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—The attention of the traveling public and those having express matter to bring from Stamford, is called to the neat display advertisement of Mr. A. D. English's livery stable and daily passenger and express line. He has a good equipment of vehicles and teams and will render prompt service at moderate charges.

WEAK and LOW-SPIRITED.
A Correspondent Thus Describes His Experience.

"I can strongly recommend Herbine as a medicine of remarkable efficacy for indigestion, loss of appetite, sour taste in the mouth, palpitation, headache, drowsiness after meals with distressing mental depression and low spirits. Herbine must be a unique preparation for cases such as mine, for a few doses entirely removed my complaint. I wonder at people going on suffering or spending their money on worthless things, when Herbine is procurable, and so cheap." 50c a bottle at J. B. Baker's.

The cabbage crop in the coast country adjacent to Corpus Christi is said to be much the largest ever grown in the state. The Aransas Pass Railway estimates that it will haul out 7000 car-loads besides the shipments in smaller quantities than car-loads to points in the state.

The scratch of a pin may cause the loss of a limb or even death when blood poisoning results from the injury. All danger of this may be avoided, however, by promptly applying Chamberlain's Pain Balm. It is an antiseptic and quick healing liniment for cuts, bruises and burns. For sale by All Druggists.

Curious Phenomenon in Australia.

Melbourn, Australia, Feb. 26.—(Special Cable to the Free Press.) Reports from the interior range districts give accounts of curious phenomenon recently occurring there. It is no less strange a thing than the sudden breaking out of numerous flowing springs over that large semi-arid territory where, heretofore, no such thing as a flowing spring of water has ever been known. So remarkable is the fact that it has attracted wide attention, and our leading scientists in attempting to account for the phenomenon have arrived at the conclusion that it is the water percolating through the earth from the recent copious rains in Western Texas, U. S. A. The peculiar reddish tinge of some of the water leads them to believe that it has come through from the Paint creek country in Haskell county.

A Mother's Recommendation.
I have used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for a number of years and have no hesitancy in saying that it is the best remedy for coughs, colds and croup I have ever used in my family. I have not words to express my confidence in this remedy.—Mrs. J. A. Moore, North Star, Mich. For sale by All Druggists.

In reforming some of the judicial districts south of us Taylor, Eastland, Stephens, Shackelford and Callahan counties were made a district, and J. H. Calhoun of Albany was appointed judge by the governor. Jones county was by her request put back in this district.

There never was a better time than now to plant shade trees in Haskell. The abundant moisture in the earth insures them a good start, and a little watering during dry spells in the summer will carry them through the first year. That done, they are pretty safe, as getting a root growth started and carrying them through the first year is always the most difficult. Don't allow this fine opportunity to escape you.

Cured Consumption.
Mrs. B. W. Evans, Clearwater, Kan., writes: "My husband lay sick for three months; the doctors stated he had quick consumption. We procured a bottle of Ballard's Horehound Syrup and it cured him. That was six years ago, and since then we always kept a bottle in the house. We cannot do without it. For coughs and colds, it has no equal." 25c. 50c and \$1 bottle at J. B. Baker's.

President Roosevelt's negro policy was no doubt inspired by a hope of furthering his political ambition, but for a man of intelligence, he made a woeful mistake, a mistake that probably will be his own undoing and will do the negroes a vast amount of harm in that it will raise false expectations in them and cause them to make foolish pretensions to political and social equality that will inevitably be resented by the whites. Every man of common sense knows that when it comes to the race question in this country, the white man will stay on top, even if he has to swim in blood to do it, and he who acts, teaches or does anything to raise contrary hopes in the minds of negroes is a fool, or worse. The two races never have anywhere, and never will, dwell together on lines of political and social equality. That a negro here and there, perhaps one in ten thousand, has risen above the level of his race in intelligence, education and moral quality is no answer to the proposition.

Better than Gold.
"I was troubled for several years with chronic indigestion and nervous debility," writes F. J. Green, of Lancaster, N. H. "No remedy helped me until I began using Electric Bitters, which did me more good than all the medicines I ever used. They have also kept my wife in excellent health for years. She says Electric Bitters are just splendid for female troubles; that they are a grand tonic and invigorator for weak, run down women. No other medicine can take its place in our family." Try them. Only 50c Satisfaction guaranteed by J. B. Baker.

The Woman's Magazine Club of Haskell has applied for admission to the State Federation of Clubs.

The time has been when we have heard people complain of dry weather and dust here—but not now.

Haskell County Roads.

Only One Remedy for the Mud. Must Be Graded.

The continuous wet weather of the last two weeks has brought the question of road improvement to the front with a vengeance. We see from the papers that in many counties in the state the roads have become entirely impassable for wagons, business is at a standstill and in some instance people are suffering for want of fuel and other necessary supplies. They can neither get their produce to market or get to markets to buy supplies.

Conditions are not so bad in Haskell county because there is not so much travel over the roads to cut them up. But they are bad enough, much worse than they should be, or, would be, if we had a better system of road working. We are informed that several of our roads are so bad that not more than one-third of a load can be hauled over them and that they will get worse if the wet weather continues. Running over level prairie country as these roads do, there is but one practicable remedy for them. That is to grade them up so that the water will run off rapidly and not stand in ruts and puddles, or depressions, to soften them.

But under our present system, working with a few drag scrapers, it is utterly impossible to grade the roads as it should be done; a little temporary patch work is about all that can be expected.

The road superintendent is in no wise to blame for this, he can do no better with the tools furnished him.

It will pay in the comfort of traveling over them, in the time saved, in the saving of wear and tear on wagons, harness and teams and in the size or weight of loads that can be hauled over them, to put the roads in proper condition.

To do this will require grading machines, which will cost \$200 to \$250 each, put to work on them. These machines can be bought on time, so that most of the money now in the road fund could be used in carrying on the work on the roads and the machines be paid for in one and two year installments. Two at least of these machines should be purchased. We understand that each machine will put up one-half to one mile of road bed per day.

There will be no better time than now for the people to agitate this matter. See your commissioners and urge it upon them, hold meetings and pass resolutions, appoint committees to go before the court with the question and use the columns of the Free Press in which to express your views on the subject, whether for or against the plan suggested, but we hardly expect any adverse opinions from people who are having to split the mud. If you write, be brief and to the point in your communications, as our space is limited.

In this connection we may mention that the Dallas News said the other day that there are several hundred miles of graded roads in Dallas county and that in consequence the farmers there are not experiencing any such hardships in getting over the country as are reported from many sections.

Cancer Cured!!
Mr. W. W. Prickett, Smithfield, Ill., writes, Sept. 10th, 1901: "I had been suffering several years with a cancer on my face, which gave me great annoyance and unbearable itching. I was using Ballard's Snow Liniment for a sore leg, and through an accident, I rubbed some of the liniment on the cancer, and as it gave me almost instant relief, I decided to continue to use the liniment on the cancer. In a short time the cancer came out, my face healed up and there is not the slightest scar left. I have implicit faith in the merits of this preparation, and it cannot be too highly recommended." 25c, 50c and \$1.00. For sale by J. B. Baker.

FOR SALE.
Four full-blood shorthorn bulls, one good horse and 8000 bundles of good sorghum. A. P. McLemore.

More Rain.

Our report last week showed 3.40 ins. of rain during Jan. and February. Since then there has been 2.95 ins. more of rain, total to date 6.35 ins., being 3.63 ins. more than the previous highest record for these months, which was 2.72 ins. Jan. and Feb. '95.

Alexander Mercantile Co.

having succeeded the firm of F. G. Alexander & Co., wish to say to the friends and customers of the old firm that they will continue the business at the old stand and on the same principles of equity and justice to all that characterized the dealings of the old firm.

We shall do business on a cash basis until the accounts growing out of last year's business are settled in some satisfactory manner, and we shall expect every one owing us to come forward promptly and adjust their accounts.

This is purely a business request and is necessary in order to put our business in a business shape and, while we have not found fault with those who have not been able as yet to pay up on account of crop failures, we trust none will give us cause to complain of bad faith by ignoring this, our reasonable request.

To relieve the former manager Mr. F. G. Alexander of some of the work and pressure of business the collection department has been placed in the hands of Mr. W. L. Hills, who will be fair to all.

Soliciting your further friendship and patronage, we are yours in the hope of a prosperous year for all.

Alexander Mercantile Co.

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Handles only the Purest and Best drugs. Carries a nice line of
Jewelry, Notions and Sundries;
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Maker of
FINE BOOTS & SHOES
...Fit, Style and Quality Guaranteed...
I have had many years experience in making Cow-boy boots. A trial will convince you of the excellence of my work.

Old Stager's Family Medicines.

TIME TESTED  **GUARANTEED**

Most of these remedies have been in use for 20 years and are offered to the sick under a strict guaranty that they will cure it used according to directions, or money back. No one medicine is a cure-all, as some patent medicines are claimed to be, and Old Stager Family Medicines are not offered as such, but each one has been compounded for a special malady, and are the result of the experience of a physician of 20 years active practice. Following is a brief description of the Old Stager Family Medicines:

Old Stager La Grip Specific is a certain and speedy remedy for La Grip, Colds, Headache, Neuralgia and Fever. It has cured hundreds of cases of these distressing complaints and we have so much faith in its curing others that we offer your money back if you try it and it does not cure you.

Old Stager Cough Medicine is a safe, speedy and harmless remedy—no narcotics in it to stupify the patient and give only temporary relief, as is the case with so many cough medicines, but this is guaranteed to give prompt relief and afford a permanent cure when its use is persisted in. If you have a troublesome cough TRY IT.

Old Stager Catarrh Medicine is better than all the nostrums and patent medicines so much advertised and lauded as Catarrh cures. It will cure Catarrh, Hay Fever and Cold in the Head. Chronic Catarrh of long standing is slow in yielding to treatment, but Old Stager Medicine will cure it. Try it and get your money back if it fails. It will open the air passages and give quick relief in cases of cold in the Head.

Old Stager Liniment the best made for Bruises, Cuts, Swellings and Sores of any kind. Use it once and you will prefer it to all others.

Old Stager Fistula Cure a cure that cures. We have heard of many bad cases being cured by it, and no failures. It is easy to apply. Guaranteed.

Emoline a soothing and elegant remedy for chapped hands, face and lips. Makes the skin smooth and soft.

McLemore's Prairie Dog Poison. This is a dead shot on Prairie Dogs. It has been used in Haskell and adjoining counties for several years and has given complete satisfaction wherever used as directed. Can give any number of first-class testimonials.

Dealers wanted to handle these medicines in every town. Address,
McLemore & Ellis, Proprs., Haskell.
For sale by W. H. Wyman & Co., Haskell.

The politicians in congress are feeling around to see if it will do to raise the president's salary to \$100,000 a year. If they find it will "go" with the people the next move will be to raise their own salaries. If the people don't yell "stop thief!" they'll pick up courage to do both pretty soon.

The Rock Island Looking West

Graham, Tex., Feb. 21.—A large party of surveyors have begun a survey of an extension of the Rock Island northwest from Graham toward Throckmorton.

The Gould people have been making an exhaustive examination of the topography of the coal regions of this country. Their expert was called away yesterday, and much railroad building seems assured.

The above item clipped from the Dallas News has been confirmed by private information.

The Free Press has been forecasting a contest between the Rock Island (extension westward from Graham) and the Texas & Pacific (extension westward from Mineral Wells.) and this throwing out of their skirmish lines makes it look like it is near at hand.

Our railroad committee is keeping up with the situation and will do whatever can be done to secure one of the roads to Haskell. It will not surprise us if one of these roads is the first to run a train into Haskell. With its present terminus at Graham, the Rock Island would seem to be in position to win the race over the T. & P. with its starting point at Mineral Wells.

It would seem also that the Rock Island's recent deal, securing a half interest in the Union and Southern Pacific's north and south lines in Texas, thus getting an outlet to Galveston without having to build its own line from Dallas, will enable it to at once turn its construction forces in another direction—westward from Graham, we hope.

Tendency of the Times.

The tendency of medical science is toward preventive measures. The best thought of the world is being given to the subject. It is easier and better to prevent than to cure. It has been fully demonstrated that pneumonia, one of the most dangerous diseases that medical men have to contend with, can be prevented by the use of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. Pneumonia always results from a cold or from an attack of influenza (grip), and it has been observed that this remedy counteracts any tendency of these diseases toward pneumonia. This has been fully proven in many thousands of cases in which this remedy has been used during the great prevalence of colds and grip in recent years, and can be relied upon with implicit confidence. Pneumonia often results from a slight cold when no danger is apprehended until it is suddenly discovered that there is fever and difficulty in breathing and pains in the chest, then it is announced that the patient has pneumonia. Be on the safe side and take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy as soon as the cold is contracted. It always cures. For sale by All Druggists.

Buy Sell or Exchange Lands or live stock, see ...A. J. B. NEAL... The UHSTLER.
If nonresidents will write me what they want I will find it for them, if it is not already on my list—Address
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Haskell, Texas.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY
Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. See

Farmers' Institute Notice
Owing to the very bad weather last week the meeting for permanent organization of the Haskell County Farmers' Institute was not held on last Saturday.
After consulting with a number of those interested in the matter, it has been decided to call the meeting for permanent organization for Saturday, March 14, when the program previously published will be carried out. All those to whom subjects were assigned for discussion will please take notice and come prepared to give the brethren the best information they have or can get on their several subjects.

Setting the date off to March 14, will probably give us good weather, and will give all an opportunity to learn of the date set, and, it is urged on all who have signified an intention to go into the organization to make an extra effort to be on hand so that we can get the institute organized on a permanent basis. Also let every one bring as many of their neighbors in as they can.

We hope to make this meeting a profitable one to the farming interests of Haskell county.

Respectfully,
G. J. Miller, Chairm.

Mr. Jas. Massie of Throckmorton was in Haskell yesterday.

Are you Restless at night
And harassed by a bad cough? Use Ballard's Horehound Syrup, it will secure you sound sleep and effect a prompt and radical cure. 25c. 50c and \$1 bottle at J. B. Baker's.

Notes From Marcy
Editor Free Press:
Did you have plenty snow and ice last week, we did, and now we are having plenty of rain. Such is life in the West—last year too dry, this year too wet, at any rate it beats a sandstorm every day.

The roads are in such a condition that no freight wagons can go to Stamford, and I expect it will be sometime before we can get down there again.

Notwithstanding all this bad weather, very little stock has died. Mrs. C. M. Chapman was summoned home from Haskell last Monday to be with her little girl, Kathleen, who was suffering with croup; she is quite sick at this writing with bronchitis.

Mr. I. M. Fowler who lives near town is quite sick with la grippe. Mrs. McGee who lived about 3 miles south of town died last Saturday night. She had only been sick a few days and was getting along very well—when she got suddenly worse and died in a short while. She left a husband here and several relatives in Hamilton county. They had only been living here a little while. Nelly Bly.

If the people of Delaware are any better than Bombasticus Addicks' recent fulmination estimates them at they ought to show it by tarring and feathering him and riding him out of the state on a rail.

To Cure a Cold in One Day
Cure Grip in Two Days.
Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets.  on every box. 25c.
Seven Million boxes sold in past 12 months. This signature.

FITZSIMMONS, THE UNPERJURED.

By WM. H. OSBORNE.

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"Send for Fitzsimmons," commanded the astute attorney for the railroad. Fitzsimmons came. The delicate aroma of liquor and tobacco came with him—he was in prime condition, was Fitzsimmons. But then, he generally was. The messenger who was sent for him had no trouble to find him. Fitzsimmons day or night could be found in his private office in the corner of the bar at Steve O'Donnell's.

"I ain't no hog," would say Fitzsimmons; "just gimme all I kin ask an' drink an' chew an' I don't ask no more. No, sir! An' I can't say fairer than that."

Fitzsimmons strode into the attorney's office with the peculiar air of dignity that was his alone.

"Fitzsimmons," said the attorney, bending his gaze upon the rosy-cheeked proboscis of that gentleman, "but wait a minute. What am I thinking of? Will you come out and wet your whiskers?"

Fitzsimmons eyed the attorney stiffly. "I'll go out an' stretch my legs," he conceded. They went out and came back.

"Now, Fitzsimmons," went on the lawyer, as he closed and locked the door, "we're in a hole. This man Jenkins has sued us for heavy damages, and the case comes up next week. He's the fellow we smacked all to pieces last summer, you remember? Fitzsimmons kept on staring out of the window.

"Now," said the attorney, "he's got us dead to rights unless we can prove just one thing, and that is that he was drunk. Understand? Now, we have information that he was. But we've got no certain proof. What we want is the proof. Now, Fitzsimmons," he fixed his steady gaze upon Fitzsimmons' wandering one, "you're a man about town—that's what you are, you know—a man about town."

Fitzsimmons suddenly screwed his face up into remarkable contortions. "There's somethin' the matter with my legs," he complained; "they need stretchin'. I guess, it's the only thing that keeps 'em straightened out, and that's a fact." They were duly stretched.

"Now," finally resumed the attorney, "this thing happened right in front of Steve O'Donnell's, at 12 o'clock midnight, of the 17th of June. Understand? Well, it's just possible that on the 17th of June, at midnight, you were looking out of Steve O'Donnell's window, and saw this thing, or that you were standing outside, and saw the man and saw that he was drunk."

With one eye Fitzsimmons gazed upon the distant landscape. With the other he steadily regarded the other man.

"Counselor!" he exclaimed, "it is no doubt at all about it. I see the hull thing in me mind's eye. Here's me, just standing inside the swinging door—on the night of June the 17th—"

"Seventeenth!" corrected the attorney.

"Seventeenth it is!" went on Fitzsimmons. "On the night of Tuesday, the 17th of June."

"Friday!" interrupted the lawyer.

"So it was," continued Fitz. "Friday, the 17th of June, an' me as sober as a judge, not having had a drop for forty-eight hours to say the least."

"Eight hours would be better," murmured the lawyer.

"Forty-eight, upon my soul," insisted Fitzsimmons, "an' what d'ye think? As I stand there along comes this man Peterson—drunk as a lord—an' he not knowin' whether he was standin' on his head or his feet—or whether he was foot or horseback—an' what d'ye think he does—walks into the blame trolley car, yer honor, and smashes it to bits. On my soul he did. I saw the man," continued he, shaking his head, "an' I ought to know. He was drunk as a lord, I'm tellin' you."

"Me legs," remarked Fitzsimmons, "is feelin' that weak—"

Two hours later Fitzsimmons left the room, hugging a twenty dollar bill close to his breast.

"A double eagle for me conscience," murmured Fitzsimmons to himself, "an' a double at that, it is."

Next day he called upon the attorney for the injured man.

"I got a bit of news for you," he remarked lamely to Jenkins's lawyer. "They're layin' up witnesses on the other side. What d'ye think of that?"

Jenkins's attorney leaned over eagerly. "How do you know?" he asked.

"There's none knows better than me," said Fitz. "For they offered me a good twenty dollars to swear your man was drunk, an' throw you out of court—that's what they done."

"Did you take it?" asked the lawyer. Fitzsimmons sprang to his feet.

"The seventeenth o' June," mused Fitzsimmons, "your honor, I'm tellin' you the truth. I was away for a whole week on the seventeenth o' June. Me legs were that bad, I had to get 'em stretched. I'd better go," he added, "I feel it comin' on agin'."

He bowed genteelly to the court and to the counsel on both sides, and made his exit. Ten minutes later he was regaling himself at the expense of one of his five-dollar bills.

"Steve," he explained to that worthy gentleman, "they can stretch me legs all right, but I'll be hanged if I'll let 'em stretch me conscience."

"Yes, I have," insisted Fitz. "I been drunk myself—but never like that an' that night." He sighed. "An' to think," he said, "to think I've got to swear agin' your client. I hate to do it."

The lawyer looked at him keenly. "Are you sure," he began, slowly drawing his wallet from his pocket—a wallet that fairly bulged with bills, "are you sure that he was drunk?" He slowly opened the wallet inside out.

"Sure," he inquired.

"I ain't so sure, counselor," he said. "My memory ain't good—I don't know us I could swear to it, after all." The lawyer looked one way, and extended with his hand five five-dollar bills toward Fitzsimmons. Fitzsimmons, still gazing out of the window, met him half way—he took the bills.

"He's a good sober man—that Jen-



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HILDA CLARK

Miss Hilda Kathryn Clark, prima donna in "The Highwayman," "Maid Marian," "Robin Hood," and many other light operas, is to marry Frederick Stanton Flower, nephew of the late Roswell P. Flower and a member of the firm of Flower & Co., 41 Broadway, New York. The wedding will take place at the home of the bride's parents, 353 Riverside Drive, New York. After that Mr. and Mrs. Flower will live in Mr. Flower's house, 615 Fifth Avenue. Miss Clark and Mr. Flower have known each other fifteen years, and would have been married several years ago but for the opposition of Mr. Flower's father. The groom to be is forty years old. He inherited a portion of Roswell P. Flower's estate and is rated as a millionaire.

EX-GOVERNORS IN SENATE.

One-Fifth of the Membership Have Served Their States.

Senators Stone of Missouri and Berry of Arkansas, both ex-governors of their respective states, have been counting the ex-governors who now hold seats in the United States senate. Three governors or ex-governors will take their seats after March 1. They are McCree of Kentucky, Clark of Arkansas and Stone. Both the senators from Louisiana have served their states as governor, and Dillingham and Proctor have been governors of Vermont. One-fifth of the present membership of the senate is composed of ex-governors. The list includes Berry of Arkansas, Perkins of California, Mooney and Foster of Louisiana, Culion of Illinois, Alger of Michigan, Nelson of Minnesota, MacLaurin of Mississippi, Dietrich of Nebraska, Foraker of Ohio, Wetmore of Rhode Island, Tillman of South Carolina, Culberson of Texas, Proctor and Dillingham of Vermont.

DEATH OF WELL-KNOWN WRITER.

Edna Lyall Succumbs to an Attack of Pneumonia.

Aida Ellen Bayly, the novelist, whose pen name was "Edna Lyall," died last



EDNA LYALL

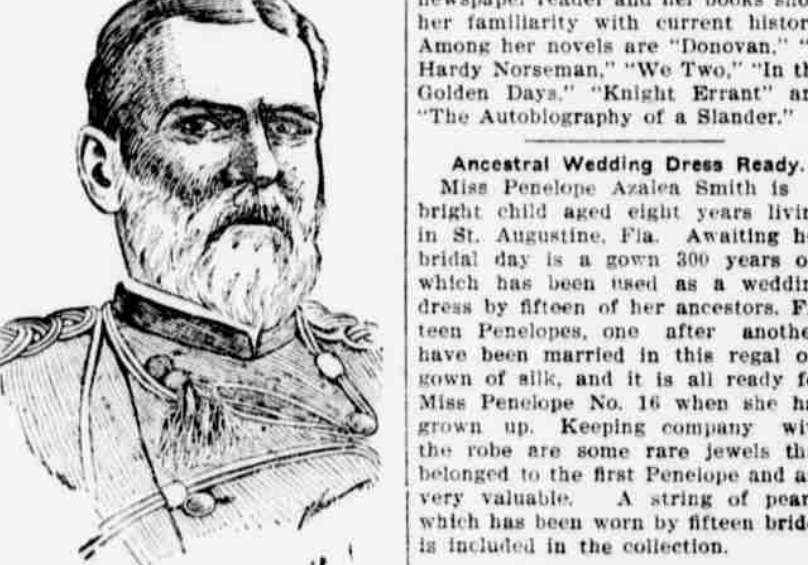
ARMY OFFICERS CHANGE POSTS.

Maj. Gen. Bates to Command Department of the Lakes.

Maj. Gen. John C. Bates has been ordered to relieve Maj. Gen. MacArthur of the department of the lakes April 1.

Maj. Gen. MacArthur is assigned to command the department of California, to relieve Maj. Gen. Robert P. Hughes, who will be retired April 11.

Maj. Gen. Bates, in addition to the week in Eastbourne, England, pneumonia following an attack of the grip caused death. Miss Bayly was the daughter of a barrister, while her grandfather also followed the law. Her brother is a clergyman. She received a liberal education and early took an interest in history and current events. She was a diligent and discriminating newspaper reader and her books show her familiarity with current history. Among her novels are "Donovan," "A Hardy Norseman," "We Two," "In the Golden Days," "Knight Errant" and "The Autobiography of a Slanderer."



MAJ. GEN. JOHN C. BATES

department of the lakes, for the present exercises command of the department of the Missouri.

Where Kitchener is Needed.

Now that Lord Kitchener is busy in India they are beginning to think in England that he could be employed to great advantage at home. "We have sent Hercules to the Himalayas," is one of the phrases heard in London, where it is thought the famous soldier ought to be clearing out the Augean stable of the war office.

An Old-Time Wish.

At Wrentham, Norfolk, England, is this inscription at an old country house engraved on an oak board and all in one line: "Nee nishi gis serv, nee hospes hirudo." Translated from the Latin, in which it appears in antique Roman capita, letters, it may be rendered: "No dormouse as a servant for me, neither a horseleech for a guest."

Has Not Forgotten Enmity.

Kansas legislators are taking steps to secure the placing of a marble likeness of the late John J. Ingalls in statutory hall, Washington. Cy Leland, who was a bitter enemy of the senator, is doing what he can to defeat the project. Mr. Leland was long leader of a Republican faction in Kansas and is now in the state legislature.

Not So Shocking.

After all, the presents which we Americans received were no great shakes when compared to the earthquake which the inhabitants of Russian Turkestan found in their stockings on Christmas.

HER DOUGHT "RIZ" ALL RIGHT.

The Embarrassing Experience of a Kind-Hearted Woman.

A medicine bottle, a mirror and a bunch of keys, all hanging to a chunk of dough as large as your head was the sight that met a Showegan woman's view when she opened her satchel in the Showegan car en route to Lewiston.

She had wondered for some time what it was that was swelling out the sides of her satchel in such an unpropitious manner, and she opened the satchel to find out. She struggled to close it, but she could not. The man in the rear seat looked over her back to see what the matter was. The conductor stopped to look at her in her helpless state.

"What's the matter, madam," he inquired.

"Oh, nothing. Bread is rising, can't you see? Oh, get away!"

She got her fingers in the dough and then she got mad. She tried to pull them. She tried to close the satchel, but it would not close.

"Confounded that thing," she said, and the satchel, comb, mirror and dough disappeared out through a window.

When she tells her friends about the case now she laughs at the horrid fellow-passenger and conductor, but she did not feel like it then.

She was coming to visit a friend in Lewiston. This friend admired her bread very much and said it was the best in the world, so, not having any bread ready to bring with her, she seized upon a large piece of dough which was rising in a pan before the fire and wrapping it in a napkin she placed it in her grip with the above result.—Lewiston Evening Journal.

THE WONDERS OF NATURE.

Protection From Enemies Furnished All Living Things.

By a decree of nature, one-half the world flourishes at the expense of the other half. The sparrow chases the butterfly, but the hawk chases the sparrow. For the problem of life is twofold. It is not enough merely to eat; it is necessary to avoid being eaten. Yet nature detests killing for killing's sake. Massacre forms no part of her great plan. So we see that every creature is provided with some more or less effective quality of defence, by means of which the attacks of its natural enemies are rendered less frequent or less deadly.

Thus, the antelope, by means of its superior speed, at times escapes from the lion. The armadillo, rolled in its wondrous coat of mail, lies secure among a score of hungry, gnawing foes, while the white hare, scarcely distinguishable from the snow on which it crouches, is often overlooked by the fox. But of all creatures none have received more ample protection than the insects. Some of them possess stings, others bite, and a few puff out clouds of poisonous vapor to stupefy or blind their pursuers. Again, there are insects clothed in impenetrable armor, insects covered with sharp spines and prickles and others whose means of defence consists in nothing but a likeness to the objects which surround them.

Not New England Hospitality.

Senator Hoar, at the New England dinner that was held recently in Philadelphia, talked about New England hospitality.

It is better now than it used to be, he said, "but it will stand improvement here and there. I remember how I dined, not long ago, with a Connecticut farmer, a boyhood friend of mine. For dinner there was turkey. It was an excellent bird and I ate it heartily. I said:

"John, this turkey will make a fine hash to-morrow."

"Yes, George, it will," the farmer answered, "provided that you leave off now."

"That was not New England hospitality, either. It was just a joke," concluded Senator Hoar.

The Shah's Job Lot of Wives.

The Shah of Persia, on returning home, probably still full of the visions of beauty that he had witnessed in the music halls of Paris and London, found that his harem was wanting in freshness, and he has decided to renew it.

There is a job lot of some 2,000 wives who are going to be liquidated. I understand the sale will be made by auction at some Tattersall's in Teheran.

I may mention that the Shah's harem consists of 2,700 women, that he has paid his kind address to every one of them, and that his offspring consists of 112 sons and ninety-six daughters.—Max O'Reil in Indianapolis Sentinel.

At Eventide.

At eventide I saw the level plain
So rich and small beneath my feet.
A sapphire sea, without a stain,
And fields of golden wheat
Lingered, I said, "At noon I'll be
At peace with that sweet-scented tide,
Before I come to the eventide!"

Where is it fled, that radiant plain?
I stumble now in misty ways;
Dark clouds drift landward, big with rain,
And lonely moors their summits raise.
On, on, with hurrying feet I range,
And left and right in the dumb hills
Side.

Gray valleys open, drear and strange—
And so I come to the eventide!
—Arthur Christopher Benson, in Spectator.

Two Ways of Putting It.

Two bookkeepers met at luncheon in a downtown restaurant on New Year's day, says the New York Times.

"What are you doing down here today?" asked one.

"I am making an examination of our books," replied the bookkeeper, with an air of importance, "searching for sins of omission, commission and remission, scouting out errors, rectifying mistakes, proving our balance sheet, and satisfying myself as to the correctness of our accounts. Why are you down here on a holiday?"

"Oh, I'm only checking up our books," replied the other, devoting himself to his sandwich and coffee.

You can't tip a waiter enough to make him lose his balance.

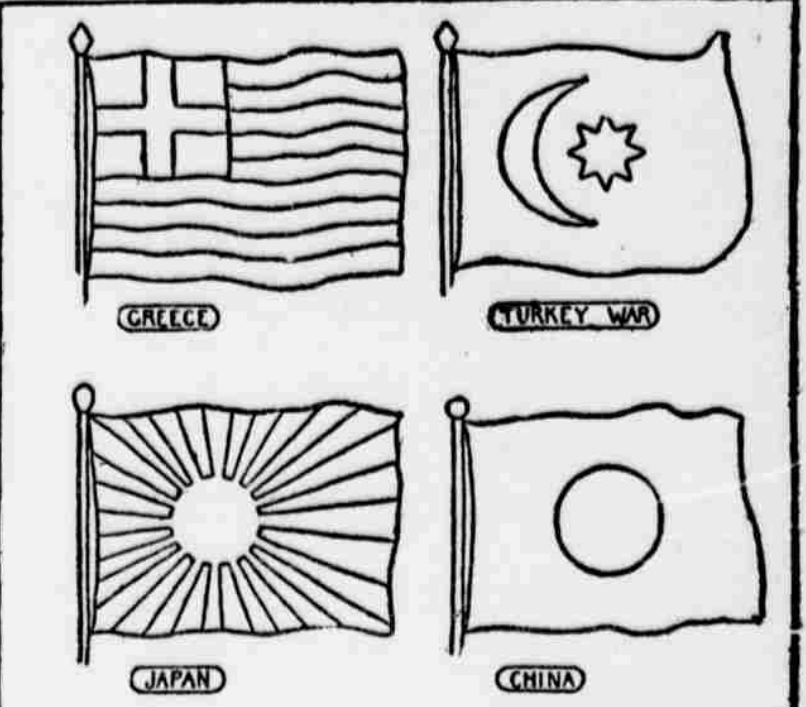
LITTLE MEN and Little WOMEN.

FLAGS OF FOUR NATIONS.

The flag of Greece is blue and white, showing alternating stripes, the top stripes being blue. The cross in the corner is white upon a blue ground. The crescent moon and star are signs of Turkey. They were adopted into disse for other purposes.

The war flag of Turkey is red, with the crescent and star white.

Japan, the Land of the Rising Sun, has adopted the rising sun as its emblem. The very striking flag of that



Camera to Aid in Drawing.

This instrument, a camera for drawing, calls for an outlay of from 50 cents to \$1.50 for a lens, unless the reader is fortunate enough to already possess a double convex lens, or what is known among boys as a "burning glass." A small mirror or piece of looking glass, a small pane of common window glass and an old soap or candle box, or some pine lumber of which to make a box, is all the material required.

Let the box be about 18 inches long, 9 inches deep and 12 inches wide; fasten the lens in a hole cut for that purpose at one end of the box. A piece of looking glass must be fixed at an angle of 45 degrees at the opposite end of the box. If from where the top of the glass rests against the end board it measures nine inches to the bottom of the box, then the bottom of the glass should be nine inches from the end of the box.

Grind one side of the surface of the window pane glass by rubbing upon a flat stone or sandpaper. Make a lid to the top of the box, as shown in the illustration, and under the lid fasten the ground glass. Paint or blacken the inside of the box and adjust the parts by experiment, so that when the lens is turned toward any object that object will be immediately reflected upon the piece of ground glass. This is very easily done.

If a piece of drawing paper is placed over the ground glass, and the lens

Blindfolded Feeding Match.

Here is a little party pastime that will make everybody roar with laughter. Spread a sheet on the floor and seat two closely blindfolded boys on it, facing each other. Give each boy a saucer of cracker crumbs, to be held



in his left hand, and a teaspoon or a dessert spoon, to be held in his right. Now give a signal and tell them to feed each other, and you will have fun enough to make all the chairs in the room laugh.

Hunter's Escape from a Bear.

A queer story is told of a hunter and a bear out West. It seems that the hunter, who was merely an amateur, by the way, had disregarded the advice of the more experienced men in the camp, and wandered off for a stroll by himself. He took his gun with him, intending to use it if he came across any game, but things turned out very differently from what he expected, and he did not use his gun—as you will see.

He had not gone very far from camp when he came unexpectedly on a grizzly bear. That being his first encounter with this "monarch of the West," he forgot all about his gun, and looked quickly about him for some way to escape. There was no tree near, but there was a tall, smooth rock, a sort of boulder, for which he made without stopping to order his time. He reached it in safety and succeeded in scrambling up to the top, where he turned to see what the bear was doing.

What he saw was anything but reassuring, for Bruin was at the foot of the rock, just in the act of smashing his gun, which he had dropped in his haste and excitement. Having done that bit of work pretty thoroughly, the bear turned his attention to the rock and the hunter, but the rock was too smooth for him to climb, and the hunter was, therefore, out of his reach.

But he had no notion, apparently, of going away, for he seated himself as if he determined to make a long siege of it, and the hunter's soul quaked with all sorts of dreadful apprehensions. He was too far from camp for his cries to be heard, and his companions were not likely to come in his direction for hours, if at all.

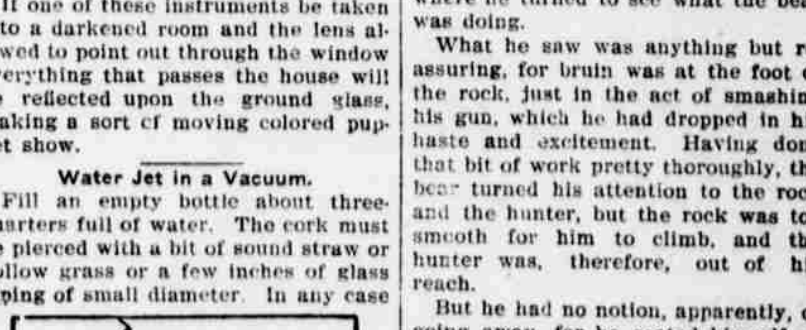
Suddenly it occurred to him that he might make some use of a bottle of brandy that he had in his pocket; perhaps if he poured some of it over the bear it might have the effect of frightening him off. So he aimed carefully and poured a gill or so of the fiery liquid right into the bear's face. Strange to say, the bear seemed to like it; so the poor man had to devise some other scheme.

A box of matches in his pocket gave him the coveted idea—why not pour some of the brandy over the bear's back and then drop a lighted match on it? The brandy would take fire, the bear would make tracks for the woods and his life would be saved! He would not set fire, even to a bear, under ordinary circumstances, but this was a case of life or death to him, and he must do something.

Watching his chance, he poured some of the brandy down on to the bear's hairy coat, and then dropped a lighted match. The effect was instant and remarkable, for the bear shot off for the distant woods, leaving a small trail of burning hair behind him, and the hunter shot off just as fast in the direction of camp.

Water Jet in a Vacuum.

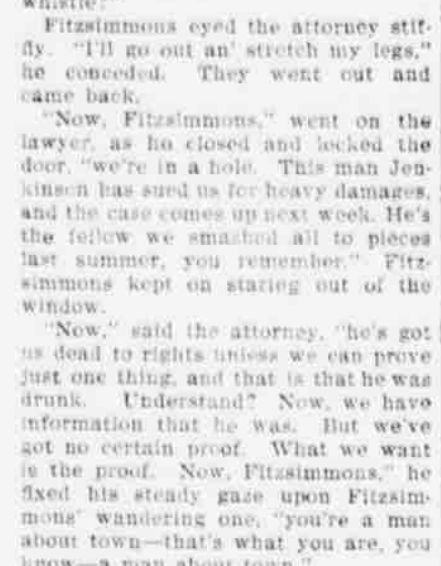
Fill an empty bottle about three-quarters full of water. The cork must be pierced with a bit of solid straw or hollow grass or a few inches of glass piping of small diameter. In any case



How the Jet of Water Will Look.

This tube must descend near the bottom of the bottle. Hermetically seal the cork with varnish or sealing wax. Now cover your flask with a large pickle bottle upside down, which must first be warmed over a lamp or candle flame. In order to prevent the air from getting in, it must be placed on a few sheets of wet blotting paper, smoothly laid on a plate. Press the pickle bottle firmly down on the blotting paper so as to exclude all air.

Now in a minute or two, the contraction of the inner air from the cooling of the bottle will cause a jet of water to issue from the medicine bot-



FREDERICK S. FLOWER, JR.



GROSVENOR'S NEW SOBRIQUET.

Representative Champ Clark has a new sobriquet for G. W. Grosvenor, which he has applied in debate before the House.

"Out in Ohio," says Mr. Clark, "and even beyond the confines of that state my friend bears the sobriquet of 'Old Figgers.'"

"The other day I happened to be standing down in the hall by the post-office. An old employe of the house was talking to a tenderfoot. The general swept by in his majesty, tenderly fondling his prophet's beard, and the old employe said to the newcomer:

"There goes the Stud Bug of arithmetic."—Washington Post.

Streets Paved With Paper.

Zurich has its streets paved with paper.

J. E. POOLE, Editor and Proprietor.

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LOCAL DOTS.

Heavy gloves. Heavy gloves at Racket Store. Special low prices on heavy gloves at the Racket Store. Mrs. Harry Dougherty of Jacksboro, is here on a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Isbell. You can always get good apples, oranges, bananas and lemons at K. Jones, on south side. Valentines at the Racket Store. Try K. Jones for the best cigar in town—south side. Prof. Litsey informs us that a late letter from his brother Dr. R. G. Litsey, states that he has been delayed and will not reach Haskell on the 14th as previously stated, but expects to arrive here on the 24 or 25th instant. All kinds of nuts, candies and fruits at K. Jones, south side. Miss Angie Baker returned Friday evening of last week from a visit of two or three weeks with relatives at Hamilton. K. Jones will have an extra choice line of the celebrated Loose Bros. candies in for the holiday trade. Ladies use Emoline for rough skin and to prevent and cure chapping. You will find it at Wyman's. Best line of cigars in town—K. Jones, south side. Our old townsman, Squire J. W. Evans, was among his Haskell friends two or three days this week. For colds and catarrh use Old Stager's Catarrh Cure, it gives quick relief—at Wyman's. I'm back again at the old stand—northwest corner—ready to make you pictures better than ever and at prices down to suit the times.

T. F. MAJORS.

Kill your prairie dogs with McLemore's guaranteed poison—at Wyman's.

Rev. Alvis requests that all who will help in the singing at the Baptist church during the approaching meeting come out to choir practice tonight.

Now is the time to use Old Stager's Cough Medicine, guaranteed—at Wyman's.

COMMERCIAL CLUB.

MEETING CALLED.

A meeting of the Haskell Commercial Club is called on Tuesday, Feb. 17 at 8 p. m. to consider the question of securing a flouring mill for Haskell and acting on propositions which are expected to be presented. Let all members be prompt to attend. R. E. Sherrill, Pres. W. H. Wyman, Sec.

We expected to have some space for Commissioners' court proceedings this week but other matter filled the paper before we could reach it. We will give the important items in our next issue.

F. G. Alexander, a prominent merchant and cotton buyer of Haskell, was here last night disposing of something like a hundred bales of cotton which he had bought at Monday. Mr. Alexander is also one of the leading spirits in the Haskell railway committee and his presence here was thought to have some weight or meaning along that line.—Baylor County Banner.

Don't wear out your coffee mill grinding poor coffee when you can get Gold Seal Mocha and Java blend coffee, ready ground, in air-tight cans so cheap at Williams' store. I'm after your cigar trace—try me for a good smoke, K. Jones.

SEED OATS—SEED CORN.

We have a supply of the genuine Texas Red Rustproof seed oats, warranted clear of johnson grass seed, also the northern red seed oats. We will also have several kinds of the best recommended seed corn, including Texas grown and northern varieties. These seeds will be sold at the lowest possible prices. W. W. Fields & Bro.

The best physic. "Once tried and you will always use Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets," says William A. Girard, Pease, Vt. These Tablets are the most prompt, most pleasant and most reliable cathartic in use. For sale by All Druggists.

Sunday School Rally.

Bro. Editor—Please allow me to call attention again to our Sunday School Rally program which appeared in last week's paper, and ask everybody to attend. I hope all of the Sunday school workers of the town and county will attend. All workers from the country will be cared for most gladly.

The introductory sermon will be preached Tuesday night, 17 inst., by pastor Dixon of Stamford, on "The Churches' Mission." Everybody come. Respy. I. N. Alvis.

Parties owing accounts at the meat market must settle on the first of the month, otherwise we cannot continue their accounts. Cunningham & Ellis.

When you feel blue and that every thing goes wrong, take a dose of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. They will cleanse and invigorate your stomach, regulate your bowels, give you a relish for your food and make you feel that in this old world is a good place to live. For sale by All Druggists.

NOTICE

A special Willard Memorial meeting of the W. C. T. U. will be held on Tuesday, Feb. 17, 3 p. m. at the home of Mrs. T. G. Carney. A special Francis Willard program has been arranged and all members are earnestly requested to be present and to bring a friend, also to be prepared with a quotation from Francis Willard for roll call response. Mrs. A. E. Mason, Pres.

Mysterious Circumstance.

One was pale and sallow and the other fresh and rosy. Whence the difference? She who is blushing with health uses Dr. King's New Life Pills to maintain it. By gently arousing the lazy organs they compel good digestion and head off constipation. Try them. Only 25c. at J. B. Baker's drug store.

If you want to know what you are planting when you plant your onion patch, get the Red Weathersfield, the White Silverskin or the Yellow Globe Danvers sets at the Racket Store—they are all fine varieties and true to name.

WANTED—FAITHFUL PERSON TO TRAVEL for well established house in a few counties, calling on retail merchants and agents. Local territory. Salary \$1000 a year and expenses, payable \$10 a week in cash and expenses advanced. Position permanent. Business advanced and thriving. Standard House, 224 Dearborn St., Chicago. (No 30)

If you have a horse with fistula, use Old Stager's Cure. It's guaranteed to cure—at Wyman's.

Important Railroad Deal.

In connection with the recent reported purchase of a half interest in the Houston and Texas Central by the Rock Island, the following dispatch from Chicago is of interest:

Not only has the Rock Island secured one-half the Southern Pacific's interest in the Houston and Texas Central, but it was learned from reliable authority today that it has purchased from E. H. Harriman a one-half interest in the Houston East and West Texas Railroad, which runs from Houston to Shreveport, and a one-half interest in the Dallas and Beaumont Railroad, which, when completed, will give the Rock Island a new extension from Dallas to the Beaumont oil fields.

The Southern Pacific and Rock Island each will have an undivided half interest in these roads, and they will be operated jointly by them. These new acquisitions give the Rock Island independent and direct lines from Chicago to Galveston, Beaumont and Shreveport.

It is not improbable that the Rock Island may extend the Houston and Shreveport lines from Shreveport, La., to New Orleans in order to enable it to take business to both the leading gulf ports.—Dallas News, Feb. 10.

A Dallas man here this week expressed the conviction that in pursuance of its determination to thoroughly cover Texas territory, the Rock Island will, as soon as it gets into Dallas, turn its whole force into the extension of its line westward from Graham, penetrating this country some where.

As the Texas & Pacific also claims and wants this territory it will not be surprising if we witness a sharp competition between it and the Rock Island to secure it, and it will not unlikely result in both roads penetrating the valuable territory lying between the T. & P. and the Fort Worth & Denver roads. With relation to the T. & P. of course we refer to the extension of the Weatherford & Mineral Wells road, recently acquired by it.

The Farmers' Institute

Live Questions Discussed at Saturday's Meeting.

PROGRAM FOR NEXT MEETING.

The Haskell County Farmers' Institute met in the district court room on last Saturday at 1 p. m., in response to the call of Chairman Miller.

There was not a full attendance, but those present manifested a lively interest in the subjects assigned for discussion, which were: "Best variety of corn to plant, time to plant and methods of cultivation." "Kind of cotton to plant and time to plant it." "Hog raising in Haskell county." "The prairie dog question."

We cannot report the discussions in full but may say in a general way, the weight opinion of men of experience here favored planting cotton below the general level of the ground and bringing the soil toward the plant in cultivating. The early varieties were objected to because as far as known they all produced small, close bolls difficult to pick.

On the corn question the idea was to open with a middle burster and plant deeply between ridges, working soil to corn in cultivating, and cultivate shallow and as frequently as possible during the growing period.

Some said it was best to run a narrow shovel or bull-tongue behind the middle burster, letting the dirt fall back in furrow as much as possible so as to give the young roots of corn a soft, mellow soil to take hold in. Some advocated planting two varieties—an early northern, one and some good native seed.

On the subject of hogs some who had had experience here said that farmers could raise their meat here just as well as in any other country. Mr. Clifton said he could raise hogs more cheaply here than he ever did any where. He had found pig melons very valuable in feeding both hogs and cattle. Details of management were not gone into as it was getting to late and he had a long road home.

Some of the new settlers in the country, who were present, expressed the conviction that they had gained valuable information from the discussions.

Several resolutions addressed to the legislature were presented and discussed by sections and adopted.

They will be found elsewhere in this paper, on our first page.

It was decided to go into permanent organization at the next meeting and carry the organization on independently until such time as the State organizer and lecturers could be secured, and Messrs R. W. Williams, S. E. Carothers and Robt Hollis were appointed to arrange program and select and assign subjects for discussion at the next meeting.

Following program, etc., was reported:

PROGRAM

MR. CHAIRMAN: We your committee appointed to prepare program and select subjects for discussion at the next meeting of the Farmers' Institute suggest that at the morning session, beginning at 10 o'clock, there be a general and informal discussion of any question or questions that may be suggested by members present.

On convening at 1 o'clock p. m. go into permanent organization of the Haskell County Farmers' Institute by the election of permanent President and Secretary. Then appoint a committee to determine what other officers are necessary and report same, followed by their election. Appoint committee to draft constitution and by-laws and report same at the next regular meeting.

As organization will perhaps consume considerable time, we will present only a few subjects for discussion at this meeting, as follows:

Preparing cotton land and the width of rows and distance in drill. This is to be discussed with special reference to distance, as we notice the subject of distance is being considerably agitated. We assign this question to S. W. Vernon.

Preparation of corn land and width of rows and distance in rows—discussion on same lines as above. Assigned to M. A. Clifton.

Most economical way of raising hogs in this country, and the advantage to farmers in making their meat and lard at home. Assigned to J. F. Pinkerton.

The family orchard and garden. Economy and healthfulness of same in living. Assigned to J. B. Tomkins. We are aware that some of these questions have been previously discussed, but we think not to the full extent that is desirable.

Robt Hollis S. E. Carothers R. W. Williams

Saturday, Feb. 21, was selected as the time for next meeting. Adjourned

J. T. Dickson Killed

Wednesday a short time before noon Sheriff Bell received a phone message from Marcy stating that J. T. Dickson had been shot and killed. Mr. Bell was preparing to go out when, about a half hour later, G. W. Hickey made his appearance in Justice J. T. Knowles' office in the court house, where he laid his pistol on the desk and stated to the justice that he had killed Dickson and wanted to give himself up. Sheriff Bell was called in and he made a statement to the officials and others present, of which the following is a substantial copy, as nearly as Justice Knowles could relate it to the Free Press representative: He said: Mrs. J. T. Dickson was his second cousin and that she and her husband had agreed to separate and divide their property and had phoned him at Stamford a few days before to come up and assist in the division between them, and he had gone there, for that purpose.

Up to Wednesday morning they had made an apparently satisfactory division of every thing except some horses. The horses were in a lot near the house and he and Dickson went out to look at them and agree upon a division of them. After looking at them they both leaned on the left fence and were talking, as he thought in a friendly way with everything agreeable between them, when suddenly he heard the click of a pistol and looking around saw Dickson with a pistol ready to shoot him. He threw out his hand and knocked the pistol up as it fired, the bullet passing through his hat. Dickson fired again, the bullet passing through his, Hickey's, coat on the left side. While Dickson was trying to shoot him he was getting his own pistol out and drew it at Dickson's second shot and Dickson seeing it, turned as if to run or dodge, when he shot him, the bullet striking him behind the left ear and as Dickson fell he shot him again, but didn't know where the bullet struck him. No one came out from the house to where the shooting occurred and he went to the house and told what he had had to do to save himself, and told a young Reed, who was there, to go out and look after him until some one came. He then got his horse and rode rapidly to town to surrender.

That is the story substantially as repeated to us by Justice Knowles.

The body of the dead man was brought to town Thursday evening late and Doctors Griffin, Neathery and Gilbert examined the wounds, Dr. Griffin using the probe. They found that one bullet entered the neck below the base of the brain on left side, about half way between the ear and back of neck, the skin being badly powder burned around it, and came out about center of right cheek. The other bullet entered behind left ear cutting the ear half the width of the bullet and came out the top of the head a little past the center on right side, both wounds having an upward range.

An examining trial was begun by Justice Knowles at three o'clock yesterday, County Atty' Wilfong and Judge McConnel representing the State and Thomason Bros. and Judge Oates representing defendant. The defendant declined to make a statement and the attorneys agreeing that the case was bailable, Justice Knowles fixed the bail at \$7,500. It is said that defendant can give the bond as soon as his father arrives.

Various rumors and theories are in circulation, but of course we can not publish such statements as none of them have been reduced to evidence. J. T. Dickson, the victim of this deplorable affair, has been a respected citizen residing in the northern portion of this county for many years.

We are told that G. W. Hickey is the son of W. W. Hickey an old and highly respected citizen of Stepeensville, Erath county, and that he has served for several years as deputy sheriff of Erath. He looks to be about 35 years of age.

—Old Stager's Liniment, the best on earth for man or beast, guaranteed—at Wyman's.

Cured Consumption. Mrs. B. W. Evans, Clearwater, Kan., writes: "My husband lay sick for three months; the doctors stated he had quick consumption. We procured a bottle of Ballard's Horehound Syrup and it cured him. That was six years ago, and since then we always kept a bottle in the house. We cannot do without it. For coughs and colds, it has no equal." 25c. 50c and \$1 bottle at J. B. Baker's.

—If you are troubled with headache or la grip get a bottle of Old Stager's Specific.—at Wyman's.

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VALENTINES... We have a nice assortment of face, comic and shaped Valentines with sentiments expressive of various degrees of ardor. Prices have an equally wide range, from 3 for a nickel to \$1 each. RACKET STORE.

CITY MEAT MARKET J. N. ELLIS, Prop. West side of Square. Keep all kinds of Fresh Meats obtainable here. I SOLICIT A SHARE OF YOUR PATRONAGE.

GARDEN SEEDS. One of the most important things in growing vegetables is to have good, reliable seeds true to name. Many persons pay no heed as to where the seeds they plant, come from but take the first thing they come to and plant it "hit or miss." There is an impression that garden seeds, should come from the north, but we do not believe that they should, come from so far north as to make the conditions of climate, soil and seasons totally different from those of the locality where they are to be planted, hence we have collected seeds from about middle ground, that is from an old and reliable Missouri seedsmen. The Plat Seed Co., who have been in the seed business for 57 years. We did not order a job lot of seeds, either, leaving it to the dealer to send his own selection, but we carefully selected by name every variety we have in the house, selecting as far as possible varieties which have been tested here, hence we think you will make no mistake in coming to us for your seeds. A large proportion of our seeds are in bulk, pound, gallon and peck and we can measure or weigh them out to you so that they will come much cheaper than the packet seeds. ONION SETS—best varieties of red, white and yellow. Come and let us talk seeds to you at the Racket Store.

At one HALF THE COST Lion Coffee has better strength and flavor than many so-called "fancy" brands. Bulk coffee at the same price is not to be compared with Lion in quality. In 1 lb. air tight sealed packages.