

EXTREMELY HOT

Is the Kind of Weather that Brings Oppression and Nervousness.

So far the season has been very hot and sultry. The result is a great many cases of prostration, especially among those who are not well.

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ENGINES TO COLLIDE.

MISSOURI, KANSAS AND TEXAS RAILROAD TO EXPERIMENT.

Two Mammoth Engines Will Plunge Into Each Other After Gaining a High Rate of Speed as an Experiment in the Interest of Safety.

It is now definitely announced by General Passenger Agent Crash of the Missouri, Kansas and Texas that the exhibition collision of two locomotives will take place on September 15 at a point between Waco and Hillsboro.

The idea is to turn the engines back at full speed about two miles from the point of contact, and all who want to can be on hand to see what the result will be.

The day before the collision the track over which the engines will run will be timed, so that the point of contact may be definitely ascertained.

In this way we will know almost within ten yards of where the meeting will take place.

By means of a telegraph wire put up for the occasion the engineers will be given the signal for the start, and each throttle will be pulled simultaneously.

The engines will remain on the engines until each has gained a speed of ten miles an hour, at which point they will pull the throats wide open and step off.

An Officer Wounded.

Myrtle Spitzer, Tex., Aug. 15.

Yesterday morning at about 2 o'clock many of the citizens and the members on the Alliance camp ground were awakened by the reports of guns and the running of footsteps over parts of the grounds and park.

They commented their work about the hour named, and about twenty or thirty shots were exchanged.

M. Smart, deputy marshal, was shot through the right leg, about four inches above the knee cap, making a very ugly wound, but not breaking the bone.

Seven of the disturbers were arrested, and upon an examining trial were placed under \$100 bonds each, which they gave, and were released until the grand jury meets in October.

Confederates to Meet. Clarksville, Tex., Aug. 15.—John C. Burks camp United Veterans holds its annual reunion on its grounds at this place on the 20th and 21st days of August.

The grounds have been cleaned off and the large shady groves are pleasing to every one. The management are expecting large crowds from adjacent counties, and as this reunion has always been a brilliant success a bigger crowd is looked for this year than ever before.

An interesting programme has been arranged for the two days, and speakers from Paris and Texasiana and other places will be on hand to deliver short addresses.

The programme will be interspersed with vocal and instrumental music by local talent.

Remedy for Snake Bites. Denton, Tex., Aug. 15.—Wesley McCombs, a resident of this county, has discovered a novel, but efficacious snake-bite cure.

He picked up a venomous snake-bite, thinking it was a fish, and the reptile bit him in the hand seven times. Having no remedy with him, Mr. McCombs built a fire and for about twenty or thirty minutes held the wounded member as close to it as he could bear.

In a short while blood commenced flowing from the punctures, followed by a greenish tinged fluid, which continued to flow for several minutes, after which it ceased, and the pain almost subsided.

The hand is now well, but still shows the seven wounds inflicted by the snake.

CYCLONE IN ALABAMA.

FIFTEEN PEOPLE KILLED AND TEN WOUNDED.

Many Horses and Mules Were Crushed to Death—The Crops Were Damaged, Causing Heavy Loss to Planters—The Storm Accompanied by Rain and Hail.

Selma, Ala., Aug. 17.—News was received here yesterday from Augustine, Perry county, fourteen miles from a telegraph station, that a terrible and most destructive cyclone swept over that place (Thursday) last, leveling everything in its path.

Twelve negroes and three white people were killed by houses falling on them and ten other people were more or less injured.

The cyclone was followed by the heaviest rain that has fallen in that section in fifteen years.

Florence, Ala., Aug. 17.—A terrible storm swept over this city about 5 o'clock yesterday evening. Great damage was done, but no fatalities have been reported.

Key West, Fla., Aug. 17.—Capt. Gen. Weyler and Gen. Ochoando were the principals in a sensational affair which occurred shortly before the latter sailed for Spain.

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Negro Murderer.

Spartanburg, S. C., Aug. 17.

Capt. John H. Blasingame, one of the oldest and most respected citizens of this city and state, was shot and killed yesterday afternoon by Chris Cannon, a negro boy.

The negro was taken to jail. His wound is thought to be fatal. There is some talk of lynching, but the law will take its course.

Capt. Blasingame was a member of one of the most prominent families in the state, and was a man respected and honored by all.

Three Friends left port early Friday morning with a schooner in tow. The tug was coalled and provisioned for a long trip, and had aboard eight large surf boats.

The tug was seized by the revenue cutter Boutwell, and Capt. Brown, the master and one of the owners, was brought to the city.

The tug is held pending instructions from Washington, though not a gun or a pound of ammunition was found aboard.

A hundred Cubans prepared to leave Tampa Friday night for this place or Fernandez, with the intention of joining the Three Friends expedition.

The extra vigilance exercised on the part of the administration is said to be due to a desire to hold the United States free from any charge of assisting Cuban insurgents, thus invalidating any claims Spain may make for indemnity.

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The Japanese Earthquake.

according to Prof. Kozlowski the recent earthquake waves which overwhelmed several towns in Japan were caused by a huge displacement of strata not far from the metropolitan coast line.

The professor says that it has been known that along the coast of Kamachi, Miyako and Ishikima, and extending as far north as Chishima, a hollow has existed measuring approximately about 100 miles wide by 300 miles long.

The depth of this huge bed or hollow varied from 3000 to 1665 fathoms. It is supposed that the walls of this enormous bed have fallen in and that the tidal wave was caused by it.

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Blood... Bubbles. Those pimples or blotches that disfigure your skin, are blood bubbles. They mark the unhealthy condition of the blood-current that throws them up.

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Announcement Rates.

The following rates will be charged by the FREE PRESS for announcements of candidates for office and will include placing their names on a sufficient number of the party tickets for the general election in November.

Announcements.

- For County Judge, H. R. JONES, J. S. RIKE, OSCAR MARTIN, J. M. BALDWIN. For County and District Clerk, G. R. COUCH, D. M. WINN.

SNAPS!

- 3 gallon cedar churns, 75c ea. 6 " " " " 65c ea. 1/2 " " " milk-crocks, 25c ea.

MACKECHNEY, ABILENE

LOCAL DOTS.

The young folks were entertained on Thursday night at Prof. Hentz's. Spend your cash with S. L. Robertson and save money.

Get your salt free. Last week Mr. M. A. Lowery of the north part of the county, went out to the salt beds in western part of Stonewall and eastern part of Kent county and got three wagon loads of strong, white pure salt just for the shipping of it up.

The Kainer revival last week is reported as a great success for the cause of Christianity.

Mr. E. H. Morrison came over from Graham the other day to take his wife home, but finding her sick is waiting a few days for her to recover.

Mr. Spence Heavers came in the other day with another fish story. They say he told it so strong that it knocked out two of his teeth and a piece of jaw bone!

Housekeepers' Delight flour is fine—none better—for Sale by S. L. Robertson.

Judge McConnell got in from the state convention yesterday sporting a cane with a bust of Bryan for the head.

Mr. J. E. Steenson's little boy, about 8 years old, and another little fellow roped a yearling last Saturday and tried their skill at broncho riding with the result of a broken arm for Mr. Steenson's boy.

Watch our stock for nice, new goods and the best and freshest of everything to eat that it is possible for us to get in this market.

Messrs Wade and Harris went up to the salt lake in the Northwest part of the county, and brought back some 700 lbs fine salt, plenty there now and easy loaded, several wagon loads went to Haskell last week.

Mr. and Mrs. O. Wade and Mr. Trav House and family, formerly, citizens of our county but now of the Indian Territory, are visiting the family of Mr. M. H. Gossett at this place.

Dr. Lindsey and Mr. Lemmon returned on Wednesday from their trip to Jacksboro, Mr. Lemmon brought back with him his wife and children, who were visiting there.

Our customers know that we have sold them goods cheaper than they could get the same goods elsewhere in town.

Mr. T. J. Lemmon, speaking of his trip to Jack county says he found the farmers with only slightly better crops than they have here.

Choice fresh, dried fruits just received at S. L. Robertson's.

Miss Lulu Brockman returned Thursday, to be in readiness for the opening of school on the 1st.

Messrs C. D. Long and H. M. Rike, who went to the state convention, had not shown up when we made our last round.

The terrible weather going down had been too much for him and he quit the drive at Graham and came back, leaving the other three to go on to Fort Worth.

To The Public.

Hon. H. L. Bentley of Abilene candidate for congress will be in Haskell and address the people on Wednesday the 26th of August.

We present this week the name of Mr. J. W. Evans as a candidate for re-election to the office of commissioner and justice of the peace for precinct No. 1.

Fifth Sunday Meeting.

The 5th Sunday meeting of the Stonewall Baptist association will be held with the Baptist church at Haskell, Texas, beginning on Thursday night before the 5th Sunday in August, 1896.

Questions to be discussed: 1st.—Does the scriptures teach that a child of God is rewarded in heaven according to his works?

2nd.—What does the scriptures mean when it says: "Peter, when thou art converted strengthen thy Brethren?"

3rd.—Where did Paul first believe in Jesus Christ?—Bros. W. T. Hughes R. D. Senter and others.

4th.—Are the Baptist churches of today, known as Missionary Baptist churches, the Primitive?—Bros. D. James, Denton, G. K. Ashburne and others.

5th.—Do the scriptures teach the final preservation of the saints?—Bros. S. A. Cobb, R. C. Farmer and others.

6th.—Is the government of the Missionary Baptist church according to the New Testament?—Bros. I. T. Farmer, E. B. Featherstone and others.

7th.—What does the New Testament teach in regard to our duty toward Missions?—Bros. I. N. Alvis, D. James, G. W. Scarbrough and others.

There will be preaching each night during the meeting and on Sunday at 11 o'clock a. m.

Three Boys. In 1872 three boys, among many others, graduated from the law department of Lebanon (Tenn.) university.

The publishers, S. Brainerd's Sons Co., 151 Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill., have sent us a copy of their "Red Hot Democratic Campaign Song Book for 1896," of twenty four pages.

Our opinion is that no self respecting man of any party, who has an ounce of pride or Southern blood in his body, will follow the lead of any such thing as Cyclone Davis.

Hon. WATSON C. SQUIRES republican Senator from the state of Washington, has declared himself for Bryan and Sewall and silver.

ET TU, BRUTE? The roses are fading and falling. C. W. Macune is out in an interview severing his allegiance to the populist party.

The price of cotton is steadily advancing. The latest quotations in Galveston were: For middling, 7 1/2-16.

For good middling 7 15-16. For middling fair, 8 1-16.

Patronize Home Enterprise.

Patronize your home gin. Patronize your home dairy. Patronize your home papers. Patronize your home school.

His bright sword from the scabbard leaps— Bryan of Nebraska! And like a flash of light he sweeps— Bryan of Nebraska!

The democratic state convention got down to nominations Thursday and the ticket of 1894 was renominated to wit:

Governor, C. A. Culberson. Lieut. Gov., J. T. Jester. Atty Gen., M. M. Crane.

The gold standard democrats who are to meet in convention at Indianapolis shortly are casting around for a distinctive name and seem to prefer to designate themselves the "National Democracy."

The open letter of Geo. L. Walton of Austin, former chairman of the populist party in Travis county, in which he formally severs himself from the populist party, charges, in effect, that the 103 (The Texas delegation to the St. Louis convention) unjustly put the rank and file of the party in Texas in the false attitude of preferring partisanship and pie to the success of a great principle.

THE DISCOVERY SAVED HIS LIFE. Mr. G. Cailhouette, Druggist, Beaversville, Ill., says: "To Dr King's New Discovery I owe my life."

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DID YOU EVER MAKE MONEY EASY? Mr. Editor,—I have read how Mr. C. E. B. makes much money in the Dish Washer business and think I have beat him. I am very young yet and have had little experience in selling goods.