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40 acres up to any quantity desired out of James Scott league and labor survey, 14 miles N. E. of Haskell. Price \$5 to \$15 and terms to suit.	215 acres, A. F. Burchard survey, 14 miles S. W. at \$5. cash.
424 acres G. G. Allford survey, 15 miles N. W. 44. Abst. 6, \$6, in 3 payments.	640 acres, James Gray survey, 16 miles S. E., at \$5.
622 acres, section 1, G. H. & H. Ry., 12 miles E., at \$5.00, 3 payments.	1476 acres, Chas. Callhart survey 10 miles N. (East Abbott pasture) \$10.50 per acre, on easy terms. Will cut in 200 acre lots from either end.
220 acres, Sur. 5, G. H. & H. Ry., 14 miles S. E., at \$3.00, 3 payments.	305 acres, S. T. Blakeley survey, 15 miles S. E., at \$5, in 3 payments.
320 acres, W. P. Gaines survey, 12 miles S., at \$3.50, in 3 payments.	369 acres Hays Covington sur., 15 miles S. E., at \$5.00 in 3 payments.
Sections 1, 3 and 5, E. T. Ry. Co., 13 to 16 miles S. E., at \$5.00, in easy payments.	220 acres, W. M. Walker survey, 3 miles N. W. of Stamford, at \$7.00-1-3 cash, balance in 3 payments.
640 acres, N. R. Brister survey, 7 miles S. E., at \$3.50, in 3 payments.	1476 acres, South 1-3 Robertson league, 8 miles E. of Stamford on California creek, at \$10 per acre in 3 equal payments.
488 acres, John Campbell survey, 7 miles N. E. at \$3.50, in 3 payments.	250 acres out of Wm. Williams 630 acre survey, 14 miles S. E. of Haskell at \$3.00, 1-2 cash balance in 1 and 2 years.
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Have many other lots and acre blocks in different parts of town too numerous to name here. Call on me, or write, for full information.

S. W. SCOTT.
Haskell Texas.

PROGRAM

Of the Thirty-First Annual Convention of Texas State Sunday School Association.

The association will be in convention at Waco, Texas, May 30th to June 1st inclusive, and Mr. C. D. Meigs, Gen. Supt. and Sec'y, has written requesting the publication of the program in the FREE PRESS. In writing of the work and objects of the State Association of Sunday Schools he says:

"The supreme effort of this great convention will be to make all Sunday School workers who attend it more efficient and successful in their own work, their own school and their own denomination. The desire is to make Methodist more successful Methodists, Baptists more successful Baptists, to the end that their own Sunday Schools may be larger, better, more numerous. And what we desire for these two leading denominations is a desire for every Protestant denomination in the state. Our Association stands for not merely Sunday School work, but for the whole blessed Sunday School cause!"

Not having space to give the entire program in detail, which would require more than two columns, we give the following:

BRIEF DIGEST OF PROGRAM.
Preliminary Session: Prayer. Praise. Testimony. Greetings. Reports from County officers.

First Session: Sacred Concert. The Child we Teach. The Problem of Efficiency.

Second Session: Opening and Closing Exercises. The Superintendent;

Qualifications, Weekly Duties. Decision Day with Little Children. Out of Sunday School. Officers Annual Reports. S. S. Discipline—Toronto.

Third Session: County Association Work; Organization, Rallies, Statistics. "Twinkle, Twinkle, Texas Star." Our Only Hope. Weak Points. Strong Points. Committee Reports.

Fourth Session: A Story Told. Some Big Things Small Schools can Have. The Need for the PUSH in Texas.

Fifth Session: Conference, 3. Next Sunday's Lesson. Regularity. Punctuality. Contributions. Bible in Bible School. Sunday School Records. Class Organization. Possibilities. Election of Officers.

Sixth Session: Conferences, 3. Little Beginners. The Cradle Roll. Primary Methods. Helps and Hindrances. Primary Unions. Best Use of Primary Hour. Grading and Management of Junior Departments. County Maps, How to Make One.

Seventh Session: Bible Lesson. The Ministry of the Mission School. Our Boys and Girls for Christ. The Reserve Legion—What?

Summary: Forty Addresses on over thirty different phases of Sunday School work, by thirty different competent speakers! Could you hear so many experts without benefit? A veritable "School of Methods," taught by trained Teachers.

While a bilious attack is decidedly unpleasant it is quickly over when Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets are used. For sale at Terrells drug store.

Suggestions to Haskell People.

Contributed.
This is the age of Civic Improvement. The people the U. S. over are coming to realize the good of this work, and organizations under various names are pushing it on. Texas is not behind in this great undertaking, thanks to the Women's clubs.

In some towns they are beautifying the public streets by planting trees on either side; in others, school and other public grounds are improved in a similar manner. Practical means are used to carry on all this. In some places flower seeds are distributed to the children and prizes offered to the child growing the most beautiful collection of flowers or plants. We see at once the great influence for good this has. It keeps our boys from loafing on the street and keeps them interested in something uplifting, for what is more pure than God's beautiful flowers. Look at it in another light; every shrub or tree about a place enhances the value of that place to a great extent—far more than some of us realize. Is it not time the people of Haskell were more interested in this cause? Since the balmy spring is come again and Nature is putting on her garments of green, she makes us feel ashamed that we, too, do not come in with our share of beautifying. The stranger coming into our midst would be much better pleased with our town, were appearances a little better.

Haskell is worthy in natural resources to become the city of the west and can the citizens afford to let our court house stand amid grass-burrs and weeds? The same applies to our new school building. The expenditure will not be great to make the surroundings of these buildings a "thing of beauty and a joy for ever."

Growing Aches and Pains.

Mrs. Josie Sumner, Bremond, Texas, writes, April 15, 1902: "I have used Ballard's Snow Liniment in my family for three years. I would not be without it in the house. I have used it on my little girl for growing pains and aches in her knees. It cured her right away. I have also used it for frost bitten feet, with good success. 'It is the best liniment I ever used.'" 25c, 50c, \$1.00. Sold by I. P. Callier.

County Surveyor H. M. Rike was out this week running some land lines in the southern portion of the county.

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—FOR—

2, 3 or 4 Horse Teams

—is what we offer now—

Sherrill Bros. & Co.

FARMERS TAKE NOTICE!

We now have in stock at Haskell a full line of

Deering Reapers

in 6, 7 and 8 foot sizes.

These machines are too well known to require any extended description here. If you need a reaper call and let us figure with you on prices.

A WORD of Interest With YOU

With increased capital and better facilities for handling the trade of this section, we are adding new lines to our business.

We are pleased to state that we have just added a line of the justly celebrated Bain wagons and an assortment of Buggies, Surries and Hacks, also a full line of Wagon and Buggy Harness.

We have been painfully aware of the fact that the Hardware and Implement business has been carried on at a disadvantage in Haskell because the stocks carried have not been complete in all lines. This fact has forced many persons to go to other towns to purchase what they could not find here and this has carried away much trade that should have been handled in Haskell.

It is our desire and purpose to correct this deficiency by supplying the demand in all lines. We are confident that we can buy goods in our various lines so as to sell them as cheaply as similar goods can be sold in any competing town.

It is certainly to the interest of Haskell farmers to have a complete stock near home and you can help us to provide and keep such a stock by giving us your patronage when you can do as well with us as you can by going to the railroad. What we ask is that you give us a fair trial on this line. We are sure that it will redound to our mutual interest. Respectfully,

CASON, COX & CO.

—We Will in Future Carry in Stock—

RAIN WAGONS, BUGGIES, SURRIES and HACKS,

TO MEET A LONG FELT WANT IN THE HASKELL TRADE.

Yours for more and BETTER Business

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SCHOOL CLOSING AND PICNIC ON PAINT CREEK.

Our Reporter Takes It In.

On last Saturday the FREE PRESS reporter accompanied by his family attended a fishery and picnic on Paint Creek below the Howard school house, where they spent a most pleasant day.

The occasion was the celebration of the close of the Howard public school. The site selected was a beautiful grove of oaks on the south bank of the creek. The foliage of the trees was so dense that it afforded an almost impenetrable canopy of shade, while Nature had spread a luxuriant grassy carpet underneath, which made an ideal play house for the children and a spot to woo the less virile and active to rest.

In the forenoon the school children rendered their recitations in the open air to a large audience of parents and friends and the scribe was called upon for a speech and acquitted himself as best he could. The recitations and the deportment of the children spoke well for Mr. Fred Sanders, their teacher, and showed this, one of the newest neighborhoods in our county, to be composed of an up-to-date, intelligent people who appreciate and inculcate the amenities and refinements of life.

After the school exercises had been concluded about one hundred yards of table linen was spread on the grass, and boxes, baskets, tubs and all manner of receptacles began to pour forth their contents of eatables, such as bread, ham, eggs, pies, cakes and vegetables and large trays and platters well filled with crisply fried fish until it looked like the horn of plenty had been upset and there was enough in sight to feed a regiment. This is where ye scribe came in strong. We had our appetite with us, as did the little scribes, so we were fittingly armed for the charge upon and demolition of the feast spread before us and, although we had much and enthusiastic help, there were enough fragments left to fill numerous baskets.

After dinner a spirited game of base ball between the Haskell and Post teams furnished amusement for the crowd, being won by the Haskell boys.

We were impressed with the good order which prevailed throughout the day, and while there met many ladies and gentlemen who would be honored citizens in any country.

This report would not be complete unless we add that we saw much excellent land, many as fine farms and as prosperous a lot of farmers as we ever saw in any part of Texas. This portion of Haskell county was so overstocked with sheep, cattle and horses on the range twenty years ago that it became almost barren. The practice of burning off the prairies annually had killed the timber and the tramping of thousands of hoofs out and destroyed the turf.

Now what a change! A large growth of mesquite timber has taken the place of the few whitened skeletons of trees which once stood like sentinels of death in a limitless grave yard, and the earth that had been trampled into a barren waste has reclothed itself in an ample vestment of nutritious grass and herbage save where here and there the man with the hoe has cleared him a farm and is making the soil bring forth abundant sustenance for himself and family.

Every thing in this part of the county looks new; the farms, houses, fresh turned sod and growing crops present an air of thrift and are an inspiring sight to look upon.

This picnic was the first ever held in this neighborhood, and if a people may be judged by their hospitality, civil and refined deportment, we would say that this growing and enterprising community is one where a person could spend his life in peace and amid pleasant social surroundings. If the school they have and their present industrial conditions is an index to their future, other communities in our county must look well to their laurels.

One other point we wish to emphasize. It is not uncommon to read of drunkenness, rows and rowdiness at public gatherings in the older portions of the state, but if there was a drop of liquor present or used on this occasion, we saw no evidence of it, and in a gathering of several hundred people there was no rowdiness, no disturbance of any sort to disturb or offend the sensibilities of any one. May it ever be so and may they have many returns of this joyous day.

Mr. L. D. Morgan has sold his livery business, the Opera House Stable, to Mr. Jack Simmons, who is now in charge.

ALL OVER TEXAS.

W. A. Frazer, of Dallas, for several years head consul for Texas of Woodmen of the World, was elected Sovereign Adviser at the National meeting at Lookout Mountain, Tenn.

The Texas Company Thursday morning posted fifteen cents as the market price per barrel for Humble oil, a decrease of three cents per barrel from the former price.

There is a rumor at Beaumont that a gusher has been struck in what is known as the Dayton oil fields. Prospectors have been drilling in the vicinity for several months.

Present prospects indicate an abnormally large grape crop at Barstow. Cotton acreage has been decreased 20 per cent in the valley, although the cultivated area has been increased.

The naval transport Solace, left Mare Island navy yard Friday enroute to Manila, carrying outfits for wireless telegraph stations at Honolulu and Guam of the most improved pattern.

The grand council of Texas, United Commercial Travelers convened at San Antonio Friday morning for a two days session. Friday night there was a parade of the Hagmen of Bagdad.

Reports from the western and north-western portions of Denton County are to the effect that the army worm has attacked the wheat crop and is inflicting great damage.

At a dance near Adhall, a few miles west of Cameron John MacLin shot and killed Fred Tardy. Complaint has been filed against MacLin before Justice Lanford, charging him with murder.

The Texas Telephone Company, commonly known as the Independent company, has just installed its long distance system at Hillsboro and has already made some material reductions in rates.

The pickle factories of Waco are getting ready for a big run and to manufacture a big amount of this particular edible. Probably forty thousand dollars' worth of cucumbers have been planted near Waco.

An election has been ordered for next Saturday, May 12, to vote a tax of 25c on the \$100 worth of property to supplement the public fund for the maintenance of the Granger public school.

Last week's storm did considerable damage at and around Arlington. Three dwellings were blown down in the western part of the town and several were moved from their foundations.

Alfred Huston, of Troop M, First cavalry, while attempting to desert from Fort Sam Houston, was shot by Private Stillwell, a guard of the same troop. The shot went through the lung, and he will die.

Frank M. Faroute of Texas, made a very high average at the shoot held at Vicksburg on May 8 and 9. Faroute broke 585 out of a possible 600 targets and made a long straight run of 101 without a miss.

While dynamiting a stream for fish near Caddo, I. T. Alva Smith was probably fatally hurt by the explosion of a stick of dynamite in his hand. His right arm was blown off, his left eye torn out, his right eye injured.

Brownwood, San Angelo and several other towns in West Texas have the requisite postal receipts for the obtaining of free mail delivery and both San Angelo and Brownwood are working that this convenience may be secured.

The great excitement over an expected gusher at the well at Preston has subsided, oil in a very small quantity having been struck. The drill is in a rock and when that is penetrated the gusher is predicted.

The buildings on the lot at Fourth and Mary streets, Waco, are being torn down, preparatory to the construction of the new and commodious passenger station of the Cotton Belt and International and Great Northern railways, which will cost about \$75,000.

J. M. Batsell, aged 92 years, a pioneer of Grayson county and father of County Commissioner Batsell of Sherman, has been stricken by paralysis at his home in Whitewright, and his friends and family are apprehensive.

Several hundred barrels of very fine oil have been stored in tanks at South Bosque, ten miles west of Waco, and a carload shipment will be made to the Corsicana refineries soon. Arrangements are making for sinking three new wells.

At a meeting of the Carnegie Library board of Cleburne a committee was appointed to arrange program for the opening day, May 25. Several speakers of prominence are to be invited.

The Extra Closes Sunday Members Hurry Home

The Election Law Was the Final Bone of Contention.

Austin, May 15.—The Twenty-ninth Legislature adjourned sine die at 10:35 o'clock Sunday morning, after witnessing the signing of the general election bill, the last measure to be put through. Notwithstanding it was Sunday, there was no singing of religious hymns, as is usual at the wind-up of legislatures.

This was due to the fact that most of the members were nervously anxious to get away on the forenoon trains. The fight upon the general election bill was kept up till the last moment. It was killed in the regular session. In the called session it got through the senate at the last possible moment. Then the two houses disagreed, and it went to free conference Saturday afternoon. At 10 o'clock Saturday night the free conference committee reported, and for more than two hours it was fought in the house. If the vote had been forced upon it then it would have been killed, but as a result of the debate the report was adopted.

The enrolling clerks worked upon it all night, but were not quite through when the house met Sunday morning. Many of the members were absent or were leaving and it seems that the opponents of the bill were still full of fight and determined to kill the measure. They had planned to force a roll call, which they believed would disclose the absence of a quorum, in which event the speaker would have no authority to sign the bill, and unless a quorum would appear before the expiration of the thirty days to which the constitution limits special sessions, the bill would die in the hands of the speaker. No sooner did the advocates of the bill scent the danger than they formed a counter-plot.

The only business before the house was the anti-nepotism resolution which was introduced Saturday night. It was upon this measure that the enemies of the election bill sought to force the roll call. To prevent that, Mr. Kennedy took the floor. He made an elaborate argument in defense of the free conference committee as concerned its action in yielding to the demand for cutting the anti-nepotism clause out of the appropriation bill. He declared that if they had not done so a second called session would have been inevitable. He answered various questions and whooped things up generally, his real purpose being to kill time and stave off a roll call.

But in the meantime Judge Terrell, Mr. Love of Dallas, and other prominent advocates of the bill were busy in crowding enrollment. They also counted noses and found that a quorum was present, but was apt to slide at any time.

Just as Mr. Kennedy's time on the floor was about to expire, the election bill was brought in and was signed. The last effort at resistance had failed. Then the anti-nepotism resolution was passed; a message from the governor was read, Speaker Seabury made a farewell talk and the gavel fell.

Rev. J. D. Young, pastor of the Glenwood Methodist Episcopal Church, South, has been elected by the board of trustees of the Polytechnic College to the position of business manager of the institution.

Santa Fe Wreck Near Emporia. Emporia, Kan.: Santa Fe passenger train No. 17 was derailed by train wreckers a mile east of town Sunday morning. Six persons were injured and two probably will die. This is the fourth attempt in the last four months to wreck passenger trains in the same place. Previous attempts were made by piling ties on the track. This wreck was caused by the removing of the spikes and fish plates on a curve.

Forrest Statue Unveiled. Memphis, Tenn.: A heroic equestrian statue of Lieut. Gen. Nathan Bedford Forrest was unveiled in Forrest park Tuesday. The unveiling of the statue was attended with imposing ceremonies. A military parade through the principal streets to the park was followed by a dedicatory address delivered by Gen. George W. Gordon and other prominent Confederate leaders delivered speeches.

German Immigrants for Texas. Galveston: Five hundred passengers from Bremen for Galveston on the gers and immigrants have just sailed North German Lloyd steamer Frankfurt. This is in line with the plans of the work of distributing aliens to the part of the country where they are most needed, and while the list is not as large as that of the steamer Wittekind, it is expected that the number will fluctuate from sailing to sailing.

WHAT THE SOLONS HAVE DONE.

Work of the First Called Session of the 29th Legislature.

Austin, Tex., May 15.—The Legislature at its called session has passed the following bills:

- 1. General appropriation bill, carrying a total of \$9,908,662 for the next two fiscal years. The total amount appropriated by the 29th Legislature by all bills, including the deficiency appropriations and expenses of the Legislature, is \$7,509,662 as against \$8,420,771 appropriated by the 28th Legislature, for all purposes.
2. The State banking bill. Takes effect August 11.
3. The ad valorem tax bill. Raises the rate to 20c for the years 1905 and 1906 and leaves it 16 2/3c for succeeding years. Takes effect August 11.
4. Bill taxing the gross receipts of life insurance companies 2 1/4 per cent and of all other insurance companies 1 1/4 per cent. Effective immediately.
5. Jackson independent school district bill.
6. Bill authorizing counties on the Gulf Coast to lease roadway on causeways, provided for in an act passed at the regular session.
7. Bill reorganizing Sixty-third judicial district.
8. Bill amending the charter of the city of Austin so as to facilitate the rebuilding of the Colorado River dam.
9. The general election law.
These covered all the subjects submitted by the governor.

Cyclone in Titus County.

Mount Pleasant: The result of the cyclone that passed through this (Titus) county Saturday afternoon, so far as can be learned, is as follows: One death and about twenty-eight injured and much property destroyed. The only person reported killed was the grandson of W. J. Justiss aged 5 years. Mrs. Ida Bounds, the mother of the child, was here on a visit from Tennessee to see her father, W. H. Justiss. Mr. Justiss had been very ill for some time, in fact all his connections have been notified to call on him, as he has been expected to die at any time for two months. The cyclone struck his house and completely destroyed it, killing the child.

Texas Big Cotton Counties.

Hillsboro: William Wood, special agent of the census bureau for Hill County, with reference to cotton production, furnishes the following list of the nine largest producing counties in the State for the year 1904, with the number of 500-pound bales produced by each: Ellis 131,698, Hill 93,702, McLennan 87,998, Collin, 86,241, Fannin 55,995, Grayson 82,521, Bell 69,262, Lamar 68,695, Dallas 65,786. The yield in Hill county for the last five seasons has been as follows: In 1900, 58,650 bales; 1901, 53,788; 1902, 61,939; 1903, 73,302; 1904, 93,702.

Compress Talk at Granger.

Granger: A. W. Storrs, president of the First National Bank of Granger, who has associated with him some strong out-of-town parties, is making arrangements to erect a large cotton compress here during the summer. Tributary to this location there is raised annually from 50,000 to 70,000 bales of cotton, and it is estimated that a compress here should have an average run of 35,000 bales.

J. B. Clifton, a prominent citizen of Pilot Point, died from the effects of being knocked down and trampled by his horse Sunday. Mr. Clifton was a director of the Pilot Point National Bank and a large owner of real estate. He leaves a wife and one child.

A local meat market proprietor of Terrell has just been fined \$20 and costs, aggregating \$27, for violating the Sunday law by selling meat after 10 o'clock on Sunday morning.

A terrific rainstorm followed by a cyclonic wind passed northwest of Wichita Falls in the direction of Red River between 6 and 7 a. m. Saturday morning. Mrs. Max Waller was killed, a number injured, many houses destroyed and great general damage done.

N. M. Callahan, a switchman on the Texas and Pacific, was killed in the yards at Fort Worth Thursday morning while at work. He slipped off the footboard of the engine and was badly lacerated, dying almost instantly.

The thirty-second annual re-union of the National Association of Mexican War Veterans, and the tenth annual reunion of the Texas Association of Mexican War Veterans, will be held at Dallas May 23-24. The associations will be entertained by Dallas Commercial Club while in joint reunion.

The Commissioners' Court of Young County has ordered an election for June 18 for the purpose of voting bonds for additional bridges on the Brazos River.

FURTHER TEMPORIZING NOT TO BE TOLERATED.

Leaders of Rioting and Struggling Given to Understand.

Chicago, May 16.—Mayor Dunne made it clear to the labor leaders yesterday that if the strike were extended beyond its present limits he would promptly call upon Governor Deneen for troops.

This is taken to mean that the local authorities consider the strike, on its own merits, has collapsed and must be called off or fought out with a line of militia and Federal troops if necessary.

Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, and members of the Teamsters International Council are on their way to Chicago and will hold a meeting probably today tomorrow or the next day. It is freely predicted that the strike will be called off by the executive council, and it is irreparably lost.

Much concern is felt by the local authorities by the spread of the strike fever to the public schools.

Labor union pickets have been detected in the act of inciting the larger boys in the schools to inaugurate strikes and ugly riots took place yesterday.

Since the collapse of the strike became apparent the mails have been flooded with murderous letters addressed to business men prominent in fighting the strikers, threatening them with death and their families with terrible injury. All of these men are guarded day and night by picked deputies with instructions to kill on sight anyone attempting violence. This action has been taken on the advice of the local authorities. The government is also tracing the writers of the letters.

Many large firms hitherto neutral in the fight yesterday forced the issue by ordering their union teamsters to deliver at "struck houses." In every case men who refused were discharged. An evidence of the weakness of the strike was shown in the number of union men who obeyed, and the return to their posts of many of the old employes. Mayor Dunne and Sheriff Barrett held a long consultation yesterday and agreed that they would not hesitate to ask for troops if there was any spread of the strike and violence.

Six arrests were made as a result of the federal grand jury's report in the lottery investigation. The defendants are Jess and Otto Taub, Houston, Samuel J. Tennant, M. J. Hewitt, Ernest Lafitte and J. H. Scheibert of San Antonio.

FIND OUT GREAT THINGS.

But the Price of Cattle is Still Low and Beef is High.

Chicago, May 16.—Members of the grand jury investigating the business affairs of the beef packing industries yesterday learned all of the details of the manner in which officials of the Aetna Trading Company kept their books. This company, it is said, was the means by which the packers supposed to form the beef trust, transacted their secret business.

National Bank Examiner Stareck, who for nearly two months has been studying over the books found in the six trunks from the First National Bank safety vaults, has completed his task, and was before the inquisitors yesterday. He will continue his testimony today. Through these books it is learned that the secret system of the Aetna Trading Company has been revealed, and all persons connected with the operations of the company are known.

The presence of Mr. Stareck in the jury room and the placing of Mrs. Irving A. Yest and Mrs. Richard V. Hoes under \$10,000 bonds by the district attorney yesterday, gave rise to rumors that the grand jury is getting ready to return a large number of indictments within a few days. It was said last night that many other witnesses are to be placed under heavy bonds to insure their presence in Chicago until the trial on the indictments, should any be returned.

Mabank to Bore a Well.

Mabank: A company has been formed here for the purpose of drilling for oil, the indications for which are claimed to be good, or in the event of the failure to find oil, the test will be satisfactory to the promoters, if instead a good supply of artesian water can be obtained. The contract has been let for a 1,200-foot well, and the drilling outfit is now being placed on the ground north of the railroad near the center of town.

To Restore Burned Depot.

Fort Worth: Several carloads of material to be used in the rebuilding of the burned portions of the Texas and Pacific passenger station have arrived. The material consists of steel to be used for the roof. There will be no timber used in the new roof and will be fireproof as far as is possible. It is estimated that it will require from sixty to ninety days to make the repairs, the total cost of which will be \$25,000.

NO DELAY NECESSARY EITHER ON LAND OR SEA.

It Looks Like There Will Soon Be Something Done.

St. Petersburg, May 16.—A naval action within a few days is regarded as likely in well-informed naval circles.

The Associated Press learns that Admiral Rojestvensky and Rear Admiral Nebogatoff joined forces May 10. It is reason to believe that the united fleet will proceed northward immediately.

No delay was necessary for the purpose of coaling or cleaning Nebogatoff's ships, as his division made a stop for this purpose before entering the straits of Malacca.

Upon the strength of an untraceable rumor an evening paper here got out an extra announcing that a naval battle had begun, but the Admiralty has no confirmation of the report and discredits it.

Gunshu Pass, May 16.—Skirmishing continues in the Oleouria Mountain region on the Russian left, but the fighting is not serious. A calm prevails on the right. The Chinese, however, report that Field Marshal Oyama is directing large masses of troops from Fokaman toward Tounziakou, where a concentration is proceeding and the river is being bridged by pontoons. Lia River is full of junks which will bring up stores and provisions.

About 80,000 Japanese reinforcements have arrived at the front. The Japanese cavalry in particular has been considerably strengthened.

Prisoners say the Japanese armies are ready to advance when the word is given.

During the recent terrible dust storm, which raged three days, soldiers, tents and intrenchments suffered severely. The Russian troops are being fitted out with summer uniforms.

COTTON RATE CUT NEARLY HALF

What a Little Steamboat is Doing For a Denison Shipper.

Denison: The steamer Annie P. completed her repairs Saturday morning and started down stream to Shreveport Saturday. When last heard from she was making good progress and as there is over a four foot rise running in the river, it is not expected that she will have any trouble. She ought to reach Shreveport about next Sunday.

The boat has on board one hundred bales of cotton shipped by M. L. Kelly to a Liverpool firm. This cotton will be handled by the Annie P. to Shreveport, where it will be turned over to the steamer Roberta to be taken to New Orleans. The cotton will be landed entirely by water the whole distance.

The Red River Transportation company made a rate of forty cents per hundred pounds from Denison to New Orleans, against an all rail rate of seventy cents per hundred. This is the first cotton to go out of North Texas by water in over thirty years.

Mac Stewart Released.

Austin: Mac Stewart, the ex-Confederate soldier, who has been confined the penitentiary of the State of Chihuahua, Mexico, for the past ten years under sentence of life for killing a Mexican policeman, is to be released and deported to the United States. Governor Lanham has a letter from Stewart which states President Diaz has agreed to pardon him and Stewart will be given his liberty on June 1.

Shearing in Progress.

Lempasas: Sheep shearing is in progress in this section now, some clips have been brought to town, and it is all being brought in as soon as sheared. So much rain has fallen that the clip will be pretty free from grease. It is probable that the crop will shortly be sold. About 900,000 pounds will be received here and as the quality is considered very fine top prices are always secured.

The Condition of Admiral Dewey

Who was taken ill Saturday in New York and who returned to his home in Washington Sunday, was reported to be better Monday.

Owing to his scoring of sinners along the lines of the social evil, Rev. G. A. W. Gage of the Simpson Methodist Church of Denver was dismissed from the pastorate of the church.

Annie Lytle died suddenly at Dallas, Friday morning, from acute heart failure.

Chartered: Monday: The Dallas Pressed Brick Company of Mesquite, Dallas County; capital stock \$30,000. Incorporators, W. O. Connor, S. B. Marshall and R. S. Kimbrough.

Army worms are reported as doing considerable damage to wheat in various portions of Collin County. Boll weevils are also reported at Culleoka.

Saturday afternoon the Chinamen of Oklahoma City raised a purse of \$50 for the relief of the Snyder tornado victims.

EVENTS OF EVERYWHERE.

Waco has been selected as the place for the next annual meeting of the Red Men.

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The President arrived in Washington on Friday from the West. He traveled 6,000 miles and passed through on this memorable trip.

James Lewis, 104 years old, is dead at his home in New York. He served with two sons throughout the Civil War. Mr. Lewis was the father of twenty-seven children.

The body of Paul Jones is to be buried at Annapolis. It is considered probable that the Galveston will be one of the cruisers sent to bring the body of the naval hero to America.

Many law books, letters, photographs, bank books and papers were picked up at Cobb, Ok., having been blown from Snyder, a distance of sixty miles. The storm did little damage at Cobb.

Hubert C. Beseler is dead at a hospital at Chicago, following an operation. He was known throughout the United States and Europe as an organist and finished interpreter of church music.

According to advices received from Vera Cruz, the Hamburg-American line steamship Castilla, which sailed from Antwerp March 9, has been given up for lost with all hands, a crew of about thirty men.

Two persons are known to have been killed and several are thought to be buried beneath a mass of debris and twenty others have been taken to the hospitals as a result of an explosion of a gas tank in Philadelphia.

A sale of autograph letters, the last communication written by Gen. Geo. B. McClellan, and sealed and stamped after his death, brought \$10. It was a business note which the general penned only four hours before his death.

It is rumored that a Norwegian explorer, who started out June 17, 1903, has discovered the long sought northern passage and that the problem which has baffled navigators for the past four hundred years is solved.

Andrew Carnegie has offered to Radcliffe college \$75,000 for a library building on condition that an equal sum shall be raised among alumnae and friends of the college for endowment of the library.

A dispatch from Los Angeles to the Chronicle says that E. H. Harriman of the Southern Pacific has taken over the holdings of the Ladur mine in Sonora Mexico. The price paid is said to be in the neighborhood of \$1,000,000.

Former President Grover Cleveland has returned from a cruise in Southern waters, which began two weeks ago on E. C. Benedict's steam yacht O'Neil. Mr. Cleveland left the yacht at once on arrival at New York for his home.

The thirty-sixth general conference of the Seventh Day Adventists opened in Washington Friday and will continue until May 30. President Daniels said the Adventists' had gained as much from 1893 to 1903 as it had gained during the preceding fifty years of its history.

In a wild religious anti-semitic frenzy two hundred Jews were killed and wounded at Zehomiter, Russia.

Levie Wood, a young man employed in the Sherman Planing Mill, got his hand caught in the machinery and will lose three fingers.

The pioneers of Tarrant and the Confederates are arranging for a great picnic and reunion at Fort Worth on May 24. Judge C. C. Cummings has the matter well in hand, and says the outlook is most promising.

The Reichstag has voted Prince Gustaf an appanage of \$25,000 in view of his approaching marriage with Princess Margaret of Connaught. King Oscar has presented the couple with the beautiful chateau Sofarfo on the Sound.

After an illness extending over two or three weeks, and in which remarkable vitality was displayed Judge J. B. Scarborough, a prominent attorney and one of the foremost Baptists of Waco and Texas died Sunday.

Every State and Territory except three, in the United States, has been visited by Mr. Roosevelt since he became a candidate for Vice President, and it is his intention to accept the hospitality of these States before his term is finished.

Aunt Nancy Fulbright, an aged colored woman, who lived alone in a cabin on Short Street, Paris, dropped dead while she was cooking out in the yard and preparing to go to a baptizing.

Crops are in a bad way almost all over the State from too much rain. This is particularly true on level black waxy lands and in bottoms. In the plains country where there is seldom rain enough, crops are looking bad.

Southwestern Oklahoma In Deadly Cyclone's Path

Its Fury Spent on Snyder, Where a Hundred New Made Graves Tell the Story.

Snyder, Ok., May 12.—Wednesday night about 9 o'clock one of the worst cyclones in the history of Oklahoma swept over Greer County and Kiowa County. It formed about six miles south of Olustee, in Greer County, taking a northward course through Greer in to Kiowa County, leaving death and destruction in its path for about thirty miles. Full details at this time are not possible, as the telephone and telegraph wires are down.

A report from Olustee and Lock, in Greer County, is that the entire Muse family, near Olustee were killed and J. B. Ralston, his son, Fred, and daughter, Jessie, were killed near Lock; also Mr. Cowan on the McCowan ranch.

The largest number of killed and injured were at Snyder in Kiowa County. Here the damage and devastation is beyond description.

The large ten-stall Frisco roundhouse was razed to the ground and not a house in this part of Snyder was left standing, there being about one hundred houses completely obliterated north of the Frisco tracks, leaving about sixty houses partially destroyed and badly wrecked and about thirty houses intact.

Snyder, Ok., May 12.—Approximately 100 persons were killed in the tornado which swept over and destroyed this city at 8:45 Wednesday night. More than 150 were injured, 20 per cent of whom will die.

More than fifty persons are missing and it is feared that many of them are killed and their bodies carried away by the wind, which swept everything before it.

The search for the dead and injured is being continued throughout the night by relief parties which have poured into the city since early morning.

Most of the dead have been found under the huge piles of debris, which fills the streets in the path of the tornado. Brick and frame structures are mingled together in the wreckage.

Small parties have been arriving throughout the day bringing in bodies of dead and injured, who were carried from this city and dropped by the wind sometimes miles from town.

Settlements in the vicinity of Snyder and throughout Kiowa county, suffered from the storm, and relief parties report seeing dead bodies lying along the railroad tracks to the north and south. No effort, however, was made to bring these bodies to Snyder, as it was the intention to reach the stricken city as soon as possible and render all possible aid to the injured, who were suffering greatly for the lack of medical attention.

The tornado, which was well defined as being of the class of twisters, originated south of the city. It was preceded by a heavy rainfall and at the moment it struck the inhabitants believed it to be over. Suddenly, and without warning, save for a dull roar which many did not hear because they were in bed asleep, the storm burst over the city. Had it followed its original course it would have missed the principal residence and business district, where the loss of life was greatest, but when it approached within about 100 yards of the tracks of the Oklahoma and Western Railway, the tornado veered, taking a northerly

Switchman Killed.
Fort Worth: As the result of accidentally falling from a Texas and Pacific switch engine N. M. Callahan, a switchman, lost both of his legs, and died an hour afterward at the hospital from the shock. The unfortunate man fell from the front board of the locomotive, was rolled over by the footboard, and the wheels of the heavy engine passed over his limbs. It is thought possibly he fainted, thereby losing his balance and falling forward.

Bonham-McKinney Line.
McKinney: A message from Hunter Woodson, promoter of the proposed Bonham-McKinney Interurban Electric Railroad dated at Chicago, and sent to the citizens' committee here, states that the report of the construction engineer who came here some three weeks ago and made a tour of inspection over the survey is favorable and that the road is assured. Mr. Woodson will arrive in McKinney next Tuesday.

Independent Telephone Companies.
Dallas: The convention of the Texas Independent Telephone Association adjourned Thursday after a two days' session. The principal work of the final day was the dispositions of reports of committees and resolutions of interest to owners of telephone systems. During the meeting Dallas was made permanent headquarters of the association, and it was decided that the next meeting shall be held during the State Fair of Texas.

course through the very heart of the city. North of Oklahoma City Railway track not a building was left standing. After expending its force at Snyder the tornado continued its course to the northeast, but soon deteriorated into a high wind accompanied by heavy rain. The outlying districts to the north suffered but lightly.

Late last night it was estimated that the total loss of life will be somewhat in excess of 100 persons. Those who have investigated still maintain that the property loss will certainly be more than a half million dollars.

Capt. Thos. Deering Dead.
Mobile, Ala.: Captain Thomas Deering, aged seventy-five years, was found in a dying condition Wednesday in his bed and expired before medical aid reached him. The coroner viewed the body and gave a certificate of death by suicide. On the table was an empty strychnine bottle. In one of his pockets was found a small piece of paper on which was written: "Take me to Shawhans," a local undertaker.

Striking from his open shirt front was a photo of his 10 year old granddaughter of whom he was passionately fond. The child is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Shirley English of Dallas, Texas, where Mr. English is superintendent of the Postal Telegraph Company. Captain Deering lost his wife about five weeks ago and some time past has been making a home with a married daughter at Dell on the eastern shore.

Prominent Hill Courtian Dead.
Hillsboro: William C. Gathings of Covington, in Hill county, one of the best and most favorably known citizens and a member of the distinguished family who were among the earliest settlers of this county, and whose name is identified not only with the history of the county, but with the history of the state, died at his home in Covington, Thursday morning, after a brief illness, aged sixty-nine years.

Sides Too Low on Houses.
Sulphur, I. T.: Out of the 271 buildings advertised for sale on the United States reservation 252 houses were bid upon, but the price offered for some of the buildings was not enough to open bids, so the committee has not recommended the full number to the Secretary of the Interior for approval. Among these buildings are the Bland Hotel, a four-story brick, and Park Hotel, a frame building.

Storm in Chicago and Vicinity.
Chicago, Ill.: Rain, hail, wind and lightning, incessant for almost twenty-four hours, have devastated Chicago and vicinity, doing incalculable damage to crops in adjoining States, wrecking buildings, taking human life, flooding basements and street car tracks and greatly endangering shipping in all the harbors of the lake. Thursday afternoon a tidal wave four feet in height swept in from the lake, adding to the destruction in all the cities.

Big Cotton Picking Company.
Dallas: A new company recently organized in Dallas under the name of the Haring Cotton Picker Company, has filed its charter in the secretary of state's office at Austin. The company has a capital stock of \$2,000,000 and its purpose is the manufacture and sale of a machine for picking cotton. The machine has been thoroughly tested and has given perfect satisfaction.

Land Injured Reach 400.
Snyder, Ok., May 13.—All estimates of the property killed by Wednesday night's tornado in and south of Snyder made by the committee here, at least 125. The tornado traveled a distance of thirty-five miles, cut a path from a quarter to a mile wide, demolishing and occupying killed and injured. Two men dead and a barely alive were found in a of rubbish piled against railroad cars near the station yesterday. They had been there since Wednesday night at 8:15, at which time the clock in town stopped. State that approximately 400 persons were injured are correct, but most of them suffered only slight bruises.

Couldn't Stand a Moment.
Waxahatchie: A darling babe from jail was made here in a few days gained her liberty. The babe, Arnold, convicted of homicide, was given three years in the penitentiary, and Marvin Williams, convicted at the same term and years in the penitentiary, were white and had accepted sentences were waiting to be transferred to the penitentiary.

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PRESIDENT AS MEDIATOR. HIS OFFER IS WELCOMED.

Russia Is Sick, Sore and Tired and Japan Is Satisfied.
Washington, May 13.—President Roosevelt sent identical messages yesterday afternoon to Ambassador Meyer at St. Petersburg and Minister Griscomb at Tokio, practically tendering the good offices of the United States to bring about peace between Russia and Japan.

The message was sent after a long conference with Secretary Taft. Two dispatches were received at the White House yesterday, one from Ambassador Meyer, and one from Minister Griscomb, advising the President that the tender of his good offices to induce peace between the two countries be received at respective courts but it is said that the President was induced largely to take this action because of cablegrams from Secretary Hay, who is resting in Italy. Mr. Hay is in close touch with the situation in the Orient and at St. Petersburg. Mr. Eddy journeyed from Russia to Italy for the purpose of discussing the question of having the president offer to use his efforts to bring about peace.

The secretary of state cabled the president at length regarding the situation and it is said that the dispatches of this afternoon to the American representative at Tokio and St. Petersburg are the direct results of Mr. Hay's messages to President Roosevelt.

During the past five years there have been repeated rumors to the effect that the President had offered or had contemplated offering his services in the interest of peace. These have always been contradicted. It is known however, that President Roosevelt from the first has been on the lookout for an opportunity to make advances of the character made today. It was flatly stated at St. Petersburg some months ago that such a tender of good offices would not be considered. It was not made, and it is made now after the positive assurances of the American representatives at the capital of each belligerent that it will be considered.

It is confidently believed that this offer of the president will result in a declaration of peace. It will almost certainly cause an early suspension of hostilities pending a decision as to the terms of the peace treaty. The final adoption of the treaty by the two powers and the abandonment of the two armies will be a matter of greater time.

Son of Dick Croker Dies on Train.
Kansas City, Mo.: Herbert V. Croker, a son of Richard Croker, the New York political leader, was found dead on a southbound Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe railway train between Kansas City and Newton Kansas Friday, where he had died during the night, evidently from the effects of some drug administered at Kansas City, where he took the train for Bliss, Ok. He was put aboard the train by a porter of the Coates Hotel at Kansas City.

Hung Herself to End Sorrow.
Bryan: Mrs. Joe Plasek, widow of Joe Plasek, a Bohemian, who was killed a few years ago near Bryan by Den Ballard, a negro, and for which she was hanged, was found at 8 o'clock last night hanging in a garret at her home at Wheelock. Her health is assigned as the cause. She had recently been in Bryan under treatment. She leaves six children.

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NAN PATTERSON IS OUT. She is Now at Liberty After a Year's Incarceration in Jail.

New York, May 13.—Nan Patterson, the one time Floradora show girl, was released from the Tombs prison yesterday, after almost a year within its walls awaiting the termination of the charge that she had murdered her protector, Caesar Young, the race track bookmaker. She left for Washington at 3:25 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

She was loudly cheered by a crowd of two thousand persons as she left the prison. Her release was made at the instance of District Attorney Jerome, who said he did not believe another trial would result other than in a disagreement. At the same time he declared that there had been a serious miscarriage of justice. He said many newspapers had labored to create sympathy for the girl and that this case had "caused one more step in this country towards trial by newspapers rather than trial by jury." He approved of all his assistant, Mr. Rand, had done or said in conducting the case and added: "The people for whom I care to approve our action, from the same part of the community we have received nothing but firmness. I have information that admits of no doubt that there was unanimity in the jury room on three points: first, Morgan Smith bought the pistol; second, Nan Patterson took the pistol in the cab with her; third, Caesar Young did not commit suicide. I asked that the prisoner be discharged on her recognizance."

HOLLY VAN FORFEITS HIS LIFE.

Hanged for One of the Wildest Murders in Texas History.
Dallas, May 13.—Yesterday shortly after 1 o'clock Holly Van, found guilty of the murder of Sol Aronoff, was hanged in the Dallas County jail. The execution passed off without a hitch and life was extinct within a few minutes after Sheriff Ledbetter pulled the drop that sent Holly Van into eternity. Long before the hanging took place a crowd gathered around the county jail on Houston street and at 11 o'clock the street was almost impassable. Inside the jail and wedged around the scaffold persons who held admission tickets were crowded almost to suffocation.

Before the drop was sprung by the sheriff, Rev. Father Hayes of the Sacred Heart cathedral, observed the last sad rites of the church while the condemned man stoically awaited the execution.

Before passing away Vann professed faith in the Roman Catholic religion. One of the attorneys, Judge A. E. Firmin, requested Father Hayes to visit the condemned man after several Protestant ministers had talked with him. Vann was reared in a Protestant family.

Holly Vann was born in Russellville, Ark., in 1875. At the age of ten years he came to Texas with his parents, who located near the town of Palmer, in Ellis county. He attended school at Liberty Hill during his boyhood days.

Vann's parents moved to Dallas county about eleven years ago, and both died after they had been here about three years. Holly Vann came to Dallas something like eight years ago, during which time he followed different vocations, most of the time working as bartender.

His career is the same old story of parents having died when he was yet a mere lad, drifted to the city and fell into the snares and pitfalls which have been the ruin of so many young men before him. He attributed all of his troubles to drink.

To Consider Baptist Unity.

New York: Announcement was made in this city recently that a meeting of both the Northern and Southern divisions of the Baptist Church will be held at St. Louis on May 16 and 17, when the question of organizing a general convention of the Baptists of North America, including Canada, will be discussed. The denomination was separated by the slavery question many years ago.

Died Suddenly From Overexertion.

Sulphur Springs: Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock Tom Coston and wife, who live two miles northeast of town, became frightened at the angry appearance of the clouds and fearing a cyclone, started to the home of Willis White, a neighbor, to go to the cellar. Mrs. Coston became very much excited during the run and sank to the ground exhausted. She soon began spitting blood and died in a few moments.

To End the War.

London: The Daily Telegraph's Tokyo correspondent says he knows from official sources that peace between Japan and Russia was nearly concluded when the unexpected appearance of the Russian Second Pacific Squadron in the China Sea revived Russia's hopes. "Even now," the correspondent adds, "nobody here doubts that peace is coming through President Roosevelt's offices, he having learned that Russia desires to end the war."

DEATH IN TRAILING SKIRT Danger That Lurks in Present Day Obedience to Fashion's Whim

The following short story from the Woman's Journal is very timely in the warning given against trailing skirts:

Only a little dust, almost imperceptible dust, caught on the rug on the floor of the handsome hall.

It was a Turkish rug, lying on the perfectly waxed, hardwood floor, in a hall where neatness seemed to reign along with all the appointments of wealth.

But there was that almost imperceptible dust. How did it come there? If you had ears that could hear its voices it would tell you. It would say that it had clutched a fold on the beautiful lady's gown and come in from the street.

It was a beautiful gown as well as a beautiful lady—a tailor-made gown, and its fashionable bias flounce trailed stylishly on the ground.

Everything was stylish about the lady, from her fair face, with rather deep circles below the eyes, to her slender and handsome walking shoes. She walked trailing her gown properly, dust or no dust. Indeed, she ignored the dust of the street; but will the dust ignore her?

Let us listen, if she will not, for this almost imperceptible dust moves and acts with fearful force, and if we listen possibly we may understand its language.

Soon after coming in on the beautiful lady's gown, other steps followed and other gowns helped to move the dust along farther into the house; but it had a fancy for the beautiful lady. Her frailness attracted it and it followed her to the bed chamber. Her feet had never trod the loathsome precincts whence it came, but it came to her on her gown.

Soon there came to the chamber a little child, a sweet, rosy cherub. In its romping it stirred the dust about. Then the dust began to be separated, being formed of many particles, and these talked among themselves. As they talked they danced back and forth, waltzing, swirling, capering, with every motion of the child and its mamma, the beautiful lady.

A scientist could have understood them if he had caught some of them under his microscope. He would have called them "germs." With what alarm he would have recognized the diphtheritic, and with what dismay would he have seen the tuberculous germ approaching the frail lady.

Back and forth, dancing, capering, waltzing, the germs kept time while baby, in its mother's arms, said, as thousands of other little ones were saying—

"Now I lay me down to sleep,
I pray the Lord my soul to keep;
If I should die before I wake,
I pray the Lord my soul to take."
This baby was saying it for the last time.

When night came again, thousands of little voices sent up the baby prayers, but this one was gasping out its little life on mamma's bosom—destroyed by a germ.

A yellow card at the front door warned all comers against diphtheria. The beautiful lady vainly sought health for a year or more, then found rest "beyond the sorrow and the parting."

"Broken hearted," it was said. "Found death in the dust of the street," said the microscope. A victim of the long skirt.

Fashion and Consumption.
In all American cities and most of the larger towns promiscuous expectation is prohibited. There are ordinances and rules against spitting in public conveyances, on the floors of assembly halls and on the sidewalks. Of necessity, however, this cannot be prevented in the gutters and on the pavements.

every woman should wear sensible skirts entirely clearing the ground. This will entirely eliminate this great avenue of tuberculosis invasion.

A Vegetarian Dinner.
Soup
Vegetable
Entrée
Roast Imperial
Vegetables
Scalloped Potatoes
Macaroni with Tomato Sauce
Stewed Vegetable Oysters.
Graham Bread
Cream Crisps.
Steamed Fig Pudding with Lemon Sauce.

The American Heart.

We have heard much about the American stomach and the American nerves, but we are just awakening to a discovery that there is being rapidly developed a form of heart disease which, if not peculiar to America, may at least be said to be more prevalent in this country than in any other part of the world. The heart-weakness resulting from the use of tobacco and alcohol and from a sedentary life on the one hand, and extremely violent exertion on the other hand, is no longer a rare condition, but has come to be one of the most common affections with which the physician has to deal. A large proportion of the men rejected in the army examinations are refused on account of heart weakness. A large proportion of the public men who die suddenly die as a result of the failure of the heart. The same may be said also of many of the cases in which the cause of death is reported to be pneumonia, typhoid fever and other affections in which special strain is brought to bear upon the heart, and in which the failure of the organ to meet the emergency is one of the most common causes of death. The cigar, the cigarette and the pipe are probably the most common cause of this growing frequency of cardiac affections; but the neglect of physical exercise, overeating, the use of condiments and excesses of all sorts are also to a large degree responsible for the rapid increase of this grave malady.

SOME WHOLESOME RECIPES.

Vegetable Soup.—Simmer together slowly for three or four hours, in five quarts of water, a quart of split peas, a slice of carrot, a slice of white turnip, one cup of canned tomatoes and two stalks of celery cut into small bits. When done, rub through a colander, add milk to make of proper consistency, reheat, season with salt and cream, and serve.

Roast Imperial.—Mix together one-half cup of lentil pulp (prepared by rubbing well-cooked lentils through a colander), one-half cup of pea pulp, one-half cup of English walnuts, and season to taste with sage and salt. Line an oiled baking dish one-half inch deep with the mixture. Pack in loosely a dressing made from the following ingredients: Four slices of zwieback, steamed until softened, one-half cup of hot cream, sage and salt to taste, and one well-beaten egg. Mix together lightly with a fork. Cover closely with peas, lentil and nut mixture. Spread over the top thick cream, bake in a moderate oven until firm enough to cut into slices. Serve with cranberry sauce or fruit jelly.

Scalloped Potatoes.—Pare the potatoes and slice thin; put them in layers in an earthen pudding dish, dredging each layer lightly with flour, add salt, and pour over all enough good, rich milk to cover well. Cover, and bake rather slowly till tender, removing the cover just long enough before the potatoes are done, to brown nicely. If preferred, a little less milk may be used, and a cup of thin cream added when the potatoes are nearly done.

Chopped Cabbage.—Take one pint of finely chopped cabbage; pour over it a dressing made of three tablespoonfuls of lemon juice, two tablespoonfuls of sugar, and a half cup of whipped cream, thoroughly beaten together in the order named. This is also nice served simply with sugar and diluted lemon juice.

Macaroni With Tomato Sauce.—Break macaroni into inch lengths, enough to make one cup, and drop into boiling water. Let it boil until perfectly tender. In the meantime, prepare the sauce by rubbing a pint of stewed or canned tomatoes through a colander to remove all seeds and fragments. Heat to boiling, thicken with a little flour; a tablespoonful to the pint will be about the requisite proportion. Add a half cup of very thin sweet cream and one teaspoonful of salt. Dish the macaroni in individual dishes, and serve with a small quantity of the sauce poured over each dish.

Steamed Fig Pudding.—Moisten two cupfuls of finely grated Graham bread crumbs with half a cup of thin sweet cream. Mix into it a heaping cupful of finely chopped fresh figs, and a quarter of a cup of sugar. Add lastly a cup of sweet milk. Turn all into a pudding dish, and steam about two and one-half hours. Serve as soon as done with a lemon sauce prepared as follows: Heat to boiling in a double boiler a pint of water in which are two slices of lemon, and stir into it a dessert spoonful of cornstarch; cook four or five minutes, or until it thickens. Squeeze the juice from one large lemon, and mix it with two-thirds of a cup of sugar. Add this to the cornstarch mixture, and allow the whole to boil up once, stirring constantly; then take from the fire. Leave in the double boiler, surrounded by the hot water, for ten minutes. Cool to blood heat before serving.

It may not strike the family circles. The household servants may be affected. Many of the deaths of domestics have their explanation. The mistress, after a shopping tour, leaves her mud-bordered skirt for the maid to clean. In the cloud of dust arising from the brush the fatal bacillus lurks. The girl, already weakened from too long hours indoors, succumbs. A few weeks later she is forced to stop work and waste away in hopeless dependence on her overburdened family or at public expense.

Another girl is easily obtained and the careless mistress never suspects any connection between her foolish fashion and the doomed domestic's sad fate.

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The Texas Sunday School Star in urging the importance of all Sunday school officers and teachers attending the thirty-first annual convention of the Texas State Sunday School Association to be held at Waco, May 30th to June 1 inclusive, points out the rather startling fact that only 190,000 white children in Texas were enrolled in the Sunday schools last year while there were 453,270 who never attended the Sunday schools at all. In other words, only 26 per cent of the white children of our state are attendants at Sunday schools.

Prison history and statistics presented by criminologists show that a vast majority of persons sentenced to prison for the base crimes never had the influence of Sunday school training in their youth. Place these two facts side by side—first, that those who have had a proper Sunday school training in their youth rarely commit serious crimes and, second, that little more than one-fourth of the children of Texas are in the Sunday schools and we find a situation that should arouse to energetic action all who feel a concern for the future well being of their fellow men and for the moral and law-abiding character of our citizenship.

HEREBINE.

Will overcome indigestion and dyspepsia; regulate the bowels and cure liver and kidney complaints. It is the best blood purifier and invigorator in the world. It is purely vegetable, perfectly harmless, and should you be a sufferer from disease, you will use it if you are wise.

R. N. Andrews, Editor and Mgr. Cocoa and Rockledge News, Cocoa, Fla., writes: "I have used your Herebine in my family, and find it a most excellent medicine. Its effects upon myself have been a marked benefit. I recommend it unhesitatingly." 50c. Sold by L. P. Collier.

LADIES HAVE AN OUTING.

In the place of the usual home reception, Mrs. W. E. Sherrill and Mrs. S. W. Scott entertained for their guest, Mrs. W. W. Heutz of Ardmore, I. T., under the shade of the elms on Mule creek Monday afternoon, from four till seven o'clock. It was a merry party that threw aside cares to enjoy the freedom of an outing for a few hours.

Some childhood games, such as "stealing base," were indulged in and many proved themselves still fleet of foot.

Mrs. McCollum, who is ever ready to add to the entertainment of a crowd, rendered some good selections. Among scientific games the favorite "42" was played by those who find it most congenial.

A three course luncheon consisting of fruits, sandwiches, pickles, ice tea, and cream and wafers were served, after which many expressions of delight and pleasure were made to the hostesses.

The drive back to the city, in the waning hours of the evening was another delightful feature.

Those who participated in the afternoon's pleasures were: Mesdames Posey, McCollum, Robertson, Rike, John Ellis, Day, Cunningham, McConnell, H. R. Jones, Montgomery, Bailey, Adams, Jno. Jones, W. E. Sherrill, Jno. Couch, Keister, Long, Wilson, Pierson, Heutz, Scott, Geo. Fields, Baker, Hollis Fields and Ed Ellis and Misses Chambliss, Jeanyan Ellis, Minnie Ellis, Rupe, Fields, Minta Ellis and Dulin Fields.

Mrs. Heutz has many friends who welcome her back to her old home and hope her stay with us will be prolonged.

B. Y. P. U. Program.

For Sunday, May 21.

Leader—Miss Emma Nicholson. Lesson—Crows Trodden Under Foot, Isa. 28:1-7; Rev. 3:11. The Outcome of Vice, 1 Sam. 3:13; 5:10-15—Miss Glennie Russell. Song. Saul Forfeiting his Crown, 1 Sam. 14:16-23—Miss Mable Wyman. Yielding to bad Counsellors, 1 Kings 12:6-20—Miss Alice Poole. Song. Vanity of Vanities—Ecclesiastes 2:11—Miss Maggie Pierce. What the Grace of God can do, 1 Cor. 6:9-10—Mrs. Cunningham. Song. Obtaining the Everlasting Crown, James 1:1-12—Mr. Y. L. Thomason. Song. Dismissal.

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REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

List of title papers filed in the county clerk's office since our last report: J. S. Fox et ux to E. V. Griffin, deed, part of lot 1 blk 10, town of Haskell.

J. S. Purchase to R. P. Williams, deed, 85 acres in N. W. cor. S. W. Purchase sur. 65, consideration \$400.

R. P. Williams to W. C. Norman, deed, 88 acres in N. W. cor. S. W. Purchase sur. 65, consideration \$700.

Solom Smith to W. T. Smith, deed, 640 acres, R. Steel sur. 6, also 640 acres sur. 12 of H. & T. C. R'y. Co., consideration \$1990.

Fannie Harrison to S. R. Allen, deed, 100 acres part of blk 4, sur. 62 Coryell Co., consideration \$2990.

T. G. Carney to A. J. West, deed, lots 3 and 4 blk 77, town of Carney, consideration \$150.

W. W. Newton and wife to R. B. Williams, deed, 58 acres part of sub. 16, sur. 74 Red River Co., consideration \$710.

W. D. Reynolds to Robt Hollis, deed, undivided 1-2 of 20 acres, E. 1-2 of blk 16 Jas. Scott sur., consideration \$200.

City National Bank of Wichita Falls to Robt Hollis, deed, undivided half of E. 1-2 blk 16 Jas. Scott sur., consideration \$200.

T. E. Balford et ux to W. H. Geary et al, deed, 200 acres sub. 99, I. Ramon sur., consideration \$3500.

E. J. Dyches et al to T. G. Carney, deed, 112 acres part sur. 3, blk 1, J. H. Bemis sur., consideration \$545.82.

Lucy G. Brown to M. R. Hemphill, deed, lots 1 and 2 blk 32, B. & R. add. to Haskell, consideration \$100.

H. W. Moore to J. L. Baldwin, deed, 400 acres S. end T. G. Box sur., consideration \$1000.

A. J. Giles and wife to F. M. Morton, deed, 200 acres, E. end sur. 36, blk 46 H. & T. C. R'y. Co., consideration \$1400.

B. E. Sparks et al to W. F. Bullington, deed, 160 acres N. W. 1-4 B. B. & C. R. R. Co. sur. 12, consideration \$1200.

F. M. Morton and wife to A. Mayfield, deed, part of I. & G. N. R'y. Co. sur. and F. M. Morton sur. 35 and fractional sur. 36 H. & T. C. R. R. Co., consideration \$5440.

W. P. Willis et ux to T. G. Carney, deed, 163.3-5 acres, S. end N. E. 1-4 sur. 18, blk 14, consideration \$1442.

T. G. Carney to Mrs. Anna Martin, deed, lot 14 blk 47, lots 1 and 2 blk 82 Carney's add. to Carney, consideration \$475.

T. G. Carney to R. E. Hinds, deed, lot 5 and 6 Carney's add. to Carney, consideration \$250.

R. B. Williams et ux to D. O. Hunter, deed, 58 acres part sub. 16 sur. 74 Red River Co. land, consideration \$996.52.

Sarah Sutters by Admr. to Jno. C. Miller, deed, 52 1/2 acres of T. G. Box sur., consideration \$246.50.

J. T. Heflin Admr. for Sarah Sutters to W. H. Moore, deed, 120 acres of T. G. Box sur., consideration \$101.60.

Jefferson Johnson, Exr. of N. S. Walton to H. G. McConnell, deed, 80 acres, blk 113 of Peter Allen sur., consideration \$160.

A. G. Jones and wife to C. K. Jones, deed, 480 acres of J. M. Campbell sur., consideration \$1650.

C. K. Jones to A. G. Jones, deed, 1 acre in blk 129 of Peter Allen sur., consideration \$1200.

J. C. High and wife to G. H. Griffin, deed, 320 acres W 1/2 of sec. 7 blk 2, H. & T. C. R'y. Co. and 160 acres the S. E. 1/4 of sur. 8, blk H. & T. C. R'y. Co., consideration \$5760.

A. C. Foster and J. L. Jones to G. R. Couch, deed, 320 acres J. Laughlin sur., consideration \$900.

David Livingood to R. L. Livingood, deed, 74 acres of Mary E. Criswell sur., consideration \$300.

The Beckham National Bank to S. R. Crawford, deed, 354 acres B. H. Jayne sur., consideration \$472.

C. R. Peters and wife to L. D. Morgan, deed, W 1/2 out lot 34 B. & R. add. to Haskell, consideration \$75.

B. T. Masterson to J. H. Masterson, deed, 320 acres C. C. Speers sur., and 430 acres G. H. Bingham, and 120 acres J. H. Bond sur., and 320 acres C. C. Speers sur., consideration \$2000.

J. H. Briscoe and wife to T. A. Marchbanks, deed, 160 acres, S. W. 1/4 sur. 15, blk 2 H. & T. C. R'y. Co., consideration \$1500.

W. M. Walton to M. E. Church, deed, lot 5 blk 23 in Haskell, consideration \$75.

H. L. Avery surviving wife of J. N. Avery to W. A. Betts et als, release of vendor's lien on 74.25 acres of sur. 193 blk 45 and 22.17 acres of J. C. Chester sur. and 223.55 of A. M. Robertson sur., consideration, the payment of six notes, total \$1350.

J. L. Baldwin to W. C. Allen, deed, 3 acres, part sur. 1 blk 1 W. C. R. R. Co. and part of sur. 179, consideration \$45.

T. W. Langston et al to T. G. Carney, deed, 163.2-5 acres the N. W. 1/4 sur. 18 blk 14, consideration \$2450.

T. G. Carney to F. L. Bussey, deed, lots 1 and 2 blk 74 town Carney, consideration \$400.

J. L. Farley to J. L. Odell, deed, 10 acres, blk 17 A. L. Rhomburg add. to Haskell, consideration \$100.

S. L. Holden to C. D. Grissom, deed, 116 acres of Thos. D. Owens sur., consideration \$550.

CARNEY CLIPPINGS.

TO THE FREE PRESS:

Not much news this week, but will try to round up a few items. Peace prevails except between the farmers and the weeds and grass; both are trying to gain the mastery. By the time the farmers can see in the morning they are pulling the bell cord over old Beck's back.

The recent heavy rains have gotten some of us in the middle of a bad fix in the way of objectionable vegetation. Crops are growing well however, and a good yield is looked for. Oats is heading and cotton is up to a fairly good stand generally.

Public school term closed at Mitchell school house last Friday with new exercises. Much credit is due the teacher, Miss Wren Scarborough, for the training given her pupils.

Mr. K. J. Wright, who has been sick, is greatly improved.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Johnson of Munday were visiting in our midst Saturday and Sunday.

Quite a number of our people attended the singing convention at Cliff Sunday.

Now Fritz, who told you about that Orient train going south from Carneyville? Was it actually a fact, Fritz? We all up here thought the Orient was building north, but maybe we are like the old man's pants—can't tell whether it's comin' or gwine.

Mr. T. G. Carney left this evening for Cliff to assist in moving three business houses to Carney. Keep your shirts on boys, Carney is coming to the front, but the big boom will accompany the first mogul.

May 18, 1905.

Terrific Race With Death.

"Death was fast approaching," writes Ralph F. Fernandez of Tampa, Fla., describing his fearful race with death, "as a result of liver trouble and heart disease, which had robbed me of sleep and of all interest in life. I had tried many different doctors and several medicines, but got no benefit, until I began to use Electric Bitters. So wonderful was their effect, that in three days I felt like a new man, and today I am cured of all my troubles." Guaranteed at C. E. Terrell's drug store; price 50c.

COLORADO, TEXAS AND MEXICO.

Amended Articles Increase Capital Stock of Road.

Austin, Tex., May 16.—The Colorado, Texas and Mexico Railroad Company today filed an amendment to its charter in the Secretary of State's office, increasing its capital stock from \$200,000 to \$375,000.

This additional capital stock is to provide for building the road a distance considerably further than was proposed in the original charter. A new provision of the charter provides that the company shall construct a line of road from a point on Red River, in Wilbarger County, south through the counties of Hardeman, Wilbarger, Foard, Baylor, Knox, Haskell, Jones, Taylor, Runnels, Coleman, Concho, McCullough, Mason, San Saba, Llano, Gillespie, Kerr and Kendall to an intersection with the San Antonio and Aransas Pass Railroad at or near Comfort.

The officers of the company are: Morris R. Locke, president; J. H. Parramore, C. W. Merchant, C. S. Bass, R. G. Anderson, F. C. Digby, Roberts, J. C. Lowdon, J. M. Daugherty and Fred Cockrell, directors.

The company's general offices are at Abilene, Tex. The road is being constructed out of Abilene.

A Good Suggestion.

Mr. C. B. Wainwright of Lemon City, Fla., has written the manufacturers that much better results are obtained from the use of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy in cases of pains in the stomach, colic and cholera morbus by taking it in water as hot as can be drunk. That when taken in this way the effect is double in rapidity. "It seems to get at the right spot instantly," he says. For sale at Terrell's drug store.

Mr. W. D. Falkner of Pinkerton was in town the other day added his name to our list of readers. Mr. Falkner is head man of the big W. O. W. Camp at Pinkerton.

Mr. Frank Oglesby of McGregor, son of Mr. Wm. Oglesby of this place, was here this week on a visit.

Mr. H. W. Twiner of the Pinkerton neighborhood was in Friday and tickled the FREE PRESS with a cash renewal.

Messrs. J. C. Turner and Postmaster W. P. Phillips of Ample were in town Thursday. Mr. Turner was circulating a petition for subscriptions to a fund with which to build a union church, Woodman's hall and school house at Ample. Their section had a good rain last Saturday and they said there was not a large acreage of oats and wheat but what there is, is good.

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I. O. O. F.—Haskell Lodge, No. 27 ED. ELLIS, N. G. M. E. PARKER, G. WALTER REARDON, S. Lodge meets every Thursday night.

Elmwood Camp No. 1 T. B. Russell, Com. Joe Irby, Secy. Meets 22nd and 4th. Visiting everlast.

HEALTH

"I don't think we could have lived without Theford's Drought. We have used the Drought for over two years and a host of results. I have a good doctor in the house for it and of time. It is a doctor in itself and always ready to make a Jacksonville, Ill.

Because this medicine relieves stomach and invigorates constipated bowels and cures the torpid liver and kidneys.

NO DOCTOR

is necessary home where Theford's Drought is kept. For any physician, kept in health for years. Theford's Drought cures biliousness, colds, chills and fever, indigestion, colic and all other ailments because stomach, bowels and liver are so nearly controlled.

THEFORD'S BACK-RAUGHT

Elsie Carter of Sagerton visited R. Jones Tuesday.

NEW STOCK

We have greatly enlarged our stock this spring by adding several new lines to our business as well as making the old ones more complete. We invite your patronage on the proposition that we know by experience how to buy and how to sell goods.

Ladies Dress Goods

Our stock in this line is entirely new and embraces the styles now in popular demand. We are sure it will interest the ladies.

Shoes and Slippers

We have added a full line of shoes and slippers for men, women and children. The attention of ladies is especially invited to our stylish footwear for them.

Millinery

This is one of our old lines and it's hardly necessary to mention it to the ladies who have bought their hats of us during the past two years, as they know that our hats are always the latest in style and that our prices are right, so we pass it with this little reminder.

Gentlemen's Clothing

This is another new line with us and we invite your attention to it with the assurance that you will find it up-to-date.

You will find in our new stock everything desirable in

NOTIONS, NOVELTIES, TRIMMINGS, EMBROIDERIES, Laces, Goves, Handkerchiefs, Etc.

We have other lines and many things that our space will not permit to mention here, but we cordially invite you to call in and take a look.

C. J. HUNT & COMPANY.

BAIR & WHITTINGTON, FINE TAILORING.

We restore clothing to its original beauty by DYING CLEANING and PRESSING.

If you have clothing or hats you want restored leave them at J. B. H.'s store in Haskell and we will get them, or call on us at Standard.

COLLIER

Registered Druggist.

NORTHEAST CORNER OF SQUARE HASKELL, - TEXAS.

A Fire Killer That Kills Fire!

We invite your attention to a cheap and simple Fire Extinguisher which has been brought to our notice in a way to convince us of its merits, and which we believe it is to the interest of every householder to investigate.

Call at the store and let us show it to you and also show you a stack of facsimile testimonials from persons who are using this extinguisher in factories, stores, banks, residences, hotels, theaters, and from chiefs of fire departments, all of whom speak in strong terms of their efficiency and practical utility, from experience.

The manufacturers say: "We absolutely guarantee that Fyridine will put out any blaze from any material in quicker time, at lower cost, with less injury, with greater ease and efficiency than any other extinguisher." Come and let us show you.

ABOUT CUT GLASS

The modern housekeeper's pride and pleasure is her table service. Cut glass, the most beautiful of all table furnishings, is an expensive luxury in which few can indulge. "Pres-cut" glass is the artistic design and brilliancy of color is the nearest approach ever attained to the highest grades of cut glass.

Those who own expensive cut glass and rarely use it for fear of its being broken can, by substituting "Pres-cut," enjoy the cut glass effects for everyday service, while those who do not own cut glass are now afforded equally as gratifying results.

The process used in the manufacture of "Pres-cut" glass not only produces a brilliant effect and superior finish, but also serves to strengthen the quality of the glass, making a most attractive and serviceable article at a price within the reach of all. A complete assortment of this beautiful glassware can be had at

W. H. WYMAN & CO., HASKELL RACKET STORE.

FLOTSAM AND JETSAM

Get fresh keg crout at Williams'.

Former tax assessor C. M. Brown was in the city Tuesday.

Mrs. J. S. Rike is visiting Mrs. W. E. Johnson at Marlin, Texas.

Select your wall paper at the Racket Store.

One second-hand McCormack self binder for sale or trade. W. T. Jones.

Mr. J. W. Belknap of Knox City was in Haskell Wednesday.

We can sell any thing from a town lot to a railroad, if the price is right. Neal & Odell.

Mrs. J. T. Nicholson returned Tuesday from a visit to friends at Abilene.

Mrs. R. E. Sherrill returned this week from a visit in Abilene.

Garden seeds in bulk at the Racket Store.

Mr. Howard Stanley, who is on Mr. S. V. Jones' place, called in Saturday and had the paper sent to his mother in Alabama.

For sorghum and millet seed see W. W. Fields & Bro.

Mr. W. C. Lee of the Pinkerton neighborhood was in town Tuesday.

We have plenty of money to loan on good real estate security. If you want any money, see us; we can get it for you in less time than any other firm in West Texas. West Texas Development Co.

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 don't want to sell your land don't list it with us for we might fool you. We are sellers this year. Neal & Odell.

Eld. J. H. Shepard and family left Monday to attend the annual state convention of the Christian church at Waco.

Mr. Ira Border of Stamford was in Haskell Wednesday on his way to Knox City, where he has some business interests.

Mr. W. J. Medford of the Howard neighborhood was in town Wednesday. He says a good rain would help crops in his neighborhood.

Mr. W. L. Cason returned last Saturday night from a business trip to Dallas and informs us that he arranged to add some new lines to the business of his firm.

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.

I have quite a number of well bred Poland China and Red Duroc (crossed) pigs for sale. Will be ready to deliver latter part of May and early in June; price \$1.50 each. Farm four miles west of Ample on Seymour road. Postoffice, Ample, J. B. Wadlington. 17-4t

Mr. W. D. Garren of the southwest part of the county was in town Saturday and said the wheat in his section was heading and with a rain in a few days would fill out and make a good crop.

By an oversight we got Mr. Henry Free's name to a lost hog notice when it ought to have had Mr. T. L. Atchison's name attached to it. If anyone has seen a stray gilt, let him know about it.

We want three good farms 160 to 320 acres. Do you want to sell out? If you do see Neal & Odell.

To EXCHANGE—Two cottages and nice vacant lot in Denton, also small house in Stamford, for good land. Will trade all or any part as whole or part payment. Box 346 Stamford, Texas.

Mrs. J. F. Posey entertained a number of her friends Tuesday evening. Delicious refreshments were served and a most delightful time was spent by all present, says our informant.

Messrs. S. R. Rike, Will Fitzgerald and Perry Clayton returned several days ago from Vernon, where they delivered a bunch of steers bought here by Vernon parties.

Dr. Reagan of Pinkerton was in Haskell Wednesday. Although the Doctor celebrated his ninetieth birthday a few days ago, he is hale and hearty and apparently has several years to his credit yet.

Mr. Jas. M. Williams left Monday for Mineral Wells with instructions for the FREE PRESS to visit him there to keep him posted on Haskell affairs.

Mr. Jack Medford caught the reporter down on Paint Creek the other day and passed over the cash for the FREE PRESS for a year.

Who is Neal & Odell? They are the boys that can sell your land. They brought more good substantial citizens to Haskell county last year than any other land agents in the county.

Three cans of sweet potatoes at Williams' for 25 cts., also 3 cans of hominy for 25 cts.

I am yours for cheap groceries, G. E. Ballew.

I have for sale a one year old registered Poland China boar. This boar is from the Tecumseh family of P. C. hogs in Iowa, which is recognized as one of the best strains of these popular hogs. This is a fine individual specimen and I will sell him at the low price of \$12.50. G. E. Courtney.

Creme paper, plain and figured, at the Racket Store.

Mr. T. E. Bowman of the Pinkerton community, who was in town Wednesday, related to the reporter that Mr. T. P. Martin went to Stamford a few days ago and 'phoned back that two cars of lumber had arrived for the new Baptist church building at Pinkerton and that within half an hour twenty-seven wagons were secured and were soon on the road to Stamford to bring out the lumber. That night the Pinkerton neighborhood had a good rain. The wagons made the trip in due time and the new church building will soon be ready for use.

Mr. T. A. Green of the south side visited the county capital Wednesday.

Messrs. J. W. and Henry Johnson went to Stonewall county this week to look at a ranch which they contemplated purchasing.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Hudson visited their daughter, Mrs. Jno. E. Robertson, at Stamford the early part of this week.

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

Mr. J. E. Hubbard of the Cliff community was in town Monday and told us that his side of the county had two good rains last week, the last one falling Saturday morning. He says that most of the oat crops are pretty well advanced and he thinks these rains insure a good harvest. All other crops, he said, were growing and looking well.

Don't buy your cane seed until you figure with the Keister Grocery Co.

Mr. J. R. Hubbard of Bolivar, Denton county, who is out visiting his brother, Mr. J. E. Hubbard of this county, and prospecting was in town Monday. He expressed himself as well pleased with our country and thought it not unlikely that he would become a citizen of Haskell, especially if it is seen that the railroad is a certainty. We were told that he is an expert carpenter. He subscribed for the FREE PRESS to keep up with the situation.

STRAYED.—One bay mare, about 15 hands high, branded K with half circle over it on left shoulder. Last heard of near Stamford going north. Will give \$5 reward for recovery. Reeves Jones, Anson, Texas.

I have a good harvester for sale. Has only been used to cut sixty acres of grain. Call at my store. G. E. Ballew.

Last Tuesday the FREE PRESS reporter accepted Dr. A. G. Neathery's invitation and took a seat in his buggy and drove with him out to his farm three miles west of town, where we saw his nicely growing crops and his fine Hereford bull and herd of high-grade cattle. His pasture adjoining the farm has on it a very fine coat of grass and his cattle are watered by means of a windmill from a well in which stands twenty feet of water, inexhaustible by any ordinary pump and windmill, and, drinking of the water, we found it excellent in quality.

You can save money by buying your cane seed of Keister Grocery Co.

The Cemetery association has succeeded in settling the title to the land composing the Haskell cemetery and states that persons desiring private lots in the cemetery can now procure satisfactory deeds to same.

Considerable cotton which has lain in the weigher's yard at Haskell since it was ginned last winter has been sold recently. Several wagon loads went out this week.

District Attorney C. C. Higgins passed through Haskell a few days since going to Throckmorton, to prepare for the approaching term of district court.

Dr. C. L. Terrell made a business trip to Abilene this week.

"Swamp Fox" will be on deck with a communication next week.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE CALLED.

Believing that it is best to take up and decide the question of having a Street Fair at an early date so that there will be no uncertainty and the people will have more time to prepare for it than heretofore, I hereby call a meeting of the Executive Committee in Haskell at 2 o'clock p. m. Saturday, June 3, 1905, to discuss said matter.

E. W. WILLIAMS, Chm.
J. E. POOLE, Sec'y.

Our cream is just as pure as you can make at home and—but come and judge for yourself as to its taste.

THE PAINT CREEK BALL GAME.

Following is the total of scores made by the Haskell and Post base ball teams in their game at the Howard school picnic on Paint creek last Saturday:

HASKELL TEAM.	
O. Neathery,.....	2
J. A. Thomason,.....	3
Earl Odell,.....	3
Louis Fields,.....	1
Ches Neathery,.....	2
Clarence Parker,.....	1
Willmer Kemp,.....	2
Tom Brooks,.....	1
Burford Long,.....	0
Total,.....	16

POST TEAM.	
Bert Davis,.....	3
C. C. Shy,.....	3
Earl Bishop,.....	3
J. Earls,.....	3
Ed Shy,.....	1
Kim Hisey,.....	0
Was Davis,.....	0
Marshall Davis,.....	0
Chas Overton,.....	2
Total,.....	12

EXPOSURE.

To cold draughts of air, to keen and cutting winds, sudden changes of temperature, scanty clothing, undue exposure of the throat and neck after public speaking and singing, bring on coughs and colds. Ballard's Horehound Syrup is the best cure. Mrs. A. Barr, Houston, Texas, writes, Jan. 31, 1902: "One bottle of Ballard's Horehound Syrup cured me of a very bad cough. It is very pleasant to take." 25c, 50c, \$1.00. Sold by I. P. Collier.

Early last Wednesday morning Messrs. G. W. Pilley, A. H. Storrs, J. S. Fouts, F. G. Alexander, A. T. Crews, G. T. Buford and A. Fuller were seen in a wagon with fishing poles sticking out of it, going in an easterly direction. They must have also had shotguns, as lots of shooting was heard in the direction they took. Later reports show they laid in a large supply of rabbits as they went along. It is not known whether the rabbits were intended for fish bait or as a provision of meat against a possible failure to catch fish.

Mr. A. C. Sherrick has sold his ranch of over 4000 acres in the north side of the county to Dr. Nolen of Alabama. We are told that Dr. Nolen will put 1000 acres of the land in cultivation and erect ten tenant houses on it. Mr. Sherrick probably will come to town to reside.

MONEY SALE

We are going to catch some

CASH

If low prices constitute a good bait. Read these:

CANNED GOODS.

1 dozen 2 lb cans Tomatoes,.....	90c
1 dozen " " Strawberries.....	90c
1 dozen " " Blackberries.....	90c
1 dozen " " Cosmos Corn.....	90c
14 lbs Granulated Sugar,.....	90c
10 lbs Snowdrift,.....	90c
10 lbs Jewel Lard,.....	90c
7 lbs good Rice,.....	25c

SOAPS.

7 bars Silk Soap for,.....	25c
7 bars Clarette Soap for,.....	25c
6 bars Fairy Soap for,.....	25c
7 bars Robin Soap for,.....	25c

TOBACCOES.

1 lb New Hope Tobacco,.....	39c
1 lb Pesch and Honey,.....	39c
1 lb Razor,.....	39c

One pound to each customer.

CEREAL FOODS, ETC.

Dr. Priess food, package,.....	10c
Cream of Wheat,.....	15c
Can Columbia Baking Powder with a 10c bottle flavoring extract, both for,.....	9c

With every \$5.00 cash bill we will give for extra money either:
7 Pkgs Arbuckle coffee at 90c or 15 lbs. granulated sugar at 90c.

For the first five who trade out \$25.00 cash in 60 days we will enlarge a 16x20 photo FREE.

This sale will not last over ten days at these prices, so come at once.

Z. B. THOMASON & SON.

15th Annual

SPRING STOCK

Now Open

We make our bow to the public and call attention to our new Spring stock with the utmost confidence that the goods have been bought as cheap as money can buy them, and it is our purpose to sell at proportionately low prices, thus dividing the advantage with our customers. Indeed we feel sure that we will be able to sell some lines of goods considerably below the prices you have been paying for them, for we know that we secured some bargains.

At the same time there is no deterioration in quality. Your careful inspection of all goods is earnestly solicited in proof of this.

We have the

Greatest Line of White Goods

ever displayed in Haskell, consisting of linens, lawns, cambrics, a variety of waist fabrics, embroideries, laces, etc.

Novelty Dress Goods

This line will be especially interesting to our lady friends, as we show an unusually large variety, including the latest fabrics, weaves, figuring and colors.

Sundries and Novelty Department

There is also much in this to please and interest our lady friends. In it will be found the latest and daintiest things in ladies collars and neck-wear of every kind, handkerchiefs from one cent each up and a very complete assortment of belts, besides other things too numerous to mention here.

Gents Furnishings

Here we will claim the attention of the gentlemen, for we do not hesitate to assure them that our line is not excelled in variety, quality and style west of Fort Worth. It contains everything necessary to a well dressed gentleman's toilet.

Ladies' Vests and Underwear

Our stock is quite full in this line and the articles are as dainty and stylish as you will find in any market. We invite your inspection and challenge competition in this line especially.

SHOES, SLIPPERS, SANDALS

There is not another stock in this section to compare with ours in completeness, style and quality. We say this with confidence, as we handle the best makes. Don't fail to see our fancy baby and children's footwear.

Spring Millinery

We are taking special pains to make this department up-to-date in every particular. Profiting by past experience and with the aid of suggestions from a millinery expert, we have selected and will present to our lady friends a stock complete in all details from which to select. With this completeness and all the modern appliances and money saving devices in trimming and structural work, in the hands of an expert in using them, we will be able to save you money as compared to former prices.

This department is in the hands of Miss Katie Kelley, who may be termed a graduate in the millinery art. Having passed through all the departments from the building of the frames and shapes to the turning out of the most elaborately trimmed hats, she can construct a hat to harmonize with the form and general make-up or style of any individual.

Miss Kelley will be pleased to meet and consult with all who are interested in securing appropriate and properly designed millinery. Remember that

*THE EARLY BIRD, LIKE THE CHICK,
HAS THE ASSORTMENT FROM WHICH TO PICK!*

Alexander Mercantile Company.

Safe Home

See, moon and stars shall fade away,
 And time and space shall be no more;
 The world shall melt in a sea of fire,
 And chaos reign as it hath of yore.
 Then we shall be with the loved of earth,
 Far from these scenes of toil and pain;
 Shall know a glorious second birth—
 Immortal life, infinite gain.
 And we, rejoicing with the best,
 Shall learn what now seems so obscure,
 We truly and forever best,
 For those whose love could all endure,
 Oh, saved in life, oh, saved and free,
 No more to be good, with trade men,
 In God's great city—where the coast—
 'Tis all with love, "Safe Home!" at last.
 —Oscar B. Smith.

APPLE BLOSSOMS

BY JULIUS H. HERRMANN

It was in one of our city parks. The gray figure of the guard moved leisurely down the main gravel path, whistling softly to himself, as people are apt to do when at leisure. A glorious May sun was shedding its rays over the green lawns and the sprouting trees, with their various, colored buds. Birds were chirping their noisy little song of spring and happiness. A balmy wind played with the crowns of the trees and bushes, now and then shaking a cluster of pink and white blossoms from the mother stem.

McGrady, the park police, was just turning into one of the many side-paths, when a slight noise, as the breaking of twigs, arrested his foot and he turned, staring sharply at a cluster of bushes, from which the blossom-covered top of an apple tree peered forth most conspicuous. Everything was quiet now, yet McGrady, undaunted, approached and confronted a small woman in poor, yet tidy apparel, with a worn face, decidedly German. She had a frightened look in her eyes and endeavored to hide her right hand back of her.

"Drop that, Ma'am!" sternly came from McGrady's lips, whose clear eyes had detected a mutilated branch over his head.

The woman spoke not a word, but her eyes pleadingly sought the grizzled features before her.

"Don't you know, that yer not ter mutilate any of these trees? Now, come out of this!" She followed him out into the sunny path, trembling violently. She had dropped the spray of velvety blossoms and her thin, horny hands clasped each other.

"Now, Ma'am, d'ye see that these sign? An' can ye read it?" He breathed with a feeling of duty.

Yes, she could read, she said. A weak voice, but quivering with suppressed grief.

"What d'ye s'pose we plant them fur? What do ye s'pose I'm here fur? Don't ye know it's a crime to mutilate trees. No, we can't have it! Be gone with ye, I say." Again she spoke.

"Undt wouldn't you lets me take dat leedle tweeg mit me?"

"Yes, I know what ye intend to say. It's destroyed any way—it's destroyed—dat ye can't have it! Let that be yer punishment, this time. No, so—an' don't let me catch ye offending agin'!"

Officer McGrady turned his back on the shame-faced culprit, when a few words caught his ear. Words, that struck his ear like a sledge, words that brought back to the old man scenes of his own youth.

"I had a leedle child dyin' at home, Ma'am!" McGrady had lost his own little daughter many years ago, but those few words brought back a thousand recollections.

"Ye had a child dyin', Ma'am?" She nodded, then—suddenly—she reeled and would have fallen, had not the muscular arm of the man supported her.

"Be seated, Ma'am, be seated!" He hurried her to a bench near by.

"Thank you, sir." With a great effort she seemed to recover, and now they were seated side by side. "I had a sweet, leedle child dyin'—mine darling leedle Elsa."
 "Tell me all about it. An' is there then no hope for her?"
 "No—she is dyin'—going fast—undt soon I will be left alone. She was so preedy, midt her blond curls undt blue eyes dat looked shust like leedle violets. The doctor has given

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GIVEN HONOR BY SWEDEN.

Charles A. Smith of Minneapolis Receives Prized Decoration.
 Charles A. Smith of Minneapolis, president of the C. A. Smith Timber company, has been created a commander of the first degree in the Order of the Vasa by King Oscar of Sweden. This honor is said to be the most exalted favor in the power of the Swedish government to confer on a foreign citizen, and Mr. Smith is the first American to receive it. The decoration came as a public recognition of his philanthropic work among the Swedes in this country and in Sweden.



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tion of Mr. Smith's philanthropic work among the Swedes in this country and in Sweden. His benefactions to educational, religious and charitable institutions have been liberal and substantial. Mr. Smith is a self-made man. He was born in Sweden, the son of a soldier, and went to Minneapolis with his parents as a boy of 14 in 1867. The Order of the Vasa was founded by the great Gustavus Vasa of Sweden nearly 400 years ago and is one of the most ancient orders in Europe. To be created a commander entitles the bearer to special privileges at the Swedish court.

Pathological View of Bribery.
 Gov. Garvin of Rhode Island has not much confidence in the deterrent effect of laws against corrupt practices, because in the present degradation of public sentiment on the subject such laws are easily evaded, as are laws regarding taxation of personal property. The laws of our states against corrupt practices are not enforced as similar laws are in Great Britain. Being a physician, he gives what we may call a pathological view of the disease of bribery: "The underlying cause of bribery in elections is that the vote is worth very much less to its rightful owner than it is to the candidate. Now, if this condition could be reversed, so that the possessor of the ballot should esteem it almost priceless, and the candidate find that to him a purchased vote was of little use, then bribery would cease."—Boston Herald.

No Good Cause for Envy.
 Let not the plodding citizen who goes to his trade or profession every day and to church once on Sunday and takes a walk into the green fields Sunday afternoon, getting enough money to keep himself and family fairly well fed, housed and clothed and able to keep the children well-enough dressed to go to school, so into the "blues" every time he reads about a big operator making \$1,000,000 or so at a single turn of the market. Beloved brother, not all of these stories are true. Perhaps a large majority of them are fictitious. Operating in Wall street causes much loss of sleep and denies a great many men the serenity and contentment of wholesome old age. And then the time is so short.—Cincinnati Enquirer

DR. WASHINGTON GLADDEN.



The Rev. Dr. Washington Gladden, moderator of the National Congregational council is the ecclesiastic who has become famous the world over because of his refusal to concur in the acceptance of \$100,000 from John D. Rockefeller on the ground that it was "tainted money."

Etiquette for Monarchs.
 At a recent state banquet in Naples the king of Italy, in toasting the kaiser, spoke in Italian, while the emperor replied in German. There is an etiquette in the use of language on such occasions which Bismarck may be said to have introduced after the French war—an etiquette which always guides the foreign office at Berlin in its correspondence with members of diplomatic corps. Had the kaiser used French, a neutral tongue, the kaiser would also have responded in the same language, but as the king spoke in his native speech the emperor had to stand upon his dignity and do the same.

QUICK RESULTS.



W. J. Hill, of Concord, N. C., Justice of the Peace, says: "Doan's Kidney Pills proved a very efficient remedy in my case. I used them for disordered kidneys and backache, from which I had experienced a great deal of trouble and pain. The kidney secretions were very irregular, dark colored and full of sediment. The Pills cleared it all up and I have not had an ache in my back since taking the last dose. My health generally is improved a great deal."

FOSTER-MILBURN CO., Buffalo, N. Y. For sale by all dealers, price 50 cents per box.

Sad Fate of a Hymn Writer.

Rev. Edward Dunbar, who wrote the old Sunday-school song, "There is a Light in the Window for Thee, Brother," sleeps in a pauper's grave at Coffeyville, Kas., where he died a tramp in the town jail twelve years ago. His name became a byword in the places where he was known, died from a prison cell he went forth a vagabond upon the face of the earth. In 1867 Dunbar was arrested at Leavenworth while engaged in holding a series of revival meetings, and taken to Minneapolis, Minn., where he was tried for bigamy, convicted and sent to the penitentiary for three and a half years. One night in the spring of 1893 Dunbar applied at the Coffeyville jail for lodging. He was ill and the authorities took him in. He died the next day. Papers in his pocket revealed his identity and showed that he had tramped all over the country. Some church people lately have erected a marble slab over his grave on which these words are inscribed: "Here lies Edward Dunbar, who wrote 'There is a Light in the Window for Thee, Brother.'"

Were Good for Both.

Pauling, Miss., May 15th.—(Special)—In this neighborhood men and women alike are telling of the great benefit they have received from the use of Dodd's Kidney Pills and it frequently happens they are the means of curing members of both sexes in the same family. Take the case of Mr. and Mrs. F. Erby. The latter voices the sentiment of both when she says:

"My lips cannot express too much praise for Dodd's Kidney Pills. I suffered with Backache and Female weakness for four or five years and I feel that I have been wonderfully helped by Dodd's Kidney Pills. My husband, too, was a sufferer for five years from a weak bladder and they also cured him."

Dodd's Kidney Pills make healthy kidneys. Healthy kidneys mean pure blood and good health all over the body. No woman with healthy kidneys ever had female weakness.

Statistics for the German empire show a further increase in the number of cremations, there having been cremated 1381 bodies in 1904, against 1074 bodies in 1903, an increase of 28 per cent and double the number cremated in 1901.

Private Car Lines.

The railroads seem very willing to have the private car lines brought under the jurisdiction of the Interstate Commerce Commission. A railroad president is authority for the statement that lines are paid mileage, without discrimination, and the question of excessive charges is a matter for the shipper to settle with the car lines, so long as there is no law to govern their rates. Car mileage paying has been decided to be as legal as the payment of rental for property.

There's no more reason why a well-built girl shouldn't be proud of hers than a thin one ashamed of hers.

ITCHING SCALP HUMOR.

Lady Suffered Tortures Until Cured by Cuticura—Scratched Day and Night.

"My scalp was covered with little pimples and I suffered tortures from the itching. I was scratching all day and night, and I could get no rest. I washed my head with hot water and Cuticura Soap and then applied the Cuticura Ointment as a dressing. One box of the Ointment and one cake of Cuticura Soap cured me. Now my head is entirely clear and my hair is growing splendidly. I have used Cuticura Soap ever since, and shall never be without it. (Signed) Ada C. Smith, 309 Grand St., Jersey City, N. J."

Truth is certainly stranger than fiction to many people.

I am always content with what happens, for I know that what God chooses is better than what I choose.—Epictetus.

Day Laborer Worth \$500,000.

John A. Conquest, father of Ida Conquest, the actress, although worth \$500,000, is a laborer, packing fish in Boston at \$2 a day. He says he works for the pleasure it affords him and that "work brings health, and that's better than wealth."

New York's Yearly Budget.

The City of New York spends more money every year than did the government of the United States before the civil war. The municipal budget is four times the whole cost of the State government. It amounts to over \$28 a year for every man, woman and child, or an average of \$150 for each family.

Chinaman Pork.

Things are rather depressed among Chinese merchants. The banks and industries of paper manufacturing, weaving and dyeing have suffered most acutely. The only line of business that has done anything profitable is that of the pork butcher, for, whatever comes, the Chinese will have his pork.

Women Pallbearers.

Miss Sarah Jackson of Dearborn County, Ind., lately made her will and left directions for her funeral when that event shall be due. She orders that her grave shall be dug by women, and that her pallbearers and the driver of the hearse shall be women and that even the hands which lower her coffin into the grave and fill in the earth above it shall be feminine ones.

Will Hunt Polar Bears.

A select expedition of ten English sportsmen is to sail for the Arctic regions in July to shoot polar bears, walrus and any other big game that may come within range. Each member of the party is to pay \$1275 to cover the expenses of the trip. The steam yacht Bore, a first-class passenger vessel of 737 tons, has been specially chartered for the trip.

Confederate Veterans of North Texas.

The way to Louisville, Ky., and the Confederate Veterans' Reunion June 14, 15 and 16, is via the old reliable Texas and Pacific, at rates less than one fare for the round trip. Through coaches, chair cars, tourist and standard Pullman sleepers. For schedule of special train from Ft. Worth, June 12th, and round trip rates, see any ticket agent, or write E. P. Turner, General Passenger Agent, Dallas, Tex.

From United Sons of Confederate Veterans.

Fort Worth, Texas, July 4, 1904.—To Mr. Jno. F. Lehane, G. P. A., St. Louis Southwestern Ry., Tyler, Texas. Greeting: It is with the highest appreciation that we acknowledge in this message form the many kindnesses and courtesies extended to the party who made up the "Sons of the Confederacy's Special" from Texas to the Nashville Reunion, on the part of your officials and employees. It is not saying too much, nor too little, when we express the opinion that the equipment and the schedule was the finest and fastest that ever passed over the boundary lines of this State on any occasion of any time. So far as our knowledge goes, it is the first time that a Railroad Company operating in Texas has ever lived up to a contract entered into with the Sons of Confederate Veterans, in its entirety. The Cotton Belt Railroad did, and more, too. To Mr. Lehane and Mr. Morgan, who were with the party during the entire time, do we especially tender our thanks. To them, nothing was too small or insignificant to merit their personal attention. They left nothing undone that could contribute in the least to the comfort and pleasure of the party.—Thos. P. Stone, Past Commander-in-Chief, U. S. C. V.; N. R. Tidale, Commander-in-Chief, U. S. C. V.; W. P. Lane, Div. Commander of Texas, U. S. C. V., Committee.

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GOING NORTH SOON?
 If so, you ought to look into the LOW ROUND TRIP RATES via the FRISCO SYSTEM.
 The following are all top-notchers: LOUISVILLE, KY. (Veterans Reunion). One cent per mile rate. Tickets on sale June 9, 10, 11 and 12, good to return July 10th.
 TORONTO, CANADA. (On the Lakes). One fare plus \$2.00. Tickets on sale June 18, 19, 21 and 22, good to return Aug. 31st.
 INDIANAPOLIS, IND., one fare plus \$2.00. Tickets on sale June 19 to 22, good to return June 29th.
 ABBURY PARK, N. J. (Sea Shore). One fare plus \$3.35. Tickets on sale June 28, 29, 30 and July 1, good to return Aug. 31st.
 BALTIMORE, MD., one fare plus \$2.00. Tickets on sale July 1, 2 and 3, good to return Aug. 31st.
 BUFFALO, N. Y., one fare plus \$2.00. Tickets on sale July 7, 8 and 9, good returning Aug. 4th.
 You travel on the finest trains running out of Texas. Harvey Dining Service, Through Sleepers and Chair Cars, Electric Fans.
 C. W. STRAIN, General Pass. Agent, Fort Worth, Texas.

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 P. CASSIDY, Montevallo, Ala.

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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 4 oz. 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.

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

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

When a girl is not afraid to have her hair knocked down it is a sign she has plenty of it.

In a Pinch, Use ALLEN'S FOOT-EASE.

A powder. It cures painful, smarting, nervous feet and ingrowing nails. It's the greatest comfort discovery of the age. Makes new shoes easy. A certain cure for sweating feet. Sold by all druggists, 25c. Trial package FREE. Address A. S. Olmsted, L. Roy, N. Y.

Many an actor who has played the First Gravedigger in "Hamlet" couldn't get a job digging a sewer.

Opening of the Uintah Indian Reservation.

The Uintah Indian Reservation in Utah, containing 2,425,000 acres of arable land, to be opened up for settlement on September 1, 1905, is described in a pamphlet just issued by the passenger department of the Denver & Rio Grande Railroad company. A valuable map, showing the country to be opened up and the various routes by which it can be reached, is published for the first time in this pamphlet, which may be obtained by addressing General Passenger Agent S. K. Hooper at Denver.

It is difficult for some widows to keep up a sorrowful appearance long enough to collect the life insurance.

Cleaned Out.

When a deep cellar becomes filled with heavy, poisonous air, it is never safe to go into it until it has been cleaned out. When your body has been poisoned with the foul residues of undigested food, it is just as necessary to clean it out. To do this pleasantly and safely take Dr. Caldwell's (Laxative) Syrup Pepsin. It is a pure, scientific preparation which has no equal in the cure of constipation, headache, biliousness and stomach trouble. Sold by all druggists at 50c and \$1.00. Money back if it fails.

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