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ALL PRECINCT STOCK LAW ELECTIONS ARE VOID.

So Rules the Attorney General of Texas in Regard to Recent Houston County Precinct Elections.

If any county precinct or county subdivision votes upon itself any local option measure, whether prohibiting the selling of liquor or the running at large of livestock, that precinct or subdivision may, under the provisions of the law, throw off such prohibitive measure at a subsequent election. But if the county as a whole votes upon itself any local option measure, the result of such election cannot be annulled in any particular except by the vote of the whole county. The result cannot be set aside in any part of the county by a precinct vote. The measure is adopted as a county measure, voted on as such, and will have to stand as a county law until set aside by a subsequent county election. No precinct can any more free itself from the operations of such county law than could a county free itself from the operations of a state prohibition law. Therefore

the recent precinct stock-law elections held in this county are void, and such precincts as voted off the stock-law will have to go back under the operations of the stock-law as the law applies to Houston county. Having learned that the attorney general of Texas had made a ruling in regard to precinct stock-law elections in Houston county, the Courier editor on Monday interviewed County Judge E. Winfree and got the following statement: "In an opinion rendered from the attorney general's office on November 19 it is held, under Article 7232, Revised Statutes of 1911, that Houston county, having been under the stock law for the entire county, cannot get rid of the stock law in any other way than by voting again for the entire county."

Twenty-five cents a hundred is the price of good, clean newspapers at the Courier office.

J. N. TYER WRITES OF HIS CHICAGO TRIP. Visits Son at Gardner and Henry Grounds at Chicago—Saw Some Wonderful Sights in Chicago.

Editor Courier:

We boarded the train at Grape-land on the night of September 25. At Palestine we took a sleeper and could not see much until we got to Texarkana. Then we began to look at the beautiful country and towns all the way to St. Louis. Then night came again, though those bright electric lights made everything look as bright as day. We left St. Louis that night for Chicago, arriving at Gardner, Ill., at 4:40 next morning. There we met our son, H. A. Tyer, awaiting our arrival. We stayed several days at this beautiful little town, and there are some as fine people there as I ever met and willing to show a southerner all the courtesies that are due anyone. We visited their corn shellings, and saw the crushing, cutting and filling of their silos. Let me tell you, I saw better corn stalks, ears, fodder and all, going into their silos than I ever saw grow in Texas. We traveled in buggy, automobile and passenger coach over the best grain belt said to be in the world, and I believe it. They tell me it is about 75 miles wide and 400 miles long. My son and I would get in a buggy and travel for miles and miles, and I have gotten out in the buggy and walked away out in the field of corn and I never saw a sorry spot in it. They told me they would get about 75 bushels per acre. This corn was just ripe enough for fodder pulling, but there was no fodder pulled. The largest white-head cabbage I ever saw was there, and tomatoes and all the fine red apples in the world it seemed.

After spending several days at Gardner, we boarded the train for Chicago, and then came the time of our lives. It was about 85 miles to Chicago and we arrived there at 6 o'clock in the evening. There we met our cousin, Henry Grounds, and one of the finest and best men of the land. He was there to meet us in his big auto—the finest one we ever saw, costing \$4,000. We boarded it for his home about 8 miles distant. It only took us a few minutes to get there, and his kindly and lovely lady was at the steps of that beautiful home, and let me tell you it was beautiful and well furnished, and just such people deserve such, for I never in my life met with more hospitable people, and every one who has had a family to raise could tell that they enjoyed just such happiness all the time. Henry has a family to be proud of and I do think he has the exception in boys. He has two as fine boys as the world ever produced and one of the sweetest little girl babies of the land. They call her just plain "Jane." We were there only a few minutes until me and my better half and his family and our son's wife and two children boarded his magnificent car and all the sights we ever saw in life we were now seeing. One cannot conceive of such things as we saw, some of which it looked like men could not put into effect. Those elevated car lines and those car lines that were under the great river of Chicago, traveling under the river the same

as on those beautiful streets and boulevards. We traveled about 138 miles right in the city and then only got a bird's eye view of it. We went out on Lake Michigan and I reckon we must have seen something like two or three hundred steam and sail boats. We saw those large vessels taking dirt and gravel out of that big lake and making land to build more of those fine buildings upon, and they were making land fast.

We received a letter from our esteemed friend, Henry Grounds, and we will give you one paragraph of his letter. He starts off this way: "I beg leave to state that there are innumerable parks and play grounds of various shapes and sizes within the corporate limits of the city of Chicago. There are 7 or 8 very large parks, among them being Lincoln, Washington, Jackson, Douglas, Humboldt, Sherman, McKinley and many others of smaller dimensions. Jackson park cover more ground than any others at this time, something like 1,000 acres, situated upon the lake front, commonly known as South Side. Connected with Jackson on the west side is what is known as Midway, which itself is a very wide stretch or thoroughfare with a park in its center that connects with Washington Park, another very large tract that covers probably 1,000 acres or close to it. All of the parks are connected by boulevards. Autos drive through these parks and the distance covered is about 40 miles."

J. N. Tyer.

Try Courier advertisers.

Parent-Teachers' Club.

The meeting of Parent-Teachers' Club was held at the regular time on Wednesday, November 24. A small attendance prevented the most important business, though quite a lot was done in valuable discussion as to the best way to broaden the foundation of this club.

A committee was appointed to write the school board and ask that they arrange some protection for the out-of-town school children's horses from the bad weather. The club has also written the state department asking for directions in equipping the school campus with athletic amusements so that more thought may be given to manual training. Crockett must not be behind other towns of its size. We have a nice campus, and let's get what we can in a small way if not in a large way.

There is lots of charity work to be done in this club as well as educative, and we ask that other clubs and organizations please not to conflict in their meetings and social affairs with the Parent-Teachers' day, which is second and fourth Wednesday in each month at 4 o'clock.

Reporter.

Owes Her Good Health

To Chamberlain's Tablets:

"I owe my good health to Chamberlain's Tablets," writes Mrs. R. G. Neff, Crookston, Ohio. "Two years ago I was an invalid due to stomach trouble. I took three bottles of these Tablets and have since been in the best of health." Obtainable everywhere.—Adv.

"Just Gwine Along"

No hurrah, no circus display of hot air advertising; just prices on staple goods that should appeal to you.

Nice sweet potatoes, per bushel	35c	Good grade apron check gingham, per yard	5c
10-lb. buckets best compound lard	\$1.00	Heavy cotton blankets, 64x80, per pair	\$1.10
50-lb. can best compound lard	\$5.10	Men's heavy corduroy pants, per pair	\$1.35
Good grade outing at, per yard	5c	Extra heavy comforts, each	\$1.25

The above articles we have in limited quantities and the prices will be good until the goods are exhausted, and under no circumstances will they be good later than December 11th.

We also have a full line of dry goods, hats, shoes, groceries, hardware, and a little of everything else on which we can save you money. Give us a call and note the saving you will make.

MOORE & SHIVERS

Patton's Sale

Closes Saturday

Real Bargains

Extra Fancy High Patent Flour, worth \$1.90, for	\$1.60
Four cans Clipper Brand Corn for	30c
Four cans Clipper Brand Tomatoes for	25c
Twelve boxes Matches for	35c
Sixteen pounds Pure Cane Granulated Sugar	\$1.00
Ten pounds Good Green Coffee for	\$1.00
One peck Best Roasted Coffee for	90c
Four 10c packages Arm & Hammer Soda for	25c

We have bargains in Men's and Boys' Trousers and Boys' Suits. We handle the Roberts, Johnson & Rand Shoes and every pair is guaranteed solid leather.

PAY US A VISIT

Wm. M. PATTON

"The Farmers' Friend"

Established 1891

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 bills.

In case of errors or omissions in legal or other advertisements, the publishers do not hold themselves liable for damage further than the amount received by them for such advertisement.

Any erroneous reflection upon the character, standing or reputation of any person, firm or corporation which may appear in the columns of the Courier will be gladly corrected upon its being brought to the attention of the management.

MONEY MORE PLENTIFUL THAN FOR ANY SEASON SINCE 1906.

New York merchants say that Americans have more money to spend for Christmas shopping this year than in any holiday season since the Christmas of 1906. L. S. Pelz, secretary of the Wholesale and Retail Merchants' association, says that the merchants of New York have never known better times.

"People who did not have money to spend a year ago have it now and have opened their purses," said Mr. Pelz. "The business which has come to America because of the war has put dollars in the pockets of the average man, but I do not believe this prosperity is dependent upon war. If the war ended next month there would still be prosperity here.

The wholesale houses of New York have all the business they can attend to. Orders are pouring in from the West, where merchants have been buying very little in the last year, and even up to a few months ago, fearing to trust in the permanency of the new prosperity.

The banks are begging business men to draw money. The country has money—that is the sole explanation of the prosperity."

RABIES AND THE PASTEUR TREATMENT.

The modest report of the results of antirabic inoculation at the Pasteur Institute in Paris for 1914 is another reminder that this procedure of the great French scientist has brought down the mortality of a dreaded danger almost to the vanishing point. It is safe to say that the probable mortality of the usual run of cases untreated by the Pasteur method would be far more than 16 per cent. In 1912, 1913 and 1914, there were treated successively, in the original institute, 395, 330 and 373 persons, without a single death. Could anything speak more eloquently of this invaluable contribution to mankind which has made it possible to save, literally, thousands of persons in the few years that have intervened since those eventful days in the summer of 1885 when the first patient received antirabic treatment in Paris? The fact that among human beings rabies is no longer common in civilized countries, because early preventive antirabic treatment is successfully applied in almost all infected subjects, ought not to be allowed to obscure the danger of infection which is still possible. A remark attributed to Pasteur and reported by Sir Victor Horsley before the Royal Commission on Vivisection in 1907 deserves to be quoted because of the still timely advice contained in it. "The freedom of England from rabies," said Horsley, "I take to be one of the great achievements of modern science; and we owe it entirely to M. Pasteur. I had the honor of acting as secretary of a committee that was appointed by the government to inquire into M. Pasteur's treat-

Useful Christmas Gifts

This store is headquarters for holiday gifts.

The art of giving is to give a useful gift that pleases and radiates happiness.

We want every boy and girl in this section, from one to ninety years young, to make this store a meeting place, a school room for studying values and a place to get posted on good things.

Our stock includes Imported China, Cut Glass, Jewelry, Toilet Sets, Toys, Christmas Cigars, and many other things for mother, father, sister or brother, sweetheart, husband or wife—tokens of appreciation that will make their eyes beam with joy.

Get the habit of seeing what is carried in this store and keep posted on our prices whether you buy here or not.

Our doors are open—come often—look around—but don't feel that you've got to buy.

Chamberlain & Woodall

The VAL DONA Store

ment; and, when the committee was in Paris, M. Pasteur said to us, "Why do you come here to study my method? You do not require it in England at all. I have proved that this is an infectious disease: all you have to do is to establish a brief quarantine covering the incubation period, muzzle all your dogs at the present moment, and in a few years you will be free."

DON'T TAKE CHANCES.

"You don't realize what a nervous strain you are putting on a man in the cab," said an International & Great Northern locomotive engineer the other day to a Crockett automobile driver, "when you dash up toward a crossing just ahead of his train. There he is in his cab—and he knows that he can't stop his engine. There you are in your automobile speeding toward the crossing just ahead. You probably know that you are going to stop just at the edge of the track and look up and laugh at him. He doesn't! He doesn't know that you even see the train. He doesn't know but what you are going to try to dash across ahead of him. It's a joke maybe to you—to him it's a few moments of the most intense agony.

"Why do you do it? When you see a train coming and know that you can't make the crossing—and don't even intend to try to make it—why don't you slow down and give the engineer the assurance that his train is not about to hurl you into eternity?"

"I never thought of it in that light," said the auto man. "I guess we do these things in a spirit of deviltry. I can tell you one thing, though, I'm never going to harrow up another engineer's nerves."

"I wish they'd all quit it," said the railroad man. "It happens a dozen times a day."

What Would You Do?

Did you ever wonder what you would do if you had a million dollars? The experience happens to a penniless widow in "Mrs. Plum's Pudding," which comes to the Queen Theatre, Friday, December

3rd. The widow goes to market one day and comes back to find an oil well gushing up on the spot where her shack had stood half an hour before. Marie Tempest, the famous English comedienne, enacts the role of the widow and is supported in the five-reel side-splitting farce comedy by Eddie Lyons, Lee Moran, Jean Hathaway, Violet MacMillan and W. Grahame Brown, who is to be starred on Broadway this fall by the Charles Frohman Estate. Al Christie, the Universal director, staged the production, employing most of the regulars in his Nestor comedy company.

Thanksgiving at "The Oaks."

The home of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Fisher was never a more beautiful scene than on Thanksgiving day when the spacious dining hall held a table with 35 pounds of turkey at each end and all good things in proportion, seating fourteen guests. In the breakfast room, with folding doors thrown open, was a table for five children. The house was profusely decorated with flowers and ferns, and every feature of the day detailed. This elaborate course meal, lasting several hours, was intermingled with music on the handsome Victrola from the very best operas.

Immediately following this meal the Victor talking machine said, "Dance! 'Cake Walk' 'Has Anybody Seen Kelley?' Mrs. Chas. Clinton was awarded the basket of flowers in the cake walk. "Rumme," "cigars" and "mints" were so interesting that the parting hour came much too soon. Hearty thanks went out to the charming couple, whose hospitality can't be excelled, for a most lovegiving day.

A Mea.

Why You Should Use

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy: Because it has an established reputation won by its good works.

Because it is most esteemed by those who have used it for many years, as occasion required, and are best acquainted with its good qualities.

Because it loosens and relieves a cold and aids nature in restoring the system to a healthy condition. Because it does not contain opium or any other narcotic.

Because it is within the reach of all. It only costs a quarter. Obtainable everywhere.—Adv.

Notice of an Election.

That, whereas, on the 9th day of November, 1915, this commissioners' court being in regular session, came on to be considered the petition of the resident citizens, praying that bonds be issued by Road District No. 4, comprising Justice of the Peace Precinct No. 4, in and around the town of Lovelady, Houston county, Texas, in the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars, bearing 5 per cent. rate of interest, maturing forty years from date thereof, for the purpose of constructing, maintaining and operating macadamized, graveled or paved roads and turnpikes, or in aid thereof.

And it appearing to the court that said petition is signed by more than fifty of the resident property tax paying voters of said Road District No. 4, in Justice of the Peace Precinct No. 4, of Houston county, Texas, and that the amount of bonds to be issued will not exceed one-fourth of the assessed valuation of the real property of said Road District No. 4, in said Justice of the Peace Precinct No. 4, of Houston county, Texas.

It is therefore considered and ordered by the court that an election be held in the said Road District No. 4, in Justice of the Peace Precinct No. 4, of Houston county, Texas, on Saturday, the 11th day of December, 1915, to determine whether or not the bonds of said Road District No. 4, comprising Justice of the Peace Precinct No. 4, in Houston county, Texas, shall be issued in the amount of Fifty Thousand Dollars, bearing 5 per cent. rate of interest and maturing forty years from date thereof, and whether or not a tax shall be levied upon the property of said Road District No. 4, comprising said Justice of the Peace Precinct No. 4, of said Houston county, Texas, subject to taxation, for the purpose of paying the interest on said bonds, and to provide a sinking fund for the redemption thereof at maturity.

The said election shall be held at Lovelady, Antioch and Holly voting precincts, in the said Road District No. 4, in the said Justice of the Peace Precinct No. 4, of said Houston

county, Texas, and the following named persons are hereby appointed managers of the said election:

Dug Ham, manager of Lovelady voting box.

Walter West, manager of Antioch voting box.

J. E. Driskell, manager of Holly voting box.

All voters desiring to support this proposition to issue bonds shall have written or printed on their ballots the words:

"For the issuance of bonds, and the levying of the tax for the payment thereof."

And those opposed shall have written or printed on their ballots the words:

"Against the issuance of bonds, and the levying of the tax for the payment thereof."

The manner of holding said election shall be governed by the laws governing general elections and due returns made to this court in conformity thereof.

E. Winfree, County Judge,
41. Houston County, Texas.

On October 8, 1914,

The Cranford Drug Company, of Alba, Texas, phoned to The Eucaline Medicine Company at Dallas, the following:

"Express us One Dozen Admire Tonic Sarsaparilla, and ship us by freight Five Dozen more." Alba people have been using Admire Tonic Sarsaparilla for ten years. They know that it stops Chills and Fever promptly, relieves the system of Malaria and prifies the blood when it is disordered from Malaria Poison. Price \$1.00 per bottle. Ask for it.

For sale by Crockett Drug Co.

Highest aim is quality.

It Relieves, Purifies and Strengthens. Take Admire Tonic Sarsaparilla when your blood is out of order and your system needs strengthening. Take Admire Tonic Sarsaparilla when you are troubled with Malaria and are having Chills and Fever. Admire Tonic Sarsaparilla stops Chills and Fever promptly, relieves the system of Malaria, Purifies the Blood and restores Vitality to the weakened body. Price \$1.00 per bottle. Ask for it.

For sale by Crockett Drug Co.

TAKE HALL'S CHILL TONIC EUCALINE

You will not have the best if you fail to get EUCALINE for Malaria, Chills and Fever. It acts on the liver and bowels and relieves the system of the cause, pleasant to take.

FIFTY CENTS by YOUR DRUGGIST

TAKE HALL'S CHILL TONIC

Write Your Christmas

Copy Now

Some experts claim the advertising copy used before Christmas is generally the worst of the year, due to the fact that many merchants wait until the last minute to prepare their advertising copy and the sales they intend putting on to attract the greatest number of buyers, instead of getting this most important feature out of the way when they can give it proper attention.

Write your Christmas advertising copy in advance of the big rush—You'll get the best results

Local News.

Drugs and jewelry at the Rexall Store.

Dave Long of Houston was here this week.

Mrs. Roy Ayers has returned to Texarkana.

Mrs. W. A. Norris visited in Lovelady last week.

Miss Lillie Belle Shotwell visited at Palestine last week.

Miss Hallie Aldrich is making an extended stay in San Antonio.

Mrs. R. E. Morris has returned from visiting relatives at Tyler.

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

Mrs. W. L. Dean sends from Huntsville her subscription renewal to the Courier.

J. D. Woodward is among the number remembering the Courier since last issue.

Mrs. Lucile Tanner of Huntsville is visiting the family of her brother, Austin Woodall.

D. McCullough, a colored educator, renewed his subscription to this paper Saturday.

J. R. Sheridan is suffering from an attack of stomach trouble and confined to his home.

W. N. Sheridan is here on account of the serious illness of J. R. Sheridan.

Mr. and Mrs. John B. Peyton of Trinity took Thanksgiving dinner with Mrs. Lucy Collins.

Chops make better feed than corn. Bring your corn to I. B. Lansford's shop and have it made into pure corn chops any day in the week. tf.

Queen Theatre

Friday, Dec. 3rd

The Great Broadway Favorite—Internationally Famous Broadway Star,

MISS MARIE TEMPEST

Supported by W. Graham Brown, Lee Moran, Eddy Lyons, Jean Hathaway and Violet McMullan in that Cleverest of Farce Comedies.

"Mrs. Plum's Pudding"

A Comedy Treat in Five Film Acts.

10c and 15c

COMING—Friday, Dec. 10th, Ella Hall in the exquisite Broadway Photoplay, "Jewel," in 5 parts.

Cotton has been selling at 12 cents in Crockett for a week now and it is about time for it to change one way or the other.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Smith of Longview took Thanksgiving dinner with Mrs. Smith's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Monday, in Lovelady.

John H. Shaw of Prairie Point was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Monzingo for Thanksgiving, but got caught on the jury and missed his turkey.

D. C. Webb, formerly of this county, but now ranching near Bishop, south Texas, was here last week, and while here arranged for the Courier to visit him.

For Trade.

One hundred acres of land in west Texas, near county site, for Houston county property.

4t. Aldrich & Crook.

Just Received.

One car of seed oats, one car of bran, two cars of maize and one car of Johnson grass. See us for prices. Hail & McLean.

Hule Lost.

Color dark brown, weight about 850 pounds, head slightly gray, Roman nose; branded BT on left hip. Notify R. C. Hager, Kennard, Texas.

Dr. R. M. Hamlin is among those remembering the Courier since last issue. The Doctor is thinking of moving to Florida if he disposes of his property here, for which he has several offers.

Peas Wanted.

We are in the market for sound, dry, black-eyed peas and small, white peas.

5t. Waller Grocery Co., Trinity, Texas.

Misses Virginia Chamberlain, Gladys Dawes, Kathleen Hail, Bella Lipscomb and Otice McConnell returned Tuesday from a three days' visit with Miss Annie Bee Robinson at Palestine.

Spectacles Lost.

Lost, a pair of gold-frame rimless spectacles and the case in which contained. Finder will please leave at parsonage and be rewarded.

tf. D. H. Hotchkiss.

The management of the Queen Theatre, the local moving picture house, is planning to put a stage in the rear of the building so that theatrical companies may be booked during the show season.

For the Baby Show.

We have entered our baby for the prize offered by the Methodist ladies at their Bazaar on December 3 and will appreciate your vote.

It. Mrs. Dick Calhoun.

Don't forget to leave your bundle for Crockett Steam Laundry at Friend's barber shop. We promise the work as good as the best and better than the rest.

tf. Crockett Steam Laundry.

Typographical Error Corrected.

The bazaar to be given by the ladies of the Baptist church is to be held on December 9 instead of December 2 as appeared in the Courier last week. The mistake was due to a misprint—a typographical error.

No Matter

How far you are living from town, if you are on the rural route you can be reached by our parcel post delivery service. We are ready at all times to attend to your wants and give you the same attention you get in our store. When in town, come to the store. We are always glad to see you. Come in and get a Ladies' Birthday almanac for 1916 and some sticks of candy for the little folks—absolutely free. We don't mind giving them to you. Your friends,

The Crockett Drug Company, tf. Under Pickwick Hotel.

Real Estate and Loans.

We have real estate for sale and we would like to examine any vendor lien notes you may have for sale.

CALL ON US AT OUR PLACE OF BUSINESS.

Warfield Bros.

Office North Side Public Square.

CROCKETT, TEXAS

Monk's hill, on the Belott road, is to be further improved by the people living along the road. Cooperation in the matter of road improvement seems to be rampant in some sections and it does us good to hear of it.

Horace Moore (colored) of Route 6 called at this office Wednesday and extended his subscription into 1917. Horace says he has an abundance of feed to run him next year and has gathered a fairly good cotton crop.

Notice to the Public.

I have just installed a first-class grist mill in my shop to do public grinding, and will grind your corn any time you come. Would rather have you come on Saturdays if you can. tf. I. B. Lansford.

Judge D. A. Richardson, a Houston county product achieving prominence as an attorney at Douglas, Arizona, as evidence that he has lost no interest in the old home, sends the Courier his subscription renewal.

For Sale.

A small tract of land (15 acres) in Crockett, suitable for a pasture, or small farm, or for dairy purposes; also a good location for a mill, or factory, or a brick yard.

2t. S. F. Tenney.

Card of Thanks.

We desire to express our thanks to our neighbors and friends for the acts of kindness during the illness and death of our loved one, Mrs. K. B. Randall. Respectfully, The Husband and Children, Mother, Brother and Sisters.—Adv.

The Cemetery Association held a most creditable flower show Wednesday. White and yellow chrysanthemums and many other beautiful flowers were on display. Appreciation of the association's efforts was evidenced by the liberal patronage of our people.

Lost Horses.

Strayed or stolen from Kennard, one black horse, about sixteen hands high, about ten years old, one white foot, no brand; also one stocking-legged colt, about one year old. Liberal reward for delivery of same to me at Kennard.

tf. Claiborne Latimer.

Mr. and Mrs. James R. Elliott and their two children, Melvin and Vivian, from Prairie Point, took Thanksgiving dinner and spent the remainder of the week as guests of Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Monzingo. Mrs. M. C. Monzingo, Mrs. Elliott's mother, returned home with them for a visit.

Notice.

I will be in Lovelady Saturday, December 11th, 1915, collecting 1915 tax. You are prohibited from paying your poll tax by mail and if you pay through an agent you are required to place a 25 cent revenue stamp on the order, so get your poll receipt while I am in your vicinity.

It. George H. Denny.

Laughter Aids Digestion.

Laughter is one of the most healthful exertions; it is of great help to digestion. A still more effectual help is a dose of Chamberlain's Tablets. If you should be troubled with indigestion give them a trial. They only cost a quarter. Obtainable everywhere.—Adv.

Trinity River Killing.

Sheriff R. J. Spence has Jake Bledsoe and son, Mack Bledsoe, both negroes, in the Houston county jail, charged with killing Holly Jackson, another negro. The killing occurred on G. L. Murray's Trinity river farm Saturday night. Mack Bledsoe claims to have done the killing, but the sheriff believes the elder negro is implicated.

Delivery Service

Is what pleases the patrons of the Crockett Drug Company. Why don't you try it? You, we mean, who haven't phoned us your wants yet. It's just as easy to say "give me 91" as it is to phone the other fellow every time. When we get a call from a new customer we rejoice and take special pains to please. When we say we serve you by phone as well as over the counter, we are simply stating what many of our delighted customers have found out to be the simple truth. Learn to phone 91.

tf. Crockett Drug Company.

The Original King's Highway.

It is disappointing to our people, all of whom prided themselves on the historic value of the thing, to find that the old Nacogdoches and San Antonio road, the King's Highway, did not pass exactly through Crockett. Mr. Zivley and his surveyors, who are marking out the old trail, have located this historic road as bearing to the south of Crockett and passing through the level stretch of country known as Masters' prairie. The town of Crockett was built to the north of the road, where prairie and timber met, and where a running branch of water has its source. Afterward the road was swerved from its original course to pass northward through Crockett and again find the old trail. Mr. Zivley and his corps of assistants are completing the survey of this old Mexican highway through Houston county, having begun at Nacogdoches. Their work will take them through San Antonio and terminate at the Rio Grande.

Ours Is a Store of

Exclusive

Opportunity

It is a place of unusual values. To demonstrate these assertions we offer you the finest Fall and Winter Suitings and Overcoatings any man could possibly wish for.

Our made to measure clothes are the acme of smartness, modern style, superb tailoring and finish. Our wools are the richest fabrics known to the tailoring industry.

You will be intensely surprised when you see and take note of the new patterns and styles now being worn by the best dressers.

Order you Fall Clothes Now.

JOHN C. MILLAR

Tailor and Men's Outfitter
Next to Postoffice

Altering, Cleaning, Pressing
and Repairing

POTASH, PERLMUTTER AND OTHERS

By
MONTAGUE GLASS

III.—"R. S. V. P."

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It was the 10th of the month, and Abe Potash of Potash & Perlmutter was going through the firm mail with an exploratory thumb and finger, looking for checks.

"Well, Mawruss," he said to his partner, Morris Perlmutter, "all them high tone customers of yours, they don't take it so particular that they should pay on the day, Mawruss. If they was only so prompt with checks as they was to claim deductions, Mawruss, you and me would have no worries. I think some of 'em finds a shortage in the shipment before they open the packing case that the goods come in. Take your friend, Hyman Maimin of Syracuse—nothing suits him. He always kicks that the goods ain't made up right or we ain't sent him enough fancies or something like that. Five or six letters he writes us, Mawruss, when he gets the goods, but when he got to pay for 'em, Mawruss, that's something else again. You might think postage stamps was solitaire diamonds and that he dassent use 'em!"

"Quit your kicking," Perlmutter broke in. "This is only the 10th of the month."

"I know it," said Abe. "We should have had a check by the 10th of last month, but—here Abe's eye lit upon an envelope directed in the handwriting of Hyman Maimin—"I guess there was some good reason for the delay," he went on evenly. "Anyhow here's a letter from him now."

He tore open the envelope and hurriedly removed the inclosed letter. Then he took the envelope, blew it wide open and shook it up and down, but no check fell out.

"Did y'ever see the like?" he exclaimed. "Sends us a letter and no check!"

"Why, it ain't a letter," Morris said. "It's an advertisement."

Abe's face grew white.

"A meeting of creditors," he gasped.

Morris grabbed the missive from his partner and spread it out on the table.

"Hello!" he exclaimed, a great smile of relief spreading itself about his ears. "It's a wedding invitation." He held it up to the light. "Mr. and Mrs. Marcus Bramson," he read, "request the pleasure of Potash & Perlmutter's company at the marriage of their daughter Tillie to Mr. Hyman Maimin, Sunday, March 19, at 7 o'clock p. m., Wiedermayer's hall, 2099 South Oswego street, R.S.V.P. to residence of bride, care of Advance Credit Clothing company, 2097 South Oswego street."

"What is that 'R.S.V.P. to residence of bride'?" Abe Potash asked.

Morris reflected for a moment.

"That means," he said at length, "that we should know where to send the present to."

"How do you make that out?" said Abe.

"R.S.V.P.," Morris replied, emphasizing each letter with a motion of his hand, "means, 'Remember to send wedding present.'"

"But," Abe rejoined, "when I went to night school, we spelt 'wedding' with a W."

"A greenhorn like Maimin," said Morris, "don't know no better."

"He knows enough to ask for a wedding present, Mawruss," Abe commented, "even if he don't know how to spell it. We'll send him a wedding present, Mawruss. We'll send him a summons from the court, that's what we'll send him."

Morris shook his head.

"That ain't no way to talk, Abe," he said. "If a customer gets married we got to send him a wedding present. It don't cost much, and if Hyman Maimin gets a couple of thousand dollars with this Miss—Miss—"

"Advance Credit Clothing company," Abe helped out.

Morris nodded.

"Then he buys more goods, ain't it?" he concluded.

"Let him pay for what he's got," Abe rejoined.

"It just slipped his mind. He'll pay up fast enough after he gets married."

"All right! Wait till he pays up, and then we'll give him a present."

"Now looky here, Abe," Morris protested, "you can't be small in a matter of this kind. I'll draw a check for \$25 and—"

"Twenty-five dollars!" Abe screamed. "You're crazy! When you was married last year I'd like to know who gives you a present for \$25."

"Why, you did, Abe," Morris replied. "Me?" Abe cried. "Say, Mawruss, I

want to tell you something. If you can buy a fine sterling silver bumbum dish, like what I give you for \$25 I'll take it off your hands for \$27.50 any day!"

"But, Abe!"

"Another thing, Mawruss," Abe went on. "If you don't like that dish, there ain't no law compelling you to keep it, you understand. Send it back. My Rosie can use it. Maybe we ain't so stylish like your Minnie, Mawruss, but if we don't have bumbums every day we could put dill pickles into it."

"One moment," Morris protested. "I ain't saying anything about that bumbum dish, Abe. All I mean that if you give me such a high price present when I get married, that's all the more reason why we should give a high price present to a customer what we will make money on. I ain't no customer, Abe."

"I know you ain't," said Abe. "You're only a partner, and I don't make no money on you neither."

Morris shrugged his shoulders.

"What's the use of wasting more time about it, Abe?" he said. "Go ahead and buy a present."

"Me buy it?" Abe cried. "You know yourself, Mawruss, I ain't a success with presents. You draw the check and get your Minnie to buy it. She's an up to date woman, Mawruss, while my Rosie is a back number. She don't know nothing but to keep a good house, Mawruss. Sterling silver bumbum dishes she don't know, Mawruss. If I took her advice you wouldn't get no bumbum dish. Nut picks, Mawruss, from the five and ten cent store, that's what you'd got. You might appreciate them, Mawruss, but a sterling silver—"

At this juncture Morris took refuge in the outer office, where Miss Cohen, the bookkeeper, was taking off her wraps.

"Miss Cohen," he said, "draw a check for \$25 to bearer and enter it up as a gratification to Hyman Maimin."

At dinner that evening Morris handed the check over to his wife.

"Here, Minnie," he said, "Abe wants you should buy a wedding present for a customer."

"What kind of a wedding present?" Mrs. Perlmutter asked.

"Something in solid sterling silver, like that bumbum dish what Abe gave us."

"But, Mawruss," she protested, "you know we got that bonbon dish locked away in the sideboard, and we never take it out. Let's give 'em something useful."

"Sult yourself," Morris replied, "only don't bother me about it."

"All right," Mrs. Perlmutter said. "Leave me the name and address and I'll see that they send it direct from the store. I'll put one of your cards inside."

"And another thing," Morris concluded. "See that you don't hold nothing out on us by way of commission."

Mrs. Perlmutter smiled serenely.

"I won't," she said in dulcet tones.

II.

It was the fourth day after Potash & Perlmutter's receipt of the wedding invitation. When Morris Perlmutter entered the private office he found Abe Potash in the absorbed perusal of the Daily Cloak and Suit Record. Abe looked up and saluted his partner with a malignant grin.

"Well, Mawruss," he said, "I suppose you sent that present to Hyman Maimin?"

"I sent it off long since already," Morris replied.

"I hope it was a nice one, Mawruss," Abe went on. "I hope it was a real nice one. I'm sorry now, Mawruss, we didn't spend \$50. That would have made it an even seven hundred, instead of only six hundred and seventy-five, that Hyman Maimin owes us."

"What d'ye mean?" cried Morris.

"I don't mean nothing, Mawruss—nothing at all," Abe said, with ironical emphasis. He handed the paper to Morris. "Here, look for yourself."

A petition in bankruptcy was filed late yesterday afternoon against Hyman Maimin, 63 West Tonawanda street, Syracuse. It is claimed that he transferred assets to the amount of \$5,000 last week. Mr. Maimin says that he has been doing business at a heavy loss of late, but that he hopes to be able to resume. A settlement of 30 cents is proposed.

Morris sat down in a revolving chair, too crushed for comment, and drummed with a lead pencil on the desk.

"I wonder if he done up his intended father-in-law, too?" he said at length.

"No fear of that, Mawruss," Abe replied. "He ain't no sucker like us, Mawruss. I bet you his father-in-law—what's his name?"

"The Advance Credit Clothing company," Morris suggested.

"Sure," Abe went on. "I bet you this clothing concern says to him: 'If you want to marry my daughter you gotta go into bankruptcy first. Then, when you're all cleaned up, I'll give you a couple of thousand dollars to start as a new beginner in another line.' Ain't it?"

Morris nodded gloomily.

"No, Mawruss," Abe continued. "I set you his father-in-law is a big crook like himself."

He rose to his feet and opened the large green and red covered book furnished by the commercial agency to which they subscribed.

"I'm going to do now, Mawruss, what you should have done before you sent that present," he said. "I'm going to look up this here Advance Credit



"What is that 'R.S.V.P. to residence of bride'?" Abe Potash asked.

Clothing company. I bet you he ain't even in the book—what?"

Before Morris could reply the letter carrier entered with the morning mail. While Abe continued to run his thumb down the columns of the commercial agency book, Morris began to open the envelopes. Both their heads were bent over their tasks, when an exclamation arose simultaneously from each.

"Now, what d'ye think of that?" said Abe.

"Did y' ever see anything like it?" Morris cried.

"What is it?" Abe asked.

For answer, Morris thrust a letter into his partner's hand. It was headed "The Advance Credit Clothing Company—Marcus Bramson, Proprietor" and read as follows:

Messrs. Potash & Perlmutter:
Gents—Your shipment of the 5th is to hand, and in reply would say that we are returning it via Blue line on account Miss Tillie Bramson's engagement is broken. We understand that low life H. Maimin got into you for \$50. Believe me, he done us for more than that. Our Mr. Bramson will be in New York shortly and will call to look at your line. Hoping we will be able to do business with you, Yours truly,
THE ADVANCE CREDIT CLOTHING COMPANY. Per T. B.

"So he's going to send back the present!" Abe said. "That man Marcus Bramson, proprietor, has a big heart, Mawruss. He's a man with fine feelings and a fine disposition, Mawruss. He's got a fine rating, too, Mawruss—seventy-five to a hundred thousand, first credit!" He closed the book almost lovingly. "D'ye think they would give the money back for that present, Mawruss?"

"I don't know," said Morris. "Minnie bought it, and she told me it was a big bargain. It was a sale, she said, but I guess they'll take it back."

"What did it look like?" Abe said.

"I didn't see it," Morris replied. "They sent it direct from the store, but I took Minnie's word for it. She said it was fine value."

"And Minnie," Abe concluded, "is a fine, up to date woman!"

III.

Two days later Abe Potash spotted the name of Marcus Bramson in the "Arrival of Buyers" column of a morning newspaper.

"Mawruss," he cried, "he's come!"

"Who's come?" Morris asked.

"Marcus Bramson," Abe replied, reaching for his hat. "I'm going over to the Bingle House now to meet him. You wait here till I come back. I bet you we sell him a big bill of goods."

As Abe went out of the store by the front door an expressman, bearing a square wooden box, entered the rear alley. He brought the package straight to Miss Cohen, who signed a receipt and summoned Mr. Perlmutter. Morris proceeded to pry off the cover.

"This is something what Mrs. Perlmutter bought for Hyman Maimin's wedding present," he explained. "I ain't never seen it yet."

"Oh, Mr. Perlmutter," Miss Cohen exclaimed, clasping her hands, "what a beautiful bonbon dish! What a lovely wedding present!"

Morris looked at the bonbon dish, and beads of perspiration started on his forehead.

"Ain't Mrs. Perlmutter got good

taste!" Miss Cohen went on enthusiastically.

Morris said nothing, but picked up the silver dish. Examining the polished center carefully, he discerned the indistinct initials "M. P." almost but not quite effaced by buffing. Undoubtedly it was the same bonbon dish.

He gathered up the tissue paper and carefully arranged it in the box as a bed for the silver dish. Then he put the cover on and nailed it down.

"Ain't you going to let Mr. Potash see it?" Miss Cohen asked. "He ain't never seen it before neither, has he?"

Morris frowned.

"I think he has," he replied. "Anyhow, I'm going to send it right uptown by messenger boy."

"Do you think they'll exchange it?" Miss Cohen inquired.

"Oh, I guess it will be put back in stock all right!" said Morris, turning away.

IV.

The next morning when Morris entered the store Abe was busy figuring on the back of a torn envelope.

"Hello, Mawruss!" he cried, looking up. "Ain't it a beautiful weather?"

Morris agreed that it was.

"That Mr. Bramson," Abe went on, "that's one fine gentleman, Mawruss. He ain't what you'd call a close buyer neither, Mawruss."

"No?" Morris commented.

"The way I figure it," Abe continued, "reckoning on what we lost by Hyman Maimin, if he settles for 30 cents, and what we make out of Mr. Bramson's first order, we come out even to the dollar."

"So?" Morris murmured.

"All excepting that wedding present, Mawruss," said Abe. "By the way, Mawruss, ain't that wedding present come back yet?"

"Why, sure," said Morris. "It come back yesterday when you were out."

"Why ain't you showed it to me? Ain't I got no right to see it, Mawruss?"

"Of course you got a right to see it," Morris assented, "but I thought I'd get it right uptown to Minnie and have it

exchanged."

"And did she exchange it?" Abe asked.

"Well, it's like this," Morris explained: "Minnie liked it so well that she decided on keeping it. So I'll give the firm my personal check for \$25."

Abe puffed hard on his cigar.

"You're a purty generous feller, Mawruss," he commented, "to give Minnie a present like that for nothing at all, ain't it?"

"Oh, no, I ain't, Abe!" Morris replied. "I ain't giving it to her for nothing at all. I'm taking it out of her housekeeping money, Abe, \$5 a month."

Historical Parallels.

"Oh, pop."

"Well, get rid of it—get rid of it."

"What does this history I have been reading mean by a 'coop detail'?"

"That, my son, in politics or statecraft, is the same thing as a pinch hitter delivering the goods in the last half of the ninth inning of a baseball game, with runners on second and third and the score 2 to 1 in favor of the other team."—Richmond Times-Dispatch.

Promoted.

"Mrs. Nurich, I understand your husband is one of the stewards of the racing association."

"Look here, young man, my husband gave up cookin' years ago and I'd rather you wouldn't refer to it."—Buffalo Express.

A Sneaky Man.

Mr. Kay See—Sneaky sort of man? What do you mean, sir? Witness—Well, sor, he's the sort of man that'll never look ye straight in the face until yer back's turned.—Kansas City Times.

Appreciation.

"Has your wife a sense of humor?"

"Sure. I told her all the automobile jokes I could and now she wants one of the automobiles."—Washington Star.

Announcement Extraordinary!

This Newspaper Has Been Fortunate In Securing
For Serial Publication the Exclusive
Use Here of

Potash, Perlmutter And Others

By the Famous Short Story Writer
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Every One of These Stories Is a Gem

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"R. S. V. P."

The Trail of the Silk

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Jakie

Opportunity

The Center of Population

Red, the Mediator

The Ginhouliaic Heirloom

Mrs. Billington's First Case

Rich In Wit and Humor

WHAT TO GIVE

FOR THE Holidays

Will Be On Display Thursday
December 8th

During the summer months, while others were enjoying a vacation, we were busy planning how we could save you worry in the selection of GIFTS FOR THE HOLIDAYS. The result of our efforts may be found in the complete stock of Christmas goods which we have assembled.

The assortment is endless. There is something in our stock for every stocking. While the stock is large, the most distinctive thing about it is that everything is worthy of QUALITY—is worth giving.

It Pays to Be Prompt

You resolved last year to do your shopping early this Christmas. Live up to this good resolution, and induce your friends and neighbors to shop early, too, and in addition to that tell them of the best shopping place in town—THE BISHOP DRUG COMPANY. We are not boasting in saying that, merely repeating what our many friends and customers say about us.

We invite you very cordially to be with us on Holiday Opening Day, and we promise that you will not be disappointed.

OUR DRUG SERVICE will not be affected by the presence of our holiday goods and we will continue to give it the same consistent attention that we do every day in the year.

Don't forget the day—Thursday, December 8. Bring your friends and be with us.



THE BISHOP DRUG COMPANY

Phone 47 or 140

The Prompt Service Store

PREVENTABLE WASTE IN COTTON IS GREAT.

Clarence Ousley Says Loss in South Is
From \$150,000,000 to \$300,
000,000 Yearly.

Chicago, Ill., Nov. 30.—Clarence Ousley of the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas told the National Conference on Marketing and Farm Credits to day that the cotton crop of the South is subjected to annual preventable waste of from \$150,000,000 to \$300,000,000 by faults in handling, marketing and transportation.

"In the first place, the average 'country damage,' due to exposure in uncovered cotton yards, on compress platforms, at railroad stations and in the farmer's back yard, amounts to \$2 a bale," Mr. Ousley said. "Of course, not every bale suffers country damage, but the \$2 is the average computed by the United States department of commerce after careful investigation. The indiscriminate slashing of the bale for the purpose of sampling imposes a total cost of 100,000 bales a year, as computed by the department of commerce, known as the 'city crop,' being the pluckings of the buyers and the stealings of a host of persons who hang about the yards and shipping points.

"Another loss to the farmers is the inaccuracy, not to say dishonesty, in grading. Not one farmer in a hundred is able to 'class' cotton. It is sold on the classification fixed by the buyer. The competition among buyers is presumed to develop fair grading, but the presumption is disputed by expert investigations by the bureau of markets in Arkansas, Oklahoma and Texas, which reveal differences on the same day and in the same market as on the same day in different markets within each state of from 60c to \$2 a bale on the higher grade and from \$5 to \$30 on the lower grades. The only allowable difference for the same grade of cotton in two primary markets on the same day is the difference in freight to the port.

"Another great cause of loss is the habit of forcing the entire crop upon the market in three or four months, or from September to January, though twelve months are required for its consumption by the spinners. An important factor is the lack of adequate information concerning the rate of consumption by cotton mills in foreign countries. We publish in June of every year the cotton acreage in the United States; we publish the condition of the plant from month to month, and beginning in October we publish the output of the gins every month. By this means the government exhibits constantly all that may possibly be known concerning supply. But what is the other side of the question? What do we know about demand? Practically nothing. I contend that we cannot fairly determine economic value without knowing demand as well as supply.

"Now, the government publishes an annual report of world consumption, but it is given out along in February after the farmers have sold their cotton, and is therefore of no value except by way of admonition in determining the acreage for the new year. Our consuls should be required to furnish intelligent estimates when they can not obtain official information, but I fear they will not do so unless pressure is brought to bear on the department of commerce by an official body of citizens like this, or unless there is a congressional mandate to do so."

Saturday, December 4.

The Courier desires to again call the attention of its readers in the southern part of the county to the date of the massmeeting that is to

be held at Lovelady. The date is Saturday, December 4.

The purpose of the people of Lovelady in calling this massmeeting is to discuss and fully understand the objects of the proposed bond issue that is to be voted on December 11. Lovelady, Antioch and Holly are the voting boxes at which elections will be held. The election is to determine whether bonds shall be issued for the improvement of the public roads in justice precinct No. 4.

The people of Lovelady ask the attendance of every voter and taxpayer in precinct No. 4. The attendance of the farmers is especially desired. Every phase of the proposed bond issue is to be gone into and the work outlined. People of Lovelady have asked the Courier to give emphasis to the fact that the proposed bond issue is for the improvement of all roads, and not a north and south road, as some seem to think.

Married in Fort Worth.

Mr. Gause Patton, a prominent young business man of this city, and Miss Ruth Bardwell, one of Dallas' prettiest girls, were married in Fort Worth Thursday. Their marriage was not without a tinge of romance. More than a year ago, while on a business trip to Dallas, Mr. Patton became acquainted with the girl who afterward became his bride through an introduction by a mutual friend. Since that time he has been a frequent visitor to the north Texas city.

Last Wednesday night Mr. Patton left Crockett to spend Thanksgiving day in Dallas. On visiting at the young lady's home Thursday, the prospective bride and groom decided on a car trip to Fort Worth. Reaching Fort Worth they decided that the day would not be complete without a marriage. Mr. and Mrs. Patton returned to Dallas Thursday evening and to Crockett Friday evening. They are now at home with the groom's mother, Mrs. W. M. Patton, in this city.

The bride is a daughter of Mrs. Mary Bardwell of 2213 San Jacinto street, Dallas, and a very attractive girl of Dallas' younger set. The groom is well known to our people as a young business man and Houston county product, having been reared here and coming from an old family.

District Court Concluded.

The following cases were tried during the last week of district court, which ended Saturday:

George Sims, burglary; plea of guilty and two years.

Noah Simpson, murder; not guilty. Ike Foreman, selling liquor; motion for new trial overruled.

Of the convictions during the term of court just ended, seven will go to the penitentiary. Hart Austin, whose case is appealed, will go with the rest of the bunch, to serve out an old sentence. Others going are as follows:

Moody Herod, selling liquor. Floyd Nolan, assault to murder. Elbert Wallace, attempted train-wrecking.

Ike Foreman, selling liquor. Jim Herod, selling liquor. George Sims, burglary.

The above are all negroes with the exception of Hart Austin and Floyd Nolan.

Five convicted during the term are under suspended sentence. They are as follows:

Luther Sanders, white, hog theft. Tom Platt, white, burglary. Lee Jones, negro, murder. Garfield Fobbs, negro, cattle theft. Harry Wright, negro, forgery.

Bear This in Mind.

"I consider Chamberlain's Cough Remedy by far the best medicine in the market for colds and croup," says Mrs. Albert Blosser, Lima, Ohio. Many others are of the same opinion. Sold everywhere.—Adv.

THE "SUNSHINE SPECIAL" A TRAIN OF CONVENIENCE.

Only Two Stops Between Houston and Crockett—No Other Trains Are Taken Off—Convenient Hours.

The "Sunshine Special," the new I. & G. N. fast train to be operated from Houston to Crockett in three and a half hours and from Crockett to St. Louis in nineteen and a half hours, will make its initial run Sunday, leaving Houston at 12:30 noon, reaching Crockett at 4:09 afternoon and remaining here long enough only to exchange passengers.

The "Sunshine Special," to be known as No. 2, will run through from Galveston to St. Louis and Chicago. Returning it will be known as No. 1, will reach Crockett at 1:19 in the afternoon, Houston three and a half hours later and Galveston five hours later.

A matter of no small importance in point of convenience to our people is the fact that none of the other trains are taken off. The local passenger day train, to be known as No. 8, comes an hour and ten minutes later than heretofore, going north. Going south the local passenger day train, No. 3, will arrive and leave Crockett at 9:26 a. m., earlier than now.

The old reliable fast mail, No. 4, from Galveston and Houston to St. Louis and Chicago, will come an hour earlier than now, arriving and leaving Crockett at 7:35 p. m. going north. Returning as No. 5, the fast mail will arrive and leave Crockett at 11:36 midnight.

It will be noted that all passenger trains will arrive and leave Crockett under the new schedule at convenient hours. There will be no train between midnight and 9 o'clock in the morning. Another convenience is that No. 4, the northbound night train, has been moved up an hour to connect at Palestine with the night train to Austin and San Antonio.

Maccabee District Meeting.

The district meeting of the Maccabee Benefit Association in this city Tuesday and Tuesday night of last week brought together many prominent members of the order. Seventy-eight visitors represented the Palestine membership. Eighteen new members were added to the Crockett lodge. An open dinner was served at noon, and a banquet for members was held at 6:30 o'clock, in time to allow visitors to depart on the 8:30 train. The program as previously announced was carried out, and some things not on the program were said, done and enjoyed.

Bankrupt Notice.

In the District Court of the United States for the Eastern District of Texas: In Bankruptcy.

In the matter of J. C. Allee, Bankrupt. No. 1925.

To the creditors of J. C. Allee, bankrupt, of Creek, in the county of Houston, and district aforesaid:

Notice is hereby given that on the 27th day of November, A. D. 1915, the said J. C. Allee was duly adjudged and declared a bankrupt, and that the first meeting of creditors in said bankruptcy will be held in my office in Tyler, Texas, on the 9th day of December, A. D. 1915, at two o'clock in the afternoon, when and where said creditors may attend, prove their claims, examine the bankrupt, elect a trustee and transact such other business as may properly come before said meeting.

1. J. W. Fitzgerald,
Referee in Bankruptcy,
Tyler, Texas, September 27, 1915.

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Regular 10c Bleached Domestic, extra special in this sale, fourteen yards for **\$1.00**

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Annual Pre-Inv

Staple Department

36-inch Bleached Domestic, worth 8 1-2c per yard, sale price, 20 yards for **\$1.00**

6 1-2 and 7c Calicoes, during this sale, 20 yards for **\$1.00**

36-inch Brown Domestic, worth 7 1-2c per yard, sale price, 20 yards for **\$1.00**

Nice Dress Outing, worth 7 1-2c per yard, sale price, 25 yards for **\$1.00**

Cotton Checks, worth 6 1-2c per yard, during this sale, 25 yards for **\$1.00**

Ginghams in all colors, worth 6 1-2 and 7c per yard, sale price, 20 yards for **\$1.00**

December 1 to D

In order to reduce our stock before annual and to make room for new spring lines, we are having an Inventory Sale, comprising all departments. The stock in the store will be reduced. We take stock as it is. We had much rather have the money than t

Our profits have been made, and now all we can do is to sell our stock. It will be sold for less than manufacturers' cost, just in order to get it looking over this ad. and keeping these prices in mind for your purchases. Bring it with you when you come to the store as advertised. Remember the date, December 1 to De

Notions!

Five packages Pins in this sale for **5c**
 One bottle Ink in this sale for **3c**
 Three Pencil Tablets in this sale for **5c**
 Two bottles Machine Oil in this sale for **5c**
 Three cards Pearl Buttons in this sale for **5c**
 1-pound can Talcum Powder in this sale for **10c**
 Three cards Safety Pins in this sale for **5c**
 Seven spools Thread **25c**

Women's Hose in all colors, worth 10c, sale price

5c

On all Ladies' and Men's Raincoats during this sale we will give **10 Per Cent Discount**

Shoe

Department

We are overstocked on shoes at this season of the year and must cut the price in order to reduce the stock by December 26.

Ladies' Shoes, sale price, up from **\$1.00**

Men's Shoes, sale price, up from **\$1.50**

Children's Shoes, sale price, up from **50c**

White Table Damask, 72 inches in width, regular \$1 grade, sale price

73c

Blankets in all colors, during this sale for

85c

Dress Goods Department

All 25 and 35c Dress Goods, per yard

All 50 and 65c Dress Goods, per yard

All \$1 Dress Goods, sale price, per yard

Dress Ginghams in all colors, 20 yards for \$

We Guarantee

That any purchase you make from us will not only give perfect satisfaction, but that it will give the service you have the right to expect and that it represents full value for the price you pay.

10-4 Brown Sheeting, worth 24c, now **18c Per Yard**

C. P. O'BA

Millinery and Everything Else You Wear

BANNON'S

Your choice of any Ladies' Hat in the house, during this sale, for **\$1.00**

Inventory Sale!

to December 24

Before annual inventory, December 26, closing lines, we shall hold our Annual Pre-departments. This sale will be a little in the city of Crockett, for everything in take stock December 26 and, of course, more than the goods.

What we can do is to get rid of the goods. Lots of goods at low cost, just in order to clean up some of the lines. By these prices in mind you can save 25 per cent on your purchases. Come to the sale and see that the goods are sold just from December 1 to December 24, inclusive.

Staple Department

Bleached Domestic, worth 10c, during this sale, per yard **7 1-2c**

Brown Sheeting, worth 24c per yard, during this sale, per yard **18c**

Good heavy Brown Domestic, 36 inches wide, sale price, 14 yards for **\$1.00**

6 1-2 and 7c Cotton Flannel, during this sale, 20 yards for **\$1.00**

Regular 8 1-2c Cotton Flannel, during this sale we will sell you 14 yards for **\$1.00**

Good heavy Outing in all colors, during this sale we will sell you 14 yards for **\$1.00**

Dress Goods Department

and 35c Dress per yard **19c**

and 65c Dress per yard **41c**

Dress Goods, per yard **73c**

Linens in 20 yards for **\$1.00**

Comforts worth \$1.50, in this sale for

\$1.00

Men's Hose in all colors, this sale price, per pair

5c

Men's and Boys' Clothing

Men's Suits will be sold in this sale regardless of cost. The prices range up from **\$4.98**

Boys' Suits in this sale, up from **\$2.98**

Men's Overcoats in this sale, up from **\$4.98**

20 Per Cent Discount on Trunks

Three Pencil Tablets in this sale for

5c

Two spools Thread during this sale for

5c

Ladies' Ready-to-Wear Department

Ladies' Ready-to-Wear will be sold at unheard of prices. Ladies' Suits, sale price, up from **4.98**

Ladies' Coats, sale price, up from **5.00**

Ladies' Skirts in all colors, up from **2.50**

Ladies' Shirtwaists, special in this sale, up from **50c**

We Further Guarantee

That should you, for any reason whatsoever, be dissatisfied with your purchase here, you are at liberty to return the merchandise to us and we will either exchange this merchandise or return your money, just as you like.

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Linen Window Shades, worth 35c, now **19c Each**

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Local News.

Drugs and jewelry at the Rexall Store.

Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Edmiston are at Houston.

Mrs. A. R. Hayes returned Monday to Houston.

Luther Eastham of Huntsville was here this week.

C. P. Corder of Rogers, Bell county, is visiting relatives here.

Try some of those large paper-shell pecans at H. J. Phillips'. tf.

E. R. Cook of Route 2 was among Thursday's callers at this office.

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

Miss Etta Mae Johnson has returned from a visit to California.

Mayor J. W. Young made a business trip to Teague the first of the week.

Let Wm. M. Patton sell you your Christmas fruits, nuts and fire works. 1t.

J. B. West of Kennard Route 1 was among callers at this office Monday.

Don't forget that we have everything for your fruit cakes. tf. H. J. Phillips.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Markham have moved from their Trinity Valley home to this city.

For Rent.

A small house and lot. 2t. S. F. Tenney.

Miss Augusta Adams returned Wednesday night from visiting friends at Livingston.

We want your turkeys and eggs—will pay highest market price. tf. H. J. Phillips.

Rev. C. U. McLarty, the new Methodist pastor, arrived last week with his family from Caldwell.

Pigs for Sale.

I have for sale seven pigs 3½ months old. Oliver Aldrich.

We have a few 2-year-old gobblers. Now is the time to buy them. tf. H. J. Phillips.

T. R. Deupree's famous trotting horse died last week. This horse had been a great money-winner in his time.

Fire works, nuts, fruits and candy. I have a big stock and am in a position to save you money on your Christmas bill. Wm. M. Patton.

Herman Rich of Lovelady and H. C. Marks of Lovelady Route 2 were among those remembering the Courier Friday.

Dr. W. B. Collins of Austin, state health officer, was in Crockett Monday, following a visit to his family at Lovelady.

Rev. D. H. Hotchkiss and family left Friday morning for Palestine, where Mr. Hotchkiss goes as Methodist pastor.

Miss Reba Rich of Lovelady, who is visiting in New York, is expected to return home by steamer to Galveston in about two weeks.

Rev. D. C. F. Snell of the Arbor community and Mrs. Alice Snell were married in this city Saturday morning by Rev. R. E. McPhaill.

Joe Rice of Route 6, D. G. Gossett of Belott and B. F. Bradley of Athens are among the number remembering the Courier since last issue.

Chops make better feed than corn. Bring your corn to I. B. Lansford's shop and have it made into pure corn chops any day in the week. tf.

Just Received.

One car of seed oats, one car of bran, two cars of maize and one car of Johnson grass. See us for prices. tf. Hail & McLean.

H. G. Hurt of Route 5, Mrs. W. H. Kuhlman of Texas City, H. Wilson of Crockett and R. S. Willis are some of our friends who remembered the Courier Saturday.

For Trade.

One hundred acres of land in west Texas, near county site, for Houston county property. 4t. Aldrich & Crook.

Monday, December Thirteenth.

A beautiful display of holiday goods in the Murchison or old Royal Theatre building—Crockett Drug Company's line opens on that day.

While bird hunting Tuesday afternoon near their home at Latexo, Dewey Sims was accidentally shot and seriously wounded by his brother, Cull Sims. Both are boys.

J. D. Dupuy and Dr. Link of Palestine were here Monday to see Mr. J. R. Sheridan, who remains seriously ill at his home, although his condition is somewhat improved over last week.

Last Mile.

Color dark brown, weight about 850 pounds, head slightly gray, Roman nose; branded BT on left hip. Notify R. C. Hager, Kennard, Texas. Reward of \$10 offered. 1t.

In the Bromberg advertisement, where it read "shoes" at 25 and 50 cents a pair, it should have read "gloves" instead of "shoes." Those wanting gloves or shoes will please note the correction.

Peas Wanted.

We are in the market for sound, dry, black-eyed peas and small, white peas. 5t. Waller Grocery Co., Trinity, Texas.

Mr. E. F. Hollingsworth, who lived at the F. H. Bayne place east of town, died of pneumonia Wednesday. He was past middle-life and leaves a family, several of whom are ill of pneumonia.

Reward for Shawl.

Lost on the streets of Crockett Saturday, November 27, a large, dark gray, double shawl. Finder will please leave at Everett Douglas' store. R. S. Willis. 1t.*

Holiday Display.

In the Murchison building, or old Royal Theatre building, our holiday display will be open for your inspection on Monday, December 13. A vast array of suitable gifts for every one—all we ask is a look. 2t. Crockett Drug Company.

Regarding Vital Statistics.

The registrar of vital statistics has held that the attending physician's service is not completed until the name of the child is reported on the certificate of birth.

Don't forget to leave your bundle for Crockett Steam Laundry at Friend's barber shop. We promise the work as good as the best and better than the rest. tf. Crockett Steam Laundry.

For Sale—One bay mare colt, 3 years old this coming spring; good stock, gentle and big enough to work. Will sell for cash, or part cash and part on time. See me. tf. John D. Friend.

Notice to the Public.

I have just installed a first-class grist mill in my shop to do public grinding, and will grind your corn any time you come. Would rather have you come on Saturdays if you can. tf. I. B. Lansford.

For Sale.

A small tract of land (15 acres) in Crockett, suitable for a pasture, or small farm, or for dairy purposes; also a good location for a mill, or factory, or a brick yard. 2t. S. F. Tenney.

To see perfectly, see Dr. Shelfer at Bishop Drug Company's next week. A pair of good glasses will be a great pleasure during the long winter nights. Read large ad. in this issue and remember the name, place and dates—Dr. G. W. Shelfer at Bishop Drug Company's. 1t.

Groceries.

Our stock is always complete. We give "most of the best for the least." We are continually "lowering the price, but not the quality." So, why not give us your business? We will appreciate it. 1t. Wm. M. Patton.

"Uncle Jerry" West, known to many people in Houston county, died at his home east of Crockett Friday. J. C. West was his name, but his best friends, and he had many of them, knew him for years only as "Uncle Jerry." He was 73 years old and had grandchildren. Houston county has lost another good citizen.

C. H. Wickard, Jr., of Little Rock, Ark., is here to visit his family and friends. His wife and child have been here for several weeks, and during their absence he is building a nice home in Little Rock. He says he will not be able to keep house without the Courier, and therefore has arranged for this paper to continue its visits.

Special Notice.

You good people, who want exactly what you need in a pair of special ground glasses, accurately fitted to your eyes, be sure and come to see us next week. Our regular Optometrist, Dr. G. W. Shelfer of Dallas, will be with us all week, December 13, 14, 15, 16, 17 and 18. Don't make a mistake in the name, place and dates. 1t. Bishop Drug Company.

Business Not Affected.

Our drug store will not be torn up by our holiday display. Your prescriptions and drug purchases can be made without holiday trade annoyance by calling at our store. That is our reason for separating our holiday and drug stores. Mr. Lipscomb Sherman will be at our drug store, under the Pickwick hotel, to look after your wants. Call or phone 91. 2t. Crockett Drug Company.

Laughter Aids Digestion.

Laughter is one of the most healthful exertions; it is of great help to digestion. A still more effectual help is a dose of Chamberlain's Tablets. If you should be troubled with indigestion give them a trial. They only cost a quarter. Obtainable everywhere.—Adv.

Real Estate and Loans.

We have real estate for sale and we would like to examine any vendor lien notes you may have for sale.

CALL ON US AT OUR PLACE OF BUSINESS.

Warfield Bros.

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CROCKETT, TEXAS

Holiday Excursions

Via I. & G. N. Railway, 1½ fare. Round trip tickets to Texas, Oklahoma, Louisiana and Memphis on sale December 18, 23, 24, 25 and 26 and January 1, and to Texas also on December 31, limit January 5; to Chicago, St. Louis, Kansas City, New Orleans, Washington, Baltimore, all points in Southeast and several points in Colorado, sell December 21, 22 and 23, limit January 18. See ticket agent, I. & G. N. Railway. St.

The Old Royal Theatre

Or Murchison building is located between Dan McLean's dry goods store and the Vogue Millinery establishment, in the heart of the shopping district and only five minutes' walk from the Queen Theatre, and there you will find the holiday display of the Crockett Drug Company on Monday, December 13, 1915. Come one, come all, give a look! The thirteenth of the month is a lucky day, so don't fail to come. 2t. Crockett Drug Company.

Ginned in Houston County.

Prior to November 14, 1915, Houston county had ginned 19,894 bales of cotton as compared with 19,402 bales at the same time last year. The much talked-of decrease in Houston county's cotton crop has not yet shown up. But there is a big decrease in the cotton crop of Texas. Prior to November 14, 1915, Texas had ginned 2,615,042 bales as compared with 3,510,762 on the same date last year. These figures are taken from the last ginner's report made public.

Worked in the Hay Field.

Arthur Jones, Allen, Kas., writes: "I have been troubled with bladder and kidney troubles for a good many years. If it were not for Foley Kidney Pills I would never be able to work in the hay field." Men and women past middle age find these pills a splendid remedy for weak, overworked or diseased kidneys. Sold everywhere.—Adv. Try Courier advertisers.

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