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Notice.
The undersigned having leased the Wise county and Red River county school lands in northwest part of Haskell county and having obligated ourselves to protect the timber on said lands, hereby warn all parties that no one will be allowed to cut any timber off said lands, and that we will be compelled to report any one found cutting said timber.
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We are now offering to the people of Haskell and adjoining counties one of the best stocks of standard farm implements, wagons, general hardware, etc., ever brought to this market. And we assure the public that in the matter of prices and quality we stand ready to meet competition from any source.

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Also a full line of the justly celebrated
CANTON FARM IMPLEMENTS,
Whose merits have made them popular in this section.
A Complete Line of Shelf Hardware, Tools, Etc.
STOVES Cooking and Heating: We handle the Celebrated Bridge, Beach & Co., stoves. None better. See us when you want a stove.
FURNITURE— We are carrying a well selected stock of good and serviceable furniture at moderate prices, to which we invite the attention of all who desire anything in this line.
Besides the Above, We Carry a Full Line of
Tinware, Graniteware, Queensware and Delit-ware and Household Supplies. We solicit a call and inspection of our goods.
RESPECTFULLY,
M'COLLUM & CASON.

Saves two from Death.

"Our little daughter had an almost fatal attack of whooping cough and bronchitis," writes Mrs. W. K. Haviland, of Armonk, N. Y., "but, when all other remedies failed, we saved her life with Dr. King's New Discovery. Our niece, who had consumption in an advanced stage, also used this wonderful medicine and today she is perfectly well." Desperate throat and lung disease yield to Dr. King's New Discovery as to no other medicine on earth. Infallible for coughs and colds, 50c and \$1 bottles guaranteed by J. B. Baker. Trial bottles free.

Archaeologists digging among the long buried libraries and archives of Asia have discovered what is supposed to be a complete inventory of the property of Croesus, the rich man of the bible. From it they estimate his wealth at about \$9,000,000. He was a mighty man of wealth in his day, but would only be counted in moderate circumstances by our modern millionaires who count their wealth by the hundred million.

Eczema Can Be Cured.

Remick's Eczema Cure and Remick's Peppin Blood Tonic will cure the most obstinate case. At Stamford Drug Co.

Seven Years in Bed.

"Will wonders ever cease?" inquire the friends of Mrs. L. Pease, of Lawrence, Kan. They knew she had been unable to leave her bed in seven years on account of kidney and liver trouble, nervous prostration and general debility; but, "Three bottles of Electric Bitters enabled me to walk," she writes, "and in three months I felt like a new person." Women suffering from headache, backache, nervousness, sleeplessness, melancholy, fainting and dizzy spells will find it a priceless blessing. Try it. Satisfaction is guaranteed by J. B. Baker. Only 50c.

Every home in West Texas should have an orchard. If you want one see W. T. Jones, who is representing the Comanche Model Nursery. Ask those to whom he has sold trees the condition of same when delivered by him and how they have done.

A Sprained Ankle Quickly Cured.

"At one time I suffered from a severe sprain of the ankle," says Geo. E. Cary, editor of the Guide, Washington, Va. "After using several well recommended medicines without success, I tried Chamberlain's Pain Balm, and am pleased to say that relief came as soon as I began its use and a complete cure speedily followed." Sold by J. B. Baker.

THEY BUY ENGAGEMENT AND WEDDING RINGS ON CREDIT.

Contract to Pay on the Installment Plan, and the Fair Sweethearts Never Know About It—An Interesting Talk With a Confidential Clerk.

An engagement ring contracted for on the installment plan is now as common a business transaction as the fitting up of a boarding house on the same easy payment plan. There are several New York jewelry firms which do a prosperous business among prospective bridegrooms on the credit system.

One of these is located on a prominent downtown street. Engagement rings and wedding rings are here sold on credit, the weekly payment being 50 cents. At this store the other day a bashful young man asked the chief clerk to show him some rings suitable to present to a young lady.

"Engagement ring, eh?" said the clerk in a confidential undertone. "Here you are, sir, the very latest. Forty-five dollars—exquisite stone—payment in 10 months. This shell ring is our own design. Any girl would have fits over it. See that dainty spiral thread of gold about the setting? That emphasizes the gem and makes it appear worth more than it is. You can't better yourself, sir. Pay cash and you'll get a discount of \$5."

The young man seemed much impressed. He gave the measurement of the little finger of his fair charmer and left his name and references. In his pocket as he went out he carried a stupendous contract printed in red ink, which stipulated that "in case of nonpayment according to the terms of contract, etc., the ring must be forfeited."

"That's a fair sample," said the clerk in answer to a question. "That fellow represents a certain element of middle class society. Most of the hard-working young men buy rings for their sweethearts that way. The girls would never get any engagement ring at all if the money had to be paid outright."

Another shy young man was ushered in, and the clerk motioned him to a private room adjoining the main office. There they were closeted for several minutes, and then the clerk emerged to seal a contract with the new customer. The necessity of the private audience room, it seems, is because financial embarrassment, coupled with native modesty, prevents lovers in the first stage from divulging the terms upon which they wish to pay for a ring. They prefer to state their case unheeded by any one except the head clerk, who, in the course of his business, has cultivated a profound sympathy for the entire race of sweethearts.

"Oh, they tell some pathetic stories," said the clerk. "They let me into all their secrets gratuitously. One very devoted young lover told me the other day that he earned \$4 a week, but couldn't get married until he had been raised to \$5. When advanced to this position of opulence, he thought he could afford to buy a diamond ring on installments of 50 cents a week.

"But it is in the case of lapses that I bear the most pathetic tales. As a rule our customers are straightforward and honest. As long as a young man has work we have no difficulty in getting his money. When he loses his position, he usually lets us know, and then if the fellow is honest we ease up on him just a little."

"But what if the girl and the ring disappear simultaneously?" he was asked. "Oh, the young man always pays up, and if the girl has thrown him over you can bet he never tells any one about it."

"There are lots of well-to-do young men who spend \$20 or \$40 in a night for pleasure and who do business with us because they prefer to regard jewelry as a luxury and pay for it on time. Here, for instance, is a ring made to order for a broker down town," and the clerk held up a diamond ring valued at \$250, which had been made to fit the finger of some metropolitan belle who may never know the "terms of the contract."

"I don't know of a single instance where a girl has had to forfeit her ring. In case she had a dishonest man or a sneak for a lover the case would be rather embarrassing. But as a rule the blushing bride elect knows nothing about the installments, for our customers come promptly to the office and pay up every Saturday.

"There are some cases where we have to unbind a trifle, as, for instance, where there has been a death in the family. When a sad faced young fellow steps into my private office and tells me confidentially that he has lost his father and must help pay the funeral expenses, or that he has spent all his available capital in celebrating Thanksgiving or Fourth of July the day before, then he can usually count upon the sympathy of the firm.

"Of course we run great risks, but we never sell to anybody without looking up their references." The investigation blank, which, when filled, establishes the purchaser's integrity of character, should contain the date of contract, name of applicant, house address, business occupation, business address, references, time employed in present position, description of engagement or wedding ring and a host of other details.

The form of contract is suitably verbose, and the red tape involved is sufficient to make a young lover feel the responsibility and importance of having creditors.—New York World.

Considerate.
"Why don't you take me with you sometimes on evenings, dear? I get so tired of staying at home alone."
"Because I can't afford to dress you as well as myself. I don't want to be seen around with a woman dressed as you are."—Indianapolis Journal.

Many women fail to digest their food, and so become pale, sallow, thin and weak, while the brightness, freshness and beauty of the skin and complexion departs. Remedy this by taking HERBINE after each meal, to digest what you have eaten. Price 50 cents at J. B. Baker's drug store.

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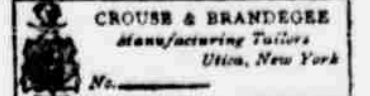
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It speaks well for Chamberlain's Cough Remedy when druggists use it in their own families in preference to any other. "I have sold Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for the past five years with complete satisfaction to myself and customers," says Druggist J. Goldsmith, Van Etten, N. Y. "I have always used it in my own family both for ordinary coughs and colds and for the cough following la grippe, and find it very efficacious." For sale by J. B. Baker.

Unnecessary Loss of Time.
Mr. W. S. Whedon, Cashier of the First National Bank of Winterset, Iowa, in a recent letter gives some experience with a carpenter in his employ, that will be of value to other mechanics. He says: "I had a carpenter working for me who was obliged to stop work for several days on account of being troubled with diarrhoea. I mentioned to him that I had been similarly troubled and that Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy had cured me. He bought a bottle of it from the druggist here and informed me that one dose cured him, and he is again at his work." For sale by J. B. Baker.

Stray Horse.
A deep brown mare, star in face, branded I. R on left shoulder and B. Y. on left thigh. I will pay \$5 for information that will lead to her recovery.
Henry Brocksteadt,
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Didn't Marry for Money
The Boston man, who lately married a sickly rich young woman, is happy now, for he got Dr. King's New Life Pills, which restored her to perfect health. Infallible for jaundice, biliousness, malaria, fever and ague and all liver and stomach troubles. Gentle but effective. Only 25c at J. B. Baker's drug store.

To save mending, avoid breaking, and to avoid suffering, prevent coughs and colds by the timely use of BALLARD'S HOREHOUND SYRUP. It is a safe, sure and swift remedy for all bronchial ailments. Price, 25 and 50 cents at J. B. Baker's drug store.

Scholastic Population by Districts.
The following figures show the scholastic population of Haskell county by school districts and the total for the county for the years 1900 and 1901. We presume they are exactly correct, as they were obtained from the official records in the county judge's office.

	1900	1901.
Haskell, Dist. No. 1	246	303
Idella, "	2	46
Brushy, "	3	28
Ward, "	4	40
Vernon, "	4	24
Fairview, "	5	43
Wild horse, "	6	39
Ivanhoe, "	6a	13
Lake, "	7	22
Mesquite, "	8	39
Westphalia, "	9	15
Clifton, "	10	36
Gray Mare, "	11	17
Jack, "	12	00
Lone Star, "	13	00
Hutto, "	14	00
	608	900

of the 900 children in scholastic age 461 are males and 439 females, two of the number are negroes, one of each sex.

It will be observed that the increase this year is within a very small fraction of 50 per cent. over last year. If the increase of the population of the county (all ages) has been in the same proportion, and it is but reasonable to presume that it has, then the present population of the county based on the number, 2637, ascertained by the U. S. census in June 1900, is 3955.

Several changes in the lines of districts account for the fact that two districts show a smaller population this year than last year and that some others show but slight increase over last year.

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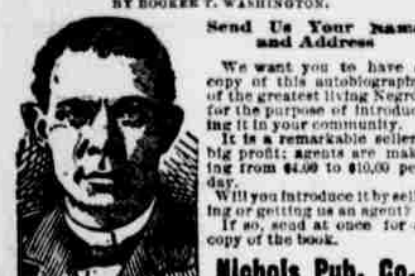


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Headaches: Headaches! There is no excuse for a headache; the Garfield Headache Powders cure them quickly and surely.

Are You Using Allen's Foot Ease? It is the only cure for Swollen, Smarting, Burning, Sweating Feet.

To have your napkins and table linen that delicate, clear white so desirable, use Russ' Bleaching Blue.

WET WORK. IS YOURS? THE ORIGINAL TOWER'S FISH BRAND OILED CLOTHING WILL KEEP YOU DRY NOTHING ELSE WILL.

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Some people act as if they were too lazy to sneeze.

Postage to Be Reduced to One Cent. The President who succeeds in getting this measure through Congress, will hold a high place in the esteem of the people.

Some women put a strange baby in about the same manner some men put a strange dog.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup. For children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, cures pain, cures wind colic.

Why is it we hate some people without knowing the reason why? MEN, CURE YOURSELVES.

Pain, suffering, Wizard Oil could not live together, so pain and suffering moved out. Ask your druggist about it.

It is hard to deceive a liar by telling him a lie.

Drink Dr. Pepper. Healthful and invigorating. At soda fountains, 5c.

The longer many men live the less they seem to learn.

Piso's Cure for Consumption is an infallible medicine for coughs and colds.

It is probably called hard cash because it is difficult to get.

Hall's Catarrh Cure Is taken Internally. Price, 75c.

Blowing our own horn is no sign we are a cornetist.

Garfield Headache Powders cannot be improved upon; they cure headaches quickly, they are not cathartic and do not in any way derange the system; they are harmless, pleasant to the taste and good for all.

It is not always a good idea to judge a man by sentiment.

Ladies Can Wear Shoes One size smaller after using Allen's Foot-Ease, a powder. It makes tight or new shoes easy.

Always use Russ' Bleaching Blue, the famous blue dye, one package equals two of any other bag blue.

To be just is a virtue many seem to be in need of.

New Born Foal.

The proper care and management of the new born foal is of great importance just at present for it is easily seen that horses are to be worth high prices for many years to come.

A few years ago many farmers considered foals actual nuisances, but that is changed and we are now glad that the youngsters get a warm welcome as they did of yore.

It is as natural for a woman to apologize as to smile.

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The Makers of Wetmore's Best CHEW Wetmore's Best. believe that the most men chew tobacco for the good of the tobacco and not for the sake of a premium.

DEATH begins in the bowels. It's the unclean places that breed infectious epidemics, and it's the unclean body—unclean inside—that "catches" the disease.

CURE all bowel troubles, appendicitis, biliousness, bad breath, bad blood, wind on the stomach, bloated bowels, foul mouth, headache, indigestion, pimples, pains after eating, liver trouble, slow complexion and dizziness.

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PERHAPS!

Wm. J. Bryan on the Porto Rican Decision.

From the Commoner:

Justice Brown would be happier if he had contented himself with a decision without attempting to give any reasons for it. There are many vulnerable passages in the opinion which he delivered, but there is one passage which shows the uncertainty produced by the court's decision. Hereafter, the people have regarded liberty as an inalienable right, and freedom of speech and freedom of the press have been considered absolutely necessary to its defense. Those who prize liberty and regard freedom of speech as above price will not take kindly to the word "perhaps," used by Justice Brown in discussing this subject. He said:

"To sustain the judgment in the case under consideration it by no means becomes necessary to show that none of the articles of the constitution applies to the island of Porto Rico. There is a clear distinction between such prohibitions as go to the very root of the power of congress to act at all, irrespective of time or place, and such as are operative only 'throughout the United States' or among the several states.

"Thus, when the constitution declares that 'no bill of attainder or ex post facto law shall be passed,' and that 'no title of nobility shall be granted by the United States,' it goes to the competency of congress to pass a bill of that description. Perhaps, the same remark may apply to the first amendment, that 'congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people to peacefully assemble, and to petition the government for a redress of grievances.' We do not wish, however, to be understood as expressing an opinion how far the bill of rights contained in the first eight amendments is of general and how far of local application."

He is not willing to go at once to the full extent of his logic. He seems to have faith in congress; he does not doubt that it will deal fairly with subject races, and yet he shrinks from the thought of annihilating, at one blow, the whole bill of rights. He boldly declares that "there is a clear distinction between such prohibitions as go to the very root of the power of congress to act at all, irrespective of time or place, and such as are operative only 'throughout the United States,' or among the several states"—not merely a distinction, but a "clear distinction." And yet he becomes perplexed as soon as he begins to draw the "clear distinction." He is quite sure that congress

is entirely prohibited from passing a "bill of attainder or ex-post facto law," or from granting "a title of nobility." He thinks that "perhaps, the same remark may apply" to laws respecting the establishment of religion, to laws prohibiting free speech, to laws abridging the freedom of the press, and limiting the right of the people to peaceably assemble and petition for redress. Perhaps! PERHAPS! PERHAPS!!! How soon he becomes entangled in his own web! And this is constitutional law! Justice Brown wants it distinctly understood that the court is not at this time "expressing an opinion how far the bill of rights contained in the first eight amendments is of general and how far of local application." It will be interesting to American patriots to learn that rights for more than a century considered inalienable are now divided into "general" rights and "local" rights; that some belong to everyone, while others belong only to some, and that the some who enjoy all rights are to decide what rights are safe in the keeping of others. The Boston Herald very properly says that imperialism "does not consist in having an emperor, but in governing a country on the well established basis that all men are not free and equal." It is not the form but the essence which controls; it is not the name, emperor, but the thing, emperor; that is hateful. The Herald adds:

"It does not matter whether the form of rule is that of a czar, or that of an imperial parliament which rules over subject people in the name of a conquering and governing nation. The government of England is just as imperialistic as the government of Russia. The inhabitants of Somali Coast Protectorate, an English colony, have no more political rights accorded to them by the British parliament, representing the English people, than the czar accords to the inhabitants of the Crimea. The government of England is imperial, because, while arrogating to themselves the right to do what they please, the English people control the industrial and political existence of hundreds of millions of people, and settle these in such manner as they see fit. The government of the czar is imperialistic because, while arrogating to himself the right to do as he pleases, the czar dictates the political and industrial development of scores of millions of people. But in each instance there is a denial of the democratic theory of government, that the people of a country have a right to regulate their own affairs."

The decision of the Supreme Court in the Downes case places the inhabitants of Porto Rico at the mercy of Congress and the executive. There is not a vital right that they can claim as theirs. They must bow before the American flag; they must

swear allegiance to it; they must follow where it leads; their property and their lives may be demanded for its maintenance and defense, and yet what is there in that flag which represents right or hope for them? Hereafter, a territory has looked forward to the time and condition of statehood; its embarrassments have been considered temporary and during its period of waiting its people have been protected in the enjoyment of all the rights guaranteed to citizens by the constitution. If its delegate in congress has had no vote its people have been reasonably safe from harm because the general laws made for the territories were also operative in the states. Now comes a new order of things; the nation has caught the spirit of conquest; it has stained its hands with the blood of subject races. The people of Porto Rico are notified that they are to be with us, but not of us. They are to have neither our government nor their own government, but such a government as we think good for them. We shall buy of them what we please upon our own terms; we shall make their laws for them; we shall tax them; we shall govern them, and if they dare to quote our declaration of independence against us we shall shoot them. "Perhaps," we shall allow them freedom of religion—five judges in a court of nine, speaking for us, say that we are not sure about this. "Perhaps," we may allow them freedom of speech—the question is not settled; "perhaps," their newspapers may be allowed to criticize carpetbag officials—but it is not yet determined whether this is a general right to be enjoyed by the Porto Ricans or a local one to be enjoyed only by the people of the United States. "Perhaps," they may be allowed to peaceably assemble—this is a matter for future consideration; "perhaps," they will be permitted to petition for redress of grievances, we shall see about this later.

The Porto Ricans had heard of our revolutionary war; they had read our state papers; they had been inspired by our patriotic songs, and so, when General Miles landed upon the island, the people of Porto Rico met him with music and spread flowers in his path. Theirs is a rude awakening! While they dreamed of American liberty the republican leaders were calculating the trade value of eight hundred thousand Porto Ricans.

"Perhaps," Justice Brown's opinion will convince the rank and file of the republican party that our institutions are in danger and that the republican party should be repudiated. If liberty becomes a "perhaps" in Porto Rico how long will it be a certainty in the United States?

—New comb honey at Alexander & Co's.

PROHIBITION COLUMN.

(EDITED BY THE CLUB.)

"I am a prohibitionist but it won't prohibit?" Reader just stop and think a moment. What kind of a prohibitionist is he who does not believe it will prohibit? If he does not believe it will prohibit he is no prohibitionist but an anti-prohibitionist.

Have you heard the glad news? It is said two men from a certain part of the county were in town this week who told some of our citizens if prohibition carried they would put up joints on their ranches. Such talk as that should arouse every good citizen to a sense of his duty on July 9th. Such men will do to watch day and night, especially at night.

Parker county once had prohibition and the pros. went to sleep and the saloon was voted back about 2 years ago and they got their full in two years, so the other day old Parker went dry again and likely for good. It will be a good time for outlaws to start a tiger in the brush—and yet, not a very good time either, since the tiger family have been on a rocky road recently.

Ask that Mount Calm outlaw who has run a joint there for two years, does he think, after all, it will prohibit. He dances now at the tune of 40 days in jail and a \$400.00 fine with a fair promise that he will move his goods to other parts.

It will prohibit where a county has officers.

There are fair men who said a year ago if another saloon ever came to Haskell they would then vote them out. Now is a good time to make their words good, since we have three—and will likely have three more should prohibition not carry.

Men who were on the dark side of this question are now turning to the right side like men and they are going to have the respect of the Haskell people.

There is hardly any doubt but that these saloons will have to box their goods soon.

Let the father who reads the following ponder: Who are the strongest advocates of the saloon? Pick them out among our citizens. Are they christians? Are they even moral men? You can answer for your self. Would you like for your sons to make the same kind of characters? Answer. B.

The "antis" seem to be going on the principle that the one who gets in his work first will "get there," from the activity they are exhibiting of late.

Every good citizen should be careful to not let himself be inveigled into promises to the saloon crowd. Their policy is to get as many men committed as possible, and at an

early day. Don't be hasty in your decision, if you are in doubt as to what you should do.

The issue now before the people vitally affects the moral welfare of Haskell county for a long time to come.

Help to settle the issue right; that is, for law and order, good morals, public decency and for God. As a responsible, moral being you can't afford to do anything else—can you? S.

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Lone Wolf to the Front

Lone Wolf, Tex., June 17, 1901.
To the Haskell Free Press,
Haskell, Texas.

We are glad to say that our people have become very much, enthused over the question of the Great Stillwell Railroad that will pass North and South and cross the T. P. at Sweetwater. We had a very enthusiastic meeting at Lone Wolf this evening and Judge L. M. Bowie was unanimously chosen as a delegate to meet Mr. Stilwell and procure the passage of this great road through Lone Wolf—and the little adjoining village of Stamford. Judge Bowie is the principal land owner of the suburbs of our little city of Lone Wolf and has done so much for our town that we almost consider him its Father, and we are much gratified that our people did him this Honor.

RUSH MITCHELL.

—The Baptist people have put a neat fence around their church and parsonage. Now if they will go in for shade trees this fall they soon will have a very pretty place.

After nearly a two weeks session the county commissioners closed their work as a board of equalization on Thursday. They fixed July 10th as the date for reconvening to take final action on fixing valuations.

W. C. T. U. DEPARTMENT.

(EDITED BY MISS JNO. H. BAKER.)

The report of the National Temperance Society for the year ending May 1, 1901 is quite encouraging. I give extracts from the same.

"The fact is the saloon is doomed. Twentieth century civilization will not tolerate it long. Already the saloon is becoming year by year more generally recognized by the American people and their highest courts as an immoral institution and a political plague spot. The time is coming when the retail liquor business in the form of the saloon will be declared by the courts to be immoral, contrary to the public peace and welfare, a breeding place of vice and vagrancy, a rendezvous for the evil disposed and the foes generally of good government.

This is why when Galveston was swept by the fearful onslaught of wind and wave, and the city lay desolate that the authorities issued orders to close the saloons. This is why the local authorities at Shenandoah, Pa., when an outbreak was threatened in that quarter between the soldiers and the striking miners, issued the same order, "close the saloons" not the churches, not the schools, not the shoe shops, not the dry goods stores, none of these but only the saloons.

These authorities looked upon the saloon as a natural breeder of crime, violence and disorder, and the day is coming when the highest court of the land will declare that legislatures have no right or power to license such a business."

Notable advances have been made in the attitude of business firms to the use of intoxicants on the part of employees. Private employers dare not trust their business to the man who drinks. Great corporations dare not. The steamship lines have cast him out and as for banks they will have none him. Some of the great railroads have forbidden their workmen even to enter a place where drink is sold. Some refuse to employ a man who either drinks or smokes cigarets. The Chicago Great Western Railroad Company, and the Chicago and Alton Railroad furnish good examples, the latter including gambling places and other places of low resort in its edict. Employees frequenting such places, either while on or off duty, will be promptly and permanently discharged from the service of the company.

No one can doubt the sinfulness of the liquor traffic nor fail to see the misery and crime it causes. Not one virtue or redeeming quality can you claim for it. Then why, in the name of reason and conscience, do not the people who have power at the ballot arouse from their slumbers, shake off their lethargy and stop the destruction of their fellow layman.



People and Events

Have Our Engines Failed?

The Midland Railway Company of England has administered a cold douche to our pride of industrial conquest by announcing that the American locomotives tested by the road have cost from 20 to 25 per cent more than the British in fuel, 50 per cent more in oil, and 80 per cent more in repairs.

President of New York Central

William H. Newman, who has just actively entered upon the duties of his new post as president of the New York Central and Hudson River railroad, is, as may easily be imagined, one of the cleverest and most thoroughly trained railroad men in America.



William H. Newman, ticket agent on the Texas and Pacific. In three years he had been promoted to the post of general freight agent, and he was next made third vice-president.

The "Shamrock" Countess.

The beautiful countess of Limerick has well earned the title of "The Shamrock Countess," for, thanks to her efforts, one of the British war funds has acquired this spring a substantial addition to its funds owing to the sale of the "dear little shamrock" so cleverly organized by the mistress of Dromore castle.



COUNTRESS OF LIMERICK.

early joined the group of those energetic peerees who do all in their power to improve the lot of their poorer friends and neighbors. The Shamrock League has succeeded beyond the wildest dreams of its promoters, and during the days which preceded March 17 Lady Limerick and her friends worked hard all day tying up tiny nosegays of Ireland's national green blossom and despatching it to all corners of the world.

The New Explosive.

If the claims made by officials of the war department concerning the efficacy of a new explosive are borne out by subsequent tests, the United States may possess a secret which will have important bearing on the international politics of the future.

Warships and fortifications which have heretofore been regarded impregnable will be at the mercy of American guns. It has been demonstrated that the thickest Harveyized armor will not withstand the new projectile when hurled by one of the great guns and, what is more important, that the explosive with which the projectile is loaded will be discharged immediately the armor is pierced.

Maxima, this new death-dealing explosive, is called after Mr. Hiram Maxim, its inventor. Mr. Maxim is the inventor of smokeless powder and has made a specialty of high explosives. It is announced by the officials in charge of the tests which have been made on the Sandy Hook proving grounds that the results far surpass anything heretofore attained in any country.

Boy King Looks for Bride.

This is a pretty picture of the little boy king of Spain and his queen mother, taken shortly before the 16th birthday of King Alfonso will be celebrated last month. According to the Spanish law, a boy comes of age when he has completed fifteen years of life, so that the little boy king is now practically his own master, though it is said the queen mother will retain her power for another year.



for when the first of the saloonkeepers arrested was called up for trial the other day he promptly pleaded guilty, and was assessed a heavy fine. Miss Berry says she will continue her work until all the saloons of the town are closed on Sunday and are kept closed.

Arbitration for China.

If the international tribunal established by the conference at The Hague has any practical usefulness the dispute among the powers at Peking affords an opportunity to put it to the test. The suggestion of the United States to refer the question of indemnity to this tribunal is worthy of a civilized nation. Its adoption is scarcely probable unless the powers should find it impossible to reach an agreement in any other way.

All Over a Poster.

Is it possible to be driven insane by a poster? This is a question which is being much debated at present in Des Moines, Ia. Miss Bertha Atkinson of that city believes that she will go mad if a poster opposite her window is not removed. So real, so vital, so appalling has become her horror of the painted placard that her friends have come to share in the apprehension. Accordingly a protest has been made to the municipal authorities, and



THE OBJECTIONABLE POSTER.

the poster may be removed. Meanwhile Des Moines is agitated by intense feeling. The contagion spreads daily. No epidemic of disease, the authorities say, ever spread so rapidly.

The Island of Chios.

The island of Chios, in the Aegean sea, has an oak the age of which is believed to be twenty-two centuries.

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SAYINGS and DOINGS

Adams' "Kidnapped Millionaires."

Frederick Upham Adams, the author of "John Smith, President," and other stories, has just finished a story that is likely to prove his masterpiece, and one that will finally fix his status as an exclusively original novelist. It is entitled "The Kidnapped Millionaires," and its five hundred pages tell the story of the kidnapping of certain American millionaires by an enterprising newspaper man who is a monomaniac. It is a succession of dramatic situations from cover to cover. The charm consists in the impressive probability of a plot which at first glance would seem impossible.



FREDERICK UPHAM ADAMS.

found themselves captives on the high seas, the cruise of "The Shark," the landing on Social Island, its exploration, and varied adventures which befell Palmer J. Morton, Andrus Carmody, John M. Rockwell, Hiram Haven, R. J. Kent, and Simon Pence (the six kidnapped millionaires), the superb detective work of the New York Record and Mr. Bernard Seymour, the rescue of the marooned magnates and the subsequent attempt at their recapture, are but a few of the incidents. The first edition which is out this week is for 25,000 copies, the largest first edition of the year.

To Be Roosevelt's Guest.

Among the guests who will assemble in Colorado Springs this month for the annual reunion of Roosevelt's Rough Riders will be Miss Dorothy Flynn, the dashing western girl, whose father, D. T. Flynn, represents Oklahoma in congress. "The Honorable Dot," as she is called by her friends and her admirers among those who followed Roosevelt to Cuba, is sponsor for the Rough Riders, and at the reunion many dinners and dances will be given for her. The vice-president and the sponsor of his



DOROTHY FLYNN.

regiment are great friends. Recently at her Oklahoma home Miss Flynn, who is an expert with the lariat, roped a wolf and sent it to Oyster Bay.

To the Girl Leaving College.

Aim for success. Do not select a calling which is beyond you. It is better to be a good housekeeper than a poor teacher. It is better to be an expert stenographer than an inferior lawyer. It is better to be an efficient nurse than an inefficient doctor. Perhaps the more ambitious calling will bring a slight notoriety in the beginning, but if a girl wishes to take a worthy place in the world she must not follow her bent, she must consider whether she has strength for the long race.—Temple Bailey in Woman's Home Companion.

Pretty Girl Closes Saloons.

This is the picture of Miss Addie Berry, the pretty young woman who is conducting a crusade against the law-breaking saloons of Carlyle, Ill. She is 22 years old and has been a school teacher since before she was 20. She declares that she is not seeking notoriety, and that her crusade bears no resemblance to that of Mrs. Nation. Instead of breaking the law she is only attempting to enforce the law by strictly legal methods. She personally visited a number of saloons which were open on Sunday, and personally secured the evidence on which the offending saloonkeepers were arrested. She announced that if the local authorities failed to prosecute the cases vigorously she would appeal to the attorney general of the state, and her determination has already borne fruit.

FARM AND GARDEN.

MATTERS OF INTEREST TO AGRICULTURISTS.

Some Exotic-Exotic Hints About Cultivation of the soil and Yields Thereof—Horticulture, Viticulture and Floriculture.

New Light on Pear Blight.

Pear blight has up to this time been a thing shrouded in a good deal of mystery. Efforts to check or eradicate it have been so generally unsuccessful that many growers of pears have come to believe it an enemy too subtle to be avoided. The real difficulty doubtless has been our ignorance of its methods of attack. The Delaware Experiment Station has been doing some good work along the line of finding out just how the blight attacks the pears and pear trees. The tests made consisted in inoculating the pear tree in its various parts with pure cultures of blight germs. A sterilized needle was dipped into a culture and then used in puncturing a part on June 6, 1900, as follows:

- 1. Present year's terminal shoots, by puncture.
2. The previous year's wood by puncture.
3. Three years' old wood by puncture.
4. Buds by puncture.
5. Leaves by puncture.
6. Fruit by puncture.
7. Leaves smeared with a broth culture and covered with paper bags to keep off insects.
8. Leaves wet with distilled water, and covered with paper bags (check).
9. Present year's terminal shoots smeared with a broth culture, and covered with bags.

The points of inoculation in all cases were covered with several layers of wet filter-paper, and the papers tied on with bands of wet cotton cloth. We enclosed the notes or results as taken three weeks later: (1) Twig blighted. (2) No result. (3) Only a minute surface blighted around puncture. (4) Buds blighted. (5) One leaf blighted over one-fourth of its surface; others showed only minute blight spots. (6) Fruits blighted badly. (7) No result. (8) No blackening. (9) No result.

The preceding experiments show: 1. That pears become infected only by direct inoculation, and the introduction of the virus, and that no infection results from contact of the germ with an uninjured surface. 2. That only the more tender and succulent parts become infected in this manner, such as leaves, succulent shoots, buds and fruit, and that older, even second year wood, is not liable to become infected even when injured or punctured.

3. That the mechanical contact of blighted parts with those which are healthy and uninfected is not likely to result in infection. Each independent member of the plant must be therefore separately infected in the manner indicated. The germ may of course enter some tender terminal growth and from this point extend downward, often with considerable rapidity, so as to involve an entire limb. But even here the involvement of an entire limb is more likely to imply the multiple infection of terminal growths attached to this limb.

The rate of the extension of blight is much more rapid in the more succulent than in the harder wood. The disease appears to spread slowly in older wood, sufficiently so at any rate to give the fruit-grower time enough to cut off the diseased terminal shoots before the malady has extended downward to the large limbs.

The Control of Pear Blight.—In addition to this early pruning it is important to go through the orchard in the fall, while the leaves are still capable of showing the effects of blight, and removing any blighted branches. In cutting it is important to remove the limb some inches below the line of blight; the cut ends should then be painted to prevent fresh infection. There can be no doubt but that growers fail to watch their trees closely enough, and thus to check the disease before it has done marked damage. A primary factor in the control consists in the pruning of the blighted terminals, before large limbs which have taken years to form have been involved. The best time to do this is several weeks after blooming, since practically the infection of that year is likely to show itself by that time, and it is quite improbable that much new infection will take place at later periods.

Some Alfalfa History.

P. D. Coburn, in his new book on "Alfalfa," says that it is variously known as Lucerne, Spanish Trefoil, Chilian Clover, Brazilian Clover, French Clover, Medie, and Purple Medie. Its scientific name is Medicago Sativa. Mr. Coburn summarizes its history as follows: Alfalfa has been cultivated since history began, and was well-known to the Egyptians, Medes and Persians. It is said to have grown spontaneously in the high dry regions of southern and central Asia, and is mentioned in connection with Persia, Asia Minor, Afghanistan, Beloochistan and Cashmere. At the time of the invasion of Greece by Xerxes, about 480 B. C., alfalfa had become known in that country, and preceding the Christian era was prominent in Roman agriculture. The Romans esteemed it highly as forage for the horses of their armies, and its cultivation has been maintained in Italy to the present time. From Italy it was introduced into Spain and Southern France, and was carried to Mexico during the Spanish invasion. When the Spaniard turned his attention to the land of the Incas, alfalfa found its way to the western coast of South America, where, as yet found growing wild over large areas. There, in the semi-arid regions of the Andes, it no doubt received a great strengthening of its strong tendency to survive in a scorching sun upon a parched earth. From Chili it reached California in 1824, and there, mainly under irrigation, flourishes today as perhaps in no other place in the world. It rapidly spread outward and is now grown largely throughout the humid as well as the arid and semi-arid regions of the western states

and territories, while gradually finding favor farther east.

Eastward from the Pacific coast was not, however, the only route of introduction of alfalfa into America. It was early known in Germany and other northern countries of Europe, but never became so popular there as farther south. As early as 1820, year before it reached California, it was grown in New York, but seems to have been little appreciated.

It is interesting to know that such old-time authorities as Columella and Jethro Tull were familiar with alfalfa. French lucerne was introduced into England as early as 1650, but seems to have been much neglected for many years. In 1765 a farmer in Kent had fourteen acres. It is stated that at that time alfalfa was recognized as a valuable milk of kale, but an authority who knew it well asserted that "cattle were apt to grow tired of it" and were "subject to be bloated by it." These statements are interesting from the fact that so many consider alfalfa a new plant.

What Kind of Corn Shall I Plant?

Last spring the Vermont Experiment Station planted four varieties of corn on three different parts of its farm. Sanford, Red Cob, Leaming and Tully were separately harvested, ensiled and fed. The Sanford grew 6 feet tall, and matured; the Red Cob, 8 1/2 feet and partly glazed its ears; the Leaming and Virginia corn, 9 1/2 and 11 1/2 feet respectively, the ears arriving at the milk stage. The yields of green fodder per acre were Sanford 9, Red Cob 14, Leaming 16, and Virginia 17 tons. The yields of food matter to the acre were Sanford 25, Red Cob 34, Leaming 3 and Virginia corn 3 1-3 tons.

The Sanford corn, being most mature, kept best in the silo and came out with an exceedingly small loss. The Red Cob corn lost comparatively little, the other two immature corns much, as such wet material always must, in the silo or out of it. As a result, therefore, the actual food which reached the cows' mangers from an acre of Sanford corn which only grew 6 tons of green fodder, was nearly as great as from an acre of the Virginia corn which grew 17 tons, and greater than from an acre of Leaming corn which grew 16 tons. The Red Cob matured better than hitherto at the station farm and its food yield exceeded that of the Sanford slightly. This result is exceptional.

The Sanford silage was the best and heartiest of the four and the cows did better on it than on either of the other silages. These trials confirm others hitherto made at the Vermont and other stations. They show that the extra growth of the big varieties over those like the Sanford is practically all water. He who grows such must handle in the field, on the wagons and on the silage cutter from 4 to 8 tons of extra water to the acre. He must furnish silo room for it and then laboriously lift it out of the silo and carry it to the cattle. This extra water has no food value whatever. It is better and cheaper all around to water the cattle in some other way.

Sweet Potato Blight.

In some parts of Delaware, Maryland, and Virginia pine leaves, otherwise called "pine shatters" and "pine straw," are used and valued highly by sweet-potato growers. The leaves are gathered in the pine woods, which abound in these sections, and applied like stable manure in furrows, where the ridges for the plants are afterward made. Pine leaves and the wood mold which is collected with them are not rich in plant food, and on poor land they must be supplemented with more concentrated fertilizers. The custom of using this material for the woods in sweet potato farming is followed by many intelligent and successful planters. It would be difficult to convince them by argument, unsupported by practical demonstration, that this material is worth no more than the small amount of recognized plant food which it contains. And perhaps it would be equally difficult to furnish the demonstration. It is probable that an important function of this and other material similarly used is in conserving the moisture of the soil. It not only increases the capacity of the soil to hold water without injury to the plant, but, by breaking the continuity between the subsoil and the surface, it also prevents rapid evaporation in a dry time. The writer has had excellent results from a similar use of dry cornstalks. His method is to open broad furrows, three and a half feet apart from center to center, fill them with cornstalks, and throw the earth back over the stalks, thus making ridges on which the plants are set. Any concentrated fertilizers applied before planting should be well mixed with the soil, otherwise injury to the plants will follow. This is done cheaply and effectively by sowing the fertilizers broadcast before the ridges are made up. There is economy in applying nitrate of soda, which is very soluble, between the plants after transplanting. It is not necessary to cover it or mix with the soil. It must not be put on the plants or allowed to touch them.—D. M. Nesbit.

Missouri Horticulturists.

The summer meeting of the Missouri State Horticultural Society will be held at New Haven, Mo., June 4, 5 and 6, 1901. All the small fruits and ornamentals will come up for discussion, and any facts you may be able to present will be gladly accepted. Spraying for insects and fungus diseases will be an important feature of the meeting. The stone fruits will be fully discussed, and many other matters of interest to the fruit grower will have place on the program. We are promoting a half rate by some of the railroads, of which due notice will be given in the program. The good people of New Haven will provide all the usual requirements to make a successful meeting. Make ready to meet with us. Send in questions and topics for discussion as they seem to occur to you or trouble you.—L. A. Goodman, Secretary, 4200 Warwick Blvd., Kansas City, Mo.

Nuggets of Pure Gold.

At the post the squaw bought a Winchester and then hurried back to her camp. Neither her husband, the half-breed nor the gambler were ever seen again. The supposition is that the trappers succeeded in tracing her back to his mine and killed him there, and that she found them in his cave and shot them down as they emerged from it loaded with gold. It is known that she returned alone to Fort Sill some weeks later and on that occasion she headed for the Red River, probably crossing into Texas. Before leaving she told how Burlington and his half-breed had followed her back, and how she found their tracks in her lean-to. "What has become of them?" she was asked. "Ask the buzzards," she said. Mrs. Harbison's Kiowa woman's husband was known all along here as Hannah. The story told by the ex-cavalryman was related to Mary Harbison, who asked Hannah if she had ever heard of the Count of Monte Cristo. "Gambler's call my man so," she replied, so the identification seems to be correct. Mrs. Harbison has many suitors since the old squaw promised to tell her husband where the gold mine is to be found, but so far none of them has found favor in the eyes of the old

RICH THOUGH RED.

A KIOWA COUNTESS OF MONTE CRISTO.

The Owner of a Mine from Which She Has Extracted Pure Nuggets of Gold—Has a Cavalry Man from Mortgage Sharks.

(Harrisville, Texas, Letter.) When old man Harbison died, a little while ago, his widow and his pretty daughter Mary, had more than the fact of his death to distress them. His half section was found to be so heavily mortgaged that nothing was left for the support of mother and daughter. Stock and implements were included in the mortgage, and the family credit was exhausted. After the funeral mother and daughter sat down by themselves to have a good cry. The world seemed very bleak and drear to them. An old Kiowa squaw, whom Harbison had befriended, and who thereafter had been permitted to make her home with the family, found them in tears.

"Why do you howl like papoose?" she asked. "Kiowa women no cry when chief he go way." "The trouble was explained to her—she had nothing left, not even a home. She could not be made to understand what a mortgage was, but she got the impression he must be a good man, and "they no heap plenty," so she said.

Story Told by Cavalry Man.

An ex-cavalryman who formerly was stationed at Fort Sill and who now lives here, claims to have recognized this Kiowa woman as a squaw who, with her husband, some years ago, caused a sensation among the whites in the nation by offering gold nuggets to the traders in exchange for supplies. These two Indians did not live upon the reservation with their tribe, but flocked by themselves. They were well equipped with ponies and the buck was much given to gambling and drinking. When they came into an agency store they usually brought with them a buckskin pouch filled with small nuggets. After laying in their supplies the buck would fill up on tangletoot and then look for a faro game. His squaw went everywhere with him, and when he had lost his gold and drunk himself into a thoroughly besotted condition she would take him up on her shoulder and carry him off to her camp. Then they would disappear for a time, only to return with another pouch full of nuggets.

These two were nicknamed the Count and Countess of Monte Cristo by



HANNAH.

A lieutenant at Fort Sill, and they were so known to all the soldiers, cattlemen and gamblers in the territory. Many plans were laid and many efforts to track the Kiowa to his bonanza, but he succeeded in evading them. Asked where he got his gold he would point into the west. While drunk one day he told how he found the gold deposit. He had been following a wounded bear and the animal had crawled into a cave to die. He crept in after it, and then his squaw snapped out a warning in the Kiowa tongue and gathered him up and dragged him off.

Schemer of the Wary.

The Indian's love of display and his passion for gaming caused him to make frequent trips to his bonanza in order to get sufficient sums of gold to supply his wants. At the frontier posts he was always surrounded by gamblers, sharpers and land sharks, all of whom plied him with liquor in the hope of inducing him, while drunk, to betray his secret. But for his faithful squaw they might have succeeded. Once when the squaw found that they were being followed by a half-breed and a gambler named Burlington, who had hired him to track them, the Kiowa woman halted on her journey and made camp for the night. She lit her fire, made a lean-to for her buck, dragged him into it and threw a blanket over him. Then she squatted by the fire and remained beside it all night. In the morning she started back to the post alone. Then the watchers entered the lean-to only to find that the buck had given them the slip during her night. They did not follow the woman.

Reitroasts West Facing Yanks.

The history of railroading in this country is the history of self-made men, writes Chagnoy M. Dewey in Success. In this, as in all other businesses, the "plums" are comparatively few, but they are, nevertheless, obtainable through the medium of faithful endeavor and persistent work. The New York Central Railroad company is always on the lookout for bright brainy young Americans to enter its employ. This is one profession that is never overworked. We can't get enough of the hustling sort to suit us.

Ostrich a Diamond Thief.

Jake Becker, a Mantouf, Cal., saloon-keeper, used to be the proud possessor of a 14-carat diamond stud worth \$650, which blazed on his immaculate shirt-front. But it is there no more. One day last week, while on a visit to an ostrich farm, inspecting the birds, one was attracted by the brilliancy of his diamond. Opportunist as he was, the curious bird to inspect it more closely. Like a flash the huge bill closed on it, a wrench and a gobble followed and the ostrich was outside of the valuable gem. It is a woman's duty to set a good example—for man follows after women.

squaw. In their efforts to impress her with their honesty they have overdone it. She says of them one and all: "Lick hand now like dog. Bimely, break squaw back with stick." And she insists that Mary must find a good white man before she marries.

AN ESKIMO IN NEW YORK.

Engaging Little Fellow of 10 Brought by Lieut. Peary.

Mene, "The Only Eskimo in the United States," is the subject of a paper by Mary B. Sheldon, in St. Nicholas. Though he is only ten and no taller than our boys of seven or eight, he is the most engaging little fellow that ever you saw. Dark skin, straight black hair, the brightest of brown eyes, and white teeth that he is constantly showing as he smiles his winning, friendly smile—if these things you may know Mene, if you have the good fortune to meet him, as I did. He lived up at Highbridge, in the home of Mr. Wallace, formerly with the American Museum of Natural History, New York; for Mr. and Mrs. Wallace most kindly adopted the little fellow. It was about two years ago that Mene came to the United States. Lieutenant Peary brought him, with five other Eskimos, from his home far north on Smith Sound. The others were grown persons, and of them all, only Mene and one of the men are now alive. The little fellow's father, Kusash, was one of those who came here never to go back, and after the father's death, Mene decided, of his own accord, to stay in this country. "Kusash is dead," he said sorrowfully, "Nuctoob, Artoona, Abweah (the three Eskimos who were then living) they all go back north; but Mene will stay with Willie." Willie is the young son of Mr. and Mrs. Wallace, and Mene is very fond of him. "I hesitated about sending him to a public school," Mr. Wallace told me, "but I feel that Mene belongs to the United States, and I decided that our public schools ought to have the benefit of educating him. His teachers tell me that he is bright and learns quickly. The boy has a curious habit of always standing instead of sitting down, when he is in the house. He will stand during a whole evening, while all the others are sitting in the library." "Is he, then, restless or nervous?" I asked. "Oh, no," Mr. Wallace said; "quite the contrary. It seems merely his habit to stand rather than to sit."

White House Cats.

The nine kittens recently born at the white house are in great demand. Now, the cats living at the executive mansion are ordinary house cats, just like hundreds of others that can be had for the picking up on the streets, but a certain value attaches to one that comes from the presidential home. During Cleveland's administration a young woman from a female seminary in the South asked for and received a kitten born in the white house, taking it to her Southern home in great glee. Not long after it was learned that the kitten was on exhibition in a shop window in the girl's home town. A large placard announced that it was of a variety known by a fancy name, the enterprising shopkeeper had given it, and further announcement was made that it was born in the white house.

Tea-Drinking Nation.

The tea-drinking capacity of the British people is alluded to in Tea, the new monthly paper of the trade, which states that in the United Kingdom nearly six pounds of tea a head of the population is consumed. Sixteen years ago the per capita consumption amounted approximately to five pounds. There is no other European country where such a per capita consumption is approached; there is no other European country, with the exception of Holland, where the consumption of tea exceeds one pound a head. In Russia and in the United States also, which are the other two large tea consuming countries, the consumption amounts to under one pound a head.

Vermont's Old Home Week.

The state of Vermont will hold its first Old Home week on August 11-17. This annual reunion festival was fixed by an act of the legislature of 1900. Local associations have been formed in many Vermont towns for the celebration of the event. A state organization, of which Gov. Stickney is president, has general direction of Old Home week celebrations. A proclamation will soon be issued by the governor inviting native Vermonters in other states to return home at that time. The last census shows that more than 200,000 natives of Vermont are now living in other states.

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LOCAL DOTS.

A fresh stock of gentlemen's spring underwear and furnishing goods at McKee's.

Mr. F. G. Alexander visited his Munday house this week.

Miss Ora Scott who has been visiting friends here left Wednesday for home.

Mothers who would keep their children in good health should watch for the first symptoms of worms and remove them with WHITE'S CREAM VERMIFUGE. Price, 25 cents at J. B. Baker's drug store.

Mrs. Phillips and Miss Laura Garren were visiting and shopping in town Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Hills came up from Stamford Sunday and remained over with friends till Monday.

The latest and choicest things in ladies dress fabrics will be found at F. G. Alexander & Co.

Messrs. Fred Sanders and Chas. Mayes were down from Monday on Sunday to see their Haskell folks.

Mrs. Mary Sayles returned Thursday evening after two or three months spent visiting friends and relatives in various portions of the state.

You feel better at once after using HERBINE, you enjoy your food more, and you get more nourishment and invigorating force out of what you eat. Hence HERBINE makes you strong, vigorous and cheerful. Price, 50 cents at J. B. Baker's drug store.

A very choice line of gentlemen's silk underwear and fine hosiery at F. G. Alexander & Co's.

They tell us the wedding bells will ring in Haskell tomorrow and that there is more ringing in prospect for them in the near future.

Mr. W. H. Parsons and Mr. Kirby spent several days on the river fishing this week.

A fresh invoice of gentlemen and ladies' fine shoes at F. G. Alexander & Co's.

Miss Della Fields arrived home Thursday evening from Huntsville where she has been attending the Sam Houston Normal Institute. She returned via Kaufman and was accompanied home by her mother, Miss Eddie Taylor of that place.

Madame Ramer has it that a certain young lady of this place is to be converted into a Lemmon tomorrow! What did you say? Oh, yes, she will then be a lemon-aid.

An extra choice line of gentlemen's dress shirts at Alexander & Co's.

Messrs. W. B. Anthony and family, J. W. Meadors and family, Mrs. C. D. Long and children and Miss Edna Ellis spent the day Monday with friends in Stamford.

Judge A. H. Kirby of Abilene and Judge N. A. Rector of Austin were engaged in our district court this week.

A new line of first quality ladies' and children's hosiery just received at R. H. McKee's.

Miss Mary Rice went down to Moran Tuesday to visit a sick relative.

Mr. G. W. Thomson returned Tuesday from Fort Worth, where he was engaged in a land trial in the district court.

Ladies, call and see the new trimmings and notions at McKee's.

The grand jury at this term of district court presented seven bills of indictment, six of them being for misdemeanors and one for a felony, viz: the illegal disposition of mortgaged property.

I have had such a pressing trade in boots and shoes that I have had to make repeated orders to keep my stock up. I have just received my fourth invoice and my stock is now complete in all grades of stylish footwear. Customers always find my prices so low that they never fail to buy. T. G. Carney.

Mr. T. D. Cobb, a lawyer of San Antonio and connected with the land department of the H. & T. C. Ry. Co., was here this week representing the company, or F. P. Olcott, in a land suit in district court.

An extra nice line of wall paper at Thomason Brothers.

A nice line of fans and ladies' and gents' kid gloves just received at T. G. Carney's.

Mr. J. N. Avary who has been in bad health for several weeks, left Wednesday for Mineral Wells to try the recuperative properties of the mineral water.

Mr. S. W. Scott returned the first of the week from Fort Worth where he went last week to try a case in the district court.

Do you want to be sweeter than you are? If so, call at T. G. Carney's for new crop honey, the nicest assortment of candy in town and sugar and molasses till you can't rest.

Mr. Earl Lovelace of Waco is here on a visit to his friend Mr. Walter Tandy.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Wilbourn went to King county this week to look at a ranch offered for sale there.

WANTED:—Several ranches of 3000 to 20,000 acres.

We will exchange 640 acres valued at \$25,000.00 and 1700 acres valued at \$21,000.00, situated in Navarro county in the famous black land farming belt and oil region, for ranch lands in Haskell or adjoining counties. Thomason & Thomason, Haskell, Texas.

Mr. John Blakemore and family arrived here this week from Mitchell county and are stopping temporarily with his son, Mr. Merritt Blakemore. They probably will locate in this county.

Messrs. T. J. and B. F. Wilbourn returned Sunday from their prospecting trip to the southwest and plains country. They made no purchase of ranch lands, thinking prices asked were too high for lands remote from a railroad and settlement.

Sheriff Collins arrested and brought up from Abilene the latter part of last week J. C. Coons who was indicted by the late grand jury on a charge of illegally disposing of mortgaged property. Mr. Coons gave bond and returned home.

If you are troubled with that most uncomfortable disease called piles, don't neglect it. Don't let the complaint get a firm hold. Every day the disease is neglected it grows worse. Commence at once to use TABLET'S HUCKLEBY PILE OINTMENT, the relief is immediate, and cure infallible. Price, 50 cents in bottles. Tubes, 75 cents at J. B. Baker's drug store.

Mr. C. A. Mart, who now resides at Stamford, and Miss Pearl Carter, an estimable young lady of this place, were married on last Wednesday at 9 a. m. Rev. J. T. Bloodworth performing the ceremony. The best wishes of the Free Press for a life of happiness and prosperity go with them.

When you are in town call and see our nice line of furniture. No trouble to show it to you. Thomason Bros.

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Davis, residing about twelve miles northwest of town, had the grievous misfortune to lose their little child on Tuesday night. The little one's sojourn was brief here, and there is consolation for the parents in the belief that it went uncontaminated from earth to the bosom of Him who said: "Suffer the little children to come unto me, for of such is the kingdom of heaven."

Gentlemen, call and inspect that new lot of up-to-date clothing at Alexander & Co's. It is O. K. in style, fit, finish and price.

Messrs. Walter Tandy, Scott Key and Earl Lovelace and Misses Sadie Adams and Ethel Mason went down to Mr. Ogilby's ranch on Paint Thursday to spend two or three days fishing.

Don't forget that you can get anything you want in the furniture line at any time at Thomason Bros. M. H. Hutton.

Please say in your next issue there will be preaching in the court house next Sunday at 11 o'clock, a. m. Come and hear, F. H. Lutterloh.

Misses Zoie and Blanche Baldwin of Window, who have been visiting the family of their brother, Mr. J. L. Baldwin, leave for home this Saturday morning.

District court has been in session most of the week, engaged principally in hearing interlocutory motions and granting continuances. A land suit occupied the time Thursday and Friday.

The saddle case is set for trial Monday.

Mrs. Cartwright of Knox county who has been here several weeks under treatment by Dr. Lindsey returned home Thursday greatly improved in health.

A Shoe Talk.

I don't know, but I think I am selling more shoes than any other house in Haskell, for two reasons, first, because we sell cheaper, second, because of the quantity we have handled. In the past three months I have received four large bills of shoes and my stock is getting low again and I have now received the bills for over \$7000 worth of shoes that are to arrive within the next few days.

In order to make room for this new stock you can have any shoe now in stock cheaper than ever before. T. G. Carney.

See that linoleum at Thomason Bros., the thing for your dining room, hall or office floor.

The lady who left a parasol in the court house last Saturday can find it at this office.

The county commissioners have been in session all the week as a board of equalization, going over the tax renditions with a view to equalizing values.

Besides this work, which was not completed up to Friday evening, they have passed an order for a prohibition election (which see in another column) and an order transferring \$400 from the court house fund to the jury fund, also an order changing the boundary line of school district No. 6 so as to make it include the P. H. Anderson survey of land.

Also approved the bond of J. T. Knowles in sum of \$1000 as notary public and allowed several accounts against the county.

If the stomach performs its functions actively and regularly, the food of which it is the receptacle, is transformed into blood of a nourishing quality, which furnishes vigor and warmth to the whole body. HERBINE gives tone to the stomach and promotes digestion and assimilation. Price, 50 cents at J. B. Baker's drug store.

New comb honey at Alexander & Co's.

We acknowledge with thanks an invitation to attend the Sweetwater celebration June 24-25 as the city's guest.

A new lot of extra choice dried fruits at F. G. Alexander & Co's.

Mr. F. A. Jenkins, a young man of Snyder, applied to our district court this week for license to practice law. The court appointed Messrs. H. R. Jones, Oscar Martin and N. A. Rector a committee to examine him as to his qualifications and upon a favorable report by the committee the court granted him license.

See those new fancy groceries, choice teas, coffees, pickles, canned lobsters and shrimps, sardines and potted meats—in fact anything nice you want to eat at Alexander & Co's.

Mr. Emmett Robertson was out this week from Dallas visiting his parents and friends here. He returned to Dallas Friday.

Mr. R. E. Sherrill went to Abilene Friday to look after some business interest there.

Mrs. A. Henry of Terrell arrived Friday night on a visit to the family of her daughter, Mrs. F. G. Alexander.

Prohibition Election Ordered

The following order entered by the Commissioners' Court on Monday is self explanatory:

Be it remembered that on this the 10th day of June, A. D. 1901, came on to be considered by the commissioners court of Haskell County, Texas, a petition of two hundred and seventy-seven residents in, and qualified voters of, Haskell County, asking that an election be held to determine whether or not the sale of intoxicating liquors shall be prohibited within the limits of said Haskell county. And it appearing to this court that it is the duty of this court to order said election as prayed for.

It is considered and so ordered by the commissioners court of Haskell County, Texas, that an election be held on Tuesday, the 9th day of July, A. D. 1901, in accordance with the provisions of law, to determine whether or not the sale of intoxicating liquors shall be prohibited within the limits of Haskell county, said election to be held at the regular voting places in said county as now fixed by law and the duly appointed presiding officers of the several voting precincts of Haskell county, as appointed by this court on February 15th, 1901, to-wit: R. E. Sherrill for election precinct No. 1, J. S. Boone No. 2, J. M. Perry No. 3, Walter F. Smith No. 4, T. A. Mays No. 5, J. A. Fisher No. 6 and J. C. Bohanan No. 7, are hereby appointed as presiding officers to hold said election and the clerk of this court is hereby required and directed to give notice of the action of this court ordering said election as required by law, to-wit: by posting or causing to be posted at least five copies of this order at different places within the limits of said Haskell county for at least twelve days prior to said ninth day of July, A. D. 1901, said election to be held and the returns thereof made in conformity with the provisions of the general laws of the state, and by the officers of election appointed and qualified under such laws.

A TREAT For Our Friends and Customers!

We have secured a very choice assortment of Coin Gold Traced and Decorated China Ware which we will give absolutely free to our customers in sets or by the piece in proportion to the amount of their purchases.



In Quality, Style and Price is Unsurpassed

REMEMBER!! You get our goods at the same old low price—not one cent will be added to the price on account of these handsome presents. We do this simply to show our old customers our appreciation for their patronage and to induce new customers to come to us. Tell Your Friends About It, Please.

Now you don't have to buy any old, antiquated, shabby worn goods in order to get these presents. My stock is new and up to date in quality and style throughout. In it you will find all the leading staples in dry goods as well as the

Most Fashionable Ladies Dress Goods Trimmings, Embroideries and Notions.

Our Mrs. Martin will return from Dallas on the 10th with a new selection of summer millinery and some of the latest things in stylish dress trimmings.

And of course if you get the freshest and best to eat you must come to us for your Groceries.

We are in the push and out for business.

Yours, etc.,

T. G. CARNEY.

TERRELL'S DRUG STORE,

Southwest Corner Public Square

Haskell, Texas.

Handles only the Purest and Best drugs. Carries a nice line of

Jewelry, Notions and Sundries; Stationery, Watches, Clocks, Spectacles, Etc.

FURNITURE...

We invite the attention of the public to our large and complete stock of

HIGH-GRADE FURNITURE...

Dealing exclusively in furniture, it is our aim to keep our stock full and complete at all times, so that you may come to us with the full assurance of finding any article you may need without waiting for it to be ordered. We carry various grades of furniture to meet the requirements of all, but none of it is of the shoddy kind.

Our Prices Are as Low

as they can be made for the quality of goods we handle. We are also carrying a nice line of

Wall Paper, Rugs, Matting and Carpets.

You are invited to call and look through our stock; we will be pleased to tell you about it and quote prices.

THOMASON BROS.

Our old citizens, Mr. W. B. Anthony and family arrived last Sunday from Austin and, needless to say, were welcomed by a host of friends. Mr. Anthony will have to return Monday to his duties in the State land office, but Mrs. Anthony and the children will remain here some time longer.

We hear that Mr. H. S. Post has had the misfortune to lose several head of his fine graded hereford yearlings. It seems they died of fever contracted from being put in a pasture where tick infested cattle had been pastured some time previously.

The meeting which has been going on at the Methodist church all the week has been one of considerable interest. Most of the business houses have closed from 10 to 11 o'clock in the morning in order to allow all who desired to do so to attend and the congregations have been large throughout, especially at the night services. Rev. T. J. Beckham of Wichita Falls who has been doing most of the preaching is an eloquent and forcible speaker and has had close attention. We are informed that there have been eight conversions and eight or ten accessions to the Methodist church. Rev. Beckham had to leave for home Friday morning but the meeting will be continued by Rev. Bloodworth through Sunday and possibly longer.

Mr. Matt Walker has bought Mr. H. E. Keister's interest in their meat market and has secured the services of Mr. Will Dickenson as cutter, in which line he is an expert.

Mr. Hamilton Says

The editor of the Aspermont Star wrote Col. Chas. Hamilton, Vice-Pres. and Gen. Mgr. of the T. C. Ry. in regard to the "careless way freight for Aspermont was being handled at Stamford" and in its last issue gives the following extract from Col. Hamilton's reply:

"It is our intention, and instructions to our agents, to give better treatment and afford better facilities to the people of Texas than any other railroad has ever shown any community, and I am going to have it that way if I have to change agents every month. I wish you would kindly suggest to the other parties who think they have reason to complain, if you should come in contact with them, that such is our purpose." Good for Col. Hamilton.

Unnecessary Loss of Time.

Mr. W. S. Whedon, Cashier of the First National Bank of Winterset, Iowa, in a recent letter gives some experience with a carpenter in his employ, that will be of value to other mechanics. He says: "I had a carpenter working for me who was obliged to stop work for several days on account of being troubled with diarrhoea. I mentioned to him that I had been similarly troubled and that Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy had cured me. He bought a bottle of it from the druggist here and informed me that one dose cured him, and he is again at his work." For sale by J. B. Baker.

The very latest things in ladies' belts at McKee's.

THE GOSSETT HOTEL, Haskell, Texas.

Having taken charge of this Hotel and refitted and refurbished it, now offers to the

Local and Traveling Public the best and most comfortable accommodations to be had in Haskell, but without a corresponding advance in prices.

Your Patronage Respectfully Solicited.

M. H. GOSSETT, Proprietor.

J. W. BELL,

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SADDLES and HARNESS

Full Stock, Work Promptly to Order.

Repairing done neatly and substantially. Prices reasonable and satisfaction with goods and work guaranteed.

Your Trade is Solicited.

Nine-Tenths of all the People Suffer from a Diseased Liver.

HERBINE.

Pure Juices from Natural Roots.

REGULATES the Liver, Stomach and Bowels, Cleanses the System, Purifies the Blood.

CURES Malaria, Biliousness, Constipation, Weak Stomach and Impaired Digestion.

Every Bottle Guaranteed to Give Satisfaction. LARGE BOTTLE, \$1.00. SMALL BOTTLE, 50 CENTS.

Prepared by JAMES F. BALLARD, St. Louis, Mo.

For sale by J. B. Baker, Haskell, Texas.

SEE...

Yes, ladies and gentlemen, come and see my new goods. That is what I ask of you, for I know that if you are a judge of goods you will be pleased with the quality and, when you learn the prices, you will buy, then I will be pleased and we will all be happy.

My goods are fresh from headquarters and I can assure the public that in my stock are comprised all the latest patterns and designs likely to be wanted in this section.

Ladies Dress goods: My stock is very complete in this line, but I can only take space to mention a few things. Among Many Others You Will Find:

emetic Covert Cloth, in polka dots and stripes, an excellent dress cloth.

Foulards, in figures and stripes.

Organdies and Percales, a beautiful assortment.

Mercerized Silk Brocades. These goods are warranted to wash in hot or cold water without dimming the brilliancy and lustre of the goods or colors. They are among the latest and prettiest goods on the market.

Velvet Nainsooks,—a choice line of goods.

A handsome line of Swiss Lawns in stripes, dots and figures.

Standard Dry Goods: Everything in this line including best brands of Calicoes, Cheviots, Piquees, Suitings, Shirtings, Checks, Domestic, Drillings, Cotton Flannel, Jeans, Etc., Etc.

Gentlemen's Clothing, Under Wear, Etc.

I offer a good assortment in these lines, including dress shirts, and the latest styles in collars, cuffs, ties, gloves, etc.

BOOTS and SHOES: A complete stock of standard makes of men's, women's and children's boots, shoes and slippers—as good and as cheap as you can find.

HATS, CAPS, GLOVES, ETC., a good assortment of good values in these lines.

As I can't tell you the half of what I have or what it looks like in this space I will renew the invitation to come and see. I guarantee to treat you right and fair, to sell you no shoddy stuff—all goods just as represented or your money back.

REMEMBER also that I carry a full line of family groceries and that like the dry goods, the quality and the prices are right.

RESPECTFULLY,

R. H. McKee.

If Stamford or the other fellow won't give you 8 pounds of Arbutle coffee for a dollar just see Carney, the Low Price man of Haskell.

A Terrible Explosion "Of a gasoline stove burned a lady here frightfully," writes N. E. Palmer, of Kirkman, Ia. "The best doctors couldn't heal the running sore that followed, but Bucklen's Arnica Salve entirely cured her." Infallible for cuts, corns, sores, boils, bruises, skin diseases and plica, 25c at J. B. Baker's.