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- 73 acres Fract. Sect. 34, Blk. 46, H. & T. C. Ry., 15 miles N. E., at \$5.
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S. W. SCOTT.
Haskell Texas.

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

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

COMMISSIONERS' COURT, Haskell County, Texas, In Regular Quarterly Session, February Term, 1905.

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED, as County Commissioners within and for said Haskell County, and the Hon. Oscar E. Oates, County Judge of said Haskell County, constituting the entire Commissioners' Court of said County, and each one of us, do hereby certify that on this, the 14th day of February, 1905, at a regular quarterly term of our said Court, we have compared and examined the quarterly report of R. D. C. Stephens, Treasurer of Haskell County, Texas, for the quarter beginning on the 17th day of November, A. D. 1904, and ending on the 31st day of Jan., A. D. 1905, and finding the same correct have caused an order to be entered upon the minutes of the Commissioners' Court of Haskell County, stating the approval of said Treasurer's Report by our said Court, which said order recites separately the amount received and paid out of each fund by said County Treasurer since his last report to this Court, and for and during the time covered by his present report, and the balance of each fund remaining in said Treasurer's hands on the said 14th day of Feb., A. D. 1905, and have ordered the proper credits to be made in the accounts of the said County Treasurer, in accordance with said order as required by Article 867, Chapter 1, Title XXV, of the Revised Statutes of Texas, as amended by an Act of the Twenty-fifth Legislature of Texas, at its regular session, approved March 20, 1897.

And we, and each of us, further certify that we have actually and fully inspected and counted all the actual cash and assets in hands of the said Treasurer belonging to Haskell County at the close of the examination of said Treasurer's Report, on this the 15th day of Feb., A. D. 1904, and find the same to be as follows, to wit:

JURY FUND		Dr.	Cr.
Balance on hand as shown by Treasurer's Report on the 1st day of February, 1905	59.73		
To amount received since said date	40.00		
By amount disbursed since said date		40.00	
By amount to balance			59.73
Total	99.73		99.73
Balance to credit of said Jury Fund as actually counted by us on the 15th day of Feb., A. D. 1905, and including the amount balance on hand by said Treasurer at the date of the filing of his report on the 1st day of February, A. D. 1905, and the balance between receipts and disbursements since that day, making a total balance of		59.73	

ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND		Dr.	Cr.
Balance on hand as shown by Treasurer's Report on the 1st day of February, 1905	168.97		
To amount received since said date	1577.64		
By amount disbursed since said date		68.55	
By amount to balance			1678.06
Total	1746.61		1746.61
Balance to credit of said Road and Bridge Fund as actually counted by us on the 15th day of Feb., A. D. 1905, and including the amount balance on hand by said Treasurer at the date of the filing of his report on the 1st day of Feb., A. D. 1905, and the balance between receipts and disbursements since that day, making a total balance of		1678.06	

GENERAL FUND		Dr.	Cr.
Balance on hand as shown by Treasurer's Report on the 1st day of Feb., 1905	48.52		
To amount received since said date	4417.76		
By amount disbursed since said date		2026.98	
By amount to balance			2439.30
Total	4466.28		4466.28
Balance to credit of said General Fund as actually counted by us on the 15th day of Feb., A. D. 1905, and including the amount balance on hand by said Treasurer at the date of the filing of his report on the 1st day of Feb., A. D. 1905, and the balance between receipts and disbursements since that day, making a total balance of		2438.30	

COURT HOUSE FUND		Dr.	Cr.
Balance on hand as shown by Treasurer's Report on the 1st day of February, 1905	112.42		
To amount received since said date	1299.00		
By amount disbursed since said date		1113.08	
By amount to balance			298.34
Total	1411.42		1411.42
Balance to credit of said Court House Fund as actually counted by us on the 15th day of Feb. A. D. 1905, and including the amount balance on hand by said Treasurer at the date of the filing of his report on the 1st day of Feb., A. D. 1905, and the balance between receipts and disbursements since that day, making a total balance of		298.34	

R. & B. INT. & SINKING FUND		Dr.	Cr.
Balance on hand as shown by Treasurer's Report on the 1st day of February, 1905	479.66		
To amount received since said date	1017.74		
By amount disbursed since said date		25.44	
By amount to balance			1471.96
Total	1497.40		1497.40
Balance to credit of said R. & B. Int. & Sinking Fund as actually counted by us on the 15th day of Feb., A. D. 1905, and including the amount balance on hand by said Treasurer at the date of the filing of his report on the 1st day of Feb., A. D. 1905, and the balance between receipts and disbursements since that day, making a total balance of		1471.96	

COURT HOUSE INT. & SINKING FUND		Dr.	Cr.
Balance on hand as shown by Treasurer's Report on the 1st day of Feb., 1905	731.20		
To amount received since said date	2983.51		
By amount disbursed since said date		74.59	
By amount to balance			3640.12
Total	3714.71		3714.71
Balance to credit of said Court House Int. & Sinking Fund as actually counted by us on the 15th day of Feb., A. D. 1905, and including the amount balance on hand by			

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ESTRAY FUND		Dr.	Cr.
Balance on hand as shown by Treasurer's Report on the 1st day of Feb., 1905	58.64		
To amount received since said date	11.15		
By amount disbursed since said date		.28	
By amount to balance			69.51
Total	69.79		69.79
Balance to credit of said Estray Fund as actually counted by us on the 15th day of Feb., A. D. 1905, and including the amount balance on hand by said Treasurer at the date of the filing of his report on the 1st day of Feb., A. D. 1905, and the balance between receipts and disbursements since that day, making a total balance of		69.51	

DATE	RECAPITULATION	AMOUNT
Feb. 15	Balance to credit of Jury Fund on this day	69.73
"	15 Balance to credit of Road and Bridge Fund on this day	1678.06
"	15 Balance to credit of General Fund on this day	2439.30
"	15 Balance to credit of Court House Fund on this day	298.34
"	15 Bal. to credit of R. & B. Int. & Sinking Fund on this day	1471.96
"	15 Bal. to credit of Court House Int. & Sinking Fund on this day	3640.12
"	15 Balance to credit of Estray Fund on this day	69.51
	Total Cash on hand belonging to Haskell County in the hands of said Treasurer as actually counted by us	9657.02

BONDED INDEBTEDNESS.

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

WITNESS OUR HANDS, officially, this 15th day of Feb., A. D. 1905:

OSCAR E. OATES, County Judge.
W. S. FOUTS, Comr. Precinct No. 1.
H. C. COUSINS, Comr. Precinct No. 2.
S. J. SHY, Commissioner Pre. No. 3.
W. F. WATTS, Comr. Precinct No. 4.

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED before me, by Oscar E. Oates, County Judge, and W. S. Fouts and H. C. Cousins and S. J. Shy and W. F. Watts County Commissioners of said Haskell county, each respectively, on this, the 15th day of February, A. D. 1905.
C. D. LONG, County Clerk Haskell Co., Texas.

ALL OVER TEXAS.

Waco is suffering from an epidemic of grip.

The Kansas Oil Producers Association of Kansas has declared war in the Standard Oil company.

Analysis of the stomach of Marie Walker Hoch, the last wife of Johann Hoch, revealed arsenical poisoning.

Reports have been received, cables a St. Petersburg correspondent, that Vladivostok is being closely blockaded by Admiral Uri's fleet.

The Gonzalez cotton mill, which has been idle for a year, has been leased to Northern capitalists, and will soon be in operation again.

A strike in part of the Goss printing press involving 260 men and lasting since last May, has been settled and the men have been re-instated.

The City Council of Pittsburg has closed a contract for a system of waterworks to be completed by July 1, 1905.

Securing an ax by means unknown, five negroes confined in the Tyler City prison chopped their way out Wednesday night.

Six men were injured, two of them seriously, in an explosion at the chemical plant of the Brooklyn sulphur works in Brooklyn The building caught fire.

Frank Bill, a Gorman sailor, who was removed from the steamer Orizaba last Friday, suffering from yellow fever is dead in Swinburn Island hospital, New York.

Keene Canning Company (Ltd.) of Keene, Johnson County has been incorporated with a capital of \$5,000. Incorporators, A. P. Wesley, J. D. Sasey and J. L. Jones.

About one hundred men, representing almost every business interest in Denison gathered at Elk's Hall and perfected an organization to be known as the Board of Trade of Denison.

Frank Webber, aged about sixty-five, who has traveled in Texas for the past twenty-five years, died suddenly at the Oriental Hotel in Dallas while writing a letter in the public writing room.

Arthur W. Epps, sixteen-year-old son of W. W. Epps near Buffalo, was shot and killed in a friendly scuffle over a gun with another boy named Chas. Owens, about the same age.

By special permission of the school board of Dallas the graduating class of the high school will present a dramatization of "The Princess" at the close of the school this year.

Nato Flores, a Mexican boy of San Antonio, aged 15 years, accidentally shot and killed himself Sunday afternoon. The body was not discovered until Monday evening and an inquest was held.

Charles Costes, night foreman at the Pecan Valley Railroad roundhouse at Amarillo, was run over by an engine and one of his legs was so badly crushed that it was found necessary to amputate it.

Following nominations for postmaster have been made by the President: Thomas J. Epperson, Livingston; Thomas H. Danforth, Goliad; William S. Strain, Lancaster; John N. Johnson, Rockwall.

Hays Ridenour was convicted of assault to murder in the criminal district court of Grayson county and given two years in the state penitentiary.

Miguel Tijerit, a Mexican lunatic hanged himself in jail at Pleasanton with a towel.

The Central Texas Compress Company at Temple has already shipped to Japan so far this season 6,800 bales of cotton and it is learned that the presses all over the State have largely increased orders for that country.

The 4-months-old infant of George Johnson, a negro farmer, two miles west of town, was burned to death. The baby was wrapped up in a quilt and placed in a chair in front of a stove to keep warm and the wrapping caught on fire.

In the whole of Tarrant County there are 6,468 voters, including those to whom exemption certificate were issued. This shows a decrease of about 1,500 voters as compared with last year's statistics.

The Texas and New Orleans Railway purchase bill which authorizes that road to sell the Dallas branch from Dallas to Sabine Pass will become a law upon receiving executive approval, it having passed finally in the Senate.

Great encouragement is held out that the cotton mill at Denison will pass into hands of capitalists who will operate it in the spring. The mill cost \$500,000 and the machinery is in good order.

Stoessel May Be Scapegoat For Russian Blunderers

Stoessel May Pray to Be Delivered to Friendship's Care.

Victoria, B. C., Feb. 20.—Aboard the steamer Tartar, which arrived yesterday, were Lieuts. Below and Bondy, officers of the Russian cruiser Sevastopol, captured at the fall of Port Arthur. They were released by the Japanese after giving their parole.

The captain of the Sevastopol and a number of other prisoners recently released are expected to reach San Francisco shortly. Lieut. Below characterizes Gen. Stoessel as a coward.

"The world will know Stoessel as he is," said Below. "He is a coward. Stoessel was burrowed a great deal of the time in a cave. The real heroine was Mme. Zouhonnell, who when her husband was killed, took command of a battery of three eleven-inch guns at a point commanding the water supply and held them until she was killed. The garrison was deceived by false reports of the approach of Kuropatkin's army and the Baltic fleet."

According to the Mukden report, the Japanese were amazed when the Russians accepted the conditions. The correspondent adds details of the surrender, and describes the thin ranks of the Japanese regiment participating in the entry parade on Jan. 7. Many of these regiments mustered only a few hundred, in spite of fresh drafts, showing how dearly Japan had paid for the fortress.

San Francisco, Cal., Feb. 20.—Three paroled Russian naval captains and eleven Lieutenants arrived here yesterday from Port Arthur on route to Russia, on the steamship Siberia.

The naval officers made no criticism of Gen. Stoessel or the conduct of the defense of Port Arthur beyond the fact that the Russian fleet was undermanned, and had not a sufficient supply of ammunition when the war began. Port Arthur, they said, would have fallen on the latter part of August had it not been for the strengthening of the land forces with guns and men from the fleet.

"Gen. Stoessel," said Capt. Von Esen, "is a brave soldier, a great general and true patriot. He held out to the last minute. He had plenty of ammunition certainly, but I never heard of any army which could live on ammunition. Lack of food was the main reason for the surrender. There were not more than 10,000 able-bodied soldiers in the garrison when it was surrendered."

Thousands of Cattle Die.

San Angelo: Hundreds of cattle froze to death on the prairies in the counties surrounding this place during the recent blizzards and thousands of dollars of damage were done the stock interests of Western Texas. Reports are being received from the different ranches throughout the section and it is learned that the loss is very much heavier than was looked for. Where cattle were fat and in excellent condition but little loss was experienced, but stock not in such condition was in many instances frozen to death. A cattleman named Elder in Schleicher county had an eight-year-old bull to freeze to death. This is a very unusual thing in the annals of livestock raising in West Texas, for an old bull is about as tough as any beast that walks the earth. One ranch in Tom Green county had sixty head of cattle to freeze in one blizzard.

Old Settler's Sudden death.

Burkeville: Lane Gillespie died Friday at the home of his son, Sam Gillespie, three miles southeast of town. Mr. Gillespie ate a hearty breakfast, took a seat by the fire and in a few minutes told his son, Sam, that he felt badly, went to bed and died in a few minutes. Mr. Gillespie was one of the first settlers in this portion of the State. He leaves a large family connection and many friends. Deceased was 86 years old.

Caddo Parish Oil Find.

Shreveport, La.: The receipt of letters of inquiry from a distance attest the interest aroused by discovery of oil in the Caddo fields, further investigation of which seems to confirm even the most sanguine expectations. Experts that have visited the field declare that the oil is far in advance of the Beaumont product, being on a paraffine basis with a gravity between 35 and 36 and capable of being refined.

After Increased Revenue.

Cameron: A petition has been filed in the Commissioners' Court asking permission upon certain conditions to resurvey Milam County for the purpose of ascertaining whether or not there is any unrendered land in the county, and if so to collect the back taxes on such excess. It is thought that there are a number of instances in which the surveys overran several acres. The court has taken no action on the matter.

Big Blaze at Tyler.

Tyler: Tyler suffered from one of the worst fires in its history Saturday night. The flames broke out about midnight in the rear of Harris Bros. drug store, and the entire block from Harris Bros. went to the Gary block was burned, while everything south to the Starley Drug Company was lost. The fire department worked hard with many difficulties and were unable to check the flames until they reached the Starley Drug Company. The streets were almost impassable on account of recent rains which added to troubles of the firemen. Seven business houses were burned all of which are a total loss. The total loss is about \$150,000, with about \$85,000 insurance.

A Million and a Half Destroyed.

Indianapolis, Ind.: Fire which started in the wholesale millinery house of Fanley & McCrea, located on South Meridian street, Sunday night, spread to adjoining buildings, and within forty-five minutes had completely destroyed eight buildings. Among the heaviest losses are Fanley & McCrea, wholesale milliners; the A. Kiefer Drug Company; Griffiths Bros., wholesale milliners; Del Metach & Co., toys and druggists; sundries; the United States Express Company's warehouses; Savoy Hotel, Sherman House, St. Charles.

New Atlantic Cable.

New York: Another Atlantic cable is to be laid by the Commercial Cable Company and bids for its laying have already been received. The route has been determined and it is expected that the new cable will be in operation during the coming summer. Clarence Mackay said that no new stock would be issued on the cable, but that the cost had been met by the Mackay Company, because of the desire to keep the reserve fund of the Commercial Company intact.

Death Under the Wheels.

Galveston: George A. Bowman a native of Georgia but a citizen of Galveston for the last eight years, was killed by the cars at a Santa Fe switch some time Saturday night or Sunday morning. He left his home some time between 12 and 1 o'clock Saturday afternoon expecting to return later in the afternoon, but the finding of the body Sunday morning was the first heard of his whereabouts since that time. He leaves a wife in Galveston and an aged mother in Georgia.

Lecherous Mexican Shot to Death.

Lockhart: Mrs. John Miers, wife of a young farmer living near Dale, this county, was accosted in the road near her home Thursday evening by a Mexican, who exhibited the intention of criminal assault. Mrs. Miers escaped without being injured and soon the neighborhood was aroused and in pursuit with arms. The Mexican, however was quickly captured by Constable Jeff Moore and Deputy Sheriff Walter Alexander, who started with the prisoner, after dark, to this city. When about three miles from the scene of the crime the officers were overpowered by a mob of infuriated citizens and the Mexican was taken from their custody and literally riddled with bullets.

Telegrams from Benavides, Duval County state that a flowing well has been struck at Piedras Creek in that vicinity.

Guthrie, O. T.: The success of the Kansas legislature in passing the refinery bill, has encouraged Oklahoma to fall into line. Representative Walker has permission to locate a refinery on the Agricultural and Mechanical college grounds making the regents of the college the board of managers for the refinery. The treasurer has also been authorized to issue bonds for \$200,000 to build and maintain the institution until it becomes self-supporting.

Longview: A gruesome find was made at the cotton seed oil mill by J. R. Bell, who was tending cotton seed hulls into his wagon. Mr. Bell stuck his seed fork into what he thought was an old glove and endeavored to throw it aside, when to his horror, a blackened arm came out and then the almost decomposed body of a white man rolled toward him. An examination of papers on the man's body showed that his name was Frank Novak, last seen about February 3.

Two young negro men, Fred Hunter and Isaac Fant, living near Goliad, quarreled over a trivial matter and a fight ensued in which the latter was killed almost instantly. The weapon used was a pistol.

The pipe line owners and the oil producers at Beaumont are at loggerheads over division of profits.

Mrs. Nannie L. Chappel, who was injured by a fall on the ice a few days previous, died at Denison, Tuesday.

TAX BILLS PASS THE HOUSE ANTI-NEPOTISM IS KILLED.

Platforms Are Created Largely for Election Purposes.

Austin, Tex., Feb. 21.—All of the tax bills reported by the House Committee on Revenue and Taxation have finally passed the House except the Love bill, which has passed its second reading, and the Kennedy bill, which is pending on second reading. The bill last mentioned will come up to-day.

The Love bill did not muster as large a vote as did the Williams bill. This was probably due in part to some of the supporters of it being absent. It was due in part to the growth of a sentiment that the proposed rate of gross receipts tax on railroads is too high for the present, and it is probable that further opposition will be offered when the bill comes up again.

The bill by Mr. Love of Dallas, levying a tax of 1 1/2 per cent upon the gross receipts of railroads, was passed by the House upon second reading. As in the case of the Williams intangible asset bill, it went through without creating much of a ripple. Mr. Love made a speech explaining the purposes of the bill and reviewing the figures which he gave to the public some time ago, touching the tax payments by railroads in other States, his argument being that the railroads of Texas were not paying their fair share of the taxes. Then Mr. Fitzhugh opposed the bill, taking just the opposite position. Mr. Cobbs followed in an imposing speech, at the conclusion of which he offered a substitute for the bill. This substitute proved to be a revised edition of the Williams intangible asset bill. The principal feature of the revision was the provisions which sought to apply the entire scheme to all classes of property, individual and corporate, instead of to the property of a few classes of corporations only. Mr. Williams raised the point of order that the substitute was not germane to the pending bill, as the bill referred to proposed to place a tax upon gross receipts, whereas the substitute dealt with ad valorem taxes. The Speaker sustained the point and Mr. Cobbs appealed from the decision. The Speaker was sustained by a viva voce vote, something of an unusual proceeding. Then the bill went to engrossment.

Having advanced Mr. Love's bill as far as it could go for the day the House finally passed a bunch of the smaller tax bills, and then took up the Williams intangible asset bill and finally passed it. Notwithstanding the platform of the Democratic party demands legislation against nepotism, and despite the fact that the Senate passed a bill upon the subject, House Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence has stood by its former action, and by a majority vote put the seal of its disapproval upon the Senate anti-nepotism bill. This majority has gone on record as opposed to any legislation whatever upon the subject, as it sought to report no amended or substitute bill.

Four Are Killed, Fourteen Hurt.

St. Clairville, Ohio: Four men are dead and fourteen injured, three of them seriously as the result of the explosion Monday of a stationary boiler at No. 1 mine of the Provident Coal Company, near here. Eleven Slavish miners were cut, bruised or scalded, but none of their injuries are considered dangerous.

Negro society at Sherman has been greatly jarred by a negro woman named Campbell wearing a buggy whip out over Mack Brazier, a train porter, at the Union Station.

Killed in a Wreck.

Gilmer: There was one of the worst wrecks on the Texas Southern Railroad Sunday night that has ever occurred in this county. The north bound passenger was wrecked by the engine turning over in Twin Creek, some ten or twelve miles north of Gilmer. J. B. Laurenaek, fireman, was so badly injured that he died in less than one hour. W. J. Spaulding, engineer, was injured so badly that he died about 12 o'clock Monday.

Killed in Roundhouse.

Fort Worth: Will Posey, a negro man about 25 years of age, who has been employed at the Texas and Pacific roundhouse and who came here from Gause, lost his life Monday while at work in the roundhouse. He was engaged as an oiler, and it was while he was oiling an overhead guley that had in some manner become entangled in a belt, causing him to fall on the belt, which hurled him to a brick floor twenty feet below.

Missouri Swats the Standard.

Jefferson City, Mo.: Legislation in Missouri affecting the Standard Oil Company is to be along the lines of that now in progress in the Kansas Legislature. Senator Clarke and Representative Lyons of Kansas City will introduce the bills into the Senate and House, respectively, and the measures are to be the same as those now pending in Kansas. They will be introduced Tuesday if they reach here from Topeka.

GREAT UNIVERSITY TO CLOSE.

Students of the Empire on an Unex-ampled Strike.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 21.—The spirit of revolution has complete possession of the great meeting of professors, students and directors of the St. Petersburg University, which assembled yesterday to discuss the question of joining in the general strike, inaugurated by similar institutions in Russia, and decided to close the university until fall.

Squadrons of Cossacks again paraded the streets, especially in the Nevsky Park.

The meeting of the students was held in the auditorium of the university. The auditorium was packed to suffocation with men and women and the doorways and window embrasures were banked with students, who had others on their shoulders. Most of the students were poorly clad and all were in a state of intense excitement. The rostrum was occupied by the speakers.

Student orators set the imagination of their auditors afire with the spirit of liberty. The majority couched their remarks with a demand for war. Again and again was Russia declared to be on the eve of a revolution.

With burning words the students described the affair of January 22. One student announced that a continuance of study was impossible while such a struggle was in progress and said it was the duty of the young men there assembled to return to their homes in the provinces and spread the agitation.

Some of the professors tried to stem the tide with moderate words, advising the students to go back to their studies.

When Professor Speranz, one of the speakers, revealed the fact that Governor General Trepoff had threatened to permit no student who left his studies to re-enter any of the big universities the statement was treated with a veritable howl of rage. An attempt of a few reactionary students to hold an opposition meeting ended in a dismal failure. Less than fifty students responded to the call and the meeting was abandoned.

"With the decision of the student body of the great University of St. Petersburg yesterday to suspend studies for the remainder of the University year, almost the whole educational system of Russia has entered upon a period of stagnation, the protest of the people of Russia against the bureaucratic system and other governmental grievances.

Other universities of Russia, gymnasiums and even grammar schools, are already on strike and the military in various portions of the empire have been obliged to resort to force to restrain schoolboys of tender years, who are joining the general movement.

"Trinity River" Wolf Dead.

Dallas: W. C. Wolf, who has been a resident of this city for about 35 years, died Monday. Mr. Wolf was well known, and because of the fact that he was among the first to advocate the improvement of the Trinity River, he became known among his friends as "Trinity River" Wolf. Long before the present movement was begun he pointed out the feasibility of the project, and in every way urged that it be undertaken.

Gov. Lanham has approved a bill making it a felony to steal any sheep, hogs or goats.

The fourth car of eggs shipped from Yoakum during the last four weeks left there Monday, its destination being New York.

Luther I. Holden, a well known globe-trotter and dramatic critic is dead at Boston.

Gov. Hogg, it is announced, will make his home at Houston, and will form a law partnership with Watkins & Jones, the firm of Hogg & Robertson having been dissolved.

The government has appointed a commission of military men to make a report on the new explosive invented by a New York man who has offered the exclusive use thereof to Mexico.

Major W. F. Lewis, a major of the Confederate Army, one of the early settlers of Santa Anna and a prominent citizen, died at his family residence of pneumonia.

The Commissioners' Court of McCulloch County has ordered a local option election for the 11th of next month.

A car of spring wheat has been ordered at Stamford and the farmers are being urged to get a few bushels each and sow it after this snow melts. It is believed they will make good wheat.

At Clinton, in the northern portion of Falls County, a 5-year-old child of Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Greenwood was playing in the yard with matches Thursday evening and his clothing became ignited and the child was so badly burned that it died from its injuries.

The Belton opera house was totally destroyed by fire Saturday afternoon. Loss \$25,000; insurance \$3000. The fire originated in a feed store under the theater.

TORTURING PAIN.

Half This Man's Sufferings Would Have Killed Many a Person, but Doan's Cured Him.



A. C. Sprague, stock dealer, of Normal, Ill., writes: "For two whole years I was doing nothing but buying medicines to cure my kidneys. I do not think that any man ever suffered as I did and lived. The pain in my back was so bad that I could not sleep at night. I could not ride a horse and sometimes was unable even to ride in a car. My condition was critical when I sent for Doan's Kidney Pills. I used three boxes and they cured me. Now I can go anywhere and do as much as anybody. I sleep well and feel no discomfort at all."

A TRIAL FREE.—Address Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y. For sale by all dealers. Price, 50 cts.

Young Hunter's Hard Luck.

"Some years ago," said a hunter, "when I lived down on the eastern shore of Maryland, where I was born, I had passed a whole day gunning rabbits and had not killed one. On my way home through the woods I met a boy who had a live rabbit. Ashamed to go home empty handed, I gave the boy 25 cents for his rabbit. I then said to myself, 'I will let Mr. Rabbit to a bush and kill him, and the folks at home will say I shot a rabbit.' I took a shoestring and fastened the rabbit to a bush and then stood off, took aim and fired. When the gun had stopped kicking I saw Mr. Rabbit flying through the woods. My bullet had cut the shoestring in twain and had set the little animal free."

How She Won Out.

Glady—Papa says you're a loafer Jack. Jack—What reason has he for entertaining such an opinion of me as that? Glady—He says you spend three or four evenings here every week without having any apparent purpose in coming.

THE NEIGHBORS ALL USE THEM NOW.

Quick Cure of Rheumatism by Dodd's Kidney Pills. How They Saved the Shop of a Kansas Blacksmith—Cure was Permanent too.

Goodland, Kan., Feb. 20th.—(Special)—So quick and complete was the cure of N. E. Albertson, a local blacksmith, that it almost seems like a miracle. He had rheumatism so bad he feared he would have to give up his shop. One box of Dodd's Kidney Pills drove away all the pains and they have never returned. Speaking of his cure Mr. Albertson says:

"I had rheumatism in my shoulders and arms for years. Part of the time it was so bad I could not sleep at night. My arm hurt so that it seemed I would have to give up my blacksmith shop. I went to the drug store and bought one box of Dodd's Kidney Pills and took them. I have not had the rheumatism since. A great many of the neighbors are using Dodd's Kidney Pills since they saw how they cured me."

Breathe pure air. Associate with good companions. Drink plenty of pure water and nothing that will intoxicate. Take plenty of wholesome exercise. By a little training you will have an outfit which will take you far on the road to success in business.

SALT RHEUM ON HANDS.

Suffered Agony and Had to Wear Bandages All the Time—Another Cure by Cuticura.

Another cure by Cuticura is told of by Mrs. Caroline Cable, of Waupaca, Wis., in the following grateful letter: "My husband suffered agony salt rheum on his hands, and I had to keep them bandaged all the time. We tried everything we could get, but nothing helped him until he used Cuticura. One set of Cuticura Soap, Ointment, and Pills cured him entirely, and his hands have been as smooth as possible ever since. I do hope this letter will be the means of helping some other sufferer."

If some folks didn't spend so much time latent for the dinner hour, their crop might have been heavier. Keep your faith with God and you will not be so likely to lose your faith in man.

Millions of Vegetables.

When the Editor read 10,000 plants for 16c, he could hardly believe it, but upon second reading finds that the John A. Salzer Seed Co., La Crosse, Wis., than whom there are no more reliable and extensive seed growers in the world, makes



this offer which is made to get you to test Salzer's Warranted Vegetable Seeds. They will send you their big plant and seed catalog, together with enough seed to grow

1,000 fine, solid Cabbages, 2,000 rich, juicy Turnips, 2,000 blanching, nutty Celery, 2,000 rich, buttery Lettuce, 1,000 splendid Onions, 1,000 rare, luscious Radishes, 1,000 gloriously brilliant Flowers, ALL FOR BUT 16c POSTAGE, providing you will return this notice, and if you will send them 20c in postage, they will add to the above a package of famous Berliner Cauliflower. [W. H. U.]

Many a feller cheats himself out of good sleep by dreamin' of riches that belong to other people.

GRAND DUKE SERGIUS IS VICTIM OF A BOMB.

While Driving on Street to Kremlin in Assassinated.

Moscow, Feb. 18.—While Grand Duke Sergius was driving yesterday from the Nicholas palace through the Senate square, his carriage was followed by two cabs. At the law courts a sleigh, in which were two men, one of whom was dressed as a workman, went quickly ahead of the grand duke's carriage.

The sleigh then slowed up to allow the carriage to pass and at that moment a bomb was thrown beneath the carriage. The force of the explosion broke all the windows of the law courts and the report was heard on the other side of the city. The carriage was blown to pieces nothing but the four wheels remaining. The horses were not hurt and bolted. The grand duke was instantly killed. His head was blown off, actually being separated from his body, which was frightfully mangled. The coachman was also killed. He was so frightfully burned by the explosive with which the bomb was charged that he died while being taken to the hospital. On arrest of the murderers, neither of whom was known to the police, one of them coolly said:

"I don't care; I have done my job."

St Petersburg, Feb. 18.—The news of the tragedy in which Grand Duke Sergius was blown up created a tremendous sensation here, when the announcement from Moscow arrived. The tragedy in reality was no great surprise as it was known that the terrorists had already condemned the Grand Duke to death and ever since the affair of January 22, the inauguration of a bomb-throwing campaign had been anticipated.

Grand Duke Sergius, who was a brother-in-law as well as an uncle of the Emperor, and who had exercised immense influence at court, was regarded as the most reactionary of the grand dukes. As governor general of Moscow he was intensely unpopular. His advent as governor general of Moscow was followed by expulsion of the Jews from the central provinces and throughout his administration his rigorous and harsh measures aroused the greatest hostility, especially among the students. Two years ago, after the student riots in which many were killed or wounded, several hundred expulsions to Siberia followed under the orders of Grand Duke Sergius and Gen. Trepoff, now Governor General of St. Petersburg, but who was then chief of police of Moscow. Many threats were made against his life and the Grand Duke was obliged to flee to his summer residence, twenty miles from the city. During the recent strike disturbances the Grand Duke left the Diskoutohony Palace, on the outskirts of the city, where he had been living, and took refuge inside the ramparts of the Kremlin, where he had since lived in what is known as the Little Palace, opposite the famous statue of Alexander II. The trip to the Kremlin on the occasion was made at night behind solid lines of troops. The emperor is prostrated at the horror.

More Peace Talk.

New York: Frederick Wolfrost, a farmer who lived in Jamaica, L. I., is dead in a hospital there, having moved his head after being operated on for a fractured vertebrae caused by a fall on the ice. He became uncomfortable and the patient's brother helped him move slightly and the patient immediately collapsed. Stimulants failed to restore him and in a few minutes he was dead.

Another Two Headed Calf.

Lawton, Ok.: P. S. Briggs states that a calf was born at his place having two distinct heads. Both heads are well developed, each having two eyes and two ears. It is a fine-looking little fellow, and bids fair to be long-lived. As yet it has been unable to partake of any nourishment from its mother, but heartily partakes of food that is offered from the hand in either of its mouths. It has two separate voices.

Erroneous Tax Levy.

Casper: The Commissioners' Court, in session, made the annual levy of taxes. The Commissioners' Courts have previously made levies of 10c on the \$100 valuation for the lunatic and pauper fund, but the present court has refused to make the levy. The County Judge has declared that the law does not authorize the levy. The levy has been made in this county for many years, and no one has ever refused to pay that tax.

First Williams Warehouse Ready.

Waco: The first warehouse of the system proposed by Judge Eugene Williams of Waco has been set on foot, and is located in Russellville, Arkansas. Judge Williams has just received a letter regarding it, from W. J. White, who is one of the board of thirteen general directors appointed by the New Orleans cotton gathering last month. The warehouse will be ready to receive cotton at once.

THE FARMERS' UNION.

A Successful Meeting and Strong Resolutions Adopted.

Fort Worth, Feb. 18.—According to announcement the Farmers' union will send a committee to seek legislation in the interest of the farmers. On this committee are President N. C. Murray, General Organizer J. D. Montgomery and a third member to be selected by the executive committee. This committee will remain in Austin continuously with the legislature and will urge legislation along the lines of interest to the farmers.

The election of officers resulted in the following: President, N. C. Murray of Hunt county; vice-president, E. A. Calvin of Lamar county; secretary-treasurer, Newt Gresham of Raines county; general organizer, J. D. Montgomery of Palo Pinto county; executive committee, O. P. Pyle of Wood county; W. A. Shaw of Dallas county; W. A. Laudermilk of Comanche county; A. M. Colwick of Hunt county. Mr. Laudermilk was elected chairman.

Resolutions were adopted opposing the repeal of the occupation tax; opposing an increase in the ad valorem taxes; favoring a pure food law; a resolution endorsing the cigarmakers' label; resolution extending thanks to the bankers for enabling the farmers to hold their cotton; resolutions extending thanks to the railroads for courtesies extended. A resolution as follows was also adopted:

"Whereas, we know that the work of the city labor unions have a tendency to increase consumption of the products of the farm; therefore, be it

Resolved, that whenever possible to do so, members of the Farmers' union co-operate with trades unions in their efforts."

Several minor changes were made in the constitution and among them is a provision absolutely forbidding, under penalties, any member of the Farmers' union from discussing partisan politics while in the meetings of the union. This amendment to the constitution is carefully drawn, and it is thought that it will act as a barrier against the thing aimed at.

State charters were granted the unions of Oklahoma and Indian Territory to form a separate state organization.

One recommendation of the delegates from Louisiana the constitution was amended so that hereafter wherever a state has 5000 members a state organization may be had.

Negro Rape Fiend Will Die.

Bastrop: About 11 o'clock Thursday morning Mrs. Powell Tiffany, wife of a farmer living about five miles west of Smithville, was criminally assaulted by a stray negro. She was in the yard with her baby washing clothes, when the negro stole into the house, took a blanket and, throwing it over her, carried her into an outhouse, where he committed the assault. He then forced her, by threats of death to her and the baby, to go into the woods, where he twice more assaulted her.

Learning the news at Smithville, a posse, headed by Constable Smith, went out and last night about 12 o'clock ran across the negro in a seed-house at Upton, a small station on the Katy, nine miles south of here. He broke to run when some members of the posse fired on him at close range, both loads of a double-barrel shotgun taking effect in his left side. He was brought here and jailed and is not expected to live. He confessed to the crime and also stated that he stole the gun with which he attempted to shoot some of the posse at the Tiffany home, and that he took some money.

Held Up and Robbed Twelve Men.

Chicago: Twelve men have been held up by six armed robbers in the office of Max Mildeberg, proprietor of the electric light, oil and gasoline delivery. The highwaymen fired several shots as they entered, wounding two persons. They knocked another unconscious with a blow from a revolver. They then took more than \$300 and escaped. There were only four men in the office when the robbers entered.

Export Corn Rate.

Galveston: The Gould lines announced that they will put into effect on the 19th inst. a rate of 10c on export corn originating in the Missouri River territory and a horizontal reduction of 7c on all country-point business. Already the Santa Fe has put into effect the same rate, which, so far as these two roads are concerned, places Galveston on a parity with New Orleans on this business.

St. Petersburg: Even in the midst of the excitement caused by the assassination of Grand Duke Sergius there has been a sudden revival of the peace talk. It is intimated that Prince Frederick Leopold of Prussia is the bearer of personal representations from the Emperor on this subject. The Empress of Russia has received from the women of Moscow an address piteously appealing to her, as a woman and a mother, to use her influence with the Emperor to secure peace.

NAVAL BILL READY, ALSO RIVER AND HARBOR BILL.

Washington, Feb. 17.—It is now apparent that the naval bill will pass the House today. In fact its consideration is about finished. The question is what bill will succeed it. The river and harbor bill is ready for action, and the sundry civil bill is in like condition. If the latter obtains precedence the chances of the former for passage by both branches will be lessened, though they would not be wholly destroyed, for the consideration of the sundry civil bill would consume probably much time, and the bill now at the head of the docket stands a poor show. Mr. Hemenway, the chairman of the Appropriation Committee, which has charge of the sundry civil bills, stated yesterday that he was inclined to yield the right of way to the river and harbor bill. If he does, the bill will go through the House and reach the Senate in plenty of time to escape any peril. So far no opposition to the measure has appeared, and from what the senators say, it will not be loaded down in that body with amendments calculated to antagonize either the House members in the conference committee or the President. In fact, no river and harbor bill ever framed in the House has stood a better showing at this time of the session for passing.

The statehood bill is with the committee on Territories, and it will not be brought out until the Republicans leaders make sure that the House will refer it directly to a conference committee. Nearly all those who voted against referring it to the conference committee are said to have agreed that they would not oppose the program of the leaders. If this is the case the measure may be expected to go to conference at an early date.

Dennis Flynn, formerly the delegate from Oklahoma, stated that the majority in the house which had passed the two-state bill would still insist on its bill in lieu of the Senate bill, and he had but little hopes of anything being done this session.

The Eash-Townsend bill which passed the House, is in the hands of the Senate Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce, and as has been known all along that committee is not a hurrying one. The real friends of the bill in the house affect to believe that the Senate will pass it this session, but the majority of the people believe nothing of the kind. Mr. Townsend is credited with believing it will pass, and further with saying that if it does not, the President will call an extra session. This latter is believed by nearly every one who has talked to the President on the subject.

Great Cattle Loss.

Orange: Jop Sterling reports many range cattle bogged near water holes and along the bank of the river that are sure to die. Scores of others to thin to wether the present cold spell are dead and still others will die from the effects of the chill their blood has already undergone. The loss of live-stock in Southeast Texas and Southwest will be the heaviest experienced since February, 1899.

Death Caused by a Hog.

Madisonville: On Monday Bud Dean, a young man who lives at Neal, six miles out, was killing hogs and had one down, holding the animal by the foreleg. He was in the act of stabbing the hog, when it gave a sudden kick and the knife was thrust into the young man's knee just above the knee, severing the femoral artery, which caused his death in a few hours.

Gen. Lew Wallace Dead.

Crawfordsville, Ind.: Surrounded by his family, Gen. Lew Wallace, author of "Ben-Hur," one time Minister to Turkey and veteran of the Mexican and Civil Wars, died at his home in this city Wednesday night, aged 72 years. When told by his physician that he was dying, Gen. Wallace was perfectly calm and his last words were expressions of cheer to his grief-stricken family. Bidding them farewell, he said: "I am ready to meet my Maker," and lapsed into unconsciousness, from which he did not recover.

Ohio River Losses.

Cincinnati: The sudden drop in temperature brought the river ice to a stand, gorges forming at a number of points. The ice moved, crushing everything before it and the new freeze only postponed what river men believe will be the worst final break-up of the river in many years. The damage is estimated at more than a half million dollars.

Convict Makes Desperate Break.

Houston: Fred Allen, convicted at Beaumont of burglary and given eighteen years in the penitentiary and who cursed the jury, swearing to kill every juror when his sentence was served, made a desperate attempt to escape from Penitentiary Agent Sisk, while being taken through Houston Monday night. He leaped through a window of a moving train, but was recaptured.

LEGISLATURE'S BUSY DAY, NEPOTISM AND FREE PASSES.

Austin, Tex., Feb. 17.—The Senate has passed the anti-nepotism bill on its second reading. As the previous question had been ordered on Wednesday, amendment to add the emergency clause could not be entertained at that stage, and as the supporters of the bill could not muster enough votes to suspend the Constitutional rule, the bill could not be got to third reading.

An effort will be made to hitch on the emergency clause. Whether or not it is successful, the bill will pass the Senate finally and will be up to the House. It provides that officials, from Governor down to Constable, shall employ their relatives within the third degree of affinity or consanguinity in their departments, except that any officer may employ one relative as a confidential clerk.

ANOTHER PEACE CONFERENCE.

Bonn, Feb. 17.—In military quarters the opinion prevails that the rumors of peace between Russia and Japan are based on better foundations than formerly. Russia's chances of final victory are considered to be reduced to a minimum. The National Zeitung thinks that England is aiming at an understanding with Russia through France.

As there are many officers to which a confidential clerk is not allowed, the exception is not as latitudinous in its effect as might at first be supposed. Because the measure reaches out to county and precinct officers, affecting even School Boards, opposition from localities in which nepotism exists is anticipated. In fact, one of the Senators says he has reason to believe that appeals have already been made to county officers to urge members of the House to spike the Senate bill.

Incident to consideration of the Texas and New Orleans bill, the free-pass question was again discussed in the Senate. A test vote shows that the bill allowing the sale of the Texas and New Orleans line will undoubtedly pass that body, but it has been shorn of Senator Davidson's amendment, which made the grant conditional upon the railroad companies affected giving free transportation to practically all State officers.

Beet Sugar Factory Proposed.

McKinney: Much interest has been awakened among the citizens by the proposition of Hunter Woodson, promoter of the electric railroad out of McKinney to guarantee the establishment of a beet sugar refinery here, provided he is assured of 2000 acres of land being devoted to raising beets. A number of leading citizens expressed themselves heartily in favor of meeting Mr. Woodson's proposition.

Cotton Warehouse at Waxahachie.

Waxahachie: Contractors here began work on a warehouse for John M. Harrison, a farmer living near Waxahachie. The building will be 190x134 feet. Mr. Harrison owns several farms in the county and the building will be used by himself and others for storing cotton until they are ready to place it on the market. The building will be fireproof which will give a low insurance rate.

The new torpedo boat destroyer Ariake and Fubuki, constructed in Japan have been placed in commission. Their average speed is twenty-nine knots per hour. The torpedo boat destroyer Arare is finished at Yokosuka navy yard and is ready to be launched.

Proposed Hudson Celebration.

New York: Plans for a celebration of the three hundredth anniversary of the discovery of the Hudson river, to be held during the summer of 1909, was discussed at a meeting of prominent citizens and committees of the old New York societies at the residence of Robert B. Roosevelt. It has been proposed that a tercentenary exhibition to run during the summer be held at Verplanck point.

Burned to Death.

Galveston: Mrs. Catherine Hersey, aged 68 years, and residing at 702 Church Street, burned to death Tuesday night in her home about 10 o'clock. The origin of the fire is not known, but it is believed that while sitting by the stove the dress of deceased caught fire, not only burning her to death, but also setting fire to the house and burning it up.

Farmers around Denison report the woods full of dead birds, principally robins that have been frozen.

Probably Fatally Burned.

Belton: Miss Ethel Leaser, aged 13 years, was seriously and perhaps fatally burned Wednesday morning at her home in East Belton. While standing near a heating stove her dress became ignited and before the flames could be put out she was badly burned about the face and entire body. Her recovery is doubtful. Mrs. McCracken, her sister, in trying to extinguish the flames was painfully burned about the face and hands.

QUARRELS AMONG OFFICERS.

Did Much Toward Port Arthur's Downfall.

Paris, Feb. 16.—The French special correspondents sent to meet the French steamer Australian, having on board Gen. Stoessel and other survivors of Port Arthur, have forwarded a delayed account of discord among Russian officers.

Army officers are particularly hostile to the fleet, habitually calling it the "frightened fleet." Admiral Lockinsky, who was commander of the torpedo defenses at Port Arthur, is lengthily quoted as making a bitter criticism of Gen. Stoessel, Admiral Alexieff and others.

The main quarrel is between Lockinsky as characterizing Vice Admiral Stark and Rear Admiral Wittoft as "Bedchamber Admirals, not acquainted with their duties, and seasick whenever afloat. The admiral added that Vice Admiral Skrydloff prudently established himself ashore at Vladivostok, notwithstanding his opportunity to break the ineffective blockade at Port Arthur. Lockinsky declared he would denounce Stoessel, Skrydloff and Alexieff before the court martial, as he did not intend to have himself made a scapegoat like Rear Admiral Outomsky, who now trembles with fear in a Chinese hospital."

Lockinsky cited many instances of the unpreparedness of the land and naval defenses, frequent conflicts of authority and of demoralization during critical engagements. Substantially the same account is given by four French newspapers, which describe Stoessel and Lockinsky as refusing to speak or salute each other. The papers say that the discord among the officers foreshadows grave scenes before the court-martial.

The Petit Parisien quotes Gen. Stoessel as sarcastically saying:

"Rojestvensky had better not establish a too secure base along the route, or like the naval officers at Port Arthur, it will be impossible to let them venture seaward."

The correspondent of the Petit Parisien adds: "Gen. Stoessel can not pardon the navy's failure to succeed him, while the navy fully returns his hatred."

The French special correspondents conclude that the fortress fell largely because of regrettable quarrels among the officers.

Lock: The situation is becoming serious. Fewer men were working today. There is much suffering among the families of strikers. The director of the Coates thread mills at his own expense is daily giving dinners to the workmen's children, of whom 250 were present today.

The governor himself admits that the conditions are very grave. He is anxious to avoid bloodshed, but fears it will be difficult. He has preemptorily ordered the soldiers to refrain from exciting the animosity of the strikers and that they must not shoot unless first attacked.

The attitude of the strikers shows increasing hostility. The governor fears that it will be necessary finally to proclaim martial law and this probably will end the strike, but it may cost many lives.

The manufacturers are hesitating and unable to report an agreement with regard to concerns. The large mills remain closed. The situation tonight appears to be most grave and unless the deadlock is shortly broken the outlook for a settlement is extremely discouraging.

Miss Susan B. Anthony celebrated her eighty-fifth birthday Thursday at Rochester, N. Y.

Southern Cotton Growers.

Atlanta: The Georgia division of the Southern Cotton Growers' Association, with delegates from every county in the State, will meet here Tuesday, Feb. 21, to perfect State organization. On the same day there will be a meeting in the Capital City of each cotton-growing State in the Union to form similar organizations. There was a meeting called for every county in the cotton States Thursday to select delegates to attend the various State meetings.

Nek York City Pistol Law.

New York: An ordinance has been adopted by the board of aldermen empowering the city magistrates to assess a fine of \$250 on persons found carrying concealed weapons. The former penalty was \$10 and had little tendency toward breaking up the practice. The new ordinance empowers city magistrates not only to impose the fine but to commit the carrier of heavier weapons for six months.

Jruesome Bungling of Hangman.

Bridgeton, N. J.: Frank Ralsinger was hanged Wednesday for the murder of his wife. The rope broke as the body rebounded and the back of Ralsinger's head struck a cross beam of the scaffold and broke his neck. The physicians present said death was instantaneous. Sheriff Dement was unable to account for the snapping of the cord, as it had been tested with a weight more than 100 pounds heavier than Ralsinger's body.

ASSESSMENTS AND NEPOTISM.

To Get Money and to Hold Office Engage House and Senate.

Austin, Tex., Feb. 16.—When the House of Representatives, by a vote of 80 to 25, yesterday afternoon declined to postpone consideration of the Williams entanglement assets bill the fight upon tax measures was practically at an end in that end of the capitol. It was then demonstrated that the proponents of the measures have things their own way. They can put the Williams bill, the Love bill, levying a tax upon the gross receipts of railroads, and the Kennedy bill, levying a tax upon the gross receipts of a bunch of corporations, through finally whenever they choose to do so. They will delay the final vote long enough only to save themselves from criticisms that they engaged the opposition.

It being clear now, as indeed it has been clear before, that the measures will pass the House, interest begins to center more in the Senate. That the sailing of the bills be less smooth in that body than it has been in the House, is assured. Senate rules are more latitudinous than those of the House.

They admit of speedier work than is possible in the House; per contra the opportunities for delay are greater. Besides, the authors of the measures can not personally direct the campaign in the Senate nor be heard in advocacy of their bills. That work they must accomplish by proxy. Notwithstanding these conditions, it is quite freely predicted that the bills will pass the Senate also. At least a bet on the other side can not be recommended.

The fight in the Senate over the anti-nepotism bill reached the crucial point yesterday. All amendments tending to weaken the bill were cut off. An amendment to cut off the sons of members of the Legislature from pages' jobs was tacked on.

When the bill was forced to the voting point by the invocation of the previous question, the opponents blocked progress by moving a call of the House. The supporters of the measure, though in the majority, could not muster a two-thirds vote to excuse the absentees, and so the Senators remained imprisoned and without their dinners from 1 o'clock until 4:40. The adjournment was taken under compromise. The measure will come to a vote to-day. A part of the agreement is that the bill be passed with the emergency clause attached, and if the House passes it, the law will take effect immediately.

The President's Texas Trip.

Washington: The plans for the President's trip to Texas to attend the reunion of Rough Riders, now being perfected contemplate that he will leave Washington for San Antonio about March 25, stopping en route at Louisville, Dallas, Austin and Fort Worth. No definite action has been reached as yet regarding an extended hunting trip in Colorado, and no official announcement of the itinerary to Texas will be given out until shortly before the date of departure as circumstances might alter plans. Except for a stop at Houston after the visit to San Antonio, it is said no other towns will be formally visited than those to which invitations have been accepted. Arrangements are being made for a jack rabbit hunt after the reunion. The only date definitely fixed thus far is that for the holding of the reunion in San Antonio on March 31.

Dallas Commission Sustained.

Dallas: Wednesday the court of criminal appeals handed down a decision in the case of ex parte Edward Tracey from Dallas. This is the case in which the legality of the act—creating the Board of Police Commissioners of the city of Dallas was attacked. It has aroused great interest over the State. The court remands the applicant to the custody of the police, with the costs adjudged against him. This, in effect, sustains the commission.

Corn for Fuel.

Des Moines: Continued unrelenting cold and snow, which practically put an end to business and tied up all trains entering Des Moines, have placed the entire city and State at the mercy of a coal and fuel famine. But one dealer in Des Moines has hard coal for sale and that at prices almost above the reach of the consumer. In many sections of the state farmers are burning corn for fuel.

Frozen to Death at 104 Years.

Texarkana: "Uncle" Virgil Brown, an old-time slave negro, froze to death at his home, Monday night. He claimed to be 104 years old and those who knew him are satisfied he was unquestionably a centenarian. He lived alone except that he had with him of nights another old negro, aged 81. Monday night the latter sat up all night shivering over a few coals of fire in the fireplace, while Uncle Virgil remained in bed.

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The anti-free pass bill seems to be hanging fire in the house. Perhaps if the house gives the senate time for second thought and then returns a common sense measure to the solons of the upper house the country will be given a law in the spirit of the platform demand.

An Irish South Chicago, stated Feb. 21, gives some hope that criminal proceedings may be taken against the trust. It is stated that a special federal grand jury has been ordered drawn and United States deputy marshals sent with subpoenas for members of the alleged trust and it is thought the purpose is to seek indictments against them.

Since the supreme court upheld the Grosscup injunction against the trust the country has been waiting anxiously and with as much patience as possible for the government to proceed with criminal prosecutions against the members of the trust. Without such prosecution the supreme court decision will be an empty victory for the people. It was established before the supreme court that the packers pursued certain methods of business and the court held that such methods constituted them an illegal combination or trust in restraint of trade and in violation of the anti-trust law. There is the case made ready to hand for the criminal courts and if these courts and the attorney general's department do not proceed to grind the people will be driven to conclude that undue influences are clogging the wheels of justice.

FEBRUARY RAINS.

Hearing considerable discussion and diversity of opinions as to the amount of rainfall or moisture during Februarys of former years, we called on Mr. W. E. Sherrill who keeps the government weather gauge and record and he furnished us the following, showing amount of precipitation in February of each year:

1892, .49 inch	1901, 1.40 inch
1893, 1.85 "	1902, .01 "
1895, 1.52 "	1903, 5.16 "
1898, .00 "	1904, .26 "
1898, 1.53 "	1905, 1.64 "

The average for the ten years given is 1.38 inches, so that now we have considerably more than the average moisture in the ground for this time of the year. We saw a man digging holes two feet deep in the sod yesterday in which to plant shade trees and there was good moisture as deep as he went.

OUR RAILROAD.

The FREE PRESS is reliably informed that two men connected with the construction of the C. T. & M. Railroad (the Haskell-Abilene R. R.) have arrived at Abilene and returned residences for their families and that a carload of scrapers arrived there a few days ago, also that the president of the construction company is to be there in a few days to start up the work. This news we regard as perfectly reliable.

What are They?

Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. A new remedy for stomach troubles, biliousness, and constipation, and a good one. Price 25 cents. For sale by C. E. Terrell.

Mr. T. J. Head of the Wild Horse country was in yesterday and squared up and went a year ahead for the FREE PRESS and News. Speaking of hog raising in this country he says the idea of some farmers that they can't do it profitably is ridiculous. He says that about a year ago he bought hogs to the amount of \$29, that from them he sold \$22.25 worth, has 700 lbs of meat and lard in his smokehouse worth at 12-1-2 cts per lb \$87.50 and has on hand hogs that he can sell for \$40, making his total income from them \$149.75. He says that he has not given them more than \$20 worth of feed that he could have sold for money, that they thrived on stuff that would have gone to waste if he had not had the hogs to eat it—such as pie melons, water melons, butter-milk, etc., so that taking off original cost of hogs, \$29 and feed, \$20, total \$49, leaves him \$100.75 ahead. He advises Haskell farmers to plant more hogs and other things to live on and less cotton.

Crope paper, plain and figured, at the Racklet Store.

WHAT TEXAS WON.

Led All States in Several Departments at World's Fair.

FROM OFFICIAL REPORT OF COMMISSIONERS.

The Texas World's Fair commissioners, who had the management and charge of the Texas exhibits at the St. Louis World's Fair, met at Austin on Feb. 9th and approved the report prepared by General Manager Louis J. Wortham for publication.

The report is lengthy and covers the history of the work involved in raising the money by popular subscription and in gathering, preparing and caring for the exhibits throughout the continuation of the fair as well as a brief summary of results accomplished. We can give space only for an extract from that portion of the report, as follows:

The evidence of the fact is in the successes, I might say marvelous triumphs, won by the Texas commission in the Department of Agriculture, wherein the Texas exhibit took the grand prize and demonstrated that in its agricultural excellence Texas stood without a superior in all the world and that, when its agricultural possibilities are considered, it will stand without a peer on earth.

In the Department of Horticulture the successes achieved by Texas were even more noteworthy, all things considered, than the successes accomplished in the Department of Agriculture. The world had come to know Texas as an agricultural State because of its tremendous cotton production without, however, knowing much about the infinite diversity of its agricultural products, but it was not prepared to be presented with an indisputable demonstration of the fact that its horticultural possibilities were scarcely excelled by those of its agriculture. But three States among the host that competed for awards in the Department of Horticulture received more awards than Texas, and no State on its collective exhibit took a higher rank, for Texas was awarded the grand prize on its horticultural exhibit. The three States leading Texas in the total number of awards in this department were New York, California and Missouri.

But if we surprised our competitors in the Department of Agriculture and Horticulture, a still greater awe awaited them in the triumph to be achieved in the Department of Forestry, for there Texas took the grand prize on its collective exhibit—thus falling into the class of great forestry States with Michigan, Oregon, California, Arkansas and Louisiana.

In the Department of Mines and Metallurgy the Texas exhibit took a gold medal, which was next to the highest possible award, and it is but fair to state that some of the best authorities in the world did not hesitate to say that Texas should have been awarded grand prize in this department also. This, however, is not open to controversy since the jury of awards did not see proper to give us the grand prize. Meanwhile we are quite content to rank second to great mineral States like Colorado, for until the recently established mineral survey of the University of Texas the mineral wealth of Texas had known little or no scientific exploration.

In the Department of Education we had a most creditable exhibit. In this department an exhibit made under the auspices of the Texas Commission by Prof. H. L. Piner of the Blind Institute was awarded a gold medal, which was as high an award as was made to any similar exhibit.

In the Department of Transportation, where we had an exhibit of wagons made of Texas bois d'arc and other woods, Texas was awarded a bronze medal. The very creditable exhibit in this department was due to the patriotism of Hon. John L. Wortham and his associate officials of the penitentiary.

In the Department of Fine Arts, where we exhibited the work of Elizabeth Ney of Austin and Pompeo Coppini of San Antonio, the recumbent statue of Albert Sidney Johnston was awarded a bronze medal. I have the verdict of art critics of world-wide reputation that had many of the pictures and pieces of statuary, notably among these last being the group in plaster done by Pompeo Coppini of San Antonio, commemorative of the horrors of the Galveston flood, been admitted to the Palace of Fine Arts instead of being devoted to the decoration of the Texas pavilion, our awards would have been more pronounced.

In casting up finally the results achieved by Texas at the World's Fair permit me the statement, when the paucity of our revenues, wrong very largely from a most reluctant public, is compared with the liberal State appropriations at the disposition of States with which we had to contend for the grand prizes offered by

the exposition company, that those achievements are little less than wonderful. The following States with which Texas competed in the great departments of agriculture, horticulture and forestry had the following appropriations: Missouri, \$1,500,000; New York, \$390,000; Pennsylvania, \$300,000; Indiana, \$150,000 and California, \$130,000, to which must be added \$100,000 from the counties of that State. Despite this great disparity in funds not one of these, in either of the departments named, outranked Texas, although we were limited to a fund which, recruited at long and painful intervals, never exceeded \$140,000.

CALEB TERRELL,
WATCHMAKER and JEWELER
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MRS. CECELIA STOWE,
Orator, Entre-Socias Club.

170 Warren Avenue,
CHICAGO, ILL., Oct. 22, 1902.
For nearly four years I suffered from ovarian troubles. The doctor insisted on an operation as the only way to get well. I, however, strongly objected to an operation. My husband felt disheartened as well as I, for some with a sick woman is a desolate place at best. A friendly druggist advised him to get a bottle of Wine of Cardui for me to try, and he did so. I began to improve in a few days and my recovery was very rapid. Within eighteen weeks I was another being.

Cecelia Stowe
Mrs. Stowe's letter shows every woman how a home is saddened by female weakness and how completely Wine of Cardui cures that sickness and brings health and happiness again. Do not go on suffering. Go to your druggist today and secure a \$1.00 bottle of Wine of Cardui.

WINE OF CARDUI

COMMISSIONERS' COURT.

Proceedings at February Term.

The full court, Commissioners Fouts, Cousins, Shy and Watts with Judge Oates presiding, met on Monday, 20th and continued in session all the week and, failing to get through with the work, reconvened Monday and were in session four days of this week.

We can not give space this week for the proceedings in full, but will mention briefly such orders as appear to be of most interest:

Petition to increase size of school district No. 14 not granted.

Petition of G. W. Pilley et als for a public road granted.

Petition of A. H. Storrs et als for public road refused because expense too great for amount of travel to be accommodated.

Election on levy of special school tax in district No. 18 ordered on petition of citizens, to be held March 18.

Petition of Joe Bevers et als for a new school district to be composed of parts of other districts refused because no law authorizing same.

Order passed authorizing county judge to have broken window and door glass replaced and repairs made on the water works.

Claim of J. H. Rutherford official stenographer of the district court passed for investigation, it being the opinion of the court that the law does not allow the amount of fees claimed.

Petition of G. W. Tanner et als for a second class road from Cleddennens' to Sagerton granted.

Petition of T. S. Brooks et als for road continued to May term.

Petition of Joe Cloud et als for road continued to May term.

Petition of citizens for election in school district No. 20 on special tax levy granted, election March 18.

Petition of J. W. McCann to have obstructions removed from Cliff and Haskell public road granted and road superintendent Sowell ordered to remove same.

Petition of R. H. Darnell et als for road to intersect Haskell and Stamford road continued to May term.

Petition of citizens for a county local option election granted and election ordered on March 25.

Petition of G. W. Hutto et als for election on special tax levy in school district No. 22 granted—election March 18.

H. S. Wilson who was at previous term appointed county attorney having failed to accept and qualify as such, an order was entered appointing J. E. Wilford for the unexpired term.

Ordered that the office now occupied by Sanders & Wilson and the county surveyor be set aside for the use of the district clerk and that the county

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surveyor office with the county treasurer.

Ordered that county judge execute deed for lots outside of grave yard as fenced in exchange for lots inside of fence.

Monthly and quarterly reports of all county officers, justices of peace, road superintendent and butchers were filed with the court and same were examined and approved as correct.

Officers of election for ensuing two years appointed for the several election precincts as follows: [The first named in each precinct is the presiding judge and the others are the judges.]

Pre. No. 1, Haskell, H. S. Wilson, J. U. Fields, J. F. Vernon, A. H. Day.

Pre. No. 2, Brushy—J. B. Wadlington, J. H. Cook.

Pre. No. 3, Howard—Robert Lee, D. R. Livingston.

Pre. No. 4, Vernon—G. W. Pilley, W. P. Caudle.

Pre. No. 5, Marey—D. W. Fields, M. W. Chapman, T. A. Greer, Guy Speck, T. W. Langston.

Pre. No. 6, Lake Creek—Ed Cavener, B. H. Owsley.

Pre. No. 7, Pinkerton—J. F. Pinkerton, S. W. Vernon.

Pre. No. 8, Cliff—R. R. Travis, J. W. McCann.

Pre. No. 9, Gray Mare—J. D. Roberts, W. D. Kemp.

bett, W. T. Simpson. Dist. 3, J. B. Wadlington, J. H. Cook, M. Pries.

Dist. 4, J. E. Davis, W. D. Garren, Mr. Frezell.

Dist. 5, J. E. Dobbins, W. H. Scott, A. F. Smith.

Dist. 6, W. A. Brown, J. B. Regan, S. W. Vernon.

Dist. 6a, J. E. Cloud, W. R. Carothers, W. E. Underwood.

Dist. 7, B. H. Owsley, Geo. Cavener, T. B. Cybert.

Dist. 8, M. W. Chapman, D. W. Fields, J. M. Speck.

Dist. 9, J. E. Irby, J. T. Hallmark, G. F. Atchison.

Dist. 10, R. R. Travis, J. M. McCann, T. J. Marks.

Dist. 11, G. E. Courtney, Henry Free, E. L. Ridling.

Dist. 12, A. V. Stanfield, Wheeler Lee, T. G. Jack.

Dist. 13, S. A. Elam, R. S. Alexander, S. C. Hawes.

Dist. 14, Joe McReynolds, W. A. Smith, R. W. Hutto.

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Mr. William Pierson of Greenville is visiting the families of his father and brothers at this place.

We have some houses and lots in Haskell for sale. Sanders & Wilson.

Select your wall paper at the Racket Store.

Mr. W. M. Webb of Cliff was in the city Thursday.

We are requested to state that Dr. Zollers will not be here to lecture tomorrow night.

Fresh groceries always at the Blue Front grocery store, east side of square. J. B. Hash.

Mr. Lewis Tarbett of Missouri is visiting his father and brothers who reside in the Pinkerton neighborhood.

I can let you have all the money you want on land. T. G. Carney.

A big line of boys' and men's clothing, pants, overalls and jumpers to arrive this week. C. M. Hunt & Co.

Mr. Hunter Lanier of the north side was in the county capital Wednesday. He says the new town of Knox City is flourishing.

See us before you buy your groceries; we think we can save you money. Our stock will be full and complete at all times. W. W. Fields & Bro.

If you want to trade for a young thoroughbred Kentucky jack, see me in Stamford. B. M. Darrett. 7-27.

The prettiest line of shoes ever opened up in Haskell at C. M. Hunt & Co's.

Kraut and keg pickles at Williams'.

The Pharmacy Board of the 39th Judicial district will meet in Haskell on March 22.

The Keister Grocery Co. have just received another car load of Red Rust-proof Seed Oats, represented to be clear of Johnson grass.

FOR RENT—65 acres of land 3 miles from Haskell and a place 9 miles east of Haskell. Apply at this office.

A new line of spring wall paper at Collier's Drug Store.

Mr. I. B. Crow who moved to Jones county some weeks ago has thought better of it and returned to this county. He says he just took his things down there to try it, but didn't move.

I have for sale 45 acres of land with good timber on it, 10 miles north of Haskell. Who wants it? P. D. Sanders.

Where there is beauty Adams takes it, and where there isn't any he makes it. See him at his new photo gallery.

Mr. M. M. Causey, the gin man of the northwest part of the county, called on us Thursday and got some stationery and subscribed for the FREE PRESS.

Ellis & English will buy your hides at the highest market price and pay spot cash.

Garden seeds in bulk at the Racket Store.

Buy your groceries of the Bell county grocer, at the Blue Front, east side of square. J. B. Hash.

Mrs. G. W. Fulton and little daughter Estelle of Matagorda, Texas, are visiting Mrs. Fulton's parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Dodson of this place.

Mr. J. B. Tomkins cashed up the other day for another year's reading of the FREE PRESS.

Adams can now make you as perfect and well finished photographs as you can get in any city gallery.

A few weeks ago Mr. J. L. Jones put a notice in the FREE PRESS saying he had for sale 1000 bushels of seed oats. During the following week he sold all the oats. This shows that the people read the FREE PRESS and that advertising pays. Moral: If you have anything for sale advertise it.

Judge Jones will open a term of district court at Roby, Fisher county next Monday. He was fortunate in having a lay-off at home during the late cold and disagreeable weather.

I have for sale fifteen pigs from six to ten weeks old, Berkshire and Poland China cross. Eight miles northwest of Haskell on Marcy road. J. R. Johnson.

Messrs. S. M. Atwood and J. G. Jackson, deputy state commanders of the Macabees, will organize a lodge of that order here tonight.

In his new gallery with properly arranged lights and accessories, Adams can turn out as fine photographs as the city artists, and he does it for less money.

Mr. Jno. L. Robertson returned the first of the week from a trip which included Stamford, Roby, Sweetwater and Abilene. He says that while at the latter place he became pretty thoroughly convinced that the C. T. & M. Railroad will be built to Haskell.

A GLIMPSE OF CLUB LIFE.

After a four months course in the depths of Macbeth the Club Women of Haskell are now making researches into the beauty of "The Winter's Tale." Having waded into blood with Macbeth until his "way of life had fall'n into the sear, the yellow leaf," and, with this Scottish King, having "supp'd full with horrors," even to his last tragic end; it is relief to our o'er fraught nerves that we now enter upon the more pleasing scenes of "The Winter's Tale." Though this pastoral may also boast of some tragedy it is that kind which through intensity develops into comedy; that tragedy which only heightens and intensifies the beauty and harmony of the comedy.

However deeply we may feel the undeserved sufferings of the noble Hermione, our first thoughts at the mention of "The Winter's Tale" are with Perdita among her flowers and her friends. This it is that gives such charm to the play.

Of all Shakespears' marvelous creations "The Winter's Tale," written late in life, when his inward and outward conflicts were o'er and he had reached the state of perfect peace, when his mastery of the English language was most complete; seems to take rank in beauty second only to Cymbeline.

Our last weeks meeting was postponed not by any wish of our own but because of a visit from old Boreas, that rude, blustering son of Astraeus and Eos, who, brought along with him a sample of the kind of weather which the Esquimaux enjoy all the time.

On Feb. 11th the two hours of clubdom were spent in the home of Mrs. J. F. Posey. After a profitable recitation and discussion of the lesson the hostess invited us into an adjoining room to meet a friend who had just arrived from a distance and, being overcome by her journey, was not disposed to leave her room. With becoming grace and dignity we entered the room, when the first object to meet our gaze was the mistress of all witchcraft, Pale Hecate. Beside her stood the famous cauldron in which Shakespeare tells us she was wont to throw the "fillet of a fenny snake, eye of newt and toe of frog, wool of bat and tongue of dog"—those things which she deemed so powerful in foretelling the destinies of mankind. As we gazed upon this goddess of the nether regions standing under the dim artificial light of the darkened room, we could almost hear her plaintive chant of

"Double, double toil and trouble; Fire burn, and cauldron bubble."

Forgetting the fate of Macbeth, who trusted in this witch and, all unmindful of Banquo's warning: "The instruments of darkness tell us truths, win us with honest trifles, to betray's in deepest consequence," we were eager to look into the seeds of time and each club woman drew from the black hand of Hecate a terse statement of her future weal or woe. Ere we had quite fathomed the double meaning in which Hecate loves to speak our attention was called to more material pleasures and we were daintily served to steaming chocolate and fragile wafers.

At the request of our hostess our "over the tea cup" discussions were concerning plans for public improvements. Many wise suggestions were made; one, that we buy a piano for the chapel of our magnificent new school building; another, that we secure a reading room in which to store our books, adding to our list more books, also late journals and periodicals. It seems to me, however, that the most timely suggestions were made along the line of civic improvement. Our court yard should have the attention of aesthetic minds and strong persevering hands, and the campus in front of our school building will soon be ready for trees and cannas. May the future reveal that of this good beginning cometh a good end. Mrs. Jno. B. BAKER, Club Reporter.

TONSORIAL.

When you're passing by Do not merely stop and look, But walk in and try The new barber, Harry Cook.

He is at Parson's shop where he does all kinds of barber's work in the best style of the tonsorial art. He also removes moles from the face or body without pain.

New spring goods arriving 'most every day. Call and see them. C. M. Hunt & Co.

Mr. T. B. Denison of the Pinkerton neighborhood was in Wednesday and remembered the FREE PRESS with a cash payment.

If you are going to have to buy feed in any quantity, be sure to see us before buying. We will carry a full line of feed stuffs and make you very close prices. W. W. Fields & Bro.

For sale cheap! Two good farms in the northeast part of Haskell county, near Ample. Who wants them? Sanders & Wilson.

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Visiting sovereigns invited.

MUNDAY NEWS.

Mr. Elland, postoffice inspector, is looking after matters here this week.

Uncle Geo. Reeves is able to be on the streets again after a very severe illness.

Quite a number of horses and mules were in town Tuesday for sale but for some reason or other the buyer did not show up.

Finis Borlow of the New York life Insurance Co., was in town Monday.

We have one linen duster, two white umbrellas and a straw hat to trade for wood, coal or cobs—snap for the right man, apply to Ed Beard.

Mr. B. H. Bickers left for Dallas Wednesday, where he goes to undergo a surgical operation.

Sheriff Collins of Haskell was in town Monday.

About twenty Mundayites went rabbit hunting first of the week and about fifty Jack rabbits were captured.

R. B. Wilson did business in Stamford Monday.

Sheriff Jim Reeves and county treasurer Hodge of Knox county were in town Sunday.

Mack Irgus has accepted a position in the establishment of J. M. Woodfin. Mr. Woodfin is our hide and fur dealer. MUNDAYITE.
Monday, Feb. 22, '05.

Lost Horse.
One dark bay pony horse about 14 or 15 hands, 5 years old, white spot in forehead, heavy mane and tail. Branded C on jaw and A on shoulder. Last seen on 4th of November about 8 miles east of Haskell on the Throckmorton road. A liberal reward will be paid for the return of this pony.
C. L. TERRELL.

JANUARY SALE

of

Winter Goods

Our January sale this year consists of an unusually large variety of choice winter goods which we have put at ridiculously low prices—prices that must induce you to buy if you need any thing in the line.

The following prices will give you an idea of the general range of reductions:

Outing Flannels that were 8 1-3 cents, NOW - - 5 cts.
do do do do 10 do do - - 7 cts.
do do do do 12 1-2 do do 8 1-3 cts.
do do do do 15 cents, do - - 10 cts.

All Fleece Lined Goods at proportionate reductions.

Broadcloth worth \$1.25, we are closing out at 85 cts. a yard.
All Winter Dress Goods are going regardless of cost.
Our Blankets will be closed out at losing prices to us—your gain.
OVERCOATS—well, you never had such an opportunity to get one so cheap.

Winter Clothing

We also have a few suits of good winter weight clothing that are on the list at very low cut prices.

Now is the time to make or save yourself some money and see us lose.

REMEMBER

It is our plan to clear out each season's goods so that we can put in a full brand new stock for the next season, and we are going to make a clean sweep of it this time if low prices will do it. Then look out for our spring stock in due time.

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How Tuberculosis and Kindred Ills May Be Avoided Alleviated and Cured.

Suppression of Consumption.
Tuberculosis can be suppressed. It is not necessary for a person to die because he has consumption. Thousands of men and women have been sacrificed who might have been alive today if only the right procedure had been adopted. That which is necessary for the mastery of this disease is to return to nature—to live naturally in the fresh air, develop the lungs and eat proper food.

Tuberculosis is a low-level disease. People are not subject to it until their tissues have become vitiated and their whole bodies weakened.
To live a natural life is the only safeguard against tuberculosis. One climate may do as well as another if only one lives out of doors, gets plenty of cold, fresh air, bathes the body with cold water several times a day, and takes as much exercise as he can stand.

Child Labor in Factories.
The physician in attendance at a municipal building house in Chicago has within the past year been making a careful inquiry into the history of the tramps who have become the city's guests. He has found that a large proportion of the tramps give a history of having been employed in factories or in other debilitating occupations in boyhood. Our artificial modern life is making multitudes of human wrecks, one class of whom is represented by the homeless, friendless, disheartened men known as tramps. Fortunately, indeed, are the boys and girls who live in country homes and have the opportunity of growing up in contact with nature.

How do You Eat?
It is safe to say that modern cooking develops business for both the saloonkeeper and the undertaker. When a boy eats mustard plasters in the form of food that is almost saturated with fiery spices and irritating condiments, a thirst is created that nothing but liquor or cigars will satisfy. Man is admonished to "eat for strength, and not for drunkenness," but in these days anything that will tickle the four square inches of taste surface is considered good food, although it may contain scarcely any of the elements that nature requires to replace broken-down tissues and to rebuild the worn-out brain. As a consequence, the vitality and physical resistance soon reach such a low ebb that the individual falls an easy prey to any microbe with which he may chance to come in contact.

Tent Life Cures Consumption.
A doctor in Denver some time ago made some experiments with consumptives. A tent colony was established a little way out of Denver, and the patients progressed fairly well during the first part of the winter. But by and by there was a blizzard, and the thermometer went down to 20 degrees below zero, and then they began to improve very fast. One woman did not seem to improve at all until the temperature reached this mark, and then she improved rapidly. She had had no appetite, but that 20 degrees below zero weather saved her an appetite, which was an indication that the body was beginning to work naturally, that the assimilative processes were being resumed, and from that time she kept on improving.

Metal will rust if not used, and the body will become diseased if not exercised.—Exchange.

Condiments Create False Appetite.
There is absolutely no food value in mustard, pepper, ginger, capsaicin and such things, and some of them, spiced pickles, for instance, are indigestible as sawdust. But these things, people say, have a relish. Those who have a good, healthy appetite do not feel the need of anything of that sort for a relish.

A condiment is something which creates a false demand for food. It enables us to eat when we really have no appetite. Appetite is an evidence of gastric juice with which to digest food. Lack of appetite is an evidence that one is not in a condition to digest food. But a condiment often produces a false impression resembling appetite, making one think that he is ready for food when he is not. It is, therefore, a deceiver, to be especially avoided by those who have no appetite. Mustard, pepper, spices of all sorts are enemies to health.

If my next door neighbor chooses to have his drains in such a state as to create a poisonous atmosphere, which I breathe at the risk of typhus or diphtheria, he restricts my just freedom to live just as much as if he went about with a pistol threatening my life.—Prof. Huxley.

Natural Cure for Tuberculosis.
A Swedish doctor some fourteen or fifteen years ago succeeded, by a very crude method, in curing patients who have been given up to die. His practice was first of all to rub the patient three times a day with a towel wet in very cold water. A little later he put the patient in a tub of water at about 60 degrees, rubbing him vigorously for about a minute, and later, as patient became better able to endure the cold water, he was plunged in a tub full of water. This was done three times a day. Think of and for consumptives! Neverthe and got well. The cold water, scrubbing following, produced the cure.

such a powerful reaction that the whole body was stimulated to increased vital activity and recovery followed.

Here is another case: A young man in New York who was getting ready to go to the Klondike went into practice, to convince his friends that he would not freeze to death. Out of a large buffalo robe he made a bag, pitched a tent in the back yard and slept in the tent in the buffalo bag, all the winter, without suffering any injury from the cold.

And another: A cultured lady in New Jersey who made up her mind that she needed a little hardening, slept out of doors all last winter. She had her bed put out on the second-story veranda, and an awning put up, with a net around it to keep the night hawks away. Plenty of clothing was provided, a cap worn to keep the ears from freezing, and she got along so well that she slept out of doors the entire winter.

A National Error.
Our cities are growing so rapidly that only about one-half of our population are now living in the country. Dr. Gould, speaking of the wrong of shutting men and women up in houses and forcing them into sedentary occupations, says: "There is enough land and opportunity, if both were allowed and utilized, to give every human being a livelihood that will permit life of a normal length." He adds, that with proper hygienic living, especially in youth, and with right lung expansion and development, no person should have tuberculosis.

Home Sanitariums.
In New York city consumptives are building little huts on the tops of the houses, and are recovering. Outside New York, Boston, and other large cities, tent colonies, where consumptives can live out of doors, are being established. Every city ought to have outside it a camp where tubercular patients can live and get well. The air inside the city is not so good as it is outside; but on the tops of the houses, where the sun can shine, it is a great deal better than it is in the damp, dirty buildings in which most city people live.

Some "Dents" About Dress.
Don't dress the neck too warm when going out in cold weather. A little extra protection is required for the neck, but it is not necessary to muffle up the neck with thick furs to protect the neck. Warm wrappings about the neck cause the skin of the neck to become moistened with perspiration. When the wrappings are removed indoors, the slow cooling which takes place in consequence of the evaporation chills the part, and may produce sore throat or nasal catarrh.

Don't wear rubbers indoors, nor out of doors, except when it is necessary to prevent wetting the feet. Rubbers, being impervious to air, prevent evaporation, so that the perspiration is retained, and the shoes and stockings become damp from the perspiration. When the rubbers are removed, evaporation chills the feet, the same as if they had been wet by the rain or by walking on a wet pavement. On removing the rubbers after they have been worn for some time it is a good precaution to remove the shoes and stockings and put on dry ones. If this cannot be conveniently done care should be taken to keep the feet warm until the shoes are dry. The rubbers should be dried before wearing again.

SOME WHOLESOME RECIPES.

Green Pea Soup.
Press through a colander one can of green peas. Add to this two cups of water, one teaspoonful of salt and one heaping tablespoonful of coconut butter. Cook in a double boiler until the butter is melted. Dried peas may be used by first cooking until tender, then pressing through a colander.

Hoccake.
Brown slightly together in the oven two cups of cornmeal, four tablespoonfuls of flour, two teaspoonfuls of sugar and two-thirds teaspoonful of salt. Heat one cupful of rich milk, add this mixture to it, beat it until cold. Add to this the beaten yolks of four eggs, lastly fold in the stiffly beaten whites. Drop by spoonfuls on a hot oiled tin and bake twenty minutes.

Vegetable Salad.
Wash three medium sized potatoes, and steam until tender. Peel and cut into one-fourth inch cubes. Add one cup of celery, chopped fine, one teaspoonful each of salt, celery salt, and grated onion, and the whites of three hard-boiled eggs, chopped fine. Mash the three hard-boiled yolks, add three tablespoonfuls of lemon juice and two of olive oil; beat until smooth. Pour this over the salad. Garnish with either lettuce or parsley.

Mince Pie.
Five cups of tart apples, chopped fine; five cups of prunes, minced; one cup of prune marmalade (prunes thoroughly cooked, seeded and pressed through the colander); two cups boiled apple juice (boil the juice down until it is almost as thick as syrup); one cup of crushed nuts (walnuts or pecans); one cup of malt honey, one-half cup of sugar, one cup of raisins, butter the size of an egg. Cook all the ingredients (except the raisins) together slowly for two and one-half or three hours. Cook the raisins about half an hour. This is enough for five large pies. It may be sealed in glass cans and kept for any length of time.

A Song of Trust

My Father, it is good for me
To trust and not to trace;
And wait with deep humility
For Thy revealing grace.
Lord! when Thy way is in the sea,
And strange to mortal sense;
I love Thee in the mystery,
I trust Thy providence.
I cannot see the secret things
In this my dark abode;
I may not reach with earthly wings
The heights and depths of God.
So faith and patience, wait awhile!—
Not doubting, not in fear;
For soon in Heaven my Father's smile
Shall render all things clear.
—G. Rawson.

SECOND CHOICE

BY BELL MANLYS

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Rufus Winslow was the fac simile of his twin brother Dick in face and figure, but in temperament and disposition they were opposites. They both came to love Kate Laurel, the prettiest girl in Yorkville; Dick, with a warm, winning affection; Rufus, with a jealous exacting intensity.
As for Kate, when she was with Dick her fancy wandered to Rufus, and when in the presence of the latter she longed for the former. Her fickle fancy wavered like a weathercock until one day after witnessing Rufus conquer an unmanageable horse, she flew in fear to the willing, open arms of Dick. When Rufus heard of their engagement, he became gloomy and morose and swore to himself that he would still woo and win Kate.

Judge Laurel, father of the fair Kate, frowned upon the attachment and forbade Dick the house. To complicate matters, war with Spain was declared and Dick and Rufus, who were sergeants in the National Guard, must perforce serve their country. They marched away with their company to join the regiment at a rendezvous camp, leaving Kate desolate. One day when her father was absent from home, she went to the camp and spent a sadly happy day with Dick.
"Kate," he said, when bidding her good-bye, "why can't we be married before I go to war? Then nothing could part us. Will you, Kate?"
Kate would, and they arranged that a week from that night she should come to the little town near camp. Dick would get a few hours' leave, and meet her there with a minister and a license. As the marriage was to be a secret one on account of Kate's cruel parent, they decided to meet on the edge of a grove in the outskirts of the town.

Alas for the plans of mice and men!—especially the soldier men. On the night set for the wedding, which was the last night the company would remain in camp, Dick was detailed on special duty and could not get relieved. He groaned to think how Kate would wait and wonder at his nonappearance. In his extremity he was obliged to confide in Rufus.
"You can get off, Rufe. Won't you go and explain to Kate that I cannot leave without dishonor. Here I have the license and minister engaged, but the captain is inexorable. He would not let me off if I were to tell him the real reason."
"Yes," said Rufus thoughtfully. "I'll go and explain to her and bring you a message."
Rufus obtained leave and started for town. On the way thither he laid a plan of action which was to make good his assertion that Kate should wed him. He went to the county clerk, who easily believed him to be Dick, got the license, changed the

name and then, at the hour appointed by Dick, called for the minister.
It was the darkest of dark nights, and the young minister regretted that he was not able to discern the features of the slight girlish figure in waiting.
"Dick," she half whispered.
"Kate, darling!" he replied in a perfect imitation of his brother's dulcet tones.
"We must hurry!" said the prospective bride. "Papa suspects, and three hours. Cook the raisins about half an hour. This is enough for five large pies. It may be sealed in glass cans and kept for any length of time."

earnest voice, listening with rapture to the faint whispers of the trembling girl. When they were pronounced man and wife, Rufus folded her in his arms and kissed her.
"I'll keep the certificate, Kate. It'll be safer from your father's eyes."
"Yes," replied the girl, "but I must go. I am so afraid. Good-bye, Dick," and she vanished in the darkness.
"Well, Dick," said Rufus the next morning. "I transacted all your business for you."
"Rufus!" exclaimed Lena, who saw the clerk, the minister and Kate.
"What did she say? Did she blame me?"
"She said very little. She was scared out of her wits. Thought the Judge was pursuing her. She only stayed a moment."
En route to their southern camp, the brothers seemed to have exchanged personalities. Dick was quiet and somber; Rufus, happy and jubilant. When they pitched camp and the first mail came in, there was a letter for Dick from Kate, and he tore it open with his first expression of happiness.
Rufus braced himself now for the inevitable disclosure and the hot quarrel—perhaps fight—to follow. He saw Dick's expression of surprise at the opening line. In a moment he looked up with no trace of anger, only amusement, in his bright face.
"Well, my Rufe, here's a good one on you. That wasn't Kate you gave my message to. She sent Lena Fax-on."
"Lena Fax-on!"
Rufus felt a tightening band about his heart.
"Yes, let me read you part of my sweetheart's letter. It—m, eh, yes, here it is:
"When I said nothing would keep me from you, I never dreamed of being taken ill (I am well now), but the day before the one set for our wedding, I was seized with tonillitis. I should have come, but I was too weak to raise my head from the pillow. The only person I dared send was Lena. She never tells anything—her one virtue. I sent for her and told her I was to meet you and marry you, and asked her to explain to you how impossible it was for me to come. She promised, I think she always had a soft spot in her heart for you. She came over next day and said she saw you, but she was so provoking. Said you could only remain a moment and sent me no message, and kissed her good-bye! Now, sweetheart, I love and trust you and know you were simply sending me a kiss, so I am not jealous as she would have me be!"
"The idea, Rufe, of your not knowing your future sister-in-law any better than to mistake another for her. I'd know Kate in any darkness, but then, of course, I would."
Rufus was silent a moment. When he replied he spoke in a curious voice.
"Lena is tall and slender, like Kate, and she didn't speak aloud, and was in such haste and fright."
"But what did she say when you told her I could not come?" asked Dick.
"I told her, but I see now that she was confused and could not have grasped the matter. She called me Dick, I remember."
On the same day that Dick read her letter to his brother, Kate was alternately reading and kissing one from Dick. Then she went to see Lena.
"Oh, Lena," she said, laughing, "I have got such a good one on you! It

wasn't Dick you kissed good-bye, but Rufus."
"Rufus!" exclaimed Lena, turning white.
"Yes; they would not let Dick off, and he sent Rufus to explain to me, and he evidently thought you were me, for Dick wrote that Rufus said I was in great haste and in fear of papa. I am mighty glad now that I was sick. I would have had my journey for nothing, and I wouldn't have had Rufus kiss me for the world. It's a wonder you didn't know him. I would have known Dick, but then, of course, I would."
Dick's regiment never saw actual service, and was mustered out six months after muster in, but Dick won lieutenant's straps and the Judge's favor. That winter Dick and Kate entered into the felicity of domesticity, and began life in a cottage of modest appointments, but of roseate-hued atmosphere.
Lena was the first person Rufus visited on his return, and she anxiously awaited his coming.
"You thought you were stealing Dick from Kate, and I thought I was taking her from him," said Rufus bluntly. "We were both fooled. No one knows it but you and I, and no one ever will. The marriage is illegal, because the license was made out for Kate, and you responded in her name. If it's annulled, it can't be done without more or less publicity. There's but one way to make it straight, and that is for us to marry—under right names this time. We can't have our first choice, either of us, so we might as well take second." Lena reflected and consented.

BEAUTIFUL WOMEN

HOW THEY MAINTAIN THE CHARMS OF THEIR SEX.

The Importance that Attaches to the Care of the Blood If One Wants Bright Eyes and a Clear Complexion.
Every sensible woman naturally wishes to appear attractive. She knows the value of bright eyes, delicate complexion and lively spirits. She knows also that good health is at the basis of her charms, and that good blood is the source of good health.

Miss Mamie Conroy has a complexion which is the admiration of all who know her. Asked if she could make any suggestions that would be helpful to others less fortunate, she said:
"My complexion would not have pleased you, if you had seen it two years ago. It was then about as bad as it could be, and it gave me a great deal of dissatisfaction. If you want a good complexion you must take care of your health, especially of the condition of your blood. My health was at that time completely broken down. I was nervous, had frequent headaches, a torpid liver and a great deal of pain in that region. I suffered also from indigestion. It was clear that my blood was in bad condition, for pimples broke out all over my face."
"It is hard to realize that, for there isn't the slightest trace of such blemishes now."
"It was unfortunately quite otherwise then, and a long time passed before I found anything that gave me any relief. I became very weak and listless. The doctor's medicine did me no good, and I took a number of highly recommended tonics with no better result. As soon, however, as I began to use Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People my complexion cleared up, and after I had taken two boxes there was not a sign of a pimple left on my face. My cheeks became rosy, I gained flesh and had perfect health ever since."
"Rosy cheeks and sparkling eyes are merely signs of healthy blood. They have come not only in the case of Miss Conroy, whose home is at 1241 East Eighth street, Canton, Ohio, but to thousands of women for whom Dr. Williams' Pink Pills have made new blood. There is no surer way for you to obtain them, than to buy a box of these pills from any druggist and try them for yourself. They correct irregularities and banish weakness."

Renovating Playing Cards.
Berlin has started a new industry. Old, stained playing cards, all those slightly soiled which have only been once or twice in use, are collected from hotels, clubs and a hundred other establishments in Germany, Austria, Hungary, Switzerland, and are cleaned and made as fresh as new. They are carefully rubbed with benzine on both sides, and then, after drying, placed in a warm press, where they receive the finish and shine lost in the fingers of the players. They then find their way into another press, where the edges are carefully cut. Before being put on the market they undergo, each card separately, a careful revision to see that they are all "as good as new."

Power of an Elephant.
The elephant is great as a traction power. Experiments have shown that a horse pulls about one-sixth of its own weight, whereas an elephant can pull its entire weight. This might be emphasized by the fact that an elephant is six times as big as a horse. In India, for centuries, it has been shown that they are unequalled as pullers. Two of them, in carefully arranged contests, raised 6500 pounds. One raised a safe weighing more than a ton.

READS THE BOOK.
"The Road to Wellville" Pointed the Way.
Down at Hot Springs, Ark., the visitors have all sorts of complaints, but it is a subject of remark that the great majority of them have some trouble with stomach and bowels. This may be partly attributed to the heavy medicines.
Naturally, under the conditions, the question of food is very prominent.
A young man states that he had suffered for nine years from stomach and bowel trouble, had two operations which did not cure, and was at last threatened with appendicitis.
He went to Hot Springs for rheumatism and his stomach trouble got worse. One day at breakfast the waiter, knowing his condition, suggested he try Grape-Nuts and cream, which he did, and found the food agreed with him perfectly.
After the second day he began to sleep peacefully at night, different than he had for years. The perfect digestion of the food quieted his nervous system and made sleep possible.
He says: "The next morning I was astonished to find my condition of constipation had disappeared. I could not believe it true after suffering for so many years; then I took more interest in the food, read the little book 'The Road to Wellville,' and started following the simple directions.
"I have met with such results that in the last five weeks I have gained eight pounds in spite of hot baths which take away the flesh from anyone."
A friend of mine has been entirely cured of a bad case of indigestion and stomach trouble by using Grape-Nuts Food and cream alone for breakfast.
"There is one thing in particular—I have noticed a great change in my mental condition. Formerly I could hardly remember anything, and now the mind seems unusually acute and retentive. I can memorize practically anything I desire." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

MADE THREE FATHERS PROUD.
Twins as Christmas Presents in New York Families.
Three proud fathers walked into Borough President Joseph Cassidy's office in the Queens Borough Hall, Long Island City, yesterday afternoon, to hand in official reports for the month of December.
"Hello, John, what did you get for Christmas?" said the borough president to John J. Hurley of 243 Jackson avenue, Long Island City.
"My wife made me a present of twins, and they are a fine bouncing boy and girl, and are doing well, thank you," said Hurley.
"Good for you, John. What did you get for Christmas, then?" said the borough president to James Kane of Eighth street, Long Island City.
"Sure, my wife made me a present of twins, too—a boy and a girl—and both are doing nicely," said Kane.
"Well, you two are lucky fellows," said the borough president.
"Charlie Schneller's wife made him a present of twins also," said Stenographer Robert McMahon, as Secretary Charles Schneller of the building department approached Borough President Cassidy's desk.
Mr. Cassidy is seriously thinking of applying for a vote of confidence from President Roosevelt.—New York Times.

Fearful Engines of Destruction.
Hand grenades and bombs were used with terrific effect at the capture of the 203-Meter hill, Port Arthur. Their use was contrary to the spirit of the international rule which forbids the cruelty of the dum-dum bullets. Certain other engines of war have been rejected by civilized nations, however, in times gone by, because they were too destructive and too horrible. England has still in keeping a secret war plan of the tenth earl of Dundonald which the authorities rejected because, while it was infallible, it was too inhuman to use by man against man. Even Louis XV. of France had backbone enough to refuse Dupre's terrible invention. If the story of this discovery be true, the plan was to create by a secret process a conflagration whose intensity was but increased by water. It would burn down or feet. Louis refused to have the secret published and it went down to the grave with Dupre.

The Two Ships.
As I stand by the cross on the lone mountain's crest
Looking over the ultimate sea;
In the gloom of the mountain a ship lies at rest
And one sails away from the sea:
One spreads its white wings on a far-reaching track,
With pennant and sheet flowing free;
One hides in the shadow with sails laid a-ba-ack—
The ship that is waiting for me!
But lo! in the distance the clouds break away,
The day's glowing portals I see;
And I have from the outgoing ship in the bay
The song of the sailors in glee,
So I think of the luminous footprints that bore
The comfort o'er dark Gullies,
And I wait for the signal to go to the shore,
To the ship that is waiting for me.
—Diet Harte.

They Cook Their Shoes.
"The wise man takes proper care of his shoes when there is snow on the ground," said a retailer who was asked why a pair of patent leathers bought within a week had lost their shape. "When a man, or woman either, for that matter, who has been walking in the snow gets home with damp shoes almost the first thought is to dry them as quickly as possible. They are put under the stove or on the steam radiator. One customer told me his wife dried his shoes in the oven. This is folly.
"If wet shoes are dried too quickly the leather will shrink and set, no matter how expensive the make. In winter time particularly shoes should be dried slowly and given a rest. If a person has two pairs of shoes and lets one pair stay on the trees when not worn each pair will last at least twice as long."

London Tramways.
London has only 115 miles of tramways.



"Rufus!" exclaimed Lena.



"Why can't we be married before we go to war?"

Health of American Women

A Subject Much Discussed at Women's Clubs—The Future of a Country Depends on the Health of Its Women.



Mrs. T.C. Willadsen Miss Mattie Henry

At the New York State Assembly of Mothers, a prominent New York doctor told the 500 women present that healthy American women were so rare as to be almost extinct.

This seems to be a sweeping statement of the condition of American women. Yet how many do you know who are perfectly well and do not have some trouble arising from a derangement of the female organism which manifests itself in headaches, backaches, nervousness, that bearing-down feeling, painful or irregular menstruation, leucorrhoea, displacement of the uterus, ovarian trouble, indigestion or sleeplessness? There is a tried and true remedy for all these ailments, Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has restored more American women to health than all other remedies in the world. It regulates, strengthens and cures diseases of the female organism as nothing else can. For thirty years it has been curing the worst forms of female complaints.

Such testimony as the following should be convincing.

Mrs. T. C. Willadsen, of Manning, Ia., writes:

Dear Mrs. Pinkham—

"I can truly say that you have saved my life and I cannot express my gratitude to you in words. For two years I spent lots of money in doctoring without any benefit for menstrual irregularities and I had given up all hopes of ever being well again, but I was persuaded to try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and three bottles have restored me to perfect health. Had it not been for you I would have been in my grave to-day."

Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound Succeeds Where Others Fail.

Miss Mattie Henry, Vice-President of Danville Art Club, 429 Green St., Danville, Va., writes:

Dear Mrs. Pinkham—"Many years' suffering with female weakness, inflammation and a broken down system made me more anxious to die than to live, but Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has restored my health and I am so grateful for it that I want every suffering woman to know what Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound will do for her."

When women are troubled with irregular, suppressed or painful menstruation, weakness, leucorrhoea, displacement or ulceration of the womb, that bearing-down feeling, inflammation of the ovaries, backache, bloating, (or flatulency), general debility, indigestion, and nervous prostration, or are beset with such symptoms as dizziness, faintness, lassitude, excitability, irritability, nervousness, sleeplessness, melancholy, "all-gone" and "want-to-be-left-alone" feelings, blues, and hopelessness, they should remember there is one tried and true remedy. Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound at once removes such troubles. No other medicine in the world has received such unqualified endorsement. No other medicine has such a record of cures of female troubles. Refuse to buy any other medicine, for you need the best.

A light heart, a cheerful countenance, and all the charms of grace and beauty are dependent upon proper action of the bodily organs. You cannot look well unless you feel well.

Mrs. Pinkham invites all sick women to write her for advice. Her advice and medicine have restored thousands to health. Address, Lynn, Mass.

It is the bankrupts who pray: "Give us our debts and we will forgive our debtors."

Try me just once and I am sure to come again. Defiance Starch.

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Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup. For children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures whooping cough, croup and colic.

High moral character is the best commodity a business man can keep in stock.

"Dyspepsia Tormented Me for Years, Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy cured me." Mrs. J. S. Hinchey, Millville, N. J., used over 20 years. 10c.

Some people make their friends wish that the Lord had need of them elsewhere.

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If you can't attend the heavenly feast because you've got a new yoke of oxen, take the oxen along for the feast.

Mother Gray's Sweet Powders for Children. Successfully used by Mother Gray, nurse in the Children's Home in New York, cure Constipation, Feverishness, Bad Stomach, Teething Disorders, move and regulate the Bowels and Destroy Worms. Over 30,000 testimonials. At all Druggists, 25c. Sample FREE. Address A.S. Olmsted, LeRoy, N.Y.

These New Years makes de gray-headed old sinners look back on wonder whar de old ones is.

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A Wretch. Justice—What's the charge against this prisoner? Officer—Yer honor, he's a public nuisance. He's been going around in th' dead of night wakin' up light watchmen an' then runnin' away.

Now and Then Some thorough and careful physician invents, in his practice, some special medicine, that proves so universally successful whenever prescribed, that he proceeds to place it before the public to be reached through the newspapers.

This is the history of Dr. Caldwell's (laxative) Syrup Pepsin. For years, prescribed by Dr. W. R. Caldwell for constipation, and all disorders of liver, stomach, and bowels, it was at last manufactured on a large scale, and is now the most successful medicine in the world for these diseases.

A pure, scientific, laxative syrup; pleasant to take and perfect in results. Try it. Sold by all druggists at 50c and \$1.00. Money back if it fails.

Heaven doesn't help those who help themselves to other people's property. It does not seem to have to.

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Homebuilder Yellow Dent Corn grows like a weed and yields from 137 to 260 bushels and more per acre! It's the biggest yielder on earth!

Salzer's Speltz, Beardless Barley, Macaroni, Wheat, Pea Oat, Bullion Dollar Grass and Earliest Cane are money makers for you, Mr. Farmer.

JUST SEND THIS NOTICE AND 10c in stamps to John A. Salzer Seed Co., La Crosse, Wis., and receive their big catalog and lots of farm seed samples. [W. N. U.]

I don't want no golden streets w'en I gotes ter heaven—all I wants is a soft, cool place ter rest in.

Houston & Texas Central. Take the H. & T. C. R. R., the short and quick line between North and South Texas. Two through trains daily. Pullman Sleepers between Houston and Austin, Houston and Waco, Houston and Fort Worth, Galveston and Denison. For full information relative to rates, connections, etc., call on ticket agent, or address F. L. Robbins, G. P. A., Houston, Texas.

A man who always gets whipped should quit fighting and become an advocate of peace.

Those who in their youth have found themselves really in need of earning their daily bread have been those who have made the successes in life.

Conspicuous Pair.

The two most enthusiastic pedestrians in Congress are Congressman Littlefield, of Maine, and Congressman Bourke O'Han of New York, between whom a warm friendship has developed. Each is a lawyer of considerable repute and both are keenly alive to interesting legal topics. They walk and talk together by the hour. O'Han has developed in an expert in dress. In fact, he is easily the best dressed man of the house. Mr. Littlefield has no aspirations in that direction, although his attire generally becomes the man. But when these two start out from the capitol on an afternoon, well arrayed in his long and high, set make a hot pace up Pennsylvania avenue, they are an imposing pair.

Royalty's Many Residences.

The fear of Russia and the Emperor of Germany might, if they please, dispute with each other as to which of the two owns the greater number of palaces. Each might sleep in a different house every night for a month and not exhaust the number of his various dwelling places, according to the Indianapolis News. The czar is said to own many country seats—which are kept up in every detail, furnished and furnished and crowded with servants—in which he has never set foot. King Edward of England, while regularly occupying only four, has a dozen or more houses which are ready for him at all times.

Thunderer and Poet.

An early copy of Swinburne's "Poems and Ballads" volume (1866) came into the hands of Dallas, then chief literary reviewer to the London Times, who, after ruminating on what we call the pygmy poems, strode off to Mixan's with an ultimatum. Either, said he, let them withdraw the book or he would denounce it and destroy it. As they had no wish to be denounced or destroyed themselves they preferred to accept the former alternative. John Camden Hotten brought out the book.

Sure.

Any ache, pain, sprain, burn or bruise that Hunt's Lightning Oil will cure is yet to be discovered. It does the work while other remedies lie down. It's a searcher for pain.

Don't climb a tree w'en you see Satan comin'—he most set fire ter it, en where would you be den?

Deafness Cannot Be Cured

by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a running sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever. The cause of deafness is caused by a starb, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surface. We will give One Dollar Refund for any case of Deafness caused by catarrh that cannot be cured by Hunt's Catarrh Cure. F. J. CLENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by Druggists. Take Hunt's Family Pills for constipation.

If your neighbors were only as good as we are, lawyers would starve.

The Sweet Gum.

The exudation you see clinging to the sweet gum tree in the summer contains a stimulating expectorant that will loosen the phlegm in the throat. Taylor's Remedy of Sweet Gum and Mullein cures coughs and croup. At druggists, 25c., 50c and \$1.00 a bottle.

A woman is never at a loss around the house. An American woman did not have peace with which to seal a package, so she used molasses.

Important to Mothers.

Examine carefully every bottle of CASTORIA, a safe and sure remedy for infants and children, and see that it bears the Signature of *Dr. J. C. H. H. H.*

In Use For Over 30 Years. The Kind You Have Always Bought.

Trouble never does come single; de ruth is, dey mos' ginrally mighty married.

He is. Man born of woman is full of trouble, but none compares with the itch. Hunt's Cure not only cures the regular old seven-year variety, but absolutely cures any form of itching disease the world ever knew. It's guaranteed.

It is significant that when one seeks light on how to live he doesn't look into a cannon or a gun-barrel.

Most of Your Neighbors will take advantage of the offer made by the Vernal Remedy Company, of Le Roy, N. Y., to send free a trial bottle of Vernal Palmettona (Palmetto Berry Wine), the household remedy that is attracting the attention of physicians and the public at large, for the reason that it is the best specific known for the quick and permanent cure of all diseases of the stomach, liver, bowels, and urinary organs. Only one dose a day. Sold by druggists.

Vain people are like small birds with enormous plumage. They wear feathers several sizes too big for them.

A Marvel of Relief

ST. JACOBS OIL

For Lumbago and Sciatica

HAD CATARRH THIRTY YEARS.

Congressman Meekison Gives Praise to Pe-ru-na For His Recovery.



CONGRESSMAN MEEKISON PRAISES PE-RU-NA.

Hon. David Meekison, Napoleon, Ohio, ex-member of Congress, Fifty-fifth District, writes:

"I have used several bottles of Peru-na and I feel greatly benefited thereby from my catarrh of the head. I feel encouraged to believe that if I use it a short time longer I will be fully able to eradicate the disease of thirty years' standing."—David Meekison.

ANOTHER SENSATIONAL CURE.

Mr. Jacob L. Davis, Galena, Stone county, Mo., writes: "I have been in bad health for thirty-seven years, and after taking twelve bottles of your Peru-na I am cured."—Jacob L. Davis.

If you do not derive prompt and satisfactory results from the use of Peru-na, write at once to Dr. Hartman, giving a full statement of your case, and he will be pleased to give you his valuable advice gratis.

Address Dr. Hartman, President of the Hartman Sanitarium, Columbus, O.

The well digger is one man who succeeds by running things in the ground.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.

Take Laxative Bromo Melange Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Snow's signature is on each box.

Many a man every day prays for his daily bread and then grumbles because it isn't cake.

It Does. You still have that cough, it seems. We have told you where it would land you. Again we advise you to use Simmons' Cough Syrup. It relieves the oppression, loosens the phlegm and cures you. Use it and gain rest, sleep and health.

The most unsound religion is that which is all sound.

Southern Pacific.

Low Rates to California—Low Colonial Tickets will be on sale daily via Southern Pacific (Sunset Route), March 1 to May 15, 1905, inclusive. Pullman Tourist Sleepers from Washington, Cincinnati, Chicago, St. Louis, Atlanta, and every day in the week from New Orleans. Write for pamphlet, giving full information. T. J. Anderson, G. P. A.; Jos. Helien, A. G. P. A. Houston, Texas.

Truths that Strike Home

Your grocer is honest and—if he cares to do so—can tell you that he knows very little about the bulk coffee he sells you. How can he know, where it originally came from, how it was blended—or with what—or when roasted? If you buy your coffee loose by the pound, how can you expect purity and uniform quality?



LION COFFEE, the LEADER OF ALL PACKAGE COFFEES, is of necessity uniform in quality, strength and flavor. For OVER A QUARTER OF A CENTURY, LION COFFEE has been the standard coffee in millions of homes.

LION COFFEE is carefully packed at our factories, and until opened in your home, has no chance of being adulterated, or of coming in contact with dust, dirt, germs, or unclean hands.

In each package of LION COFFEE you get one full pound of Pure Coffee. Insist upon getting the genuine. (Lion head on every package.)

(Save the Lion-heads for valuable premiums.) SOLD BY GROCERS EVERYWHERE. WOOLSON SPICE CO., Toledo, Ohio.

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Positive, Comparative, Superlative

"I have used one of your Fish Brand Slickers for five years and now want a new one, also one for a friend. I would not be without one for twice the cost. They are just as far ahead of a common one as a common one is ahead of nothing."

(NAME ON APPLICATION)

Be sure you don't get one of the common kind—this is the mark of excellence.

TOWERS' FISH BRAND

A. J. TOWER CO., BOSTON, U.S.A.

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Makers of Wet Weather Clothing and Hats

WHAT'S THE USE OF SAYING "GIVE ME A 5-CENT CIGAR," WHEN BY ASKING FOR A :

"CREMO"

YOU GET THE BEST 5-CENT CIGAR IN AMERICA

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are known by what they have grown. For half a century they have been the standard—have yielded once to produce bigger, better crops than any other. Sold by all dealers. 1905 Seed Annual free to all applicants.

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THE SOUTHERN TRADING CO., FT. WORTH, TEXAS.

BUY, SELL OR EXCHANGE ALL KINDS OF MACHINERY, BOTH NEW AND SECOND HAND.

Agents for The Murray Company and Ames Engines and Boilers. If you want to enlarge your power or get out, write us. We will exchange if you have suitable goods.

W. N. U. DALLAS, NO—B—1905

PISO'S CURE FOR

Itching, Bleeding, Swelling or Protruding Piles. Foot Druggists will refund money if PAIN EXISTENCE fails to cure you in 4 to 14 days. 50c.

Two Husbands to Each Wife.

The race of Todas, in India, which practices polyandry (one wife having two or more husbands), which was 100,000 strong a century ago, has dwindled down to 101 persons.

To the housewife who has not yet become acquainted with the new things of everyday use in the market, and who is reasonably satisfied with the old, we would suggest that a trial of Defiance Cold Water Starch be made at once. Not alone because it is guaranteed by the manufacturers to be superior to any other brand, but because each 16c package contains 16 ozs., while all the other kinds contain but 12 ozs. It is safe to say that the lady who once uses Defiance Starch will use no other. Quality and quantity must win.

No use ter pray ter de Lawd ter keep you from evil, en den take evil by the two han's en say, "Good mawn-in!"

Feet Comfortable Ever Since. "I suffered for years with my feet. A friend recommended ALLEN'S FOOT-EASE. I used two boxes of the powder, and my feet have been entirely comfortable ever since. ALLEN'S FOOT-EASE is certainly a god-send to me. Wm. L. Swormstedt, Washington, D. C." Sold by all Druggists, 25c.

The apple of discord lies so near the vocal chords that you can hardly tell it from Adam's.

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 3/4-pound 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 ozs." Demand Defiance and save much time and money and the annoyance of the iron sticking. Defiance never sticks.

A man who will turn up his nose at beans his wife prepares for him will nearly founder himself on them at a free lunch counter.

SCOTTS' Emu Ointment. Send your photo and name and we will make a SCOTTS' Emu Ointment Artists' Association, Dallas, Texas.

If men would only walk as straight outside the church as they do to their pew!

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BEGGS' CHERRY COUGH SYRUP cures coughs and colds.

Parsing a Kiss.

A young lady pupil in one of our Titus county public schools being called upon by the teacher to parse the word "kiss," said:

"Kiss is a conjunction, because it connects. It is a verb, because it signifies to act and to be acted upon. It is a preposition, because it shows that the persons kissing are in relation. It is a proposition, being sometimes proposed. It is an interjection (at least it sounds like one), and it is a pronoun, because she always stands for a kiss. It is a noun, because there is the name of an osculatory action, both common and proper—second person necessary. Plural number, because there are more than one. Masculine and feminine gender mixed. It should always begin with a capital letter, be often repeated, continued as long as possible, and end with a period. Kiss might be conjugated, but should never be declined."—Times Review, Mt. Vernon.

Better Than Gold.

"I was troubled for several years with chronic indigestion and nervous debility," writes F. J. Green, of Lancaster, N. H. "No remedy helped me until I began using Electric Bitters, which did me more good than all the medicines I ever used. They have also kept my wife in excellent health for years. She says Electric Bitters are just splendid for female troubles; that they are a grand tonic and invigorator for weak, run-down women. No other medicine can take its place in our family." Try them. Only 50c. Satisfaction guaranteed by All Druggists.

No Microbes for Him.

"Tommy, don't you want one of these kisses?" asked his mother, passing the cake basket.

"No, ma'am," replied Tommy; "I heard sister tell that young man who calls on her that there are microbes in kisses."

Perfect Confidence.

Where there used to be a feeling of uneasiness and worry in the household when a child showed symptoms of croup, there is now perfect confidence. This is owing to the uniform success of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in the treatment of that disease. Mrs. M. I. Basford, of Poolesville, Md., in speaking of her experience in the use of that remedy says: "I have a world of confidence in Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for I have used it with perfect success. My child Garland is subject to severe attacks of croup and it always gives him prompt relief." For sale by C. E. Terrell.

Mr. Roy Jackson, who was advertised to be in Haskell on the 22nd inst. to buy horses and mules for the Fort Worth Horse and Mule Company, has written us to explain that owing to the weather and some other circumstances it was impossible for him to meet his appointment.

An Impeachment.

Group—How dare you tell Phibbs that I snore?

Mrs. Groups—How dare you accuse me of telling fibs?

Health.

Means the ability to do a good day's work, without undue fatigue and to find life worth living. You cannot have indigestion or constipation without its upsetting the liver and polluting the blood. Such a condition may be best and quickest obtained by Herbine, the best liver regulator that the world has ever known. Mrs. D. W. Smith writes, April 3, 1902: "I use Herbine, and find it the best medicine for constipation and regulating the liver I ever used." Price 50 cts. Sold by I. P. Collier.

Wise Beyond His Years.

"Harry, you seem to be getting lazier every day," said a mother to her six-year-old son. "What are you going to do for a living when you grow up?"

"Oh," replied the incorrigible youngster, "I'm going to get married and live with my wife's folks."

Croup.

Begins with the symptoms of a common cold; there is chilliness, sneezing, sore throat, hot skin, quick pulse, hoarseness and impeded respiration. Give frequent small doses of Ballard's Horehound Syrup, (the child will cry for it) and at the first sign of a croupy cough, apply frequently Ballard's Snow Liniment to the throat.

Mrs. A. Villet, New Castle, Colo., writes, March 19th, 1901: "I think Ballard's Horehound Syrup a wonderful remedy, and so pleasant." 25c, 50c and \$1.00. Sold by I. P. Collier.

Choosing the Best Match.

"Alas," murmured the young girl, "I cannot decide whom to accept. I have money and would be the first to choose, but Reginald would be handsome and in my afternoon gown, he is very handsome and very rich."—Times Review, Mt. Vernon.

friend, "when it comes to a choice between a safety match and a parlor match choose the safety every time."

When You Have a Cold.

The first action when you have a cold should be to relieve the lungs. This is best accomplished by the free use of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. This Remedy liquefies the tough mucus and causes its expulsion from the air cells of the lungs, produces a free expectoration, and opens the secretions. A complete cure soon follows. This remedy will cure a severe cold in less time than any other treatment and it leaves the system in a natural and healthy condition. It counteracts any tendency toward pneumonia. For sale by C. E. Terrell.

Backward, turn backward, O time in thy flight, Give me July again just for tonight; I am disgusted with snow and with ice; Hear my rich warble and take my advice. Turn back the clock till it reads August one, Give me some dog days and give me some sun, Give me mosquitoes and give me some flies, Turn on the heat before every one dies. Bring back my straw hat and good linen pants, Give me a chance to live, O give me a chance!—Canadian Record.

Escaped an Awful Fate.

Mr. H. Haggins of Melbourne, Fla., writes, "My doctor told me I had consumption and nothing could be done for me. I was given up to die. The offer of a free trial bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption, induced me to try it. Results were startling. I am now on the road to recovery and owe all to Dr. King's New Discovery. It surely saved my life." This great cure is guaranteed for all throat and lung diseases by All Druggists. Price 50c & \$1.00. Trial bottles free.

Mr. J. L. Powell has found and left at Dr. Terrell's drug store the fossil remains of the only "Wompu" ever found in this section. It is about two feet long and the thigh bones indicate that the wompu is very much like a centipede. There have been only a few remains of this prehistoric animal or varmint discovered on the American continent. Naturalists have for a long time claimed that the species was extinct, but the arctic explorer Peery is said to have found a live one on the coast of Baffin's Bay. Call on Dr. Terrell for a scientific disquisition on the subject of the wompus.

We have plenty of money to loan. If you need it, come and see us. West Texas Development Co.

Subscribe for the FREE PRESS and get the county news.

Mysterious Circumstance.

One was pale and sallow and the other fresh and rosy. Whence the difference? She who is blushing with health uses Dr. King's New Life Pills to maintain it. By gently arousing the lazy organs they compel good digestion and head off constipation. Try them. Only 25c, at all drug stores.

Too Bad.

"Hello, Raggey!" said the first newsboy, sarcastically, "I didn't see yer at de Astorbilt weddin' last night."

"No," replied the other. "I wuz all ready to go, but me bloomin' valet didn't show up in time to mannyvare me fingernails."—Philadelphia Press.

Another Case of Rheumatism Cured by Chamberlain's Pain Balm.

The efficacy of Chamberlain's Pain Balm in the relief of rheumatism is being demonstrated daily. Parker Triplett, of Grigsby, Va., says that Chamberlain's Pain Balm gave him permanent relief from rheumatism in the back when everything else failed, and he would not be without it. For sale by C. E. Terrell.

Will Wright has returned from Haskell county. He went there to live about Dec. 15. Will says they had to burn cotton seed as wood was so scarce during the cold spell.—DeLeon Free Press.

Nearly Forfeits His Life.

A runaway almost ending fatally, started a horrible ulcer on the leg of J. B. Orner, Franklin Grove, Ill. For four years it defied all doctors and all remedies. But Bucklen's Arnica Salve had no trouble to cure him. Equally good for burns, bruises, skin eruptions and piles. 25c at All drug stores.

Worried.

Mrs. Puffer—Our new cook is a perfect jewel. She never wastes anything. Mr. Puffer (looking anxious as he samples the fried liver and bacon)—I wonder what she did with those gumshoes I threw down the back stairs yesterday morning?

Are You Restless at Night.

And harassed by a bad cough? Use Ballard's Horehound Syrup, it will secure you sound sleep and effect a prompt and radical cure. 25c, 50c and \$1.00. Sold by I. P. Collier.



CITY MEAT MARKET...

ELLIS & ENGLISH, Proprietors.

West Side of the Square.
Your Patronage Solicited.

We Keep all Kinds of Fresh Meets Obtainable in Their Seasons.

J. C. BELL,

MANUFACTURER AND DEALER IN

Saddles and Harness.

Full Stock on Hand. Work Promptly Executed.

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

YOUR TRADE SOLICITED.

HASKELL SALOON

WILLIAMS & POGUE, Proprietors.

WILL SELL THE BEST BRANDS OF

Liquors, Wines and Brandies

AT POPULAR AND REASONABLE PRICES.

Double Stamped Sour Mash is a favorite brand of liquor. This whiskey is served over the bar every day.

HASKELL MARKET and RESTAURANT.

M. L. LYNCH, Proprietor.

FRESH MEATS

Of All Kinds at Reasonable Prices.

Special attention will be given to those who patronize the Restaurant. The choicest of things to eat will be served.

THE DEVIL

is said to have no competition in his particular time of business, but what we wish to say is that we are not him. We are the entire Ramrod and Bottle-washer of the Best Equipped Drug Store in Knox county. We carry the entire line of Park, Davis & Co's., Prescription Specialties. Remember that our store is the only place on Earth or elsewhere that you can get

COUSIN'S COUGH CURE,

which has been doing business in Munday for four years and is sold under a cash guarantee. Yours from daylight till dark, the year around.

W. H. COUSINS, Munday, Texas.

Adams' Art Studio

EAST SIDE PUBLIC SQUARE.

All the latest sizes, styles and tones in photographs will be produced. Also copying and enlarging.

OUT DOOR VIEW WORK TO ORDER.

E. L. ADAMS, Proprietor.

Itch—Ringworm.

E. T. Lucas, Wingo, Ky., writes, April 25th, 1902: "For 10 to 12 years I had been afflicted with a malady known as the 'itch.' The itching was most unbearable; I had tried for years to find relief, having tried all remedies I could hear of, besides a number of doctors. I wish to state that one single application of Ballard's Snow Liniment cured me completely and permanently. Since then I have used the liniment on two separate occasions for ring worm and it cured completely. 25c, 50c and \$1.00 bottle. Sold by I. P. Collier.

Pinkerton People Take Notice.

Messrs. W. L. Norton and W. A. Brown have entered into a partnership to do a mercantile business under the firm name of Norton & Brown and have engaged in the grocery business at Pinkerton. They respectfully solicit the trade of the people of Pinkerton and surrounding country. They are offering an entirely fresh stock of staple and fancy family groceries and will make prices as reasonable as can be had at any other place. Call in and see them.

Estray Notice.

THE STATE OF TEXAS, County of Haskell. Taken up by J. D. Stodghill and estrayed before J. T. Knowles, Justice of the Peace precinct No. 1, Haskell county: One gray horse about 15 years, about 15 hands high branded on left hip. Appraised at twenty-four dollars.

The owner of said stock is requested to come forward, prove property, pay charges, and take the same away, or it will be dealt with as the law directs.

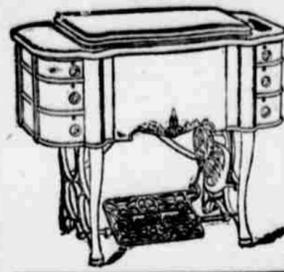
Given under my hand and seal of office, this the 28th day of January, 1905.

C. D. LONG, Clerk County Court Haskell County.

Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. Unequaled for Constipation.

Mr. A. R. Kane, a prominent druggist of Baxter Springs, Kansas, says: "Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets are, in my judgment, the most superior preparation of anything in use today for constipation. They are sure in action with no tendency to nauseate or gripe. For sale by C. E. Terrell.

THE NEW ROYAL SEWING MACHINE



High Grade Moderate Price

Recognizing the demand for a really reliable sewing machine at a moderate price, we have made an arrangement with the manufacturers of the

New Royal Sewing Machine

to handle their machines as special agents for the counties of Haskell and Knox

The Manufacturers of these machines claim that they are constructed on new models, of few parts, easy to understand and operate, highest grade materials throughout.

Latest Improvements: Such as self-setting needle, self-threading shuttle, tension release, automatic bobbin winder, double four-motion feed, spring shuttle carrier, making the machine light running and almost noiseless and making a beautiful, even stitch.

High Arm. The arm is high and long, admitting the bulkiest garments.

Full Set of Attachments. Each machine sold is supplied with complete set of latest improved attachments and a comprehensive instruction book.

Be Assured. This is not a cheap John machine made of pot metal, such as are sold by mail order houses, but is a thoroughly reliable up-to-date machine coming direct from the manufacturers and accompanied by a ten year guaranty.

Call at the Haskell Racket Store and see sample machines.

Powder Paint

In this paint we offer to the people a very cheap and very durable means of beautifying and preserving their buildings. This paint comes in the form of a fine dry powder of various colors and requires no oil, but is mixed in water only and is applied with a brush. It makes a hard, smooth surface, impervious to water and not affected by frost or heat. It is the easiest to apply and is the most durable and the cheapest paint on the market. We can refer you to numerous people in this community who have used it. Call and investigate if you have any notion of painting your buildings.

OUR GENERAL STOCK. We invite your attention to our general stock of household and kitchen utilities. See our line of Queensware, Glassware, Tinware, Graniteware, Etc.

We are making prices on everything to suit the times.

YOURS FOR BUSINESS.

HASKELL RACKET STORE

W. H. WYMAN & CO., Proprs., Haskell, Texas.

TO THE PUBLIC:

I have purchased the Ross Hemphill Blacksmith shop, and will say to the people of Haskell county that I have come to stay, for I have no fear of being run out of this part of Texas by the boll weevil—which were the cause of my leaving old Bell, the banner county of the state, and casting my lot among the people of Haskell county as a blacksmith. I solicit a share of your work and expect to retain your patronage on the merits or quality of my work.

RESPECTFULLY,

J. B. FURNACE.

WOMAN'S BENEFACTOR.

The other day the thirtieth anniversary of an important event was quietly observed in New York by the presentation of a watch, suitably inscribed, to the first woman who adopted typewriting as a profession. There is much that might have been put into that inscription. The typewriter is commonplace enough today, but in thirty years it has wrought one of the greatest advances in commercial history. It has done more than marvelously facilitate business correspondence; it has admitted women to an important part in business life. A soulless little machine has done more toward gaining "women's rights" than had the arguments and agitation of centuries. It is impossible to say whether the typewriter owes more to woman than woman owes to the typewriter, but it is certain that the business world owes a large debt to both. Together they have wrought wonders.—San Antonio Gazette.

So they have, indeed. Thirty years ago the woman who essayed to earn her own living was compelled to teach or take in sewing or do kitchen and house work. The result was matrimony. Woman would marry the first man who asked her, regardless of what he looked like, rather than undergo the hardships imposed upon her in earning a maintenance under the conditions of the times. Marriage was the rule and exceptions were just as few as could be. It is different now. Woman, armed with her typewriter and fountain pen and pocket dictionary, laughs ill-looking and poverty-stricken lovers to scorn and bids them go to. She makes money enough to board in a big house with piazzas all around it and door bells and lace curtains galore. She can buy chinchilla coats and fur muffs and turbans and ice cream and ostrich tips out of her own funds and ride in an automobile Sunday afternoons with a young man who does very well as an escort, but who is altogether ineligible as a husband.

What is the result of all this? Tirades against race suicide, polemics as to the disastrous consequences to ensue from girl bachelorhood and piteous appeals from the North and West for wives. And the typewriting machine is largely responsible for it all.—Dallas News.

HAPPY WOMEN.

Plenty of Them in Texas and Good Reasons for it.

Wouldn't any woman be happy, After years of backache suffering, Days of misery, nights of unrest, The distress of urinary troubles, She finds relief and cure? No reason why any Texas reader Should suffer in the face of evidence like this:

Mrs. J. A. Beck, of Austin, Texas, employed at the Asylum for the Blind, and living at 1605 Sabine Street, says: "In April, 1902, when living at 1709 East Avenue, I gave a testimonial concerning Doan's Kidney Pills, after I had procured a supply. The cure they performed has been permanent in every particular and I have told a great many sufferers from backache and kidney ailments to give them a trial if they wished to get positive relief. You are at liberty to continue the use of my name as one who endorses all the claims made for Doan's Kidney Pills."

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Real Estate Transfers.

Transactions in real estate were quite light this week. The clerk's records show only the following documents filed since our last report to Feb. 17.

J. F. Pinkerton to A. V. Stanfield, deed, conveys 160 acres, S. E. 1-4 sec. 27, blk. 1, H. & T. C. Ry. Co.; consideration, \$1461.50.

R. L. Connelly and wife to Zeb Martin, deed, conveys A. S. Randolph sur. of 792 acres; consideration, \$7920.

Ed S. Hughes to J. S. Fox, deed, conveys lot 1, blk. 10 in town of Haskell; consideration \$200.

J. H. Brewer and wife to Sid Post, deed, conveys 187 acres out of A. S. Randolph sur.; consideration, \$1200.

J. G. Simmons and wife to W. H. Gentry, deed, conveys part of subdivisions No. 1, 2 and 3 of the James Scott League and Labor; consideration \$2120.

C. H. Stoneifer and wife to W. W. Newton, deed, conveys 58 acres, part of subdivision 16 Red River county school land league 74; consideration, \$800.

H. T. Hale and wife to A. G. and S. N. Neathery, deed, conveys 400 acres, N. E. cor. Jas. McCles league; consideration, \$3490.