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The man who orders his Clothes from us can gratify his tastes, his desires, for his garments will be above Criticism.

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THE PAST HISTORY OF HASKELL.

(By Mayme Mayes, 10th Grade Pupil, Haskell Public School.)

The present town of Haskell, formerly known as Rice Springs, which is situated near the center of Haskell county, was established in the year 1884.

To W. R. Standifer, we attribute the honor of surveying the townsite, which was at that time owned by Walton and Hines of Austin, and A. A. Clark of Albany. In the year following the establishment of the town, Haskell county was organized with the town of Haskell as its county seat.

Since that time there have been two court houses erected. The first, which was a wooden structure, was built in 1886 '87. The second, a three-story structure of stone, was built five years later and has been in use since that time to the present day.

The first school house, which was situated on a hill about a quarter of a mile south from where the court house now stands, was built in 1885. Rev. D. James was the first teacher. About three years later, another school building was erected, which contained six rooms. This was situated almost half a mile north from the court house, where our school house now stands. In the year 1903 this building was destroyed by fire, and in its place was soon erected a handsome three-story stone building, which was first put into use in the latter part of 1905. Prof. F. L. Morrow has the honor of being the first principal in our new building.

The first post-mistress of Haskell was Mrs. W. R. Standifer. The first mail line was to Albany, which was at that time the nearest R. R. town and trading point to Haskell. The first store, which was a grocery, was opened by Draper & Baldwin. The first general merchandise house, which is now known as the "Schwartz Shoe Shop," was established by William Harvey. Mr. John Arlege owned the first drug store. Dr. A. C. Lewis was the first physician of the town. The first lawyer was Mr. A. C. Foster, and, as the first county officers, the following names are recorded:

Thos. F. Tucker, judge.
A. D. Tucker, sheriff.
J. L. Jones, clerk.
S. J. Preston, treasurer.
Oscar Martin, attorney.
Lewis Casner, tax assessor.

The county commissioners were: William Harvey, Pre. No. 1.
D. L. Smith, " " 2.
S. R. Mills, " " 3.
C. L. Nothacker, " " 4.

The first residence was that of Mr. Thistle; second, John Labriere; third, R. D. Wilfong. We may now turn aside from the primitive happenings and consider some of the modern events. Haskell is well supplied with churches, having four.

The first sermon was delivered by a Methodist, Rev. J. H. Wiseman, in the residence of our honorable citizen F. G. Alexander. The town has been gradually improving during all its existence, and is now very important compared with other western towns. Some of its latest improvements are the erection of a postoffice and a great number of handsome residences.

Let us hope it will continue to improve until at some future time it may be called a "Second London."

Spring fights made an early start this week. Nobody damaged much, but sowing oats and planting corn, or even grubbing mesquites, would be a better business.

TERRELLS DRUG STORE

Wishes Everybody a Prosperous and Happy New Year.

We appreciate the generous and liberal patronage extended to our house by our friends and patrons, and we are pleased to announce that we are better prepared than ever to furnish the people of Haskell county, a strictly first-class down-to-date, Drug and Medical Service.

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OUR POLICY: Do Things Right.

You can always find the right kind of medicine at

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Deposits August 25, 1905,	\$101,622.88.
" November 9, "	106,605.34.
" December 30, "	188,532.62.
* Deposits, January 29th, 1906	\$248,633.52

The increase of deposits of this institution to a quarter of a million reflects a healthy growth of the bank and the country.

The confidence shown in this bank by its patrons is appreciated and a continuation of this confidence is respectfully solicited.

The Home Helping Society.

Insurance Right at Your Door at Act

The attention of the people of Haskell county is called to the fact that a number of citizens of Haskell have organized a mutual assessment insurance society and procured a charter from the State, and that it is now ready to do business.

The rates in the regular insurance societies are greater than a very large majority of the people feel able or disposed to pay. They are made so in order that their officers and agents may be paid princely salaries; many of their officers being paid salaries twice as large as that paid to the president of the United States. The object of the Home Helping society is to avoid such expense and furnish to its members insurance at actual cost. No salaries are paid to its officers, and with the exception of a small fee from each member to cover the expense of bookkeeping, stationery, postage and other necessary expenses, which will be light, every dollar paid in by its members will be paid back to them (their beneficiaries) in the payment of death claims.


The plan, briefly stated, is this: You pay \$3.25 when you take a policy in the society. One dollar of this is put into the policy fund in the hands of a bonded treasurer to be paid to the beneficiary of the first member that dies, and as many dollars will be paid to them as there are members of the Society at the time, be it 100 or 750. Then an assessment will be made of \$1 per member to replenish the policy or death fund so that the cash will be on hand to pay the next death claim, and so on as deaths occur. After the fee paid at the time of joining there will be nothing else to pay except the death assessments and expense fund, of not exceeding \$1 a year, to keep up the expense account, as above explained. Thus it is seen that the members get back every dollar paid in, except \$2.25 paid at time of joining and \$1 or less a year for the expense fund. The membership will be limited to 750 in the county and when that number have joined your policy will be worth \$750 cash to your family upon your death. At any time it will be worth as many dollars as there are members in the Society.

The money to pay death claims will always be in the hands of the Society's bonded treasurer in Haskell and claims will be paid within a day, possibly an hour, after proof of a death. Persons of both sexes between the ages of 18 and 55 years who are in good health may join this Society.

The incorporators or charter members of this society are: R. E. Sherrill, W. L. Hills, D. B. English, W. E. Sherrill, R. C. Montgomery, Jno. B. Baker, J. W. Meadors, J. E. Pool, R. E. Ellis, T. B. Russell, J. D. Smith, G. R. Couch, Jno. L. Robertson, H. S. Wilson, H. G. McConnell, C. D. Long.

The officers are: R. E. Sherrill, president; R. C. Montgomery, vice-president; J. W. Meadors, secretary; W. E. Sherrill, treasurer. The board of directors is composed of the above named officers and W. L. Hills, D. B. English, Jno. B. Baker.

Messrs. J. W. Meadors, Jno. B. Baker and Rev. J. H. Chambliss are the regular solicitors and either of them will take your application for membership.



OLD and YOUNG
are here represented. Age has experience. Youth confidence. But then everybody can have confidence in our prescriptions—children are as accurately and as faithfully served as their elders. That is why most local doctors will tell their patients to send to us. They know we keep only pure, fresh drugs, that we have great experience in compounding them, and that our prices are reasonable.

COLLIER, NORTHEAST CORNER, HASKELL, TEXAS.

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TO JOIN DEMOCRATS

"Cyclone" Davis Says Prohibitionists Will Fight in the Ranks of that Party.

From Dallas News.

There has been much talk in the press of late about the Prohibition party joining the Democracy of Texas. It grew out of a proposition made by that party at my request to the Local Option Association to form an organic union to work inside of the Democratic party for a prohibition amendment to our Constitution. I have this to say to the public regarding the matter: What was once the Prohibition party is to be formed into a prohibition league inside of the Democratic party, and we take with us the organization of our party which now permeates throughout the State.

Our purpose is and shall be, in good faith, to work in that party to establish justice, insure domestic tranquility, promote the general welfare and secure the blessings of liberty as expressed in the foregoing to the highest possible attainment, looking to the education and elevation of man. In so far as I can speak for the thousands I am supposed to speak for on general economics, they are in perfect accord with the spirit of Democracy represented by Bryan, Folk and our own Jim Hogg. But with us there is one acute and pressing issue that demands immediate attention and proper settlement, and it is our purpose in a spirit of frankness, candor and honesty to assist in what we consider the proper settlement of that question.

It is vital, not as an economic problem, but as a great moral issue, one affecting the life, peace, happiness, virtue and morals of our whole people. This vital issue is commonly referred to as the liquor problem. In vacating our party and joining the Democratic party we feel that the people have a right to know what we stand for and what our intentions are. Briefly, we stand for a full, complete, efficient and honestly enforced local option system until our Constitution can be changed so as to provide a more efficient and permanent system. Our platform is expressed in a proposition to the Local Option Association for an organic union, and has already been published as our declaration of principles.

It is our intention to continue our organization as a league in the Democratic party and an unabating opponent to the Liquor Dealers' Association in that party.

Prohibition is an issue in this State and has been for many years. If not, why have Judge Brooks and O. B. Colquitt declared themselves against it? The declarations of these men are convincing proof that they consider it an issue and want the people to know where they stand.

The Liquor Dealers' Association has made it an issue inside of the party for several years. Dr. G. C. Rankin and O. B. Colquitt made it an issue in a very strong and sensational manner when Mr. Colquitt was first mentioned as a candidate for Governor. Colquitt then pointed out that the issue was so strong among the liquor brewers that the present prohibition went to one of the Democratic fests in San Antonio and they thought there would be no

State prohibition while he was Governor of Texas.

It was at San Antonio also that Judge Brooks told the world that he had changed his position on this question since 1887, and was now "unalterably opposed to State prohibition."

Seeing all these things, I have been laboring to induce our people to go with me into the Democratic party to offset the influence of the Liquor Dealers' Association in that party, and stand up for the support of home, happiness, peace, piety and prosperity and against the saloon and brewery along with such noble men as Dr. G. C. Rankin, Granville Jones, H. A. Ivey, J. Z. Miller Sr., H. A. Haisell, Gaines Turner and a thousand others who are valiantly working against the traffic inside of that party.

We believe the great majority of constituents of that party want it to be a party of morals, good government and civic honor. But the liquor dealers have been trying to put hoops round it and brand it "beer and booze." We do not intend this to be, if our assistance can prevent it.

We are coming, in fact already in, several thousand strong, and if the liquor dealers control Texas much longer they will be forced to organize the negroes, Mexicans, hoodlums and bums and control some other party. The white people of Texas are against the liquor traffic and will confirm their opinions in the Constitution and the law of the land.

As long as the Constitution and laws recognize the license system I have no bitterness toward the men engaged in the traffic or who are defending its legal and Constitutional right to do business. But the issue is on, on to stay, Texas is to be taken away from Bacchus, the brewery, with all their attendant brutality and baseness, and the soft, snowy wings of peace and prosperity are to float over her.

The stillworm has done vastly more harm in Texas than the cotton worm, the breweries have done vastly more harm than the boll weevils, and we believe the people are ready to stop their ravages. We are in the Democratic party to stop the stream of torment and strife, of conflict and crime, that is licensed to flow through Texas.

A stream of ruin with rolling waves,
Drifting thousands to their graves,
A stream of riot to grace unknown,
Whose banks are lined with human bones,
A stream of tears from mothers' eyes,
Mingled with moans and sobs and sighs,

A stream of poverty, woe and want,
Of helpless hunger, pale and gaunt.
A stream of blood, of crimson red,
Stream with the dying and the dead.
A stream of sorrow and poignant grief,
Of women and children begging relief.
A stream of murder, death and despair,

Whose waves are rolling everywhere,
A stream of vice of every kind,
That blasts the soul and blights the mind.

Respectfully,
J. H. (CYCLONE) DAVIS.

Startling But True

People the world over were horrified on learning of the burning of a Chicago theatre where nearly six

hundred people lost their lives, yet more than five times this number, or over 3,000 people, died from pneumonia in Chicago the same year, with scarcely a passing notice. Every one of these cases of pneumonia resulted from a cold and could have been prevented by the timely use of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. A great many who had every reason to fear pneumonia have warded it off by the prompt use of this remedy. The following is an instance of this sort: "Too much cannot be said in favor of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, and especially for colds and influenza. I know that it cured my daughter, Laura, of a severe cold, and saved her life when she was threatened with pneumonia." W. D. WILCOX, Logan, New York. Sold at Terrell's Drug Store.

EPWORTH LEAGUE PROGRAM.

Subject—A life refined and perfected by its trials, Jas. 5:7-11.
Leader—Dr. Hester.
Responsive reading, Psalm 85.
Song, Prayer.

1. The trials of a christian life are of many sorts.—Kate Lemmon.

2-3. Trials refine by expelling crude conceptions of God and his relations to human lives, trials refine by correction of self indulgence.—Clyde Williams.

4-5. Trials have an important office in detaching the affections of the Christian from material things, trials are means of perfecting faith.—Lockie Sprowls.

6-7. Trials of faith are strengtheners of faith, the grace of patience comes not without trial.
Special music.
Song, Benediction.

JUNIOR LEAGUE.

Leader—Milton Sprowls.
League prayer.
Topic—The Secret of Success, Josh. 1:1-9.
Hymn—Application.
Special music.
Reading.
Close with Lord's prayer.

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The soothing and healing properties of this remedy, its pleasant taste and prompt and permanent cures, have made it a favorite with people everywhere. It is especially prized by mothers of small children, for colds, croup and whooping cough, as it always affords quick relief, and as it contains no opium or other harmful drug, it may be given as confidently to a baby as to an adult. For sale at Terrell's Drug Store.

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Suspect Shown Short Shrift.

An Infurated Mob of Alabamians Take a Negro Suspect and Hang Him.

Gadsden, Ala., Feb. 12.—Bunk Richardson, a negro charged with the murder and assault of Mrs. Sarah Smith here July 15 last, was forcibly taken from the jail here at an early hour Sunday morning and hanged to the bridge of the Louisville and Nashville railroad across Cooper River. Twenty-four masked men went to the jail, overpowered the sheriff and the jailer and made short work of the prisoner.

California capitalists have made application to the Dallas city council for a gas franchise.

At the meeting of Sea Island cotton growers at Valdosta, Ga., last week, strong resolutions asking a reduction of 25 per cent in acreage was passed.

Arthur Pearson, a negro, was legally hanged at Waynesboro, Tenn., Friday for criminal assault on Dora Scellen, a 13-year-old white girl. The crime was a most brutal one.

The estimated per capita circulation of money in the United States is now \$31.22, the largest in the history of this country.

A strike is in prospect in Chicago which will involve the entire building trades, and stop work on a number of downtown skyscrapers.

At a recent meeting of the Chicago pastors' association, a decisive stand was taken in favor of high license for saloons—\$10,000 being the minimum name.

President Diaz has formally opened the new penitentiary and hospital at Meridian, Yucatan. The public buildings inaugurated are of large dimensions and cost several million dollars.

Three counterfeit silver half dollars were found in a consignment of money which reached the United States treasury in Chicago, from Texas. They cannot be detected as spurious except by the close inspection of an expert.

Lincoln Day, Monday, Feb. 12, was celebrated by the Republicans of Muskogee, with a banquet at the Turner Hotel. A number of prominent Republicans from all over the Indian Territory were present.

L. M. Crawford, the theater man of St. Louis and Topeka, has acquired the Trinity Methodist Church, of El Paso, recently vacated by the congregation, which will be converted into a theater.

The general reason is that the Russian government claims that the money was to aid revolution.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard A. McCurdy are going to Paris to live, and will give up their home in New York. Their servants have been told that their services will not be required after March 1st.

The executive committee in charge of the Confederate reunion at New Orleans in April launched a financial campaign to raise \$75,000 in sixty days. It is contended that this sum will be required for the reunion.

After an expenditure of about \$500,000 the Southern Pacific has completed twenty-eight miles of track in the Colorado desert which will enable their trains to run without interference from the waters of the Colorado river, which filled the Salton sink and ruined about forty miles of the main line.

General John Eaton, a distinguished civil war veteran and noted educator, died in Washington, aged 77 years. He entered the war as captain of the Twenty-ninth volunteer infantry and had charge of the freedmen of the Mississippi valley.

A Kansas City firm now engaged in constructing a system of waterworks for Jacksonville. This plant is to cost \$30,000, for which the city has a vote ordered bonds to be issued, maturing in forty years.

Forty-two breweries including the large ones of nearby cities take out 72 per cent of the saloon license issued in Chicago according to figures produced by the men who take in the apicon fees in the city collector's office.

Jim Connelly, who lives near Siboney, Ok., in the southwest part of Comanche County, was found dead with a shotgun wound in his breast. Connelly had gone hunting and by some accident his gun was discharged.

J. C. Stanfield and Jim Underwood, as a result of a preliminary hearing, are held to the Grand Jury under \$2,000 bond each on charges of dynamiting the farm home of George Coggeshall, near Gotebo, Ok., several weeks ago.

The Daisy Byrd Mining Company organized at Crystal Springs a short time ago and capitalized at \$250,000, began Wednesday of last week with a force of men to sink a shaft preparatory to mining.

St. Louis to Dallas in Fifteen Hours. Dallas: Postoffice clerks in the Dallas office Sunday asserted St. Louis mail that had been started in the gray morning of the same day, and as they sorted they chewed after-supper toothpicks. The mail left St. Louis something less than fifteen and half hours before it was received. The Cotton Belt train, which makes connection with the mail service of the Gould lines at Norfolk Junction, came into Dallas at 6:35 p. m., running on no particular schedule, and the Missouri, Kansas and Texas train reached its depot at 7:04, the schedule time of arrival being 7:10. Reports received from the Gould lines show that the train left St. Louis at 2:09 a. m., being thirty-four minutes late, owing to waiting for Eastern mail. The scheduled time for departure was 2:35 a. m. The time was made up before Texarkana was reached, the train pulling out of that city at 1:34 p. m.

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Uncle Samuel's Live Stock.

Washington: The crop estimating board of the Bureau of Statistics has issued a statement of the numbers and the values of farm animals in the United States on Jan. 1, of the present year, as follows: Horses 15,718,578, value \$1,510,889,520, or an average price per head of \$80.72; mules 6,404,361, value \$334,680,520, average price \$58.31; milk cows 19,796,866, value \$582,788,592, average price \$29.14; other cattle 47,047,656, value \$746,181,709, average price \$15.05; sheep 50,631,619, value \$179,056,144, average price \$3.45; swine 52,102,874, value \$321,802,571, average price \$6.18.

Capitalist Commits Suicide.

Birmingham, Ala.: Capt. Norman E. Webb, a well-known capitalist, killed himself at his home here Sunday by a pistol bullet through his forehead while his family was at breakfast. Capt. Webb had been ill for some time. He was one of the wealthy and public-spirited men of the district, having large holdings of ore lands on Red Mountain. He formerly lived in Selma.

Fatal Shooting at Wharton.

Wharton: C. R. Higginbotham, representing a Houston firm, was shot and killed Saturday night by his son-in-law, W. L. Jackson. A difficulty occurred between the parties and Higginbotham was locked up. Jackson had his father-in-law released and all differences were supposed to have been adjusted. Jackson returned to the hotel and had retired. Higginbotham secured another pistol, went to the hotel, opened the door of the room where Jackson and his wife were, and attempted to shoot him. Mrs. Jackson knocked the pistol up and her husband fired one shot, striking his father-in-law in the head, killing him instantly.

Arrangements have been completed for the establishment of a pickle factory in Terrell. The promoters of the enterprise have agreed to establish the factory on condition that as much as 200 acres of land be planted in cucumbers.

Nat Crenweige was found dead under a tree this evening five miles from home, at Fredericksburg. Five hundred men were out for several days looking for him.

Get Yours Quick.

Chicago: One hundred years will probably see the exhaustion of the world's present iron ore sources, according to Dr. C. Kenneth Leith, professor of geology in the University of Wisconsin, who recently lectured on the subject before the Geographical Society. According to him the present known deposits of high-grade ore in the United States will be exhausted in a comparatively short period of time.

Charles Arndt Made a Will.

Hillsboro: It has developed that Charles Arndt, who died from the effects of poison at his home in the Huron community last Monday one week after his wife had died from the same cause, executed a will on the Friday preceding his death, directing that his property, valued at \$2,500, be sold and the proceeds divided equally between the I. O. O. F. Orphans' Home at Corsicana and the Methodist Orphans' Home at Waco.

Gainesville Business Man Drops Dead.

Gainesville: J. H. Blewett, one of Gainesville's most prominent business men and wealthiest citizens, dropped dead at his home in the western part of the city Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock. He had been a member of the City Council for several years, filling the office of Alderman from the Third Ward. He moved to Gainesville from Missouri thirteen years ago, and had been engaged in the grain business here.

MR. BRYAN RESIGNS.

RATHER SENSATIONAL REASON.

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Washington: Secretary Shaw of the treasury has submitted to congress a report showing a list of 287 national banks in the United States in which he had on deposit an aggregate of \$386,159,460 during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1905. The resolution came up in connection with the bond issue plan for the Panama canal, the object being to show that while it was being desired to issue interest-bearing bonds, the government had on deposit in the various national banks many millions of dollars. According to Secretary Shaw's report nine Texas national banks carried government funds to the amount of \$6,001,571.08, as follows: Austin National Bank, Austin, \$528,283.92; American National Bank, Dallas, \$1,289,578.39; City National Bank, Dallas, \$1,078,886.76; National Exchange Bank, Dallas, \$115,474.77; First National Bank, El Paso, \$178,865.28; San Antonio National Bank, San Antonio, \$6,529.26; Merchants' and Planters' National Bank, Sherman, \$628,821.17; Citizens' National Bank, Waco, \$853,703.83; South Texas National Bank, Houston, \$1,785,729.70.

Mining Outlook Ominous.

Pittsburg, Kan.: The coal operators of this district have concluded that all hope of an agreement between the miners and operators has vanished, and in anticipation of a conflict, President W. C. Perry of the Southwestern Interstate Coal Operators' Association has issued a general call for a meeting of the operators at Kansas City, Feb. 24. The tone of the call forebodes that an agreement between the operators and miners is unlikely, and as a result there will probably be a suspension of work on April 1.

Two Are Killed Instantly.

Chicago: A theater train on the Pennsylvania road, running at the rate of twenty miles an hour, crashed into a crowded street car in South Chicago Sunday night, instantly killing two persons and injuring twelve. The killed and injured were occupants of the street car. The engine and first coach of the passenger train left the rails and were overturned.

Another Football Victim.

Chicago: Another name was added to the list of football fatalities for the 1905 season by the death of John Smith of Austin, at Stannins hospital. Smith, who is eighteen years old, died as the result of injuries received in a game Oct. 25. He was kicked in the stomach, and although he played several games afterward, serious complications followed, which send him to the hospital several weeks ago.

Texarkana's Fire Loss.

Texarkana: A terrific fire swept out half a city block Monday morning. It burned for four hours. The total loss is \$75,000. The total insurance is about \$20,000. The fire originated in a small residence back of the Covington hotel and is supposed to have been caused by a dress catching fire from a lamp. It spread to the Covington hotel owned by Ben Collins. Loss on hotel and contents, \$20,000; insurance \$10,000. Loss on Degraizer's saloon, \$5,000; insurance \$2,500. The fire spread northward destroying the Pullman boarding house and the Ingram block, owned by Dave Ingram. The loss on these buildings and contents is \$20,000, partially covered by insurance. Fireman T. L. Johnson was badly injured by a falling wall from the Covington hotel.

Preachers After Tom Johnson.

Cleveland, Ohio: Mayor Tom L. Johnson was the object of a severe arraignment at a meeting of 100 city ministers here Monday. The ministers went on record as being strenuously opposed to what they termed a diabolical usurpation of the people's power by the Mayor, and they declared that they would begin a campaign at once to compel him to enforce the law against dance halls running on Sunday and other "wide-open" practices.

Went Under the Ice.

New York: While ice yachting on the Navesink River, New Jersey, Chas. Hendrickson, a Fairhaven boy, lost his life by the boat breaking through the ice. He was with his brother Benjamin, who sailed the boat. When the yacht broke through a thin spot Charles fell into the water and went under the ice. Ben saved himself by climbing up on the windward runner, which continued to remain on the ice, and was rescued.

Fixed for Emergencies.

New York: With a pistol in one pocket and a Bible in another Dayton Tounley, 20 years old, who says he is a son of Dr. L. B. Tounley of Youngstown, Ohio, was found wandering on the streets of Wackensack, N. J., by the police. The young man is being held until his relatives can be communicated with. Tounley says he inherited a small fortune recently and came East to join Mason's Angel Dancer's Colony at Woodcliff, N. J.

Four Are Dead; Ten Injured.

Portland, Ore.: Four persons lost their lives in a fire which swept a busy commercial district at the east end of the Morrison street bridge, spanning the Willamette River, Monday. Ten or more persons were seriously injured. The fire started in the Mount Hood saloon and consumed that place and the lodging house above it, in which a majority of those killed and injured were sleeping. Twenty-two houses were burned.

TEXAS BANKS.

List of Those Which Have Heaviest Deposits.

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Chicago: A theater train on the Pennsylvania road, running at the rate of twenty miles an hour, crashed into a crowded street car in South Chicago Sunday night, instantly killing two persons and injuring twelve. The killed and injured were occupants of the street car. The engine and first coach of the passenger train left the rails and were overturned.

Another Football Victim.

Chicago: Another name was added to the list of football fatalities for the 1905 season by the death of John Smith of Austin, at Stannins hospital. Smith, who is eighteen years old, died as the result of injuries received in a game Oct. 25. He was kicked in the stomach, and although he played several games afterward, serious complications followed, which send him to the hospital several weeks ago.

Texarkana's Fire Loss.

Texarkana: A terrific fire swept out half a city block Monday morning. It burned for four hours. The total loss is \$75,000. The total insurance is about \$20,000. The fire originated in a small residence back of the Covington hotel and is supposed to have been caused by a dress catching fire from a lamp. It spread to the Covington hotel owned by Ben Collins. Loss on hotel and contents, \$20,000; insurance \$10,000. Loss on Degraizer's saloon, \$5,000; insurance \$2,500. The fire spread northward destroying the Pullman boarding house and the Ingram block, owned by Dave Ingram. The loss on these buildings and contents is \$20,000, partially covered by insurance. Fireman T. L. Johnson was badly injured by a falling wall from the Covington hotel.

Preachers After Tom Johnson.

Cleveland, Ohio: Mayor Tom L. Johnson was the object of a severe arraignment at a meeting of 100 city ministers here Monday. The ministers went on record as being strenuously opposed to what they termed a diabolical usurpation of the people's power by the Mayor, and they declared that they would begin a campaign at once to compel him to enforce the law against dance halls running on Sunday and other "wide-open" practices.

Went Under the Ice.

New York: While ice yachting on the Navesink River, New Jersey, Chas. Hendrickson, a Fairhaven boy, lost his life by the boat breaking through the ice. He was with his brother Benjamin, who sailed the boat. When the yacht broke through a thin spot Charles fell into the water and went under the ice. Ben saved himself by climbing up on the windward runner, which continued to remain on the ice, and was rescued.

Fixed for Emergencies.

New York: With a pistol in one pocket and a Bible in another Dayton Tounley, 20 years old, who says he is a son of Dr. L. B. Tounley of Youngstown, Ohio, was found wandering on the streets of Wackensack, N. J., by the police. The young man is being held until his relatives can be communicated with. Tounley says he inherited a small fortune recently and came East to join Mason's Angel Dancer's Colony at Woodcliff, N. J.

Four Are Dead; Ten Injured.

Portland, Ore.: Four persons lost their lives in a fire which swept a busy commercial district at the east end of the Morrison street bridge, spanning the Willamette River, Monday. Ten or more persons were seriously injured. The fire started in the Mount Hood saloon and consumed that place and the lodging house above it, in which a majority of those killed and injured were sleeping. Twenty-two houses were burned.

NOTABLE CHURCH GATHERING.

Many Methodists to Attend an Educational Conference.

Dallas, Feb. 10.—One of the most notable gatherings in Dallas of Southern Methodism is to be held here on April 10-11, at which time about 1,000 representative Methodists from all parts of the Southern connection are expected to be in attendance. The meeting is the occasion of an educational conference of the four conferences of the state and the annual meeting of the general board of education of the Methodist Church, South.

The purpose of the meeting is the furthering of the educational interests of the State, and there will be present many who are prominent in the educational work of the church. In Texas there are about fourteen schools, under the control of the Methodist Church.

Bishop C. B. Galloway of Jackson, Miss., and Bishop E. R. Hendrix, of Kansas City are expected to be present. Others prominent in the work and expected at the conference are: Dr. J. H. Kirkland, chancellor of Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tenn.; Dr. J. B. Hammond, general secretary of the board of education, Nashville; D. M. Smith, senior book agent, Nashville, Tenn.; Dr. J. C. Kilgo, of Trinity College, Raleigh, N. C.; Dr. W. B. Murray, Jackson, Miss.; Dr. W. H. LaPrade, pastor of First Methodist Church, Jackson, Miss.; H. N. Schneider, president Wofford College, Spartanburg, N. C.; Dr. R. S. Waterhouse, Emory and Henry College, Emory, Va.; W. R. Webb, president Webb's Training School, Bell Buckle, Tenn.; R. S. Hyer, recent Southwestern University, Georgetown, Texas.

BRYAN AND HEARST WOULD WIN THE RACE.

So Says Henry Watterson of the "Star-Eyed Goddess."

Louisville, Ky., Feb. 10.—Henry Watterson, in a four column editorial under the caption "Thick Political Weather," will say this morning in the Courier-Journal:

"The people seem at length right for a clean sweep, but they must be unified in some fighting line and under some adequate leader; who whatever else he is, we may make sure will not be a conservative. That Hearst and Bryan united can, and will control the next national Democratic convention, may be assumed without much stretch of conjecture or fancy. High finance, for which the Republican party stands, that artifice of money and office, has received such a black eye and grown so odious to the masses of the people that a boy with a sling, little David Bryan, or little David Hearst, will be able to bring him down and lay him low. The Democrats of the West and South are likely to heed this, perhaps to warm to it, in nineteen eight."

Heavy Snowstorm in the East.

New York: The first heavy snowfall of the winter which began shortly before 8 o'clock Thursday night had by morning covered the ground to a depth of two inches and caused considerable inconvenience to traffic.

Mahany City: Several collieries in this region were forced to suspend operations on account of the heavy snowfall during the night. Trolley traffic is completely tied up and trains are running from one to three hours behind schedule time.

Duluth, Minn: Martin Bricken was found in a snow-drift just outside of the city, frozen as solid as ice. A certificate of deposit for \$168 was found in the unfortunate man's pocket.

Immunity From Tuberculosis.

Berlin: Prof. Emil von Behring, the discoverer of the diphtheria serum, addressing the German Agricultural Council lately, announced his determination to adhere to the resolution which he promulgated in Paris of keeping his tuberculosis remedy secret till autumn. The professor discussed lengthily the method of preventing consumption by immunizing milk cows.

The aim is to secure milk having immunizing properties. He claims to have apparently solved this problem. Cows are treated when very young with a fluid which Prof. Behring calls Tuberculin. It is injected under the skin of the young cows repeatedly for two to five weeks. The remedy at first was very costly because it was almost impossible to preserve it in good condition, but a method has recently been discovered by which it can be preserved satisfactorily and at a moderate cost.

Texas Claim Not Mentioned.

Washington: The urgent deficiency bill considered by the senate Friday does not provide for the payment of the Texas claim of \$385,000. The failure of the committee to put such an item in the bill signifies no judgment as to the merits of the claim, but merely that it is not a matter of urgency. An effort will be made to have its payment provided for in the general deficiency bill.

Hepburn Bill Passes House.

Only Seven Dissenting Votes Are Registered Against the Rate Bill.

Washington, Feb. 9.—The House yesterday passed the Hepburn railroad rate bill by a vote of 348 to 7. Those voting against the bill were: Littlefield, McCall, Perkins, Sibley, Southwick, Vreeland and Weeks. The following is a summary of the Hepburn railroad rate bill on which the House voted:

The bill, according to Mr. Hepburn's statement in closing the debate on the measure, intended and did, so far as it could be made, to comply specifically with the recommendations of President Roosevelt on the rate question. It gives the interstate commerce commission authority when a rate has been complained of as "unreasonable" by shipper, to investigate that rate, state whether or not it is unreasonable and if found to be unreasonable, name a rate which is to be just and reasonable and fairly remunerative, which is to be the minimum rate to be charged. This rate so fixed is to go into effect thirty days after it is announced by the commission, subject during that time to be set aside or to be suspended by the commission or by the courts. After it has gone into effect it is to remain the rate for three years. During this time, the opinion has been expressed by those who participated in the debate, it may also be reviewed by the courts, and if found to be conflicting either with the terms of the act or with the constitution by being confiscatory, it can be set aside by the courts.

Another important thing in the definition of the words "railroad" and "transportation" in a manner to include all auxiliary instrumentalities of the common carrier and bring them within the control of the commission. This power to name a reasonable rate and the inclusion of auxiliaries within the jurisdiction of the commission are said to be new features. All other provisions are modifications of the existing system of bookkeeping and enlarging the commission to seven members and increasing the salaries of the members to \$10,000 a year.

Mine Explosion in West Virginia.

Ch. Weston, W. Va.: An explosion in the Parra mine near Mount Hope, in Fayette county, about sixty-five miles east of Charleston, occurred Friday afternoon. Thirty-one men were employed in the mine at the time of the explosion, and at 10 o'clock Friday night two of those had been rescued alive and one dead body recovered. The remaining fifteen, it is expected, will be rescued by morning. The explosion, the cause of which has not yet been determined, is not being a very big one. Comparatively little injury has been done to the mine, rendering the work of rescue easier, than is usual in such cases. The mine is owned by Samuel Dixon and is operated by the Stuart Colliers Company.

It is impossible to ascertain the exact number of miners killed. The mine has a capacity of 800 tons per day, requiring about sixty miners and inside men to operate when in full working order.

On Last Saturday, about twenty miles southeast of Lockney, Ky., the 12-year-old son of I. N. Willis, fell from a wagon loaded with feed, striking the ground near the heels of one of the horses, which kicked the boy on the head, killing him instantly.

Broke Up Mormon Meeting.

Paris: While two Mormon elders were preaching in the schoolhouse at Slate Shoals, a few nights ago, on the river, stones were hurled at them from the outside. One of the preachers was struck in the back with a rock and sustained a painful wound. The meeting was broken up. Two young men pleaded guilty before Justice of the Peace W. R. Douglas at Arthur City and paid fines.

Child Dies on a Train.

Hillsboro: A very sudden death occurred Thursday night on the Missouri Kansas and Texas Flyer between Dallas and Waxahatchie. Mrs. J. F. Shaffer of Indianapolis, Ind., and her 11-year-old daughter were on their way to Houston on a visit and while the train was running between the points named the little girl was stricken with heart failure and expired. The body was removed and embalmed here and returned to Indianapolis.

Aged Veteran Dies.

Windon: Jacob Baldwin, a native of Alabama born in Matterson county, Jan. 11, 1822, died here Feb. 4, being 84 years old. Mr. Baldwin came to Texas in 1837 and had resided in Fannin county ever since that time. He served in both the late and Mexican wars. He was under Gen. Taylor at the battle of Monterey and many of the other hardfought battles of that war. In 1861 he volunteered and served under Capt. Bridges for four years.

STATEHOOD BILL ON TAP. Senate Can Now Thresh It Out At Its Leisure.

Washington: Unless the exigencies of the week should decree otherwise, the statehood bill will be made, the regular order in the senate next Wednesday, taking the place of the ship subsidy bill, which is to be passed, and sent to the House for presentation. When the statehood bill is to be passed is quite another question, though, since both the advocates and the opponents of the omnibus measure believe they have a majority of the senate, each side professes some eagerness to have a vote at the earliest possible moment.

It would be imprudent, of course, to make any positive prophecy as to the fate of the bill in the senate, but inasmuch as its opponents are willing to name sixteen Republican senators who are in favor of the Foraker amendment, while its advocates content themselves with predicting that it will pass, without giving the names of those who will vote for it, one must give more credit to the predictions of its opponents than to those of its advocates. The general opinion is, too, that the Foraker amendment, which merely vouchsafes to New Mexico and Arizona the right to vote separately on the proposition of being brought into the Union as one State is certain of adoption in the senate.

Defrauded the Armour.

Fort Worth: It is claimed that a plot has been discovered by which the Armour packing plant here was defrauded by the dishonesty of employees. The products disposed of have not been accounted for, and the rumored peculations may reach several thousand dollars. Two arrests have been made by the city officers and matters have since been turned over to the county officials.

Hoch Denied New Trial.

Springfield, Ill.: The supreme court has denied a rehearing in the case of Johann Hoch, sentenced to be hanged in Chicago Feb. 23, for wife murder. News of the denial of his petition for a rehearing by the supreme court was broken at the jail. He was apparently unmoved, simply saying: "Oh that's all right."

A Veteran of Three Wars.

Marshall: John B. Hall, aged 86 years, a pioneer of Harrison county, a veteran of the war between the Republic of Texas and Mexico and again between the United States and Mexico, later a renowned fighter on the Southern side in the civil war, died at his home four miles west of here Tuesday. Interment under auspices of the Masons.

The Orient Railway of Texas extended the operation of trains to Rule, Haskell county, sixty-three miles north of Sweetwater last Friday. Rule is a new town a month old and has grown and is growing wonderfully. This line will be extended to Knox City by March 1.

Fruit growers around Cleburne report damage to Elbertas from recent cold weather.

Seven barrels of cauliflower were shipped from Brownsville, Wednesday, the first of the season.

Aged Lady Frightfully Burned. Whitesboro: "Grandma" Trollinger, who is 79 years of age, was seriously if not fatally burned Thursday morning by her clothes catching fire from an open grate. She was in her room alone at the time of the accident and has no knowledge of just how it occurred. When discovered by the lady who rooms with her she was completely enveloped in flames, which were only subdued after a fierce struggle.

Cleburne: Capt. Jack Ross, familiarly known in this county as "Uncle Jack" Ross, was burned to death in his home, three miles north of this city, Friday morning. He lived in the house, a four-room structure, by himself. He had been married twice. It was stated by the neighbors that he did his own cooking, and used a gas-line stove, and this gives credence to the belief that the stove blew up, and the gas possibly killed him, before the fire reached him.

Mrs. Bunwin—living north of the Santa Fe depot, at San Angelo, was found dead in her home by her husband when he returned from work Thursday. She was hanging from a hook in the ceiling.

Otto Cooper, of Kansas City, Ok., aged 21, while killing rabbits that were ruining his fruit trees was instantly killed by the accidental discharge of his shotgun. The entire top of Cooper's head was torn off.

ALL OVER TEXAS.

Two dogs supposed to have been affected with hydrophobia were killed at Clarksville. One of the dogs bit a cow before it was killed.

A trained nurse, Janie Dunham, was the first applicant for permission to carry arms, her duties requiring her being out at late hours at night.

Temporary organization of the Association of Importers and Dealers in Dried Fruits and Nuts of New York, has been consummated. Thirty-three firms are represented.

Judge A. W. Terrell has accepted an invitation to attend and address the National congress for the reform of primary and election laws, to be held in New York.

The monument committee of Terry's Texas Rangers has decided on Vermont gray granite for the monument to be erected in the State Capitol grounds money for which has been raised.

The journeyman plumbers of Austin have withdrawn the demands they made last fall. The plumbers demanded \$3.50 and \$4.50 instead of \$3 and \$4, as is now the scale.

Sixty State banks had been organized in Texas up to February 8.

Enthusiasts say that the Omen oil field (Smith County) will develop into the greatest oil field in the world.

The Prohibition leaders in Grayson county state they will put out a full county ticket and are confident they can elect every candidate.

The lunar eclipse was generally observed over Texas Thursday night. The eclipse was total and lasted nearly two hours.

The general impression is that cotton planters are paying no attention to a restriction of acreage this year, but are preparing to "plant one more good crop."

D. H. Mayfield, a fireman, whose home was Cleburne, was killed in attempting to get off a moving train at Brownwood Friday.

The Crowley-Heywood well No. 1, at Jennings, was brought in Wednesday morning and looks to be gushing at the rate of fully 15,000 barrels a day. The drilling of this well was a good deal in the nature of a "wildcat."

The Corpus Christi Board of Trade unanimously passed a resolution in favor of the United States Government having charge of the quarantine regulation of this State.

Pain Bracken, who was sent to the penitentiary from Cooke county over two years ago, was pardoned by Gov. Lanham last week and returned to Gainesville.

Winnie, the 6-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Capp Barran, of Thornton, was badly burned about the body and face early Friday morning. Her dress caught fire from the fireplace.

In the matter of the sale of the Great Southern Refinery at Beaumont, Judge Pope ordered the receiver to sell the property for notes payable one, two and three months after date, the upset price of the refinery having been set at \$6,000. It is said that the plant cost \$20,000 to build.

Hon. J. M. Chambers, of Montague, has received a photograph of Patsy Flannigan from the wife of the latter at Chicago. Every one who has seen it and who saw the dead robber identify the photograph as that of the dead man.

The Denison Board of Trade is in correspondence with W. H. Croll of Pine Mountain, Ga., concerning the establishment of a factory for the manufacture of paper of all grades from cotton stalks.

At least twenty-five skaters were affected by the fumes escaping from a gas stove in a Chicago skating rink so that they dropped to the floor unconscious and had to be carried from the building.

Another Texas fire insurance company, was launched when the State insurance commissioner granted a permit to the Southern National insurance company of Austin, Texas, to do business in the State.

The fight now going on between the Gould lines (Iron Mountain, Texas and Pacific and International) and the Katy-Frisco systems is getting warm. Trains leaving St. Louis at 2 a. m. are arriving in Dallas at 8 p. m. of the same day.

The Artesian Bottling Works Company of Waco is installing a plant in Fort Worth for the manufacture of ginger ale and other carbonated beverages. During the summer season the concern will employ twenty men.

A bulletin officially announces the permanent location of one of the Frisco System hospitals at Sherman. The lines covered are the St. Louis and San Francisco from Francis, I. T., to Sherman, and the Fort Worth and Rio Grande from Sherman to Brady.

Mount Vernon a Shrine Toward Which Turns Every Loyal American Heart

A hundred years have passed since Death, entering the upper chamber at Mount Vernon, laid his hand upon the heart of Washington, and stilled its throbbings; but that the love and veneration with which he inspired his countrymen has known no diminution is proven every recurring anniversary of his birth.

Perhaps even more conclusive evidence is to be found in the hundreds who daily visit the historic spot, and in the absence of merry-making which marks these throngs. They come as pilgrims to a shrine, speaking in subdued voices as they pass from room to room, or standing in awed silence before the tomb which holds all that

with money earned by the pupils of the St. Paul schools. They have since been put in working order and continue to turn out beautiful fabrics. In the dwelling-house the apartment coming first in order is the banquet hall, in charge of the vice-regent from New York. The elaborately carved marble mantel in this room exhibits interesting proof of the power of an awakened conscience. A dog's head, broken off by some ruthless relic hunter, was afterward anonymously returned, and has since—with the aid of cement—been restored to its original position. Over this mantel a French clock, which regulated the life at Mount Vernon, still ticks, telling the

kled with yellow stars. While the carpet was on its way to this country Washington was made President; and, being unable in that capacity to accept the gift, it became the property of the United States government. It was afterward purchased by Judge Yates, of Lancaster, Pa., and within the last two years has been presented to the association by his granddaughter, Mrs. Townsend Wheelan, of Philadelphia.

In the hall the visitor is shown the key of the Bastille, and, ascending the stairway at the foot of which it hangs, is confronted by a cabinet filled with the most interesting curios. Imprisoned behind glass doors is the com-



Washington on the Porch at Mount Vernon.

is mortal of him who in so distinctive a sense is immortal.

There is an air of such deep repose about the place, despite the ebb and flow of the tide of humanity, that squirrels, with feathery tails erect, frolic on the lawn in delightful abandon, while birds chatter in the branches of trees, or perch in rows on stable eaves, and along the upper edges of the low, half doors. Glancing over one of these one seems to see in his accustomed stall Washington's war horse, Nelson, who, after the battle of Yorktown, was never allowed to feel the weight of a saddle, and to bear his whinnying response to his master's call.

Across from this is the garden, redolent with the odor of box bushes, transformed from the green, outline of Mrs. Washington's day into aromatic walls of yew-tree. Gay with sweet williams and plinks and all the rest of the fragrant, old-fashioned flowers, it was an alluring spot to little Nellie Custis, who was sometimes discovered there during the hours sacred to harpsichord and spinnet, when only the interposition of her adopted father shielded her from her grandmother's displeasure.

Mount Vernon, as is generally known, was purchased in 1858 by an association of ladies, which now has representatives from thirty-seven states. Through these representa-

hour as veraciously now as then; while on the wall to the right of it hangs the portrait of Washington which Rembrandt Peale painted with such feverish energy, and which was donated to the association by his heirs. A chair brought over in the Mayflower stands beneath the picture, and near it is the stool on which Washington knelt at Christ Church, Alexandria, and another used by Nellie Custis.

Other objects to which the attention is directed are a model of the Bastille made of the stone of which the prison was composed, and presented by Lafayette; a British flag captured by Washington and donated by General Grant, with many relics of equal interest. The end of the building opposite the banquet hall is occupied by the library, with its valuable collection of books and souvenirs. It is in the rooms which these apartments flank, however, ranged on either side of a broad hall, that one is brought most closely in touch with the family life at Mount Vernon.

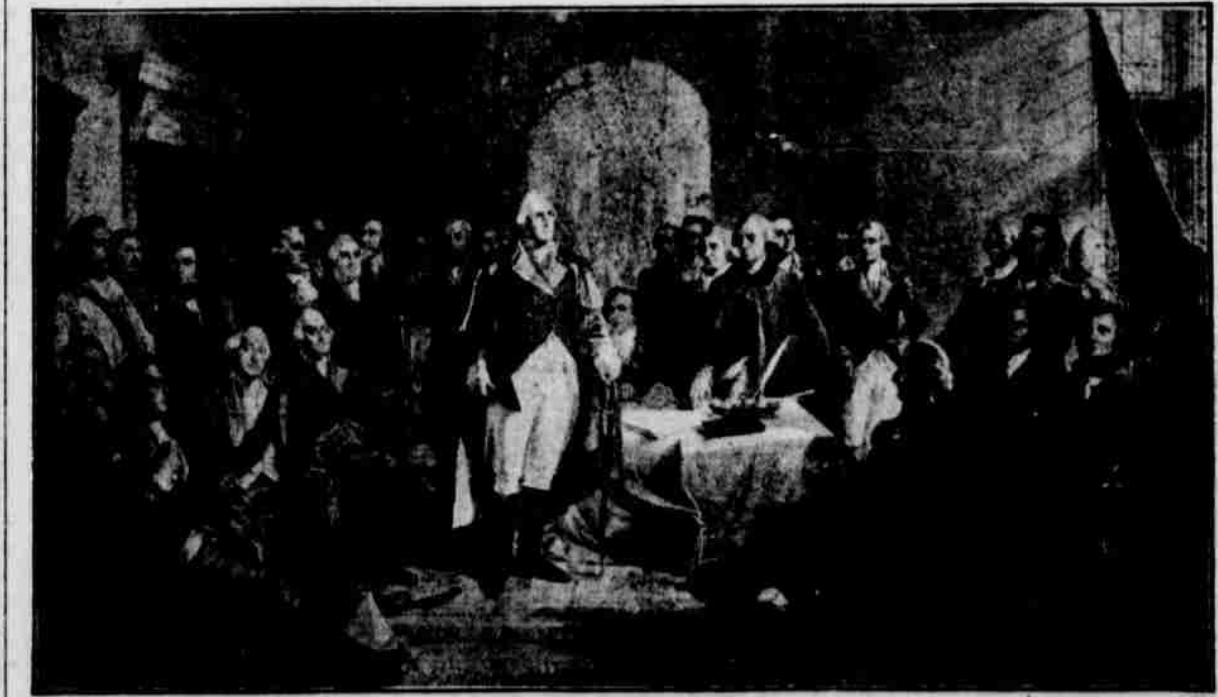
Nellie Custis' music room, in which the general's flute lies upon the harpsichord which he presented her on the occasion of her marriage, recalls one of the most delightful relations of his life—his connection with his beautiful adopted daughter. Here she beguiled him with the songs which he loved or played the accompaniments to his mu-

pass used by Washington in surveying Lord Fairfax's land, with many other objects closely associated with him; a memento of Mrs. Washington existing in a quilt made by herself of bits of her gowns and donated by Mrs. Jefferson Davis.

On this floor, in the chamber occupied by Nellie Custis, is the mirror which so often reflected her beauty, and the steps by which she climbed to her high-towered bed. Here, too, in the Lafayette room, is the four-poster, in which the Marquis slept on the occasion of his visits to Mount Vernon and the dressing table before which he adjusted the unbecoming red wig.

Other apartments, called by the names of the states which care for them, are grouped about these. Each has an interest peculiar to itself; but above and beyond them all in sacred associations and cherished memories is the room in which Washington breathed his last. The bed upon which more than one hundred years ago he lay dying stands in the same spot to-day. Near it is a light table stained with the marks of medicine glasses, and at its foot the chair in which the faithful wife sat watching through all the weary hours, and upon which, when all was over, lay her open Bible.

One must climb another flight of stairs to reach the room occupied by



Washington and His Generals

tives each state assumes the care of a room, and the responsibility of fitting it up with furniture, of which it was despoiled at the sale of the late owner; or, falling this, of substituting articles possessing historic interest and belonging to the period. One of the most successful of these attempts is to be found in the Minnesota, or spinning-room, vocal in the days of yore with the music of wheel and loom and the measured stroke of the flax brake, while above the rhythmic whirr might have been heard the mistress' voice, giving direction to the swarthy artisans who spun and wove most of the clothing worn by the 300 slaves belonging to the estate. The articles in this room, which were collected by Perley Poore and treasured by him at his home, were purchased by the association from his widow

sic on the flute. In the dining-room, where the family party was so often reinforced by guests, is an original piece—an old Chippendale sideboard—which descended to Mrs. Robert E. Lee and was afterward restored to its accustomed position by her, while in Mrs. Washington's sitting-room may be seen the same card table around which the household gathered for the evening rubber.

The most noteworthy object in the west parlor is the carpet, made by Washington by order of Louis XVI., and still in a perfect state of preservation, although more than one hundred years old. It is of velvet, the circular center of pale ecru, upon which is stamped an American eagle, with the motto, "E Pluribus Unum," beneath, being surrounded by a rich green background, plentifully sprin-

Mrs. Washington after this—a narrow roof room, very cold in winter, for there was no way of heating it, and hot when the summer sun beat upon it. Through its single dormer window, however, she could look out upon her husband's tomb, and there she remained until the silver cord which bound her to life was loosed and she went to join him in his long sleep by the river.

A negro sentinel guards the graves, who tells you, in the vernacular of the race, how the key which locks the vault behind them, and in which forty of their kindred are buried, has been sunk in the Potomac.

"Not," he adds, "where it can be dragged for, but deep, where it will never more be found."—Grace Devine Postwick, in Los Angeles Times.

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Most every one is doing something for himself—what are you doing for Haskell?

People who own town lots and want two prices for them should do something for the town to make them worth the price.

The town that provides those utilities which are necessary in carrying on the business of a country is the town that will get that business.

Judge H. G. McConnell is for the cotton mill. He says Clifton's head is level—let the town and the country get together and they can build it. He promised the FREE PRESS a communication on the subject next week.

The railroads are putting on faster mail service from the East and North to Texas. The mail was delivered from St. Louis into Dallas by the Cotton Belt road in 13 hours and 7 minutes and from St. Louis to Dallas in 48 hours.

How many people come to Haskell because there is a cotton gin here that would not come if there were no gin here? These people do more or less business in other lines when they get here, the aggregate of which is quite an item in the sum total of the business of the town. How many more people would come to Haskell if there were a cotton oil mill here that do not come now, or, will not come when there are oil mills in towns equally accessible to them? How many more will just carry business out for yourself, applying it to a flouring mill and other utilities—then if you think there is anything in it and you have any reason for wanting the town to prosper, get a move on yourself.

About the most sensible thing the prohibition party has done in Texas in a long time is its decision to abandon its party organization and join with the democratic party where it can assist in perfecting and enforcing the local option laws of the state. The prohibition party had state tickets in the field in the last several campaigns but it never succeeded in controlling or polling more than five per cent of the vote of the state. That, however, did not fully represent its strength, for many voters who were in sympathy with the idea of state prohibition would not lose their vote for democratic officers and measures in order to vote for the single issue of prohibition.

Those who favor government ownership of railroads in the United States will find encouragement in the report of the Prussian experts who were sent large ones, this country to study the per cent of green railway system and in Chicago secure results with those of Prussia. See article in another column. It is shown that many more persons are killed under the American operation and that, while the cost of construction was much higher—83 per cent—in Prussia, the average passenger fare there is .08 of a cent per mile against an average of 2.2 cents per mile here, also, that on a proper or proportionate estimate the freight rate there is .95 cent per ton per mile against 1.44 cents here. If the conclusions of the Prussian experts are correct, they show that there is

vast room for improvement in the operation and charges of American railways, either under private or state ownership. In Prussia the government owns the railways.

The Southern Cotton Growers association in session at New Orleans and a committee of the Farmers' Union in session in Texas a few days ago both adopted resolutions recommending a still further reduction of the cotton acreage this year. Each of these bodies has made a study of the cotton situation and we do not doubt that there is wisdom in their recommendation in this matter. It was pointed out that the acreage last year, notwithstanding the reduction, was sufficient to have produced a 12,000,000 bale crop if the season had been favorable throughout the cotton region. It is suggested that a ten per cent reduction be made this year in addition to the twenty-five per cent reduction (it really averaged only about 18 per cent) made last year.

Besides a number of interesting articles on various subjects, Holland's Magazine (Dallas, Tx.) for March contains an interesting array of matter. There are a number of good stories by southern writers. Its floral and household departments are adapted to southern ideas and wants, and its general miscellany is well selected. This publication is not a year old yet but it shows strong evidence of coming up to its initial promise of supplying southern readers with an all-around literary and general magazine from a southern standpoint. It has the ability and the capital behind it, and proper recognition and support by southern people will make Holland's the equal of any of the northern magazines.

We are pleased to note that some of our progressive farmers and business men are beginning to talk encouragingly of the proposition to establish a cotton mill in Haskell. Mr. W. C. Speck, a prosperous farmer of the northwest part of the county, was in town Thursday and, speaking of the matter to the writer, expressed himself as appreciating the advantages to be derived by the people from a cotton mill located in their midst and as being heartily in favor of making the effort to land it here. He said that he could and would raise several bales of cotton to put into the enterprise and that he didn't doubt at all that the people of the town and county could secure \$100,000 for it if they would look at it right and take hold of it right. He said that besides all other advantages to be derived from such an industry it would enhance the value of every man's land in the county and that it would be worth something to even the day laborer who owns no property, because, like every other enterprise of any consequence, it would increase the demand for labor—all of which is good logic and to the point.

There are two bills now pending in congress which, if they become federal laws, will make it very difficult and hazardous to violate state local option laws. One of these provides that internal revenue collectors shall furnish to state officers certified copies of liquor licenses issued to persons in local option territory. The state law makes the possession of such license by a person prima facie evidence that he is dealing in liquors and thus throws the burden of proof upon him to show that he is not so doing. The other bill is to prevent the shipment of liquor from one state into a prohibition district in another state. These are just and proper measures and are needed to aid the states in enforcing their laws. No one who does not desire to violate, or see violated, the law—and no

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good citizen does—will object to their passage, therefore they should be put through promptly.

MR. BRYAN RESIGNS.

True to his convictions, William J. Bryan has resigned the presidency of the board of trustees of Illinois College because the board has expressed its intention of accepting the offer of Andrew Carnegie to extend aid to Western colleges. Mr. Bryan was educated in Illinois College and had himself given it \$5000 in money and notes.

In his letter tendering his resignation from the board Mr. Bryan says:

"The issue presented seems to me to be a vital one, and even if Carnegie refuses, the same question will likely arise if some other trust magnate invites requests. Our college can not serve God and Mammon. It can not be a college for the people and at the same time commend itself to the commercial highwaymen, who are now subsidizing the colleges to prevent the teaching of economical truth. It grieves me to have my alma mater converted into an ally of plutocracy; but, having done what I could to prevent it, I have no other recourse than to withdraw from its management.

"I regret that the action, if it was to be taken, was not taken before I gave my notes, for I regard the money given as worse than wasted if the college is to be under the shadow of a great monopoly."

Two other members of the board also resigned for the same reasons.

The San Antonio school board has begun the work of introducing agriculture and nature study into the public schools. Each ward school building is supplied with a garden and the students are giving instruction in growing flowers, fruits and vegetables. The boys are encouraged to cultivate gardens of their own at home where they can put into practice what they learn at school. The work of instruction is entrusted to a graduate of the Texas A. & M. College a man specially trained in horticulture. It is only a question of time until other school systems will follow this example. —A. & M. Bulletin.

New Goods

Believing that the ladies would appreciate having the goods for their spring wear in ample time to make them up ready for wear before spring opens, I have just received a new and choice line of spring patterns in

Prints, Gingham, Zephyrs AND SOME OF THE Latest Dress Novelties.

I have also replenished my general stock in all broken lines, so that you can find about all you want at my store even this early in the season.

S. L. ROBERTSON.

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PEBBLE STONE CATTLE CO'S. Beef Market,

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East side of square, - - HASKELL, TEXAS.

Number Paid Poll Tax.	Court House's Narrow Escape.
The following figures from the tax collector's books show the number of persons in each voting precinct in Haskell county who paid their poll tax:	Our splendid court house had a narrow escape from burning Tuesday night. When Deputy Sheriff Fitzgerald came down Wednesday morning from his sleeping room in the third story of the building and opened the sheriff's office he found it full of smoke and burning in the southeast corner, near the door communicating with the treasurer's office. On opening the door the fire, which had been smoldering and burning very slowly, broke into a blaze, but by energetic work Mr. Fitzgerald soon extinguished the fire. It had burned a small hole through the floor against the wall, over the coal cellar, and had burned through the base-board and charred the wainscoting and door-facing and smoked the plastering on the wall above.
Haskell box, 283	Several persons were in the office (at a late hour the night before and the fire is accounted for on the supposition that some one dropped a cigar stub in a wooden box filled with sawdust and used as a cuspidor and that it smoldered for several hours before burning through and getting to the floor and wainscoting. If the fire had had fresh air it would have burned much more rapidly and the damage might have been serious.
Marcy box, 202	The county owns several small chemical fire extinguishers that are lying in a closet under the stairway, but none of them were charged ready for use and haven't been for a year or more. The commissioners should see to this. It is also suggested that a metal box or bucket would be safer to use with sawdust as a spittoon.
Pinkerton box, 167	
Vernon box, 165	
Lake Creek box, 52	
Gray Mare box, 36	
Brushy box, 55	
Cliff box, 136	
Howard box, 56	
Total in county, 1152	

New Cures Reported.
Every day is adding to the already long list of remarkable cures being performed by the celebrated physician Dr. James W. Kidd. Dr. Kidd shows his confidence in his own ability by offering to supply free proof treatments entirely at his own expense, and without a cent of cost, to every sick and afflicted person; in other words; offers to prove his ability before he asks for money.
Hundreds of cases of rheumatism, kidney trouble, heart disease, partial paralysis, bladder trouble, stomach and bowel troubles, piles, catarrh, bronchitis, weak lungs, asthma, nervousness, all female troubles, lumbago, skin diseases, scrofula, impure blood and general debility have been cured by him.
A letter from any reader of this paper, describing their condition, addressed to Dr. James W. Kidd, Box 700, Fort Wayne, Indiana, will bring by return mail, free of charge, a complete trial treatment.
Sold at Drug Stores, \$1.00 per bottle.

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Locals and Personals.

Linoleum at Cason, Cox & Co's.
List your land with O. E. Patterson.
The Keister Grocery Company are adding dry goods to their stock.

Mrs. J. J. Sharp of the west side was in town yesterday shopping.

Full blood S. C. Brown Leghorn eggs for sale. 75c for 15 eggs.

MRS. J. W. MEADORS.

Judge Taylor of Gatesville has moved to Haskell.

Works to please his customers—is what Williams tries.

See O. E. Patterson when you want city property.

Mrs. Earnest Sutherland entertained the young people Thursday night.

Seed potatoes and onion sets at Williams'.

W. W. Fields & Bro. have bought Mr. J. T. Lawley's interest in their business.

List your land with O. E. Patterson.

Our job department has turned out a neat calendar for the Christian Church.

After this week we will gin only on Saturdays. Earnest & Sanders.

Look to the Morning Star—that's Williams' grocery store.

Mr. A. J. Glasgow of Benjamin visited the family of Mr. J. W. Johnson this week.

Messrs A. C. Foster and Henry Alexander attended the Masonic Chapter meeting at Munday Tuesday.

Special sale on lots beginning on Monday Feb. 19 at 7 a. m. See O. E. Patterson at the farmers Nat'l Bank.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Ellis visited Rule the early part of the week.

When the kitchen is in want, Williams can supply it with good, fresh groceries.

A \$2,500 shipment of Hamilton-Brown shoes and slippers just opened up at Alexander Mercantile Co's store.

I have a Jack to let on shares for next spring. J. F. PINKERTON.

A party of the little folks enjoyed themselves at Mr. Oscar Martin's Thursday night.

Mr. Lambert was in town the other day and said he had been sowing oats and had twelve acres planted.

The Haskell-Knox county singing society meets at Cliff tomorrow.

Figs, dates, currants, raisins, citron, shredded coconut, orange peel, flavoured and brown sugar for cakes, all Williams'.

Large lots of Red Seal gingham just received by Alexander Mercantile Co.

Miss Mamie Draper entertained a large party of friends at her home Thursday night.

"Money saved is money made," see O. E. Patterson before you buy a farm.

Owing to the Scarcity of money there are a few Round Bale accounts that we would like to be squared at Terrell's.

The attention of our customers is called to the advanced styles of embroideries just received by Alexander Mercantile Co.

Mr. J. L. Jones was in from Rule the other day and reported that embryo city on a boom.

Mr. O. T. Gray of the Rule neighborhood called on us last Saturday and subscribed for the FREE PRESS and Dallas News.

Go see O. E. Patterson at Farmers Nat'l Bank when you are in Haskell. See what he has in real estate before you buy.

Mr. W. T. York was in town Tuesday and moved his subscription figures up to 1907.

J. O. Miller of Abilene, District Deputy Sovereign Commander, Woodmen of the World, is billed for a public lecture on the objects and benefits of that order at Sagerton tonight. A general invitation is extended to the public to hear him.

For driving out dull, bilious feeling, strengthening the appetite and increasing the capacity of the body for work, Prickly Ash Bitters is a golden remedy. C. E. Terrell, special agent.

Mr. Jack Simmons left Tuesday for Waco. He has employment on the T. C. Railroad.

Mr. S. S. Cummings, who is one of the most experienced cattle men in this county, having followed the business up from the old open range days, says the cattle in this section have come through the winter up to this time in good condition. There was generally good grass in the pastures and, as there is a great abundance of feed stuff in the country, little or no loss of livestock anticipated.

If you want your property sold, see O. E. Patterson.

Mr. T. A. Greer called in the other day and favored us with cash on subscription.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe McCreary have come back to Haskell to reside after an absence of about three years in Abilene. Mr. McCreary has accepted a position with Sherrill Bros. & Co.

We are selling as much land as any concern in Haskell County. We have the best line of co-operative real-estate men in Middle Texas and can give you the best service. List with us for quick business. Loans made in 8 to 20 days. Yours for a square deal, WEST TEXAS DEVELOPMENT CO., North Side Square.

Miss Dannie Barnett, a teacher in the Haskell school, was called to her home at Killgore last Saturday on account of the illness of her mother.

Mr. C. C. Brentlinger of Buchel, Ky. and Mr. C. Omer of Jeffersontown, Ky., were in Haskell this week.

The man who was "born tired" should use Prickly Ash Bitters. It makes work a necessity to give vent to the energy and exuberance of spirits generated by functional activity in the system. C. E. Terrell, special agent.

When you come to town call at Williams' store and get warm and buy your groceries and be pleased.

Mr. H. F. Monke of Illinois spent several days here this week looking into the Haskell situation.

Hunt & Grissom are getting in their new goods and their advertisement appears in the FREE PRESS again.

BERRY PLANTS especially adapted for this country at \$3.00 per hundred, or \$25.00 per thousand. Make two to four gallons to the plant. Write, J. W. McCullough, Wylie, Tex.

Red-rust proof seed oats for sale at my farm 3 miles south of Rule.

W. P. MCCARTY.

Mr. R. J. Flansom and Mr. Russell of Alvarado were in Haskell this week. Mr. Flansom is local agent of the Katy at Alvarado, Texas.

Mr. J. E. Carter came in the other day and said the rain put a fine season in the ground in his section of the county—southwest.

Mrs. Wells of Cleburne, an experienced dressmaker, has located in Haskell and offers her services to the ladies of this vicinity. Phone No. 2.

You will find a better line of goods at the Stamford Dry Goods Co., than you are likely to find elsewhere, and if you buy goods from them this year, you will see the difference.

Mrs. J. S. Rike gave the young folks a Valentine party Wednesday night, which was highly enjoyed by them.

The rain the early part of this week, following the snow of the week before, has put a fine season in the ground and enables farmers to push ahead with the preparation of their land for another crop. It is also beneficial to wheat.

It pays to buy goods of The Stamford Dry Goods Co., because they sell the best for the least possible price.

Don't forget O. E. Patterson has offices at Taylor, Stamford, Munday, Seymour and Haskell. See him at the Farmers Nat'l Bank if you want to buy or sell real estate.

We are informed that three main piers of the Wichita Valley Railroad bridge on the Brazos have been completed and that two others are nearing completion, also that the grading, which has been somewhat retarded by rain and cold weather, is nearly completed to Munday.

List your property with O. E. Patterson.

Mr. W. H. Jones was in the other day and had his paper sent to Rule. Our Rule list is growing.

We learn that Mr. Whitfield leased instead of purchased, Mr. Donohoo's bakery, as stated by us last week.

O. E. Patterson has the cheapest and best lots in Haskell, go see him at once.

Mr. G. W. Thomason has gone to Dallas to argue a case in the court of criminal appeals.

Miss Annis Fields spent several days this week visiting the family of Mr. D. W. Fields near Marey.

This is the time of year to insure your house against cyclones. We write both cyclone and fire insurance policies. Come and see us about rates, etc. Sanders & Wilson.

Our abstract books are right up to date. Come and see us if you need an abstract of title. We guarantee you good work at reasonable prices. Haskell Real Estate Company, Post Office building, Haskell.

According to Mr. W. T. Newsom's experiment last year he has demonstrated that another valuable crop will grow successfully here. Mr. Newsom was in town a few days ago and he told us that he sowed two acres in alfalfa last June and got a good stand and that when frost came it was tall enough to cut. This alfalfa was sown on pretty stiff black land, about four miles north of Haskell. Mr. Newsom says he will sow two more acres this year.

See the Haskell Real Estate Company for Abstracts of title.

Mr. H. G. Begley was in town Thursday and purchased some new implements to stir up the earth with.

Commissioners court has been in session all this week. We will be able to give a synopsis of proceedings after they are entered on the minutes next week.

Fruit Trees For Sale.

Also grapes, berries, roses and shade trees. Across the street from Post Office at Stamford, Texas. 24. A. F. Shotwell.

Afraid Of Strong Medicines.

Many people suffer for years from rheumatic pains, and prefer to do so, rather than take the strong medicines usually given for rheumatism, not knowing that quick relief from pain may be had simply by applying Chamberlain's Pain Balm and without taking any medicine entirely. For sale at Terrell's Drug Store.

NOTICE TO LOCAL UNIONS.

February 7, 1908.

I am authorized by the president to call a meeting of The Farmers Union of Haskell county to meet at the court house in Haskell on Feb. 24, 1908, at 1 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of electing delegates to a state called meeting to be held at Dallas on March 5, 1908, and to attend to such other business as may come up. A full delegation is urged to be present.

Respectfully,
F. M. BLAIR, Sec

The Best Physic.

When you want a physic that is mild and gentle, easy to take and certain to act, always use Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. For sale at Terrell's Drug Store

YOUR BANKING BUSINESS

No matter how small, no matter how large, the Farmers National Bank will give your account careful attention. This message applies to the men and the women alike.

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HASKELL, - TEXAS.

We have sold \$96,395.00 worth of land in the country and \$6,700.00 of Haskell town property since 1st Dec., and if you will list your property with us we will sell it for you.

SANDERS & WILSON.

List your property with O. E. Patterson, he's always busy.

Tax Collector Collins reported collections of state and county taxes amounting to something over \$26,000 during January.

Get your abstracts of title from the Haskell Real Estate Company in the New Post Office building.

The force at work grubbing and clearing the right of way for the Wichita Valley railroad has been delayed some by the rain and cold weather, but we are informed that it will complete the work to this place by next Monday.

O. E. Patterson has the buyers, see him if you want to sell your real estate.

Mr. J. T. Barlow, who purchased the Storrs farm recently, was in town Thursday buying implements with which to begin farming operations.

Mr. E. F. Springer arrived home yesterday from the southwestern portion of the state, where he has been establishing a ranch.

If you want an abstract made quickly and properly made, see Haskell Real Estate Company at Post Office building.

Bright's Disease is more dreaded by physicians than any of the serious disorders with which they have to deal because of its insidious and malignant character. If prompt action were taken when headaches, urinary disorders, digestive troubles first appear, much suffering and sorrow would be averted. Prickly Ash Bitters will quickly stop the spread of the disease, quiet the inflammation, heal the kidneys and bladder, strengthen and regulate the liver, and drive poisons and impurities out of the system. C. E. Terrell, special agent.

There is a good season in the ground now for oat sowing.

Some Things We Sell



This cut represents the

Sorosis Skirt

which are the latest and most stylish article now worn. We have them in various materials and grades and are selling them at prices you can afford to pay.

We also have a full line of the celebrated

F. P. Corsets,

which are most comfortable, most popular and most stylish corset now on the market. Full assortment of styles and sizes for ladies, misses and children.



Call in and see what we have in stock.



We have a new and full stock of

Hamilton-Brown Shoe Co's.

shoes in various styles and grades. For you to know that our shoes are the best, it is only necessary for us to say that they are the Hamilton-Brown make.

ALEXANDER MERCANTILE COMPANY.



We are offering some good bargains for homes or investment, for real estate, on easy terms, some small farms for quick sale. See us. SANDERS & Wilson, Haskell.

I. O. O. F. - Haskell Lodge No. 253. J. T. RUSSELL, W. G. WALTER MEADORS, Sec'y. Lodge meets every Thursday night.

Elmwood Camp No. 24. T. B. Russell, Com. Com. Joe Ivey, Clerk. Meets 2nd and 4th Tuesdays. Visiting sovereigns invited.

"BOB'S Barbershop," Compressed air, clean towels and Sharp Razors. Try him for a HAIR CUT. East Side. HASKELL, TEXAS.

E. SUTHERLIN'S BARBER SHOP. Clean towels, sharp razors, prompt service and all work guaranteed to be first-class in every respect. West side of Square.

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Wall Paper

House builders and paper hangers should see our stock and samples. We'll interest you when it comes to wall paper.

VALENTINES

Here we interest the young folks. Feb. 14th is the day. Send him or her a valentine—we have some pretty ones.

SUITS TO ORDER

It's about time to place an order for your spring suit. We have an up-to-date line of samples from a leading tailoring house; call and see them and let us take your measure and place your order.

OUR GENERAL STOCK

Contains many things used daily in every household and we will interest you in the matter of prices

RACKET STORE.

The Free Press and Dallas News, \$1.75 a year.

900 DROPS

CASTORIA
For Infants and Children.

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THE CENTAUR COMPANY, NEW YORK CITY.

A Vegetable Preparation for Assimilating the Food and Regulating the Stomachs and Bowels of INFANTS & CHILDREN.

Promotes Digestion, Cheerfulness and Rest. Contains neither Opium, Morphine nor Mineral. NOT NARCOTIC.

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A perfect Remedy for Constipation, Sour Stomach, Diarrhoea, Worms, Convulsions, Feverishness and Loss of Sleep.

The Similar Signature of
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NEW YORK.

400 DROPS 25 CENTS
35 DROPS 15 CENTS

EXACT COPY OF WRAPPER.

There is always some one around to say "I told you so" when the unexpected happens.

When You Buy Starch buy Defiance and get the best, 16 oz. for 10 cents. Once used, always used.

It is always better to take things as they come than to attempt to catch them as they go.

Don't It Jar You?

To have a cough that you can't leave off—even when you go to bed? Put it away for good by using Simmons's Cough Syrup. It heals inflammation of the throat and lungs—gives you rest and peaceful sleep.

The maker, and the breaker, are the two great men of the world; the do-nothing is dead alive.

Garfield Tea, Mild Laxative, Regulates the Liver, Kidneys, Stomach and Bowels, cures Constipation and Sick Headache. Send this notice with your name and address to the Garfield Tea Co., Brooklyn, N. Y., for free sample package. Sold at all drug stores. Send us the name of your druggist.

A theory is an impracticable plan of doing something that is impossible.

Every housekeeper should know that if they will buy Defiance Cold Water Starch for laundry use they will save not only time, because it never sticks to the iron, but because each package contains 16 oz.—one full pound—while all other Cold Water Starches are put up in 8-ounce packages, and the price is the same, 10 cents. Then again because Defiance Starch is free from all injurious chemicals. If your grocer tries to sell you a 12-oz. package it is because he has a stock on hand which he wishes to dispose of before he puts in Defiance. He knows that Defiance Starch has printed on every package in large letters and figures "16 oz." Demand Defiance and save much time and money and the annoyance of the iron sticking. Defiance never sticks.

The ascent up the ladder of fame has made many a man dizzy.

The Best Results in Starching can be obtained only by using Defiance Starch. Better getting 4 oz. more for same money—no cooking required.

Loafers believe in acquiring daily bread a loaf at a time.

Rich, Juicy Radishes Free.

Everybody loves juicy, tender radishes. Salzer knows this, hence he offers to send you absolutely free sufficient radish seed to keep you in tender radishes all summer long and his great SALZER'S BARGAIN SEED BOOK, with its wonderful surprises and great bargains in seeds at bargain prices.

The enormous crops on our seed farms the past seasons compel us to issue this special catalogue.

SEND THIS NOTICE TO-DAY, and receive the radishes and the wonderful Bargain Book free.

Remit 4c and we add a package of Cosmos, the most fashionable, serviceable, beautiful annual flower.

John A. Salzer Seed Co., Lock Drawer W., La Crosse, Wis.

It is a waste of time to argue with a man who thinks he knows everything.

Try It Once.

There is more actual misery and less real danger in a case of itching, skin disease than any other ailment. Hunt's Cure is manufactured especially for these cases. It relieves instantly and cures promptly. Absolutely guaranteed.

Successful political candidates are usually cool-headed and warm-hearted.

Cures Blood, Skin Troubles, Cancer, Blood Poison, Greatest Blood Purifier Free.

If your blood is impure, thin, diseased, hot or full of humors, if you have blood poison, cancer, carbuncles, eating sores, scrofula, eczema, itching, rashes and lumps, scabby, pimply skin, bone pains, catarrh, rheumatism, or any blood or skin disease, take B. B. B. Blood Balm. B. B. B. according to directions. Soon all sores heal, aches and pains stop, the blood is made pure and rich, leaving the skin free from eruptions, and giving the rich glow of perfect health to the skin. At the same time, B. B. B. improves the digestion, cures dyspepsia, strengthens weak kidneys. Just the medicine for old people, as it gives them new, vigorous blood. Druggists, \$1 per large bottle, with directions for home cure. Sample free and prepaid by writing Blood Balm Co., Atlanta, Ga. Describe trouble and special free medical advice also sent in sealed letter. B. B. B. is especially advised for chronic, deep-seated cases of impure blood and skin disease, and cures after all else fails.

One must have a good memory in order to know when and what to forget.

Sensible Housekeepers will have Defiance Starch, not alone because they get one-third more for the same money, but also because of superior quality.

Talk is cheap; but it sometimes costs a great deal to make people forget what you have said.

\$100 Reward, \$100.

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one divided disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Castor. Hall's Castor Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Castor being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Castor Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials.

Address F. J. CHERRY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by all Druggists. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

A bank note will not purchase respect; obedience to conscience will.

Disorder is better far than a peace enforced against liberty.

It Will Stay There.

"In my family medicine chest no remedy is permitted to remain unless it proves beyond doubt the best to be obtained for its particular purpose.

"For treating all manner of skin troubles, such as Eczema, Tetter, Ringworm, etc., Hunt's Cure has held its place for many years. I have failed to find a surer remedy. It cures itching instantly."

R. M. Swann, Franklin, La.

Love makes some of us wise, but makes most of us foolish.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY Take LAXATIVE BROOM QUININE TABLETS. Drug stores refund money if it fails to cure. E. W. GROVE'S signature is on each box. 25c.

Learning to make furniture is better than learning to make slaves.

Try One Package.

If "Defiance Starch" does not please you, return it to your dealer. If it does you get one-third more for the same money. It will give you satisfaction, and will not stick to the iron.

To not believe in progress is like saying it is 10 o'clock when it is 11.

Defiance Starch is put up 16 ounces in a package, 10 cents. One-third more starch for the same money.

Co-operation is something entirely unlike uniting mere business interests.

Worth Knowing

—that Alcock's are the original and only genuine porous plasters; all other so-called porous plasters are imitations.

As a man's other property decreases his stock of dogs increases.

Taylor's Cherokee Remedy of Sweet Gum and Mullein's Nature's great remedy—Cures Coughs, Colds, Croup and Consumption, and all throat and lung troubles. At druggists, 25c, 50c, and \$1.00 per bottle.

A man's actions are seldom as good as the sample submitted.

I am sure Piso's Cure for Consumption saved my life three years ago.—Mrs. THOS. ROBINSON, Maple Street, Norwich, N. Y., Feb. 17, 1900.

Heads of household are the bill footers of their families.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup.

For children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, always cures whooping cough, 25c a bottle.

A woman is an attentive listener when her husband talks in his sleep.

A TRAINED NURSE

After Years of Experience, Advises Women in Regard to Their Health.

Mrs. Martha Pohlman of 55 Chester Avenue, Newark, N. J., who is a graduate Nurse from the Blockley Training School, at Philadelphia, and for six years Chief Clinic Nurse at the Philadelphia Hospital, writes the letter printed below. She has the advantage of personal experience, besides her professional education, and what she has to say may be absolutely relied upon.

Many other women are afflicted as she was. They can regain health in the same way. It is prudent to heed such advice from such a source.

Mrs. Pohlman writes: "I am firmly persuaded, after eight years of experience with Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, that it is the safest and best medicine for any suffering woman to use."

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Program, Christian Endeavor.

Leader—Miss Draper.
Subject, Christ's Life.
2. His Lifework and what we may learn about our own work. John 19:8-14
Paper—Miss Taylor.
Music—Mrs. Baker.
Recitation—Miss Doone.

Program H. M. S., on Feb. 23.

Subject—Prayer.
Opening song—"Sweet Hour of Prayer."
Scripture Lesson—130th Psalm—Mrs. Morton.
Sentence Prayers—Society—Lead by Mrs. McWhirter.
Roll call, responded to with scriptural references on prayer.
Minutes.
Business.
Christ's prayer for the world. For Unity, John, 17:9-26.—Mrs. Knowles.
Paper—"Prayer"—Mrs. Hester.
Story of Elisha's prayer that his enemies might be blinded—2 Kings, 6:18.—Mrs. McCulloh.
"The Source"—Mrs. Alexander.
Dismissal, with Lord's prayer in union.

HOME MISSION NOTES.

The W. H. M. Society held its regular meeting Friday, Feb. 9th. Sister Chambliss, the hostess on such occasions, met us all with her accustomed hospitality. There were 23 members responded to roll call, and, this being the meeting at which the annual election was to be held, the following officers were elected, viz:
Mrs. F. M. Morton, president.
Mrs. R. W. Tyson, 1st v-president.
Mrs. S. S. Cummings, 2d "
Mrs. A. G. Jones, 3d "
Mrs. Henry Alexander, secretary.
Mrs. R. C. Montgomery, treasurer.
Mrs. G. T. McCulloh, agent for "Our Homes."

Mrs. Oscar Martin, press Supt.
Our next regular meeting will be Feb. 23rd. MRS. OSCAR MARTIN, Press Supt.

Luckiest Man in Arkansas

"I'm the luckiest man in Arkansas," writes H. L. Stanley, of Bruno, "since the restoration of my wife's health after five years of continuous coughing and bleeding from the lungs; and I owe my good fortune to the world's greatest medicine, Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, which I know from experience will cure consumption if taken in time. My wife improved with the first bottle and twelve bottles completed the cure." Cures the worst coughs and colds or money refunded. At Terrell's Drug Store. 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free.

THEY SAY.

Ezekiel was very bashful, but he was also very much in earnest. "Mary Ellen" he said softly for the third time during his evening call, without adding another word thereto. "Yes, Zeke," answered the hopeful and encouraging Mary Ellen. He hitched his chair up closer, brushed his bangs out of his eyes, and finally blurted out: "Mary Ellen, they say I come to see you, and I do—they say I love you, and I do—they say we're going to marry, and less us."—Holland's Magazine.

A Healing Gospel

The Rev. J. C. Warren, pastor of Sharon Baptist Church, Belair, Ga., says of Electric Bitters: "It's a God-send to mankind. It cured me of lame back, stiff joints, and complete physical collapse. I was so weak it took me half an hour to walk a mile. Two bottles of Electric Bitters have made me so strong I have just walked three miles in 50 minutes and feel like walking three more. It's made a new man of me." Greatest remedy for weakness and all Stomach Liver and Kidney complaints. Sold under a guarantee at Terrell's Drug Store. Price 50c.

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TO THE CHILDREN.

A Floral Contest with Prizes.

The Magazine club has civic improvement for one of its objects and means to make a brave effort to accomplish something this year.

The members are all interested in having a cleaner Haskell, as well as beautifying the public and private grounds beautified. To accomplish this, an appeal is made to the children.

Flower seeds will be given for the asking, and a prize of \$2.00 will be given to the child having the best collection of annuals.

A prize of the same amount to the child having the prettiest vines. A prize of \$1.50 for the best kept yard. This refers to cleanliness, and includes both back yards and front yards.

The seed will be ready to distribute by the 15th of March, and any child under 15 years of age is asked to enter this contest, and call for the seeds at Mrs. Henry Alexander's or Mrs. W. E. Sherrill's, where further information will be given. A committee selected from disinterested parties will be appointed to decide on awarding the prizes, which will be given the first day of August.

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Prayer-meeting Program, at Christian Church, Feb. 21.

Leader—Mr. Baker.
Subject—Christian Education, Luke 2:52; 1 Thes. 5:23.
Clippings by all.
Paper—Mrs. W. L. Hills.
Discussion, all present.
Duett—Miss Boone and Mrs. Baker.
Our School, "Texas Christian University."—Eld. J. H. Shepard.

INFANT BAPTISM.

Next Lord's Day, February 18th, at 11 o'clock, A. M., you are invited to come to the Christian church and hear Elder J. H. Shepard preach on this important subject.

Just as interesting a theme will be considered Sunday night, when the subject is "The Lords Supper". Do not miss either discourse.

"My Mother's Bible" will be sung at 11 o'clock and "The Books Will all Be Opened", will be given at night.

He did not want his name used but says: "After using Hooper's Tetter Cure on my sore, tired, sweaty, blistered feet, they have given me no trouble. Collier."

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COME TO MY PARTY.

Friday evening, Feb. 23rd, from eight o'clock until eleven, the Y. P. S. C. E. will give a sociable in the home of Mrs. George Williams.

Every young man is invited to come and bring his best girl, and let's have a pleasant social hour.

A luncheon will be served for 15c, or two for a quarter.

ANOTHER ORIENT TOWN.

We are informed that the townsites managers on the line of the Orient Railroad have entered into a contract with Mr. A. B. Carothers to locate a town on his land on the line of that road in the northwest part of this county. The new town is to be called Rochester and the site is about eight mile north of Rule and five and a half miles south of Carney and eight miles south of Knox City, all on the same road. It is in a fine section of country and, if its proximity to the other towns does not affect its growth, ought to make a good town.

Professor O. M. Ball, of the Department of Botany of the Texas A. and M. College has been conducting a series of experiments to determine the value of the substance known as

Nitro-Culture, which is widely advertised as a revivifier for poor land. A very small package of this material is sold for \$1.50. Recently the New York State Experiment Station declared that a package of the so-called Nitro-Culture was not worth ten cents. Professor Ball is inclined to go still further. His carefully conducted experiments, covering a number of samples, go to prove that the "Nitro" being sold in Texas is absolutely worthless. Farmers throughout the State are being victimized as truly as if they were investing in gold bricks. A bulletin containing Professor Ball's conclusions is now in press. This notice is sent out prior to the publication of the bulletin in order that the farmers of the State may be properly warned.—A. & M. Bulletin.

THAT PUBLIC LIBRARY.

How many people of our town know really what the Magazine Club is doing toward starting a public library in Haskell.

For almost two years we have striven with this end in view, and at present we are devoting part of the club funds to this library work. As our means are limited, however, we cannot accomplish much. We have now about 125 volumes, which embrace standard and late fiction, poems, essays, histories, books of travel and adventure, juvenile books and a few good works of reference. So far we own no book-cases, but through the kindness of the school board and the principal of the public school we have been tendered the use of a room in the school building. Our intention is to take possession of this room as soon as possible and arrange to let our books out to subscribers. By charging a small fee we hope to be able to increase our library as our means may enable us to do.

For the library to get on anything like solid basis we must have the cooperation and substantial assistance of those in the community who have means to help and who are of culture broad enough and of public spirit sufficient to appreciate the benefits derived from a public library. Are you not for yourself, or for your child, interested in good reading matter? Would you not consider it a privilege to have at your command a library of choice books? If so, get in touch with the movement our club has inaugurated and lend us your assistance.

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