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trade from Decatur as a very im-
portant factor in their business. Self-
interest and interest in the good of the
town should lead people to trade at
home.—Wise County Messenger.

The following is an extract
from Gov. Lanham's farewell
message to the late legislature.
In this paragraph he tells of
the sort of stuff a governor, or
any other public official for that
matter, should be made of. It
would be well for every voter to
remember it and try to make his
selections accordingly.

"I have felt constrained in numer-
ous instances, in the exercise of the
duty and prerogative for which I am
responsible, to disagree with certain
conclusions you have reached. I have not
hesitated to employ the veto power
when it was believed that it ought to
be brought into requisition. In no
instance has this been capriciously or
inconsiderately done. Any official
who shirks from the discharge of a
public duty because of the apprehen-
sion that it may bring him at variance
with the desires of particular persons
or even militate against his future po-
litical preferment, is, in my concep-
tion, unworthy of any position of dig-
nity and responsibility. A Governor
who is not impervious to any influence
that would lead him away from the
path of duty and who does not possess
the fortitude to do what he honestly
believes is for the best interest of his
State and the well-being of his people
is a reproach to himself, a disappoint-
ment to patriotic men, and dangerous
to the Commonwealth over which he
presides."

This paragraph leads up to a
very pointed and clear criticism
of the action of the legislature
in passing the appropriations
for some of the State's institu-
tions in lump sums so as to
defeat his constitutional right
of supervision and disapproval
should he deem it his duty to
do so. THE FREE PRESS be-
lieves the governor is right and
hopes that the plain talk he
has had the courage to make may
have a salutary effect in the
future. Of course not all of the
legislators are to blame as some
of them objected to the form of
the appropriation.

Rev. James S. Myers in his
sermon at Dallas last Sunday
said: "Christianity
has honored and
approved Russia's reiteration
of assurances that she didn't
mean it."

The packeries merger, the
road merger and mergers
and sundry."

...you now to testify,
"Yes," said the boy.
"Now," said the lawyer, "just tell
us how your father told you to testify."
"Well," said the boy, modestly,
"father told me that the lawyers
would try and tangle me, but if I
would just be careful and tell the
truth I could tell the same thing
every time."
The lawyer didn't try to tangle up
that boy any more.—Selected.

BEAUTY AND STRENGTH

Are desirable. You are strong and
vigorous, when your blood is pure.
Many—nay, most—women, fail to pro-
perly digest their food, and so become
pale, sallow, thin and weak, while the
brightness, freshness and beauty of
the skin and complexion, depart.
Remedy this unpleasant evil, by eat-
ing nourishing food, and taking a
small dose of Herbine after each meal,
at Baker & Cunningham's, Druggists,
Haskell, Texas.

A writer in the Scientific American
declares that he effectually put an end
to the depredation of hawks in his
poultry yard by fastening an old
syringe, ground to a razor edge, with
the sharp edge down, on a high pole
set in the edge of a field near his yard.
The hawks, as is their habit, lit on
the syringe, grasping it with their
claws with the result that their feet
were badly cut. This angered them,
and they attacked the syringe, literally
biting it to shreds, and of course got
the worst of it. Every hawk that
came along met a like reception, and
within a short time they were either
killed or driven away. It is worth
trying.

A disordered stomach may cause no
end of trouble. When the stomach
fails to perform its functions the bow-
els become deranged, causing numerous
diseases, the most fatal of which are
pneumonia and therefore the more to be
dreaded. The important thing is to
restore the stomach and liver to a
healthy condition, and for this pur-
pose no better preparation can be used
than Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver
Tablets. For sale at Terrell's drug
store.

Sunshine Society Program.

The Sunshine Home Mission society
will meet next Friday evening, April
24th, at the home of Mrs. Levi
McCollum. The following is the pro-
gram:
Hymn.
Bible Lesson by president.
Prayer.
Hymn.
Select Reading—Miss Ora Penning-
ton.
Paper: "The Model Girl."—Miss
Verrett Gilbert.
Singing—Miss Zora Sanders.
Call.
Minutes of last meeting.

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...s and the people in general a well selected and suitable stock
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... anticipate the best styles and quality, and to do this we seek to
... compliments on our Spring Stock, together with the liberal pat-
... ronage we have enjoyed, proves this to us. Now, we have this
... to say, we carefully run through our stock once a week and
... make orders to keep our stock right up to date. If you don't find
... in our stock today just what you want, it is no evidence it will
... not be here tomorrow, for we are receiving new goods every week.
... A new line of Simpson 3-4 Percals just in. An up-to-date and
... something NEW in Ladies' Belts just in, and a full and complete
... line of Ladies', Misses' and Children's Hosiery on display.
... We have just received a special line of Crause & Brandigee
... Clothing, for Men and Youth's, not surpassed by any Tailoring
... Outfit, this demands your inspection, we have also received a
... beautiful line of Children and Boys' clothing of the celebrated
... Banner Brand. None better. ALEXANDER MERCANTILE CO.

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...the most up-to-date line of Mens' fur-
... to be found any where.
... shirts before buying.
... by the ladies of the town

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...has been by far the best we have ever enjoyed. This
... due very much to the ability of our Miss McDill, who
... in buying and taste in trimming
... ed by the ladies of the town

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We do a general line of Blacksmithing and Wood
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throughout advised conserva
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strenuously opposed extrava
gance. In view of this fact it
is significant that the appropri-
ations for some of the State's
institutions were bulked, so that
the governor could not trim
them down by vetoing specific
items, and that only four days
prior to the adjournment of
the senate, that body request-
ed him by resolution to submit
to the legislature the subject:
"To revise the revenue and tax-
ation laws of the State and to
provide a system of disbursing
same." This was asked by the
senate when it knew that it was
a physical, legal and constitu-
tional impossibility for the legis-
lature to act on the matter in
the remaining time. It may not
be true, but having passed an
extravagant and unwarranted
appropriation bill, it looks very
much as if they desired to make
it appear that if they had been
allowed the opportunity they
would have so reformed the tax-
ation and revenue laws as to
make the receipts under them
cover the appropriations and
thus have avoided the almost
certain deficiency, and, failing in
the opportunity to reform the
laws, be able to point to their
request for it and lay the blame
on the governor. If such was
their purpose it was a very
cheap and transparent trick and
was very promptly checkmated
by the governor in his final mes-
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SOCIETIES.

Haskell Lodge, No. 355.
E. F. SPINGER, V. G.
J. W. MEADORS, V. G.
J. E. ROBERTSON, Sec'y.

W. C. T. U.—Meets Tuesday evenings after
the second and fourth Sundays in each month
at 7 o'clock at the home of the members. Mrs.
A. B. Mason, president; Mrs. Levi McCollum,
secretary.

THE SENIOR LEAGUE—Meets every Sunday
evening at the Methodist church at 4 o'clock.
Mrs. Anna Martin, president; W. S. Scott,
secretary.

THE JUNIOR LEAGUE—Meets every Sunday
evening at 4 o'clock at the Christian
church. Mrs. J. C. Caperton, superintendent; Miss
Edith Gilbert, president; Miss Pearl Grissom,
secretary.

WOMEN'S WORKERS—Meet every Thursday
evening at 5 o'clock. Mrs. W. C. Young,
president.

THE SENIOR ENDOAVOR—Meets every Sunday
evening at 4 o'clock at the Baptist church.
Miss Ollie Norris, secretary.

W. Y. P. U.—Meets each Sunday even-
ing at 8 o'clock at the Baptist church. Mrs.
Wilson, leader.

The family of Mr. J. L. Turnbow
arrived Saturday from Dallas county.
Mr. Turnbow bought Mr. I. R.
Thomas' farm seven miles north of
town last fall and was farmer, chief
cook and bottle washer until the ar-
rival of his better half gave him proud-
ness of which he says he is mighty proud.
Mr. T. finds himself well pleased with
this country so far.

Rev. D. James, of Durant
preached at the Baptist
church last night, to the
... friends in

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Every gentleman in Haskell County is cordially invited to call and inspect our superb line of

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...had come
...place where she
...not expected
...brighter days
...of his childhood.

Not far from her was another lady, younger, and with a rosy-cheeked babe in her arms. She held the little one up close to the iron bars and over and over, again and again, through the small opening it was kissed by its father. Let us hope that every kiss from the tender young lips was tempting him back to a pure and upright life.

These shadows that fall across our pathways show us how much we have to enjoy in the blessings of the sunlight. Mercy and Pity cry out from the release of the unfortunates, but men make the chains to bind themselves. They direct their steps to the prison doors, and when the hearts of wives and mothers are breaking, and the little babe laughs and coos at the sight of its father only because it cannot know, Mercy and Pity can only say: "Let Justice take its course." It cannot be otherwise without plunging still more of the human race into misery.—Stephenville Empire.

Her Own Idea.
"Your daughter," said Mrs. Oldcastle after being conducted through the newly finished wing of the magnificent palace occupied by the Bullingtons "has such a splendid vocabulary."
"Do you think so?" her hostess replied. "Josiah wanted to get her one of them escrivoires, but I started up my mind right at the start that a vocabulary would look better in a room furnished like hers, even if it didn't cost quite so much."

"True Americanism" is something better than hot air.

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...bonus for
...desired section or sections which,
...when they have secured it, they
...may surrender to the Commission
...with an application to purchase,
...and secure the land.
...This the Free Press believes to be
...an unfair and unjust procedure
...and not only contrary to the
...spirit and intention of the law
...but to the plain letter as well, for
...it reads: "Any land which may be
...leased south or west of the line
...herein designated shall not be
...sold during the term of the lease
...until otherwise provided." Mark,
...it does not say "shall not be sold
...to an outsider or third person,"
...neither does it say "shall not be
...sold to the lessee or his assignee,"
...but says "shall not be sold." The
...statement is absolute and positive
...to a certain intent and does not
...except any person or class of persons
...to whom the land may be sold but,
...according to common sense and
...correct grammatical rules, it includes
...all persons.

Referring back to where the
...it says "as this court has recently
...held, actions of such a character in
...plain opposition to the law can
...not be upheld" by the court is not
...in direct conflict with a positive
...provision of law and can not be
...sustained a reasonable intention
...attaching to it in the entire body
...of the law and, then we do not
...stand the English language a bit.

Think the legislature is called
...to step in and straighten out
...the matter.

is a good deal of speculation
...and agreement on the part of
...the country of the federal court
...nullifying the merger, the
...ions vary greatly; how
...are colored by the interpretations
...expressing them to say. While we
...are to discuss the question,
...perhaps, there

FAIRVIEW POINTERS.
To THE FREE PRESS:
Farmers are wanting a light rain. Corn with us is not a very good stand where it was planted before the last rain. Wheat and oats would be better for a rain. Mr. Sam Cox has been quite sick with mumps, but is improving now.
Mrs. W. H. Scott had another severe spell of colic Wednesday night.
The spelling contests continue to improve and are getting very interesting under the guidance of our teachers, Mr. and Miss Couch.
Sorghum, kafir corn and milo maize are important crops in this country and every farmer should plant an abundance of all of them.
THE FREE PRESS and the Farm and Ranch one year for \$1.75.
troubling home enterprises.
Kindness is not for sale, but yet it can purchase more in one minute than unkindness can in an hour.
Texas Cotton Manufacturers Association was in session Waco this week. Texas is for

A Jack to Trade.
I wish to sell or trade my gray Jack—will trade him for any thing, as I have no further use for him.
BERKSHIRE PIGS.
I also have twenty-five or thirty good Berkshire pigs for sale at \$5 per pair. W. P. PHILLIPS, Ample, Tx.

Dr. Griffin and family and Rev. Young and wife went down to the river Thursday to spend a few days fishing.
What is the difference between a farmer and a bill collector? The farmer's work is from sun to sun, while the latter's work is always done (dun.)
P. D. Sanders is prepared to make loans on farms and ranches, and take up and extend Vendors Lien notes.

MISSISSIPPI PIGS.
Misses Rogers, Ellis and Isbell, of the public school, took the children in their rooms down on the spring branch Friday evening of last week and gave them an old time Easter egg hunt. It was an outing which the youngsters enjoyed as only children enjoy such a frolic after school.

CHRISTIAN SERVICE. Every 10 o'clock A. M. and 7:30 P. M. on every Sunday night at 7 o'clock. L. T. Cunningham, superintendent.

Mr. J. L. Turnbow from Dallas county, bought Mr. I. R. ... seven miles north of ... On Saturday ... Mr. Hall and ... and Theodor ... Logan, of ... tives of the ...

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MONEY ON REAL ESTATE.
I have appointed T. G. Carney as local agent to loan money on land in Haskell county. See him if you wish to be accommodated in this way. R. C. McPHAILL, Agent for Western Texas.

Farmers' Look Here!
Eggs, sausage, bread and coffee for breakfast, 15c; beef, roast, bread and coffee at all hours 15c; bucket trade 15c per lb. Open day and night come. THE STAR BARBECUE, 1st door north Postoffice, Stamford, Texas.

SUNBEAM PROGRAM.
Sunday, April 19th, 2 P. M.
Leader—Jessie Wright.
Reference Word—"Joy."
Lesson.
Roll call with scripture response.
Song.
Reading—John Oates.
Song.
Reading—Oscar Oates.
Recitation—"Chester Jones."
Song.
Recitation—Ruby Poole.
Song by boys.
Benediction.

B. Y. P. U. PROGRAM.
The B. Y. P. U. meets Sunday evening at 8 o'clock at the Baptist church. The following is the program for next Sunday, April 19th:
Leader—Miss Mable Wyman.
"The Law of Love." Rom. 13:7-14.
—Barnett O'Bryan.
"Glorifying God." 1 Peter 2:9-17.
—Miss Minnie Mae McKee.
"Above All—Love." Col. 3:14-14.
—Miss Ora Buchanan.
"Dead to Sin." Rom. 6:8-18.—Miss Letta Simmons.
"A Living Sacrifice." Rom. 12:1-9.
—Miss Hazlie Hudson.
"Consideration for Others." Rom. 14:1-13.—Miss Oils Fitzgerald.
"A New Creature." 2 Cor. 5:16-21.
—Miss Florence Couch.

Epworth League Program.
The Epworth League meets every Sunday evening, at 4 o'clock, at the Methodist church. The following is the program for next Sunday, April 19th, 1903.
Leader—Miss Vernon Cunningham.
Subject: "Sacred Sabbath."
"The Word Sabbath Means Rest from Labor."—Miss Zora Sanders.
"Why We Should Keep the Sabbath?"—Miss Oils Fitzgerald.
"What the Law of the Sabbath Forbids?"—Miss Ora Pennington.
"What the Law of the Sabbath Allows."—Dr. R. G. Litsey.
"Public Worship."—Miss Meta Clayton.

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We will advise you promptly, Lowest Rates, and on a Schedule of the Trip.
J. F. FARMER, Agent, Stamford.
W. F. McMILLIN, Gen'l Pass. Agent, Waco, Texas.

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Baptist church organized in Texas. He was also a member of the Masonic order.
Capt. T. C. Wright, of Temple, has had an experience in hog-raising that is hard to beat. He is the owner of three Red Duroc Jersey sows, and has sold from months hogs of the value of \$518.20, in addition to which he has given away five pigs, killed and still has on hand eighteen shoats six months old, and ten sows, all from the original three.
Hill County Camp of Confederate Veterans adopted a resolution indorsing in full the action of the Corsicana camp on the Orleans for the veterans. They expressed themselves as deprecating a partiality of the roads for the rate of \$5 to New Orleans and pay a much higher rate, which they did not regard as fair.
There is still considerable cotton to pick in some sections of Kaufman county. In some places the picking is nearly finished, and another following with the plow planting cotton by wagon are more than 100 per cent. larger than at this time any previous year. From into Terrell each week, and there is yet more to sell.
J. A. Kidd, of Oriana, Jones county, has a curiosity and wonder on his place in the shape of a calf. It was born without a right front leg being absent. The remarkable thing, however, is that it is distinctly both a male and a female. It is of a blue color, is very healthy and is as active as any calf on the ranch. Mr. Kidd is quite proud of this calf, and has refused a span of mules for it.
R. W. Williams, of Nash, Ellis county, reports that Johnny Williams, the young negro who claims to be the champion cotton picker of Texas, picked for him this season over 48,620 pounds of cotton, and has picked as high as 1,037 pounds in one day. Williams is a steady, hard-working boy, 22 years old, and is well thought of by the community around Nash, who made up nearly \$20 in premiums for him. He has had charge of the picking of something over 200 bales of cotton on the John Harrison farm near Nash.
Following is the text of the act relating to hunting on private grounds which was passed by the legislature at its regular session, and which will go into effect on June 30: "Any person who shall enter upon the enclosed land of another without the consent of the owner, proprietor or agent in charge, and therein hunt with firearms, or therein catch or take any fish from any pond, lake, tank or stream, or in any other manner deplete upon same, shall be punished by fine not less than \$10, nor more than \$100; provided further that this act shall not apply to inclosures including 3,600 acres or more in one inclosure."

GENERAL GARNET
The Confederate Veteran for March by the Lincoln Post, G. A. R., of Topeka or buildings to commemorate the dead Union," and in which Jefferson Davis and traitors and perjurers" says: "After the language of General Garnet Joseph Walsele in Chief of the war between the States followed by the armies of Great Britain, Lord Roberts, was a guest for a General Lee, and he afterward said of him: "The fierce light which beamed upon the public man in Lee's position. His character and who can point to a spot upon it State, mark him out as a public man, as a patriot in pain or sorrow. His amiability of disposition, general courtesy, endeared him to all his friends, your heart while they searched your brain. I was in the presence of a man who was cast in a metal different from and finer than that of all other men worthy to be classed. When all the angry feelings of a great war were written; when the American Lee towered far above all men on either side in that will be regarded not only as the most prominent figure worthy to stand on an equal pedestal with that of Washington, but as the greatest American of the nineteenth century, a memory is equally worthy to be enshrined in the hearts of men."

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T. S. WALLACE - Anson, Texas.
GEO. O. BISHOP - Anson, Texas.
JUDGE L. ...