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WEDNESDAY MORNING, Feb. 16th, 1876.

My dear Honorable, Schlicher, Mills, and other members of Congress, have our thanks for repeated favors in the way of public deposits.

This Day of Rest in the title of a Monthly periodical kept on file in this city by W. W. Gamble, and published by Strahan & Co., 12, Paternoster Row, London, that is superior to anything of the kind we have ever seen in this country.

WESTERN TEXAS is now attracting much interest abroad, and many inquiries are being made as to about it, that our readers who wish to advertise in the Express are standing in their own light.

FIGURE OF MONTREY, MEXICO. There is an exhibition at Postmaster & Co's, Bonanza on Commerce street, a picture of Montrey, Mexico, executed by Professor Fehring, which is worthy of the attention of our countrymen, and lovers of art.

It is a most accurate representation of Montrey, taken with the aid of the camera lucida, and is the only one of the kind in the West. The mountains of the hills form the background, the City of Montrey lying below.

The picture is executed in aquatint and gouache, with delicate and exquisite accuracy, presenting every feature of the city in the most striking manner. The artist resided in Montrey eight months, and took the photographs from the spot, which he has shaded with his own hand.

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SOUTHERN REPUBLICAN REFORM MOVEMENT.

The telegraphic dispatches have told us of the arrival in Washington of the Alabama Republican delegation, composed of ex-Governor Smith, Judge Saffold, ex-Congressman Bentley, Hon. Sam'l F. Rice, and other gentlemen of the highest standing in the State.

GRANTS TESTIMONY IN THE BAR-COCK CASE. Washington, February 12.—The President's evidence in the Babcock case was taken before Judge Waite in the Executive Mansion, and was by St. Louis by a special messenger.

THE WEEKLY EXPRESS, containing the article on "Woolen Factory" and on immigration from "California to Texas," besides many other articles interesting to those seeking to immigrate, will be issued this morning.

CALIFORNIA TO TEXAS.

California is preparing to start a tide of emigration from that State to Western Texas. We have just received a letter from a gentleman in that State, who writes us through our Postmaster, that about 100 families are preparing to come here to find homes.

Immigration from California may at first blush appear to be a strange and unusual thing, but it is not. The two regions of country are very similar in climate, soil, productions and general capabilities.

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CROWNED HEADS AT THE CENTENNIAL.

Hon. John Jay, formerly our Minister to Austria, writes an able letter to the New York Herald in which he urges the expediency and propriety of inviting the crowned heads of the universe to visit the National Centennial. He says that we must remember that the occurrence of the centennial year, the enactment of the laws directing its celebration under the auspices of the government, the Presidential proclamation and diplomatic notes asking all the governments and nations of the world to take part in it constitute in our history a novel without precedent or parallel.

That our extraordinary legislation for this extraordinary occasion should have imposed upon us unaccustomed duties and responsibilities, under the code of international courtesy, by which international exhibitions are governed, is a matter of course. In a review of the situation, we find that we have incurred one more responsibility than we had anticipated; that the question of asking the sovereigns and other chiefs like the Presidents of France and Switzerland, to visit our fair during the centennial year is no longer a matter of national choice, but has become by the action of Congress and of the President, and by the response of foreign powers a matter of international propriety, and therefore a national necessity and duty; it may appear also that our government is as equal to that duty as any government in the world, and that, like other national duties well performed it will be attended by certain and abundant compensation.

Having adopted for our Centennial Celebration the international exhibition as established in Europe, and having in accordance with the usage of Europe solicited and obtained the aid of foreign powers, we must look to the same usage to determine the reciprocal duties which it in turn imposes on ourselves. The Exposition at Vienna was the latest and the most perfect of the great exhibitions in accordance with the rule which seems to have been established by successive precedents, and which American pride will naturally expect the American government to conform to on so memorable an occasion, that each succeeding universe exhibition shall be more perfect in its design and execution and more useful in its results than any of its predecessors.

THE ROYAL VISITORS AT VIENNA.

To Vienna came for the period of the Exposition the foreign commissioners and the exhibitors of their departments; and there came also for brief visits, as the guests of the Emperor of Austria, the Emperor of Russia and the Emperor and Empress of Germany, the Kings of Italy, Belgium and Denmark, the Prince of Wales and Prince Arthur, the Czarowitz and his wife, the Princess Dagmar; the Crown Prince and Princess of Germany, with other princes and archdukes of the royal families of the Continent. Many of these were connected by ties of blood with the family of the Hapsburgs, but that was not the ground on which the sovereigns were invited. The Sultan and the Khedive were among the expected guests, and Count Andrássy said that they would be very glad to see the President. His Excellency's words which may perhaps be quoted without impropriety, as showing the simple and informal manner in which such invitations may be properly given by ourselves, were to this effect: "I never give, you know, formal invitations, but the Emperor has spoken to me on the subject and wishes the President to know that he would be glad to see him at Vienna." Had General Grant been able to accept the invitation in the same manner with the sovereigns of Europe, and Count Andrássy subsequently expressed the regret of the Emperor at learning that the President of the United States were unacquainted to have the country during their term of office. There is good reason to believe that General Grant, both from his military fame and as the Chief of the Republic, would have been welcomed by the government with cordiality and by the people with enthusiasm.

THE RECEPTION OF GEN. SHERMAN.

The year before, in June, 1873, when General Sherman was expected at Vienna, the Legation was advised in advance of his arrival that the Emperor would be glad to receive the General in special audience, and that in testimony of the high regard for his most distinguished General-in-Chief, Commander of the United States Army, by order of His Majesty an officer would be attached to his person during his stay at Vienna. When, during his reception by the Emperor, the General spoke of the pleasant surprise with which he had found that the Austrian officers whom he had met were accurately acquainted with the operations of our civil war, adding that his Excellency the Baron Kuhn, the Minister of War for the whole Empire, had shown him maps of the Southern campaign traced by the Baron's own hand while following the re-

ported marches of our armies, the Emperor remarked in reply that the Austrian officers had studied with great interest the operations of the American armies.

Returning to the question, after this passing allusion to one reason for the assurance that General Grant would have been most cordially received at Vienna, the invitations there given, however informal, seem to show that it is a proper courtesy for the Sovereign who inaugurates an international exhibition to ask the sovereigns of the exhibiting countries to come and view the industrial and art collections to which their governments and people have contributed. The precedent thus sanctioned at Vienna by the sovereigns of the world would be applicable to the American Exhibition, regarded simply as an exhibition like those of England, France and Austria, with no special historic meaning and no peculiar national significance. But with us the Exhibition was inaugurated by Congress, was a fitting celebration of the completion of the first century of our national existence, and the Powers of the world, in the language used by the Court of Russia, have accepted "the cordial invitation from the Cabinet of Washington to take part in a national solemnity for commemorating one of the grandest facts in the history of humanity."

The significance and force of this language toward the Declaration of Independence and the birth of the Republic, become the more striking when we remember that they come from one who, ruling an Empire that comprises a seventh part of the territory of the globe, has himself written a most noble page in the history of humanity, to which we Americans can never turn without being reminded of a similar chapter in our own story. The name of Lincoln is associated with the emancipation of 4,000,000 slaves; that of Alexander who will live in coming ages as the emancipator of 40,000,000 serfs.

ORIGIN OF THE WHITE TRASH.

A negro preacher delivered a funeral discourse over the body of an old colored brother, in which he gave an account of the genesis of the species (the white), which throws Darwin and all his vain philosophy of molecular, gemmular, and atomic creation completely in the shade. He said: "My brethren, when Adam and Eve were first made, they were both niggers. But the good Lord put them into where he had his summer apples, and he told 'em, 'Adam, you and Eve may eat dem summer apples as much as you want, but you jes' let dem sweet apples be—I have saved dem for my own special tooth. Dese, like sheep meat, too good for niggers.'"

"When de good Lord went off 'bout his business, 'lomonading up an down de yeh, seeking whom he might save up. But he no sover turned his back dan, jes' like two fool niggers, Adam and Eve steal all de sweet apples. Ebe taste de first one, smacked her lubly thick lips, and inquired of Adam, 'how is dat for high?' Adam said it was all O.K. and den dey went for dem sweet apples like unto the heathen Chinese. "Ebenny de Lord come back, and de best thing he said was, 'Adam! Adam! what my sweet apples?' Den Adam got skeered and said, 'I dunno, Lord, but I speek Ebe got 'em.' De Lord went to Ebe and said, 'Ebe, you got dem sweet apples?' Den Ebe got skeered and said, 'denno Lord, but I kinder speek dat foot Adam, look 'em den de Lord he got so mad he jes' smash his reef. He stomp up to where Adam was standing and shivering like a sheep-kin dog, and said, 'Adam! Adam! you grand old thief, what for you steal my sweet apples?' Adam got skeered he turned white as paper and belabored brethren, he 'boregore black any more, and dat accounts for de poor white trash we see flying round here so grand. Let us look up to de Lord and be demistified."

PERSONAL.

Rob Morris, the venerable and exalted poet laureate of the Masonic fraternity, likewise noted as a traveler, has arrived in Omaha, wending his westward way to San Francisco, whence he will go to see King Kalakaua, and afterward to Papeete.

Mrs. Lower, the actress revivalist, is a small, slight woman. Her face is thin and without color, her voice is high-pitched and sharp and penetrating, and she dresses very plainly, but she made 500 concerts at Fort Jervis, notwithstanding.

Prof. Hunt has been appointed analytical chemist for the Dominion of Canada.

G. B. A. Monckton Atanale, Viscount Galway, of Ireland, is dead. The peerage was created in 1727.

Joseph King, superintendent of the workhouse on Blackwell's Island, New York, died on the 5th inst.

Hon. Hugh C. E. Obiders, M. P. president of the great Western Railroad of Canada, is now in this country.

Ex-Governor Seymour of New York, will deliver an address at the centennial meeting.

Gen. Joe Shelby is organizing a colony to settle in Mexico and look after the mining interests of that country.

Queen Victoria has given an order to Anderson McCallum, a Scottish artist, for three pictures—two in oil and one in water color—of scenes in the vicinity of the royal residence at Balmoral.

Henry M. Flint, general superintendent of the New York and Oswego Midland Railway, who was injured in the accident on that road last Wednesday when an engine and a cow-plow went through the Wilkesmoot river bridge, died on the 5th.

William B. Cavanaugh, well known in theatrical circles, died at Enterprise, Florida, on the 2d inst. At different times he was stage manager of Howard Athenaeum, Morris Brother's Opera House and St. James Theatre, Boston; He was the author of several successful local plays, and was considered an excellent actor in Irish comedy. A few months before his disease he was stage manager for Kernan Brothers, proprietors for the New Central Theatre, Baltimore, Md. Mrs. Cavanaugh was known on the stage as Miss Jennie Engle.

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Musical Boxes!

The undersigned have just received direct from the manufacturer of Switzerland, a fine assortment of small and large self-playing musical boxes, with fine inlaid rosewood cases, playing from 4 to 48 airs, with expression, mandolins, Zither, Bells and vox celestes or flutes, the nicest airs of operas and latest dances, with a clear and sweet tone. Also Swiss Cottages, Cigar-stands and Photographic Albums, all with music; which they offer for sale cheap.

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Come ye that are

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We invite the earnest attention of those now suffering with any disease or weakness of the Genitro-Urinary Organs, to the "Proctor's" remedy.

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Ladies who are afflicted by any of the following complaints: Cold catarrhes, weak stomachs, lame and weak backs, nervous and sick headaches, constipation and indigestion, pain in the side and back, leucorrhoea, protracted menstruation, diseases of the uterine organ, and all other attending complaints of the genitro-urinary organs. A cure is guaranteed.

FOR YOUNG MEN!

Who may be suffering from the effect of youthful follies or indiscretion, will do well to avail themselves of this greatest boon ever laid at the altar of suffering humanity. Dr. J. B. Kelly will guarantee to forfeit \$500 for every case of seminal weakness, or private disease of any kind or character, which he undertakes and fails to cure. He would, therefore, say to the unfortunate sufferer who may read this notice, that you are treating upon dangerous ground when you longer delay in seeking the proper remedy for your complaint. You may be in the first stage, remember you are approaching the last. If you are bordering upon the last, and are suffering some of all of its ill effects, remember that if you obstinately persist in procrastination, the time must come when the most skillful physician can render you no assistance; when the door of hope will be closed against you, when no angel of mercy can bring you relief. In no case has the Doctor failed of success. Then let not despair work itself upon your imagination, but avail yourself of the beneficial results of his treatment before your case is beyond the reach of medical skill, or before grim death hurries you to a premature grave.

FOR MIDDLE-AGED MEN!

There are many at the age of thirty to sixty who are troubled with too frequent evacuation of the bladder, often accompanied by a slight smarting or burning sensation, and weakening the system to a degree that the patient cannot account for on examining the urinary deposits aropy sediment will often be found, and sometimes small particles of albumen will appear, or the color is of a thin and whitish line, again changing to a dark and ferruginous appearance. There are many who die of this difficulty, ignorant of the cause, which is the second stage of seminal weakness. Will guarantee a perfect cure in all such cases, and a healthy restoration of the genitro-urinary organs.

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It is a deplorable fact, but nevertheless frequently practiced in several branches of manufacture, that whenever an article has assumed and attained a popularity and reputation on the market for its good quality, those manufacturers, promising to have established an unshaking demand for such, then see fit, for reasons best known to them, to send out an inferior article under the same name and style of package; and now we assert and prove by the below submitted certificates of our local chemists (known as competent and honorable men, who made six tests of STAR OIL and Astral Oil), that such is the case with the brand of oil introduced here in

1870 as Pratt's Astral Oil.

At the time of its introduction said oil was then fully up to the standard of the certificate of G. H. Keltayer, chemist. It was then found to be 100 degrees below the reformed to flashing point of 1870.

We furthermore desire to impress upon the minds of consumers that even at the present standard of said Astral Oil there is no uniformity in its quality, (a property generally found with the most inferior grades,) as in testing a case, containing two five-gallon cans, purchased from H. G. G. it was discovered that a Difference of Nine Degrees existed in the flashing point of the cans alluded to.

These advertisements claiming such superior qualities for the Astral, prove to be exaggerated, as only recently, at different times, in the Casino building, a barrel filled with that Astral Oil fell to the floor and in a moment all was in a blaze, and had it not been for the prompt assistance of those present the building would be a total ruin. How reliable and of what good qualities oils so extensively sold in this city, is found in an article offered by the trade as Pratt's Radiant Oil, which proves to have only a flashing point of 95 degrees and burning point 108 degrees.

As it is our constant desire to furnish our

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always uniform and up to the advanced standard, we have effected an agreement with Mr. G. H. Keltayer to examine each and every case and attach a certificate, with his signature to each, before offering to the public. The Star Oil is only furnished in cases of two five-gallon cans, and every can is stamped with our trade mark, of which this one is a fac simile.

Certificates from Keltayer's Chemical Laboratory, San Antonio, Texas:

Messrs. Wagner & Rummel, City—San Antonio, Texas, Jan. 11, 1874. Gentlemen: Referring to the advertisement of Messrs. Charles T. Pratt & Co. in the city papers, I see your certificate, given in 1870, reestablished, which was then in accordance with the quality of the Astral Oil found in this market.

Since that time I have at various times tested Pratt's Astral Oil from different dealers, with various results, some having the flashing point as low as

One Hundred and Seventeen Degrees Fahrenheit.

I have tested one case bought from H. G. G. containing two five gallon cans of Astral Oil, and found the flashing point of the oil in one can to differ NINE DEGREES from that of the other.

Yours truly, GEORGE H. KALTEYER, Chemist.

Certificates from Keltayer's Chemical Laboratory.

Messrs. Wagner & Rummel, City—Gentlemen: In answer to your request to examine the different brands of Astral Oil made by Messrs. Charles T. Pratt & Co., which is sold in this city, and the Star Oil sold by you; the undersigned took samples of the different Oils, and find the following results:

Pratt's Astral Oil from the stores of Mr. H. G. G. A. Bruni and H. Wagner. The mean of six tests give the following results:

PRATT'S ASTRAL OIL—Flashing Point, 125—Burning Point, 150. PRATT'S RADIANT OIL—Flashing Point, 95—Burning Point, 126.

Wagner & Rummel's Star Oil, from the stores of L. Brian & Bro., T. H. Schaeffer, A. Bruni and L. Moke. The mean of seven tests gives the following result:

Wagner & Rummel's Star Oil—Flashing Point, 124, Burning Point, 148.

From the result of above the tests it will be seen that your

STAR OIL IS THE BEST AND SAFEST.

From three hundred and sixty-five different experiments, with twenty-five different kinds of lamps, made by Fred O. T. Chandler, of New York, the highest temperature reached in lamps was 195 degrees Fahrenheit. (See American Chemist of August, 1872.) By referring to the above it will be seen that YOUR STAR OIL IS FIVE DEGREES ABOVE THE HIGHEST TEMPERATURE EVER OBSERVED IN ANY LAMP.

We remain yours very respectfully,

(Signed) GEORGE H. KALTEYER, AUGUST WETTS, Jr., EDWARD DREISS.

Extract of a Certificate of a Goldsmith, Apothecary and Chemist, Austin, Texas, to A. S. Mail, of Austin. I certify that I have made the following Tests of Oil at my office, in the presence of a number of gentlemen, with the following results:

Pratt's Astral Oil—Flashing Point, 126 degrees—Burning Point, 150 degrees. Pratt's Radiant Oil—Flashing Point, 95 degrees—Burning Point, 126 degrees. Peerless Oil—Flashing Point, 118 degrees—Burning Point, 148 degrees.

(Signed) A. GOLDMANN.

CITY NEWS.

CITY AND COUNTRY BOTS. SADDLE WANTED.—Wanted, a second-hand saddle and bridle. Anyone having such, and wishing to sell, address P. J. M. Glass, Box 92, City.

WANTED.—A horse of three or four years, at reasonable price. Address Lock Box 89, Postoffice.

THE CRASS ON THE PRAIRIE.—The city is burning off. It will tend to improve the spring crop and will likewise destroy the thousands of young grasshoppers that infest the prairie.

THE ELECTION OVER.—The men who received the largest number of votes are happy, and while you are reading this we desire to call your attention to the fact that George Hilgers' tailor shop is in the place to go if you want a good, lasting suit of clothes, made in the latest style.

MR. BURNETT WILL ARRIVE.—Mr. Burnett will arrive this evening and will give one of his most entertaining lectures at the Literary Hall tomorrow evening. Received seals for sale at Gamble's book store.

ONE OF OUR PROMISING AND ACTIVE YOUNG MEN.—A young man, a graduate of the law, arrived yesterday, requiring a little skill, and so quickly was it accomplished that he had hardly received a docking until he was on dry land again. It occurred in this way. A number of little boys were fishing from the foot-bridge near Dr. Hall's residence when a young man came along and volunteered to assist in catching minnows. Leaving over the railing a little too far, his feet slipped and he tumbled a complete somersault striking on his back in the water and going to the bottom with a splash. He soon came to the surface, however, and, manifestly struggling to the shore, received never again a bath from a fountain pen-bridge.

A GENERAL COURT MARSHAL WILL ARRIVE AT FORT GARDNER, TEXAS, ON MONDAY, THE 21ST DAY OF FEBRUARY, 1876, AT 10 O'CLOCK A. M., at which time all persons who may be properly brought before it. The following is the list of the Court: Captain Theodore Schwab, 11th Infantry; Captain G. L. Chace, 11th Infantry; First Lieutenant W. R. Kingsbury, 11th Infantry; First Lieutenant John Whitney, 11th Infantry; First Lieutenant A. M. McCall, 11th Infantry; Second Lieutenant C. H. Gortage, 11th Infantry, is appointed Judge Advocate of the Court.

NO OTHER OFFICERS than those named can be assembled without manifest injury to the service.

SOME OBSERVING INDIVIDUALS have come out the following "social market report" for 1876. It can scarcely be laughed at;—"none in the market. Honor—very, old stock exhausted and the new with the failure. Patriotism—first quality scarce and not to be disposed of second quality easily bought on speculation at one hundred per cent. discount. Prejudice—all in the hands of old stockholders and held close. Modesty—stock badly managed; none for sale to street operators. Vice—market overstocked. Pride—market glutted. Politeness—cheap holders unwilling to dispose of any of their stock. Social—none whole sale. Religion—very little of the genuine article on hand; mostly generally adulterated. Love—none offered, except for 25 cents."

THE MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF THE LITERARY SOCIETY, held, in fact, the public generally should attend the performance to be given at the Literary Hall to-morrow evening by Mr. Burnett and Miss Neph. These performances are select and very laughable, and the house should be crowded.

NIGHT BEFORE LAST, a man who had recently arrived in San Antonio from down the railroad with the following open and curious attempt to poison himself. He-tering one of our drug stores, he called for strychnine. The clerk asked him how many bottles he wanted, mistaking him for one of our Western sheep-men, and supposing that he wished to poison his sheep with it. The man said he only wanted two grains, and was supplied with the same, the mark of death being written on the package. When the man took the package, he stepped back from the counter, and began to unwrap it. The clerk told him it was all right, there was no necessity of wrapping it. Suspecting that the man was a Western sheep-man, the clerk passed around the counter, and was about to take the man, the latter made an effort to take the poison. The clerk sprang at him, and grasping him by the chest, caught the package from his hand. A resistance followed, and it was only through the interference of a friend of the clerk that a violent struggle was prevented. The man had swallowed about half the poison, and remarked to the clerk that he purchased it to kill himself with, and had gotten caught. A policeman was thereupon dispatched for, and the man taken into custody. When a physician was called, the man was administered which brought about a disgorging of the poison, and saved the life of the man.

PROPERTY FOR SALE.—The buildings now occupied by C. F. Klein and Whitley & Company, 201 on Main Street, with a front of about 30 feet, and depth of 50 feet, will be sold on reasonable terms. Apply to F. G. GIBSON.

ATTENTION, MERRY FURKS.—The officers suggested by the meeting at Turner Hall Wednesday night, as a Finance Committee, are, to arrange for a Carnival Procession on Mardi Gras, and all who will please meet at the above hall on next Wednesday, the 16th inst., in accordance with the arrangements for the celebration. All citizens interested are invited to attend. Feb 16th.

OYSTERS, 50 CENTS PER DOZEN.—Empire Oyster, of the Texas House Restaurant, receives fresh oysters every day from Galveston, packed in ice. Many who have tasted them say they are equal to oysters served in the Gulf cities. Order them in any style to suit your taste, and the price will be only 50 cents per dozen. Oysters furnished to families at 25 cents per dozen, or two dollars per one hundred.

Several Thousand Dollars to lend—Gold Silver and Currency. W. B. LEWIS, 113 N. MAIN ST.

YOUNG FROM THE STREET WATER.—On the 1st of March, when I take my collection, I intend to call on everybody on Main Street. There are so many that don't assist me, and some don't give half what they ought to give. I intend to do it myself as long as I do water, and do it as near right as anybody can. So if they don't assist me with a liberal subscription I will be compelled to quit it. I give this notice for the benefit of those who always assist me kindly and friendly, and may think to them. JOHN REYNOLDS.

If you want a good bed guaranteed for you, go to Geo. White.

DICTIONARIES ET CETERA.

"Get a plenty, while you're a gettin'" says "Old Miss Moore" to the "Hos for Schoolmaster," and it is just what I would like to have in a more civilized form to the City Father—All honor and respect to them while they are getting the new school books; get some dictionaries. There should be one of these indispensable on every teacher's desk. Besides it would be quite agreeable to the pockets of many parents to have the published advanced classes furnished with dictionaries at a lower rate than is charged by the book stores.

Many persons, I know, think a dictionary an unnecessary book for school children; that if there is one at home for the family in general, it is sufficient. But I hope to prove to them in a few words that the fact is otherwise. Let us take one study reading, for instance. No one can read well who does not read understandingly. Two of the requisites to this accomplishment (for such I consider good reading) are, a knowledge of the pronunciation and signification of every word. Here is a living example: A class had in the lesson to-day which words as "individually," "hypocrite," &c. No one read well till these and similar (difficult) had been overborne by the aid of the teacher's own words of force and time. These, too, the use of the dictionary by the pupil induces a spirit of research, inculcates a habit of self-independence, which cannot be obtained by "asking the teacher," and, last but not least, gives a momentary word which would not otherwise be attained. Let the lexicon be an elbow aright in school, and it then will not have to be one in after years.

I wish to write a plenty while I am writing, so I would suggest to the City Fathers, if they will permit me to do so, that I think that school books would be exceedingly obliged, and save some little unnecessary expense, if their desks were furnished with dictionaries of the books used by their pupils. I know of no teacher whom it would cost six dollars and forty cents to furnish with only the new introductory books used by her classes. It is very easy to be without them, and yet no teacher likes to be at so much expense for what is of so permanent benefit to her. She may take some pleasure in seeing upon the shelves of her book-case the well-thumbed, margin-noted text books of her own school days, but it is impossible for her to look with so much interest upon those used by her pupils.

ONE OF THEM.—THE TEXAS BORDER.—We make local matter of the following testimony of Gen. Ord, on the 13th inst., before the Select Committee of the House, on Texas frontier topics.

Gen. Ord, commander of the military Department of Texas, was examined on the 13th as a witness before the Select Committee of the House, on the Texas frontier troubles, and gave the committee a very full and intelligent account of the cattle raids, to which the smuglers on the American side of the Rio Grande for five hundred miles along the river and for one hundred and fifty miles back from it are subjected, as well as of the country which he occupies under cover of the border, which forms a serious and sinister for the cattle shovels, who live by plunder, and which renders it next to impossible for military patrols of the military posts to interfere with them.

There are two classes of Mexicans living on the Texas side, the one consisting of intelligent honest ranchmen, who are as much opposed to the cattle raids as the other portion of the population is, and the other consisting of the worthless fellows, many of them natives or descendants from the Mexican Republic, who are engaged on the stocks, to set up traps and infamously for their country, or complicity, on the Mexican side, when they cross the river on their cattle stealing expeditions.

It is the intelligence of the War Department, from those fellows which enables them to avoid the routes by which they might be intercepted on their return with their booty on their side of the river. The bands, consisting of from 100 to 150 men, are in league with the local authorities, their recognized chief being Cortina. All facilities are given them for disposing of their plunder, and with a thin, as a matter of fact, the stolen cattle is never thought of.

The National Government's opinion is not to be blamed in General Ord's opinion for this state of things. First, because the system of government is to let each State take care of its own affairs; and second, because the Mexican soldiers have a strong feeling, whenever they get near enough to the border, to take their cattle and cross into Texas.

The Mexican government is therefore powerless in the matter, and the State government of Texas is powerless to regard these border troubles as a matter of local order of things essential for the good of the community. The only remedy, therefore, for the evil is—and it is one which the General is urging on the War Department—is to increase the cavalry on the Rio Grande and give him authority, whenever his troops come on the trail of one of these thieving bands, to let the pursuit be continued on the Mexican side of the river, and let the troops deal out summary punishment on the robbers.

He thinks that whatever opposition the local authorities might make to such a military course, the general government of Mexico could not make any. He says that now in one of the more northern States, Chihuahua, himself and the Mexican Commandant have a mutual arrangement by which Indian depredators are followed on either side of the river, and that on some occasions the American and Mexican forces have captured, in their movements against Indians, some of the supplies by the order of the Mexicans. He is confident that the only feasible mode of putting down these troubles, or the border, is by following up the pursuit in the way he recommends.

DISSOLUTION.—The partnership heretofore existing between the undersigned, under the name of Michael & Co., is this day dissolved by mutual consent. Messrs. Michael Brooks, Austin, assuming all liabilities of the late firm. Mr. Edw. Koch is authorized to collect all outstanding accounts due the firm. J. M. McCREARY, (Signed) J. M. McCREARY, Edw. Koch.

A CARD.—Ladies who are afflicted with any of those complaints so prevalent among us, make some note of me and I will give you relief. DR. J. M. McCREARY, Office with the Postoffice, 712 1/2 W.

THE ELECTION.

The election passed off yesterday in a much more quiet and even manner than we had supposed it would. The candidates and their friends were up at an early hour, and entered into their fixed labor of the day with great energy and determination. We had feared that, as this was the first occasion with us when voting without registration was allowed, there would disputes arise at the polls which might lead to an unusual degree of trouble. But such, happily, was not the case, and the new method of voting passed off like a charm.

The principal issue was upon the County Clerkship between the regular Democratic nominee and John Rosenheim, the People's candidate. So intense was the interest manifested by the friends on each side for the election of their nominee to the office, that most of the other candidates seemed to lose a large share of importance with the masses, and to be looked upon as mere appendages.

The final result of the voting will probably not be announced until a late hour to-day, as there are, thirty four names on every ticket, and much scratching and mixing was done.

From all accounts, however, we glean that Gen. W. B. Knox has been elected Sheriff, L. F. Beck, Assessor, T. A. Dyer, County Judge, Luciano Navarro, County Surveyor, and G. S. Williamson, High Inspector. Messrs. Chavez and Lacoste, who ran on both tickets, were of course elected as was a foregone conclusion.

The race between Smith and Rosenheim is a very close one, and nothing but a report from the judges can settle the question. Messrs. Wallace and Anderson also ran a close race, the indications of a similar closeness exists between others of the candidates. We can say, in fine, however, that the general political pulse still throbs with doubt and uncertainty.

The following is the latest news obtained at 2 o'clock, as we go to press. We only give the standing of those whose fate is of the greatest public interest.

PRECINCT NO. 1. Smith, 45; Rosenheim, 52; Knox, 56; Shardin, 48; Dwyer, 60; Judson, 42; Portis, 31; Noonan, 28.

PRECINCT NO. 2. Smith, 110; Rosenheim, 67; Knox, 95; Shardin, 77; Dwyer, 102; Judson, 70; Portis, 55; Noonan, 113.

PRECINCT NO. 3. Smith, 106; Rosenheim, 133; Knox, 107; Shardin, 136; Dwyer, 109; Judson, 127; Noonan, 103; Portis, 39.

PRECINCT NO. 4. Smith, 35; Rosenheim, 60; Knox, 58; Shardin, 62; Dwyer, 40; Judson, 50; Portis, 21; Noonan, 35.

PRECINCT NO. 5. This Precinct went solidly Democratic 61 votes, except 11 cast for Isaac Anderson for County Attorney.

PRECINCT NO. 17. Smith, 46; Rosenheim, 4; Knox, 34; Shardin, 69; Portis, 6; Noonan, 46.

Remaining in the Postoffice at San Antonio, County of Bexar, State of Texas, February 15th, 1876, received prior to February 15th, 1876.

Lyons, Jacob Ledger, R. Brooks, Wm. Moore, A. M. Moore, J. H. Carter, E. H. Gage, John Collins, Lukrehia Shilly, Alvino Clark, Manuel Dakin, A. J. Dues, John Estrada, F. P. Pines, Marcella Fretwell, W. J. Haney, James M. Honeas, James H. Jones, Dennis J. Krueger, Mr. King, Frank Kruger, G. Miss Banster, T. J. Lyons, Jacob Ledger, R. Brooks, Wm. Moore, A. M. Moore, J. H. Carter, E. H. Gage, John Collins, Lukrehia Shilly, Alvino Clark, Manuel Dakin, A. J. Dues, John Estrada, F. P. Pines, Marcella Fretwell, W. J. Haney, James M. Honeas, James H. Jones, Dennis J. Krueger, Mr. King, Frank Kruger, G. Miss Banster, T. J.

HOTEL ARRIVALS. CENTRAL. Dr. Fred Gillespie, Leonard, H. E. Martin, Comanche; Nat Kirk, Koshberg, Illinois; John Lora, Oledo, Illinois; J. W. Hamilton, Sanders, J. W. Hampton and wife, Mrs. M. R. Barnett, J. F. David, Henry, Colorado.

Go to George White for your Cooking and Heating Stoves.

The friends of Temperance have called a National Temperance Congress, to meet in Philadelphia, on Monday, August 1st. It will continue for three days; simultaneous meetings of sections will be held, to give time for ample discussions. National and State organizations are requested to send at least seven delegates each; local churches and organizations at least two delegates each.

The Jewish Messenger, of New York City, in commenting on some statements recently made by Mr. Moody says: "This change has served to bring forcibly before the reading public the fact that the Jews were innocent of complicity in the crucifixion of Christ; that they even endeavored to save the victim of Roman oppression, and that they have been made the victims of cruel understandings for centuries." David O. Harrington, Esq., and W. B. Armstrong, Esq., have been admitted to practice in the Supreme Court of the United States.

WANTED!

1000 HUTTON SHEEP!! Persons having untanned sheep for sale by lots of 50, 100 or more, will please describe the age, grade and condition, and if shorn or not, and when last shorn. Terms cash. Apply or write to ERNAUD, JR., Butcher Hall No. 2, San Antonio, Texas. 12d21w

ALAMO LITERARY HALL. THURSDAY & FRIDAY. Feb. 17 and 18 for the benefit of the Alamo Literary Society.

Mr. A. J. BURNETT, America's great Humorist, assisted by the universal favorite, Miss Helen Nash, whose artistic delineations of character, together with her beautiful recitations, have rendered her name a household one in Europe and America.

Admission 50c. Seats 50c. Seats can be secured in advance at Gamble's Book Store.

NOTICE TO TAX-PAYERS! By permission of the Comptroller, the time for the payment of State and County taxes for the year 1875 has been extended to February 21. Persons failing to pay within said time, will be subject to the penalties of the law.

NOTICE! Proposals will be received at the office of the San Antonio Gas Company until the 20th of February, for digging a trench for the laying of gas pipe and for the filling up when laid, commencing at the Green Bar Room and ending at the residence of Judge Devine, along South Flores Street, the trench to be 18 inches deep, 15 inches wide at the top and 12 inches wide at the bottom. Bidders will state the price per running yard. MORRIS PAWLEY, Superintendent.

Stage Lines. C. Bain & Co's FOUR HORSE COACHES. Leave Stage Office, San Antonio. TUESDAYS, THURSDAYS AND SATURDAYS. At 7:45 A. M.

For Boerne, Fredericksburg, Loya Valley, Monardville, Coghlan's, Fort McKavett, Kichapoo Springs, Benfield and Fort.

CONCHO. Good Drivers, Teams and Coaches. Time to Fort Concho 9 hours, allowing eight hours rest at Fredericksburg. Passengers are particularly requested to report any irregularities to F. G. Taylor at San Antonio, or Benfield.

A. A. MUNOBY, AGT. San Antonio, January 7th 1876. 71ant

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ATTENTION, TRAVELERS. We will, from this time on, run a back from UVALDE TO EAGLE PASS, leaving Uvalde Tuesdays and Fridays of each week. Travelers from the above points will find it to their interest to patronize us. W. M. REYNOLDS, A. KASBLOM, AGT.

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