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Instead of waiting for something to turn up, catch hold and turn it up.

Germany is pushing her plans for a big navy. It is said that her intention is to plant colonies in South America and test the Monroe doctrine.

Cuba has succeeded in negotiating a loan of \$35,000,000 in this country with which to pay the Cuban veterans for services during the rebellion against Spain.

Booker Washington having returned from his trip to Europe, tells the negroes that their opportunities for labor and education in this country are better than are in the reach of the poor white people of Europe.

In retaliation for President Roosevelt's officious meddling in the Maryland State election campaign now on, Maryland democrats are asking embarrassing questions about the President's civil service doctrines and rules heretofore promulgated. They seem to make him out inconsistent!

Few of us who see nothing of the great ocean steamers have an adequate conception of their enormous carrying capacity. We are reminded of this by a news item, which will be found in another column of this paper, which mentions the chief items in the cargo of the "Wayfarer" which cleared the port of Galveston a few days ago. A little figuring shows that at fifteen bushels per acre for wheat, thirty-five bushels per acre for corn and one-third of a bale of cotton per acre, she carried the produce of nearly 64,000 acres of land at fully the average Texas yield, besides other items of freight, and there are much larger ships than the "Wayfarer."

An Iowa minister has refused a salary of three thousand dollars a year to play a full line of exchange. It may be the largest cap and only five hundred as a preacher.

The above brief item presents two types of men to the mind, one, its subject, is of the spiritual order, whose moving force is love and compassion for his fellow man, producing a strong desire to uplift and ennoble, even at the cost of self sacrifice. The other, its writer, is of the animal type, iconoclastic in disposition, finding his greatest pleasure in deriding and tearing down the good others do. One carries light into dark places while the other would obscure the light if he could.

WALL STREET AND THE ADMINISTRATION.

It is announced in a special from Washington that contrary to previous intimations Wall Street interests—which means the financial and trust magnates—will make no fight on President Roosevelt, the "Street" having come to the conclusion that over speculation in "water bubble" securities and stocks was the cause of their financial troubles and that instead of being to blame the Administration had thrown out hints intended for warnings, but which they did not heed. In the same connection it is given out as coming from an important member of the Administration that it is the plan of the Administration to have congress do nothing at the coming session to affect any business interests of the country, to pass just as little general legislation as possible, and adjourn in April, if possible, or in May. That all tariff tinkering will be kept in the background and there will be no attempt at financial legislation, no amendments to the trust laws, and appropriations will be kept down.

These two announcements coming at the same time have a very significant look. Things have been fixed between the Administration and the Street. The "Street" made just enough hostile demonstration to scare the Administration into making satisfactory pledges that Mr. Roosevelt's talk about tariff revision, and trust legislation will not be carried out, then the "Street" discovers that they or it has never had any grounds

of complaint against the Administration, but that in fact its own stupidity was to blame for its troubles.

Nobody knowing anything of the methods of operating the wheel within a wheel of the republican party expected any other outcome than that they would be made to harmonize.

HUMAN EDUCATION.

Criticising the educational convention of teachers recently held in Boston, Mass., Mr. Geo. T. Angell, president of the "American Humane Education Society and the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals," said that not a word was said in the convention about humane education, a subject which he regarded as "a hundred times more important to the future of the country than any subject that convention considered."

Being asked what he would have teachers teach on this subject he replied through "Dumb Animals," the official organ of the societies mentioned: "Answer. Everything that will tend to prevent cruelty and crime—everything that will tend to stop wars, riots, strikes, and conflicts between capital and labor—everything that will make the children of the rich kinder to the poor, and the children of the poor kinder to the rich—everything that will tend to relieve both human and animal suffering, and make this world of ours a happier one for all living beings, both human and dumb. Education, if it is to be without education of heart is a curse, leading to wars, dishonesty, corruption and crime."

Poisonous adulterations of our foods, drinks and medicines are bad enough, but poisonous adulteration of a nation's life is infinitely worse. Our country is full of wrongs today for which the permanent remedy can only come through a proper humane education in our higher institutions of learning and in our hundred thousand public and private schools.

We should have professors of, or lecturers on, humanity in all our colleges, and humane education of teachers in all our public and private schools.

To the older classes great facts in the world's semi-barbaric history should be made familiar—to the younger, pictures, songs, stories, illustrations—humane books and papers, and "Bands of Mercy" to aid in promoting the objects of our American Humane Education Society, "Glory to God," "Peace on Earth," "Kindness, Justice and Mercy to every living creature."

The matter may not be altogether as important as the venerable president of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals makes it, but we agree that it is a very important question and at the same time a very greatly neglected one. Mr. Angell's society has brought about the enactment of wholesome laws in Massachusetts for the protection of dumb animals, but few other states have anything like effective laws on the subject. It is a subject that has been almost wholly neglected in Texas and it occurs to us that it is one that might be taken up by the press and pulpit of the state and pushed to a successful issue, to the lasting honor of both.

A Washington letter to the Houston Post says that republican leaders are considerably perturbed on account of the slow and meager contributions coming in to the campaign fund for the fall elections. Wall Street, which is one of their prolific sources of supply, is holding back and doing practically nothing for the campaign fund. The republicans can't run an election without plenty of money to influence or buy votes and pay leaders, and they always get it. They will get it this time, too. If there is any talk or prospect of legislation not satisfactory to the corporations, trusts and financial interests they shut up their pocketbooks until the political bosses make satisfactory pledges. If these interest desire certain legislation in their favor and the politicians are afraid or slow to promise it they draw up their purse strings and refuse to plank down the campaign fund until the politicians promise what they want. The politicians dare not fail to carry out their promises, for they fear that if they did the money necessary to buy their way back into office next time would be withheld. The Wallstreeters will get pledged what they want, then they will put up the money for the campaign.

The State Commissioner of Insurance has given out warning several times lately that a number of swindling companies have agents soliciting business in Texas. When thinking of taking a policy the safe thing to do is to require the agent to show the certificate of authority of his company from the State Commissioner, under the seal of the State.

STATE NEWS.

Small pox is reported at Sour Lake.

The Texas packeries are calling for hogs.

Prohibition went into effect at Naacogoches on schedule time on the 15th, all the saloons closing in respect to the law.

R. W. Dringham, a prominent farmer living near Ryan, McLennan county, dropped dead a few days ago from heart trouble.

Allen Biter, residing five miles from Nocona, was killed a few days ago by James Allison in a fight with knives. Allison was wounded.

Obed, fourteen years old and Jim, ten years old, sons of Berry Cox, a farmer near Ryan, were playing last Sunday with guns supposed to be empty, when Obed's gun fired, killing his brother.

The International Fair at San Antonio is in operation this week. Its exhibits in all lines are said to be good, and its live stock and agricultural exhibits are said to be the best ever seen in the State.

Twenty-five years in the penitentiary was the sentence given David McDaniels Saturday at Texarkana for the killing of J. C. Larue at that place last May. Napoleon McDaniels, father of the convicted man and who is also under indictment for the same offence, was granted a change of venue to Cass county.

Of the 675 oil companies chartered in Texas within the two years following the discovery of oil at Beaumont 358 have given up the ghost (that's what they were) and are no more. How much money was lost by purchasers of stock in these companies throughout the United States, is an unsolved problem.

The civil court of appeals, first district, gave a decision a few days ago in a case appealed from Smith county, holding that a sheriff was not entitled to \$2 per day for waiting on commissioners' court, such attendance being part of his ex-officio duties and not included in the statute allowing sheriffs \$2 per day for waiting on county and district courts.

The express companies having enjoined the Texas Railroad Commission from requiring them to put into operation the reduced rates recently fixed by the commission, the commission has notified the railroads of its intention to fix a schedule of rates and require them to receive and handle parcels (express matter) on their passenger trains direct instead of through express companies. The commissioners think there is no doubt of their authority to do this under the law. If they are correct, they appear to have a down hill pull on the express companies.

We have received a copy of the Fort Worth Record, the new paper started at Fort Worth and understood to be a North Texas branch of the Houston Post, as the Dallas News was of the Galveston News. The Record has secured the full Associated Press news service, which we understand has heretofore been held by a newspaper in a rival city in order to prevent the publication of an up-to-date rival morning daily paper in Fort Worth.

The Record comes to fill an oft-repeated and long felt want in North Texas for a thoroughly equipped and properly conducted democratic newspaper in that section of the state, one in harmony with the dominant element of the party, such a newspaper as the Post has been in South Texas, hence it would appear that the Record has an easy field to conquer.

It says in its opening editorial: "With its whole heart and its best intelligence The Record believes in the principles of the Democratic party—believes in them as the hope of a free people, and the safeguard of the American Republic—and will endeavor to honestly apply them to all questions of issue. It will lead itself upon proper occasion to duly constituted party effort and to be in touch of and for the people of its birth. Yet it will decline to be the echo or the organ of selfish interest or narrow partisanship."

"The Record is absolutely its own master, its conscience is in its own keeping and its responsibility is to itself and its clear purpose. It will seek to make friends of all men and to command the respect of those with whom it may not be in agreement, but it will not hesitate to incur animosity in behalf of the public welfare. It will err, of course, for it is heir to the infirmities of human judgment, but it will strive to do right and let consequences take care of themselves."

The names of such men as Clarence Osley; F. P. Holland, of Farm and Ranch, Dallas; B. M. Johnson, of the Post, Houston; in its board of directors is a guarantee that it will be of aid and for the people.

Services at the Baptist Church.

The pastor desires the presence of all the members at the morning hour. Let us all be present on time. Sunday school at 10 a. m. The superintendent, Bro. Whitman, begins on time, and earnestly desires the presence and cooperation of all the members of the church. Every one is invited.

Young people's meeting in the afternoon. All Young People are invited to be present.

Come to these services, the new pastor wants to meet you.

L. L. Lusk, Pastor.

A THANKSGIVING SERVICE.

At the Christian Church on Lord's Day morning, October 25, at 11 o'clock, there will be conducted what may be termed a "Historical and Thanksgiving Service." At which time the history of the local congregation will be given by one of the oldest and most respected members and elder, Bro. Wallace Fields. Following this there will be a short sermon by the minister on the subject of "Thanksgiving." All the members and friends are invited to take a part in this, which we hope to make a most helpful and beneficial service.

At night the discourse will consist of a chart sermon on "Church History." We hope to make them very instructive. Come, we invite you to 7:30. C. N. Williams, Minister.

Any one wanting a residence in Haskell should investigate Capt. B. H. Dodson's offer to sell his place, as it is one of the handsomest and most conveniently arranged homes in this country. The house is a large one-story frame building presenting a nice appearance from the exterior view, and the interior is conveniently arranged as to the location and communication between the various rooms, all of which are neatly finished up, and the entire building is substantially built and rests on a solid brick and rock foundation. The well furnishes an abundance of good water, which is raised by a windmill to an elevated tank, from which it is piped to all parts of the house and to the lot or barn in the rear, besides furnishing a supply to water a lot of nice fruit trees and shrubbery in the yard and irrigate a vegetable garden. The out-buildings consist of a two-story barn affording bins for grain and comfortable protection for horses and cow and for buggy below, and for storage stall above. Besides the improvements mentioned there is a conveniently located storm house 12x18 feet, nicely ceiled and fitted up inside. While this place as it stands is a commodious and comfortable home, it can, with its water facilities and advantageous location on the main street of the town, be made an ideally beautiful one by some family with taste and leisure to devote to the adornment of its ample grounds.

To get a little extra move on business and at the same time get the people acquainted with the merits of "Western's Pure Gold" baking powder, we make the following proposition: Come and spend \$5 or more, or pay \$5 or more on your account, and we will give you free a pound can of the baking powder and a ticket in the drawing for a drop head sewing machine. You can see the machine in our show window. The tickets and cans of baking powder are limited, so hurry up before they are all gone. Williams & Whitaker.

Prof. Burtt, the old reliable pebble spectacle man who was with us two years ago, will be with us again in the near future. He is now at Stamford; ask your doctor who he is. He will make any of his work good, done two years ago. Look for him and get his best work. He carries the largest stock of any one ever in this part of the country and has all the necessary instruments for testing and fitting glasses to the eyes. Examinations free of charge. (39 tr)

Remember the old fiddlers' contest Friday night, October 30th. You can come to the street fair and stay and hear the music.

The latest styles stationery is at T. T. Cunningham's. If you are behind in what to use, call and see those styles.

Came Down Hard.

Freddie is a boy of five years, and he has a little brother who is just beginning to walk. The younger brother's name is Frank, and while Freddie likes him in a certain way, his nose has been rather out of joint since his arrival.

The other day he said to his mother: "Ma, did our baby come right from heaven?"

"Yes, my son," replied his mother. "Well, then," said the young hopeful, "I guess he must have lit on his feet; that's what makes him so bow-legged."—Selected.

Are you taking your county paper?

Fifteen persons were killed and forty more or less seriously injured in a collision on the Pennsylvania Railroad in New Jersey Saturday.

The Alaskan Boundary Commission, sitting in London for some weeks, has rendered a decision almost wholly sustaining the claims of the United States. The only concession to Canada was the giving to her a Pacific port through the Portland Canal.

Rev. Breed, Episcopalian.—Godliness and worldly lusts are to be denied and cast out before the positive and constructive side of Christian living is begun. All fields must be clear of stones and rubbish before the oxen is planted or the palooz bull.

OLD FIDDLERS' CONTEST.

An old fiddlers' contest is being arranged for by the Women's Home Mission society of Haskell, to take place at the court house on Friday night, Oct. 30th.

Several old fiddlers have already agreed to enter the contest and an invitation is extended to all the old fiddlers in Haskell and adjoining counties to participate in it. Contestants will pay no fee to enter the contest and each will be allowed two trials of five minutes each. A fine Straton hat will be awarded as the first prize and a pair of fine gloves as the second prize. There will be no other compensation to contestants, as the entertainment is for charitable purposes, the proceeds to be devoted to the mission work of the society and to the improvement of the cemetery. It is hoped these things will appeal strongly enough to the old fiddlers throughout the country to induce all of them to take part in the contest and help to make it a success.

I now have those prize dishes to redeem the tickets you have received on purchase at my store. Call and get your premiums. T. G. Carney.

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THE CHURCHES.

CHRISTIANITY—Rev. W. C. Young, pastor. Preaching at 11 o'clock a. m. on first Sunday and 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. on second and third Sundays in each month. Sunday school at 10 o'clock a. m. every Sunday. Mr. E. Sherrill, superintendent. Prayer meeting every Wednesday night at 8:30 o'clock.

CHRISTIAN—Services every Sunday at 11 o'clock a. m. and 8 p. m. Rev. H. S. Williams, pastor. Prayer meeting every Wednesday night at 8 o'clock. Sunday school every Sunday morning at 10 o'clock. Prof. L. T. Lacey, superintendent.

METHODIST—Services every Sunday at 11 o'clock a. m. and 8 p. m. Rev. C. N. Williams, pastor. Prayer meeting every Wednesday night at 8 o'clock. Sunday school every Sunday morning at 10 o'clock. Prof. L. T. Lacey, superintendent.

BAPTIST—Services every Sunday at 11 a. m. and 8:30 p. m. Rev. J. N. Allen, pastor. Sun. school every Sunday at 10 o'clock. P. M. Prayer meeting every Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock. Sunday school at 10 o'clock a. m. Mr. W. F. Whitman, superintendent.

SOCIETIES.

W. C. T. U.—Meets Tuesday evenings after the second and fourth Sundays in each month at 8 o'clock at the Methodist church. Mrs. A. B. Mason, president; Mrs. Levi McCallum, secretary.

THE SENIOR LEAGUE—Meets every Sunday evening at the Methodist church at 2 o'clock. Mrs. J. A. Asperston, superintendent; Miss Edith Smith, president; Miss Pearl Gristwood, secretary.

THE JUNIOR LEAGUE—Meets every Sunday evening at the Methodist church at 2 o'clock. Mrs. J. A. Asperston, superintendent; Miss Edith Smith, president; Miss Pearl Gristwood, secretary.

EASTERN WOMEN'S—Meet every Thursday evening at 8 o'clock. Mrs. W. C. Young, president.

THE SENIOR ENHAVOR—Meets every Sunday evening at 4 o'clock at the Christian church. Prof. L. T. Cunningham, president; Miss Ollie Norris, sec'y.

THE B. V. P. U.—Meets each Sunday evening at 8 o'clock at the Baptist church. Mrs. A. Cunningham, leader.

THE COURTS.

DISTRICT COURT.—The regular term of district court are continued on the fourth Mondays in May and November. Term, four weeks. H. B. Jones, judge; Knicker, C. Higgins, attorney; C. D. Long, clerk.

COUNTY COURT.—The regular terms of county court are continued on the first Mondays in January, April, July and October. D. H. Hamilton, judge; J. E. Williams, attorney; C. D. Long, clerk.

COMMISSIONERS' COURT.—The regular sessions of the commissioners' court are held on the second Mondays in February, May, August and November.

CLERK OF COURTS.—D. H. Hamilton, judge; C. D. Long, clerk; J. W. Bell, sheriff and collector; J. E. Williams, attorney; C. M. Brown, assessor; H. M. Eike, surveyor.

COMMISSIONERS.—S. V. Jones, Precinct No. 1; B. H. Owsley, Precinct No. 2; J. E. Williams, Precinct No. 3; W. F. Watts, Precinct No. 4.

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Of the best quality to be had in the market. Our plan is to keep New Goods coming as fast as the old ones go out, thus keeping our stock fresh all the time—no over-stock on anything to become stale or lose flavor.

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CANDIES and Fresh Fruits....

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I SELL FOR CASH AND MAKE VERY CLOSE PRICES.

Call and give me a trial....

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RESIDENCE FOR SALE. My home place on North Main Street is for sale. If you want a good residence come and see what I have. B. H. DONSON. Pastoremen can get fire notices at THE FREE PRESS office.

Special Offer. If you are not taking The Free Press you should be. It is helpful to the best interests of your town and county. For \$1.75, cash in advance, we will mail you the Free Press and The Galveston or The Dallas Semi-Weekly News for twelve months. The News stops when your time is out.



Mrs. Laura S. Webb, Vice-President Women's Democratic Club of Northern Ohio.

"I dreaded the change of life which was fast approaching. I noticed Wine of Cardui, and decided to try a bottle. I experienced some relief the first month, so I kept on taking it for three months and now I manifest no pain and I shall take it off and on now until I have passed the climax." Female weakness, disordered menses, falling of the womb and ovarian troubles do not wear off. They follow a woman to the change of life. Do not wait but take Wine of Cardui now and avoid the trouble. Wine of Cardui never fails to benefit a suffering woman of any age. Wine of Cardui relieved Mrs. Webb when she was in danger. When you come to the change of life Mrs. Webb's letter will mean more to you than it does now. But you may now avoid the suffering she endured. Druggists sell \$1 bottles of Wine of Cardui.

WINE OF CARDUI

MONEY TO LOAN—I am loaning money on hand at a low rate of interest. I took \$11,000 worth of applications Monday and Tuesday. See me if you want money. T. G. Carney.

50 To 75 Per. Cent Saved

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Messrs. W. H. Wyman & Co. of Haskell have secured the exclusive agency in Haskell and Knox counties for this excellent and economical paint.

"POWDER PAINT" is weatherproof, hardening like cement after being applied, and does not crack or chalk off. It is absolutely fireproof, hence it is a great protection to buildings painted with it. Call at store and see proof of this claim.

It is not affected by acids, gases, or moisture, hence it is a good sanitary protection.

It comes in the form of a powder and is mixed with water only, and is applied with an ordinary brush, one coat making as good a covering as two coats of any ready mixed oil paint and being much cheaper.

It is furnished in white and all the desirable tints.

For further information, samples and testimonials, call at the Haskell Racket Store.

Nothing has ever equalled it. Nothing can ever surpass it. Dr. King's New Discovery For Consumption. A Perfect Cure For All Throat and Lung Troubles. Money back if it fails. Trial Bottles Free.

FLOTSAM AND JETSAM.

If you have hides for sale go to J. N. Ellis at the City Meat market, and get the highest market price for them.

An important business meeting of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union will be held at the home of Mrs. Levi McCollum on Tuesday, October 27, at 4 o'clock, P. M. All members are urged to be present.

Just received a big line of men's hats, new and up-to-date. Prices lower than the lowest. T. G. Carney.

L. T. Cunningham has had extra force employed this week unpacking and marking his first shipment of holiday goods, which he states is only a small part of his complete holiday stock. He says it will require all the month to get his stock ready for his opening December 4.

Teachers and pupils, you are invited to call at my store for your school supplies. I have a fine assortment of tablets, pencils, pens, etc. Call and see the stock. L. T. Cunningham, successor to Baker & Cunningham.

Mr. G. R. Couch spent a day or two on his ranch this week while the other fellers run the bank.

Mr. W. H. Newberry and wife, of Laguna, Mexico, arrived here Tuesday night on a visit to the family of Mr. T. L. Williams.

Get your share of the bargains on the 5 and 10 cent counters at the Racket Store.

Mr. Joe Haskew was over from Stonewall Tuesday on a business mission.

The best Fort Worth bread constantly on hand at Ellis' meat market.

Mr. C. C. Scarborough and wife were in town Thursday trading. Mr. Scarborough is a prosperous farmer in the Marcy neighborhood.

Just received an elegant line of ladies' misses' and children's cloaks by Alexander Mercantile Co.

Next sale on at The Stomach. There and get

A new lot of latest style stationery and writing tablets at the Racket Store.

Dr. Griffin reports the birth of a fine boy to Mr. and Mrs. J. L. McCully, ten miles west of town on Wednesday.

To our lady trade we wish to say, \$5.00 will buy the best ready-to-wear skirt to be found on any market, at Alexander Mercantile Co's.

Messrs. Will Whitman and Virgil Hudson went to Fort Worth Monday with four cars of beef cattle.

The Alexander Mercantile Co. will take your measure and get you a suit in ten days.

Mr. W. E. Dickinson the latter part of last week shipped 3000 stock sheep to the Del Rio country. This nearly cleans up the sheep business in this county, leaving only one large range herd.

A nice line of hosiery and ladies' and children's underwear, including union suits, just received at the Racket Store.

The largest line of buggy and riding whips every brought to Haskell, just received at the Racket Store, direct from factory. You will be surprised at the prices.

The Alexander Mercantile Co. are showing the nicest line of tailor samples ever shown in the town.

Mrs. A. B. Mason and daughter, Miss Ethel, returned last Saturday from a two or three weeks' visit to friends in Anson and Abilene. They also attended the fair while in Abilene.

Alexander Mercantile Co. guarantee every tailor made suit to fit perfectly.

Dr. Griffin informs us that a fine boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Barnett of Wild Horse prairie last Saturday.

P. D. Sanders is prepared to make loans on farms and ranches, and take up and extend Vendor Lien notes. See, or write him at his office in Court House, Haskell, Texas.

Mr. Geo. Courtney of the northeast part of the county has been furnishing work for the Haskell gin this week. He says he has some fine hogs to show in the street fair next Friday.

See Williams & Whitaker before you sell your cotton. They pay cash.

Mr. Wheeler Lee, one of the prosperous farmers of the Cliff community, sold out and bought supplies here Thursday.

The Alexander Mercantile Co. are making a specialty of tailor made suits.

Mr. J. L. Rice says he is going after the mule and horse coat premiums at the street fair next Friday.

Buy your groceries of Williams & Whitaker, live long and be happy.

Judge Jones is holding court in Stonewall county this week.

Pens, pencils, ink and tablets at the Racket Store for school children.

Judge H. G. McConnell has been looking after court business in the Fort Worth court of appeals this week.

See the new line of school shoes at T. G. Carney's—now is the time to buy—may cost you more later than we ask for them now.

Don't fail to hear the fiddlers Friday night.

Turnip seed by the ounce or pound at the Racket Store.

From the talk of many farmers who have been in town this week, it begins to look like the street fair will be a roaring success. They are coming, and are going to bring something with them.

For first class hot tamales go to Fred Niemann, northwest corner of square.

Miss Angie Baker visited the family of her brother, Mr. J. B. Baker, this week.

It will be a pleasure for you to see my line of stationery. I have what you want. L. T. Cunningham, successor to Baker & Cunningham.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Irby of the east side of the county were shopping and visiting in town Thursday.

New Shoes—a fine line of them just received by T. G. Carney—to be sold at the very lowest prices.

Mr. R. J. Norman, one of the progressive farmers of Wild Horse prairie, was in town Thursday. He spoke approvingly of the street fair as a thing calculated to be very beneficial to the farming interests, and hoped to see the farmers rustle up specimens of all their products and make a good showing.

Paper napkins, just the kind you have been calling for. They are beautiful and just the thing for your receptions. L. T. Cunningham, successor to Baker & Cunningham.

Miss Lillie Brockman, who spent the summer here with her sister, Mrs. W. L. Hills, left yesterday morning to join her parents at White Bird Idaho, to which place they removed last fall from Stephens county, this state.

Alexander Mercantile Co. are making very special prices on a large line of slippers.

A choice line of sauces and flavoring extracts at Williams & Whitaker's.

The attention of the ladies is called to the nice line of new skirts at Alexander Mercantile Co's store.

Ledgers from \$5.00, at L. T. Cunningham's, successor to Baker & Cunningham.

Williams & Whitaker have a new line of pajamas, overalls and jumpers.

Sheriff J. W. Bell received an invitation to appear before the Stonewall county grand jury this week, which he promptly obeyed.

Goggles and eye shields at the Racket Store.

Mrs. Bettie Hale returned Tuesday from Snyder, where she has been visiting with relatives for some weeks.

A full line of school tablets at the Racket Store.

Fresh hog pickles, sauer kraut, white fish and mackerel at Williams & Whitaker's.

Great big tablets at the Racket Store for a nickel.

The protracted meeting at the Christian church came to a close last Sunday night after a run of nearly three weeks. We made about there were 35 additions to the church as a result of the service. Eld. McKisick, who assisted Pastor Williams, left Monday for his home at Weatherford.

Farmers will find a supply of 8 and 10 ounce ducking for making cotton socks at S. L. Robertson's.

That daughter of Mr. S. W. Scott's we told about last week was a boy. The only reason we didn't get shot for the mistake was that Mr. Scott couldn't find a cannon big enough to do the job to his satisfaction.

If you don't think farm truck grows in Haskell county, just come next Friday and see.

The latest and best styles in ladies' under skirts are to be found at Alexander Mercantile Co's.

The street fair will afford farmers excellent opportunity to get together, compare notes and see what is being done in all parts of the county. The man who can not learn something of benefit to himself from such a day's observation and intercourse with others engaged in the same business is a hard proposition.

Three store buildings, two residences, and several vacant lots in Haskell for sale at bargain prices. See or write to, T. G. Carney, Haskell, Texas.

Mr. F. G. Alexander spent two or three days with the Alexander Mercantile Co's branch house at Munday this week. He reports everything flourishing there and a fine business doing.

I have just received the finest line of stationery ever shown in Haskell. You may be sure you can get exactly what you want in this line at L. T. Cunningham's, successor to Baker & Cunningham.

Beginning tomorrow the B. Y. P. U. will meet at 5 o'clock, P. M., at the residence of Mrs. Cunningham, the leader, requests that all members be in attendance punctually at that hour, as she desires to arrange a special class in Bible study. She invites all the young people who are interested in Bible study to attend.

The UNIFORM NOTE is the latest thing in social correspondence. Envelopes to match. At L. T. Cunningham's, successor to Baker & Cunningham.

The best line of novelty dress trimmings, consisting of braids in all shades and weaves, the new wood fibre lace, a full line of pendants and cards, also a line of cut steel buttons which are now taking the lead. We know this to be the best and most up-to-date line ever brought to Haskell. Alexander Mercantile Co.

It is said that every gin in the county is being crowded to its utmost capacity.

We haven't heard a single complaint about the price paid for cotton in Haskell this season, which is mighty good evidence that our merchants are paying top prices.

From the amount of trade coming to Haskell it looks like the people are beginning to learn that the price of goods are as low here as at the railroad towns.

LOCAL OPTION FINALLY WINS.

The news from Austin is that the supreme court has refused to grant a writ of error from the Fort Worth court of appeals in the Haskell county local option case, holding that the action of the Fort Worth court was final and that it (the supreme court) had no jurisdiction to reopen the case. This leaves the decision of the Fort Worth court in favor of local option in full force, so that prohibition will go into effect as soon as the publication of the notice is completed. Perhaps it will be so in reality before that time, as we understand the saloon license expires on November 8 and it is not probable that the proprietors will renew it for the short time between that date and the completion of the notice.

A CORRECTION

In our item last week mentioning the marriage of Prof. B. M. Whitaker and Miss Myrtle Nicholson, which occurred at Pinkerton on the 14th instant, we were in error in saying that Rev. J. T. Nicholson performed the marriage ceremony. We have since been informed that it was Rev. I. N. Alvis who performed that rite for them.

In this connection we have to express regret that we could not make room this week for an excellent write-up of the affair which was received a day or two ago, which included a description of the beautiful decorations of the church and a list of the many pretty and valuable presents received by the happy pair.

A SOCIAL MEETING.

On Wednesday evening, October 21, the new members of the Christian Church were welcomed by the congregation with a reception.

A goodly number were present and expressed themselves as having a profitable as well as pleasant evening.

The meeting was begun with a song and prayer service. The minister made a short talk on "Overcoming," giving some wholesome advice to those who had recently become Christians.

A short musical program was then rendered.

Mrs. H. R. Jones sang impressively, "Abide With Me," which was followed with a solo, "Just for Today," by C. N. Williams.

Mrs. John B. Baker then sang, in her usually attractive manner, "Face to Face."

The ladies of the church then served refreshments consisting of chocolate and cake, after which the meeting was adjourned at a reasonable hour.

Mr. J. R. Johnson was a caller at THE EREK Press office yesterday. He says his cotton is turning out better than he expected it would. He is now sure of fully one-third of a bale per acre.

Mr. L. S. Jones of the northeast part of the county was in the city Monday and left a little of the Monday of the realm in our till. He said that cotton picking and other things in the farming line were going along smoothly in his section and he thought the farmers would find time to take in the street fair next Friday.

Messrs. W. P. Whitford and W. H. Parish, two of the substantial and progressive farmers of the Cliff neighborhood, paid us a call this week and in the course of conversation spoke very encouragingly of the outcome of the year's crops and the farming outlook of the country. They also expressed their intention of attending the street fair and also taking in the old fiddlers contest.

The store building and stock of merchandise of the Baker-Bryant Company at Aspermont burned on Monday night, about 10 o'clock. The origin of the fire is unknown. Nothing was saved from the building, the loss is said to approximate \$12,000, insurance \$6,000. Although Aspermont is thirty-odd miles west of Haskell, the glare of the blaze was observed by one of our citizens, who located it correctly as being at Aspermont.

Sheriff Bell is having his office divided with a railing so as to have working room left when the big rush comes for poll tax receipts. Mr. Johnson, office deputy, explained the matter by saying that everybody would delay paying till just a few days before the time is up (February 1st) then come in a grand rush and "cuss" them out because they couldn't attend to the whole push at once and they wanted the railing up so they could stand out and reach and "cuss" back at them and tell them "I told you so!"

The wife of Mr. G. W. Tanner of the southwest part of the county died at her home at 5 o'clock, P. M., on Tuesday the 20th instant. The family has resided in this county for about fourteen years, having moved here from Coryell county. Mrs. Tanner is highly spoken of by those who know her best as an estimable woman and one who was truly devoted to her family. Besides her husband she leaves seven children, two sons and five daughters, to mourn her loss. The children are, however, all grown, one of her sons having served in the army in the Philippines.

NOTICE.

The way some people are denouncing the Telephone company for local service is growing well nigh intolerable. We are glad and willing that you use our phones for doctors, and emergency calls, but when it comes to twelve or fifteen un-subscribers calling for from three to six connections each, daily, it is too much. The time it takes for our operator to wait on you is that much time taken from our patrons who pay for it and to whom it justly belongs. It is not a matter of accommodation from your neighbor but it is how much you are willing to take for nothing, and how much we are willing to give. Respectfully,
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Big 5-cent school tablets at the Racket Store.

25 pounds sugar for \$1.00—see me for other low prices. T. G. Carney.

Children get your school tablets, pencils, pens, ink, etc at the Racket Store.

A full line of nice kimono goods, just the thing for winter days. Alexander Mercantile Co.

A complete line of embroidery silks in the American Beauty rose, Marsechal Nell rose, poppy, violets, wild rose and other shades. Alexander Mercantile Co.

Notice is hereby given to all persons not to haul wood from or otherwise trespass on the premises known as the McConnell pasture, four miles east of Haskell. L. A. Pfeiffer, owner.

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Now is the time to make your purchases for the Fall and Winter, and we respectfully ask your careful inspection of our up-to-date goods at an early date.

Dress Goods.

Ladies desiring something choice in new dress goods should not fail to see our Special Patterns in this line. They are the best Haskell has ever shown. In fact, all through our Dress Goods Department will be found bargains and patterns to suit all.

The special cuts in Shirt Waist patterns are exquisite, and you should see them very soon.

Our line of Trimmings, Linings, etc., is fully in keeping with and suited to our line of dress fabrics.

In Underwear, Hosiery, Gloves, etc., you will find our stock very complete. Come and see for yourself.

Another Thing

To interest the ladies particularly is an improvement in OUR MILLINERY DEPARTMENT!

The equal of which cannot be found west of Fort Worth.

Miss McDill will be found at her post here to assist and please you in your selection and choice from the very latest imported styles to be found in the best millinery market in the United States. Her taste and ability are acknowledged to be unsurpassed by all who know her, and she has given the selection of this department particular attention this season.

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We are handling this standard line of custom made clothing, and that is all that is necessary to say to those who are acquainted with it; for the name carries with it a guarantee of the best clothing made. You should not fail to wear a suit of the C. & B. make and be well dressed.....

GENTS' FURNISHING GOODS.

This department will be found filled with an up-to-date line of underwear of the best makes and the latest styles in Collars, Cuffs, Ties, Etc.

Our Dress Shirts are made to order, and will be found the latest in style and best in material.

HAMILTON BROWN SHOES.

We are neither afraid nor ashamed to head our Shoe Department with this name, for, in the case of C. & B. clothing, the name is a guarantee of the best—so acknowledged by the country over.

The stock is complete in all lines for men, women and children, and a special line for school wear.

Your trade is asked for, and we will try our best you that we appreciate it. Come, inspect our goods.....

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NOTICE.

All parties who owe me accounts for blacksmithing are requested to come forward and settle. I have worked for you when you needed it, and now I need my money and I trust you will not forget me, but will come in and pay up. Respectfully,
J. F. STEPHENS.
(39 ft)

A PARTNERSHIP DISSOLVED.

I have sold my interest in the Wright & Williams Blacksmith Shop to C. H. Mooneyham. Parties indebted to the firm of Wright & Williams are requested to call and settle their indebtedness with Mr. Wright or myself. I have the accounts and Mr. Wright has the books, and either of us will receipt you in the name of Wright & Williams. Respectfully,
E. A. WILLIAMS.

Rag Carpets.

Now is the time to see about getting your rag carpet woven. I have a first-class loom and can make you a neat carpet.
Mrs. G. J. MILLER.

DRESS MAKING.

Mesdames Hubbard & Choate have formed a partnership in the dress making business and will have their sewing room in the east end of Dr. Neathery's office at the southwest corner of the square. They will be pleased to have the ladies or any one desiring sewing done call on them there. They guarantee their work to give satisfaction in fit and in workmanship.

S. L. ROBERTSON.

Mr. Jno. E. Robertson has accepted a position with his father and will have in charge the business of collecting. Persons owing store accounts to Mr. Robertson will be expected to pay up this time, and he hopes they will do so promptly, as he needs his money in his business. He requests that every one make his arrangements to settle just as early as possible, that everything may go on as pleasantly and satisfactorily as heretofore.

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A choice and well selected stock of New and Seasonable Goods, covering everything, such as CALICOES, GINGHAMS, DRILLINGS, Checks, Jeans, Flannels, Etc.,

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To complete this line there is a very large stock of LATE AND STYLISH TRIMMINGS, Suited to the various pattern and styles of dresses.

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Are beginning to think about their fall work in preparing their land for another crop, and we are getting the implements and machinery ready for them. Among these will be found the

Success Sulky Plows and Canton Disc Plows.

These plows are recognized as First Class in their line of work, and are growing more popular as they become better known, many farmers in this section preferring them to any others.

Superior Disc Drill.

We are handling the Superior Disc Drill, with or without the Gang Press Wheel attachment. With this attachment this Drill is without doubt superior to any other for putting in a grain crop in this country, insuring a good stand, even though there may be but little moisture in the ground...

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Are handled by us and are giving excellent satisfaction. Every man should have a wind mill on his place. Let us figure on putting an Empire on your place...

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We carry a full line of Cooking and Heating Stoves, and can please you in style and quality. A trial will convince you...

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Don't forget us when you want Furniture. Our stock of Shelf Hardware, Household and Kitchen Furnishings is complete...

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TO THE LADIES:

We will certainly interest you if you will come in and look at a few articles that were bought especially for your use and convenience, such as,—

- Hammocks, Croquet Sets, Carrom and Crokinole Boards, Lawn Ladders, Fly Traps, Vegetable Presses, Shredders and Slicers, Bread Boxes, Flour Bins, Steam Cookers, Roasting Pans, Cook and Receipt Books, Toilet Soaps, Powders and Perfumeries, Visiting Cards, Flinch Cards, Fancy Stationery, Pens, Pencils, Ink, Jewelry, Combs, Hair Pins, Books of many standard authors in cheap form.

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a great many things of utility and convenience about the house and kitchen.

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CATTLE PLENTIFUL.

The Passing of the Big Ranches is Not Causing Any Falling Off in the Number of Cattle on West Texas Ranges.

With the passing of large ranches from this section of the state, which has already been accomplished to a considerable extent, there has been no diminution in the number of cattle now on the range. Taking Mitchell county for an illustration, there are more cattle in the county today than for a number of years. The tax rolls compiled in January, show about 30,000 cattle in the county, and when this year's calf crop and the uncertainty of the actual number enumerated is added to these figures, it will swell the total up very close to 50,000 head in the county today.

As it is in Mitchell county, so it is in other Western counties. The men who have been buying over the desolation of the cattle industry in the West have not been carelessly prepared for the examination. Her mother, greatly agitated, began to rebuke her: "You mean purgatory, Kitty, and the child began to cry.

"Don't cry, Kitty," said the bishop, soothingly, "you are nearer right than your mother suspected."

Do Good-it Pays.

A Chicago man has observed that, "Good deeds are better than real estate deeds—some of the latter are worthless. Act kindly and gently, show sympathy and lend a helping hand. You cannot possibly lose by it."

Senator Walker told a story during a recent debate in the upper house of the commonwealth on the policy of a "white Australia." A missionary in China was endeavoring to convert one of the natives.

"Suppose me Christian, me go to heaven," remarked the native.

"Yes," replied the missionary. "All right," retorted the heathen, "but what for you not let Chinamen go to Australia when you let him into heaven?"

"Ah," said the missionary, with fervor, "there's no labor party in heaven."—London Chronicle.

Broke into His House.

S. Le Quinn of Cavendish, Vt., was robbed of his customary health by invasion of chronic constipation. When Dr. King's New Life Pills broke into his house, his trouble was arrested and now he's entirely cured. They're guaranteed to cure. 25c at Baker & Cunningham's Drug Store, Haskell, Texas.

Mark and Tom.

Simply to sustain our faith in human nature, let it be hoped that neither Mark Hanna nor Tom Johnson is correct in his opinion of the other.—Chicago News.

A Love Letter.

Would not interest you if you're looking for a guaranteed Salve for Sores, Burns or Piles. Dr. King's Ointment, Mo., writes: "I suffered with an ugly sore for a year, but a box of Buckle's Arnica Salve cured me. It's the best Salve on earth." 25c at Baker & Cunningham's Drug Store, Haskell, Texas.

Severe Punishment.

The Russian Government has decreed that Count Tolstoy shall stay at Yasayopolka. This should be pretty severe punishment even to a younger man.—Birmingham Age-Herald.

Yes, if he were required to stay there until he learned the name of the place.

Ran a Ten Penny Nail Through His Hand.

While opening a box, J. C. Mount, of Three Mile Bay, N. Y., ran a ten penny nail through the fleshy part of his hand. "I thought at once of all the pain and soreness this would cause me," he says, "and immediately applied Chamberlain's Pain Balm and occasionally afterwards. To my surprise it removed all pain and soreness and the injured parts were soon healed." For sale at Terrells Drug Store, Haskell, Texas.

A Thoughtful Friend.

Here's a comforting message to a prisoner in jail from a friend on the outside.

"Bill, your case won't come off this term, if I kin help it. Two of the witnesses ag'in you air down with brokebone fever, an' I've got a fingerin' doctor to attend 'em; an' I've jest piziced the well of the other witness. So be of good courage!"—Atlanta Constitution.

Confessions of a Priest.

Rev. John S. Cox, of Waukegan, Ark., writes: "For twelve years I suffered from Yellow Jaundice. I consulted a number of physicians and tried all sorts of medicines, but got no relief. Then I began the use of Electric Bitters and feel that I am now cured of a disease that had me in its grasp for twelve years." If you want a reliable medicine for Liver and Kidney trouble, stomach disorder or general debility, get Electric Bitters. It's guaranteed by Baker & Cunningham, Druggists, Haskell, Texas. Only 50 cents.

"Pa, where do the cows get the milk?" asked little Virgil Markham, as he looked up from a foaming pan of milk which he had been intently regarding.

"Where do you get your tears from?" asked the author of "The Man with the Hoe."

"Oh, do the cows have to be whipped to cause them to shed milk?"

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

PREJUDICE DISPELLED.

Cattlemen Are Talking Very Kindly of the New Idea of Combining Cattle and Sheep in Same Pasture in This Section.

There is no doubt about the theory of combining cattle and sheep proving a taking proposition with the smaller ranchmen of West Texas, judging from the many favorable expressions heard almost daily concerning the new idea.

The number of ranchmen in this immediate vicinity who are giving the matter very favorable consideration, and the indications are that bunches of sheep will soon be found in many West Texas pastures to which they have heretofore been total strangers. It may be true that the larger cattlemen of this section will be slow to take hold of the innovation, but the larger ranch owners have already in great measure given place to the mass of smaller holdings, and it is the latter who are now engaged in the problem of developing the West along the most remunerative and successful lines.

Prejudice has been largely instrumental in driving the sheep industry from West Texas. Just as it has been a constant bar to its proper development all over the range country. The cause of this prejudice is largely predicated upon range jealousies. No country has ever been discovered that was big enough and broad enough to hold both cattle and sheep on a free range, and no Western state or territory located in the range country has ever been able to evolve a plan of division that could be successfully carried out. In fact, it is believed that Western Canada is the only range country that has ever been able to successfully draw the line between cattle and sheep on the range. In that section an imaginary line is created something on the style of that line no sheep is ever permitted to establish himself.

While men have fought pitched battles over the cattle and sheep question on the American range, and cattlemen have profanely and viciously asserted that "the critters" could not be grazed on the same range, some aspiring and ambitious shepherds have in a very modest way proceeded to demonstrate the incorrectness of the theory. As the sheepman has prospered and was enabled to get more or less hold on the development of his industry, he has developed into a kind of half-breeded cowboy.

And the experience of these half-breeded cowmen has furnished an object lesson to the real cattlemen of the country. They have seen cattle and sheep peacefully grazing upon the same ranges, and furnishing their owners with double sinews of war, while the straight sheepman and the straight cowboy have had but one string to their bow. The cattlemen who has incurred obligations that have to be met even in the face of a demoralized market, has used other resource but to ship his stuff and appraise it as far as it will go on his obligations, but his range is also carrying a good flock of sheep he has two wool crops and a lamb crop besides every year to chuck into the yawning chasm, and can perhaps hold back his cattle and let them grow more fallow. It is a comprehension of this fact that is now causing some of the more conservative cattlemen of the West to arrive at a very sudden conclusion that they have been engaged in a policy of allowing prejudice to tar the pathway of a golden opportunity.—West Texas Stockman.

For a pleasant physical take Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. Easy to take. Pleasant in effect. For sale at Terrells Drug Store.

A Word About Schools.

No school will ever be a success unless the patrons will co-operate with the teachers, says an exchange. The parent who does not force his children to respect and obey him need not expect them to be treated like little angels in the school room. If parents could but lift the veil of the future that they might for one brief moment observe the ultimate harvest from the seeds of disobedience and indifference that they are sowing to mature in the soul of the child by tolerating their petty whims and school tales, they could not but bow their hoary heads in unpeppable sorrow. Teach your child that it can disobey its teacher only at a sacrifice of its own honor and manliness.—Merkel Mail.

Beautiful Complexions.

Are spoiled by using any kind of preparation that fills the pores of the skin. The best way to secure a clear complexion, free from sallowness, pimples, blotches, etc., is to keep the liver in good order. An occasional dose of Herbine will cleanse the bowels, regulate the liver, and so establish a clear, healthy complexion. 50c at Baker & Cunningham's, Haskell.

Mutual Duties.

Parents should assist teachers in the work of education. No one will dispute the abstract proposition, or even doubt its soundness, but some parents may ask how this assistance may be rendered. Here are a few suggestions, which we give without assigning reasons therefor: (1) Keep the children in school every day they are well enough to attend. (2) Supply them with the proper books. (3) See to it that they spend at least one and a half to two hours on their lessons at night. (4) Inculcate in

THEM RESPECT FOR THEIR TEACHERS.

If parents will adopt these suggestions, they will be abundantly repaid for the trouble it takes to put them into execution and the teacher's labors will be oh, so much easier.—Sweet-water Review.

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Advertised Letters.

Following is the list of uncalled for letters remaining in the Haskell post-office for the month ending September 30, 1903:

Mrs. Hattie King, Mr. Calvin Drake, J. M. Brinkard, Miss Fannie Hester, Mr. J. E. Hunsaker, Mr. A. J. Hood, Mr. C. F. Robinson, Mrs. A. J. Stephens 2

Parties calling for these letters will please say "advertised."

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The standard of scholarship in the several departments is that of the best institutions in the United States. All expenses for the session (exclusive of the fine arts—music, painting and oratory) amount to \$250. Each course in the Fine Arts costs fifty dollars for the session. The session is divided into three terms and fees for each term are payable at the beginning of the term.

Simmons College doubled its enrollment and had to case of serious illness on its campus last session. The College has seven brick buildings and fourteen instructors.

For catalogue or any information write to, OSCAR H. COOPER, LL. D., President.

TEACHERS WANTED.

We need at once a few more Teachers for Fall school. Good positions are being filled daily by us. We are receiving more calls this year than ever before. Schools and colleges supplied with Teachers free of cost. Enclose stamp for reply. AMERICAN TEACHERS ASSOCIATION.

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Teachers wishing to prepare for examination should write, at once, to Prof. J. L. Graham, LL. D., 152-154 Randolph Building, Memphis, Tenn., for particulars concerning his special Teachers' Examination Course.

This course is taught by mail, and prepares Teachers for examination in every State in the Union. Leading educators pronounce it the best course ever offered to the Teaching profession, and all Teachers wishing to advance in their profession should immediately avail themselves of it. Enclose stamp for reply. (42)

Special Round Trip Excursions from Stamford.

Special Sunday excursions from Stamford to Cisco, Texas, until further notified the Texas Central Railroad Company will sell on every Sunday round trip tickets at One Fare to all stations from Stamford to Cisco. Train leaves Stamford at 8 a. m. returning same day at 5:30 p. m.

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Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. Cures Cough, Croup, Sore Throat, and all Lung Troubles. This signature, C. W. Allen.

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