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### The Texas Climate.

The climate of Texas is an unbridged one, and we would be doing it an injustice if we did not devote some space to it in this paper.

When the pious old Spanish missionaries first came to Western Texas to convert the Indians, they noticed the extreme balminess of the atmosphere, the gorgeous Indian sunset and the superior quality of the climate. They were surprised that the Creator would waste so much good climate on the wicked heathen. Back where they came from, where all the folks were good Catholics, they couldn't raise as much climate per annum as they could harvest in West Texas in one short week.

In the early days of the Republic of Texas, and even after annexation, many of the white men who came to Western Texas from all parts of the United States had strong sanitary reasons for preferring a change of climate. To be more explicit, the most of the invalids had been threatened with throat disease. So sudden and dangerous is this disease, that the slightest delay in moving to a new and milder climate is apt to be fatal, the sufferer dying of dislocation of the spinal vertebra at the end of a few minutes and a rope. A great many men, as soon as they heard of Western Texas, left their homes in Arkansas, Indiana and other States—left immediately, between two days—the necessity for their departure being so urgent that they were obliged to borrow the horses they rode to Texas on. All of these invalids recovered on reaching Texas. In fact, they began to feel better and considered themselves out of danger as soon as they crossed Red River. Some of these who would not have lived twenty-four hours longer if they had not left their old homes, reached a green old age in Texas, and, by carefully avoiding the causes that led to their former troubles, were never again in any danger of the bronchial affection already referred to. As soon as it was discovered that the climate of Texas was favorably disposed towards invalids, a large number of that class of unfortunates came to this State. Many well authenticated cases of recoveries are recorded. Men have been known to come to Texas far gone in consumption, and so far recover as to be able to run for office within a year and to be defeated by a large and respectable majority, all owing to the atmosphere and the popularity of the other candidate.

There is very little winter in Texas. But for the northern Texas would have almost a tropical climate, as it is situated on the same parallel of latitude as Cairo, Egypt, where they have tropics all the year around. As it is, there is seldom any frost, although it is not an unusual thing for lumps of ice several inches thick to be found in tumblers, by those who go to market in the early morning. Occasionally New Year calls are made in white linen suits and in an intoxicated condition. Spring begins seriously in February. The forest trees put on their beautiful garments of green and the fruit trees come out in bloom. Prairie flowers and freckles come out in this month, and the rural editor begins to file away spring poetry. In February stove-pipes are laid away in the wood-shed, and the syrup of squills and kough kure man puts a coat of illuminated texts on the garden fence. Seed ticks are not pulled until April, but after the middle of March there is no danger of the mosquito crop being frozen. Early in March the doctors oil their stomach pumps, for the green mulberry ripens about that time, and has to be removed from the schoolboy.

Toward the middle of April the early peach appears, and all nature—and the druggist—smiles, ushering the long and lingering summer time when the ice cream festivals of the church of the Holy Embarrassment rageth from one end of fair and sunny Texas to the other. Such is a short synopsis of the varying features of the Texas climate.—Texas Sifter.

The east bank of the Yonghobeny (Pa.) river was the scene of the baptism of sixty-three negroes, of all ages and sizes a few days ago. The immersion attracted over 3,000 persons. Rev. A. J. Tyler converted the sixty-three during the past five weeks. The men were all immersed first, then came the children and finally the women. Two of the latter became so exhausted through their rejoicing that they fainted and created quite a commotion. It was fully two hours before the ceremony ended.

The Massachusetts state census shows a total population of 2,500,183, the females exceeding the males by 71,000.

### Democratic Opportunity.

McKinley's nomination, predicted as certain by The World six weeks ago, is now conceded by everybody who speaks his honest thought.

McKinley's triumph is democratic opportunity.

The Ohio leader represents every element and phase and consequence of republicanism that is antagonistic to democracy. His nomination will present the issue between the parties square-cut on every side. Twice on these issues he and his party have been overwhelmingly defeated before the people.

In 1888 the republicans carried the country, electing their president and a majority of congress. Mr. McKinley stood sponsor for the tariff bill which represented the policy of his party and the claims of its campaign contributors.

At the election of 1890 the people passed judgment upon it. They converted a working republican majority in the house into a democratic majority of 148. They left McKinley himself at home. They rolled up a popular majority against McKinleyism of 1,332,000.

The republican contention was that the vote was hasty. The people, they said, had not experienced sufficiently long the beauties of the McKinley tariff and the Reed expenditures. But in 1892, after two years' experience, the people reaffirmed their verdict. They elected Grover Cleveland by an electoral majority of 132 and a popular plurality 382,956. They returned a democratic majority of 94 in the house. They recovered the senate and elected a majority of governors. It was a tidal-wave submerging—second overthrow of McKinleyism.

Again McKinley is coming before the country as the champion of protection—though we have a tariff quite as high as that recommended by the republican tariff commission in 1883 and enacted by a republican congress.

He is to be posed as "the advance agent of prosperity"—prosperity of the sort illustrated by the Home-stead strike and riots, by hundreds of other strikes and lockouts, by the failure to secure any advance in wages to accompany the large advance in counties to the protected industries, and finally, in the last year of his tariff, by a million workmen out of employment, an empty treasury, a dissipated gold reserve and a monetary panic.

McKinley's triumph is democratic opportunity. Is the party wise enough to improve it?—New York World.

Most persons know that the eccentric evangelist, Sam Jones, was a "hard cuss" before he was converted, which did not occur until after he was married. He was once lecturing the "boys" with his characteristic freedom and vigor, as follows: "Oh, I've been all along there, boys; I know all about it, and I used to go to balls and dances, too, boys. But when I wanted to get married, when I wanted to settle down with a good wife, I quit drinking and gambling, and I didn't go to a ball room to find my wife, but I went to a prayer meeting and I got one." He told this in Texas, and when he returned to his boarding house the landlady, who had heard his remarks, said: "I don't blame you, Brother Jones; but poor Sister Jones, where did she go to get her husband?" They say this is the only time he has been flogged since he quit drinking.

The New York World declares that the plea of poverty is barred against steel manufacturers. There may be owners of gold and silver mines in the poorhouses, but the owners of steel mills are notorious for having more money than they know what to do with. But even if they were all millionaires ten times over, and all contributors to the campaign funds of both parties, the time may come when it will be possible to enforce the laws against monopolies in spite of them.

The report of the superintendent of the San Francisco mint shows that the output of gold in California increased from \$13,863,281 in 1894, to \$15,334,317 in 1895. Thirty-three of the fifty-seven counties of the state are regular producers of gold, and new mines are being discovered every year.

### Railroad Activity.

The rumors that have prevailed with more or less frequency for several years as to the intention of the Texas Central to move out from Albany, now seem in a fair way of being verified. According to the Gazette's advices, the civil engineer of the company has already taken the field, and is now engaged in surveying a route out of Albany. The intention of the company is said to be to extend about 100 miles to the northwest, and the route from Albany is largely problematical. The town of Haskell will make a strong and determined effort to obtain it, while Anson, directly west of Albany, and the county seat of perhaps the best developed county, agriculturally, in the west, will not be satisfied without it. It is also intimated that S. M. Swenson, of New York, who is the largest land owner in that section of the state, is very much interested in having the line pass about midway between Anson and Haskell, and a new town may be built in that section if he succeeds in his wishes and efforts. Just what will be the result of the three-cornered fight must depend largely upon the efforts of the opposing interests and the size of the bonus each is able to put up in connection with the other advantages to be considered.

Information also comes from Paris that President Green, of the Texas Midland, has submitted a proposition for the extension of his line from Greenville to that city. While the proposition of Mr. Green is not altogether satisfactory to the good people of Paris, it is probable that mutual concessions will be made and work will soon begin on the important extension.

The Santa Fe, it is said, is preparing to build from Paris to Cooper, and this will prove a valuable feeder for that line, and it is hinted that the Santa Fe's activity is responsible for the Midland's anxiety to reach Paris as soon as possible. The Cotton Belt, it is said, will take immediate steps to build from Hillsboro to Whitney, and will get the extension through in time for the fall business. The Cotton Belt also is figuring on getting into Dallas at an early date.

These evidences of activity on the part of the railways named, in connection with others not yet ready to be made public, are sufficient evidence to warrant the prediction that Texas is just on the eve of a remarkable revival of railway building, such as has not been experienced for many years.

An exchange says that the paper telegraph poles are the latest development of the art of making paper pulp. These poles are made of paper pulp, in which tallow, borax, etc., are mixed in small quantities. The pulp is cast in a mold, with a core in the center, forming a hollow rod in the desired length, the cross pieces being held by key shaped wooden pieces, driven in on either side of the pole. The paper poles are said to be lighter and stronger than those of wood, and to be unaffected by sun, rain, dampness, or any of the causes that shorten the life of a wooden pole.

One of the evils of the times: When a member of either house of congress dies, the public is not only robbed to pay ridiculously large funeral expenses, but the most able-bodied lies are indulged by fellow members in eulogizing his many virtues(?). He may have been a drunkard, a gambler, a libertine; may have lived in open defiance of all moral law; may have been a social traitor not only to his constituents, but to his own wife and others that should have been nearest and dearest. None of these things move the average eulogistic obituary lies.—Texas Farmer.

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**Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.**

**One Clerk or Two.**  
Granbury, Hood Co., Tex., May 6.—Some confusion has arisen here over the district or county clerk's office. The constitution in providing for these offices has a provision that "in counties having a population of less than 8000 persons there may be an election of a single clerk who shall perform the duties of district and county clerks." The statute provides "in counties having a population of less than 8000 persons there shall be an election of a single clerk. \* \* \* In determining the number of persons the estimate shall be made on the basis of five inhabitants for every vote cast for governor in such county at the preceding election." The census for 1890 gave this county a population of 7614. At the last election there was cast for governor in this county 1444 votes. It seems that under the statute only one clerk can be elected in this county, taking the census or the vote cast for governor. There has been a district clerk elected here along with other officers for years and nothing has been said or done about it. Some attorneys say that the constitution intended that each county was to determine whether one or two clerks were to be elected and the legislature could not limit it. It is also a question of doubt which clerk will have to get out, if either. Doubtless other counties are in the same condition that this one is. The populists have already nominated candidates for both positions.

A batch of foreigners who went before a judge in May's Landing, N. J., the other day to be naturalized showed ignorance so thick you could cut it with a knife. When asked who was the president of the United States one of them said the czar of Russia, and Atlantic City was his answer to the question. "Where is the capitol of the United States?" An Italian who had been in this country for more than two years declared that George Washington was the president of the United States, and that he made macaroni. These are the citizens who go to the polls and vote every election day.

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**Toothing One's Own Horn.**  
The following from Texas Sifter, while intended to be humorous, contains a world of truth nevertheless: "To be a success in these times we must own a horn and toot it continually. To get a front seat, we must walk in, push our way past slower men and take the seat; and we must look it if we not only own it, but had a mortgage on all the private boxes and could occupy any one of them if we so desired. The man who wants to succeed must struggle for a front seat, even if he has to jostle the real owner and put his umbrella down on his soft corn. Once in a while he may be set back where he belongs, but he will get in front of him if he should wait to be invited forward. The world has not time to analyze character, weigh merit and to decide as to the relative ability of men. This a fast, hurrying, rushing world of ours, and it is very much influenced by the value that a man sets on himself. If he says: "I am a great orator, or a noted scientist," the world is apt to take it for granted that he is, rather than go to the trouble of holding a civil service examination of his merits. If he says: "I am but a poor, weak worm of the dust," the world will say: "You look like it; get out of the way." We have taken a practical, worldly view of the matter, and the amount of moral ethics in this article may seem to you limited, but there is truth enough in it to bulge out at the edges and spit up the seams.

Jas. C. Wilson, of Mineral Wells, after a contest at Austin, was selected as a delegate to the southern oratorical contest to be held at Danville, Ky., May 20. The subject of his oration was: "The power of Congress."

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The average man thinks Diogenes a fool for taking a lantern to hunt for an honest man, when he might have seen one by looking in a mirror.

There is no doubt about the female post office clerk in a New York village, who has been arrested for robbing the mails, being a "new woman."

The collection of crinoids (fossils) in Burlington, Iowa, is estimated by C. Rollin Keys, the Iowa geologist, to be worth one hundred millions of dollars.

The Pearl Bryan trial is still dragging along at Newport, Ky. The theory offered by physicians is that the girl was killed in Cincinnati and beheaded after being taken to the Kentucky side of the river.

Investigation shows that of the Italian immigrants admitted to this country since the beginning of the year, 7095, or about 35 per cent. of the whole number arriving in that time were unable to read or write.

The Bank of England has 1,160 officials on its pay rolls, which amount to about \$2,500,000 a year, and 1,000 clerks. If a clerk is late three minutes he receives a warning; the fourth he is discharged at once.

Hon. W. A. Squires of Henrietta has announced himself as the gold-bug candidate for congress in this district. As Mr. Squires is chairman of the congressional executive committee the proper thing now in order is for him to resign.

The gold-bug rule or ruin shysters, calling themselves democrats, have brought Ex-Gov. Roberts to the front as their candidate for governor. The old Alcalde announces that he will make the race as an independent. He will probably get some republican votes and some support from the gold-bugs; but the poor old man is away off his base if he has any idea of being elected.

H. H. Holmes was hanged at Philadelphia last Thursday. He protested on the gallows that he was innocent. If he made a confession it was to the priest, his spiritual adviser, and the secrets he revealed at the confessional will never be known. The body was given a christian burial in solid rock and embedded in cement in accordance with Holmes' last wishes, as he had a horror of the dissecting table.

Members of Congress, not being satisfied with \$5,000 a year, with mileage and other perquisites, have generously(?) voted themselves \$1,200 per year additional for clerk hire. The old law allowed each member \$100 per month for this purpose during a session of Congress; but they will now draw the allowance every month, whether in Washington or at home. It may be a good thing for the congressmen, for some of them will need the assistance of several clerks in being re-elected.

F. M. Davis, Dick Quinn, Frank Smith, W. E. Cobb and Marion Potter have been indicted for murder by the grand jury of Wichita county. The indictments grew out of the lynching of the two bank robbers and murderers of cashier Dorsey at Wichita Falls in February last. Judge Miller refused the men bail, when they had a habeas corpus hearing before a special judge and were admitted to bail in the sum of \$5,000 each and granted a change of venue to Wilbarger county.

An evidence of how slight a thing partisans will hang a hope upon is afforded in the fact that the friends of Major McKinley are congratulating him on the declination of Harrison to become a candidate, as they say it will redound to the Major's advantage. The friends of Gov. Morton are equally as happy over the same event, declaring that Harrison's strength will go to Gov. Morton. Outside of Indiana we do not think Harrison had much strength to go to anybody, and it is pretty certain the vote of Indiana will be scattered among all the candidates.

The "Sound" Dollar.  
"Cotton is reported to be worth 14 cents a pound in Mexico, and 7 cents in the United States. This shows a difference in silver and gold standard countries."

The foregoing paragraph from a radical free silver paper is true. The Mexican cent, on a silver basis, is worth just half as much as the United States cent on a gold basis, and it takes, therefore, twice as many Mexican cents to measure the value of the cotton as it does of American cents. There is no difference in the real value, however, any more than there is between 7 quarts and 14 pints.—Comanche Chief.

The assistant general passenger agent of a Mexican railroad stated in the office of the Gazette five months ago that in the purchase of anything grown or manufactured in Mexico, a Mexican dollar goes as far there as a United States dollar goes here. He cited the cost of a pair of boots in Fort Worth, which he could have bought at a lower price in the City of Mexico in proof of his assertion. He also compared the prices of meals in restaurants and of various necessities of life in further corroboration of this statement. He said that the wages of intelligent labor are from 40 to 100 per cent higher in Mexico than here, and that the cost of living being no greater there in Mexican dollars than here in United States dollars, the margin for savings is much larger there than here. Of course all importations from the United States are made on a gold basis, and this is the cause of the marvelous progress of Mexican manufacturing. The people are rapidly moving toward a point where they will sell their products to gold countries and buy but little in return. At their present rate of progress, notwithstanding the apathy of the masses of the natives, Mexico will soon be the most independent nation of the earth, and the aversion of the money speculators of the United States will have made it so.

After a careful investigation, the Gazette is prepared to show against any disputant that the economic position of Mexico is almost identical with that of this country in 1876. Prices are about the same. Nobody in the United States thought then of complaining that money was too cheap and products too dear. Everybody, that is everybody who is not in the business of bearing the price of money to enhance the value of the notes he holds against his debtors, would be glad to go back to the conditions of 1876, which are almost the exact conditions in Mexico to-day.

If the enhancement of the value of gold continues it is easily conceivable that another decade will find cotton selling at 21 1/2 cents per pound. The logic of the Comanche Chief would cause it then to denounce the "inflation" of the present time and to exploit the merits of a dollar so "sound that it will buy forty pounds of cotton."—Ft. Worth Gazette.

Near Independence, Texas, there now lives a woman 119 years old. She is a Spanish Carib and was born in the Isle of Hispaniola and in spite of the fact that she is bed-ridden talks with remarkable ease, cheerfulness and intelligence. She was brought to the South and sold as a slave when quite a girl. In 1821 she came to Texas with the family of Jau es Whitesides and at his tavern in San Felipe she was head waitress, and even yet retains a keen recollection of Houston, Busk and other early patriots and statesmen. For a number of years she has lived at Independence; where she has been taken care of by both black and white. She is now living with Louis Perkins, a negro; a convert of her late husband, the celebrated negro Methodist preacher, John Marks. She is sustained with whisky, and is growing very feeble.

The greater New York bill having passed the house of representatives was "jammed through the senate" and passed that body by a two-thirds vote over the vetoes of the mayors of two of the cities consolidated. It will give the city a population of over two million and a quarter, making our great metropolitan commercial center second only to London. The greater New York city movement was inspired by a rivalry with Chicago that turned New York city down in population by taking in the outlying towns near Chicago. New York city has played the same game to the discomfiture of the windy city of the lakes.

The liveliest music in the republican procession now comes from the McKinley band wagon.

# Bank

President Isaac Lewis of Sabina, Ohio, is highly respected all through that section. He has lived in Clinton Co. 75 years, and has been president of the Sabina Bank 20 years. He gladly testifies to the merit of Hood's Sarsaparilla, and what he says is worthy attention. All brain workers find Hood's Sarsaparilla peculiarly adapted to their needs. It makes pure, rich, red blood, and from this comes nerve, mental, bodily and digestive strength. "I am glad to say that Hood's Sarsaparilla is a very good medicine, especially as a blood purifier. It has done me good many times. For several years I suffered greatly with pains of

# Neuralgia

in one eye and about my temples, especially at night when I had been having a hard day of physical and mental labor. I took many remedies, but found help only in Hood's Sarsaparilla which cured me of rheumatism, neuralgia and headache. Hood's Sarsaparilla has proved itself a true friend. I also take Hood's Pills to keep my bowels regular, and like the pills very much." ISAAC LEWIS, Sabina, Ohio.

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Judge Kittrell, of Houston, is a democrat who sees more in democracy than the silver question, and does not believe in bolting. Speaking of Judge Hardy's last call to the gold men for the Dallas meeting Judge Kittrell says: "All this talk about organizing the 'real' democrats into a party and nominating a candidate, is worse than folly. No one thing divides men who have stood for thirty years together except a question of financial policy, and we cannot afford to imperil democratic success because we cannot agree on that question. The talk about primaries and returning boards, and demanding the old-fashioned precinct and county conventions is 'stuff'. The primary election by ballot is not only the best, but is the fairest and most honest way to get expression of the popular and party will."

All the populists yielded in Alabama, says Taubeneck, was a partial division of the offices with the Republicans in order to defeat the Democrats, which is one of the populists' first principles.—St. Louis Republic.

And the desire that lays nearest the hearts of the Clark-Hardy faction in Texas is to defeat democratic nominees in November. Verily, one touch of political nature makes the poppies and the blackleggers close kin.—Cibola Review.

Henrietta, May 11.—Mayor W. A. Squires has formally announced his candidacy for the congressional nomination as a supporter of President Cleveland. He endorses the bond issues, opposes free coinage without international agreement and favors the maintenance of the gold standard. He announces that he will make a canvass of the district.

Reports from over the State indicate that the Clark-Hardy splinter is doing more to harmonize Democracy than anything that has occurred within the past four years. Democrats that are such in more than mere name and claim, refuse to be scared off the track by a shadow, and are rallying under the old banner.

Italy, Texas, reports a hail storm in which hail from 8 to 20 inches in circumference was one of the principal features. It occurred on Thursday night, 7th inst., and is alleged to have damaged the town no less than an aggregate of \$5,000.

Newport, Ky., May 11.—The argument in the Scott Jackson case was begun to-day. Judge Helm announced this afternoon that the case would not be submitted to the jury till Thursday. He then postponed the trial of Walling for the murder of Pearl Bryan until May 26.

# Texas Sifter.

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# SECRET SOCIETIES.

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A. T. GAY, Sec.  
J. W. AKIN, H. P.

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A. R. McDONALD, W. M.  
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A. F. & A. M., meets on the first Saturday night in each month.  
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M. N. HARDY, Sec'y.

**I. O. O. F.**  
ADELPHI LODGE  
No. 261, I. O. O. F.,  
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N. G. Rec. Sec'y.

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J. R. HARRIS, Reporter.

**K. O. P.**  
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## ANNOUNCEMENTS.

(Subject to the Action of the Democratic Primaries.)  
For Representative 104th District,  
W. P. SEBASTIAN.  
T. H. C. PEERY.  
For County Judge,  
O. E. FINLAY,  
R. C. McPHAILL,  
J. S. STARRETT,  
JOE W. AKIN.  
For County and District Clerk,  
CHAS. GAY,  
ANDREW O. NORRIS,  
JAMES M. WOOD,  
R. LINDSEY.  
For County Attorney,  
JOHN C. KAY.  
For County Treasurer,  
J. A. DIXON,  
T. R. DOWDLE.  
For Sheriff,  
H. C. WILLIAMS.  
For Tax Assessor,  
JOHN C. CASBURN,  
J. W. CORNELIUS,  
C. L. THOMAS,  
C. C. MAYES,  
T. J. LAMONS,  
I. B. PADGETT,  
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B. B. GARRETT,  
L. H. HARRIS,  
A. KIETH,  
J. T. HUNT,  
W. A. J. AKERS.  
For County Surveyor,  
C. P. BENSON.  
For County Commissioner, Precinct No. 1,  
A. J. WHEAT.  
For County Commissioner, Precinct No. 2,  
G. W. HUNT.  
For County Commissioner, Precinct No. 3,  
H. L. LEBERMAN.  
For County Commissioner, Precinct No. 4,  
ALLEN C. CASEY,  
B. W. DRUM.  
Independent Ticket.  
For Tax Assessor,  
BENJ. MOSELEY, Sr.

## LITTLE LOCAL LEADERS.

Candidates are still in the brush. Crops are growing "out of sight." Get a move on yourself and go fishing. The railroad is coming—some of these days. Vegetables will now be plentiful in the market. Commissioners' court was in session this week. The recent rain was worth \$88888 to Young county. The weather has been more pleasant since the rain. H. In Morrison made a business trip to Elvasville this week. J. D. Short is confined to his bed with an attack of flux. Remember the Graham summer normal opens on the 18th inst. Street Commissioner Taylor is putting the streets in good condition. The lucky and industrious gardeners are now eating new Irish potatoes. The mill people expect to be grinding new wheat within the next three weeks. W. T. Finch has built a commodious barn on his place in the eastern suburbs. W. S. McJimsy has been quite sick during the past week with an attack of flux. The wheat and oat harvest now at hand is bringing the machinery men to the front. Jno. H. Wood and wife have gone on a trip to Anson. They are expected home to-day. Workmen are busy repairing the damage done by fire on the residence of O. E. Finlay. C. M. Craig and Fred Adare fell from a scaffold Tuesday and both were painfully bruised. Frank Girand was up from Mineral Wells, visiting relatives and friends, a few days ago. Remember the protracted meeting to begin at the Christian church next Wednesday night. Harvesting is now in order and the sickles will be singing during the next two or three weeks. Mrs. Edgar Rye returned Wednesday from an extended visit to relatives at Seguin and Austin. Many people are afflicted with stomach troubles. Diarrhoea, flux, etc., are the prevailing complaints. J. W. Caudill of Spring Creek was in the city Tuesday and will read THE LEADER regularly in the future. Miss H. Wallace has been confined to her home for some time with a prolonged attack of measles.

## Carpenters and other workmen

have been busy making permanent improvements at Oak Grove cemetery.

Mrs. C. C. Bigham, accompanied by her niece, Miss Eddie Burke, left Tuesday morning for a visit to relatives at Benbrook.

There will be a picnic at the Goose Neck school house to-morrow week, 23rd inst. Everybody invited and requested to attend.

Joe Aynesworth returned Saturday from Waco, where he has been in school for nearly a year. Joe says he is at home now to stay.

LeRoy LeGrand returned Wednesday from Galveston, where he has been attending the medical department of the state university.

Three weeks from to-morrow will settle the fate of the candidates and we will know who will be the county officials for the coming two years.

Jno. M. Wyatt and family, accompanied by Mrs. Alice Williams and others, went to Dillingham Wednesday on a fishing expedition.

The measles scare is abating, probably for want of subjects, as nearly all the people in Graham have been afflicted with the contagion.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Craig leave Monday for Spokane, Washington, where they will spend the summer with Mrs. Craig's parents, Col. and Mrs. E. S. Graham.

Mrs. Miller, wife of District Judge Geo. E. Miller, was seriously burned while cooking on a defective gas stove at her home in Wichita Falls last Friday morning.

The ladies of the Presbyterian church will give an ice cream supper in the court house yard on the 21st of this month. Ice cream will be ready to serve at 6:30 p. m.

Cabinet Photos, full figures \$1.50 for six and \$2.50 for one dozen; bust, \$2.00 for six and \$3.00 per dozen, at CHISM'S.

The friends of Jas. B. Girand in this city will be pleased to learn that he has been tendered and accepted a lucrative position with the Texas Midland railroad at Terrell.

There will be an election held in the various school districts of Young county on Saturday, June 6th, for the purpose of electing two school trustees in each district.

N. J. TIMMONS, Co. Judge.

G. C. Shearer, J. D. M. Martin and Jas. Lamar, prominent citizens of the northern portion of the county, were before the commissioners' court on Monday looking after their school interests.

Marble playing is now the rage with the small boys, as well as with some large ones. A sedate candidate for county judge was seen playing the game a few days ago and he seemed to enjoy it as much as the "kids."

Dink Allen was down from Profit Tuesday and reported that place booming. He says Uncle Charley Neuhaus is making preparations to burn a large kiln of brick there and that there are evidences of prosperity to be seen all around the Elm city.

Deputy U. S. Marshal Wharton of Amarillo arrived in the city Tuesday with John Mitchell, who is charged with embezzlement of post-office funds at Texline. Mitchell was remanded to jail in default of bail.

A magnificent rain fell Saturday night, which was welcomed by all. It seems to have been general and will prove of inestimable benefit to the growing crops. Some wheat crops were damaged by the dry weather; but it is safe to say that an average crop will be harvested.

A. J. Wheat is a candidate for commissioner in precinct No. 1 and wants all the voters to know it. Andy Wheat is favorably known to everybody as an honest, straightforward man and as one of our best citizens. He is good "timber" and no better selection could be made.

State Superintendent of Public Instruction J. M. Carlisle has notified Judge Timmons that the School of Methods, for teachers, will open at Austin on June 20. The entrance fee will be \$5 and special rates will be given on all railroads. The University summer school opens at Austin June 22.

At the election held Tuesday to choose an alderman vice J. B. Shumaker, deceased, James Porter was elected. Jim wears his aldermanic honors with becoming dignity; but he must be given time to acquire that rotundity of physique so befitting an alderman.

## H. L. Leberman's announcement

for county commissioner from precinct No. 3 appears in this paper. Henry Leberman is one of the oldest citizens of the county and knows exactly what the people want. He is a good man for the place and will no doubt be the choice of the people in his precinct.

Hon. D. A. Holman, candidate for congress, will address the voters of Young county at the following times and places: Graham, Monday, June 1st, 8 p. m.; Elvasville, Tuesday, June 2nd, 8 p. m.; Tonk Valley, Wednesday, June 3rd, 8 p. m.; Farmer, Thursday, June 4th, 8 p. m.; Olney, Friday, June 5th, 8 p. m.

Capt. G. W. Hunt is announced as a candidate for county commissioner in precinct No. 2. Captain Hunt is now serving as commissioner vice Wm. Reeves, resigned, and makes a tip-top representative in the county sanhedrim. So far as known he will be the unanimous choice of the democracy of his precinct.

For several weeks Sheriff Williams has been looking out for Nick Wooley, who is wanted here to answer a charge of cow theft and forfeiture of bond. He finally located Nick at Floresville, thirty miles below San Antonio, and sent Gus Eddleman after him. Gus arrived Tuesday with his prisoner, who was remanded to jail to await trial at the next term of district court.

Mr. N. E. Butler and Miss Maud Carmichael were united in marriage at the residence of the bride's parents Wednesday evening, Eld. G. W. Black officiating. Mr. and Mrs. Butler boarded the east-bound stage next morning for a trip to Fort Worth and other points. THE LEADER tenders sincere congratulations to the newly wedded couple and wishes them every happiness.

Hon. D. F. Goss of Seymour addressed the people at the court house Tuesday night as a candidate for re-election to the state senate. He made an able speech, reviewing his work in the last legislature and coming out squarely for the free coinage of silver at the ratio of 16 to 1. Senator Goss has many friends and admirers in Young county who will give him their enthusiastic support.

L. M. Fouts, president of the Weatherford, Mineral Wells and Northwestern railway, accompanied by Mr. Wilkinson, principal stockholder in the road, was in the city Wednesday looking after their interests. They were as mum as an oyster as to the real object of their visit at this time, but enough is known to warrant the opinion that they are figuring on an early extension of the road from Mineral Wells to Graham.

Another fire meeting was held at the court house Tuesday night at which a committee of five citizens were appointed to solicit subscriptions for the purchase of one large and ten small Babcock fire extinguishers. It was the sense of the meeting that this is the most practical and economical plan that can be adopted at present, and it is hoped that all will realize the urgent need of some protection against fire and contribute liberally when called upon by the committee.

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## Programme

Of the Second Annual Commencement of the Graham High School, at the Christian Church, May 16, 1896, 8:30 p. m.

Invocation, Ed. Ira Adams.  
Essay, "Little Things," Miss Cornelia Jewell.  
Vocal Solo, Mandrienne, Miss Lela Jewell McJimsy.  
Essay, "The Wonders of Science," Miss Lela Jewell McJimsy.  
Instrumental Solo, Grand Caprice, African, (Wallenbaupt), Miss Cornelia Jewell.  
Presentation of Diplomas, Superintendent J. N. Johnston.  
Duo, First Grand Valse, (Schubert), Miss Cornelia Jewell.  
Miss Lela Jewell McJimsy.  
Address to Graduates, Rev. W. H. Wycough.  
Class Flower: Marcella Neil Rose, Class Colors: Yellow and White.

The commissioners' court, in session this week, created three new school districts to be known as Nos. 41, 42 and 43 and ordered elections held in districts 41 and 42 for the purpose of levying a special tax. The levy of taxes for this year was made as follows: State, 38 cents; general fund, 25 cents; special repair, 8 cents; road and bridge 15 cents; bond interest and sinking fund, 6 cents—total 92 cents on the \$100. This is a reduction of seven cents from last year.

S. R. Jeffery has returned from Chicago, where he took the 200 head of steers he had been feeding here. He says the cattle averaged 1080 pounds on the market and he sold them at \$3.90. The drive to Henrietta without feeding and loading them on a very hot day caused them to shrink very perceptibly. Mr. Jeffery says he came out fairly well, however, on the experiment. He left Bob Graham, who accompanied him, in Chicago to take in the sights of the Windy City.

If you would always be healthy, keep your blood pure with Hood's Sarsaparil, the One True Blood Purifier. There is beginning to be considerable interest manifested in the coming primaries. Many voters are afraid that they will be bound by the primary to support the national ticket even though it be a gold standard ticket. Free silver democrats need have no fear on this score, for free silver men will be nominated and elected from president down to constable. If you are a democrat it is a duty you owe to your country, your party and to yourself to go to the primary election and vote. All local and general prejudices in the party must be laid aside, and every patriotic democrat will vote as he has in the past—for the greatest good to the greatest number—and for pure, competent men to fill all the offices. You are entitled to a voice in the selection of your officers and nothing should deter you from exercising this important privilege. Do not allow any trivial, local animosity to keep you away from the polls on the 6th of June; but go up like men and vote conscientiously for the right.

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Competitive Examination For Scholarship to the Sam Houston Normal, Breckinridge, Tex., May 4. There will be a competitive examination for scholarship to the Sam Houston Normal Institute, held at Graham, Texas, on the 19th and 20th of June, 1896, for the 104th district, composed of the counties of Stephens, Young, Archer, Baylor, Knox and Throckmorton. Prof. J. N. Johnston of Graham, will preside at the examination, and he is authorized and requested to call to his assistance two experienced teachers to aid in said examination.

Applicants for the scholarship will be examined in the following subjects: Orthography, Reading, Writing, Arithmetic, Geography, English Grammar, English Composition, History of the United States, Elementary Algebra. There will be one appointment from the district. W. P. SEBASTIAN, Rep. 104th District of Texas.

The Time for Building Up the system is at this season. The cold weather has made unusual drains upon the vital forces. The blood has become impoverished and impure, and all the functions of the body suffer in consequence. Hood's Sarsaparilla is the great builder, because it is the One True Blood Purifier and nerve tonic. Hood's Pills become the favorite cathartic with all who use them. All druggists, 25c.

EQUALIZATION NOTICE. Ordered by the court that the clerk of the county court be and he is instructed to give notice by publication in THE GRAHAM LEADER that the court will meet as a Board of Equalization to equalize the values and correct the assessment list of Young county for the year 1896, on the second Monday in June, 1896, the same being the 9th day of said month. A. T. GAY, C. C. C. Y. C. T.

## Salt Creek Sittings.

Salt creek is on a boom. We have had a splendid rain, the crops are in good condition and the farmers are all smiles.

Mr. Ben Moore of Finis has bought land in this community. He has lumber on the ground to build, preparatory to opening up a farm.

Mr. Albert Averitt, since his return from school, has made some needed improvements on his farm in the way of putting new latches on his own invention on his gates.

I. N. Johnson called out his force of road hands, consisting of Messrs. Fitzgerald and James, Friday, and put his division of the road, about five miles, in good condition; so they said.

Mr. Wilbert McBee of Red Top visited in this community Saturday evening.

The brown horse, minus the buggy, was seen at its accustomed place Sunday afternoon.

Rev. J. J. Harris is making his pastoral visits on Salt creek this week.

The stoical old bachelor, J. W. Johnson, occasionally attends a Sunday school somewhat remote, and looks askant at a certain antiquated maiden.

The regular freight train from Salt creek to Mineral Wells left this morning on schedule time, in charge of Conductor Jason Mays.

And still they come—the candidates. A very Gay young candidate was canvassing this neighborhood to-day.

R. M. Summers is cutting his oats and thinks they are good enough for "Br'er Mose." DIDYMUS. Salt Creek, May 11, 1896.

Advertised Letters. In the Graham Post Office for the week ending May 6, 1896. If not called for within two weeks the same will be sent to the dead letter office: J. M. Dobbins, W. D. Dill, Miss Mollie Taylor. When calling for the above letters please say "advertised." G. H. CROOKER, P. M.

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## Facts From Farmer.

Our town has been quiet for the past few days.

Good rain Saturday night and everybody busy at work.

Rev. Medlin filled his appointment Sunday at the Baptist church, a large crowd in attendance.

Mr. John R. Cox has a new 110 pound boy at his house.

Mr. Bowlding and others had a wolf chase Monday night.

Dr. J. D. Wilson went over to Antelope Monday.

B. W. Drum went to Graham Monday.

The Sunday school picnic comes off here May 21st instead of May 22nd as reported heretofore by "Sivad," and it is to be a Sunday school picnic instead of a base ball and candidate picnic and there will be no base ball game on the grounds that day. Everybody invited to be present. SOMETIMES. LIDUAC.

## LOOK OUT FOR BARGAINS!

For the next thirty days I will sell, at cost strictly, my stock of goods at the Racket Store. S. M. HARRIS.

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" Arrives at Mineral Wells 5:30 p. m.  
No. 4 Leaves " " 2:30 p. m.  
" Arrives at Weatherford 8:30 p. m.  
SUNDAY ONLY.  
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COMING OF THE JEWS.

Members of the Race Landed in America Along with Columbus.

From an Early Stage of Our History the Hebrews Have Done Much for the Progress of Our Great Country.

The convention of the American Jewish Historical Society in this city has attracted fresh public interest in the American Jew, or, to speak with more national spirit, the Jewish-American.

The coming of the Jew to the new world was very early, indeed. He came over with Columbus. Dr. Moses Kayserling, the renowned servant of Eudora Tenth, has proved that the illustrious Genoese navigator had among his crew in the three vessels which sailed from Palos on August 3, 1492, a Jew named Abraham.

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A Remarkable Photograph. Prof. Boyer, of London, recently delivered an illustrated lecture in which he showed photographs of the Lee-Metcalf bullet as it passed through a quarter-inch sheet of glass.

What is it that makes the daughters of Eve admire the snakeskin? One would think that they would want to get as far away from it as possible but, on the contrary, every woman who can afford it is wearing a snakeskin something about her person.

PUNGENT PARAGRAPHS. Muggins—"Did you ever attend a box party at the opera?" Buggins—"No, I'm too fond of music."—Philadelphia Record.

bership in the church. What was the trouble? "Pots"—"He and the minister got into a row over whose was the best bicycle."—Indianapolis Journal.

—He Was Persistent—"I have refused you once," said Miss Bellefield to the importunate Mr. Homewood, "why do you ask me to marry you?" "Because two negatives are equivalent to an affirmative," replied the earnest young man.—Pittsburgh Chronicle.

—Not the Largest Circulation in the World.—A newspaper wins up the announcement of a charity concert, to be held at one of the cafes in the town, as follows: "We would urge all our readers to book their places in advance, owing to the small size of the room, which is only capable of accommodating about 50 persons."—Le Figaro.

—He (before marriage)—"Some of your angel cake, darling?" It is "angel cake," I suppose, because an angel made it, sweetheart?" He (after marriage)—"Umph! angel cake! You call it that, I suppose, because it's soggy enough to make a lot of people into angels if they were foolish enough to eat it!"—Somerset Journal.

—Two Views of Twins—"I never was so mortified in all my life!" she exclaimed. "What was the matter?" asked her dearest friend. "My maid told me that my fiancé was in the reception room." "Yes." "And I threw my arms around him and kissed him twice before I discovered that it was his twin brother. Take my advice and never become engaged to a twin." "On the contrary, I think I shall look for one. It just doubles the fun."—Chicago Evening Post.

LUXURY OF SHABBINESS. Being Occasionally in Old Clothes Brings a Delightful Sense of Freedom. There is a luxury in shabbiness which exceeds any feeling which has its root in pride. It is the luxury of a kind which loves above all things to avoid trouble, and to feel the advantage of a sort of disguise which increases real freedom of action.

Now, if the conventions of society restrict your liberty in one way, the habits of which you have got weary restrict in another, and you never feel so free as when you are dressed in shabby clothes, for the protection of which you feel no kind of anxiety, and which you would not be sorry for an opportunity of finally discarding. The last uses of a shabby suit are the pleasant ones.

A Disappointing Hunt. Some folks say, said a fisherman, that if a fish once gets into a pound net it never gets out until it is taken out; but as a matter of fact fish often get out of pound nets. It is common for sheepshead, bluefish, Spanish mackerel and chad to get out.

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Aged Egotism. Texas Farmer. Hon. O. M. Roberts, better-known as the "Old Alcalde," has always entertained the innocent delusion that he was a great man.

Carlisle's Old Prophecy. El Paso Times. John G. Carlisle, who is making a tour of the country in the interest of monometalism, has reason to invoke the defensive remark that "wise men sometimes change their minds."

Boundaries of Voting Precincts. Below we publish the boundaries of the new voting precincts created by the Commissioners' Court of Young county.

Farm and Home Notes. In the treatment of burns nothing is better than a soft paste of pure lard and flour.

PROGRAMME. Of the 5th Sunday meeting of Macedonia Association, to be held with California church at True, Young county, Texas, beginning Friday, May 29, 1896, at 7:30 o'clock p. m.

1000 WAYS TO CURE A COLD! Quinine, santonin, hot oil, onion juice, whiskey and cod liver oil, are the best remedies for a cold.

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Congress has been in session since early in December without having done anything whatever in the way of legislation, beyond the passage of resolutions censuring an American ambassador and resolutions of sympathy for Cuba.

Speaking of home patronage and societies that want advertising free the Fayette Postal Card says: We give free advance notices of entertainments when we do the job printing, if there is any.

A Washington Baby rushed into a room where a can of gasoline had exploded, picked up a burning gasoline stove and carried it down a flight of stairs, thus saving a building and probably the lives of a number of children who were asleep on the floors above.

The one last hope of the common people—those who labor, toil, dig and delve, is the free coinage of silver. If by some means one or the other of the old parties does not hear and heed their cry, they will rise in their might and by the ballot hurl from power their oppressors.

BLACKWELL'S DURHAM TOBACCO COMPANY. If you have any difficulty in procuring your soap, cut out this notice and send it with your order to your wholesale dealer.

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It is ordered by the Court that voting precinct No. (11) eleven be divided into three voting precincts, to be known as precincts No. 11, eleven, (13) thirteen, and (14) fourteen.

It is ordered by the Court that voting precinct No. 15 be hereby created out of precinct No. 9 and as follows: Beginning at S. W. cor. of voting precinct No. 12, a point in the L. W. Ross survey; thence south to north line of Susan Salles survey; thence west on north line of Susan Salles and Edward Sargent surveys; thence south to south line of T. E. & L. Co. survey No. 149, 1489, 1914, 1916, 1924, 1925, 1924, 1945, 1946, 1955, 1958, 1967, 1968, 1977, and 1946.

It is ordered by the Court that the limits of election precinct No. 5 be enlarged as to its westerly boundary as follows: That the west line of said precinct No. 5, instead of stopping at s. w. cor. of T. E. & L. Co. survey No. 2571 continue north on west line of county to s. w. cor. of County precinct No. 2; thence east on north line of County precinct No. 2 to s. e. cor. survey No. 7; thence south to east boundary line of survey No. 728, 748, 742, 741, 2901, 2400, 2249, 2248, 2247, s. e. cor. survey 2290 on north line of Young county school land; thence east as before on north line of Young county school land to place of beginning.

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