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## Coming Again

I forgot to tell you about my

### REGULAR SPRING STOCK

which came in about the first of March, but lots of people found it out

## Attractive Goods and Low Prices

must have the credit for it.

We will have lots more new things in by April 1st. These comprise many articles that the ladies have been calling for, and will make my stock more

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### Making Cash Prices That Will Interest You.

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## Our Reliable STAR Brand Shoes.



We have been handling this line of shoes for some time and they are giving excellent satisfaction and sell at a moderate price. Our stock of them is complete for men, women and children.

Everybody Come and See Us!

.....S. L. ROBERTSON.....

## PEOPLE WANT ALL PRIMARIES

OBJECT TO CONVENTION PLAN ADOPTED BY COUNTY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

## ARE CAPABLE OF WISE CHOICE.

Not Safe to Depart From the Full Protection of New Election Law. Tribute to Judge Terrell.

Recognizing its application to conditions in Haskell county, we reprint below from the Record a communication from Col. R. M. Wynne, of Fort Worth, making a plea in behalf of the people for primary elections and suggesting why they are better in bringing out a true expression from the people. There is a difference, however, in the cases of Haskell and Tarrant counties. The latter, by action of its executive committee, has been denied a primary election and the people want it, while our county has been given the primary, and the people—that is, some of them—don't want it, for reasons best known to themselves. Col. Wynne presents the matter as follows:

"By the action of the Democratic executive committee of Tarrant county the people of Tarrant county are to be deprived of the full benefits of the Terrell election law, notwithstanding the whole State, after seeing its most salutary effects at the late municipal elections throughout the State, were so much pleased with its practical effect in securing honest elections.

"I am at a loss to understand why the people of this county should be denied the benefits of said law, (which is such an improvement toward securing honest elections) as to all State and district officers, and even their representatives in the legislature. Is it because elections have been ascertained so pure in Tarrant county that we need the benefits of said law? I do not believe any member of the executive committee would assign such a reason. Again, why not vote for all State and district officers as well as our county officers? Are the plain people so indifferent as to their district and State officers as to be willing to leave their selection to the politicians? It is too well known to admit of argument that primary conventions are run and controlled by a few politicians. The plain Democrats, who are not accustomed to speaking in public, and who are modest and retiring, will not attend mass meetings and assert themselves in the same in securing their preference, and hence they do not express as a rule the choice of a majority of the people. In other words, to put it plainly, primary elections mean that the people select the candidate; primary conventions mean that the politicians select the candidates.

"I am free to admit that under the old primary election system, the primaries had become so corrupt and dominated by money and fraud that they were a stench in the nostrils of honest men, but no less were the primary conventions. Now, that the primaries are so well protected from fraud and the use of money and the manipulation of practical politicians, I insist as a Democrat that the Democrats of this county should have the right to vote for their choice for representatives and district and State officers. They surely are not willing to be deprived of the full benefit of the Terrell election law, and turn over the whole matter of selecting our officers to a few politicians, however much we may confide in their superior wisdom and patriotism. It must be admitted that the combined wisdom of all the Democrats in Tarrant county is superior to that of a few.

"It seems to me now is the time for all Democrats who believe that a primary election should be held in Tarrant county for all our officers, State, district, and county, to petition the executive committee to revoke their rulings. I am confident they will do so, if they are convinced that the majority so desire. Of course, unless this is done we must abide by their action, but in my judgment we will be deprived of the greatest benefits of said law, unless we act within a reasonable time.

"I deem it of the utmost importance to the Democrats of Tarrant county. Let us stand by the Terrell election law, and see to it that no man goes to the legislature of this State from Tarrant county who will not pledge himself to sustain said law, and try to improve it so that the same shall be as effective as possible to carry out and enforce its spirit, because since the Terrell election law has been given a test in the municipal elections throughout the State and its salutary effect upon what had grown to be a system of extravagant and corrupt use of money and the subtle methods of practical politics in its worst form is shown, every man who has the good of his country at heart ought to come out and take a strong stand in the support of said law. The hoodlums, heelers and practical politicians will make a desperate effort at the next meeting of the State legislature to destroy the Terrell election law, but if they fail as a result of the vigilance of the people their occupation is happily forever gone.

"When it is remembered what rapid progress the use of money in elections had made in the last twenty years, we can see how absolutely necessary the Terrell election law is in order to purify and protect the ballot in this State.

"When Gov. Ross made the race for governor in 1880, his campaign

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—Give—

Honest Drugs at lowest prices—Keep a Customer for years a purchaser—gain his respect, because he knows only reliable Drugs are sold and the prices are right. Our Three Stores are heavy buyers. Our first cost is less than others. Our prices are less for equal quality. We are content with Live and Let Live profits on large volume of business. The right way is our way. We have been doing this for thirty years, consequently have gained the confidence of all who have had dealings with our

...STORES...

## The Stamford Dry Goods Co.

have a better line of spring and summer goods than you usually see in the west end of Texas. They keep the best and most stylish goods to be had. Why? Because they couldn't enjoy the large trade they have selling for cash the year round, except, to give the best for the least possible price. Saving money is equal to earning it, and you can't earn it easier than by buying goods of

## The Stamford Dry Goods Co.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS.

FOR REPRESENTATIVE.

We are authorized to announce Hon. S. R. Crawford, of Graham, as a candidate for reelection to the lower house of the State Legislature from this the 10th Representative District, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY.

We are authorized to announce Mr. Joseph L. Lockett of Stamford, Jones County, as a candidate for District Attorney, 30th District, subject to the action of the Democratic party. We are authorized to announce Mr. Cullen C. Higgins of Snyder as a candidate for reelection to the office of District Attorney for the 30th Judicial District, subject to the Democratic District convention.

FOR COUNTY JUDGE.

We are authorized to announce Mr. Wm. Oglesby as a candidate for County Judge of Haskell County, Texas, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce Mr. S. V. Jones as a candidate for County Judge of Haskell County, Texas, subject to the action of the Democratic party. We are authorized to announce Mr. Oscar E. Oates as a candidate for County Judge of Haskell County, Texas, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

FOR COUNTY ATTORNEY.

We are authorized to announce Mr. B. M. Whicker as a candidate for County Attorney of Haskell County, Texas, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

FOR COUNTY CLERK.

We are authorized to announce Mr. C. D. Long as a candidate for reelection to the office of County and District Clerk, subject to the Democratic primary.

We are authorized to announce Mr. G. T. McCall as a candidate for the office of County and District Clerk, subject to the Democratic primary.

FOR TREASURER.

We are authorized to announce H. D. C. Stephens as a candidate for reelection to the office of Treasurer, Haskell County, Texas, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

FOR SHERIFF.

We are authorized to announce Mr. T. J. Linneman as a candidate for Sheriff of Haskell County, Texas, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce Mr. J. W. Collins as a candidate for Sheriff of Haskell County, Texas, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce Mr. E. G. Bennett as a candidate for Sheriff of Haskell County, Texas, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce Mr. M. E. Park as a candidate for Sheriff of Haskell County, Texas, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

FOR TAX ASSESSOR.

We are authorized to announce Mr. S. E. Carothers as a candidate for Tax Assessor of Haskell County, Texas, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce Mr. E. W. Lee as a candidate for Tax Assessor of Haskell County, Texas, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce Mr. G. H. Cobb as a candidate for Tax Assessor of Haskell County, Texas, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce Mr. C. M. Brown as a candidate for Tax Assessor of the office of Tax Assessor of Haskell County, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER.

We are authorized to announce Mr. J. T. Bowman as a candidate for County Commissioner, Precinct No. 1, Haskell County, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce Mr. W. S. Fouts as a candidate for County Commissioner, Precinct No. 1, Haskell County, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce Mr. Tom D. Whitford as a candidate for the office of Commissioner, Precinct No. 1, Haskell County, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce Mr. P. D. Sanders as a candidate for the office of Commissioner, Precinct No. 5, Haskell County, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

A sorry for sale very cheap. Is second-hand but in good condition. See Alexander Merc. Co.

Have you seen the fine line of caddies at the Daylight Restaurant.

## Look! Look!

We are now offering to every patron an enlarged picture FREE with each dozen Cabinet Photographs. This offer is good for THIRTY DAYS ONLY. Take advantage of this offer, for it is equal to money in your pockets. The enlarged picture would cost you three dollars anywhere. Our work is first class and charges most reasonable. Respectfully,

ADAMS & CARSON.

## J. C. BELL,

MANUFACTURER AND DEALER IN

## Saddles and Harness.

Full Stock on Hand. Work Promptly Executed.

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

YOUR TRADE SOLICITED.

## ..Prospectors Hotel..

Best \$1.00 a Day House in the City.

CLEAN BEDS. + + + GOOD TABLES. SAMPLE ROOM.

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Local Exchanges at Haskell, Aspermont and Munday. Telegraph messages received and transmitted.

J. F. POSEY, Manager, Haskell, Texas.

### NOTICE!

The Board of Health would notify any one who may be guilty of allowing any dead animal or creature, having died belonging to them, to remain 48 hours without burying or burning, that they are amenable to the law, and that any such party proven guilty shall be held accountable therefor.

Many complaints have been lodged with the Board during the past year of parties carrying and leaving such dead bodies just out on the edge of the town, where they are a source of great annoyance and of possible disease. All such carcasses must be at once burned and lime scattered freely where this has been done.

W. H. WYMAN, Chairman, E. E. GILBERT, M. D., A. G. NEATHERY, M. D., May 14, 1904. Board of Health.

Money! Money! Money! We can loan money on any sized tract, from 100 acres up, in Haskell, Jones or Knox counties. If you need money come and see us. West Texas Development Co., Haskell.

We have PLENTY OF MONEY to loan on Real Estate in Haskell county. Now is the time to get your business affairs straightened up for the fall. Call and see us. West Texas Development Co.

Sick headache results from a disordered stomach and is quickly cured by Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. For sale by C. E. Terrell.

### Ice Cream Parlor.

I have opened my Ice Cream Parlor and cold Drink Stand and will keep constantly on hand the best ice cream as well as all of the leading cold drinks.

I have a new soda fountain and can give my customers and friends the very best soda water. Will also carry a good line of Fruits, Cakes, cigars, tobacco, etc., and will appreciate any patronage given me, and I assure you that each and every one will receive prompt and polite attention.

K. JONES.

One of the greatest blessings a modest man can wish for is a good, reliable set of bowels. If you are not the happy possessor of such an outfit you can greatly improve the efficiency of those you have by the judicious use of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. They are pleasant to take and agreeable in effect. For sale by C. E. Terrell.

EVENTS OF EVERYWHERE.

Catholic Knights of America met at Galveston Tuesday.

Paris is undergoing the ordeal of a street fair this week.

Car load shipments of potatoes from Minnesota are beginning to go out.

J. W. Clements, of Sherman, was critically stricken with paralysis Sunday.

Valley Mills has voted a special school tax for an independent school district.

Capt. Peary, of Arctic fame, is arranging for a four years' trip into the heart of the frozen zone.

About 200 members of the Oklahoma Press Association left Saturday for St. Louis to visit the World's Fair.

Clarksville has voted to issue bonds for \$30,000 for the purpose of constructing a system of water works.

Burglars have been so active in Chicago during the past year that burglary insurance rates are to be raised.

A drainage tunnel, 6000 feet long and costing \$85,000 has just been completed to clear Cripple Creek mines to a depth of 956 feet.

Part of the new Russian loan issued in Paris has been taken by the New York banks, the National City being among those participating.

One hundred women members of Texas Women's Press Association left Texas Tuesday for St. Louis, where they will spend ten days seeing the fair.

Extensions of the Arkansas Pass Railway are rumored from Lockhart to Austin and from the terminus at Kerrville to some point in New Mexico, passing through San Angelo.

The Democratic convention of the District of Columbia resulted in a split. The eighteen Hearst delegates bolted and threatened to send a separate delegation to the National Convention.

Governor Lanham has appointed Judge John J. Wood of Palestine to the vacancy on the bench in the Third judicial district court, to succeed Judge John Y. Gooch, deceased.

Secretary Hay is in St. Louis, where he is to represent the president and deliver an address of welcome to the International Press Congress, on the 19th instant.

For the year 1904 Dallas County paid occupation taxes to the amount of \$74,675, the largest amount of occupation taxes ever paid by any county in Texas for one year. For the same time Harris County paid \$59,571 and Tarrant \$46,314.

The German residents near McGregor, are getting ready for a great May feast on May 19 at Quebec's Grove, three miles east of McGregor. There will be all kinds of races, games, public speaking, dancing, prize shooting, etc.

Three negro tramps attempted to wreck an express train twelve miles from Wilburton, L. T., by the use of nitroglycerine. A hand car set the explosive off, and three men on the car were seriously injured. The negroes are in the hands of the United States authorities.

The Overland Cotton Mills, located at Denver, which are said to have cost \$750,000, will be disposed of under a forced sale on the 23d inst. It is stated that Texas parties are figuring on purchasing the property and removing the machinery to the State and erecting a mill.

During swimming contests in connection with the opening of a public bathing pavilion in Jersey City, C. M. Daniels of the New York Athletic Club has established a new world's record 2:10 for 119 yards. The course included four turns.

John A. Revier died at Hillsboro Thursday night. He was eighty-one years old. He was a veteran of the Mexican and Civil wars. He was born in Richmond, Va., and moved thence to Texas.

The Jefferson league, through its president and fifty other Democrats, has sent an urgent letter to W. J. Bryan to come to Indiana at once and "save the Democratic party from falling into the hands of the reorganizers."

The Ennis Prohibition Club has been organized at the residence of Mr. John Rowe. R. J. Fort was elected chairman and J. M. Crowell, secretary. They propose to meet every Monday night.

On the line of Madison and Leon counties, Bob Blackwell was waylaid and killed. He was a prominent farmer and good citizen. Blackwell started home from Mindsetown, but was intercepted and killed, being fired upon with a shotgun and pistol.

Russians Are Dispirited Disaster May Result.

New York, May 18.—The Herald says this morning that Gen. Kuropatkin's position must be one of great danger, is the inference drawn from the news that a Japanese force has appeared thirty miles to the northeast of Mukden.

Mukden is considered the strategic center of Southern Manchuria, since upon it all the roads converge. The Japanese, by gaining a position well to the Russian flank and rear, threaten the Russian force at Liao Yang with envelopment, and their appearance at this point, in the view of the Daily Mail's expert, must compel instant retreat from Liao Yang unless Gen. Kuropatkin is prepared to meet the fate that overtook Marshall MacMahon at Sedan, and to be shut in by a converging movement of the Japanese from the southeast and northeast.

Everything from the Russian point of view depends upon whether he knew of this movement and has already taken steps to remove all his baggage and the bulk of his forces from Liao Yang.

There is some difference of opinion among the military writers here as to the constitution of the Japanese forces, which is reported near Mukden. The military correspondent of the Daily Telegraph believes this force consists of the fifth and sixth divisions of Gen. Kuroki's army, which after pursuing the Russians to Feng Wang Cheng, appear to have turned up northward and to have occupied a pass which gives comparatively easy access down the steepes of the mountains either to Mukden or to Liao Yang.

There have been vague but consecutive reports of these two divisions from a very early period, and though the Japanese have been carefully silent about them, that makes it all the more likely that the movement is important and considerable in point of strength.

While stating that there is no information as to the force of the Japanese near Mukden or where they came from, the Daily Mail says:

"It must not be forgotten that the three divisions which landed in Korea early in the war have since disappeared completely from view. These were the first landed at Chinnampo in March; the fourth, which was garrisoned at Seoul on March 10, and the sixth, reported by the Russians to have landed at Wang Ju in March. These divisions, which are quite sixty thousand men strong, may have pushed up north from the Yalu and directed their movement on Mukden, or again, this mysterious army may be a part of Gen. Kuroki's force."

"Gen. Kuroki's army, which is composed of the Imperial Guards, which were the second and twelfth divisions, appeared to be to the north of Feng Wang Cheng, while the fifth, tenth and eleventh divisions will have probably landed at Pitsewo and Takushan and are marching against the Russian front and right at Nao Yang. In that case nine divisions of from 180,000 to 200,000 men strong are converging upon Gen. Kuropatkin, who is understood to have about 100,000 men in the field."

St. Petersburg, May 17.—The news from the seat of war is causing alarm in the highest quarters. The celerity with which the Japanese move, the ease with which movements are covered, and the apparent inability of the Russian commanders to forestall

or check them, combine to cause gloomy forebodings as to the result of the campaign. There is no doubt as to the ultimate triumph of the Russian arms, but the magnitude of the task ahead of the Czar's army and administration officers, and the enormous cost in men and treasure which is certain before the ground already lost can be recovered, is beginning to be realized, not alone in official quarters, but among the people.

An alarming report comes from Mukden to the effect that Japanese have appeared in some force to the northeast of Mukden, between that city and Kirin. If this is true, and it is feared it is, it means that Kuropatkin's rear is threatened, and it may be possible for him to retire to Harbin, should the exigencies of the campaign make such a move advisable.

Sixty thousand men are now en route to reinforce Kuropatkin, and 50,000 more are ready to start, and when they arrive it is confidently hoped that the Japanese may be driven from Manchuria and the invasion of Korea begun.

The Democratic Nomination.

Chicago: The work up to Saturday night shows a gain in Parker instructions of twenty-eight and a Hearst gain of twelve. The delegation stands as follows: Out of a total of 486 votes, 262 are uninstructed, 75 are for Hearst, 123 are for Parker, 24 for Olney and 2 for Johnson. The principal points of interest were Indiana, which gave Hearst 12 and Parker 30 votes and the District of Columbia, when the Hearst element bolted, organized a rump convention and instructed contesting delegates for Hearst.

Survivor of Balaklava Dies.

New York: John Kennedy, a prominent contractor of Brooklyn, one of the survivors of the famous charge at Balaklava, is dead from pneumonia. He was born in Belfast in 1835, served in the Crimean war as a gunner in the Royal Horse artillery, took part in its greatest battles and after serving fourteen years under the British flag, came to America, where he amassed a fortune as a contractor and builder.

To Organize Into Statehood.

Guthrie, O. T.: Governor Tom Ferguson is a strong advocate of the plan, much discussed recently, to organize Indian Territory into counties, and making it a part of Oklahoma before the admission of the two territories as one State. He believes there are many advantages to be gained by giving Indian Territory local government at once, and the plan is being skillfully groomed and encouraged in both territories.

Druggists of Texas Meet.

Houston: The State Pharmaceutical Association of "mixers" was called to order by President J. J. Thomas of Taylor Tuesday afternoon. Over a hundred people were in the hall, a goodly number of the delegates being ladies. Mayor A. L. Jackson made an address of welcome. J. Burghheim of Houston welcomed the visitors on behalf of the local druggists. Jacob Serodt responded for the visiting members with thanks for the warmth of the welcome and extending hospitalities.

Lawton's New Sunday Law.

Lawton, Ok.: An ordinance was passed by the City Council prohibiting the keeping open of saloons on Sunday. It provides that no liquor be sold, given away or otherwise disposed of by any person, whether he have license or not, under penalty of a fine of not less than \$50 or more than \$100, the forfeiture of his license if he have any, and the disqualification to hold license again in a period of two years.

The losses by the destruction of the business portion of Deport have been figured out between \$75,000 and \$100,000, with only \$18,000 insurance. Twenty-eight buildings were consumed.

It is stated on good authority that the chief dispatcher's office for the Frisco at Sherman will in the next few days be removed to Sapulpa, L. T., where it was until transferred to Sherman, about a year ago.

The Blum Poultry Association will hold its annual show at Blum Dec. 23, 29 and 30. A proposition is being agitated to have a general exhibit of live stock in connection with it. There will be special and cash prizes offered.

The Comptroller of the Currency has authorized the organization of the Woods National Bank of San Antonio, with a capital of \$200,000. The organizers are John Woods, T. W. House, T. E. George, J. E. Adams, E. B. Flowers and others.

WUYAKO STRIKES SUNKEN MINE.

Dispatch Boat Goes down Eight Lives Lost.

Tokio, May 17.—The Japanese dispatch boat Wuyako was destroyed in Kerr Bay by striking a submerged mine. Eight casualties are reported.

The Wuyako was lost while assisting in the operations of clearing the Russian mines from Kerr Bay, northeast of Tattenwan Bay, on which port Dalny is situated. Admiral Katotaka, commanding the third squadron, returned there Sunday with a detachment of his squadron, protecting two flotillas of torpedo boats which had been detailed to complete sweeping the harbor by the removal of mines. Five mines were discovered and exploded and the work was being suspended for the day when the Wuyako struck an undiscovered mine, which exploded with tremendous force under the stern on the port side and inflicted immense damage to the hull. The Wuyako sank in twenty-two minutes. Eight sailors were killed and twenty-two men were drowned. The rest of the crew were rescued.

The news of the loss of the Wuyako has been sorrowfully received in Tokio. The dangerous character of the work in which the Wuyako was engaged is generally appreciated, but it was thought that the loss of the torpedo boat No. 48 under similar circumstances Thursday last would serve as a warning to those engaged in the work to exercise the greatest care.

Admiral Kataotaka reports that the Russians withdraw from Robinson Point, northeast of Kerr Bay, which adjoins Tattenwan Bay, May 12, but they erected a temporary fort on a height north of Taku Mountain, where they mounted six guns and constructed protecting trenches. The vessels of Admiral Kataotaka's squadron shelled the Russians throughout Sunday, but the latter stubbornly retained their position. The Japanese flotillas, while sweeping the bay, were exposed to the Russian fire all day, but continued their work unimpeded.

When the Japanese torpedo boat No. 48 was destroyed May 12 in Kerr Bay, while removing Russian mines, seven men were killed and seven wounded. The No. 48 was the first warship lost by Japan during the war with Russia. The Wuyako was one of the warships which took part in the operations at Kerr Bay, Tattenwan Bay and Black Bay (Orde Bay), the day No. 48 was destroyed.

The Wuyako was a steel cruiser of 1800 tons displacement and 6130 indicated horse-power, completed in 1901, and having an estimated speed of twenty knots. She was 314½ feet long, had 36 feet beam and drew 13½ feet of water. Her armament consisted of twenty-four 7-inch quick-firing guns and ten 1.8-inch guns and four torpedo tubes.

Cumberlands Assemble.

Dallas: Delegates and visitors to the general assembly of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church commenced arriving in Dallas Tuesday preparatory to the opening session of Thursday. Preparations have been made for the convenient handling of those who come, and it is anticipated that there will be an assembly of more than ordinary interest. It will occupy the attention of the public along with the conventions of the Methodists and Baptists, which are in session at this season.

At a mass meeting, held at Decatur Saturday, of the Wise County Republicans it was decided to put out a full county ticket.

Dipping Vats Are Opened.

Fort Worth: The ban that has so long existed preventing the shipment of Texas cattle north of the quarantine line has been removed. The dip was cast Monday morning, when the new dipping vat of the stock yards was put in use and eleven head of cattle dipped as required by the regulations regarding the same. The occasion being an auspicious one, the baptizing was done with due ceremony.

Died from Blood Poison.

Paris: George Foster, in the employ of the Texas and Pacific Railway for the last fifteen years, who had charge of the pump at Lake Gordon, died last night from blood poison. A few days ago he became troubled cutting a wisdom tooth, which caused such pain that he had it extracted. Blood poison set in and pus formed on his brain. A small hole was cut through the skull and the pus removed, but he failed to recover.

Drouth Broken.

Throckmorton: A splendid rain fell here during the early hours of Sunday night, putting the best season in the ground since last October, and causing streams to overflow their banks. The rain was general over the country, but was not so heavy in the southern portion. The range will be in fine condition in a short time, and the farming interests will be greatly benefited. At Spring Creek a drug store and a gin were blown down.

STILL THEY RETREAT.

Japs Destroy Fifty Miles of Railway.

St. Petersburg, May 17.—It is reported here on good, though not official, authority that Kuropatkin will not give battle to the Japanese south of Harbin if he can avoid it, and that the bulk of his army is already falling back from Liao Yang, having a force strong enough to check the Japanese advance for a while and veil his movements. The same authority declares that Kuropatkin is determined not to risk an engagement until he has a force strong enough to overwhelm the Japanese in Manchuria and to take full advantage of victory. With not more than 150,000 effective men at his command, if he should succeed in beating Kuroki, he would be unable to follow up his victory and crush the invaders beyond the possibility of their rallying, while if he should be defeated it might make it impossible to make a stand even at Harbin.

There are two full army corps now in process of being transferred to the front, and when these have arrived, which will be in something like six weeks, Kuropatkin will be in position to take the offensive in earnest.

In response to sharp inquiries made of the Chinese Government as to the meaning of anti-Russian demonstrations by Chinese officers and soldiers, the Chinese Ambassador has given the strongest possible assurances of a strict maintenance of neutrality on the part of the Chinese Government.

St. Petersburg: Official advices received by the general staff say that the Japanese have destroyed fifty miles of the railroad north of Kinchu. No resistance was made by the Russians, who are gradually abandoning it. As the Japanese approach Col. Spiridoff of the Amur Railroad Battalion, is seeking to render the railroad useless to the enemy by removing the switches and otherwise disabling it.

The Russians are retiring because of the approach of the Japanese columns sent westward by Gen. Kuroki immediately after the occupation of Feng Wang Cheng.

Experts, who discussed the military situation, expressed the opinion that Gen. Kuropatkin will not remain at Liao Yang. The view seems to be borne out by reports from Liao Yang. It is said that Gen. Kuropatkin is not at all discouraged by the advance of the Japanese. Telegrams received here from Liao Yang report him as being "perfectly satisfied" with the outlook.

Baptist Convention Adjourns.

Nashville, Tenn.: The forty-ninth Southern Baptist convention, which has been in session here since Friday last, completed its work Monday and adjourned to meet next year in Kansas City. It was announced that almost \$250,000 had been raised during the year for foreign missions and that new workers are needed more than money. Officers of the various church boards were elected as recommended. The convention adopted a resolution advocating the passage by Congress of the Hepburn-Dolliver anti-jug bill, and also a resolution calling on President Roosevelt to take all proper steps to stop alleged barbarities in the Congo Free State.

At the night session a resolution was adopted against Baptist ministers performing the rights of matrimony where one or both of the contracting parties have been divorced on other than Scriptural grounds.

The Lord Is not a Refuge when Religion is all repose.

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One Cent a Mile to Nashville.

Dallas: The rates from Texas points to Nashville for the reunion of the United Confederate Veterans, to be held there in June, will be 1c a mile. The rate from Dallas upon this basis will be \$14.65. The 1c-a-mile idea was made upon the request of the Frisco people. The reversion to the first plan is a matter in which the Texas and Pacific is said to have taken the lead.

Kaufman: Major H. N. Hoffer.

Major H. N. Hoffer, special agent of the Agricultural Department in Washington, says that he has almost completed his first round of visits to farmers who have adopted the Government's method. He says that the cold spring and cool nights lately is causing much of the young cotton to die, but that the loss can be recovered by replanting in the skips while plowing the old cotton; that as yet no insect enemies have been discovered in his territory.

Hoping for Canning Plant.

Fort Worth: Samuel Roberts of Armour & Co., and one of the strong men of that company, is here. He is the managing director in the stock yards company and is giving the Fort Worth plant special attention. Mr. Roberts is rather close-mouthed, but it is believed that Armour & Co. are now on their feet on the erection of a large canning department in connection with their plant here.

ALL OVER TEXAS.

McKinney furnished four recruits to Uncle Sam's army last week. They went to San Frisco.

Tuesday the Taylor Cotton Oil Company shipped 20,000 gallons of cotton seed oil to the City of Mexico.

The State Boll Weevil Commission appointed to dispose of the State's \$50,000 boll weevil prize will meet at Floresville June 1.

Frank J. Calwell, a well known newspaper man, died at San Antonio Thursday morning. He was for many years on the news staff of the Daily Light.

The executive committee of the Grayson County Old Settlers' Association has set as dates for the annual reunion and picnic Aug. 24, 25, 26 and 27.

The twelfth annual council of the Catholic Knights of America was convened at Galveston Tuesday with thirty-eight branches in the State represented.

The Comptroller of the Currency has authorized the Farmers National Bank of Center, Tex., capital of \$25,000, to begin business. Its officers are J. T. Norris, president.

At Marshall Leon Lancaster was seriously injured Tuesday afternoon at his brother's store while endeavoring to repair a loaded revolver so as to make it work.

A cotton oil and gin company with a capital of \$25,000, is organized at Naples. H. B. Moore, president; C. H. Bohn, vice-president, and J. C. Martin, secretary and treasurer.

The cornerstone of the Belton Carnegie Library will be laid with appropriate exercises on Saturday, May 21. The ceremonies will be under the auspices of the Masonic Lodge.

The city council of Marshall in regular session ordered an election to take place June 7, to decide on the issuance of \$75,000 bonds, \$45,000 for sewerage and \$30,000 for water works extension.

The following citizens from Cook County will attend the good roads convention that meets in St. Louis, May 16 to 21: Judge J. M. Wright, John McClure, W. M. Grant, S. W. McSpadden and J. R. Harner.

At Rhome the material is on the ground for the erection of an elevator to hold 30,000 bushels of wheat, which is being built by Wichita people. An elevator is also going up at the Krome Milling Company's plant, which, it is understood, is to have a capacity of about 60,000 bushels.

The ground has been broken for the construction of two labor-giving manufacturing institutions in Sherman, involving an outlay of about \$75,000. The new plants are mills and elevators respectively, the property of W. O. Brackett and associates and J. P. Harrison and associates.

The Richardson Company broke dirt at Justin Friday for a 15,000 bushel capacity elevator which will be ready for the present wheat crop. The Citizens Mill and Elevator Company began work on their 50,000 bushel capacity elevator Saturday. This will give Justin four elevators.

For the last three Saturdays one firm at Lampasas has shipped a car of eggs from this point. This shipment, in addition to the local shipments made by other dealers here, makes the egg shipments from Lampasas quite heavy. Lampasas has for a number of years been a heavy poultry and egg shipping point.

The City Council of Marshall has ordered an election to be held June 7 for the purpose of getting authority to issue bonds for \$45,000 to complete the present sewer system now being constructed and \$30,000 for water works extension.

Fred R. Herford, of Texas, who has long been an efficient clerk in the War Department, has had his salary increased from \$1000 to \$1200 a year, and can safely count upon further promotion in the near future.

The date for a grand K. of P. picnic has been set for May 31. This will be a meeting of all the Pythians in Bell County. The place selected for holding the picnic is Summers' Mill, about eight miles south of Belton and an equal distance to Holland.

A little boy on the Nueces near Brackett was bitten by a bug the shape of a vinegaroon. The bitten place turned black, the arm became swollen and death soon resulted with intense spasms.

The council of San Angelo has decided to order an election to decide whether or not bonds to the amount of \$20,000, running forty years and bearing interest at 4 per cent, should be issued for school buildings and school purposes.

The Fannin County Baptist Sunday School Convention will convene at Ladonia Friday, May 27, and close Sunday night, May 29. Many prominent State workers are expected to be in attendance.

# THE PROMOTION OF THE ADMIRAL AND OTHER SEA COMEDIES

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(Continued.)

If Mr. Watts was the authority on fog that his captain made out, he soon had an opportunity of showing it, for half-way across the Banks it was impossible to see farther than one could throw half a hundredweight, and the Nemagosa went tooting in darkness. But every now and again in this dim world the men of science were alarmed and entertained by sudden battles in blasphemy between Captain Prowse or the well-informed Mr. Watts, and the crew of a Bank fisherman. For fog blankets sound in the oddest, most erratic way, and the throb of a screw cannot always be heard even in the calmest foggy weather. Such swearing matches between the Nemagosa and a smack were, when apparently good for three minutes or so, sometimes sliced right in two by the meteorologist called an "anacoustic" wall of fog. Like the last words of Don Whiskerandos in "A Tragedy Rehearsed," a speech was cut off in the very flower of its youth.

"Where the blue binding blazes are you coming to?" asked a faint nocturne. And when Captain Prowse had expended his last carefully prepared oration, the right of maritime reply only conferred an audible "Oh, you dog—"

"We have to thank the anacoustic properties of that fog-bank for the sudden conclusion," said the meteorologist, "for if I'm any judge of human nature, that smackman is still firing red-hot words into space."

"Yes, sir," said Prowse indignantly, "they're a foul-mouthed lot. It's as much as I can do to keep even with 'em. But I'll slow down no more."

He telegraphed "Full speed ahead" and left Mr. Watts with awfully worded instructions to sink anything from a battleship to the meanest brig afloat. In the saloon he sat at the head of the table and drank rum hot.

"Science proves that rum 'ot is the sailor's drink," said Captain Prowse, "and the correct drink. For we all drink it, and flourish on it. And the reason is that it goes by contraries. It's cold work bein' at sea, and so we takes it 'ot; and the sea is salt, so we takes it sweet; and it comes from the West Indies."

"And that proves it," said the geologist warmly. "What a head you have, Captain Prowse!"

The skipper nodded.

"You may well say so," he affirmed; "a phrenologist gave me a chart of my 'ead once, a scientific chart with the soundings wrote out plain, and what proved him right was his sayin' that 'ere and there I was too deep for him. And I paid him a guinea. Well worth it, it was, for he said, 'You get married, and I done so, and Mrs. Prowse hasn't her living equal. I wish I'd brought that chart with me. It would 'ave interested you gents to know what a brother scientist thought of me.'"

"It would, indeed," said the pathologist.

"But there, I'll tell you what I am," said Prowse. "I'm a down-righter, that's me. I'm captain of my boat, I am, and if I was afloat on a hoocepoc with all its crew I'd like to see the cook as would crowd before I gave him orders. Authority comes nat'ral to me. I'll be boss wherever I am—(Hancock, more rum!)—and I would have succeeded in whatsoever I took hold of. Phrenology told me so, wrote out plain. And I've a kind of leanin' towards science ever since that phrenologist put 'is 'and on my 'ead and said with a start of surprise, 'Captain, you're a wonder.' But I've always



Fell asleep upon the table.

wondered what it was made scientific chaps look so 'elpless—(Hancock, more rum.) But don't you fret, gents; I'm Captain Joseph Prowse, and I'll put you safe ashore, or die in the attempt."

And as he again ejaculated "Hancock, more rum," he fell asleep upon the table.

"Gentlemen," said the geologist, "as our interests are now secure, I vote we go to bed."

But it was still a heavy fog, and the Nemagosa was doing her ten knots an hour. Other steamers were doing the same, or even more. Some twenty-knot liners slowed down (in order that they might say that they had slowed down) to about nineteen knots and a half, and some, acting on the theory that the sooner they went through the fog belt, the better for every one, gave their engines all the steam they could make and stepped out for America or

England at the pace of an indolent torpedo boat. And the result of this was that at about four bells in the middle watch, when the mate's aching eyes could see forty imaginary steamers where there were none, he omitted to observe there was a real one coming for him till it was too late. The Nemagosa uttered one long horrid wail, which was answered in vain, and the next minute the men of science were shot out of their bunks, and their steamer was taking in the Atlantic through a hole about the size of a dock gate.

What became of the lucky, or unlucky, boat, which got her blow in first, the crew of the sinking steamer did not inquire. They heard her toot in the distance, and in answer they blew their whistle for help. But though a whistle in a fog may be evidence of good faith, it is not necessarily for wide publication, and it is quite possible that the stranger, if she did not sink, lost her bearings in the fog, and went off in the wrong direction. At any rate the crew and passengers of the Nemagosa found themselves adrift in three boats, and in less than a quarter of an hour they heard, though they could not see, their steamer blow her deck out and disappear.

"All up with the Goose-ender," said the crew sulkily, "and now of course it will blow."

As ill-luck and hurry would have it, in the last rush for life most of the crew had tumbled into the mate's and second mate's boat. With the lights of science were the captain and Simpkins A. B.

"Immortal Jehoshaphat!" said Mr. Joseph Prowse, "this is a pretty state of affairs. That man-drowning swine of a liner! I 'ope she's gone down! I hope the codfish are sizing her captain up, and sayin' what they think of him. Simpkins, keep hollaoin'! Where's them other boats?"

"I can't holler no more, sir," whispered Simpkins hoarsely, "my throat's give out."

And as the wind rose the three boats drifted apart. Four eminent scientific persons at the oars kept their boat head on to sea, and six other eminent persons lay on the bottom boards and wished they were dead, until the dawn crawled into the east and showed them that they were alone.

It was a chill and watery dawn, and as the boat topped the cold green waves on the edge of the Bank the prospect was eminently unkind. The wind was not very heavy, but it blew hard enough to bring the spray of each curling wave inboard, and every one was soaked to the skin. The sky was lowering and overcast, and though the fog was dissipated, a mist covered the sun till it looked, as Simpkins remarked, about as warm as a new tin plate.

It must be said for Captain Joseph Prowse that he retained in some measure those characteristics of authority which he claimed for himself, and by a forced optimism, which the nature of his crew made him adopt, he endeavored to cheer them up.

"My luck's temporary out," he declared, with some show of cheerfulness, "but it ain't the first time I've been run down, and with God's 'elp, gents, it won't be the last. And it's clean against the nature of things for so many learn'd men to come to grief at one fell blow. 'Ere or there a scientific jossier may come to grief in a crowd, but so many being together is the best of insurances. I'll pull you through; you mind me. All I ask you to remember is that I'm captain, and what I says goes now and always."

"It's all very well," said the meteorologist, whose temper was going with the skin of his hands, "but we all thought you had no right to run so fast in a fog."

Captain Prowse gasped, and then recovered himself.

"Didn't I tell you I was captain here, same as on the steamer?"

"You did," said the sulky man of science.

"Then hold your jaw," said Captain Prowse; "when you, or the likes of you, is asked for criticism, it'll be time for you to give it. Till then you'll give your captain no lectures on the running of his vessel. God and the queen's enemies 'as sunk my ship, but neither one nor the other has took away my natural gift of authority, so shut up!"

And though the meteorologist choked with rage, he said no more. Simpkins and the captain consulted.

"We're right in the track of steamers more or less," said Captain Prowse, "and it bein' so damp we can hang out without much drink for a day or so. And biscuit we 'ave plenty."

Simpkins nodded.

"Yes, sir, but this 'ere's a sulky, useless lot, sir."

"So they are," said Prowse, "but they'll 'ave to shape themselves as I bid 'em. The first crooked word and there'll be a man of science missing out of this bright gal-ackey of talent. I don't care where I am, but there I'll be captain. I don't care if they was my owners, I'd run 'em all the same. They ain't passengers no more, they're my crew."

He took a drink out of a flask, and sank back in the stern-sheets.

"I want you men to keep your eyes skinned," he said presently. "Which of you is the astronomer?"

"I am," answered the bow oar, who

was a long, thin man, in a wideawake and spectacles.

"Then keep a bright look-out or you'll see stars," said Prowse. "And know that you ain't passengers no more, but a boat's crew, and my boat's crew, and you'll have to look lively when I sing out. So the sooner we get a bit farther south the better it will be. That will do."

And muttering that he meant being captain whether he was on an ice-floe or a mud-barge, he fell asleep and snored.

"This brute is coming out in his true colors," said the astronomer. "What did he mean by saying I should see stars?"

"Begging your pardon, sir," said Simpkins, "he meant he'd plug you."

"Plug me?"

"Bung your eye up," explained Simpkins, "and Lor' bless you, he'd do it. Oh, a rare chap is the captain; why, some years half his money goes in fines."

"I wish to heaven I was ashore," said the poor astronomer, "and when I get there I'll see he never gets another job."

Simpkins eyed the sleeping skipper in alarm.

"Best not let him 'ear you, matey," he cried. "He'd haze you to death."

"Haze me?"

"Work you up," explained the seaman.

"What's that?"

"And I that you was all learn'd!" while I'm on it, I want you jossers to



"Which of you is the astronomer?" said Simpkins, with great contempt. "I mean he'd just stock it to you till you was fair broke up."

The day passed without any incident of vital importance. It is true they sighted the smoke of a steamer hull down on the southern horizon, but they saw nothing else across the waste of heaving water. Every now and again the captain woke up and made a few remarks on the nature of authority, and what he proposed doing to those who did not "knuckle under." But the night fell without any signs of mutiny on the part of the scientific crew.

In the very early dawn the astronomer, who had slept in uneasy stretches, woke up for the tenth time and changed his position. Simpkins and the geologist were keeping the boat before the sea, which was running southeast, and they were both half-blind with fatigue.

(To be continued.)

## HIS TRIBUTE OF AFFECTION.

Saved Remnant of Chum's Pet for a Definite Purpose.

Representative Timothy D. Sullivan stands firmly for the innate loyalty of the Irish boy, no matter what his age.

"There was a famous dog fight in my district," said he, "and all the boys in the neighborhood were there. Next to Christmas, there's nothing appeals to the average boy so much as a dog fight. The one I speak of was done to a finish, especially in one case where there was nothing left but a small and pathetic piece of brown, furry ear.

"A red-headed, unkempt youngster grabbed at it, and rushing up to me, exclaimed half choking with sobs: 'Mister, say, tell me where Mr. —, the saloonkeeper, lives.' 'I told him, and asked: 'What do you want to know for?' 'Oh, I'm acquainted with his son Diann, what's the owner of this,' pointing to the last remnant of the dead canine. 'Sure, his heart will be clean broke when he finds his cur gone! I'll be after takin' this bit of a rimbance to him, sir, and maybe he can match it to another pup!'" — New York Times.

**Automobiles Cause Deaths.**  
Statistics for the year ending August 30 show that automobiles killed as many persons in England in a week as railroad trains did in a year. The entire number of accidents enumerated in England and Wales during the period mentioned were 3,994, the persons injured being 2,991 and deaths 411. The figures show an average of 76.75 accidents a week, with 57.52 persons injured and 7.9 killed every week. During the last twelve months the total number of passengers and railway officials killed by accidents on passenger trains on British railways was eight, the injured being 224.

**Magnificent Affair.**  
Even Greenland's icy mountains have their plutocrats. One Kor-ko-ya of East Baffinland literally stupefies his fellow-tribesmen with his luxury. He lives in a wooden house, owns a table and a paraffin lamp, and recently, to celebrate the fortieth anniversary of the foundation of his business, he stood cod liver oil all round to his employees.—Pittsburg Dispatch.

# Russians at Liao Yang Ordered to Get Busy.

St. Petersburg, May 16.—The Hearst papers this morning say: An air of hopeful expectancy pervades the city due to the circulation of a report that the Czar has ordered Gen. Kuropatkin to make a determined effort to halt the Japanese advance at Liao Yang, and that substantial reinforcements had been sent from Mukden.

It has been given out that the Russian position at Liao Yang is such as to favor offensive operations against an attacking party, and that, with the reinforcements, variously estimated at from 15,000 to 25,000 men, Kuropatkin will be in a position to begin aggressive operations before Kuroki and Oku have had a chance to effect a junction. Consequently news of a more cheering character is looked for within the next few days.

The situation at Port Arthur can not be definitely learned, the only news being from outside sources to the effect that the Japanese have absolute control of all communication. As the Government has ceased to deny these reports, they are accepted as true.

Vladivostok is reported to be in good condition to resist any attack that is likely to be made on it for a long time to come, and little fear is felt for its safety.

Liao Yang, May 16.—The Japanese army in Southern Manchuria is marching slowly, evidently being desirous of remaining in close touch with the reserve. The movement is aimed partly at Hai Cheng, but chiefly at Liao Yang and the Japanese main force is only forty miles from Liao Yang.

The Russian troops are in excellent health and spirits, and anxious to do duty. The inspiring sounds of the Russian soldiers' choral songs re-echo through the Liao Yang the whole day, varied by the music of the bands of freshly arriving regiments.

Gen. Kuropatkin, while making an inspection of the hospitals, said to a wounded Japanese guardsman: "I visited your country and saw very active people. Now I am convinced that you are excellent soldiers, and I am proud to meet such a foe."

To this the guardsman replied: "My nation wanted war, and will fight to the last; but it is Japan's luck that Russia is vulnerable here."

## Passing of a Pioneer Negro.

Nacogdoches: Uncle Ned Simpson, an old negro pioneer, well known in nearly every county in East Texas, and especially in Nacogdoches and Beaumont, is dead. Uncle Ned was 96 years old, and a hero and survivor of the "runaway scrape" of '36, when he assisted in putting the women and children across the Sabine in response to the false cry, "Santa Anna is coming!" In the hurry, baggage and all personal effects were thrown helter skelter and left along the roadside. Uncle Ned picked up the trunk of a wealthy lady, Mrs. Engledow, containing \$5000 in gold, and kept it several days before he could find the owner, returning it to her in safety. Honest, reliable, truthful and polite to all he held the respect and esteem of the white people. For years he had been blind and paralyzed, and was cared for by his faithful white friends, who saw that his remains had a respectable burial.

Mr. Hearst says he will support the regular Democratic nominee, whoever he may be.

## Detective is Assassinated.

Denver, Colo.: Lyle Gregory, was assassinated early Sunday morning. No positive trace of the assassin has been found. John Combs has been arrested on suspicion. Gregory recently had been in the employ of a detective agency and was one of the men accused by William Wardon, the National Committeeman of the United Mine Workers of America, of assaulting him on a railroad train near Salida, Colo., recently.

## Horrible Fatality.

Reno, Nev.: By the breaking of one of the spans of the suspension tramway across the Truckee River at Lawton Springs, five miles west of this city, at 2 o'clock Sunday, four young people, Maurice Jacobs, a young business man of this city; Miss McMillan, daughter of a prominent business man of Reno; Mrs. E. S. Ede Jr. and a Mr. Kingsley of Chicago, were precipitated from the car into the swollen stream and drowned.

## Maypearl Celebrates.

Maypearl: Maypearl was one year old Saturday, and celebrated with a big picnic and barbecue. The welcome address was by Derrell Alsop. Hon. S. P. Skinner of Waxahachie responded with a talk. Failure to arrive prevented Congressman Jack Beall from speaking. One of the main features of the day was a big dinner, ample for all. A part of the exercises was the laying of the cornerstone of a \$4000 Methodist Church.

## WORLD'S FAIR'S SECOND WEEK.

Great Increase in Attendance for the Second Week.

St. Louis, Mo., May 16.—The total attendance at the World's Fair for the second week ending Saturday night showed an increase of over 50,000 over the total attendance for the opening week. The official statement of the total attendance for the second week—and the attendance for the same period during the Columbian Exposition was given out last night. It showed a total for St. Louis of 188,371 against 220,614 for Chicago. It is pointed out that no excursions have been yet run to bring in visitors and the attendance at present is largely local and also that the population of Chicago far exceeds that of St. Louis.

The National Editorial Association convention will begin to-day in Congress Hall at the exposition to continue during the week. The World's Press Parliament will convene on Thursday and it is expected that the total attendance of newspaper men for the two conventions will number about 3000 from all parts of the world. Almost every press association and news organization of the United States will be represented as well as the larger newspapers. The General Federation of Women's Clubs will hold its biennial convention here this week, beginning on Tuesday, and the National Good Roads Association will hold its annual convention this week, beginning to-day.

Many foreign journalists arrived last night. The French pavilion will be formally opened to-day.

The stone court that has been erected in the Igorrote village for settling all disputes that may arise between the natives during the exposition was dedicated yesterday according to the savage rites of that tribe. After the ceremonies the occasions was brought to an end by a feast on dog meat.

## Texas Still Leads.

Washington, May 14.—Statistics of the Controller's office covering the period from March 14, 1900, the date of the passage of the act allowing organization of National banks with a minimum capital of \$25,000, show an enormous growth of banking business in the Southwest of banks of the smaller kind.

In the Southern States from March 14, 1900, to April 30, 1904, the number of the banks of minimum capital organized was 292, of which Texas organized 151. The aggregate capital invested in these banks for the Southern States was \$7,781,500, for Texas \$4,043,000. Including new banks of \$50,000 capital and over, the South organized 488 banks, with a total capital of \$26,456,500, of which Texas organized 221 banks, with an aggregate capital of \$9,733,000.

Adjoining Texas her banking property emulated by Indian Territory and Oklahoma, the total banks organized in Indian Territory being 90, with a capital in the aggregate of \$2,770,000; Oklahoma, eighty-seven banks organized, with a total capital of \$2,625,000. With the two Territories joined to them the Southern States show a greater growth both in number of banks organized and the amount of capital invested than any other section of the country.

El Paso: John L. Huerr, a hardware clerk, was shot through the head and instantly killed at 2 o'clock Sunday morning on one of the principal streets in the business section of the city while returning with Mrs. Selma Wunderwait, a widow, from the Sons of Hermann ball. At 9 o'clock Henry Hirscholzer, a bartender, was arrested by the police, charged with the killing. He denied all knowledge of the crime. The bullet entered Huerr's head from the rear.

Sch/ler Marshall, R. S. Kimbrough and other capitalists are planning an electric railway from Grand Saline to Dallas, passing through intervening points.

The contract for the erection of ten new brick stores on the north side of the square at Venus has been let to Contractor W. I. Henry of that place. A Democratic club has been organized at Baird to support McClellan for president and James S. Hogg for vice president.

The Bartenders International Alliance will no longer issue charters to any city organization in Kentucky, Tennessee, Missouri, West Virginia, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Alabama, Arkansas, Texas, Oklahoma and Indiana unless the State organizations demand the issue by petition.

Dr. F. D. Thompson of Fort Worth has been tendered the chair of surgery in Baylor University medical branch at Dallas.

## GOT UP TOO HIGH.

Flattery That Left the Recipient Somewhat Uneasy.

Irving Bacheller, novelist and after-dinner speaker, says that the flattery hurled at him during recent years has been as nothing compared to the dose he received from an old farmer on the day of his graduation from college. On that occasion Mr. Bacheller was one of the senior class's commencement orators. After the usual fashion of college speakers, he got rid of many high-sounding words and wound himself up into varied flourishing gestures. When it was all over, the old farmer approached:

"Wal," said he to the young graduate, "you sure did make the finest speech I ever heard. Great! You jes' riz right up in the air, and no durned fool in that thrar crowd could understand a word you was talkin' about." — New York Times.

## EASY ONE TO ANSWER.

Little Sunday School Scholar Knew All About It.

The woman reporter was interviewing Senator Arthur P. Gorman about suffrage. The astute politician answered with a story:

"Now, young woman, what would happen to men if women entered politics? Why, they are keener than we are, even in their Sunday schools, and we wouldn't stand any chance with them."

"In one of the few Sunday school classes I ever addressed I was non-plussed by a miss of six summers. I was telling the girls the story of the seven wise and seven foolish virgins, and I asked what we might learn from the beautiful story when a little blossom in blue replied:

"That's easy enough; learn to keep our eyes peeled for a bridegroom!" — New York Times.

## Grandpa Too Busy.

The rental of a cottage at Atlantic City for the month of April adds temporarily a fifth establishment to the number of houses Senator Quay is maintaining for himself and his family in various parts of the country. Among those who enjoy this frequent change of habitat is a little granddaughter to whom the senator is very devoted and who spends much of her time in his society.

In the midst of an unusually quiet evening in his library recently she sighed audibly.

"Oh, daddy, I wish we were rich," she said, as the senator looked up questioningly from the letter he was writing.

"Why?" asked her grandfather, speculating as to what heights in toy-land she had raised her infant aspirations.

"So you wouldn't have to go to the senate every day and write letters every night when I want to talk to you," she said earnestly. That particular letter went over till the next day.

## I Saw From the Beach.

I saw from the beach, when the morning was shining,  
A bark o'er the waters move gloriously on;  
I came when the sun o'er that beach was declining,  
The bark was still there, but the waters were gone.

And such is the fate of our life's early promise,  
So passing the spring-tide of joy, we have known,  
Each wave that we danced on at morning, ebbs from us,  
And leaves us, at eve, on the bleak shore alone.

Ne'er tell me of glories serenely adorning  
The close of our day, the calm eve of our night;  
Give me back, give me back the wild freshness of morning,  
Her clouds and her tears are worth evening's best light.

Oh, who would not welcome that moment's returning,  
When passion first waked a new life through his frame?  
And his soul—like the wood that grows precious in burning,  
Give out all its sweets to love's exquisite flame!" — Thomas Moore.

## Artificial Flowers Made of Wood.

One of the most beautiful uses to which wood-fiber has been put is the manufacture of artificial flowers. They are a new thing in town, and are only to be had at one shop that makes a business of selling novelties when they are novelties. Thus far the only flowers made of this material are pink roses, violets and white and purple lilacs, with the necessary leaves. The violets are made in Philadelphia and sell for \$2 a bunch, while the other "blooms" come from Japan, the roses selling for \$1 each. The imitation is remarkably close, both in color, form and texture.

## Answered Goodwin.

Nat Goodwin years ago was playing in a short farce in which the curtain rose on an empty stage, and he strode on with a coat over his arm, and loudly called "Uncle! Uncle!"

He was to receive no reply and after a pause, should have gone, on with a monologue. But a gallery "rod" took upon himself to answer the actor.

"All right, I'm coming in a minute. How much do you want on it?" he shouted.

The effect on the audience may be imagined.

## Strictly on His Feet.

When Daniel Sully, the "Cotton King" of a few weeks, was walking down Fifth avenue the other afternoon he was accosted by a business acquaintance with the remark:

"Well, Sully, how goes things by this time?"

"Oh, I'm on my feet again," answered Sully, cheerfully.

"What! So soon?" replied his friend incredulously.

"Yes; I've sold my horses," replied Sully.—New York Times.

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Does it pay to advertise? If you think it doesn't pay, take down your sign and use it for kindling, keep quiet and don't waste breath in mentioning business.—Pick up.

If the people of Haskell will strictly observe the advice and directions given them by the health board they will not have many druggists and doctor's bills to pay this summer.

For all the fuss made by certain newspapers about the scramble to get into the Parker band wagon, there is still plenty of room in that much advertised vehicle—vide the cartoon in Wednesday's Record.

Defeat President Roosevelt in the coming election and he will be recorded in American history as a brief and erratic comet of hateful influences on its society and laws soon overcome by a reawakened patriotism and a return to right principles of government. Roosevelt and there is little telling what will come, but there will be centralization of government, heedless usurpation of power, a discredited constitution and possibly a racial war and social upheaval that it will require a generation of patience and statesmanship to recover from—if we ever do it.

Referring to the popular demand for Judge Parker to make known his standing on political questions the Fort Worth Record says:

To expect a Democratic administration to accomplish all that every individual Democrat may desire is unreasonable. There has never been an administration in the history of the country that succeeded in achieving all that its adherents either desire or expected, and there never will be one. If that is what Democrats want to wait for, they are doomed to perpetual disappointment.

No sensible man expects that all the reforms will be effected nor that all of the party principles will or can be put in successful operation in the time of one administration. Most of us know that we will be doing well if we accomplish a few of our purposes and make a fair start on others, to be carried on to success in the future. What we do want to know is that the man who is put at the helm has the course right and will direct the ship of state aright. It is both our duty and right to know this of any man before putting him in command.

### READ AGAIN.

In one paragraph the Haskell Free Press says:

"A sure-enough Democrat don't object to a pledge to support the party nominees any more than a duck objects to water. It's the fellow who wants a chance to vote for his favorites in the primary, and if he fails to get them nominated then jump the game by not voting for the nominees at the general election, who objects to promising to do what he ought to do."

In the next paragraph the Free Press says:

"Not many people like to take medicine without knowing what it is and what its effect will be. So it is with taking candidates for offices having large discretionary powers attached to them, they want to know in what direction these powers will be used."

There is here something in the nature of a contradiction. If it is not right to take medicine of one kind, sight unseen, then how can it be wise or safe to swallow medicine of another kind, even when you know that it is poison labeled candy?—Dallas News.

The News failed to see the point under the light of local conditions, hence the idea of a contradiction. The first item quoted refers to local or county candidates whose public record, private character and general characteristics are known to all county voters who, therefore, know what manner of officials they will have if any one of them is elected and who are willing to take their chance in the best place—the primary—of eliminating the objectionable ones from the race and if they fail then accept defeat.

Knowing the men, they know who is objectionable, hence know how to vote.

The second item refers to candidates for national offices whose political principles and leanings are not well known, but who want to be swallowed sight unseen. The people want a chance to choose intelligently, or, on their own judgement, at least, then if they fail to get their choice they at

least know what they have got—the same as they know in local matters. There is no contradiction in this.

### NOTICE TO U. C. VETERANS.

Stamford, Texas, May 14, 1904.—At a meeting of the Ex-Confederates, held in the city of Stamford, at the City Hall, on the above date, for the purpose of organizing a regiment of United Confederate Veterans, known as the 2nd Regiment in the 5th Brigade, Texas Division, house was called to order by J. M. Prude, commander of Joe Sayers Camp.

On motion made and carried Comrade W. E. Gentry of Anson Camp was elected as chairman and Judge J. L. Fisher of Joe Sayers Camp, secretary.

Delegates present were: W. E. Gentry and W. H. Wood of Anson Camp; W. S. Rector and J. H. Montgomery of Roby Camp; A. H. O'Keef and J. L. Fisher of Joe Sayers Camp.

Motion made and carried that election be had for the election of regimental officers to hold office until the regular election at reunion at Stamford on August 17th, 18th and 19th, 1904, and the following comrades were declared elected: R. A. Myers, Colonel; J. L. Fisher, Lieutenant-Colonel; A. M. Davidson, Major.

The following trustees were elected to secure title to the property: A. H. O'Keef, W. S. Rector, W. H. Wood, Judge Hamilton and J. M. V. Bullock.

The following comrades were appointed to prepare the ground and make all necessary arrangement for the coming reunion: J. M. Prude, Ed. Kennedy, B. F. Whitfield, A. H. O'Keef, Judge Hamilton, J. M. V. Bullock and Dr. Shell.

On motion the following comrades were elected to draft By-Laws and Constitution: R. S. Ragdale, J. D. Pickens, J. B. Carnahan and W. E. Gentry.

On motion Judge Greenwood was added to said committee.

Motion made and carried that a copy of the proceedings of this meeting be forwarded to each camp in this district for publication.

No further business the meeting adjourned. J. L. FISHER, Secretary. R. S. RAGDALE, A. J. Joe Sayers Camp.

### Call to Camp Rains.

The members of Camp Rains, U. C. Veterans, are requested to meet at the court house in the town of Haskell on Saturday, the 28th day of May, 1904, at 2 o'clock, p. m., for the purpose of determining more fully the matter of representation at the Annual Reunion to be held at Nashville, Tenn., on the 14th, 15th and 16th days of June, next.

W. W. FIELDS, Commander. Haskell, May 21, 1904.

### Music Class Entertained.

On Tuesday, May 17, from 3 to 6 p. m., Mrs. J. G. Walden entertained in honor of her music class.

Gay voices and bright, happy faces lent their charm to the occasion and merriment prevailed throughout the afternoon.

Games of all kinds, both outdoors and indoors, were sources of amusement with occasional bits of music.

After the games grew wearisome, Mrs. Walden rendered some of her best music, which was greeted with applause.

The dining room door was then thrown open and an exclamation of delight and admiration burst from all as the table, decorated in cedar and laid with spotless linens, came into view.

Cake and iced lemonade was served, and such a merry, jolly crowd as it was, eating, drinking and making merry.

After the refreshments and a few more pieces of choice music, the youthful guests took their departure, loud in their praises of the most enjoyable occasion of the season and with warm places in their hearts for their hosts.

### Gone Home to God and Mother.

Leonard, the son of Mr. W. E. Clark, fell asleep in Jesus, Monday, April 16, 1904, age six years. His mother died when he was small. He was tenderly cared for by the many loved ones around whose hearts he entwined chords of love, soon to be snapped asunder. His life was brief, but his mission was filled. Little Leonard was a precious gem in his earthly home, but God seeks these rare jewels for his own, "for of such is the kingdom of Heaven." All was done for him that loving hands and skillful aid could do, but God in his wisdom called him home to join the fond mother in the everlasting praise in sweet redemption's song. Weep not dear parent, but be faithful and soon the time will be when you shall join that happy band where parting is no more. A FRIEND.

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### Millet and Sorghum Seed.

We have received a car load each of Sorghum and German millet seed, and will be pleased to supply the demands of the farmers in that line.

W. W. FIELDS & BROTHER.

### An Open Letter.

From the Chapin, S. C. News: Early in the spring my wife and I were taken with diarrhoea and severe were the pains that we called a physician who prescribed for us, but his medicines failed to give any relief. A friend who had a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy on hand gave each of us a dose and we at once felt the effects. I procured a bottle and before using the entire contents we were entirely cured. It is a wonderful remedy and should be found in every household. H. C. Bailey, Editor. This remedy is for sale by C. F. Terrell.

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I have \$4,000 worth of tickets and a new stock of JEWELRY with which to redeem them. Be sure to take advantage of this big offer at once. Yours truly,

**T. G. CARNEY.**

### NOTICE!

The Board of Health hereby gives notice to all citizens of Haskell that all premises must be cleaned at once—all garbage and trash piled up and burned, old cans and other trash carted off, privies cleaned and contents burned or buried deeply and lime scattered thoroughly, and any cesspools or places where water or filth may collect and decay must be filled or thoroughly drained. We advise that waste paper, excelsior, rags, straw, etc., be not thrown on the streets but put in boxes and emptied and burned at convenient times.

We call upon all citizens to attend to these matters promptly and intelligently that our town may be rid of any thing that may prove a nuisance or tend to produce sickness.

We also give notice that any one keeping one or more pigs must see that all pens or yards are kept thoroughly cleaned by removing and burning the filth from such pens or lots.

The Board intends to make their examination of all premises very thorough, therefore be careful in your work of cleaning up and save any future annoyance or trouble.

W. H. WYMAN, Chairman,  
E. E. GILBERT, M. D.  
A. G. SEATHERY, M. D.  
Board of Health.

Haskell, May 14, 1904.

### THE ARCTIC.

The new drink and ice cream parlor just opened by Sanders & Porter is now ready for custom. They wish to say that they will serve all the latest drinks including Dr. Pepper, Cocoa Cola, Pepsin Phosphate, etc. Their ice cream is made from a receipt secured from one of the largest cream dealers in the state. They will make a specialty of fine candies, tobacco and cigars, and will keep ice for sale. Will also handle fruits and everything else in their line.

Mr. Porter will have charge and is especially anxious to secure the lady trade as well as that of the men and boys. (19-21)

### Quick Arrest.

J. A. Gulledege of Verbena, Ala., was twice in the hospital from a severe case of piles causing twenty-four tumors. After doctors and all remedies failed, Bucklen's Arnica Salve quickly arrested further inflammation and cured him. It conquers aches and kills pain. Twenty-five cents at All Druggists.

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### OFFICIAL CALL

#### FOR DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY AND CONVENTIONS.

To the Democratic Voters of Haskell County:

By virtue of the authority vested in me and in pursuance of the action of the democratic executive committee, I hereby call and direct that the following party action be had:

First, That a democratic primary election be held in the several voting precincts of Haskell county on July 9, 1904, at the regular polling places therein, for the purpose of nominating county and precinct officers and all state and district offices. The candidates receiving the largest vote for the several county offices in all the voting precincts and those receiving the largest vote for precinct officers in their respective precincts shall be declared the nominees for the several county and precinct offices, and candidates receiving the largest vote in the county shall have the instruction of the delegates from this county.

The members of the democratic county executive committee are requested to meet at the court house in Haskell on Saturday, July 16, 1904, at 10 o'clock a. m., for the purpose of canvassing the returns and declaring the result of said election.

Second, The democratic voters of each voting precinct are requested and directed to assemble in convention in their several precincts on July 9, 1904, at 2 o'clock p. m., and select delegates to a county convention of delegates to be held on July 16, 1904 at Haskell, for the purpose of electing delegates to the State and the several district nominating conventions. Such precinct conventions shall also elect a member of the democratic county executive committee in each precinct and shall instruct their delegates to said county convention as to the election of a chairman and secretary of the county executive committee. Such precinct conventions may also adopt resolutions expressing their views on state legislation and questions of state policy.

Each precinct shall be entitled to one vote in said county convention on all questions for each ten votes and majority fraction of ten votes cast in the precinct for Gov. Lanham at the last general election, but may elect any number of delegates to cast such votes.

Third, A democratic county convention to be composed of delegates to be elected on July 9 from the several voting precincts in Haskell county, is hereby called to meet at the court house in Haskell on July 16, 1904, at 2 o'clock, p. m., for the purpose of electing delegates to the State and the several district conventions, to cast the vote of Haskell county in accordance with the declared result of the primary election of July 9, also for the purpose of electing a chairman and secretary of the democratic county executive committee, and for the further purpose of adopting such resolutions on state issues for the instruction of our delegates to the State convention as may be deemed wise and proper.

Fourth, A democratic county mass meeting is hereby called to meet at the court house in Haskell on June 11, 1904, at 1 o'clock p. m., to elect delegates to the State convention to be held in San Antonio on June 21 to elect delegates to the National convention at St. Louis on July 6, and to adopt such resolutions on national issues and instruct our said delegates as may be deemed wise and expedient.

All of said primaries and conventions herein called and provided shall be conducted in all things in accordance with the laws governing party primaries and conventions.

The officers conducting the primary election herein provided for shall not count any ballot or vote cast in said election for any candidate which has not printed on it, and not defaced, the pledge adopted by the democratic executive committee of Haskell county, to wit: "I am a democrat and pledge myself to vote for the democratic nominees at the next November election, and in no way shall my influence be used in opposition to the election of any nominee of the democratic party."

And the officers of the several conventions herein provided for are instructed that no one shall be allowed to vote or otherwise participate in any of said conventions without first subscribing to said pledge.

W. W. FIELDS, Chairman,  
Democratic Executive Com.,  
Haskell County, Texas.

A pocket book containing some money was found last week. See Hollis Fields at Robertson's drug store and pay for this notice.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL PICNIC.

#### The Five Sunday Schools of Haskell to Hold a Union Picnic on 24th of May.

A committee from each of the five Sunday Schools of Haskell met Monday evening at 3 o'clock at the home of Dr. E. E. Gilbert. The object of the meeting of the committees was to confer with each other in naming a time and place for holding the picnic. It is also understood that each Sunday school authorized its respective committee to act with the other committees, and jointly to have charge of all general arrangements.

J. C. O'Bryan was elected chairman and Miss Belle Rupe secretary. The question of a union Sunday School picnic was freely discussed, and there was not a dissenting voice to the motion that next Tuesday, May 24th, shall be the date for holding the picnic and that Ballard's pasture on Mule Creek the place. The site is a beautiful grove, five miles south of Haskell, and is well known as a most beautiful place for holding picnics.

A committee of two—Eld. C. N. Williams and Mr. G. T. McCulloh—was appointed to provide water for the entire crowd at the picnic grounds, and also to arrange for a cold drink stand on the grounds and provide free tickets for all Sunday School pupils and their friends.

The public generally is invited to attend this picnic. The committees extend a special invitation to all children who are not members of any of the Sunday schools.

The places of meeting will be at the various churches, between 8 and 9 o'clock Tuesday morning. The respective committees will be on hand and arrange for the crowd to start promptly at 9 o'clock. All children who are not provided with transportation will be accommodated by the committees. There will be hacks and wagons at each church, provided by the committees. The children are requested to meet promptly at the churches Tuesday morning and report to the committee. It is the duty of the committee to see that none are left, but that every child attends this union picnic.

It will be an all-day picnic. The committees will be first at the churches, and last to leave the picnic grounds. During the day the committees will devote themselves to the task of having everybody enjoy the day.

Ample preparations are being made for a superb picnic dinner. All interested parties are expected to attend with well filled baskets. Those who have no baskets will have an opportunity to eat with those who have. Let everybody attend. Special attention will be shown to strangers and the children.

#### The Art Exhibit.

The traveling art exhibit, which was induced to place our town on its itinerary by the Haskell Magazine club, gave exhibitions at the court house on last Saturday afternoon and night.

The exhibit consisted of several hundred large photographs of paintings by the leading artists of the world, including several of the old masterpieces, also quite a number of original scenic paintings in water colors by Texas artists.

Miss Roxie Hassell who was in charge of the exhibit, is an artist herself, and her explanations of many of the pictures and relation of incidents connected with them and with the artists who painted them, showed a wide knowledge of the world of art and art subjects and greatly assisted those viewing them in understanding and appreciating the thought and inspiration expressed by them.

The Magazine club will no doubt have the thanks of all who witnessed the exhibition for bringing the opportunity within their reach.

Mr. B. B. Greenwood of the Stamford bar was in Haskell Wednesday.

Dr. S. L. Post was called to Aspermont Wednesday to see Mrs. D. R. Couch.

Mr. J. M. Prude, city recorder and assessor of Stamford, visited Haskell Wednesday.

The spring term of district court for Haskell county will convene on Monday, 23 instant.

Miss Annie Ellis spent this week in the eastern portion of the county visiting the family of Mr. J. E. Irby.

Mrs. J. A. Bailey entertained a large number of lady friends Thursday evening in honor of her sister, Mrs. Andrus of Gorman.

Mr. J. F. Jones and sister, Mrs. T. B. Russell went to Stamford yesterday evening to meet Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Jones, who are returning to Haskell after spending the winter on the coast at Corpus Christi and the last few weeks with their son, Joe, at Columbus.

### HASKELL DEMOCRATIC CLUB.

The Haskell Democratic club held its regular meeting last Saturday night, the regular officers being present.

Minutes of previous meeting were read and approved.

After some general discussion of the political situation, from which it appeared that the democratic outlook was very favorable, an invitation to join the club was extended and six new members were added to the roll, increasing the membership to 163.

Mr. S. W. Scott who had been requested by the program committee to deliver an address before the club failed to appear.

District Atty C. C. Higgins was present and responding to calls made a brief talk.

Touching the expediency of party organization, he held that no set of individuals or party holding to certain political views and principles could ever accomplish much toward putting the principles believed by them to be right in force in the administration of our government without organization—which means union and cooperation of effort. He said that nothing in politics or other matters of similar large importance could be done without systematized work and a controlling or advisory head, hence certain "machinery" of organization was necessary in maintaining the life and purposes of a political party and, hence, individuals holding views with a party should submit to its system of organization, conceding and compromising, if necessary, minor personal preferences as to individuals and details of party methods in order that the full party strength be brought to bear in furtherance of its objects and aims. He thought that every democrat should readily recognized the imperative necessity of meeting organization and discipline with organization and discipline.

Some arrangements were made in regard to assisting in the organization of clubs in the country precincts.

The program committee put Judge H. G. McConnell on for a speech to the club at its next meeting. He said he would see if he could get a substitute.

Adjourned.

#### A NEW SCHOOL HOUSE.

There was a meeting of citizens, of which Mr. J. E. Poole was elected chairman, at the court house Thursday night in response to a Thursday issued by the school trustees touching the matter of a new school building. It had been set forth by the trustees that several things could be done—from erecting such a building as could be paid for and furnished with the small amount of money in hand to incorporating and voting a tax of 50 cents on the \$100 for the erection of a proper building and the maintenance of an efficient school. It was ascertained that the taxable values within the five miles square, which could be incorporated, are now \$453,600 which, at the 50-cent tax rate, would sustain a bond issue of from ten to twelve thousand dollars for building and furnish a fund annually which, in connection with that coming from the state, would carry on an efficient school.

Messrs. Alexander, Poole, McConnell, Terrell, Whitman, Wilson and perhaps others advocated incorporation and the levy of the proposed tax and favored the erection of one central main building to the limit of available resources. No voice was raised in objection to this plan and on motion it was adopted without a dissenting vote.

Those present, with one exception, signed a paper pledging themselves to vote for incorporation and for the 50-cent tax and requesting the trustees to use the money on hand in furtherance of the plans for erecting such a building as suggested.

It is understood that before the trustees can proceed the paper must be signed by at least two-thirds of the qualified voters in the limits of the territory to be incorporated. This is necessary as a guarantee to them that the tax will be levied on which to issue bonds and secure the money for the completion of the building.

It is the interest of every citizen to sign the paper promptly and urge the work along, as the house will be needed before it can be completed.

We are reliably informed that not another town in this section of the state of the size of Haskell is unincorporated and without a creditable school building—some of them costing as much as \$20,000, as in the case of Seymour. Zounds! We didn't know that Haskell was dragging the cow's tail in the procession—did you, brother citizen? Well, just watch her come to time now. Eyes front, forward march!

## MARRIAGE AND DIVORCE.

### AN APPEAL FOR PURITY AND A BETTER PUBLIC OPINION.

The inter-church conference on marriages and divorce, a body representing officially fourteen leading denominations, has issued through its secretary, Rev. William H. Roberts, D. D., an appeal to the public calling attention to the several aspects of the divorce question.

The paper is the beginning of a national campaign of education on the subject to be followed by efforts to secure the enactment of laws in the state legislatures and ultimately it is thought of an amendment to the constitution of the United States. Already action has been taken by the conference looking toward the prevention of the remarriage, by ministers of other communions, of divorced persons whom clergymen of their own faith have refused to marry.

This movement is the first occasion of any sort on which the representatives of the great denominations have officially come together.

The abstract of the appeal is as follows:

"On behalf of the representatives of the fourteen churches composing the Interchurch Conference, which, during the past two years has held frequent meetings for the consideration of the important subject of marriage and divorce, we have been instructed to issue this first general address and appeal.

"Before any civil legislation can be enacted which will be operative, and quite apart from the accord which we are seeking to secure in the marriage regulations of the Christian churches, must come the leavening of the minds of the men and women which shall lift them toward a recognition of the noblest dignities of life.

"First of all we plead for the cultivation of the grace of purity; of the careful guarding of children within the atmosphere of home by parents, and for the realization of the dignity of our physical nature lifted to such high honor by the incarnation.

"We plead for a recognition of the sanctity of marriage. We are facing a condition in our country today which threatens danger to the most sacred things. The very sanctuary of human life and of human love is assaulted and profaned. Manhood, womanhood and childhood, the home and the family are involved, and neither civil legislation nor ecclesiastical discipline can save them, until and unless the conscience of Christian humanity is reached. Behind the monster of polygamy, behind the specter of the lax divorce court, with its collusions, its corruptions and its contagion, stands the sad fact of the low ideal of marriage. It is true that the element of mutual consent and the element of legal contract enter into it, but underneath and behind these, as the sure foundation stands the revelation of God's holy word.

"Marriage is a holy thing. Marriage is the institution of God himself, and is sanctified under the solemnities of the old sanction by our blessed Lord. This is the root of the matter. Reformation must begin here. Children must be taught it. Young men and young women must be made to feel it. Protected in purity, boy and girl, man and woman alike, must be trained to look with reverent eyes upon the holiness of this estate; upon its mysteriousness as something higher and deeper and larger than can be measured or reached by the low ideas of convenience, of worldly advantage, of the gratification of passion, or by the light and easy estimate of the consent of the passing personal fancy and the mutual recognition of the civil contract.

"The hope of curing and crushing the horrible tendencies to frequent divorce rests, we believe, upon impressing and inculcating such an intense conviction of what marriage is and of what marriage means that it will cease to be entered into unadvisedly or lightly. That the festivity which accompanies it shall be sobered and consecrated by the conscious presence of Him who adorned and beautified the marriage at Cana in Gallilee by His presence and first miracle He wrought.

"That neither man nor woman shall dare to enter the precincts of matrimony without the tested certainty of love; without the full recognition of the mutual duty of service, forbearance and faithfulness which it involves.

"What words can we find to express the abhorrence which ought to rise in righteous indignation against the present possibilities and existing facts of the divorce habit in America. Just now polygamous Utah looms large and ugly in our minds. But we must look nearer home to realize the true condition of things. The proportion of divorces to marriages in 1902 in eight states reporting stands as follows: In Maine, 1 to 6; in New Hampshire, 1 to 8.3; in Vermont, 1 to 10; in Massachusetts, 1 to 16; in Rhode Island, 1 to 8; in Ohio, 1 to 8.8; in Indiana, 1 to 7.6; in Michigan, 1 to 11. In these states there has been a steady and rapid increase in divorces during the decade and this increase is believed to be true at large.

"We are setting ourselves earnestly to study what best methods the churches can adopt and what wise measures should be asked in civil legislation to abate this disgrace. The results of our study we hope to present in subsequent statements and appeals. But this appeal is to the conscience of Christian people to cleanse and purify the atmosphere of public opinion and social recognition. The fear of legalized polygamy in one state is enhanced by the fact of unholy divorce in many states.

"The faces of Christian people must be set against this. The voice of Christian people must be lifted against it, not only to secure civil legislation, not only to enforce church discipline, but to correct the tendency to control the inclination and condemn the fact.

"We are pleading for home, for the family, for the children born and to

be born, for the protection of society, and for the preservation of the state. We ask you to unite with us in earnest effort, so that more and more the manhood, the womanhood and the childhood of America may make itself heard and felt, in the determined purpose to stem the currents which are sapping the foundation of all that is best and holiest and dearest in human life. Let us strive unitedly for the things which are pure and true, for the sanctity of marriage, for the permanence of the home, and for the perpetuity of the state."

### ON THE CLEAR FORK.

#### Adventures of a Gay Fishing Party.

Wednesday morning of last week a fishing party started from Pinkerton to the Clear Fork.

Messrs. Hez Warnoc, Roy Terrell, R. L. Bowman and Albert Logan, and Misses Nannie and Katie Neal, Eula and Maggie Bowman, Althea Warnoc, Myrtle and Maye Terrell, with Mrs. S. C. Bowman as chaperone, composed the crowd.

As we passed Mule creek about 9:20 a conspicuous sign was noticed on the bridge, reading: "No Fishing Allowed Here." As the creek was as dry as a powder-horn, we felt no resentment.

We nooned on Paint creek, where Albert Logan expressed his determination to catch him a neal (an eel)—it remains to be seen if he has succeeded. After shooting some game the merry crowd moved on to the Clear Fork, passing a few houses and finally arrived at Mr. Winfree's on the bank of the river. They kindly assisted us in finding a nice camping place. Our camp was located on a high hill in the edge of Shackelford county, in Mr. Reynolds' pasture.

We had plenty of fish for supper that night, but don't ask how we caught them, as we don't tell everything we know! Mr. Hez Warnoc had the good luck (?) next morning to find a bee-tree and the young men went to work like whiteheads to cut it down, but, alas, it contained no honey. Some wild turkeys were found and shot at but without success, as they went o'er the hills and far away. But about noon the same fortunate young man found another bee-tree. This was cut and great combs were found in the hollow filled with luscious honey stored by the busy little workers.

With plenty of honey made from the fragrant wild-flowers,—and fish add 1 to our store of provisions—such feasting we did have!

Thursday evening a cloud arose and great streaks of lightning shot through it, and a strong breeze cooled the atmosphere. The girls became excited, fearing a storm, and the young men, heroes they were, concealed their fears and set to work to stretch the tent and fasten it securely, fasten the wagon sheets and lock the wheels. Scarcely were they done and the girls housed in the tent before rain began falling in torrents and the thunder claps to jar the earth. Dark as the darkest night was our little tent, except for the lightning flashes which ever and anon revealed our crouching figures wrapped in quilts. Soon everything became quiet except the heavy splash of the rain on our tent and some one started the song, "Stand up, stand up for Jesus" and one by one the others joined in, the bass sounding low and deep. Some one said the song and circumstances suggested the funeral dirge of Faunin's men, which they sang themselves.

The genius of our chaperone improvised a light from grease and strings. Rivulets of water from the higher ground ran across the floor of our tent and we discovered little frogs hopping about the floor.

The clouds cleared away soon and the young men built a bonfire. Several of the girls retired to their respective wagons to sleep, but the others declared they would sit up all night as another cloud was seen coming up. I fear the former did not sleep much on account of the racket kept up by the latter in cooking and eating a midnight supper, singing, laughing, etc., to keep up their spirits. By the way, ask Albert Logan and Roy Terrell how to laugh when you don't want to. Not satisfied with not getting wet by the rain, Myrtle Terrell fell in the river—a shallow place.

Friday morning we started for home, nooning where the red waters of Paint and the black waters of California creek unite in their onward rush to the distant Gulf. It is a shady and picturesque spot. On either side of the narrow valley are steep, high hills whose sides are dotted with great boulders. After a dinner of bread, fish, squirrel, honey and canned fruits, we climbed one of the highest hills and viewed the country o'er, carved the date of our expedition on the rocks above all surrounding vegetable growth then descended and moved on homeward, where we arrived in due season.

A few pointers: Ask Miss Eula Bowman how came Albert Logan to be so hoarse.

Ask Mr. Warnoc why Miss Eula didn't want him to get too close to the bee-tree.

Messrs. R. L. Bowman and Albert Logan can tell you all about riding the mule.

Miss Nannie Neal can tell you who caught the biggest fish.

Misses Maggie Bowman and Althea Warnoc can tell you the rest. The other girl—well, she's all right.

M. T.

#### The Baptist Meeting.

We are requested to announce that Rev. T. Joe Talley, pastor of the Albany Baptist church, has been secured to assist in conducting the Baptist meeting which is to begin at this place on Friday before the first Sunday in June.

Mr. K. Hunt and wife of Wichita Falls arrived Wednesday evening on a visit to his mother, Mrs. E. J. Hunt.

Mr. Will Mills of Alvord is visiting the family of Mrs. E. J. Hunt.

## MARCY NOTES.

A Newsy Letter from our Regular Correspondent.

We are having some real windy weather today. I think it will bring us a good rain. We have had some little showers along; enough to keep us thankful for small favors.

Quite a crowd of Marcy people attended the singing convention at Mid last Sunday. We were made welcome by a little talk from Mr. Rader. We heard some good singing, and had a fine dinner and we are glad we went.

Mrs. Wells of Comanche is visiting her daughters, Mesdames Jones and Steele.

Mrs. L. E. Catron and little son of Thurber, who have been visiting Mr. Garner's family for some time, left for their home today.

Mr. and Mrs. Steele entertained the little folks last Saturday night with a party in honor of their niece, Miss Ella Wells of Comanche.

Mrs. Sam Chapman and baby are visiting relatives at Marcy. The baby is right sick with measles.

Little Merle Chapman who has been quite sick for some time with St. Vitus Dance, is not thought to be improving.

On last Sunday at Mid Mr. Bob Browning and Miss Essie Simmons were united in marriage by Rev. Hatchett. Miss Simmons is a Marcy girl, while Mr. Browning is from Scurry County. They will leave in a few days for their home, and will carry with them many good wishes from friends here for their future happiness.

Mr. Jud Roberson and family have moved across the river to their ranch. We think Mr. Edge will locate on that side of the river real soon, as he has been over there every Sunday since Mr. Roberson moved.

NELLY BLV.

Marcy, Texas, May 19, 1904.

## SAGERTON--FAIRVIEW ITEMS.

Picnic, picnic, candidates, candidates! We had them.

Fairview, Flat Top and Rule public schools had a consolidated picnic at Fairview on last Saturday which was a perfect success in every way. Through the generosity of Mr. G. W. Tanner ground was furnished for the occasion and a beef free of charge, for which all are very thankful. Mr. Fred Sanders was out and run a cold drink stand, paying a fee for the privilege, which went to our school.

Sager and Rule ball teams played before and after noon, the Sager boys winning both games.

Dinner was announced at 1 o'clock and it was both bountiful and good, being enjoyed by all. One candidate said he commenced eating at the north end of the table and finished eight hundred yards down the Orient, but all I saw at that distance was a bunch of cattle eating grass—he may have been one of the bunch.

After dinner the candidates availed themselves of the opportunity to talk to the people. Mr. Higgins for district attorney made us a little speech and he was followed by Messrs. Oglesby, Oates, Wilfong and Long. Other candidates were present, but being rather timid before ladies declined to talk in public. I don't know how they managed to get married, unless it happened on a leap year. One of the candidates exhibited a fondness for babies and seems rather looking to the ladies to manage his campaign for him. We refrain from calling his name for fear his hair will be as short as his moustache after he gets home.

Messrs. McCarty and Kitley erected a platform on the grounds and some of the young people tipped the light fantastic toe for quite a while.

We wish the young lady success who intimated that she might become a candidate. As it will require only one young man's vote to elect her to the highest office of womanhood no doubt she would be speedily elected were she to announce.

WEST SIDER.

#### Speaking Tonight.

We are requested to announce that Judge J. H. Glasgow of Seymour will address the Haskell Democratic club tonight on political questions and the reasons for party organization.

The doors will be open to all, and the Club extends a general invitation to the public to come and hear the speaking.

On account of the threatening weather last Sunday evening the B. Y. P. U. did not have their regular meeting. The same program will be used tomorrow, 22nd, that was intended for last Sunday.

## FLOTSAM AND JETSAM

Mr. Sam Pierson, who is now located at Aspermont, having a position in the bank there, spent a day or two with Haskell relatives this week.

Dr. Rutherford, the Stamford dentist, announces that he will be in Haskell Monday, May 23, prepared to do any work needed in his line.

Messrs. W. T. Hudson and J. L. Jones are on a trip to Dickens county, looking after some cattle business.

Go to the Arctic for a Klondike friz.

Rev. L. L. Lusk, pastor of the Haskell Baptist church, got home Thursday night from attending the Southern Baptist Convention at Nashville, Tenn. He says it was a very fine religious meeting and that a large amount of good work was accomplished.

Go to the Arctic for a lemon cocktail.

Dr. F. M. Oldham, the dentist, will be in Haskell today and remain for one week. He will make headquarters at Dr. Neathery's office, southwest corner of the square, where he will be pleased to treat those in need of his services.

We have PLENTY OF MONEY to loan on approved real estate security. Call and see us if you need it. West Texas Development Co.

It is only dead towns that refuse to build good school houses. Haskell is not dead.

We have a select stock of drugs and two houses in Erath county to exchange for land in Haskell county. West Texas Development Co., Haskell, Texas.

Haskell should erect a school building that will be a credit to the intelligence and enterprise of her people.

I have just received a tank of carbon. It's the thing to kill your prairie dogs with at this season. Jno. E. Robertson.

Mr. M. Pierson visited Aspermont this week. He says it is still very dry over there, farming backward and in bad shape.

Boys see the line of base ball goods at Jno. E. Robertson's.

Mr. F. R. Leonard, a one time citizen of Haskell, spent Wednesday here looking after business for the Avery Implement Co., which he represents.

Now is the best time of year to paint your house. I will sell you the best paint and linseed oil and guarantee to save you money on your bill. Jno. E. Robertson.

Miss Hazle Hudson's Sunday school class with some other children spent a happy day Tuesday picnicing on Mule creek.

Read T. G. Carney's ad and see how to get some nice jewelry without money and without price.

Little Misses Jessie and Gladys Wright were up from Stamford and spent two or three days this week with their Haskell friends.

Trade at T. G. Carney's and get a premium in nice jewelry in proportion to the size of your purchase. It will cost you nothing extra.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Carter have a new son at their home, dating from the 13th instant.

This is the season of the year when most persons need a blood purifier and tonic. There is nothing better than Spring's Sarsaparilla, sold only by Jno. E. Robertson in Haskell.

Adams & Carson, the photographers are giving as a premium with each dozen photographs an enlarged portrait such as is usually sold by agents at \$3.50. Read their advertisement in this paper.

The Haskellians who attended the union picnic at Fairview last Saturday say they were well entertained and had a fine time.

A good meal any time for a quarter at the Daylight Restaurant.

Miss May Fields' many friends were pleased to welcome her return home on Wednesday night from Wills Point, where she has been teaching for several months. She was accompanied home by Mrs. I. H. Spikes and children and Miss Emma Fields of Wills Point, who will spend some time with relatives here.

Our goods are in; our stock is complete; our prices low. T. G. Carney.

Rev. C. A. Mangham, Baptist missionary in this district, spent Thursday night here, being on his way to Pleasant Valley school house in the northeastern portion of the county, where he will preach tomorrow. He has recently organized churches at Pleasant Valley and Vernon school houses and will preach regularly every third Sunday at the latter and every fourth Sunday at the former.

Candy, cigars, pop corn, soda water, cakes, pies and bread always fresh at the Daylight Restaurant.

## Dr. J. L. G. ADAMS EYE SPECIALIST!

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### Results are Guaranteed.

This is the kind of practice and treatment you will receive. Where will you go to excel it? If Dr. Adams and his associates cure other oculists' failures, why can't they cure you?

### Note These Cases:

Mr. Dave Brunson, a cattle dealer and president of the Midland National Bank, says: "Dr. Adams is an expert. I was pronounced incurable at Fort Worth, Chicago, Atlanta, Ga., and other places. I was treated every year for seven years, and could not see letters six inches long when Dr. Adams began treating me, after the leading oculists of the United States had failed, he cured me in sixty days! I see to read the Dallas News ever since he dismissed me. And I know of many who were led to him that he cured."

Mr. Claud McCauley, cashier of the Western National Bank of Fort Worth, says: "Dr. Adams' work on my eyes was perfectly satisfactory, and I know of several who were led for years that he cured."

"Mrs. Amittie Rhodes, an old lady of Ranger, Texas, who was led over this country for years, now sees, to the surprise of all who knew her. Dr. Adams restored her vision sixty days ago. He also restored vision to Mrs. McCann of this place, who has been led a long time."—Cisco Apert.

"Many were led here during the past sixty days who received sight under Dr. Adams' treatment."—Stamford News

"Dr. Adams restored vision to Mr. Garner, Mr. Dan T. Bush, Uncle J. M. Stanley and a number of others who were led about on his last trip here. They all pronounced him a wonder. Why not? They were led and now they see."—Lampasas Leader.

Dr. Adams has offices at the several places named below, in charge of competent assistants, which he visits regularly for consultation and to perform the more difficult surgical operations.

Call at the office nearest you and have your case diagnosed by physician in charge, and if a difficult case, make date for meeting Dr. Adams.

The offices and assistants are as follows:

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Dr. J. L. G. Adams, the operating surgeon of the firms, will be at each of the above offices once each month to perform such surgical operations as may be found necessary. Call on the physician in charge, have your eyes examined, make date for meeting Dr. Adams if necessary, and be cured at home.

You will be told the facts about your case, as we would not treat you at any price if your case is incurable.

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INVESTIGATE IT!

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**MAY 23.**

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## Spring and Summer Clothing

You have ever seen in Haskell.

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# "I Have Every Reason to Praise Pe-ru-na,"

WRITES MRS. KANE, OF CHICAGO.



Mrs. K. Kane, 172 Sebor Street, Chicago, Ill., writes:

"Peruna has been used so long in our family that I do not know how I could get along without it. I have given it to all of my children at different times when they suffered with croup, colds and the many ailments that children are subject to, and am pleased to say that it has kept them in splendid health. I have also used it for a catarrh of the head and neck and it cured me in a short time, so I have every reason to praise Peruna."—Mrs. K. Kane.

Pe-ru-na Protects the Entire Household Against Catarrhal Diseases.

One of the greatest foes with which every family has to contend is our changeable climate. To protect the family from colds and coughs is always a serious problem, and often impossible. Sooner or later it is the inevitable fate of every one to catch cold. Care in avoiding exposure and the use of proper clothing will protect from the frequency and perhaps the severity of colds, but with the greatest of precautions they will come. This is a settled fact of human experience. Every body must expect to be caught somewhere or somehow. Perhaps it will be wet feet, or a draught, or damp clothes, or it may be one of a thousand other little mishaps, but no one is shrewd enough to always avoid the inevitable catching cold. There is no fact of medical science better known than that Peruna cures catarrh wherever located. Thousands of families in all parts of the United States are protected from colds and catarrh by Peruna. Once in the family Peruna always stays. No home can

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We have on file many thousand testimonials like the ones given above. We can only give our readers a slight glimpse of the vast array of unsolicited endorsements we are receiving every month. No other physician in the world has received such a volume of enthusiastic and grateful letters of thanks as Dr. Hartman for Peruna.

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**Peat Straw.**  
Peat straw is the woolly fiber of peat cleansed and dried. It is generally of a light-brown color, spongy in texture, light, clean and with an extraordinary power of absorption for gases or liquids. It has long been used in preference to straw, leaves, or any other material as litter in stables for horses or cattle. It will absorb ten times its weight of ammoniacal liquids—more than three times as much as wheat or rye straw—and, when saturated, is piled and allowed to rot, by which it forms a humus of the highest value as a fertilizer.

**Witty Answer Won Promotion.**  
In the eighteenth century the Rev. Mr. Mountain, who was the son of a beggar, became a church dignitary in England. He owed nearly every step of his successive promotions in great part to his facetiousness, and won the last step of all by a single jest. When he was consulted as the bishop of Durham by George II. as to the fittest person to fill the vacant archiepiscopal see of York, he replied: "Sir, had thou faith as a grain of mustard seed, thou wouldst say to this mountain be thou removed and cast into the sea!" (see)

**Korean Houses.**  
The Korean style of architecture is suited to anything but an extreme climate such as prevails there. During the winter months it is very cold. The houses are made of bamboo framework, plastered within and without with adobe mud. The roof is thatched with rice straw, which is weather proof. The inside may be made into one room by the sliding back of a screenlike partition. Just why these were introduced it is impossible to say, for they are but rarely used, as privacy is never desired in Korea. This open space becomes the living room, and even when travelers are passing along and must halt for the night they are invited to share a common sleeping place on the floor with the entire family. The discomfort of such an experience is extreme during the summer. In the kitchen, which is just without the living room, there is located a most curious kind of stove. From this clay pipes extend under the floor to the living room. They warm the house summer and winter alike, for it has never entered their minds that some means could be devised whereby the heat could be turned off from the other quarters.—Housekeeper.

**Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup.**  
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Almost any wife is willing to compromise by letting her husband do as she pleases.

**"COOL COLORADO"**  
The gem of American health and pleasure resorts and our national summer playground, affording every essential for physical and mental upbuilding and advancement, may be visited and enjoyed at an extremely low cost. Colorado offers more creditable resorts and health retreats affording accommodations within the limits of moderate purses than can be found elsewhere upon equal area which, with its incomparable climate and matchless scenic grandeur, makes it well nigh irresistible to those possessing a sense of appreciation. "The Denver Road," leading thereto, is "The Line of Least Resistance" and provides double daily solid trains with Pullman palace drawing room sleepers, all meals in magnificently appointed cafe cars (a la carte) at reasonable prices; the privilege of numerous stopovers and schedules saving many hours time. It is shortest by exceeding three hundred miles per round trip (see any map) and is the only line offering solid through trains from the Southwest. Upon postal request we will gladly mail to any address beautifully illustrated information booklets and advice of other interesting special arrangements. Address, A. A. GLISSON, Gen'l Pass Agt., Ft. Worth, Tex. P. S.—Upon application any connecting line will ticket you via "The Denver." Ask us about tri-angle round trip tickets via St. Louis.

Many a fool man expresses his willingness to die for a woman who wouldn't even take in washing for him.

**Could You Use Any Kind of a Sewing Machine at Any Price?**

If there is any price so low, any offer so liberal that you would think of accepting on trial a new high-grade, drop cabinet or upright Minnesota, Singer, Wheeler & Wilson, Standard, White or New Home Sewing Machine, cut out and return this notice, and you will receive by return mail, post-paid, free of cost, the handsomest sewing machine catalogue ever published. It will name you prices on the Minnesota, Singer, Wheeler & Wilson, White, Standard and New Home sewing machines that will surprise you; we will make you a new and attractive proposition, a sewing machine offer that will astonish you.

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There is no greatness in man without God's grace.

**Coffee in Wartimes.**  
In the civil war there were numerous coffee substitutes. The principal was potatoes, which were cut into small cubes and parched. The beverage was potable. Many regiments used corn, parching till blackish brown. It was common to make coffee out of rice and other cereals besides corn. Many of the Southern troops made a drink of the tender roots of the sassafras by boiling them in water. Many a gallon of sassafras tea have I drunk, and the effect is gloriously stimulating.

Too many men spend their money before they get it.

**No Others.**  
It is in a class to itself. It has no rivals. It cures where others merely relieve. For aches, pains, stiff joints, cuts, burns, bites, etc., it is the quickest and surest remedy ever devised.

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**Coach Excursions to the World's Fair.**  
May 17th and 31st the Texas and Pacific Railway will sell special excursion tickets to St. Louis and return from all points on their line in Texas, Arkansas and Louisiana north of, but not including Baton Rouge Junction, at less than one way rate, tickets good only in chair cars or coaches. Final limit for return seven days, in addition to date of sale. See any Texas and Pacific Ticket Agent.

If you bet on the bay the winner is often a horse of another color.

**Pain's Cure for Consumption** is an infallible medicine for coughs and colds.—N. W. SAMUEL, Ocean Grove, N. J., Feb. 17, 1900.

When a small boy gets his finger caught in the pantry door it isn't the jam he is looking for.

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A man's credit is getting pretty low when he can't even borrow trouble.

Superior quality and extra quantity must win. This is why Defiance Starch is taking the place of all others.

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Sworn to before me and subscribed to my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1900. J. H. KILGUSON, Notary Public.

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**Affidavit of Commissioners' Court to Treasurer's Quarterly Report.**

In the Matter of County Finances  
 IN THE HANDS OF  
 R. D. C. STEPHENS,  
 Treasurer of Haskell County, Texas.

COMMISSIONERS' COURT,  
 Haskell County, Texas,  
 In Regular Quarterly Session,  
 May Term, 1904.

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED, as County Commissioners within and for said Haskell County, and the Hon. D. H. Hamilton, County Judge of said Haskell County, constituting the entire Commissioners' Court of said County, and each one of us do hereby certify that on this, the 9th day of May, A. D. 1904, at a regular quarterly term of our said Court, we have compared and examined the quarterly report of R. D. C. Stephens, Treasurer of Haskell County, Texas, for the quarter beginning on the 17th day of February, A. D. 1904, and ending on the 30th day of April, A. D. 1904, and finding the same to be correct have caused an order to be entered upon the minutes of the Commissioners' Court of Haskell County, stating the approval of said Treasurer's Report by our said Court, which said order recites separately the amount received and paid out of each fund by said County Treasurer since his last report to this Court, and for and during the time covered by his present report, and the balance of each fund remaining in said Treasurer's hands on the said 11th day of May, A. D. 1904, and have ordered the proper credits to be made in the accounts of the said County Treasurer, in accordance with said order as required by Article 867, Chapter 1, Title XXV, of the Revised Statutes of Texas, as amended by an Act of the Twenty-fifth Legislature of Texas, at its regular session, approved March 20, 1897.

And we, and each of us, further certify that we have actually and fully inspected and counted all the actual cash and assets in hands of the said Treasurer belonging to Haskell County at the close of the examination of said Treasurer's Report, on this the 12th day of May, A. D. 1904, and find the same to be as follows, to wit:

JURY FUND		Dr.	Cr.
Balance on hand as shown by Treasurer's Report on the 30th day of April, 1904.....		512.76	
To amount received since said date.....		4.61	
By amount disbursed since said date.....			2.17
By amount to balance.....			515.20
Total.....		517.37	517.37
Balance to credit of said Jury Fund as actually counted by us on the 12th day of May, A. D. 1904, and including the amount balance on hand by said Treasurer at the date of the filing of his report on the 4th day of May, A. D. 1904, and the balance between receipts and disbursements since that day, making a total balance of.....			515.20
ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND		Dr.	Cr.
Balance on hand as shown by Treasurer's Report on the 30th day of April, 1904.....		806.01	
To amount received since said date.....		54.24	
By amount disbursed since said date.....			44.26
By amount to balance.....			815.99
Total.....		860.25	860.25
Balance to credit of said Road and Bridge Fund as actually counted by us on the 12th day of May, A. D. 1904, and including the amount balance on hand by said Treasurer at the date of the filing of his report on the 4th day of May, A. D. 1904, and the balance between receipts and disbursements since that day, making a total balance of.....			815.99
GENERAL FUND		Dr.	Cr.
Balance on hand as shown by Treasurer's Report on the 30th day of April, 1904.....		333.83	
To amount received since said date.....		148.59	
By amount disbursed since said date.....			390.29
By amount to balance.....			92.13
Total.....		482.42	482.42
Balance to credit of said General Fund as actually counted by us on the 12th day of May, A. D. 1904, and including the amount balance on hand by said Treasurer at the date of the filing of his report on the 4th day of May, A. D. 1904, and the balance between receipts and disbursements since that day, making a total balance of.....			92.13
COURT HOUSE FUND		Dr.	Cr.
Balance on hand as shown by Treasurer's Report on the 30th day of April, 1904.....		472.93	
To amount received since said date.....		46.72	
By amount disbursed since said date.....			20.85
By amount to balance.....			498.80
Total.....		519.65	519.65
Balance to credit of said Court House Fund as actually counted by us on the 12th day of May, A. D. 1904, and including the amount balance on hand by said Treasurer at the date of the filing of his report on the 4th day of May, A. D. 1904, and the balance between receipts and disbursements since that day, making a total balance of.....			498.80
R. & B. INT. & SINKING FUND		Dr.	Cr.
Balance on hand as shown by Treasurer's Report on the 30th day of April, 1904.....		220.99	
To amount received since said date.....		35.02	
By amount disbursed since said date.....			.88
By amount to balance.....			255.13
Total.....		256.01	256.01
Balance to credit of said R. & B. Int. & Sinking Fund as actually counted by us on the 12th day of May, A. D. 1904, and including the amount balance on hand by said Treasurer at the date of the filing of his report on the 4th day of May, A. D. 1904, and the balance between receipts and disbursements since that day, making a total balance of.....			255.13
COURT HOUSE INT. & SINKING FUND		Dr.	Cr.
Balance on hand as shown by Treasurer's Report on the 30th day of April, 1904.....			
To amount received since said date.....		99.24	
By amount disbursed since said date.....			2.48
By amount to balance.....			96.76
Total.....		99.24	99.24
Balance to credit of said Court House Int. & Sinking Fund as actually counted by us on the 12th day of May, A. D. 1904, and including the amount balance on hand by said Treasurer at the date of the filing of his report on the 4th day of May, A. D. 1904, and the balance between receipts and disbursements since that day, making a total balance of.....			96.76
ESTRAY FUND		Dr.	Cr.
Balance on hand as shown by Treasurer's Report on the 30th day of April, 1904.....		38.46	
By amount to balance.....			38.46
Total.....		38.46	38.46
Balance to credit of said Estray Fund as actually counted by us on the 12th day of May, A. D. 1904, and including the amount balance on hand by said Treasurer at the date of the filing of his report on the 4th day of May, A. D. 1904, and the balance between receipts and disbursements since that day, making a total balance of.....			38.46

DATE RECAPITULATION AMOUNT  
 May 12 Balance to credit of Jury Fund on this day..... \$ 515.20

May 12 Balance to credit of Road and Bridge Fund on this day.....	815.99
" 12 Balance to credit of General Fund on this day.....	92.13
" 12 Balance to credit of Court House Fund on this day.....	498.80
" 12 Bal. to credit of R. & B. Int. & Sinking Fund on this day.....	255.13
" 12 Bal. to credit of Court House Int. & Sinking Fund on this day.....	96.76
" 12 Balance to credit of Estray Fund on this day.....	38.46
Total Cash on hand belonging to Haskell County in the hands of said Treasurer as actually counted by us.....	\$2312.47

**BONDED INDEBTEDNESS.**

The bonded indebtedness of said County we find to be as follows, to wit:  
 28 Court House Refunding Bonds, at \$1000.00 each..... \$28,000.00  
 13 Road and Bridge Refunding Bonds, at \$1000.00 each..... 13,000.00  
 Total Bonded Indebtedness..... \$41,000.00

WITNESS OUR HANDS, officially, this 12th day of May, A. D. 1904.

D. H. HAMILTON, County Judge.  
 S. V. JONES, Commissioner Precinct No. 1.  
 B. H. OWSLEY, Commissioner Precinct No. 2.  
 LEWIS HOWARD, Commissioner Precinct No. 3.  
 W. F. WATTS, Commissioner Precinct No. 4.

SWORN TO and SUBSCRIBED before me, by D. H. Hamilton, County Judge, and S. V. Jones, and B. H. Owsley, and Lewis Howard, and W. F. Watts, County Commissioners of said Haskell County, each respectively, on this, the 12th day of May, A. D. 1904. C. D. LONG, County Clerk, Haskell County, Texas.



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Notice is hereby given to whom it may concern, that the County Commissioners of Haskell County, Texas, will meet at the Court House in Haskell on the second Monday in June, being the 13th day, 1904, as a Board of Equalization, for the purpose of receiving the Assessor's tax lists for the year 1904 and equalizing the values of property therein assessed for taxation for said year by raising or lowering the values thereof as may be found necessary, and all persons interested may be present at said time and place to show cause, if any, why the valuations of their property, or any part thereof, should not be raised or lowered.

Given by order of said Commissioners; witness my official signature and seal, this 21st day of May, A. D. 1904.

C. D. LONG, County Clerk,  
 Ex-officio Clerk Com. Court,  
 Haskell County, Texas.

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