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ANDERSON COUNTY COURT HOUSE BURNS. Records and Nearly All Court Documents Removed—Origin of Blaze Unknown.

Palestine, Texas, January 6.—Anderson county's court house was destroyed by fire at 3 o'clock this morning. The building and contents were insured for \$35,000. The county records are safe, being protected by a fireproof vault. Records of the tax assessor and collector and district clerk's were removed. Papers in current criminal cases were burned, which will necessitate rewriting of indictments. The criminal docket was suspended for two weeks.

The origin of the fire is unknown. The blaze burned furiously for two hours. While the walls still stand, an entire new structure will have to be built.

Quid Nunc Luncheon.

One of the prettiest of the holiday festivities was the luncheon given by Mrs. B. S. Elliott Dec. 27, 1912.

The beautiful, new home was decorated to carry out the Christmas season of joy and goodwill and the entire lower floor was lovely with its bright, gay poinsettias, suggestive of the yuletide.

As the guests arrived they were cordially received by Mrs. Elliott, Miss Claritte, the charming young daughter of the house, and her dear little friend, Josephine Edmiston.

After an exchange of Christmas greetings, wishing each an all "a merry, merry Christmas and a happy New Year," the guests were ushered into the pretty dining-room. This room, aglow with its Christmas decorations, was indeed lovely. A Christmas tree, standing in a lake, formed the central piece of the table. Little ducks and swans, unmindful of the cold winter blast outside, were swimming in the clear, crystal lake, adding to the beauty of the scene. Streamers of red satin ribbon, running from the tree to each plate, carried favors to the guests.

But this Christmas luncheon was something more than "a feast of reason and flow of soul." A well prepared six-course menu was artistically served by Miss Mary McLean, Mrs. George McLean and two of Palestine's most charming young daughters, Misses Georgia

Laura Dick and Lillian Price. The pleasure of the day was greatly enhanced by the presence of the popular and lovely young bride, Mrs. Jack Beasley, as the honor guest. The other honor guests were Mrs. Dan McLean, Mrs. William McLean and Miss Grace Denny. Games furnished entertainment for the afternoon, and at a late hour friends bade Mrs. Elliott goodbye, all uniting in wishing for her health, happiness and every blessing—and, for themselves, that the Quid Nuncs may have just such another happy day in the Elliott home.

New Year's Reception.

The ladies of the Methodist church gave a beautiful New Year's reception at the parsonage in honor of their new pastor and wife, Rev. and Mrs. D. H. Hotchkiss. Quite a large crowd responded to the invitations to meet and welcome them and the evening was most delightfully spent with good cheer, for a happy and prosperous New Year for our pastor and family.

Rev. Hotchkiss is one of the ablest men in our conference and has a most charming wife, and we are indeed most fortunate to have them with us. The parsonage was beautifully decorated with poinsettias and Xmas bells. Delightful refreshments were served by three of Crockett's prettiest young ladies, Misses Otice McConnell, Hallie Ellis and Susie Carlton.

May 1912 bring to the church the most prosperous and spiritual year in its history, is the wish of
A Member.

Mrs. Nunn and Mrs. Downes Honorees.

Mrs. Charles Edmiston entertained at dinner during the holidays as a compliment to Mrs. Huberta Nunn of Corsicana and Mrs. Jas. Downes Jr. of Dallas.

Covers were laid for twelve. The personnel of the party were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Edmiston, Mrs. Huberta Nunn, Mrs. James F. Downes, Mrs. C. N. Corry, Dr. and Mrs. B. S. Elliott, Miss Claritte Elliott, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Jordan, Master Lanier and Miss Josephine Edmiston.

After dinner quite a number of young married people came in for games of rook and forty-two.

Few have done so much for the social life of Crockett as Mrs. Edmiston and any entertainment at her home is thoroughly enjoyed and always is a pronounced success.

JOHNSTON TOOK OATH OF OFFICE.

New Texas Senator Escorted to Bar of Senate by Culberson.

Washington, January 7.—Senator R. M. Johnston took the oath of office, was assigned to his seat in the senate chamber shortly after noon today and is duly qualified as the junior senator from the great state of Texas.

The credentials of appointment signed by Governor Colquitt and Secretary of State Wortham, and bearing a huge gold seal, were sent to the desk of the president of the senate by Senator Culberson five minutes after the session had been opened.

President Pro Tem. Bacon ordered them read and then Senator Culberson announced that the senator was present prepared to qualify. At the request of the presiding officer, Senator Johnston was escorted to the bar of the senate by Senator Culberson and the oath administered. After the new senator had been sworn in, his first duty was the signing of the official record which contains the formal oath of office. This signature will be preserved in the government archives throughout the years to come.

Citation by Publication.

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

You are hereby commanded to summon the unknown heirs of Barton Clark, deceased, the unknown heirs of Hannah Robinson, deceased, the unknown heirs of Charlie Robinson, deceased, and the unknown heirs of D. W. Faulkner, deceased, by making publication of this citation once in each week for eight successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the nearest county to your county, to appear at the next regular term of the district court of Houston county, to be holden at the court house of said Houston county, in the town of Crockett, on the fifth Monday after the first Monday in February, A. D. 1913, the same being the 10th day of March, A. D. 1913, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 7th day of January, A. D. 1913, in a suit numbered on the docket of said court No. 5426, wherein J. R. Sheridan and J. H. Painter are plaintiffs, and the unknown heirs of Barton Clark, deceased, the unknown heirs of Hannah Robinson, deceased, the unknown heirs of Charlie Robinson, deceased, and the unknown heirs of D. W. Faulkner, deceased, are defendants, and said petition alleging that plaintiffs are the owners in fee simple of the following described tract of land situated in Houston county, Texas, on the Trinity river about 3 miles west of Weldon and being 212 8-10 acres of the Barton Clark league survey described as follows: Beginning at a rock for corner on the E B line of the Scott tract P. O. 30 in mkd X brs S 9 W 5 vrs hickory 6 in dia mkd X brs S 60 E 1 5-10 vrs. Thence N 87 3/4 E 906 vrs rock for corner pine 30 in dia mkd X brs W 5 1/2 vrs P O 14 in mkd X brs S 58 1/2 W 10 1/2 vrs.

As long as stock lasts, we will sell strictly choice Washington apples at \$1.25 per box at our warehouse. Apples are sound, but we are overstocked and are willing to take loss to dispose of them. This is a bargain.

Edmiston Brothers

Thence S 1 E 1066 vrs stake pine 6 in brs N 27 1/2 E 2 vrs do 6 in mkd X brs N 16 W 5 1/2 vrs. Thence W 1306 vrs corner on P O 30 in dia mkd O R. Thence N 541 vrs stake in edge of old field P O 10 in mkd X brs S 80 W 7 1/2 vrs. Thence N 70 E 409 vrs rock for corner P O 28 in dia brs S 58 E 9 vrs pine 12 in mkd X brs S 33 W 1 8-10 vrs. Thence N 346 vrs to the place of beginning. Plaintiffs allege that they and those by, through and under whom they claim title to said land have had and held peaceable, adverse and continuous possession thereof, cultivating, using and enjoying the same and paying all taxes thereon under deed or deeds duly registered for a period of more than five years prior to the filing of this suit, and plaintiffs specially plead the five years Statute of Limitations in bar of any and all claims asserted by defendants. Plaintiffs allege that the deeds from Barton Clark to Hannah Robinson, his daughter, and from Hannah Robinson and her husband, Charlie Robinson to R. N. Read have been lost or destroyed and that the records of both of said deeds were destroyed by fire at the time of the destruction of the court house of Houston county by fire in either the year A. D. 1865 or A. D. 1882. That D. W. Faulkner died intestate and that his estate was never administered upon and that there is no proof of record in Houston county, Texas, to show that N. C. Faulkner, M. A. Vanwinkle and H. D. Faulkner were said W. D. Faulkner's sole heirs. That by reason of the loss

and destruction of the aforesaid deeds and the records thereof and the failure to administer upon the estate of the said D. W. Faulkner a cloud is cast upon the title of plaintiffs to said property and plaintiffs say that any other or further claims or clouds against said property is unknown to plaintiffs wherefore plaintiffs pray for judgment quieting title to said land in them, removing all clouds from the title thereof, substituting and replacing all missing deeds and instruments and for general and special relief.

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

Witness John D. Morgan, clerk of the district court of Houston county.

Given under my hand and the seal of said court, at office in Crockett, this the 7th day of January, A. D. 1913.

John D. Morgan,
Clerk District Court, Houston County.—Adv. 8t.

At the Christian Church.

The Rev. John F. Cagle of Beeville, Texas, will preach at the Christian church next Monday night at 7:15, Jan. 13th. All members of the church are requested to be present, as he comes with a view of serving us for the coming year.

L. Meriwether,
W. B. Worthington.

A complete, up-to-date abstract. tf-adv Aldrich & Crook.

I Have Moved

my shop to the building formerly occupied by Dr. Elliott, at the rear of Chamberlain's, where I am better prepared to handle your business. Give me a trial on some of your tailoring needs.

S. R. ELLIS
TAILOR

We Feed Our Bees Before Killing Them

Our cattle are fed on hulls and meal until they are beef-fat. We feed all the time and only the fattest are killed, therefore you will get only the juiciest and tenderest steaks from us.

BYNUM & BENNETT

NOTICE OF CONSOLIDATION OF EASTERN TEXAS RAILROAD COMPANY WITH ST. LOUIS SOUTHWESTERN RAILWAY COMPANY OF TEXAS.

Notice is hereby given that during the next regular session of the Legislature of the state of Texas, which is to convene at Austin, Texas, on the 14th day of January, 1913, being the Thirty-Third Legislature of said State, the undersigned Railway Companies will apply to, and request the passage, by the said Legislature of a local or special law for the following purposes:

To authorize the St. Louis Southwestern Railway Company of Texas to purchase and acquire, and consolidate with its own line, and to own, maintain and operate the railroad of the Eastern Texas Railroad Company, extending from the town of Lufkin in Angelina County, Texas, through the counties of Angelina, Trinity and Houston to Kenard in said Houston County, Texas, together with all the rights, franchises, privileges and properties incident or appertaining thereto, including the right to extend and construct any line, or lines provided for in the Charter of said Company, or any amendment thereof, heretofore made, or which may hereafter be made, with the right to construct, own and operate such other extensions and branch lines thereof as may have been, or may hereafter be authorized by amendment to the Charter of the St. Louis Southwestern Railway Company of Texas;

And also to authorize the Eastern Texas Railroad Company to sell its said railroad, together with its rights, franchises, privileges and property incident or appertaining thereto to the said St. Louis Southwestern Railway Company of Texas;

And to authorize the St. Louis Southwestern Railway Company of Texas to purchase and acquire the stock or bonds, or the stock and bonds of said Eastern Texas Railroad Company, and retain the same, or, with the approval of the Railroad Commission of Texas, cancel same, and at any time thereafter to issue its stock or bonds, or stock and bonds, in exchange for the same;

And to authorize and require the St. Louis Southwestern Railway Company of Texas to assume the payment of all the indebtedness and liabilities of the Eastern Texas Railroad Company, and to make the property so purchased subject to such indebtedness and liability, or any part thereof, and to prescribe the terms and conditions of such purchase and sale, and to provide that none of the property purchased under said Act shall be subject, or liable to any of the existing indebtedness of the St. Louis Southwestern Railway Company of Texas;

And until the purchase of the railroad and properties of the Eastern Texas Railroad Company as aforesaid, to authorize the Eastern Texas Railroad Company to lease its said lines of railway to the St. Louis Southwestern Railway Company of Texas; and invest in each of the undersigned Railway Companies power and authority to make, execute and deliver all necessary contracts, agreements, conveyances and leases to accomplish the purposes, and to carry out fully the intention of said Act.

ST. LOUIS SOUTHWESTERN RAILWAY COMPANY OF TEXAS.

By F. H. BRITTON, President.
Attest: R. D. COBB, Secretary.
EASTERN TEXAS RAILROAD COMPANY.

By W. N. NEFF, President.
Attest: E. J. MANTOOTH, Secretary.
Adv. 6t.

In every home where there are children there should be a bottle of White's Cream Vermifuge. It destroys worms and acts as a tonic in the debilitated system. Price 25c per bottle. Sold by I. W. Sweet.—Adv.

Notice of Sheriff's Sale.
(Real Estate).

By virtue of an execution issued out of the Honorable County Court of Jones county, on the 26th day of February, A. D. 1912, in the case of the Bryant Fisher Company versus J. W. Nichols and W. N. Nichols jointly and severally, No. 644, and to me, as sheriff, directed and delivered, I have levied upon this 22nd day of November, A. D. 1912, and will, between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 4 o'clock p. m. on the first Tuesday in February, A. D. 1913, it being the 4th day of said month, at the court house door of said Houston county, in the town of Crockett, proceed to sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash in hand, all the right, title and interest which W. N. Nichols had on the 22nd day of November, A. D. 1912, or at any time thereafter, of, in and to the following described property, to-wit: Being 1351 6-10 acres of land out of the Jane A. Thompson 1688 acre survey and the Jane A. Thompson 271 acre survey, situated about six miles southeast from the town of Crockett on the Centralia road and being the same conveyed to said W. N. Nichols by E. A. Dean and conveyed to said E. A. Dean by H. J. Arledge, and known as the Arledge tract of land, except the pine timber thereon which has been heretofore sold, said property being levied upon as the property of W. N. Nichols to satisfy a judgment amounting to \$391.16 in favor of Bryant Fisher Company and costs of suit.

Given under my hand this 17th day of December, A. D. 1912.
Adv. 4t. A. W. Phillips,
Sheriff Houston County, Texas.

Notice of Sheriff's Sale.
(Real Estate).

By virtue of an execution issued out of the Honorable County Court of Jones county, on the 26th day of February, A. D. 1912, in the case of Bryant Fisher Company versus W. N. Nichols, No. 643, and to me, as sheriff, directed and delivered, I have levied upon this 22nd day of November, A. D. 1912, and will, between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 4 o'clock p. m. on the first Tuesday in February, A. D. 1913, it being the 4th day of said month, at the court house door of said Houston county, in the town of Crockett, proceed to sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash in hand, all the right, title and interest which W. N. Nichols had on the 22nd day of November, A. D. 1912, or at any time thereafter, of, in and to the following described property, to-wit: Being 1351 6-10 acres out of the Jane A. Thompson 1688 acre survey and the Jane A. Thompson 271 acre survey, situated about six miles southeast from the town of Crockett on the Centralia road and being the same conveyed to said W. N. Nichols by E. A. Dean and conveyed to said E. A. Dean by H. J. Arledge, and known as the Arledge tract of land, except the pine timber thereon which has been heretofore sold, said property being levied on as the property of W. N. Nichols to satisfy a judgment amounting to \$243.12 in favor of Bryant Fisher Company and costs of suit.

Given under my hand this 17th day of December, A. D. 1912.
Adv. 4t. A. W. Phillips,
Sheriff Houston County, Texas.

An Ordinance.

An ordinance to require railroad companies, corporations and other persons to provide and maintain safety gates or to provide and maintain a flagman or to provide and maintain a signal bell at all points where such railroad companies, corporations or persons shall operate a railroad across Public Avenue, sometimes known as the Hall's Bluff road, within the corporate limits of the City of Crockett, Texas.

Section 1. Be it ordained by the

City Council of the City of Crockett, Texas, that any and all railroad companies, corporations or persons engaged in operating or in control of any line of railroad extending across Public Avenue, sometimes known as the Hall's Bluff road, within the corporate limits of the City of Crockett, Texas, shall at each and all of such crossings where locomotive trains are run, provide and maintain a flagman to warn passers of the approach of trains and locomotives, or provide, maintain and properly operate safety gates or an electric bell of the design and mechanism suitable for the protection of persons riding, driving or on foot from trains and locomotives approaching said crossing.

Section 2. Be it further ordained that any railroad company, corporation or person failing to provide and maintain the flagman, or provide, maintain and operate the safety gates or electric bell as required by the provisions of the foregoing section, shall be fined not less than ten nor more than fifty dollars for each day they fail to do so.

J. W. Young, Mayor.
Attest: M. Satterwhite,
(SEAL) City Secretary.
Passed in regular session, December 16, 1912.—Adv.

Everybody is liable to "catch cold," but those who give a cold proper attention never have serious lung diseases. It is neglect that makes them serious. Prudent persons use Ballard's Horehound Syrup as soon as the trouble appears and the cold is cured at once. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by I. W. Sweet.—Adv.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

This remedy has no superior for coughs and colds. It is pleasant to take. It contains no opium or other narcotic. It always cures. For sale by all dealers.—Adv.

A New Year's Resolution

That we will strive to give our patrons even better service is our business resolution for the New Year.

We have steadily maintained that our friends shall have 100 cents worth in service for their dollars.

On this foundation is our business established and has grown to where we serve more than 2000 progressive patrons throughout the United States.

We greatly appreciate and return thanks for the hearty support and co-operation of our friends and extend to all our sincere good wishes for a happy and prosperous New Year.

Yours for good service,

The Crockett Courier

An Ordinance.

An ordinance prohibiting the sale or offering for sale of any livestock on any of the streets of the city of Crockett, Texas, within the present fire limits, and prohibiting the establishment or maintenance of any lot or enclosure within the present fire limits of said city where livestock are kept for sale unless the same are kept in connection with a livery business, and fixing a penalty for violation thereof.

Section 1. Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Crockett, Texas:

That it shall hereafter be unlawful for any corporation, joint stock company or individual or individuals who follow same as an occupation to sell or offer for sale any livestock on any of the streets within the present fire limits of the city of Crockett, Texas, or to establish or maintain any lot or enclosure within the present fire limits of the city of Crockett for the purpose of keeping any kind of stock for sale, unless said lot or enclosure is kept in connection with a livery business, and such stock are owned and offered for sale by the person conducting such livery business.

Section 2. Any person who shall sell or offer for sale any livestock or establish or maintain any lot or enclosure for the purpose of keeping livestock for sale, as prohibited by this ordinance, shall, upon conviction, be fined in any sum not less than ten nor more than fifty dollars.

J. W. Young, Mayor.
Attest: M. Satterwhite,
(SEAL) City Secretary. Adv.

Notice of Sheriff's Sale.

(Real Estate.)

By virtue of an order of sale issued out of the Honorable District Court of Houston county, on the 28th day of August, A. D. 1912, in the case of J. W. Hail versus C. W. Kline and J. B. Massie, No. 5351, and to me, as sheriff, directed and delivered, I have levied upon this

10th day of September, A. D. 1912, and will, between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 4 o'clock p. m., on the first Tuesday in January, A. D. 1913, it being the 7th day of said month, at the court house door of said Houston county, in the town of Crockett, proceed to sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash in hand, all the right, title and interest which the said C. W. Kline had on the 28th day of August, A. D. 1912, or at any time thereafter, of, in and to the following described property, to-wit: Being fifty acres of land out of the David Harrison survey about two miles west of the city of Crockett, in Houston county, Texas, and known as the C. W. Kline place, said property being levied on as the property of the said C. W. Kline to satisfy a judgment amounting to \$980.46, in favor of J. W. Hail and costs of suit.

Given under my hand this 10th day of September, A. D. 1912.
Adv. 3t. A. W. Phillips,
Sheriff Houston County, Texas.

A Statement.

To the Citizens of the City of Crockett, Texas:

In view of the fact that a city election is to be held next April for the election of a city marshal, and in fairness to those prospective candidates for such office, we deem it advisable to here state that the policy of the city will be to take out of the hands of the city marshal the assessing and collecting of taxes as heretofore, and that the marshal will be employed on a salary basis. Beginning in January the city council will make such arrangements as it may deem advisable and as will be to the best interests of the city, to have the taxes assessed and collected independent of the city marshal's office.

By order of the City Council,
(SEAL) J. W. Young, Mayor.
Attest: M. Satterwhite,
Secretary.

MUSIC OF THE WALTZ.

Magic of the Alluring Melodies of Johann Strauss.

Johann Strauss wrote some of the most alluring waltzes that have ever bewitched the feet of the world, and they have aptly been described as "those irresistible waltzes that first catch the ear and then curl around the head till on a sudden they invade and will have the legs."

The music of the waltz originally consisted of two sections, each composed of eight measures in three-fourths or three-eighths time. Examples of these primitive forms are found in Beethoven's and Mozart's German dances. The next development was the stringing together of several of these sixteen measure waltzes and the addition of trios and a coda. Hummel first effected this in 1808. The base of modern waltz music, however, is found in the dances of Schubert. But it is to Weber that the waltz owes what, musically speaking, is its most important development. The composition of the "Invitation to the Dance" marked the adoption of the waltz form into the sphere of absolute music and prepared the way for the stream of pianoforte and vocal waltzes not intended as accompaniments to dancing, the best examples of which are the waltzes of Chopin and Rubinstein.

Johann Strauss, the first called "the father of the waltz," raised the waltz to a higher level than it had ever been raised before, and Johann, his son, called "the waltz king," developed the waltz to its present form. Strauss, the son, wrote over 400 pieces of dance music, of which "The Beautiful Blue Danube," his first waltz, was the most popular. His waltzes were built up of such beautiful musical themes, often so inspired and moving, as well as rhythmically alluring, that they were in a sense symphonic.

In the early part of the nineteenth century the composition of waltzes for dancing was almost entirely in the hands of the Viennese composers and the Strauss family in particular. The Strauss waltzes, which were written for the ballrooms of the gayest dancers in the world, are full of piquancy, coquetry and vigor, as full of momentary hesitations and sudden abandonment of reserve as the conduct of coy but ardent lovers.

Wagner wrote, "A single Strauss waltz surpasses in grace, refinement and real musical substance most of the products of foreign manufacture which we often import at great cost." Hans Von Buelow publicly advocated the occasional inclusion of Strauss waltzes in the programs of symphony concerts, and Brahms wrote under the opening measures of "The Blue Danube Waltz," "Not, unfortunately, by Johannes Brahms."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Taciturn Carlyle.

Thomas Carlyle was taciturn, and one writer gave him the paradoxical title, "the roaring apostle of taciturnity." The same writer once rode with Carlyle in the Chelsea omnibus and endeavored in vain with questions to induce the great man to break his golden silence and coin a few sentences of silver speech. Carlyle preserved a moody silence. But the defeated questioner had his revenge when, affecting not to know Mr. Carlyle, he asked the conductor as they got out who the gentleman was and received the following reply:

"Oh, yes, sir; I know him well enough. 'E's wot you call a littery gent—writes books wot nobody can understand. 'E's a bit off his chump, like many of those gents, but he ain't a bad sort if you take him the right way."

Maund and Maunder.

Neither maund, a basket, nor maunder, to whine or grumble, is obsolete. Both are still in common use in South Notts and Leicestershire, at any rate. The former is used only, however, of a particular kind of basket, used for carrying butter to market. The basket is nearly square in shape and has two lids opening from the middle part, where the handle is, and it is called the "butter mawn" (maund). Maunder is usually heard in such sentences as "What are you maundering at?" A Northumbrian will say, "He's a maundering old fool," when the man of whom he is speaking strings words together in a senseless sort of way somewhat akin

to maudling.—London Notes and Queries.

The Gentleman.

It is possible for every man to assume an elegant manner, but the true gentleman is nature's own nobleman, who never forgets to be polite to every one, and it is as easy to discern the assumed from the innate good breeding as it is to distinguish paste from diamonds.—Dickens.

Origin of "Viz."

The contraction "viz" is a curious instance of the universality of arbitrary signs. There are few writers who do not appreciate the fact that the little contraction may be used in "good form" writing of all kinds, but there are probably even fewer persons who have any idea of its origin. It is a corruption of the word videlicet, the terminal letter of which was formerly made in the shape of a "z," but was never intended to represent that letter, being simply used as a mark or sign of abbreviation. It is now always written and expressed as "z" and will doubtless continue to be so used as long as written language exists. It is, however, as we have said, one of the many arbitrary modes of expression used by the masses, who never give a thought as to their origin.

A Silly Custom.

"So poor dear old Uncle William is dead!" cried the niece-in-law, weeping gracefully.
"Yes, the fine old scout has passed in at last."
"When do they read the will?"
"Why, not until after the funeral, of course. Why do you ask?"
"Because I think that's a silly custom. The will should be read before the funeral."
"But why?"
"So the relatives can tell what sort of flowers to send, if any."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

So Easy.

"How do you manage to keep your cook, Mrs. Enfield? You have had the present one several years, haven't you?"
"Yes, Mary has been with us ever since we began housekeeping. I find it easy enough to keep her. Whenever any of our neighbors offer her a dollar a week more than I'm paying her I give her a raise of a dollar and a half. It's very simple."—Chicago Record-Herald.

He Changed the Climax.

"It is strange," said the irascible little man, "that a person of your advantages"—
"What's that?" the big man demanded.
The little man hesitated. He was only a little man, and the big man looked very big.
"I was going to say," he mildly resumed, "that it seems strange a person of your advantages should not take up these questions as a serious study and master them, as I am sure you could."
"That's all right," said the big man affably.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Shark's Tail For Luck.

Attached to the extreme end of the bowsprit of a sailing vessel there may sometimes be seen a piece of some material that looks remarkably like leather. This seeming piece of leather is really a shark's tail. It is placed there because the sailors think that it augurs good luck, believing that pleasant voyages will be their lot while it remains there. Instead of the bowsprit the tail is at times nailed to the top of one of the masts.—London Standard.

Awkward.

Master—What! Both want a holiday tomorrow? I can't spare you both at once. Mary, you can have tomorrow and John the next day.
John—Thank you, sir, but we wanted to get married, and I'm afraid, sir, it can't be done that way, but I'll inquire.—London Answers.

Mere Trifles.

"Folks all well this morning, Tommy?" asked a friend of the family.
"Yes'm," replied Tommy.
"I am glad to hear it. The last time I heard from them your papa was suffering from rheumatic gout and your mamma had neuralgia."
"Oh, yes, they've still got 'em. I thought you meant was any of us sick."

THE PATIENT HOTEL CLERK.

As He Is Viewed From the Commercial Traveler's Standpoint.

Hotel clerks are a suave, polite, hard pressed, very busy class, wearing fine raiment, diamond studs and occasionally the smile that won't come off; likewise the air of a millionaire minus the cash.

They can answer more questions in five minutes than an occult lawyer can in two hours and have to; can keep their temper like a graven image and bang the office bell and yell "Front!" with the tone and jar of a steam calliope. Hotel clerks were originally counts with nothing to count. The hotel's entire responsibility rests on their fashionably garbed shoulders, while the landlord sits in the back office, and they can say "Four-fifty, please," for two meals and a room as if it were a nickel.

They survey the arriving guest as a hawk would a left alone chicken, gauge how high priced a room he will stand for with the accuracy of tested scales, and when it comes to the size of his wad there is only one case on record where a skilled clerk ever had to "guess again."

Their nerve is chilled steel, poise that of Gibraltar, endurance like the rock of ages, and the only two people who ever jarred one of them were Carrie Nation and Dr. Mary Walker. They can give cards and spades to a drummer on the fine art of polite prevarication and beat him to a frazzle; can preach a sermon, lead in prayer, time a horse race and umpire a ball game.

It has been said that no human being can do two things at once, but this is a rank blunder, for a skilled hotel clerk can do five—viz, answer two questions, size up an arrival, hand out stationery and yell "Front!" all in one breath; also repeat the performance ten times a minute. Their two most valuable assets are fluency of smiles and ability to recall the name of every "once was" guest.

Hotel clerks catch all the latest jokes and stories on the fly. Their fund of good humor is inexhaustible. Their faces must reflect morning sunshine persistently and continuously to hold their jobs down, even in spite of kicks thicker and more exasperating than "skesters." And how many and what fool ones most of these are none but those doomed to yell "Front!" every five minutes and keep smiling will ever know.

There are a few public servants who in due time earn a halo. And of these the always patient hotel clerk is one.—Commercial Travelers' Magazine.

Old Time Snuff Takers.

Snuff taking was practically unknown in England until 1702. In that year Sir George Rooke burned the French and Spanish shipping anchored in the port of Vigo and sacked the town. Besides large quantities of bullion and jewels, his booty included fifty tons of the finest snuff, which was brought to England and thrown on the market at a very low price. This novel form of taking tobacco rapidly caught on, and in a few years the snuffbox had to a large extent ousted the pipe. Connoisseurs used to accumulate special blends of snuff, as nowadays they hoard choice cigars. When George IV. died the contents of his snuff cellar were sold for £400.—London Chronicle.

Took It to Himself.

When General Moreau was in England he was once the victim of a rather droll misunderstanding. He was present at a concert where a piece was sung by the choir with the refrain:

"Tomorrow, tomorrow."

Having a very imperfect knowledge of English, he fancied it to be a cantata given in his honor and thought he distinguished the words: "To Moreau, to Moreau."

Each time the refrain was repeated he rose to his feet and gracefully bowed on all sides, to the great astonishment of the audience, who did not know what to make of it.

The Crowd Behind Him.

There were times when McFee gloried in the fact that he was the father of nine children, even if they were on the lines of the proverbial human stepladder, but on the day when he was taking them out for a walk he felt chagrined. He was walking along at a fairly good gait when he was halted by a policeman,

who asked, "I say, you, what you been doin'?" "Nothing," replied McFee. "Why?" "Well, what's the crowd followin' you for?"

A Doctor's Dilemma.

Aunt—You think of studying to be a doctor, eh? Don't you do it.
Young Man—Why not, aunt?
Aunt—Well, you can't get a practice till you are married, and you can't get married until you get a practice, that's why!

That Was All.

A young girl who is always trying some new thing was present once when the doctor set a neighbor's broken arm. She was sure that she knew exactly how it was done and was anxious to put her knowledge into practice. Some time later a hen out in the chicken yard broke its leg. The girl directly announced that she meant to set it "and make it as good as new." Accordingly it was put into a plaster cast and left for the proper length of time to knit. When the day came to take off the cast the girl ran out to the henhouse in great eagerness to see the result. Presently there was a scream that brought every member of the family to her side. The chicken was jumping miserably over the ground sideways instead of directly forward. You know a hen's leg has a crook. Well, she had crooked it the wrong way; that was all.

The Tower of Pisa.

The famous leaning tower of Pisa is a campanile or bell tower. The building, which is cylindrical in form, is 197 feet high and 50 feet in diameter, made entirely of white marble. It is called the leaning tower from the fact that it inclines some thirty feet from the perpendicular, and it is not generally known that this inclination, which gives the tower such a remarkable appearance, was not intentional. At the time it was about half done the error in measurement was perceived. It was guarded against by the use of extra braces in the further construction of the building and an adaptation of the stone in the highest portion. There are seven bells on the top of the tower, the largest of which weighs 2,000 pounds, and these are so placed as to counteract as far as possible the leaning of the tower itself.

Hard on the Piano.

"Good gracious, what on earth's the matter?" gasped the angry father. "Why is there such a row in the parlor?"

"Why, dear, that's Mary and Jane practicing their new duet on the piano," said mother proudly.

"A duet! What, both of 'em playing at once?" Father's voice was hard and cold.

"Yes, of course."

Father snorted with rage.

"Don't they think they can wear out that piano fast enough when they play on it one at a time, then?" he asked sarcastically.

Chapel in a Coal Mine.

In the Mynydd Newydd colliery at Swansea, south Wales, at a depth of 750 feet below the surface, is a notable chapel. It is claimed to be the only such chapel especially prepared and consecrated for worship. It is a long, low room, fitted with rough wooden benches, capable of accommodating between 150 and 200 men. Services are held before work every Monday morning in the Mynydd Newydd colliery and have been held regularly since 1867.

In No Hurry.

"I'm next," said the lanky man in the barber shop, "but you can have my turn."

"That's good of you," gratefully responded the last comer, "but you will have to wait an hour or more before you get in the chair."

"I wish it was six hours. There's a chap on the other side of the street with a bill waiting for me to come out."—Chicago Tribune.

His Accomplishment.

Little Willie—Oh, Mr. Henpeckke, won't you play something on the violin?

Mr. Henpeckke—Why, really, Willie, I would be glad to if I knew how.

Little Willie—Oh, I guess you know how all right. My pop says you always play second fiddle to Mrs. Henpeckke.—New York Times.

INSECT CRUELTY.

The Ichneumon Fly Plants Its Eggs Living Spiders.

The ichneumon fly of Ceylon is the natural enemy of the spider. This insect is green in color, and in form resembles a wasp with a marvelously thin waist. It makes its nest of well worked clay and then goes on a hunting expedition. Its victims are invariably spiders of various kinds, but all are subject to the same mode of treatment.

A scientific sting injects some poison which effectually paralyzes the luckless spider, which is then carried off to the nest and there fastened with a dab of moist clay. Another and another victim is brought to this chamber of horrors. Then the prescient mother ichneumon fly proceeds to deposit her eggs, one in the body of each spider, which can just move its legs in a vague, aimless manner, but can offer no resistance.

This done, the fly returns to her work as a mason. She prepares more clay and builds up the entrance to this ghastly cell. Then she commences a new cell, which she furnishes in like manner and then closes; then she adds yet another cell and so proceeds until her store of eggs are all provided for, and, her task in life being accomplished, she dies, leaving her evil brood to hatch at leisure.

In due time these horrid little maggots come to life and find themselves cradled in a larder of fresh meat. Each poor spider is still alive, and his juices afford nutriment for the ichneumon grub till it is ready to pass in the chrysalis stage, thence to emerge as a winged fly fully prepared to carry out the traditions of its ancestors with regard to spiders.

The First Walking Stick.

The well born Egyptian carried a staff with his name inscribed in hieroglyphics, but walking sticks, in the general sense of the word, were first used by the gallants of the fifteenth century. Canes are first heard of in the reign of Henry VIII., probably introduced to Europe after the discovery of America.

Walking sticks were adopted by the effeminate Henry II. of France about the middle of the sixteenth century. These French sticks, with a ribbon and tassel to pass over the wrist, were, however, not used by gentlemen of fashion in England until 1655.

When first introduced they were formed with an indented head to afford a more easy rest for the hand. Afterward they were crowned with a round and hollow top, which contained nutmeg or ginger and sometimes sugar candy or a store of snuff.

Really a Human Being.

The story is told in China that years ago a missionary made his appearance upon a platform there and that the native orator who introduced him closed with these words: "When I have finished a gentleman from the west is going to address you. He is not a foreign demon. His appearance and his clothing may seem strange to you, but look carefully at him. He has two arms and two legs, two ears and two eyes, a nose (though a long one) and a mouth; and I assure you his teeth are made of bone, just like yours. He is really a human being, and I hope you will regard him as such."

His Reason.

"I would like to have you take me to the theater some night, Mr. Kwere."

"I—I'm sorry, but I can't. I'll take you anywhere else."

"Why not to the theater? I know you go there, for you are a keen dramatic critic. Do you always go alone?"

"Yes, I do."

"But why?"

"I like to sit with somebody who is willing to let the performance speak for itself."—Exchange.

Hasheesh.

Hasheesh, or the Indian hemp, is a resinous substance produced from the tops of the plant in India. Some authorities state that it is gathered by men who dress themselves in leather clothing and run to and fro in the hemp fields, afterward scraping off the resin from their garments, while other authorities say that it is gathered by rubbing the tops in the hands and afterward scraping the hands. Its narcotic properties are well known.

THE AIR BRAKE.

■ Averted a Tragedy the Day It Was First Given a Trial.

Persons who should have known better thought Westinghouse visionary when they were told that he proposed to stop a train by air. Nobody seemed inclined to let him try his plan on a real train, but they did not object to his working a model of it in a shop where he couldn't do any harm or involve anybody else in expense. He knew his scheme would work, but he could not make any one else believe it. So he continued to sell his invention for replacing derailed cars on the tracks and to talk about his scheme to any railroad man who was willing to listen.

"Well, have you ever stopped a train with this air thing of yours?" they would ask.

No; he couldn't say that he had done so. Nobody would let him try it even on a train of dump cars.

One day he arrived in Pittsburgh, selling his other invention and talking about his brake notion to a man connected with a railroad there. "That's a great idea of yours," said the man. "We will try it on our line."

So the officials of this railroad permitted Westinghouse to put his new "kickshaw" on one of their trains. But he had to agree to indemnify the road for any damage that might be caused to the train as the result of the trials. The train was equipped. On the designated day the confident inventor and a group of skeptical railway men boarded the train on which the first air brakes were fixed. Off went the train on its trial trip. The engineer put on full speed, and just as he had rounded a curve he saw ahead, at a grade crossing and in the middle of the track, a loaded wagon, a man and a boy and a balky horse. The engineer moved his little lever, and the first train that was ever stopped by air pulled up at a standstill several feet short of the obstruction.

Thus, on its first trial, the Westinghouse air brake saved life and prevented damage to property. Thenceforward talking was unnecessary; all that had to be done was to make brakes. The inventor thought of that clause securing compensation to the railroad for any damage he might do to the train, and he laughed. His fortune dated from that day. He was then only twenty-two.

Women of Muscle.

In the time of Louis XV. there was an actress engaged at the Theatre Francais—Mlle. Gauthier—who could break a coin between the fingers of one hand and roll a silver plate into the form of a cup of conical shape. No one could bear the pressure of her hand, and only Maurice de Saxe, one of the strongest men of his time, was able to open her closed hand.

In the same century there lived in England a woman, Miss Bettie Thompson, who could break chains with her hand.

Miss Kerra, a young mulatto woman, who appeared in most of the capitals in Europe, was, we believe, the first to perform the feat, while hanging with the bend of her knees in a trapeze, of holding a man at his belt with her teeth and turning him rapidly round with her hands.—Exchange.

Lung Capacity.

It has been shown by recorded tests made principally abroad that by the means of systematic exercise the capacity of the lungs may be increased to the extent of more than 12 per cent. This figure was the average increase noted in the gymnasium at Bonn. In some individual cases the beneficial results of the exercise were far greater, but the lung capacity of the average student on entering the institution was found to be 207 cubic inches, whereas after a course of training it was increased by twenty-five cubic inches.

Sunlight For All the Leaves.

The telegraph plant of India has a method all its own for catching the sunshine. Each of its leaves is composed of three leaflets. The larger terminal one erects itself during the day and turns sharply down at night, while the other two smaller leaflets move constantly day and night, describing complete circles with a peculiar jerking motion like the second hand of a watch. Occasionally they rest for a period

and then go on again, thus bringing every part of every leaf to the full action of the sunlight.

What He Saw.

"I never saw such a storm in all my life."

"Pardon me, my friend; since you 'saw' the storm, no doubt you can tell us what color it was."

"Certainly. The wind blew and the storm rose, you ninny"—London Home Weekly.

LAUNCHING A VESSEL.

The Crucial Moment Comes When She Takes the Water.

That a launch is a matter of mathematics, as well as of great skill and labor, is shown by the fact that the man of science who has the matter in charge always makes a set of calculations showing the strain of the ship and its precise condition at practically every foot of the journey down the ways.

If a boat should get in the way, or if it should take an unusual length of time to knock out the keel blocks, or if any one of half a dozen things should cause serious delay, the scientific man knows just how long he can wait and just how far the limit of safety extends.

There is always one supreme moment in a launch, and it is at a time that escapes the average spectator. It is when the vessel gets fairly well into the water. This is when an important factor known as the "moment of buoyancy" comes into play.

If you can imagine a vessel sliding down an incline without any water into which to drop you can see that the vessel would tip down suddenly at the end which has left the ways and would rise at the end still on the incline. But really in successful launches the stern of the vessel is gradually lifted up by the water, and this throws the weight forward on that part of the ship still resting on the ways. The force of the water is called the "moment of buoyancy," and the natural tendency of the ship to drop to the bottom of the stream is called the "moment of weight."

Now, the moment of buoyancy must always be greater than the moment of weight, but it must not be very much greater, for if it were it would throw too much weight forward on the part of the ship still on the ways and might break them down or injure the plates or keel. When the English battleship Ramillies was launched this did really happen, and so great was the strain near the bow that parts of the cradle were actually pushed right into the bottom of the vessel.

It is this danger of disaster that causes the scientific launcher to make the most careful calculations as to the conditions surrounding the ship at every foot of her journey into the water.

The Gates of Paradise.

When the plague which visited Florence in the year 1400 had subsided the people decided as a thank offering to add bronze gates to the baptistry of the Church of St. John the Baptist, and the guild of merchants invited the best artists to compete. The design of Ghiberti was considered faultless, and he was intrusted with the work on Nov. 23, 1403. It was twenty-one years before the two folding doors were completed, and so exquisite were their design and workmanship that Michelangelo a century later said of them, "They are worthy to be the gates of paradise." This applied also to another door wrought and designed by the same artist, which was put in place June 16, 1452, a most important creation of Florentine art and one which evidently influenced Michelangelo himself.

Neat.

A Washington man called upon a charming but homely woman, who had not long before had her portrait painted. The artist had done his work well, from a friendly point of view, and the lady was correspondingly pleased. She was not, however, so blind as not to see that the portrait was, as one might say, a trifle "idealized."

As she exhibited it to her caller she said: "What do you think of it? Has not the artist rather flattered me?"

The visitor looked at the picture, then at the lady, and with an eloquent sigh answered, "Ah, my dear lady, how could a painter sit in your company and not flatter you?"—New York Press.



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Citation by Publication.

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

You are hereby commanded to summon J. P. A. Smith by making publication of this citation once in each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not then in any newspaper published the 3rd judicial district; but if there be no newspaper published in said judicial district, then in a newspaper published in the nearest district to said 3rd judicial district, to appear at the next regular term of the district court of Houston county, to be holden at the court house thereof in Crockett, on the second Monday in March, 1913, the same being the 10th day of March, 1913, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 31st day of December, 1912, in a suit numbered on the docket of said court No. 5424, wherein A. Farrow is plaintiff and J. P. A. Smith is defendant, said petition alleging that on or about the 1st day of November, A. D. 1912, plaintiff was lawfully seized and possessed of the following described land and premises, situated in Houston county, Texas, holding and claiming the same in fee simple, to wit: Situated in Houston county, Texas, about 3 miles west of Crockett on the Porter's Springs road, being a part of the John Hagan league and bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the Tarver and Hall corner a P O 12 in. brs N 72 E 2 vrs mkd X, P O 36 in recently cut brs S 35 1/2 E 8 2-10 vrs. Thence S 55 W with Hall line 604 varas to corner on the E B line of a tract of land now owned by Joe Forbes a B J 10 in brs S 86 1/2 E 2 3-10 vrs mkd X, a hickory stump brs S 8 W 6 2-10 vrs. Thence N 35 W with Hall and Forbes line 270 6-10 vrs to their corner in the said Porter's Springs road a R O 16 in brs S 1/4 E 21 vrs mkd X. Thence N 52 1/2 E with the meanders of said road 604 6-10 vrs to the Hall and Tarver line a R O 14 in brs S 37 1/2 E 19 8-10 vrs mkd X. Thence S 35 E with said line 300 vrs to the place of beginning containing 30 1/2 acres of land; that on the day and year last aforesaid defendant unlawfully entered upon said premises and ejected plaintiff therefrom, and unlawfully withholds from him the possession thereof, to his damage in the sum of five hundred dollars, that the reasonable annual rental value of said land and premises is one hundred dollars.

Plaintiff further represents that on or about October 7th, A. D. 1909, Frank McConick and M. J. McConick, by deed of said date, did sell and convey to defendant the above described premises and in said deed retained a vendor's lien to secure the payment of three certain notes for \$220.83 each, executed by the defendant and payable to F. McConick and M. J. McConick, due one, two and three years after date respectively, that on or about January 26, A. D. 1911, Frank McConick and M. J. McConick did grant, sell and convey to plaintiff the superior title to said land, held and owned by them by virtue of said vendor's lien; that said above described notes are now

past due and unpaid, and defendant though often requested still refuses and fails to pay same, and plaintiff prays for a recession of the sale from F. McConick and M. J. McConick to said J. P. A. Smith, and that he have judgment for the title and possession of said land and for costs and general relief.

Herein fail not, but have before said court on the said first day of the next term thereof, this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same. Witness John D. Morgan, Clerk of District Court, Houston County, Texas.

By J. H. Sharp, Deputy.
Given under my hand and seal of said court in the city of Crockett, this 31st day of December, A. D. 1912.

John D. Morgan,
District Clerk, Houston County, Texas.
By J. H. Sharp, Deputy.—Adv. 4t

FAIR EXCHANGE.

A New Back for an Old One—How a Crockett Resident Made a Bad Back Strong.

The back aches at times with a dull, indescribable feeling, making you weary and restless; piercing pains shoot across the region of the kidneys, and again the loins are so lame that to stoop is agony. No use to rub or apply a plaster to the back if the kidneys are weak. You cannot reach the cause. Follow the example of this Crockett citizen:

Albert Smith, Bruner's Addition, Crockett, Texas, says: "I was annoyed by a lame back and pains through my kidneys, showing that my kidneys did not do their work as they should. I got a box of Doan's Kidney Pills from Sweet's Drug Store and they relieved me right away of the lameness in my back and regulated the kidney action."

"When Your Back is Lame—Remember the Name." Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—ask distinctly for Doan's Kidney Pills, the same that Mr. Smith had—the remedy backed by home testimony. 50c all stores. Foster-Milburn Co., Props., Buffalo, N. Y.—Adv.

His Stomach Troubles Over.

Mr. Dyspeptic, would you not like to feel that your stomach troubles were over, that you could eat any kind of food you desired without injury? That may seem so unlikely to you that you do not even hope for an ending of your trouble, but permit us to assure you that it is not altogether impossible. If others can be cured permanently, why not you? John R. Barker of Battle Creek, Mich., is one of them. He says: "I was troubled with heartburn, indigestion and liver complaint until I used Chamberlain's Tablets, then my trouble was over." For sale by all dealers.—Adv.

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Notice of Sheriff's Sale.

(Real Estate).

By virtue of an execution issued out of the Honorable County Court of Jones county, on the 26th day of February, A. D. 1912, in the case of the Bryant Fisher Company versus J. W. Nichols and W. N. Nichols jointly and severally, No. 644, and to me, as sheriff, directed and delivered, I have levied upon this 22nd day of November, A. D. 1912, and will, between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 4 o'clock p. m. on the first Tuesday in February, A. D. 1913, it being the 4th day of said month, at the court house door of said Houston county, in the town of Crockett, proceed to sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash in hand, all the right, title and interest which W. N. Nichols had on the 22nd day of November, A. D. 1912, or at any time thereafter, of, in and to the following described property, to-wit: Being 1351 6-10 acres of land out of the Jane A. Thompson 1688 acre survey and the Jane A. Thompson 271 acre survey, situated about six miles southeast from the town of Crockett on the Centralia road and being the same conveyed to said W. N. Nichols by E. A. Dean and conveyed to said E. A. Dean by H. J. Arledge, and known as the Arledge tract of land, except the pine timber thereon which has been heretofore sold, said property being levied upon as the property of W. N. Nichols to satisfy a judgment amounting to \$391.16 in favor of Bryant Fisher Company and costs of suit.

Given under my hand this 17th day of December, A. D. 1912.
Adv. 4t. A. W. Phillips,
Sheriff Houston County, Texas.

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Crockett on the Centralia road and being the same conveyed to the said W. N. Nichols by E. A. Dean and conveyed to said E. A. Dean by H. J. Arledge, and known as the Arledge tract of land, except the pine timber thereon which has been heretofore sold, said property being levied upon as the property of W. N. Nichols to satisfy a judgment amounting to \$243.12 in favor of Bryant Fisher Company and costs of suit.

Given under my hand this 17th day of December, A. D. 1912.
Adv. 4t. A. W. Phillips,
Sheriff Houston County, Texas.

An Ordinance.

An ordinance to require railroad companies, corporations and other persons to provide and maintain safety gates or to provide and maintain a flagman or to provide and maintain a signal bell at all points where such railroad companies, corporations or persons shall operate a railroad across Public Avenue, sometimes known as the Hall's Bluff road, within the corporate limits of the City of Crockett, Texas.

Section 1. Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Crockett, Texas, that any and all railroad companies, corporations or persons engaged in operating or in control of any line of railroad extending across Public Avenue, sometimes known as the Hall's Bluff road, within the corporate limits of the City of Crockett, Texas, shall at each and all of such crossings where locomotive trains are run, provide and maintain a flagman to warn passers of the approach of trains and locomotives, or provide, maintain and properly operate safety gates or an electric bell of the design and mechanism suitable for the protection of persons riding, driving or on foot from trains and locomotives approaching said crossing.

Section 2. Be it further ordained that any railroad company, corporation or person failing to provide and maintain a flagman, or provide, maintain and operate the safety gates or electric bell as required by the provisions of the foregoing section, shall be fined not less than ten nor more than fifty dollars for each day they fail to do so.

J. W. Young, Mayor.
Attest: M. Satterwhite,
(SEAL) City Secretary.
Passed in regular session, December 16, 1912.—Adv.

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An Ordinance.

An ordinance prohibiting the sale or offering for sale of any livestock on any of the streets of the city of Crockett, Texas, within the present fire limits, and prohibiting the establishment or maintenance of any lot or enclosure within the present fire limits of said city where livestock are kept for sale unless the same are kept in connection with a livery business, and fixing a penalty for violation thereof.

Section 1. Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Crockett, Texas:

That it shall hereafter be unlawful for any corporation, joint stock company or individual or individuals who follow same as an occupation to sell or offer for sale any livestock on any of the streets within the present fire limits of the city of Crockett, Texas, or to establish or maintain any lot or enclosure within the present fire limits of the city of Crockett for the purpose of keeping any kind of stock for sale, unless said lot or enclosure is kept in connection with a livery business, and such stock are owned and offered for sale by the person conducting such livery business.

Section 2. Any person who shall sell or offer for sale any livestock or establish or maintain any lot or enclosure for the purpose of keeping livestock for sale, as prohibited by this ordinance, shall, upon conviction, be fined in any sum not less than ten nor more than fifty dollars.
J. W. Young, Mayor.
Attest: M. Satterwhite,
(SEAL) City Secretary. Adv.

Notice of Sheriff's Sale.

(Real Estate.)

By virtue of an order of sale issued out of the Honorable District Court of Houston county, on the 28th day of August, A. D. 1912, in the case of J. W. Hail versus C. W. Kline and J. B. Massie, No. 5351, and to me, as sheriff, directed and delivered, I have levied upon this

10th day of September, A. D. 1912, and will, between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 4 o'clock p. m., on the first Tuesday in January, A. D. 1913, it being the 7th day of said month, at the court house door of said Houston county, in the town of Crockett, proceed to sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash in hand, all the right, title and interest which the said C. W. Kline had on the 28th day of August, A. D. 1912, or at any time thereafter, of, in and to the following described property, to-wit: Being fifty acres of land out of the David Harrison survey about two miles west of the city of Crockett, in Houston county, Texas, and known as the C. W. Kline place, said property being levied on as the property of the said C. W. Kline to satisfy a judgment amounting to \$980.46, in favor of J. W. Hail and costs of suit.

Given under my hand this 10th day of September, A. D. 1912.
Adv. 3t. A. W. Phillips,
Sheriff Houston County, Texas.

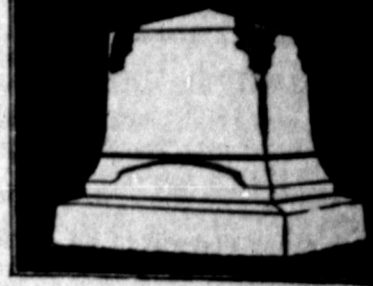
A Statement.

To the Citizens of the City of Crockett, Texas:

In view of the fact that a city election is to be held next April for the election of a city marshal, and in fairness to those prospective candidates for such office, we deem it advisable to here state that the policy of the city will be to take out of the hands of the city marshal the assessing and collecting of taxes as heretofore, and that the marshal will be employed on a salary basis. Beginning in January the city council will make such arrangements as it may deem advisable and as will be to the best interests of the city, to have the taxes assessed and collected independent of the city marshal's office.

By order of the City Council,
(SEAL) J. W. Young, Mayor.
Attest: M. Satterwhite,
Secretary.

A LASTING MEMORIAL



This is a modern design of which any one should feel proud to erect over a departed loved one. We have numerous others, all of the finest granite and marble. Our prices are based on first-class material and workmanship and are very reasonable.

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Is the American nation's first choice. It's the best paint made and those who use it say so.

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Chronic Constipation Cured.

"Five years ago I had the worst case of chronic constipation I ever knew of, and Chamberlain's Tablets cured me," writes S. F. Fish, Brooklyn, Mich. For sale by all dealers.—Adv.

Satisfactory Service

The unsatisfactory service of the average print shop is unnecessary and due to lack of system.

Yet the average business man puts up with delays, excuses and mistakes, thinking all printers are alike.

But he is mistaken, they are not. We are different from the majority.

We are prompt. We are reliable. Our work is satisfactory, and if perchance we make an error, we stand the loss, not you.

Every piece of work must be right, and be delivered when promised.

Our promptness is being appreciated by our customers.

Send us your next job and if it's a rush order we'll rush it for you.

We are general and specialty printers. "The Quality Must be Kept Up."

The Crockett Courier.

NOTICE OF CONSOLIDATION OF THE EASTERN TEXAS RAILROAD COMPANY WITH THE SOUTHWESTERN RAILROAD COMPANY OF TEXAS

Notice is hereby given that the next regular session of the Legislature of the State of Texas, which is to convene at Austin, Texas, on the 14th day of September, 1913, being the Third Regular Session of the Legislature of said State, the Eastern Texas Railroad Company and the Southwestern Railway Companies will appear before said Legislature of a joint committee and request the passage of a law for the following purposes:

To authorize the St. Louis Southwestern Railway Company to purchase and acquire the stock or bonds, or the stock and bonds, in exchange for the same, of the Eastern Texas Railroad Company, extending from the town of Lufkin in Angelina County, Texas, through the counties of Garza, Gelina, Trinity and Houston to the town of Lufkin in Angelina County, Texas, together with all the rights, franchises, privileges and properties incident or appertaining thereto, including the right to extend, construct any line, or lines provided for in the Charter of said Company, or any amendment thereof, heretofore made, or which may hereafter be made, with the right to construct, own and operate such other extensions and branch lines thereof as may have been, or may hereafter be authorized by amendment to the Charter of the St. Louis Southwestern Railway Company of Texas;

And also to authorize the Eastern Texas Railroad Company to sell its said railroad, together with its rights, franchises, privileges and property incident or appertaining thereto to the said St. Louis Southwestern Railway Company of Texas; and to authorize the St. Louis Southwestern Railway Company to Texas to purchase and acquire the stock or bonds, or the stock and bonds of said Eastern Texas Railroad Company, and retain the same, or, with the approval of the Railroad Commission of Texas, cancel same, and at any time thereafter to issue its stock or bonds, or stock and bonds, in exchange for the same;

And to authorize and require the St. Louis Southwestern Railway Company of Texas to assume the payment of all the indebtedness and liabilities of the Eastern Texas Railroad Company, and to make the property so purchased subject to such indebtedness and liability, or any part thereof, and to prescribe the terms and conditions of such purchase and sale, and to provide that none of the property purchased under said Act shall be subject, or liable to any of the existing indebtedness of the St. Louis Southwestern Railway Company of Texas;

And until the purchase of the railroad and properties of the Eastern Texas Railroad Company as aforesaid, to authorize the Eastern Texas Railroad Company to lease its said lines of railway to the St. Louis Southwestern Railway Company of Texas; and invest in each of the undersigned Railway Companies power and authority to make, execute and deliver all necessary contracts, agreements, conveyances and leases to accomplish the purposes, and to carry out fully the intention of said Act.

ST. LOUIS SOUTHWESTERN RAILWAY COMPANY OF TEXAS.
By F. H. BRITTON, President.
Attest: R. D. COBB, Secretary.
EASTERN TEXAS RAILROAD COMPANY.
By W. N. NEFF, President.
Attest: E. J. MANTOOTH, Secretary.
Adv. 6t.

In every home where there are children there should be a bottle of White's Cream Vermifuge. It destroys worms and acts as a tonic in the debilitated system. Price 25c per bottle. Sold by I. W. Sweet.—Adv.

Davy Crockett Brands

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High Grade Fertilizers

SPECIALLY ADAPTED FOR THE VARIOUS TEXAS SOILS

South Carolina raises more cotton per acre than any other state—also more fertilizer.
When buying fertilizers look at the analysis and compare the values on tags. They are put there for your protection by the state.

Lovelady, Texas, September 25, 1911.
Davy Crockett brands of fertilizers are good enough for me. I find they do the work. I expect to use them another year.
J. G. Lundy,
H. W. Beeson.

Prepare the ground well and use the highest degree of intelligence, Davy Crockett fertilizers and reap a rich reward.
Texas used 13,500 tons fertilizer in 1906, 53,000 tons in 1911.
Do not buy cheap fertilizers. It is not necessary, you will be dissatisfied and GOOD GOODS will suffer.
Sometimes a big price is paid for cheap goods, but by exercising ordinary carefulness this can be avoided. Buy Davy Crockett brands.
See that the fertilizer is thoroughly mixed with the soil before planting.

New Baden, Texas, September 30, 1911.
This is to advise that I have used the Davy Crockett brands of fertilizers for the past two years. Have sold other brands also, and can recommend Davy Crockett brands as being well up with, if not ahead of, all others I have tried. Yours very truly,
A. J. Piers.

Study your soils. Do they grow large cotton stalks? If not, the soil needs nitrogen. Do your stalks fruit well? If not, they need phosphoric acid and perhaps potash.

Crockett, Texas, September 2, 1912.
To whom it may concern: This is to certify that I used the past season 850 pounds of the Davy Crockett fertilizer on one acre and it produced 65 bushels and 20 pounds of corn. I think it altogether wrong for any one to believe that fertilizer fires the crop, as I had no rain from the 17th of June and my corn held up remarkably well. Must say that I am well pleased with the results obtained from the Davy Crockett fertilizers. W. E. Cannon.

As a rule corn should be fertilized two or three times after it has come up by working the fertilizer in lightly around the roots.

Did you ever hear a farmer say fertilizer killed his 'and? Well, if you will investigate you will find that the farmer made such a good crop with fertilizer that when he left it off he made such a poor showing and said his land was killed, but he forgets that he is in a habit of seeing a good crop with fertilizers.

Davy Crockett brands of fertilizers are made in East Texas. We know the needs of Texas soils, and have the interest of the farmer at heart.

Lovelady, Texas, October 2, 1911.
This is to advise that I have used Davy Crockett brands of fertilizers, also Cotton Seed Meal. The meal gave me six pounds more seed cotton to the row and the Crockett Royal Compound gave me ten pounds more than without fertilizers. The rows were short. I am well pleased with your brands. Yours truly,
J. J. Porter.

A good way to put out fertilizers for cotton is to distribute the fertilizer and bed on it and, before planting, the bed should be dragged down. It is a good plan to break the land as thoroughly and as early as possible to preserve the moisture.

Crockett, Texas, Sept. 30, 1911.
I beg to advise that on old lands which in previous years not fertilized had been yielding about 1 bale of cotton to every 4 acres, I find by using 300 pounds of Davy Crockett Brands of fertilizer it makes a good bale per acre. I can honestly recommend this fertilizer. Yours truly,
D. R. Baker.

Farmers, select a fertilizer suitable to your soils. If your appetite calls for meat, you would not eat bread alone. If your soils need Phosphate and do not need Ammonia, why spend your money for Ammonia? If your soils need a balanced ration, then buy a balanced fertilizer.
Remember you can select anything your soil needs from the different Davy Crockett grades.

Crockett, Texas, Dec. 23, 1912.
To whom it may concern: I have been using Davy Crockett Brands of Fertilizers for the last three years, and I and my tenants have tried other brands along at the same time, and must say that the Davy Crockett Brands gave us as good or better results than any I have ever tried. Every tenant I had this year who used Davy Crockett Fertilizers came out ahead, and made a fine showing.
Joseph Graham Matlock.

Crockett, Texas, Sept. 30, 1911.
I have in previous years used straight cotton seed meal for fertilizer. My experience the past year convinced me that the "Crockett Grower" is a fine fertilizer, and suits my purpose better than anything I have used. I have had fine success with this grade for melons and cotton. Have also used "Crockett Cereal Standard" under cotton and find it entirely satisfactory.
Yours very truly,
J. C. Kleckly.
Mr. Kleckly's father originated the celebrated Kleckly melon.

Every dollar left with us is a dollar left in Houston county, which may find you again.

The man who distributes fertilizer without preparing his soil in the proper manner, never works his crops, then hangs on the corner and says fertilizer is no good, does his country and himself a great injury.

Donie, Texas, Sept. 30, 1911.
This is to advise that I have used the Davy Crockett brands of fertilizer for the past two years. I have sold other brands also. I can recommend Davy Crockett brands as being well up with, if not ahead of, all others I have ever tried. Yours very truly,
D. M. Worthy.

If you are in doubt as to what kind of fertilizer your soil needs, communicate with the Oil Mill at Crockett, Texas, and we will assist you in making selection.

Crockett, Texas, October 18, 1911.
Messrs. Houston County Oil Mill & Mfg Co., Crockett, Texas.
Gentlemen:—In accordance with conversation today, beg to advise that I made a little test with cotton seed meal, Crockett Cereal Standard fertilizer, and no fertilizer at all, on my farm 10 miles east of Crockett, which is deep sandy land.
I used cotton seed meal at the rate of 160 pounds per acre on eight rows, and on eight rows by the side of it I used Crockett Cereal Standard fertilizer at the rate of 200 pounds per acre. On the other side of the meal I used Crockett Cereal Standard fertilizer at the rate of 400 pounds per acre. Then I left eight rows without any fertilizer at all, and kept a close record of my first picking of the cotton, which ran as follows:

Without any fertilizer, 12½ pounds seed cotton per row.
The meal yielded 22½ pounds seed cotton per row.
200 pounds Crockett C. S., 27½ to 30 pounds seed cotton per row.
400 pounds Crockett C. S., 45 pounds seed cotton per row.
I am well pleased with the results of the "Crockett Cereal Standard Fertilizer." Yours very truly,
M. A. Thomas.

Oakwoods, Texas, September 30, 1911.
I have been selling Davy Crockett brands of fertilizer together with other brands for a year or so, and I assure you the Davy Crockett brands stand well up to the front with all other brands. Yours very truly,
W. C. Gorman.

Oakwoods, Texas, September 27, 1911.
We have been selling Davy Crockett brands of fertilizers together with other brands for a year or so, and the Davy Crockett brands stand well up to the front. Yours truly,
Mc. O. Johnson Mercantile Co.

LIST OF FERTILIZERS—GUARANTEED ANALYSIS.

	Available Phos. Acid	Ammonia	Potash
Crockett Vegetable Producer	7.25%	3.51%	5.50%
Crockett Grower	5.00%	4.73%	2.50%
Crockett Compound	8.00%	3.89%	1.25%
Crockett Cotton Standard	10.00%	2.68%	1.75%
Crockett Cereal Standard	8.00%	2.78%	2.00%
Crockett Special Mixture	10.60%	2.25%	1.10%
Crockett Planters' Triumph	8.60%	2.47%	2.10%
Crockett Phosphate Special	10.50%	1.65%	1.00%
Crockett Imperial Fruiter	10.00%	1.52%	2.00%
Crockett Bi-Mixture	9.00%		4.00%
Crockett Rice Special	12.00%		2.00%
Crockett 16 Per Cent Acid Phosphate	16.00%		
Crockett 14 Per Cent Acid Phosphate	14.00%		
Crockett Muriate Potash			50.00%
Crockett Kainit			12.00%
Crockett Cotton Seed Meal		8.00%	

\$150.00 IN PRIZES OFFERED.

For testimonials of crops raised in Texas, season 1912-1913, with Davy Crockett brands of Fertilizers we offer the following prizes in cash:
The best acre of cotton.....\$50.00
The best acre of corn.....\$50.00
Second best.....15.00
Second best.....15.00
Third best.....10.00
Third best.....10.00

Contestants will have two disinterested witnesses to the harvest and in case of contest affidavits will be required. While the aggregate of these prizes does not amount to as much as some other offers for the entire state, yet it will run way above them when it is considered we sell less than half as much as bigger concerns who offer more in the aggregate but is considerably less to each individual. See our nearest agent for particulars. Remember it is not the largest concerns, always, who give the best results or make the best goods.

CROCKETT FEEDS.

CROCKETT HORSE FEED, composed of 83 per cent select whole corn chop, 17 per cent cotton seed meal, thoroughly mixed.
CROCKETT OX FEED, composed of 17 per cent select whole corn chop, 17 per cent cotton seed meal, 66 per cent cotton seed hulls.
CROCKETT COW FEED, composed of 17 per cent cotton seed meal, 83 per cent cotton seed hulls.
STRAIGHT BULK AND SACKED HULLS, COTTON SEED MEAL.
Our mixed feeds are thoroughly satisfactory; tried by some of the largest users of feeds before offered for sale, and we do not hesitate to recommend them.

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The Houston County Oil Mill and Manufacturing Co.

CROCKETT, TEXAS

We Thank You

for the liberal patronage you have given us during the past year and hope to see you at our store many times during 1913.

Wishing you a happy and prosperous New Year, we are, yours to please,

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Local News.

All kinds of farm implements at Daniel & Burton's.—Adv.

D. D. Gentry of Route 1 paid the Courier a visit Friday.

Moore & Shivers for nails, barbed wire, hog wire, staples, etc.—Adv.

All kinds of wagon and plow harness at Daniel & Burton's.—Adv.

Steam pressed clothes are perfectly sanitary. S. R. Ellis.

We can save you money on all purchases. Daniel & Burton.

Miss Lucile Davis returned from Center Sunday morning.

See us for barbed wire, hog fencing and nails. Daniel & Burton.

One car mules for sale by Jas. S. Shivers & Co., cash or credit.—Adv.

L. J. Smith of Route 5 was a caller at the Courier office Saturday.

Oliver plows, the best on earth, sold by Jas. S. Shivers & Co.—Adv.

Miss Kathleen Hail left Sunday morning for New Orleans to re-enter school.

Joe Sturgis has returned from Trinity and will make this city his home.

The new home of H. Betts in south Crockett is nearing completion.

Daniel & Burton handle everything in farm implements and farm supplies.—Adv.

Mrs. J. F. Downes of Dallas is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Warfield.

Disc harrows, "section harrows and" disc breaking plows at Daniel & Burton's.—Adv.

Leroy Moore is making preparations to build another residence in south Crockett.

If you are in need of a good mule or horse, Jas. S. Shivers & Co. have them to sell.—Adv.

George McLean is building a handsome new residence on the east end of Public avenue.

15 acres joining B. B. Arrington. Will sell in acre lots or all. See D. F. Arledge.—Adv. tf.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald McDonald announce the arrival of a new baby, which came on December 16.

Everybody is using them, using them—what? The J. I. Case implements. They can be had from Moore & Shivers.—Adv.

The best is always the cheapest; then buy the J. I. Case implements from Moore & Shivers.—Adv.

G. H. Henderson, the railroad agent, has a fine, new home under construction in west Crockett.

If you need a wagon we can supply you with the best. Daniel & Burton. Adv.

For rent on January 1, four-room cottage, 1 block from public square. Adv. tf. J. D. Friend.

We are headquarters for everything in farm supplies. Daniel & Burton. Adv.

If you have not had your suit steam pressed, you don't know the difference.—Adv. S. R. Ellis.

See us for black land breaking plows and middle breakers. Daniel & Burton. Adv.

Why not own your own team? Buy one now and pay for it next fall. Jas. S. Shivers & Co.

Now is the time to cut your stalks. We handle the best stalk cutters made. Daniel & Burton.

The Pickwick Barber Shop for first-class work. Cleanliness our hobby. Hot and cold baths.—Adv.

Mrs. P. H. Hughes of Palestine visited her sisters, Mrs. Dan McLean and Mrs. T. D. Craddock, last week.

The J. I. Case implements are different because they are better. For sale only by Moore & Shivers.

Mrs. M. C. Dupuy and family have arrived and are occupying the C. W. LeGory new house on Washington street.

Jesse Woodward is completing a new residence in south Crockett that will be occupied by Will McLean.

For Sale—Wagon and team of horses. A bargain if taken at once. Call on Lilly & Son at the Bynum place.—Adv.

A full line of farming implements, from a corn shovel to a Bois D'Arc wagon, can be had at Moore & Shivers.—Adv.

Misses Fannie Maud Dupuy and Carrie Houseman of Palestine are visiting Miss Stella Sheridan and Mrs. M. C. Dupuy.

You will find all kinds of farm implements necessary to farm with in the stock of Oliver plows at Jas. S. Shivers & Co.'s.—Adv.

Invitations and admittance cards to the governor's inaugural ball have been received in this city. The ball is to be on January 21.

For Sale.

30 acre farm on Rusk road; good houses, barn, etc., two miles from Crockett. 4t. Jno. R. Foster.

If you need a cultivator, we handle the Oliver, the best cultivator on the market, in either riding or walking. Jas. S. Shivers & Co.

Misses Jennie Mae and Georgia Laura Dick, who have been visiting in the home of Dan McLean, left Sunday for their home in Palestine.

This week's freeze is worth much to the land, farmers say, and it afforded a fine opportunity for hog killing. No doubt much meat was saved.

H. W. McCelvey of Vernon, A. W. Driskill of Holly and Dr. G. W. Worthington of Marathon are among those remembering the Courier since last issue.

For Sale.

A nice, new 6-room bungalow cottage, with barn, garden, etc., 2 blocks from the square. Adv. 2t. John R. Foster.

That new street in south Crockett, connecting North and Houston streets and paralleling Louisiana, has been named Georgia avenue and will be deeded to the city.

Just received a car of J. I. Case stalk cutters, drag harrows, disc harrows, cultivators, steel turning plows, walking and riding planters, etc. Get our prices before buying. Adv. Moore & Shivers.

Southern Woodmen, a new fraternal order, wants a deputy organizer for Houston county. Eight-year, money-making contract to right man. Address, Director General, box 441, Longview, Texas. 4t

When Davy Crockett said, "Be sure you are right, then go ahead," he evidently meant that you would go wrong if you attempted to farm without using the J. I. Case implements.—Adv. Moore & Shivers.

Mrs. J. H. Painter and children have returned from Stephenville; where they spent the holidays. They were accompanied home as far as Houston by their mother, Mrs. Berta Wootters, who will visit in that city for some time.

The International and Great Northern Railway company has installed an electric bell signal at the crossing near the electric light and ice plant. When an approaching train gets within 200 yards of the crossing an electric wire sets the bell to ringing.

Class Pin Lost.

Lost somewhere in Crockett Saturday afternoon a class pin containing the initials L. H. S. with my initials on the back. Finder will please leave at Courier office and receive reward.—Adv. It* May Ellen Click, Latexo.

The Courier hears of one fatality as a result of the freeze. Passengers from a northbound train Monday report that a man slipped on the ice and fell in front of the train at Lovelady and was killed. They did not know who the man was, but believed that he was colored.

Mrs. Willis Higginbotham of Stephenville, formerly Miss Ethel Wootters of this city, entertained a Christmas party composed of Mrs. Berta Wootters and Mrs. J. H. Painter and children of this city; Mrs. P. R. Denman and family of Houston and L. B. Wootters and family of New Mexico.

Buggies and Carriages for 1913.

The Columbus Buggy Co. make. Moon Bros. " Babcock Co. " The Heyney Buggy Co. " Brees Buggy Co. " Banner Buggy Co. " Come and see them. Jno. R. Foster, Adv. 4t. The Buggy Man.

Money to Loan.

We make a specialty of loans on land and to farmers. We buy vendors lien notes and any other good paper. If you want to borrow money you will DO WELL to call and get our terms before placing your loan. We buy and sell real estate.

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or take up your note and give you a lower rate of interest. We will buy your land or find a buyer. See or write Hail & Wilson, Crockett State Bank building, Crockett, Texas. Adv.

Returned to the Penitentiary.

Governor Colquitt has revoked the pardon granted Clint Lane, and Lane was returned to the penitentiary this week by Sheriff Phillips. It is announced from Austin that the pardon was revoked on the ground that the governor had discovered that money was used in securing the pardon. Lane is again in the penitentiary and the matter is under investigation. Clint Lane and his father, Wyatt Lane, were tried for killing Henry Dudley. Wyatt Lane, being given a life sentence, took his own life in the county jail. Clint was given fifteen years in the penitentiary. Last year he was granted a conditional pardon by Governor Colquitt and has been living with his family on the farm east of town since being released.

New Year's Reception for Bride and Bridegroom.

Selecting the first day of the new year as a time for extending congratulations and best wishes to the bride and bridegroom as well as the season's felicitations to friends, Mrs. W. H. Denny, assisted by Mrs. J. C. Millar and Mrs. G. Q. King, tendered a New Year's reception to friends on Wednesday afternoon of last week, naming Mr. and Mrs. Jack Beasley as the honorees. In the receiving line with Mr. and Mrs. Beasley were the city's visiting young ladies, Miss Helen Moore of Waverly, Ohio, Miss Jennie Mae Dick and Miss Georgia Laura Dick of Palestine and Miss Norma Frels of New Ulm. Guests, of whom there were many all during the afternoon, were welcomed at the door by Mrs. W. C. Lipscomb and, after wraps and coats were disposed of, passed on to the young ladies in charge of the punch bowl, Misses Mary McLean, Beasley Denny and Nell Beasley. They were next presented at the receiving line and following this invited into the dining room for refreshments, which included a dainty salad course and coffee. The young ladies serving in the dining room were Misses Claritte Elliott, Lucile Millar, Opal Johnson, Louise Denny and Jennie McLean. The dining room decorations were beautiful and appropriate and in thorough keeping with the season of good cheer. This may also be truthfully said of the decorations in the music room, reception hall and library. Shaded electric lights added fascination to the darkened apartments. The hand of an artist was everywhere visible—the artistic touch everywhere in evidence. Before departing from this scene of loveliness and gentility, guests were asked to register their names in a pretty and artistic book kept for that purpose by Mrs. W. I. Kennedy and Miss Sue Denny and to be presented as a souvenir to the bride and groom.

Chronic Constipation Cured.

"Five years ago I had the worst case of chronic constipation I ever knew of, and Chamberlain's Tablets cured me," writes S. F. Fish, Brooklyn, Mich. For sale by all dealers.—Adv.

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MASURY PURE MIXED HOUSE PAINTS

Is the American nation's first choice. It's the best paint made and those who use it say so.

I. W. SWEET.

If you don't sleep well at night, are nervous and low-spirited, you need a system purifier. Herbine is a powerful liver stimulant and cleansing medicine. It quiets the nerves, promotes energy and cheerfulness. Price 50c. Sold by I. W. Sweet.—Adv.

FOLEY'S HONEY AND TAR
Cures Colds Prevents Pneumonia

The Crockett Courier

Issued weekly from the Courier Building.

W. W. AIKEN, Editor and Proprietor.

PUBLISHER'S NOTICE.

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

A shipment of 700 car loads of wagons, requiring eighteen freight trains of forty cars each, is now en route to Texas from Louisville, Ky. This is the largest order ever taken by the Kentucky Wagon Works and will bring \$700,000 into Louisville that ought to be kept in Texas.

The barley crop in Texas has shown a phenomenal increase in the year 1912 over the previous one, according to a report issued by the department of agriculture. The 6,000 acres planted in 1912 produced 176,000 bushels and brought \$137,000. In 1911, 90,000 bushels of barley were raised on 5,000 acres and sold for \$84,000.

More than 34 per cent of the total number of bales of cotton ginned in the United States prior to December 13 of 1912 was reported from Texas, according to the preliminary report of the department of commerce and labor. The total number of bales ginned in the United States was 12,424,853 of which number Texas ginned 4,370,540. While the total number of bales of cotton ginned in the United States prior to December 13 of this year was 1,346,144 less than on the preceding date of 1911 there was an increase in the number ginned in Texas this year of 508,397 bales over the previous year. The federal government report has estimated the Texas cotton crop for 1912 at 4,850,000 bales and using this as a basis over 90 per cent of the Texas cotton crop was ginned prior to December 13 of this year as against 94 per cent on the same date last year.

UNIVERSITY EXTENSION WORK.

Mr. W. B. Hamilton, representing the Department of Extension of the University of Texas, was in attendance at the County Institute December 17. While in this city Mr. Hamilton talked interestingly regarding this department of work in our State University. He said: "The extension work of the University is an effort to take, as far as possible, the training offered at the institution to those people who are unable to enroll as regular students; to bring university education to the entire community. The University does this, in part, when it sends educated young men and women back into their home communities. As a further advanced step, however, towards making the University directly useful to large numbers of people who are unable to attend its classes, the Extension Department was organized. Through public lectures by members of its faculty on the great questions of the day and interesting phases of literature, science and art; through college courses that may be taken by correspondence; through the encouragement of public discussion and debate on live topics by high school students; through the work of collecting information that will improve economic conditions in cities and in the country; and through educational exhibits which are sent out to the fairs and other large gatherings, the University hopes to spread useful information to many thousand citizens of Texas.

"Short, practical bulletins have been prepared on such subjects as,

Wholesome Cooking under Rural Conditions; Beautification of Home and School Grounds; Model Rural School Buildings, and Model High School Buildings. All of these bulletins are sent free to those who apply for them. In addition loan libraries on such subjects as prohibition, woman suffrage, the initiative and referendum, prison reform, compulsory education, the commission form of city government, the tariff and free raw material, have been prepared and are being loaned to such clubs and individuals as request them.

"In three years more than 2000 students have enrolled for college correspondence courses. By means of these courses it is possible for one student without leaving his home or giving up his regular work to obtain a fair college education. Special courses in law are given as well as courses that have been arranged for the benefit of teachers who wish to raise their certificates.

"The Extension Department was created to serve the public. Any citizen of Texas should feel free to write to this department for any information he wishes on any subject whatever. With the exception of a small charge made for correspondence courses, its services are absolutely free."

Farmers' Institute for Crockett.

Under the direction of the State Department of Agriculture, Farmers' Institutes will be held at the following places:

Crockett, January 13, 1:30 p. m.
Lovelady, January 14, 1:30 p. m.
Trinity, January 16, 1:30 p. m.
Huntsville, January 18, 1:30 p. m.
The place of meeting will be announced by the local committee at each point.

These institutes will be conducted by Mr. Paul Wipprecht, who will discuss diversification, rotation, seed selection and better cultural methods.

Officers of institutes already organized will please assist in getting the farmers out to hear these important questions discussed.

The State Department of Agriculture publishes, from time to time, valuable reports upon topics of vital interest to the farmers of the state. All institutes will receive copies of all bulletins issued by the department free of cost, and will be placed on the regular mailing list for future bulletins and reports.

These institutes are farmers' meetings devoted to the upbuilding of the best interests of the farmer. It is urged, therefore, that farmers bring their families and devote, at least, one day to a careful study of the agricultural questions which lie nearest their hearts.

Ed. R. Kone, Commissioner.

Killed by a Switch Engine.

Grapeland, Texas, Jan. 5.—Yesterday morning about 10 o'clock the southbound International and Great Northern local, while switching here, ran over and killed S. W. Jones, a farmer, who lived about one and one-half miles north of Grapeland. He was standing on the track watching a runaway team. Eleven wheels passed over the body, severing it in two, amputating his right arm and crushing in his skull. The body was taken to George E. Darsey's undertaking establishment, prepared for burial and was carried to his home north of Grapeland. Deceased was 78 years old and leaves a wife, three children and a large number of grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

If your stomach feels uncomfortable from overeating, or from food which disagrees with you, take Herbine; it settles the stomach, strengthens the digestion and relaxes the bowels. Price 50c. Sold by I. W. Sweet.—Adv.

Houston County Teachers.

The Houston County Teachers' Institute, which was held at Lovelady December 16-20, 1912, was one of the most successful ever held in the county. All of the teachers expressed themselves as having enjoyed the institute better and at the same time deriving more benefit from it than any one previously attended by them. The program prepared by Mr. Mangum for this year's institute was an exceptionally strong one and was followed out very closely. The program was arranged with a view of stressing the most important needs of the rural schools of Houston county. The main theme discussed during the week was the necessity of consolidating the small one teacher schools into larger ones with more teachers and longer terms.

A feeling of unity and good fellowship pervaded the entire membership of the Institute and all the business was transacted in a very harmonious manner.

Supt. Walker King of Palestine delivered an address the first of the week on the work being done for the betterment of educational conditions by the Conference for Education in Texas, and on Wednesday afternoon Prof. S. C. Wilson, a member of the faculty of the Sam Houston Normal Institute, delivered an address on the teaching of agriculture in the rural high schools. Both addresses were very interesting and helpful to the teachers.

There were one hundred and three teachers in attendance upon this session of the institute. Last year there were one hundred and twelve. This difference was caused by the Crockett teachers not being in attendance, they having held their institute before the beginning of the school session.

The attendance was good, there being but few cases of absence and tardiness.

The following resolutions were adopted:

Be it resolved by the teachers of Houston county in institute assembled—

First, Whereas, the crying need of many localities in the county is consolidation of smaller schools into larger and better ones; and whereas, there is a general ignorance of and disbelief in the possibility of the transportation proposition; therefore, be it resolved that we request Mr. Moore to send his paper to the county papers for publication.

Second, that we request our representative to work for an appropriation for transportation of pupils to consolidated districts, granting a bonus of not less than \$200.00 nor more than \$400.00 to two districts totally consolidated for transportation of pupils, and not less than \$360.00 nor more than \$600.00 to three or more districts totally consolidated for transportation.

Third, that a Houston county debating, declamation and athletic league be organized and that the model constitution found in University Bulletin No. 202 be adopted as the constitution of this league and it be so amended as to provide for the athletic contests. The following gentlemen were elected as officers of the league for the remainder of this school year: W. H. Tomme, president; J. H. Rosser, vice president; C. D. Eaves, secretary; Wade L. Smith, treasurer.

Fourth, that we, the teachers of Houston county, place ourselves on record as endorsing the work being done by the State Board of Education in their efforts to better the rural schools by means of consolidation into country high schools of the smaller schools and having fewer grades to the teacher, and that we individually co-operate with them by doing everything

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that is in our power to better the woe of the country schools of Houston county.

Fifth, that we endorse the legislation establishing rural high schools and the establishment of departments of agriculture, manual training and domestic science in the rural high schools as a means of raising the schools to a higher and more efficient place.

Sixth, that we favor the creation of the office of assistant county superintendent of Houston county.

Seventh, that we favor the extension of county supervision to all counties having as many as two thousand scholastics.

Eighth, that we extend to Miss Gail our thanks for the entertainment given us on Monday morning.

Ninth, that we heartily appreciate the gracious hospitality of the good people of Lovelady who made us feel at home during our stay among them and that we sincerely hope that fortune will favor us with another stay among them in the near future.

Tenth, that a copy of these resolutions be furnished the county papers for publication.

R. J. Dominy,
Secretary Houston County Teachers' Institute.

Former Senator E. W. Harris Dead.

Greenville, Texas, Jan. 4.—E. W. Harris, former state senator, died at his home here at 10:30 tonight. He began to sink at 8 o'clock tonight and rapidly grew worse, although he had been in bad health for a year or more. His death was caused by ulcerated tonsillitis. He had been editor and proprietor of the Greenville Herald the past 29 years.

Mr. Harris was a brother of the editor of the Rusk County News and an uncle of the Courier editor.

His Stomach Troubles Over.

Mr. Dyspeptic, would you not like to feel that your stomach troubles were over, that you could eat any kind of food you desired without injury? That may seem so unlikely to you that you do not even hope for an ending of your trouble, but permit us to assure you that it is not altogether impossible. If others can be cured permanently, why not you? John R. Barker of Battle Creek, Mich., is one of them. He says: "I was troubled with heartburn, indigestion and liver complaint until I used Chamberlain's Tablets, then my trouble was over." For sale by all dealers.—Adv.

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