells Fargo Company in Texas are expected to take place almost immediately. G. A. Taft, superintendent at Houston, is to become general superintendent of the Southwestern division, including the states of Texas, Arkansas and Louisiana.

Perhaps the most important feature of the plan is that the express company is to establish a traffic bureau, fashioned after those of the railroads, and send men out after the business. This soliciting of business will amount to an upheaval of the entire system of securing shipments. The express company will go after the business instead of waiting for the business to go to it.

Circulars announcing the appointments are expected at almost any time in Houston now from the headquarters of the company in New York. The plans were practically completed some time ago, shortly after the Wells Fargo Company arranged to take over the business of the Pacific Express Company.

Mr. Taft will become general superintendent and will have a corps of superintendents under him. These will be stationed at Dallas, Fort Worth, Texarkana, New Orleans and possibly San Antonio, El Paso and other Texas cities. It also means that several Houston men are in line for promotion to the branch offices. Houston, it is also understood, will be the center of operation for the reorganized forces and Mr. Taft will maintain his headquarters here.

The date when the change takes effect is understood to be August 1, when the Wells Fargo Company succeeds the Pacific Express Company on the Gould lines, which means the International and Great Northern, Texas and Pacific, Iron Mountain, etc. Practically all of the employes of the Pacific Express Company will be given positions with the reorganization. The post of general superintendent means an important promotion to Superintendent G. A. Taft, who has been identified with Houston for many years, and who is one of the best known figures in the business life of the city.

When seen Monday morning and asked about the proposed changes, Mr. Taft admitted that the announcement would be made soon. He said he expected the official announcement at any time, but declined to discuss the changes in detail, saying he must wait until he receives the circulars from New York.

He also confirmed the report that he was to become general superintendent. Who the various superintendents are to be he would not say, and said that the other plans would be made public at the first moment he was authorized to speak authoritatively. — Houston Chronicle.

Foley's Honey and Tar Compound

Is effective for coughs and colds in either children or grown persons. No opiates, no harmful drugs. In the yellow package. Refuse substitutes. Will McLean.

Mrs. Quackness—"Am yo' daughter happily mar'd, Sistah Sagg?"

Mrs. Sagg—"She sho' is! Bless goodness, she's done got a husband dat's skeered to death of her."—Western Christian Advocate.

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Here's an individual among drinks—a beverage that fairly snaps with delicious goodness and refreshing wholesomeness.

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How to Keep Well.

In the July Woman's Home Companion Dr. Jean Williams, writing on "How to Keep Well in Summer," says in part: "In general to lighten the digestive burden during the summer months, eat sparingly, especially of heat-producing foods. Add green vegetables and fresh, ripe fruits generously to the diet. Avoid underripe, overripe and partly decayed fruits as you would poison, for this is exactly what they are. Strawberries and other small seeded fruits disagree with many people. In such a case, use only the juice of the fruit. Ice water, so commonly and copiously consumed, is very bad for the stomach and sometimes very dangerous. Acute indigestion is often caused by drinking it. As for the ever present soda fountain, though not all is evil that flows from its faucets, there are few persons whose health will not suffer from indulgence in the heavily-sweetened, over flavored ice cream, nut chocolate mixtures that are sold so much more commonly than the wholesome grape juice, apple juice, lemonade, zoolack, matzoon or buttermilk. The last named three not only serve as agreeable, refreshing beverages, but are valuable foods as well. Finally, let me urge everyone to cultivate the holiday spirit. If you can't have a long vacation, take a short one. If you can't leave your work at all, manage to make your work conform in some manner to summer standards. Picnic as much as you can if you enjoy it. Eat out of doors, if you can do so in comparative privacy."

A Funny Old World.

The other day a fellow walked in and paid up his subscription and ordered the paper discontinued to his address. Somehow, he looked surprised when his request was given prompt attention with the same courtesy as when his name was first enrolled, and he looked a little disappointed when we did not urge him to reconsider his purpose to quit. We very naturally assumed that he knew his business and was entitled to have his wishes observed. Some time ago a fellow discontinued his paper and exhibited evident surprise the following week to observe the plant still running as usual. He thought he had put us out of business. But in this he was mistaken, for the very same day that he quit three others came in and had their names enrolled for a year. This is a funny old world, and there are lots of funny people. We have learned through years of experience to let every man do as he pleases and we endeavor to do the same way ourselves, in so far as we are permitted to do so.—Mineola Monitor.

If you feel "blue," "No account," "lazy," you need a good cleaning out. Herbine is the right thing for that purpose. It stimulates the liver, tones up the stomach and purifies the bowels. Price 50c. Sold by Murchison-Beasley Drug Co.

"If a good face is a letter of recommendation, a good heart is a letter of credit."—Bulwer Lytton.

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Respectfully invites the people of Crockett and vicinity to visit their stores while in Houston. They not only handle the very best merchandise, in large and complete assortments, but they have the most perfect organization of salespeople in the South.

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TEXAS TO BE REIMBURSED.

Amendment to General Deficiency Bill Offered by Senator Culberson.

Washington, July 17. — As a result of an amendment offered to the general deficiency bill in the senate to-day by Senator Culberson, the state of Texas stands in a fair way to soon receive a payment of money from the United States, aggregating about \$183,000, in reimbursement for defense of the frontier against Mexican and Indian marauders prior to the civil war.

In 1905 Senator Culberson submitted an amendment to the general deficiency appropriation bill, which was adopted, providing in effect that the secretary of war should report to congress what sums of money had been expended by Texas between 1855 and 1860 for troops called into service in defense of the frontier, for which reimbursement had not been made by the United States.

The secretary of war reported under this amendment that the state had expended about \$396,000 for this purpose, and in 1906 and 1908, respectively, this sum of money was appropriated and paid to the state by the United States.

Governor Colquitt, acting under a resolution of the legislature, passed in 1909, has written Senator Culberson that the state expended for the defense of the frontier, in addition to the amount already refunded by the United States, the sum of about \$183,000, as above stated. Of this amount, it seems that \$3,600 was not included in the previous appropriations, because of inadvertent failure of the state authorities to include the amount in the hearing before the secretary of war in 1905; and the other and larger amount of about \$179,000 was not included, because at that time the state authorities were ignorant of the fact that the money had been actually expended by the state. The vouchers for this large amount were discovered in 1908 in some old records in the controller's office, which had been recovered from the fire which destroyed the state capitol in 1881.

Senator Culberson, acting under the request of Governor Colquitt, to-day introduced an amendment to the deficiency appropriation bill, which was referred to the committee on appropriations directing the secretary of war to investigate and report to congress whether this sum of money was expended by the state of Texas in defense of the frontier, as claimed. This was the course followed in 1905, and the probabilities are that the amendment will be adopted and the report made by the secretary of war at the next regular term of congress. In case the report is favorable, of which there appears to be no question, there is not much doubt that the money will be promptly appropriated.

Strong Plea For the Horse.

The Signal begs the privilege of making a plea for the horse. This is very hot weather, as you all know, and the horse is just as susceptible to the heat as members of the human family. The finer feelings which ought to be a part of every man's makeup suggests that the servants of man are entitled to the very best of treatment, especially during this time of melting heat. We see some men and boys jerking horses and mules in a way that can only be styled barbaric; we see others applying the lash unmercifully to beasts drawing heavy loads; we see others leave horses and mules

for hours in the broiling sun and dust, without even a drink of water to quench their thirst, and to fight flies as best they can. If this is not cruelty we do not know the meaning of the word. The lot of the horse is a hard one at best at present and the man who does something in the interest of the brutes that cannot speak for themselves manifests a tenderness of heart that we believe all good people and the Creator of man and brute will approve.—Honey Grove Signal.

Farm Land Values Doubled.

Washington, July 20. — Of marked interest, because of many statements made during the reciprocity debate, was census bureau's announcement today of the latest general farm statistics of the United States, showing that land in farms more than doubled in value during the past ten years, having increased \$15,252,788,000, or 118 per cent. In 1900 they were valued at \$13,051,033,000, and returns of the thirteenth census show they are now worth \$28,384,821,000.

Farm lands, farm buildings and farm implements of the country are valued at \$35,859,663,000, compared with \$17,357,425,000 ten years ago.

The number of farms in 1910 was 6,340,120 as compared with 5,737,372 in 1900, an increase of 11 per cent. Cultivated land increased in 1900 from 835,092,000 acres to 873,703,000 in 1910, or 5 per cent, but a larger increase, 15 per cent, is noted in improved acreage, which in 1900 was 414,490,000 acres, and in 1910 was 477,424,000.

More conspicuous than the increase in the number and acreage of farms has been increases in the improved values of farm property. The land in farms rose in value \$13,051,033,000 in 1900 to \$28,384,821,000 in 1910, an increase of 118 per cent, and during the same period the average value per acre of all land in farms rose from \$15.60 to \$32.50, or 150 per cent.

Farm buildings, which in 1900 were valued at \$3,556,614,000 were reported in 1910 as worth \$6,294,025,000, an increase of 77 per cent. Farm implements and machinery, reported in 1910 as worth \$1,261,817,000 and ten years previously as worth \$749,778,000, show an increase of 68 per cent.

Two laborers in Council Bluffs were preparing to dig a hole in the street and a passer-by stopped to watch them mark it off on the asphalt. As they worked, one laborer said: "Did yez work yesterday Tim?" "Av course not," replied the other. "Yisterday wor Lincoln's birthday." The one who had spoken first finished marking on the asphalt, and then said: "Tim what makes 'em cillbrate the birthday av Lincoln?" "O! don't know," replied the other "unless it's because William Jennings Bryan comes from there."—Chicago News.

Kidney Diseases are Curable

under certain conditions. The right medicine must be taken before the disease has progressed too far. Mr. Perry A. Pitman, Dale, Tex., says: "I was down in bed for four months with kidney and bladder trouble and gall stones. One bottle of Foley's Kidney Remedy cured me well and sound." Ask for it. Will McLean.

Teacher (to new pupil)—"Why did Hannibal cross the Alps, my little man?"

My Little Man—"For the same reason as the 'en crossed th' road. Yer don't catch me with no puzzles."

MODERN VERSION OF THE VILLAGE BLACKSMITH.

(W. D. Nesbit in Homes.)

Under a costly canopy
The village-blacksmith sits;
Before him is a touring car
Broken to little bits—
And the owner and the chaffeur, too,
Have almost lost their wits.
The village blacksmith smiles with glee,
As he lights his fat cigar—
He tells his helpers what to do
To straighten up the car—
And the owner and the chaffeur, too,
Stand humbly where they are.
The village blacksmith puffs his weed
And smiles a smile of cheer
The while his helpers pump the tires
And monkey with the gear—
And the owner and the chaffeur, too,
Stand reverently near.
Behind the village blacksmith is
The portal of his shop:
The shop is very large in size,
With a tiled roof on top—
And the owner and the chaffeur, too,
At it were glad to stop.
The children going home from school
Look in at the open door;
They like to see him make his bills,
And hear the owners roar—
And the chaffeurs weep as they declare
They ne'er paid that before.
He goes each morning to the bank
And salts away his cash;
A high silk hat and long frock coat
Helps him to cut a dash—
But the owner and the chaffeur, too,
Their teeth all vainly gnash.
The chestnut tree long since has died,
The smith does not repine;
His humble shop has grown into
A building big and fine—
And it bears "Garage" above the door
On a large electric sign.

Frank Gould Writes Farce.

The reason for Frank Jay Gould's recent hours of seclusion was learned to-day, when he informed his most intimate friends that he had been busy writing the book and lyrics for a musical farce. The work is finished and will be produced in the Theatre St. Michael here under the management of Carl Strakosch. In the winter the piece will be staged in New York city by Frank Hennessy and Charles Dillingham. The billboards will not bear the name of the millionaire who married Edith Kelly. The musical farce is to be called "The Gay Boulevardier," and the author will figure as Frank Jay.

This is by no means the first attempt Gould has made at playwriting and sketches. When in Yale University he wrote several pieces that were commented on favorably, and which, it is said, were sent on the road. Gould then had another pen-name, not resembling his own.

Gould began writing the musical farce when he was in New York last winter, and got additional Parisian atmosphere when in this city in the last month. The millionaire author insists the staging be done elaborately. The cafe scene in the boulevard, it is said, will surpass anything that has been seen on the stage in several seasons. Real absinthe will be poured into the glasses of the stage folks, bottles of champagne will be opened with the true pop of the cork, and waiters of the principal cafe in the Paris boulevards will attend to the show girls. The white-aproned men from the Cafe de la Paix and several other popular places in the French capital, where the Parisian knows the waiters as the New Yorker knows the bartender, have been engaged.

Gould, after reading the piece to several theatrical managers here, is confident it will be a success. Arrangements have been made for the translation of "The Gay Boulevardier."

Gould has introduced many laughable situations in the piece. One of the first scenes will be in the Abbaye in Montartre, and another in the hotel. It is said

Mrs. Gould is delighted with her husband's effort, and the first night of the farce will be a gala night, special tables being reserved in a prominent cafe for a supper at which all the performers and many of the audience will be the guests of the Goulds.—Houston Chronicle.

Slept in Buggy With \$480.

The story in the Tribune about the man who was relieved of \$50 while he slept on the street served not as a warning to another man who, feeling drowsy, climbed up into a buggy beneath a shed in front of a blacksmith shop on Twenty-fourth and Church streets for a nap. This man carried \$480 in his inside pocket and he slept as comfortably as a poor man in a feather bed.

He was still sleeping when a police officer came along and awakened the stranger and took him to the police station for safekeeping. The visitor within our gates had imbibed too generously perhaps and worried not about his health, but the police told him he was a lucky man and that it was good he had not fallen into 'evil hands.' After he was restored to normal conditions the owner of the \$480 realized that he had taken desperate chances in courting thugs and unscrupulous individuals to separate him from his earnings and savings.

This morning Police Chief Wegner returned the stranger's money to him with a few words of fathering advice to be a little more careful in the future.

WEAK, WEARY WOMEN

Learn the Cause of Daily Woes and End Them.

When the back aches and throbs.
When housework is torture.
When night brings no rest nor sleep
When urinary disorders set in
Women's lot is a weary one.
There is a way to escape these woes.
Doan's Kidney Pills cure such ills.

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Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other.

"Do you think I could keep the wolf from the door by my singing?" asked the musical young man. "You could," replied Miss Cayenne, "if the wolf has any sort of an ear for music."—Washington Star.

A new school building is being erected at Loraine at a cost of \$20,000. The building will be completed by November.

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Should be always on the watch for symptoms of worms in their children. These pests undermine strength and vitality. A child with worms is pale, sickly and cross, has dark rings under the eyes, bad breath, starts in the sleep. **WHITE'S CREAM VERMIFUGE** destroys worms and intestinal parasites of all kinds. A few days use produces a wonderful improvement. The pale, sickly child is transformed into a rosy, vigorous Cherub, full of vim and activity.
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To please our customers in every department and how successful we are is attested by the ever increasing patronage of this drug store.

No matter what you want in the drug line you will find it here and the prices—well, they are as low, quality considered, as the same article can be bought for anywhere.

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Local News.

J. R. Hann, your tailor.
Ripe olives at Woodson's.
Hot and cold baths at the Crystal. 4t
The new furniture store sells it for less.
Try the dinner biscuits at Woodson's.
Jas. S. Shivers & Co. pays cash for beeswax.
S. M. Montzingo is on a business trip to Detroit, Mich.
J. R. Hann, your tailor. Over Bricker's jewelry store.
None better than Buck's stoves, sold by Jas. S. Shivers & Co.
Miss Julia Edmundson of Rusk is visiting Mrs. Pinkney Hall.
W. V. Berry is getting his gin in readiness for the cotton crop.
Darling cook stoves sold by Jas. S. Shivers & Co. are of the best.
J. R. Hann, your tailor. Over Bricker's jewelry store.
J. W. Young and Frank Harris were in Grapeland Tuesday.
E. J. Deupree of Oklahoma City was here Saturday and Sunday.
A complete, up to date abstract. of Aldrich & Crook.
Reduced prices in many lines at Allbright's for the next few weeks.
Ernest Lemay of Austin is visiting his father and family in this city.
J. T. Dorman is sending the Courier to Hugh Cain at Mohawk, Tenn.
Willis Higginbotham of Stephenville will arrive this week for a visit.
Sweet, sour and mixed pickles in quart jars, 30 cents per jar, at Woodson's.
Dr. and Mrs. H. C. Moore of Houston were recent visitors in this city.
The largest assortment of fancy cakes in the city at Woodson's—Phone 1-5-1.
Miss Mattie McGarr of Palestine was a visitor in this city Friday and Saturday.
Jas. S. Shivers & Co. says the Brown Wagon is the best, and lightest running.
J. R. Hann, your tailor.

Suits cleaned, repaired and pressed. J. R. Hann, your tailor. Over Bricker's.
You'll find the fancy cakes you're looking for at Woodson's—Phone 1-5-1.
I. A. Daniel and T. C. Lemay have bought the Frank Daniel gin in West Crockett.
Mrs. S. M. Montzingo and Miss Evelyn Slade visited at Lovelady Saturday and Sunday.
If you want to take a summer trip, come to T. D. Craddock's and buy a trunk or grip.
J. R. Hann takes pride in doing the best work in the city. Over Bricker's jewelry store.
You get your money's worth when you buy of T. D. Craddock. Everything going cheap.
The plans are being drawn for the four-story building to be erected on Public avenue.
Mrs. Bricker has a surrey comparatively new and a gentle horse to sell at a bargain for cash.
All men's low cut shoes at T. D. Craddock's have got to go. Take advantage of the opportunity.
For bath or shave go to friend. Best equipped shop in Houston county. Cleanliness our hobby.
The Crockett Dry Goods Company is doing the business. They have the goods and the prices.
I must reduce my stock before moving. See me before buying. N. E. Allbright.
Try J. R. Hann, your tailor, for your next suit or extra trousers and notice the difference.
Miss Reba Rich and Miss Lois Caldwell left Saturday morning for their homes in Lovelady and Willis.
Daniel & Burton have bought a part of the Kuhlman place on the San Antonio road southwest of Crockett.
Deupree & Waller are showing the best line of furniture for the least money ever before shown in Houston county.
Two more automobiles have been sold in Crockett, which will run the number up to sixteen for Houston county.
Summer cooking will be a pleasure if you use a gasoline stove. C. A. Clinton sells the Clark Jewel smokeless generator stoves and ranges. See them before you buy.

Over 150 good farmers in Houston county use the Brown Wagon. A car load at Jas. S. Shivers & Co's.

Miss Marian Blum of San Antonio and Miss Ellen Hillsman of Austin will arrive next week to visit Miss Hallie Aldrich.

Deupree & Waller are selling that celebrated sweet-sleeping sanitary Sanidown mattress. Let them send you out one.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Q. King and children and a son of J. P. Millar returned Friday night from a week's stay in Galveston.

Let Deupree & Waller lay your matting, carpets and linoleums and hang your shades. They do it right and a heap cheaper.

You must hurry if you want anything in muslin underwear at T. D. Craddock's. The reduced prices will soon move them.

Cards have been received here by the friends of Miss Verne Monday, who is visiting at Long Beach, California. She reports a delightful trip.

That new line of window shades at the new furniture store are the prettiest yet, and Deupree & Waller make a speciality of having them hung right.

John Tittle of Route 6 was a visitor at the Courier office Monday. He informed us that he had bought the interest of his brothers in the home place.

A good gasoline stove is only second to gas for convenience and is as cool. Buy a Clark Jewel from Clinton and your summer cooking will be a pleasure.

J. A. Beathard and mother have returned from a visit to Mississippi. Mr. Beathard says, all things considered, he likes this country better than that.

Where gas is not available gasoline makes cooking cool and convenient. For summer it is indispensable. See Clinton's line of Clark Jewel gasoline stoves.

Mr. Jesse Bishop of Arbor was among the number in town Monday. He not only renewed his subscription to the Courier for this year, but for next year as well.

These hot summer days call for a refrigerator of quality. The "Gurney" answers the purpose; \$25 ones for \$18.50.

J. D. Sims,
The Furniture Man.

To those of my friends who still owe me I wish to say that I would appreciate very much if you would see me and settle your accounts, as they are long past due and should have been paid long ago. Respectfully,
2t. Frank F. Shupak.



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CROCKETT, TEXAS

Will Payne of Collin county is visiting his brother, O. C. Payne. He has only recently returned from Italy where he studied voice culture and will leave soon for Germany to resume his studies.

In order to reduce my stock preparatory to moving, I am offering special inducements in many lines. See me before buying. I can save you money.
N. E. Allbright.

Tom Smith and Guy Gilder, who left Crockett a week ago in an automobile for Lobo, Culbertson county, had reached Fort Davis in Jeff Davis county Monday night and are in Lobo by this time.

Porch swings and lawn swings, porch sets and settees. We are headquarters for porch and lawn furniture. Tell us your furniture wants, we do the rest.

J. D. Sims,
The Furniture Man.

"When the harvest days are over, Jessie dear," or even before that time, you'll need something in the furniture line. Go to the new furniture store and see Deupree & Waller's pretty new stock before buying elsewhere.

Tusculum Porch Shades.

Does the sun shine on your porch? If so, let us send you one of our Tusculum Porch Shades. Made in any length; the price is right, too.

J. D. Sims, The Furniture Man,
Undertaker.

A special song service by the combined choirs of the city was given at the court house Sunday night. Special features of the service were the vocal solos by Mrs. Willis Higginbotham of Stephenville and Mr. Will Payne, both of whom were visitors in the city.

See us about porch shades, we have them in all lengths. The greatest convenience on the market. Tusculum Porch Shades keep out the sun and make an otherwise hot porch nice and pleasant.

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For Sale.

The Presbyterian church desires to sell the seats of their house of worship, and will sell at a very low price; also their church carpet. The seats are in good condition, nicely painted and varnished. The carpet is not much worn, and is of a very good quality, nearly one hundred yards of it.

S. F. Tenney.

Mr. C. R. Thomas, a highway engineer from the office of public roads, U. S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C., arrived in Crockett Monday night to superintend the preliminary work of getting the road work started in the 7-mile limit around Crockett. Mr. Thomas has been supervising road construction in Ellis county.

The Clarksville Board of Trade is endeavoring to build a road from that city to McKinney to connect with the Red River to the Gulf highway. Half the road is now in good condition and an effort will be made to improve the other half in the near future.



A Safe Proposition

Try our Rexall Kidney Pills for kidney trouble. Positively nothing better.

McLean's Drug Store

Commissioners' Court.

The commissioners' court, in session Monday, ordered a bond election for a school house in the Hayes Springs district. The court also ordered the sale of the Lone Oak old school house, the proceeds to go to the new house.

The result of the recent superintendent election was declared as 1070 for abolishment and 585 against.

Announcement.

In the future no subscriptions will be received by the Courier for less than six months and the subscription price for six months is 50 cents. We lose money on every subscription handled for less than six months. And no advertisement will be received for less than 25 cents, for the reason, also, that we lose money on every advertisement taken for less than that amount. Our friends and patrons will please take notice and be governed accordingly.

The Comanche High School will take advantage of the state's offer to appropriate \$2,000 a year to high schools that will appropriate a like amount and will establish courses in agriculture, domestic science and manual training.

Picnic Lunches

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LOCAL SELF-GOVERNMENT SURVIVES.

The result of Saturday's election, while close, is favorable to the side of local self-government. There is to be no change at this time in the state constitution. There is not a county in Texas that cannot now have prohibition if a majority of its people wants it and those counties that do not want prohibition can enjoy that privilege. The conditions, customs and habits of the people of the counties and sections differ. The framers of the constitution took this into consideration and declared for local option or local self-government for the different counties and sections. When the people of any county vote prohibition on themselves, the people of those counties opposed to prohibition cannot combine their votes with the other counties and vote the saloons back onto the people who do not want them. And Saturday's vote proves that the people of the dry counties are slow to interfere with the affairs of the people of the wet counties; that they believe the people of each county know what is best for their own government and prosperity. The Courier believes the defeat of statewide prohibition has strengthened the cause of county prohibition and that an increased number of local option counties will result. The success of the statewide cause would have been disastrous to county and precinct prohibition and a failure in those sections that do not want any kind of prohibition.

While a majority of the people of Houston county have signified their disapproval of the statewide plan, the Courier believes that a majority are in favor of county prohibition, and in this the Courier joins with them. The majority against statewide is 226. We have talked with enough voters to change the result the other way if the question should be local option or county prohibition—voters who favored the county as against the statewide plan, and they were advocates of temperance, too.

THE COUNTRY MERCHANT.

It was vigorously maintained at the senate committee hearing on parcels post that on an average mail order prices are higher than the prices of local dealers.

If this be the case under the present system, which discriminates in favor of the large shipper, what will prevent the small merchant from competing even more successfully when he has the added facilities of a parcels post?

There could not be better evidence of the illogicality and superficiality of the local merchant's opposition, such as it is, to the parcels post than this fact respecting relative prices. It is asserted that the mail order houses list certain articles at a very low price and by this device gain the impression of low rates, whereas the local dealers are making better prices on all but these special bargains.

This is a familiar device known to trade in one form or another

since trade began. And what does it prove? That the local merchant is not using gumption, is not enterprising and alert enough to let his customer know the facts.

As a matter of fact there are too many country storekeepers who expect trade to come to them, who are too indolent to realize that in this age of easy transportation and universal interchange they must meet a wider range of competition and have higher standards of service if they are to have any patronage. There are thousands of grumbling country merchants who keep untidy, dark, and ill-equipped stores, where the flies roam at will, where the stock is piled helter skelter, where a customer is made to feel that the storekeeper or clerk is conferring a great favor in selling to him. In the days when every farmer and his family were limited to what the nearest crossroads or village had to offer that was possible. But now farmers travel widely. They go to towns or cities where they are made welcome. They see goods displayed attractively. They read instructive advertisements. They receive catalogues. Naturally they care less and less to trade with the local merchant unless that merchant has waked up and moved forward with the times.

If this type of local merchant thinks that his loss of trade can be hastened by the parcels post he is mistaken. He is doomed now by reason of his own methods. And as for the wideawake merchant, he should not permit himself to be stampeded into opposition to an extension of the postal system which will benefit him, provided he will make use of his opportunities.—Chicago Tribune.

Construction of Road Law.

Attorney General's Department
State of Texas.

Austin, Texas, July 19, 1911.

Hon. B. F. Dent,
Co. Atty., Crockett, Texas.

Dear Sir:
In reply to your several letters of recent date asking for a construction of the special road law for Houston county, I beg to say that from your letters and also from the letter of your county clerk, I observe that notwithstanding the fact that section 1 of said law requires the county commissioners of your county to appoint a road superintendent at its first regular meeting after said law became effective that they have failed to do so, and also that an election has been held under section thirty-two of said act and the office of superintendent of roads and bridges in your county has been abolished.

The inquiry you make seems to hinge on the proper construction of section 9 of said act which provides in substance that all contract work done on the public roads and bridges of your county shall be paid for by the county treasurer out of the road and bridge fund on voucher audited and approved by the county superintendent and passed on and approved by the commissioners' court.

Section 31 of said law provides that it shall be cumulative of all general laws not in conflict with it.

Now, there are a number of provisions of said law relating to the duties of the county road superintendent, but they most generally provide that these duties are to be performed with the advice and consent of the commissioners' court and with their approval. There never having been a county road superintendent appointed under the provisions of said law and the office having been

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abolished in accordance with the provisions thereof, I am of the opinion that it is the duty of the commissioners' court to perform the several duties required of the county superintendent in said law, and that in paying for work done on the public roads and bridges out of the road and bridge fund, the accounts therefor shall be passed on and approved by the commissioners' court and that a warrant therefor should be issued by the county clerk which should be paid by the county treasurer.

The provision in said section 9 requiring the county superintendent to audit and approve accounts for work done on public roads becomes inoperative, or rather remains inoperative until the appointment of such officer, and until that is done I am of the opinion that the commissioners' court shall perform those duties. Yours very truly,

(Signed) E. B. Robertson,
Asst. Attorney-General.

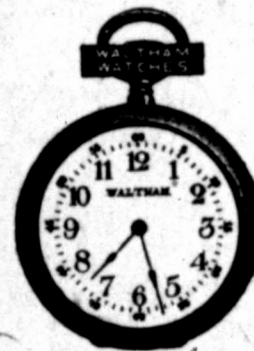
Texas Industrial Notes.

The Boston-Texas Corporation, capitalized at \$300,000, is building a town south of San Antonio, known as Crother. S. A. Hopkins of Boston is President of the company and Jno. Thomson of Quebec, Canada, Secretary and Treasurer.

The San Benito Commercial Club has commenced a campaign to finish up the road which now runs part of the way from Brownsville to Corpus Christi. The road at Corpus Christi will connect with the road from there to San Antonio.

The Cotton Palace Association of Waco will erect two new buildings to be in readiness for the opening of the Cotton Palace in October.

Brownwood has organized a Waterways Association, the object



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of which is to promote and foster deep water at Brazos Santiago.

The M. K. & T. Railway company has purchased the twenty-four miles of road owned by the Denison, Bonham and New Orleans Railroad company running between Denison and Bonham.

Work has begun on the new cotton gin for Corpus Christi, and will be completed in time for the cotton season.

The Illinois Central is preparing

to open an office in Texas, which will be located in San Antonio, and will go after Texas business this fall.

A petition to the Commissioners Court of Childress will be offered by the citizens of that county for the purpose of issuing bonds to the amount of \$50,000 for improving the roads in Childress county.

A telephone line has been built from Houston to Plantersville.

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Let's get together and talk it over.

T. J. Waller

