





**LOCAL AFFAIRS.**

**THE QUARTERLY MEETING** of the African Methodist Church will commence on Friday night, and hold over Sunday.

**THE DISTRICT MEETING** of the M. E. Church, South, at Newton's Chapel, embracing last Sunday, was largely attended and was very interesting. It was still going on at last accounts.

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**JENKINS**, colored, has been sentenced to be hung on the 17th of August, for killing a white man. Pearce, white, has been sentenced to the penitentiary for life for shooting another white man to death while asleep. Why the difference? Simply because one is white and the other colored. Is this justice? Ought not the Governor to commute the punishment of Jenkins to the penitentiary for life? We think so, and we hope he will, for the sake of the reputation of this community.

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**AGRICULTURE ROUND SAN ANTONIO.**—One of the finest and most prosperous regions of country near San Antonio has a place called "Newton's Chapel" for a centre. This place is about 25 miles Southwest of the city, on the Frio and Laredo road, in Atascosa county, on the upper waters of Atascosa Creek. The immediate neighborhood around this centre is embraced within a circle of about 15 miles in every direction from the Chapel. But there is a country very similar of fully 50 miles square. A few years since this region had scarcely any inhabitants; now it is a highly prosperous agricultural region, and new-comers are pouring into it continually.

At the present time the crops of both corn and cotton are "laid by," and the yield promises to be absolutely enormous. The cotton, wherever it has been cultivated with sufficient skill and vigor, promises to yield fully a bale to the acre. The farmers admit that the force necessary to raise the crop will not by any means be sufficient to pick it out. But Mexican and other labor can be easily obtained, and at reasonable rates. The corn, also, is just as fine and promising as it well can be, as they have been blessed with abundant rains. And the whole country abounds with vegetation of all sorts, and of the finest quality. Watermelons are abundant and excellent. And wherever orchards have been planted, the limbs of the trees are literally weighed down to the ground with a superabundant crop of the very finest peaches, which are just now beginning to get ripe. It is really a magnificent peach country. The El Paso onion grows to perfection.

What makes this the more remarkable is the fact that many of the most promising farmers are now growing their first crops, having been planted before they were fenced, and afterward fenced at intervals with only brush, to protect them from the horses, principally, as there are not many cattle besides those in domestic use. Some of the farms are not even yet completely fenced, and have to be partially guarded against the intrusion of animals. One farm of a thousand acres, fenced with brush, and growing its first crop, divided between corn and cotton, is described to us, in which the cotton will yield a bale to the acre. This is absolutely wonderful.

Of this farm we hear the following facts: The proprietors paid sixty cents an acre for the land, and they now estimate that they will make \$25 an acre clear on every cultivated acre, after deducting the purchase money of the land, and paying all the expenses of building, fencing, opening the land, cultivating the crop, and getting it to market. Was this ever beaten in any part of the world? Of course, however, this is an instance of remarkable success in finding a good opportunity and in skillfully managing it. But the success of all the farmers in that region is so great that they are all prosperous, content, and jubilant.

Plenty of land in that region of country, and of similar character, can be obtained at from fifty cents to a dollar per acre. The soil is a black sandy loam, very easily cultivated, and plentifully timbered with post-oak and some live-oak. It produces everything that can be desired, with the exception of wheat, which has never yet been tried; but we have no doubt that enough wheat can be produced for home use. There is, at any rate, a fine wheat country in almost every direction around San Antonio. Honeybees abound, and "the land flows with milk and honey." Good wells of water can be obtained at various distances from the surface, according to the elevation of the situation.

A good and commodious church is being built at "Newton's Chapel" by the Methodists, and a good public school house is to be built on the ten acre tract belonging to the church. Both Methodists and Baptists flourish in this region, and public schools will be well supported. Last Sabbath, at the Methodist District meeting, fully 400 people assembled for worship. Four cotton gins are being erected in this region. The health of this region is excellent.

We do not know of any such desirable region of country for hard-working farmers in all Texas, after a residence in the State of twenty years. The statement we have made is strictly true, and we hope the press will give it general circulation.

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**IMMIGRATION.**—The Hon. J. B. Robertson, Gen'l Superintendent of Immigration for the State of Texas, is in our city for the purpose of consulting with our people on that subject. A public meeting will be called by the Agricultural Association for this (Thursday) evening, before which he will deliver an address. We may congratulate ourselves, for this is the first instance of Western Texas receiving any attention from the State Bureau of Immigration. Let there be a full attendance.

**THE GRAND CONCERT** given at Karber's Garden last evening by the Beethoven Singing Society was a magnificent success. A very large concourse of people were in attendance, ladies and gentlemen; the singing was excellent, and of the most recherche order; Prof. Miller, with his fine string band, enlivened the intervals between the singing of the various selections; and the *faisles ricant*, representing the fairy tale of Snow-white and Rose-red, was excellently rendered, Mrs. K. and Miss L. taking the leading parts.

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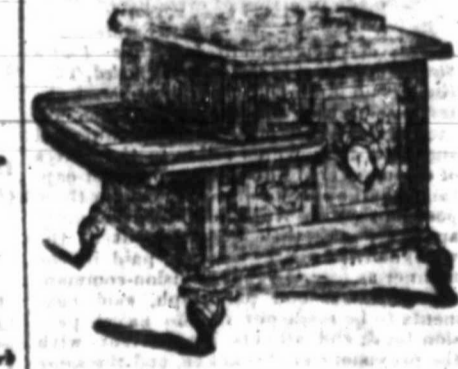
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