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## FARMER'S UNION.

To the Free Press:

From report of the twelfth census, report by Edward Stanwood, expert special agent on cotton manufactures in the United States, the following is taken:

"The census of 1850 showed a total value of cotton mill products of \$61,869,184. In 1860, \$115,681,774. In 1870 the value of mill products had increased to the sum of \$177,489,739. A large part of this increase was due to inflation of the currency. In 1880 it was \$192,090,110. In 1890, \$267,981,724, and in 1900 it was \$339,200,320, or five and a half times as much as in 1850, when it was already the leading manufacturing interest in the United States. It was the first, the largest and the most typical factory industry in the country and still holds its rank, almost undisputed in this respect."

"The growth of the industry is sufficient proof, if any proof were necessary, that it has been profitable. Nevertheless it has been subjected to many and sometimes protracted seasons of discouragements and loss."

Then speaking of conditions during the last decade he says, "Upon the whole, the history of the last ten years was not one of prevailing prosperity. Two influences interfered to reduce profits—an extremely wide fluctuation in the price of cotton, and the great increase in competition caused by the growth of the industry in the Southern States." (Notice here) "The first of these influences was general in its application; the other affected the Northern Mills only. The new Southern Mills, equipped with the most

efficient machinery, favored by peculiarly free conditions as to labor, chiefly engaged in the production of goods for which the demand was most steady, and helped not a little by close proximity to the field of supply of the raw material, were able to show constant and large profits, whereas their northern competitors passed through seasons of no profits or of moderate gains, with only one or two periods when their business was eminently satisfactory."

Then after taking up the business conditions of the mills in detail, year by year, giving the ups and downs of the mill business in this country he concludes thus: "It must always be borne in mind that the foregoing statements apply more particularly to establishments and to conditions of trade in the manufacturing centre of the North."

"Prior to the close of the census year there had been scarcely any interruption of the exceeding prosperity of the Southern spinners. They did not curtail production when so many northern manufacturers were in a state bordering on despair; on the contrary, a large number of their mills were running day and night. They did not seek to dispose of their product by auction, but sold all they could make at prices which gave their stockholders handsome dividends." See report of twelfth census, Textile Manf., pp 19 to 21.

What more could be said, or what further arguments could any man want to convince him that the South has the three prime requisites to insure success in the cotton manufacturing industry; adaptation of the people, climate and proximity of the raw material.

Here in the South we have an-

nually the worlds greatest supply of raw material right at our door; we have a climate peculiarly adapted to the manufacture of the cotton fibre, and our Southern people have shown their adaptability to that kind of industry, and our southern mills have been able to declare "handsome dividends," when "northern mills were curtailing their output, auctioning off their surplus and in a condition bordering on despair." If the South has such advantages over the northern states in this matter, it would seem that we would have still more advantage over foreign countries who have to compete with us in the purchase of raw material and then ship it to remote parts of the earth and then rehandle, manufacture and ship again. In our southern country the first cost of establishing a plant is greatly reduced by reason of the climate. The cold of winter is not so severe nor so prolonged; the buildings for that reason can be made much cheaper and, furthermore, each recurring winter the fuel expense would be much less than it is in the North.

Press Correspondent may be excited over this matter of cotton factories in the South but he is sincere in his belief that the South's cotton crop can be manufactured cheaper, better and more profitably in the South than in any other part of the world, and he sees no reason why Haskell county's cotton crop should not be manufactured in Haskell county.

PRESS CORRESPONDENT.

The farmers are beginning to bring in a few bales of new cotton, and the cotton buyers are looking merry.

## Haskell County News.

Mr. A. C. Crosby, who left Ennis a few days ago to visit his interests in Haskell county, writes the Local as follows:

Haskell, Tex., Aug. 20 '08.

As I was requested by my friends to write about the crops here when I made a close inspection, and so I have. You have heard of the land that flows with milk and honey, but it is not so here. Here it flows with honey dew and boll worms. They have not only eaten the cotton but have eaten the maize and corn. They have left only the Johnson grass and it looks well. I wanted my overcoat this morning very bad. I think I will be in Ennis looking for a job soon.

Yours truly,  
A. C. Crosby.

The above was clipped from the Ennis Local. Mr. Crosby has greatly exaggerated the conditions here. He probably did so from ignorance of the meaning of the english he used. The statement as to the maize and corn is absolutely false and shows a reckless disregard of the truth facts. He seems to have made a joke of the whole thing. If this is the way he treats important conditions affecting the affairs of a country, his friends certainly cannot place much confidence in what he says. There is nothing in the article that really deserves notice. The very tone bears the evidence of insincerity. It sounds like the empty vaporings of a common "wag".

The truth is the boll worm has done a great damage, but many fields of cotton will make a half bale per acre, and from what experienced farmers say, we still have a chance to make a normal

crop for the whole county. This view is entertained by Hon. Jefferson Johnson, Commissioner of Agriculture, who made a personal inspection of the crops last week, and who stated to us that he thought with the conditions then prevailing we would make a normal crop.

## Meeting of the West Texas Republican Club

The meeting of the West Texas Republican Club will hold its next meeting at Stamford on the 16th., of September. The Republicans of Haskell county are urged to attend this meeting and it is expected that your county will have a large attendance of republicans since you are convenient to Stamford.

It was through the influence of some of the Haskell county Republicans that this meeting was called at Stamford, and I hope that the republicans of that county will not fail to attend this meeting.

Tell your friends of the date and place and see that your republicans are all there.

Yours very truly  
Ben Van Tuyl, President  
West Texas Republican Club.

The British and American Mortgage Company will, after September 15th., have plenty of eight per cent money to loan, or to extend Vendors lien notes, on desirable farm property. Time of loan five or seven years, or part may be paid each year. Phone or write S. W. Scott agent, Haskell, Texas.

Turner Lewis returned Sunday from Dallas. He has had an attack of fever and was rather weak but we hope he will soon be well again.



## The Care of the Nurse

or the skill of the doctor is of no avail unless the medicines be exactly as ordered.

## Accurate Prescription Work

is a leading feature of this pharmacy. Under no circumstances do we permit either substitution or alteration in a prescription. You get what the doctor orders. Nothing more, nothing less, nothing different.

## COLLIER'S DRUG STORE

Haskell, Texas.

Mr. Joslet, who lives north of town, sowed some oats a few years ago, and has cut three crops with only one sowing. He plows in the stubble after each cutting, and get a very good stand from the oats that shattered and fell on the ground during the process of cutting. Experience shows that oats that are planted in the summer season never fail to make a fair crop. Now why not learn a lesson and plant oats in the summer and fall?

Miss Flo Tandy who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. S. W. Scott left Wednesday for her home in Woodward.

# BETTER PREPARED THAN EVER

"THE BIG STORE" is better prepared than ever to give to their customers just what they desire in the many items that goes to make a complete wardrobe.

Many new items in Trimmings, Combs, Bags and numbers of other small but necessary items have been placed in stock this week which added to our complete and comprehensive showing of the season's newest weaves and designs in fine Dress Goods makes our stock the most complete that you have ever had the pleasure of inspecting.



## LONG KID GLOVES

We have placed in stock a full line of the Famous SIMMONS GLOVES in 8, 12 and 16 button length in all popular shades and colors and invite your inspection of this glove.

## LADIES NEW CLOAKS

Our first shipment of Ladies fine Cloaks for the season of 1908-9 has just arrived and are open for your inspection.

They are positively the latest in style and fabric.



It will be our pleasure at all times to have you call and give our several sections a comprehensive look, and our salespeople will take pleasure in showing you through.

# Alexander Merc. Co.

## The Big Store



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HASKELL, TEXAS

By his persistence in standing pat President Castro makes Casablanca look like a scared rabbit.

"Ice prices stationary," says a news item in a contemporary. But the trouble is that the ice isn't—it melts.

H. C. Hansbrough, United States senator from North Dakota, was beaten in his fight for renomination at the primaries.

Some inventive genius ought to put a rubber powder mill on the market. The walls could then blow out instead of blowing up.

An English explorer is starting for the south pole while Peary sails north. Polar exploration has a fine Anglo-Saxon hue this season.

An improved apparatus has been made by Dr. Fritz Lang of Munich by which the inside of the stomach can be clearly photographed.

According to the correspondent of the London Times both the rival sultans of Morocco depended for troops upon each other's deserters.

Commander Peary has three years in which to find the north pole. He will either find it or write a most interesting book about it—or both.

Science has said that flies must go. They will doubtless take counsel with their friends the mosquitoes, who have survived so many similar announcements.

Tailors are told that they should be artists and not mechanics. Of course. An artist is supposed to charge more for his time and ideas than a mechanic would dare to charge.

Frank B. Raynor, a life saver at one of the New York stations, can have any office in the gift of President Roosevelt that he can fill, and without bothering his head with civil service.

A giant elm tree at Wolcott was recently cut down. It was the last of the original forest. The stump was 15 feet in circumference and the rings indicated that it was fully 200 years old.

A St. Louis judge fined a man because he threw his wife's powder bag out of the window. This was only right, as a husband who tries to prevent his wife endeavoring to be as beautiful as possible is a brute.

Marine insurance is the oldest kind of modern insurance. Its principles were first employed in the fourteenth century by the merchants of Barcelona in Spain, when that city was the capital of the kingdom of Catalonia.

A Paris man who remained in the air with a flying machine for 20 minutes gets a prize of \$2,000 awarded to the aeroplane that should float for a quarter of an hour or longer. But it will take more of a flight than that to convince a skeptical world that aerial navigation has been proved practicable.

It may seem a very important matter in England, where court and official etiquette is an overwhelming issue, but it does look silly in American eyes to hear these grave speculations as to whether a long and brilliant naval career is to be closed because an admiral at a social function doesn't want to shake hands with a member of the cabinet.

Cactus, instead of petroleum, is the mosquito exterminator that is being tested by the sanitary authorities of Gaboon, French Africa. The thick, pulpy leaves are cut up and macerated in water, and the sticky paste so formed is spread over stagnant pools, giving the isolating layer that destroys the mosquito larvae by preventing them from coming up to breathe.

An Italian captain recently navigated his ship up the Tiber, from Ostia to Rome, in order to attract attention to the necessity of dredging the river and deepening the old port at its mouth. He touched ground several times, and had to wait till the rain raised the water in the river before he could return to the sea. The harbor at Ostia was not very good even in the days of the Caesars, but modern engineering skill might find a way to prevent it from filling up with silt.

A year or more ago it was decided, as a measure of economy in time, to omit stamping letters on the back with the name of the receiving station and the time of receipt. The brief trial has not resulted satisfactorily, and at the instance of business men of New York, and of Postmaster Morgan of that city, the department has decided to return to the old practice. The back stamp was a useful check upon the speed and accuracy of postal employees.

A terra cotta statuette, about 21 inches in height, representing the goddess Venus, has recently been discovered in the island of Monemvasia, in the prefecture of Lacedaemonia. The statuette is similar in many respects to the Venus of Milo, and the conservator of the National museum at Athens has expressed the opinion that it is a reproduction by a local sculptor of the statue now in the Louvre. The Venus of Monemvasia holds a mirror in the left hand, while the right supports a garment around the hips.

## FLEET IS AT MELBOURNE

### CRUSH ON STREETS SO GREAT ACCIDENTS OCCUR—MANY WOMEN FAINT.

### OFFICIALS EXTEND WELCOME

#### Brilliant Electrical Display at Night—Friendship of Two Nations is Pledged.

Melbourne, Sept. 1.—The streets of Melbourne late tonight were filled with surging, good humored crowds, numbering hundreds of thousands, all out to do honor to the visiting Americans, who arrived here on Saturday aboard the sixteen great battleships, and the scene challenged comparison with that of an election night in New York, though happily the ear ticklers and blasts from the tin trumpet were dispensed with. The crush in the principal thoroughfares was so great that many women fainted and several persons were injured.

The entire day was set apart to jollification and the day will ever live in the memory of the inhabitants of Victoria. The Federal Government tonight tendered a banquet to the Admirals and senior officers of the visiting warships at the Parliament House, at which Lord Northcote, Governor General of the Commonwealth, and Prime Minister Deakin made brilliant speeches, throughout which prominence was given to the friendliness which exists between the Commonwealth and the United States.

Rear Admiral Sperry, commander in chief of the fleet, in reply on behalf of the American Navy, declared that a rupture between the English-speaking people would not only be a loss, but a crime. Admiral Sperry was presented with an address by the Commonwealth Parliament.

#### Methodists May Unite.

Hannibal, Mo.: The Missouri annual conference, Methodist Episcopal Church, South, here Monday adopted resolutions taking a stand for union of all Methodists. The committee's report, which was adopted unanimously, petitions the general conference of the Southern Methodist Church to invite a conference of representatives of the three larger Methodist churches with reference to their union, and also petitions the general conference to consider practical suggestions for organic unity of the three churches under one governmental body.

#### Great Mexican Well Saved.

City of Mexico: Word reached the firm of S. Pearson & Sons that the great oil well which has ragged at Dos Bocas, near Tampico, for two months, was extinguished last Sunday. Six giant centrifugal pumps poured gravel and mud into the mouth of the burning well for ten days and this, coupled with persistent dynamite blasting, choked the orifice and smothered the flames. The oil has again worked its way to the surface and the well is flowing at the rate of 25,000 barrels a day.

#### Abernathy Leaves Camp.

Lawton, Ok.: His injuries caused by wounds inflicted by wolf bites were so severe Saturday that it was necessary for John R. Abernathy, United States Marshal, to leave his camp and go to his home in Guthrie to secure better medical attention.

#### Harriman's Secretary Drowns.

Chicago: Charles W. Lawson, financial secretary to J. T. Harriman, president of the Illinois Central Railroad, jumped from the steamer City of Benton Harbor with body weighted and was drowned. The drowning occurred Saturday, but the identity of the man was not learned until Monday. According to members of the family Lawson was run down from overwork and was suffering from a high fever when he went away to take an outing on the lake.

#### General Stewart is Dead.

Biloxi, Miss.: General Alexander P. Stewart, one of the last two surviving Lieutenant Generals of the Confederate States Army, died at his home here Sunday. Although in his 87th year and suffering from the infirmities of age, General Stewart's death was sudden and came as a distinct shock and surprise to his relatives and friends.

#### Farmers at Fort Worth.

Fort Worth: Fixing the price of cotton, the betterment of the agricultural interests of America, co-operation between union labor and the tillers of the soil and other important matters, all undoubtedly will be the watchword of the third National Congress of the Farmers' Union of America, which begins a three days' session, commencing Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock, in the city hall.

## ONE HUNDRED DEAD DAMAGE \$5,000,000

### Worst Flood in Experience of Carolina and Georgia.

Atlanta, Ga., Aug. 29.—With the number of dead estimated at 100, the financial loss placed at from two to five millions dollars, the floods of the present week throughout the Carolinas and Georgia have been the most severe experienced by these States in their history.

Cities have been submerged, business demoralized, stocks of goods covered with slime, fine furniture and household furnishings ruined and buildings undermined and collapsed.

In the country sections county and railroad bridges have been washed away in all directions and railroad traffic brought to a standstill.

Among the farms acres of farm land have been washed clean of growing crops, while other hundreds are covered with beds of sand and slime and practically ruined.

Travel by railroad is impossible and it is thought that many will suffer for food and shelter before all can be located.

Twenty-two dead bodies have been recovered at Augusta and more corpses are being found every hour.

It has been reported that many bodies were seen floating down the Savannah river during yesterday, but it was impossible to rescue them.

Fayetteville, N. C.: The Cape Fear river at this point has reached a height of seventy-nine feet, breaking all records of former floods. The river valleys on each side are covered for miles with a rushing torrent of muddy water and houses and bridges are swept away for miles around. The estimated damage to the corn and cotton crops will go beyond 35 per cent.

#### FIFTEEN ARE DROWNED.

#### Flood in Cimarron River Follows Cloudburst.

Trinidad, Colo., Aug. 29.—A flood in the Cimarron river following a cloudburst, washed away a number of dwellings at Folsom, N. M., last night and fifteen persons are reported to have died. Trains have been laid out forty-two and twelve bridges on the Colorado and Southern railway were washed out. "rains have been laid out forty-eight hours.

Meager details received here say entire town was swept by the flood caused by the cloudburst. Several houses were swept away completely and nearly every house in the town was damaged. The advices say searching parties have been formed and that it is expected many more bodies will be found.

#### Big Blaze at Mineral Wells.

Mineral Wells: Fire that originated Friday at 9 o'clock in the Oaks Hotel, supposedly from a gasoline tank, spread rapidly and caused a loss of \$30,000. Statements as to insurance can not be secured at this time. The fire was in a section of the city which has many hotels and boarding houses, and the excitement among the guests of the places and the citizens was great for a time.

Tuesday, for the third time this season, Bisbee, Ariz., was swept by a disastrous flood, when torrents of water ten feet high swept down the two main streets of the town. Great damage was done, some buildings being entirely destroyed.

#### Negro Lynched in Tennessee.

Nashville, Tenn.: While Sheriff Primm and two deputies were removing George Johnson, charged with having attempted to assault a young white woman, from the jail at Murfreesboro to a place of safety Friday night they were overtaken by a mob and the negro lynched. The threat of the mob to dynamite the jail caused the sheriff to remove the negro. Several shots were fired and it is stated a member of the mob was slightly wounded.

#### Fleet is Nearing Melbourne.

Queen's Cliff, Victoria: Rear Admiral Sperry's flagship, the Conqueror, entered Port Phillip heads at 11:20 Saturday morning with the other fifteen battleships trailing slowly behind, and started on the thirty-mile trip up Port Phillip bay for Melbourne City. The last of the ships passed in the heads at 11:35. The villagers of Queen's Cliff lined the shores and enthusiastically greeted the fleet.

Paris: A head-on collision occurred on Frisco Friday morning five and southbound passenger train No. 1 and a northbound extra work train going to Hugo. Engineer Ballard and Conductor Graham of the work train were killed outright and brakeman Thomas of the work train fatally injured. Engineer Campbell of the passenger and the fireman of the work train were slightly hurt. Express Messenger Jimmy Flynn was bruised and badly cut about the face.

## DIAZ URGED TO REMAIN IN OFFICE.

### Boom for Another Term for Mexican President is Started.

City of Mexico, Aug. 31.—From the State of San Luis Potosi comes the first boom for the candidacy of Gen. P. Diaz for another term as President, the first public announcement of the plan of the people to force upon the President the acceptance of another term for the completion of the work he has begun. It comes in the form of a proclamation signed by citizens calling upon the States of the Republic to agree upon a date, send their delegates to this capital and in special audience present the President the claims of the Mexican people upon his services for another term of six years.

#### BUSINESS OUTLOOK ENCOURAGING.

#### Middle and Southwestern States Resuming Normal Proportions.

St. Louis, Mo., Aug. 31.—With absolutely no cloud visible on the commercial horizon and trade as brisk as it was this time a year ago, St. Louis merchants and manufacturers who supply the greater part of the Middle States and the Southwest are confident that the volume of business between June 1 and December 31 will attain at least the same magnitude as the corresponding period of 1907, and probably will make a new high record for the concluding six months. The general expectations are that there will be only a slight difference between the whole of 1907 and 1908 and that 1908 will exhibit marked gains in all domains of commerce over the preceding year.

#### The Wealth of Russell Sage.

New York: By the signing by Surrogate Beckett Thursday of the order for the transfer tax payable to the State, the value of the estate left by Russell Sage became known for the first time. Mr. Sage died on July 22, 1906. The total appraised value of the estate was \$64,143,200.19. Of this amount Mrs. Sage's share, under the terms of the will, is \$63,000,000. Among the twenty-nine other relatives of the financier \$650,000 was divided. The amount the state receives is \$667,538.01.

#### Big Fire at New Orleans.

New Orleans, La.: Fire which broke out in the center of the commercial district here Sunday afternoon swept over portions of three blocks, destroying a large number of wholesale houses, manufacturing plants and small stores. Originating at Vienville and Chartres Streets, the flames worked their way north as far as Conti Street and west toward Royal, bringing about a property loss of between one and two million dollars before they were finally subdued.

#### Curfew for Waxahachie.

Waxahachie: Beginning with Saturday night the curfew ordinance, which has not been observed for four or five years, will be enforced by an order of the City Marshal. This action has been taken because a number of burglaries of business houses which have lately been committed by boys too young to prosecute.

#### Cotton Quotations for Terrell.

Terrell: Through the instrumentality of the Terrell Commercial Club an office has been established in the club rooms where quotations from the market are bulletined daily, especially for the benefit of farmers who desire information on the cotton market fluctuations.

#### San Angelo Bear Sold.

San Angelo: Bob Harper has sold his large black bear to a Mineral Wells party for \$150. The animal was captured a month ago in the mountains of Brewster County. It is an immense animal and perfectly tame, being so gentle that almost anyone could pet it. The Mineral Wells man will take the bear to the famous Texas health resort.

#### Two Drowned in Dallas.

Dallas: At almost the same hour Saturday afternoon two young men in different parts of the city, were drowned. Both were steady in business life, both popular and both of Christian character and habits. Cyrus W. Simmons lost his life in Lake Cliff at 5 o'clock and the body was recovered in about thirty minutes. Claude Fox was drowned in Kidd Springs Lake at 5 o'clock and the body recovered within ten minutes. Efforts at resuscitation were unavailing in both cases.

#### May Be No Confederate Pensions.

Little Rock, Ark.: State Auditor Avery E. Moore Sunday announced that he doubted whether he would issue any pension warrants in Arkansas this year, owing to a question of interpretation of the law governing appropriations. If Auditor Moore decides not to issue the warrants, it will withhold \$472,000 from mothers, widows and relatives of old soldiers in Arkansas, as there is that amount in the treasury to be distributed.

## THE WEEK'S EPITOME

### A RESUME OF THE MOST IMPORTANT NEWS AT HOME AND ABROAD.

### NEWS FROM EVERYWHERE

#### A Carefully Digested and Condensed Compilation of Current News Domestic and Foreign.

Surveyors have ascertained that San Angelo now has 260 miles of streets and alleys.

Conservative farmers say the heavy rains which visited Ellis county Sunday will be worth thousands of dollars to the country.

It is reported that eight men were killed and several injured in a mine at Warrior Run, eight miles from Wilkesbarre, Pa., Friday.

The grand jury for Hill county has adjourned after a session of only thirteen days within which time ninety-one true bills were found.

Miss Grace Cox, aged 18 years, of Beaumont fired three shots from a pistol at a negro whom she discovered peeping in her window about 10 o'clock Friday night.

Frank Jenkins of Fort Worth received a letter Friday telling of the death by accident of Herbert Forster, formerly of that city, but recently of Tantalion, Canada.

It is reported that within the next thirty days the Texas Steamship line will establish a line from New Orleans to New York in competition with the Southern Pacific.

August R. Pearson, aged 30 years, died Friday morning at 4 o'clock at the Sisters' Hospital at Beaumont from the effects of gunshot wounds received Saturday night at China.

J. R. Woodward and wife, whose little child was struck and instantly killed by a street car in Waco last month have filed suit against the Citizens' Railway company for \$25,000.

On an indictment charging bigamy, Phillip Bryan was convicted in the Criminal District Court, at Dallas, Friday, and the maximum penalty, five years in the penitentiary, assessed by the jury.

The four days' picnic and old settlers' reunion at Bonham closed Saturday night. The occasion was the most successful one, both in joint of attendance and attractions, that has been given here.

Police officers M. Monroe and C. W. Heck are in the Houston infirmary as a result of a shooting which took place in that city Tuesday, and Jos. Kemper is in jail charged with assault to murder.

Alonzo Walters, 55 years old, cashier of the bank of Ellavilla, Ga., was found dead Tuesday night in the lavatory of a hotel in Atlanta with a bullet hole in his forehead and an automatic pistol by his side.

Mrs. Kate Howard, alleged mob leader and rioter, killed herself Wednesday, at Springfield Ill., shortly after being taken into custody on an indictment voted by the special grand jury, charging her with murder.

The license of the Frisco Railroad to do business was revoked by Acting Secretary of State Leo Meyer Saturday afternoon for the road's plea of foreign domicile in a case pending in the Comanche County District Court, whereby it might transfer the litigation to the Federal Court.

Assaulted by a Mexican while she was walking along the Southwestern railway track near Tucumari, N. M., Monday, Miss Edna Wallace, of Alamogordo, fought him for an hour, or until a train passed when the Mexican ran. The girl is in a critical condition.

Twenty negroes employed in Trumann, a lumber town near Jonesboro, La. have been driven from that neighborhood by white men, who are alleged to have hurled axes and beer bottles at the blacks.

Ed Chandler, 10 years of age, died Monday night, at Corsicana, of lockjaw, caused by sticking a splinter in one of his feet a few days ago.

A farmer named Turner, residing about ten miles from Jacksonville, Fla., was shot and killed by his son at a late hour Tuesday night. Bad blood had existed for some time, the younger Turner being deeply in love with his stepmother, a young girl, whom his father married a short time ago.

The United States Treasury Department at Washington has been asked by the local department at New Orleans to institute a search of the seas for the United States revenue cutter Robert C. Davey, which left Baltimore more than three weeks ago for that port, to be stationed in that district.

Jewel P. Lightfoot, Assistant Attorney General of Texas, is in New York investigating the affairs of the Standard Oil Company and the American Book Company of New York.

An eight-foot rise is reported in the Brazos River, caused from rains above. Constantinople was swept by a fire Monday, which destroyed fifteen hundred homes.

Rear Admiral Edwin Fithian, retired, chief engineer of the United States Navy, died Saturday at his home in Bridgeport, N. J., aged 88 years.

Thursday, near Lawton, Okla., John Abernathy, Deputy U. S. Marshal and noted wolf catcher, received serious wounds by being bitten by a monster, looper wolf.

Mrs. John L. Peeter of Austin, wife of John Peeter, nominated for Senator from the Twentieth District, died Monday afternoon from the effects of prolonged illness.

The Holder convict bill, providing for the termination of the convict lease system in Georgia, passed the House of Representatives Friday afternoon by a vote of 99 to 58.

Mary Morgan, aged 10 years, was drowned Friday in the Colorado River, near Austin. She was on the bank playing with a 6-year-old sister and slipped into the swift current.

At Jackson, Miss., Thursday, a crazy negro named Bullock shot and killed two white men, Tom Gatlin and Dolph Joiner, and was afterwards shot down by a posse of citizens.

John McCullough, aged fifty-eight years, was taken to the city hospital in an unconscious condition late Wednesday at Dallas, and died at 4 o'clock, never regaining consciousness.

The labor situation has considerably eased up at Brady so far as cotton pickers is concerned, by the arrival of fifty to seventy-five wagon loads of Mexicans, who came in Tuesday.

The Chinese government is considering the recall of Wu Ting Fang, the Chinese Minister at Washington, on account of the recent disclosures on his part, which are believed here to have been indiscreet.

An official order calling off the strike of coal miners in the Birmingham districts was issued to all camps Monday. The order ends the strike, which began July 6, and which has been marked with much violence.

Secretary Hester of the New Orleans Exchange reports the commercial cotton crop of the United States for the season of 1907-08, ending August 31, to have been 11,571,966 bales, as compared with 13,510,982 in the season of 1906-07.

Farmers in the vicinity of Jonesville, La., have become alarmed over the devastation of the Mexican boll weevil and are sending large planters to Texas to study the methods employed by which the Texans rid themselves of the pests.

Hon. Marion Robertson of Marshall has a six-year-old olive tree in his yard that has been bearing fruit three years. It is twenty feet high and twelve feet or more in diameter and has always been of lusty growth and stood all kinds of hardships.

A resident of Burlington stated Monday that the son of J. R. Thomas, living near that place, was drowned in Valley Creek. The boy could not swim, and it is thought that he fell off of the springboard, which the swimmers had placed on the edge of a deep hole.

J. R. McClure, foreman of the White Star Laundry Company, at Dallas, had an exciting duel with a burglar at an early hour Monday morning at his place of business. Mr. McClure fired once with a double-barrel shotgun, and the burglar fired three times with a revolver.

Jas. C. von Blaricum, president of the National Bank of Commerce of St. Louis, died Tuesday at Old Forge, New York.

At Birmingham, Ala., Monday, a white non-union miner was shot and killed while on his way to work.

Baron Sternberg, German Ambassador to the United States, died at Heidelberg, Germany, Monday night.

A brick wall collapsed Tuesday at Cheval, Mass., and buried more than a score of workmen. Three bodies have been taken out.

Frank English, son of Rev. Dr. English, pastor of the Baptist Church of Glen Rose, was drowned in the Bryant pool about a mile southeast of the court house, Sunday, while bathing.

When W. B. Stewart sold to T. H. Cherrybone his fine Sunnybrook stock farm, situated seven miles east of Jacksboro, Tuesday, one of the largest land deals ever made in Jack County, were closed, the consideration being \$37,000. Both parties live in Jack County.

The bank in Fillmore, Allegheny County, N. Y., was robbed Saturday morning, and it is said the robbers got a large sum of money.

The news came to the Aero Club of New York, Thursday, that Fritz Grauert's luck has turned. After spending \$30,000, his entire fortune, trying to solve the problem of aviation and meeting with little encouragement here he has sailed for Germany at the invitation of a nobleman, Baron von Kiltzking, to exhibit his aluminum and silk aeroplane.



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**Co-Operative Union**  
**Of America**

**Let It Slide.**  
Life's too short at most to wrangle,  
Let it slide!  
I'm opposed to clash and jangle,  
Hate and pride,  
You'll be happy all the quicker  
If you just forbear to bicker.  
Do as I do—let'er flicker  
Let it slide!

Cure's less easy than prevention,  
Let it slide!  
Don't in any sharp contention  
Long abide.  
Don't be to opinions wedded,  
Down in bedrock fast imbedded;  
Don't be foolish and mule-headed;  
Let it slide!

Yes, I've found the plan is bully,  
Let it slide!  
Helps a fellow wonderfully  
Once it's tried,  
There are times its application  
Wouldn't have my commendation,  
But—with due discrimination—  
Let it slide!

**How Farmers Saved a Business House.**

An interesting case where a business house selling implements to farmers and receiving four and six months notes in payment, was saved early this year by the makers of these notes, came recently to the knowledge of the writer of this. That business house found itself without sufficient ready cash to meet its maturing obligations, but was in possession of farmers' notes varying from \$100 to \$600 and amounting to almost \$44,000 all in all. The banks refused at that time to discount those notes received in payment for orders secured by advertising. When the advertising agent of the firm called for the payment of his monthly bill he was surprised to receive an offer of a four months note in payment of it, instead of the usual check with which the firm used to settle its monthly advertising account for a number of years. The advertising agent suggested to the manager of that firm to appeal to the farmers to take up their notes before maturity, by offering them a discount of 5 per cent. This suggestion struck the manager as a splendid one with the result that within twenty-four hours a letter was mailed to the farmers whose notes the firm held describing the conditions of the larger cities, the difficulty of getting even good notes discounted by banks and offering a discount of 5 percent to all willing to take their notes up before maturity. Within one week every one of those notes but two amounting to \$650, were redeemed by the farmers. The replies came in quicker than expected. Not only this, but a number of farmers offered to buy more implements for cash if acceptable terms could be offered. Only two farmers did not reply and the reason of it was, as was learned later, that they had gone with their wives to California.

This case shows what wealth the farming population has accumulated; how eager it is to take advantage of conditions and what market there is now for those seeking patronage for legitimate propositions by the right kind of advertising in desirable agricultural papers.—*Quenters Journal.*

**Pig Money in Waste Land.**

The woven wire fence is revolutionizing the hog industry in the whole country, and when farmers learn to utilize every bit of waste land for pasture for their hogs the herds will be healthy and the cost of production will be decreased many dollars. It won't do to allow the pigs to lie in the shade of the corn cribs or to allow them only a run of pasture. Feed a little corn all of the time that the pigs are running in the pasture. The grass-grown pig does not appear so attractive with his working clothes on, but when he is well developed and ready to be fitted he makes the pampered pets look like 30 cents. He makes a fine appearance and is a credit to his owner and feeder.

**Milk Trust in Trouble.**

From evidence obtained by the state's attorney of Chicago, it seems pretty well settled that the big milk companies have divided up the country in that section and apportioned each slice to a member of the trust. Farmers testified that no two companies operated in the same town and that prices were fixed by the milk companies in every case and never by the farmers. The only consolation the farmers get out of it is that there seems to be a faint possibility that some members of the trust may in time be introduced to the inside of a jail.

**Hard Work.**

Hard work is the secret of success. It will come quicker if to hard work are added such other attributes as a genial, sunny disposition, the ability to make friends quickly, etc., but the foundation and groundwork of success is hard work and the man just getting into the merchandise business, who follows the rule, who buys carefully and sells carefully, at all times safeguarding his credit, and who has no very bad habits, will win the goal every time.—*Southern Merchant.*

**Timely Hints on Farm Land.**

The sign of the silo marks a progressive farmer every time.  
A case of ingrowing selfishness is worse than an ingrowing toe nail.  
I would not give a cent for a hen that will not sing—nor a man, either.  
Song and work go together.  
Sprayed the trees in May? Very good. But Mr. Coddling Moth ought to have another dose this month.  
Too much water and wet, mushy foods will not lay on fat. It takes the concentrated stuff to do that.  
The man who cannot kick the hired man harder than the hired man kicks the cow doesn't deserve the name of farmer.

We are likely to have good late pasture this summer, but that is no reason for neglecting to sow forage crops next year.

August is just as good month in which to make new resolutions as January—just so one makes them and sticks to them.

This is the month in which hens' nest closes up like Hetty Green's charity purse unless good shade and extra attention is provided.

It takes courage to keep on raising sheep or hogs or anything else when prices show a weak backbone for a couple of years in succession. But the man who has the grit to stick to the business will win in the long run.

Do not make the mistake of filling the silo with corn that is green. It sours quickly and has little feeding value. Wait till it is ripe.

Eggs have a lot of albumen in them. Skimmed milk is rich in it, too. Put the two together and see if you do not think it would be sensible to feed more milk to your chicks.

**Justice to All.**

Truth never contradicts itself. Neither does justice ever come into conflict with justice. Whatever conditions are just to the farmer can be no less than just to all men. No man is wronged. "Right is right and wrongs no man." On the other hand, whatever is less than justice to the farmer is less than justice to all men who participate in the inequality—less than justice even to the speculator and the capitalist, who wax fat off the farmer's toil. It is true they do not object to the injustice—they like it—but it is a fact that people who submit to wrong conditions do injustice to their oppressors as well as to their children. What is more to the point is the thought that all honest men—all who want justice, no less, no more, whether farmer or laboring man, can join hands as brothers in the noble work of accomplishing humanity's freedom. Moreover, one class unaided is not equal to the job—each needs the other. Whatever is justice for one is justice for the other. Injustice the same. No man liveth to himself—likewise no class. The farmer cannot achieve justice for himself without emancipating the world!—*National Co-operator.*

**What to Teach the Boys.**

A philosopher has said that true education to boys is to "teach them what they should know when they become men."

1. To be true and to be genuine. No education is worth anything that does not include this.

2. To be pure in thought, language and life—pure in mind and in body.

3. To be unselfish. To care for the feelings and comforts of others. To be generous, noble and manly. This will include a genuine reverence for the aged and for things sacred.

4. To be self-reliant and self-helpful, even from childhood. To be industrious always, and self-supporting at the earliest proper age. Teach them that all honest work in honorable, that an idle life of dependence on others is disgraceful.

When a boy has learned these four things, when he has made these ideas a part of the being—however poor, or however rich—he has learned the most important things he ought to know when he becomes a man.

**Farm Hands Should Marry.**

The man who works on a farm for others makes a mistake if he allows his twenty-fifth birthday to go by without having a wife and a bit of land of his own. If he has learned his job well he has provided for half the battle of farming, and if he has only a few hundred dollars laid by it will do for a start. He can rent if he cannot buy, but good improved little farms can be had on pretty easy terms these days. It's better to be your own boss and not depend on the whim of somebody above you for your job. And a man past 25 and still a bachelor is on the wrong track and is missing the best part of life.

**Jap Millet for Poultry.**

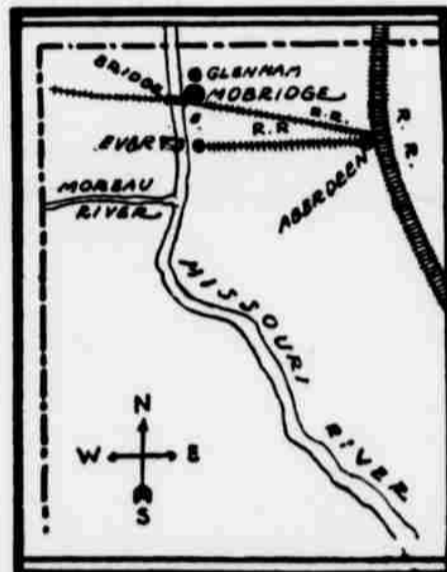
Japanese millet makes excellent poultry food. It may be sowed as late as the middle of June and mature a crop in the latitude of Chicago in a very satisfactory way. Prepare the land thoroughly and sow thickly.

If the farmers will only keep a strict account of the poultry they consume at home during the months of June, July, August and September, when the young birds begin to get large enough to eat, they will soon begin to see what a saving their poultry is to them. Keep in touch with the market price and give due credit for every bird and egg consumed and be fair with biddie. You will be surprised and you will not need false teeth so soon either.

Keep your growing chicks well supplied with green food.

**ONCE GREATEST CATTLE CENTER; NOW BARREN PLAIN**

BY WILLARD W. GARRISON.



which the west produces moving east in the direction of Aberdeen, you would have seen a blue-coated minion of the law stalking along the passenger depot sipping tobacco juice at the station agent's dog, but to-day even the dog is missing from the scenery thereabouts.

Moving day started several months ago and the freight train conductor, leaving with the last load of live cattle which was to pass out of this typical American city, was almost moved to tears as he stood on the rear platform of his caboose when the train reached a rise in the plain and looked back upon the town which had been his "hang-out" since he entered the employment of the road.

The writer, making a quick trip from Everts to Aberdeen, was lurching in the caboose. The sight became unbearable to the railroad man and he re-entered the trainman's apartments. "I've seen that there burg grow up from the time when ole Jess Atkins lived in a shanty down by the river just south o' town and owned six head o' cattle. There warn't no spur from Aberdeen then," he soliloquized, "but Jess used to drive his cows across the prairie to where the river lines the Moreau and there they'd ferry the hull outfit across for a couple o' dollars. Then he'd have a nice long ride to Aberdeen."

"Once when Jess' wife and darters came down to live with him, the ole man was ketching by some rustlers from up north and they stole his pony, cows and money. Jess had to hoof it back to his shack. Well, sence that time y'd be s'prised how the place has growed. I was on a river sidewheeler then. I was the pilot. Well, pretty soon Everts was boomed and all us young cubs got the fever to stake off a bit o' land and set up in some kind o' business, we didn't care much what and we didn't know what it'd turn out to be when we staked."

"Well, finally I accepted a locoerative job as brakie on this line and five years ago I got promoted to conductor. I ain't goin' to suffer, whomsoever, as they've give me a job doin' th' same thing from Oakes to Aberdeen when I got through with this trip."

And the conductor is not a ramanor, but his feelings were echoed through the western air and in every home in Everts when it became

known that the railway was to build a bridge which would take the business away from this town and allow the building of a new city where the river was spanned.

Appropriately the new town became known as Moberidge and it is to-day what Everts was several years ago, a flourishing, hustling little burg with everything ahead of its inhabitants, and whatever their past may have been is forgotten.

While Glenham received many of the Everts people with open arms, the greater majority went to Moberidge, for they declared they saw greater possibilities there because business could be more easily transferred from Everts to Moberidge.

So if you should happen to be in the vicinity of Moberidge, ask the postmaster, the man at the wharf, the station agent at the depot or almost anybody the road to where Everts once was and take a jaunt down that way. It's only a few miles south and when you imagine what the little city once was and what it is to-day, perhaps you will be repaid for the stroll. Moberidge is to-day a typical little western town where some one or other is continually erecting a shack which he and his family call home. Homes spring up in the night and when their owners grow tired of them they are either sold for fire-wood or some one, perhaps poorer, accepts them for a small sum.

Western hospitality, a tradition, which is told in fiction works and which actually exists, is one of the first themes of Moberidge and the stranger, poor or wealthy, is just as sure of welcome under Moberidge roofs as he would be under his own. Of course there are cattle rustlers in that part of South Dakota, but thanks to real western cow tactics, they are few. Vigilance committees have made stealing cattle such a hazardous method of eking out a living that few care to risk their health in that manner.

**Money in Apple Orchards.**

Tasmania has long been known as the apple land of the south, but few at home have any real idea of the money that can be made, and is being made, out of apple growing in that island. Last year, for instance, there were many small orchards in the south which returned as much as 1,200 bushels to the acre, and one owner of four acres, who picked over 4,000 bushels of marketable fruit, which he sold at four shillings a bushel, reaped a gross return of £800. As his expenses at the outside would not be more than £100, his profit an acre worked out at something like £175. Of course, this was an extreme case, but orchards of 20 acres and upward averaged full 500 bushels an acre, and yielded a clear net profit of quite £1,500 in each case. The area actually planted at the present time in domestic and commercial orchards is about 20,000 acres, and upward of half a million cases of apples were exported to this country last year.—*Brittania.*

**Hong-Kong's Fine Harbor.**  
The Hong-Kong harbor has a water area of ten miles, and is regarded as one of the finest in the world.

**A** MERICAN towns and cities, especially in the west, spring up in a night and generally they flourish and develop with each year. Everts, situated on the Missouri river in the north-central part of South Dakota, was no exception to the rule in its early life, but to-day if you should happen to paddle up the Missouri past where the waters of the Moreau enter, the first thought that would enter your mind when you struck the former site of Everts, would be that a cyclone had wiped out the place.

However, such is not the case. Everts is now only a western plain and this by its own volition. Only a few weeks ago Everts was the biggest cattle-shipping center of the United States. To-day there is no Everts. There is not even a railroad track; the big shipping depot has been torn down, here and there a splinter left when the buildings were taken away, tells the tale of a once-flourishing city.

And the whole reason for the people of Everts getting out of their chosen town was because the railroad wanted to find a suitable spot on the Missouri river to build a bridge. The railway officials were extending their line to the coast and the worst obstacle in the path of the gigantic enterprise was to find a place to hang the bridge. Eventually the engineers settled upon a site several miles north of Everts and at that point a flourishing town, known as Moberidge sprang up. Everts people were offered any site for their town that they might select along the extension.

Then the exodus began. Husky cattlemen hitched horses and oxen to their houses and barns, some tore the edifices down, and they were hauled across the prairie, much like the schooners of '49 fame. Glenham and Moberidge, the latter's name being a contraction of the words Missouri

bridge, received most of the Everts people. When everybody had left, the railroad tore down its depot, great gangs of men jerked the tracks from their cedar ties and the short line from Aberdeen was a thing of the past.

Across the barren plains between Aberdeen and Everts millions upon millions of cattle of every description had been carted in great long freight cars to be eventually disposed of in Chicago, Milwaukee, St. Louis, New York, Buffalo and in fact all of the big eastern marts of trade. On August 1, 1908, came the official ending of the town. All its books were closed on that date; its employes were officially dismissed then and their salaries to that time were paid them, although most of the public officials and their families had left Everts several weeks, some of them months before.

The casual observer, perhaps in a launch may go up to the landing at the center of the town and there tie his craft for a tour of inspection, but his efforts to unearth the mysterious about what was once Everts will be fruitless, for everything of any value whatsoever has been carried away and scarcely a stick of wood was left by the economical natives, who now call themselves citizens of other South Dakota villages.

Scores of towns have suffered the same experience which befell Everts, but the latter's passage to oblivion was perhaps more sudden, more spectacular and more regretted than any which have got into the public prints in a decade or more.

If you had "happened" into Everts two years ago and then dropped a few days ago you would pinch yourself twice to see if you were awake. This by reason of the contrast. Two years ago you would have seen roughly clad cattlemen hurrying hither and thither, engines puffing along the sidetracks, trainloads of some of the best cattle



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#### SHERIFF'S SALE.

STATE OF TEXAS } In the District  
 County of Haskell } Court of  
 F. A. DOSS } Haskell Co., Tex.  
 vs.  
 JOHN W. SMITH AND WIFE  
 IDA SMITH.

Whereas, by virtue of an order of sale issued out of the District Court of Haskell County, Texas, on a judgment rendered in said court on the 26th. day of May A. D. 1908 in favor of F. A. Doss and against the said John W. Smith, number 499 on the docket of said court, I did on the 26th. day of August A. D. 1908 at twelve o'clock, noon, seize and take into my possession the following described tract or parcel of land situated in Haskell County, Texas, being 391-3-4 acres of land, the Western part of Fractional Section No. 4, H. & T. C. R. R. Co., Certificate No. 818, and known as Abstract No. 1020 and 1021 in name of S. L. Farmer, and described by metes and bounds as follows: Beginning at N. W. Corner of section 6, Block 14 H. & T. C. R. R. Co., Thence N 70° 34' E. 1588 varas to corner in NB line of said section 6H & T. C. R. R. Co; Thence North 368-1-2 varas; Thence West 391-1-2 varas; Thence North 377-1-2 varas a stake in S. B. line of section 3 H. E. & W. T. R. R. Co.; Thence South 88° 45' W. 408-7-10 varas to Southwest corner of said section No. 3; Thence N. 0° 34' E. 189 varas, set rock S. E.-R Campbell Survey; Thence North 89° 26' W. 1231 varas N. E. Corner George Francis; Thence S. 0° 10' E. 991 varas S E Corner of said Francis; Thence N. 89° 50' E. 384 varas to N. E. corner Dilbre Survey; Thence S. 0° 10' E. 477 varas rock for corner; Thence N. 89° 50' E. 154 varas to place of beginning; and on the 6th. day of October A. D. 1908, being the first Tuesday of said month, between the hours of ten o'clock a. m. and four o'clock p. m. on said

day at the court house door said county, I will offer for sale and sell at public auction for cash, the aforesaid property, the same being a foreclosure of the vendors lien thereon as it existed on the 13th. day of November A. D. 1905.

Dated at Haskell, Texas, this the 26th. day of August A. D. 1908.

M. E. Park,  
 Sheriff, Haskell Co.

#### The Orient Rail Road Closing The Gaps.

Everything considered, the Orient crew have made extra good time in bridging North Wichita River. Their aim was to finish the bridge Thursday of last week, and the fact that they did complete it on that day showed that they had not miscalculated their strength.

The foreman of the steel gang says they will lay steel into Crowell by September the 1st, if the surfacing crew can keep their work ahead. He also says that by Sept. 10th, regular train service will be put on the road to Crowell.

There is no reason why they should not reach Crowell now in a few days. The remaining ten or twelve miles of comparatively smooth bed over which track can be placed behind them pretty rapidly. The crew are now laying track in Foard county at a rapid rate.—Foard county news.

#### TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC

School books this year will be positively spot cash to one and all, so do not ask for credit on them as we have adopted that rule and expect to carry it out.

Colliers Drug Store.

Craig, the jeweler, moved to north side of square.

#### Another Protracted Meeting.

A Protracted meeting will be held for the Church of Christ in Haskell beginning at 8:30 P. M. Sept. 4th, preaching done by Eld W. K. Rose of Cleburne, Johnson, county Texas. There will be a large tent just south of their new church building which is situated one block south of the North Side School building. Every body is invited to come and be with us  
 Elders Church of Christ.

LADIES! Do you realize that we have a RACKET STORE in Haskell?

Yes we have. And Mr. Wyman must be RACKING his Brain to offer something rich and nice to you Ladies. The USEFUL with the ORNAMENTAL and at LOW PRICES seem to be his Motto.

We just mention the "ART DECORATIVE PICTURE" display just presented by him. It is indeed the finest display in this line we have ever had given to us, and it is indeed a credit to this firm and Haskell. We are glad to learn that they will continue this exhibit up to and including Tuesday the 8th. Every Lady ought to examine this Beautiful line of real WORKS OF ART and procure to themselves one or more of these Beauties.

Judge J. E. Poole of the Haskell FREE PRESS has sold his interest to W. S. Hicks, Judge Poole retiring after editing that paper for more than fifteen years. Judge Poole was owner and editor of the Times for several years previous to his connection with the FREE PRESS. He was a fearless, conscientious editor and always worked for the upbuilding of his county and the betterment of his people and we regret losing him from the journalistic field.—Throckmorton Times.

#### School Notice.

The Haskell Schools will open on the 14th of September, and in order to run 8 months tuition will be charged for the first month at the following rates: For the 1st, 2nd and 3rd grades \$1.50; for the 4th and 5th grades, \$2.00; for the 7th and 8th grades, \$2.50; and for the 9th, 10th and 11th grades, \$3.00. The last seven months will be public and all pupils residing in the district who were between the ages of 7 19 years on Sept 1st will be entitled to go to the public school free.

P. D. SANDERS, President  
 Board of Trustees.

#### Tent Meeting at Rule.

Price Billingsley, Christian Evangelist, is coming to begin a protracted meeting at Rule Sept. 17th to continue ten days. Every body cordially invited to attend.

Be sure and see the large collection of fine linen on sale Tuesday Sept. 8th.

Alexander Merc. Co.  
 FOUND—A diamond. The owner of the stone may have same by paying a reasonable reward to finder and for this notice.

We wish to call our reader's attention to the many new items advertised in our columns this week by Alexander Mercantile Co.

If we make a mistake politely call our attention to it. We will take it as a courteous favor.

If you owe a man anything and can't pay it, be courteous to him at least. Your default may cause him trouble and if he shows a little impatience it is your place to bear with him, at least till the debt is paid. When this is done it will be easy for both parties to forgive and forget.

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We are prepared to show you the correct shapes and shades in Men's Soft and Stiff hats for Fall and Winter Wear.



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## Program of the Haskell County Sunday School Convention.

To Be Held at Haskell, Texas, Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 12th and 13th.

**SATURDAY AFTERNOON—2:30 to 5:00** at the Methodist Church. Association called to order by President J. L. Robertson.

2:30 Devotional exercises, by J. N. Thomas.  
Special Music.

2:50 Business; Enrollment of Schools.

3:10 General discussion; Regularity, Punctuality, and liberality by Judge Kidnard, W. W. Fields and G. J. Graham.

3:30 Address by W. N. Wiggins, General Sec, State Sunday School Association.

4:00 Some qualifications every Sunday School Teacher should possess, by Mrs. R. E. Sherrill.

General discussion, by Prof. Rives and Mr. F. G. Alexander.

4:30 The door of the Big Boys Heart, and how to open it: Paper by Mrs. Mauldin. How to draw the big Girl into the Sunday School, and how to keep them there: Paper by Mrs. G. J. Graham. Open to general discussion.

Closing Exercises.

**SATURDAY NIGHT—8 o'clock** at The Methodist Church.

Song service and Devotional exercises, by Rev. L. O. Cunningham.

8:20 Mr. W. N. Wiggins, State Secretary who visited the Holy Land in 1904 will give our Sunday School an illustrated lecture of what he saw on his trip through the Holy Land.

Free will offering to the County and state Sunday School work.

Special Music.

Closing song and prayer.

**SUNDAY MORNING—9:30** all Sunday Schools will meet at the Opera House. After 30 minutes preliminary exercises, Mr. Wiggins will take charge of the work and conduct a modern Sunday School.

Special Music.

Closing services conducted by Rev. C. B. Meador.

**SUNDAY AFTERNOON—2:30 to 4:30** at Opera House.

Song service.

2:45 Young peoples service conducted by Mr. Wiggins.

3:30 Round Table, conducted by Mr. Wiggins.

4:00 Teachers Training Class, Conducted by Mrs. J. N. Thomas.

Closing Exercises.

**SUNDAY NIGHT—8:00.** There will be a continuation of the Holy Land Lecture by Mr. Wiggins, after which the free will offering will be taken for the County and State work.

Special Music and closing exercises.

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### KEEP LIVER IN GOOD ORDER

Everything Seems Wrong When Important Organ is Not Doing the Work it Should.

When the liver is bad life is jaundiced. Nothing will be right and woes will flock—in imagination. Therefore keep in good trim.

If you think your liver is torpid, take it in time. Change your diet; go in hard for systematic outdoor exercise, special calisthenics to act on the liver and deep breathing.

Avoid rich food, especially in hot weather. Eat plenty of fresh vegetables, fruit, Graham or whole wheat bread and not too much meat. If milk makes you bilious, it is better not to drink it in hot weather, or at least not take it more than once a day.

As soon as you begin to feel bilious and your eyeballs look yellow, drink lemon and water. Not lemonade, for the acid of the sugar and lemon is injurious, but the juice of half a lemon squeezed into a glass of water. This can be taken hot at bedtime and cold but not iced, in the morning.

### THE SMALLEST KINGDOM.

Monaco is the smallest kingdom in the world. It is only 53 1/4 miles in circuit, including Monte Carlo. The capital, Monaco, containing 2,000 inhabitants, is perched upon a rocky promontory rising perpendicularly about 200 feet above the sea level. The only land approach is by a steep winding road, well fortified. The castle, built in 1542, which crowns the center of the rock upon the site of a much more ancient fortress, is a remarkable specimen of military architecture of the fifteenth and sixteenth centuries. The interior of the castle is remarkably rich. One long gallery is said to be painted by Michael Angelo. Another is covered with fine paintings by Genoese artists. There is a magnificent marble staircase and fine apartments, each with a history attached.

### AVERAGE LENGTH OF LIFE.

The man who lives till he is more than a century old and the child who dies in infancy are alike included in the law of averages. They balance each other's chances, as it were.

Of 100,000 people living at the age of 21, only 82,284 will be living at 40, only 49 will be living at 96, and only nine at 97. At 30, the average man may take it that he has under 35 years to live; at 40, under 28 years; at 50, under 21 years; at 60 under 14 years.

In each and all of these cases, how he lives will determine whether he will have a longer life or a shorter life, but the average will infallibly work out within a space of 90 years.

### AUSTRALIAN CADET CORPS.

All children in Australia are drilled, but the elder boys are attached to the Australian military forces by means of the cadet corps. Almost every large school has its band of cadets, who wear neat khaki uniforms and are armed with light rifles, in the use of which they are frequently instructed.

Every year these boys have shooting matches, and the scores prove that among the youngsters there are many who have already become skilled marksmen.

### THE MEAN MAN.

Pearl—I think the writer that lives next door is the meanest man I ever saw. He is writing an article entitled "The Clinging Temperament of Woman."

Ruby—I don't see anything so terrible in that.

Pearl—No, but the brute occupied a comfortable seat in a street car today and allowed me to cling by a strap for 20 blocks so he could get some atmosphere on the subject.

### SAW IT ON THE BOOK.

Aunt Martha—Yes, Silas, while we was in New York we took in the grand opery—which opery? Well, now, I don't just recollect the name of it. Do you, Hiram?

Uncle Hiram—Sakes alive, Marthy, can't you remember nothin'. It was that there opery they call "Libretto."—Boston Transcript.

### SOUNDED LIKE IT.

"Why did you have to remain after school?"

"I couldn't tell what a strait was."

"Good heavens! Do they teach poker in the school these days?"—Houston Post.

### COIN THE FIRST DESIDERATUM

High-Sounding Titles Little Cared for by the Really Successful Business Man.

An offer of a title is often made in place of salary, and many men are eager for just such places, says a writer in the Chicago Tribune. The real business man doesn't care much what he calls himself or what the world calls him; what he is after is the coin, with a capital K.

A young writer styles himself a "journalist," and the world laughs at him. What he wants is dignity, but there is more dignity in dollars than in empty titles.

When Dickens visited America in the first half of the nineteenth century he poked fun at our good country because every man he met was called a general, captain, lieutenant, admiral, colonel, or brigadier. He wanted to know who filled the under positions, and he couldn't find out. If Dickens could come back and visit our offices he would wonder who was the office boy, when even that young man styles himself manager of the waste basket.

It is a noticeable fact that the higher up a man gets in business the less he cares for a title. We don't find anybody in Chicago who would call himself the royal chief pork packer.

### HIS FIRST VOYAGE.

The second day out Bobby was inquisitive.

"Pa," he ventured, peering out at the big waves, "when they say the ocean is choppy, who chops it?"

There was no response from pa, who was pale and seasick in a big steamer chair.

Bobby was persistent.

"Pa, when a ship tacks do they use a hammer?"

Still no response from pa. Bobby again:

"Pa, what kind of dogs do they use in the dog-watch?"

This was more than poor pa could stand.

"In the name of Neptune," he said, feebly, "please keep quiet. Can't you see there is a heavy sea running?"

There was a long silence.

"Pa."

"Well, young man?"

"Where is the heavy sea running?"

And the next moment pa took Bobby back to show him the ship's spanker.

### PROFITS OF AUTHORSHIP.

Anne Warner was "doing accounts" the other night, and—apropos of the comparative wealth accruing to playwrights and authors—she discovered that for each day spent on "Susan Clegg and a Man in the House" she had received about \$200; whereas, if "the Rejuvenation of Aunt Mary" runs successfully through a second season, at the end of that season she will have received in all about \$50 a day for the time she spent on it. People who are persuaded that playwrights make more than authors may remind her that she could not write a book every few days; on the other hand, she may tell them that a second play would place her hors de combat for life. So, from Mrs. French's point of view, honors are easy!—Putnam's.

### HAD IT ALL FIXED.

Said He—And you will keep your promise and elope with me to-night?

Said She—Yes.

Said He—What do you suppose your parents will do about it?

Said She—Oh, they will keep quiet until we return, and then give us their blessing.

Said He—I doubt it.

Said She—Yes, they will. They promised to do so if I could induce you to elope and thus save the expenses of a stylish wedding.

### HEIR TO A MILLION ACRES.

The marquis of Stafford, who is in his twentieth year, is heir to the most extensive domain, if not the largest rent roll, enjoyed by any subject of King Edward. More than a million acres in England and Scotland are under the lordship of his father, the duke of Sutherland, while the marquis of Breadalbane, who is probably the next largest proprietor in the kingdom, does not own half that amount of land.

### EXACTLY.

"Though he might have the chance to do it, he never tried when anybody injured him, to get even."

"How odd!"

## MILLINERY OPENING

SEPT. 7 & 8th

We invite the Ladies of Haskell and vicinity to our grand Showing of

## Fine Millinery

which will be on exhibition the above named dates. We are frank in saying that this will be the grandest display of head wear ever shown in Haskell County.

Come and pick your hat, get first choice then you will not be grumbling, all the season, because your neighbor got the kind of hat you had in mind, and to be sure you don't want a hat like your neighbor.

Yours Very Truly,

## HUNT - HANCOCK CO.

The Store for all the People.

### NO TIME TO STOP AND PRAY

Quaintly Worded Appeal That Had to Answer in Case of Decided Emergency.

Harry and Ethel were crossing a field on their return from Sabbath-school, when they encountered a bull. At the animal's approach they fled in terror. Faster and faster they ran, yet nearer and nearer came the bull.

"We must pray," panted Harry.

"You do it," Ethel pleaded. "We'll kneel down right here."

"No, we'll pray running. You ought to do it; you're a girl."

"O Lord—O Lord—I can't," sobbed Ethel. "You do it."

The proximity of the bull demanded immediate action, and Harry rose to the occasion. Loudly and fervently he prayed:

"O Lord, for what we are about to receive make us truly thankful!"—Success Magazine.

### TOO MUCH RESTRAINT.

The cause of the suspension of the Peking Gazette after bearing the whips and scorns of a thousand years of press censorship is no longer a mystery. It was when the editor received command not to use vigorous language in discussing the boycott that he forever laid aside his ancient and honorable marking brush with the remark: "We are done! We can moderate our language on the subject of transfers, the tariff, Denis Kearney and the Peking expedition looting, but when it comes to the boycott, as for us it is vigor or bust! With this issue we bust!"—New York Sun.

T. G. Jack and son Wright, of Carney were in the city Tuesday. Mr. Jack said cotton was putting on fruit rapidly, but that the worms were coming again. He thought there was plenty of time to make a good cotton crop if the worms would let it alone.

Mr. F. L. Meadow, Editor of the Herald, accompanied the party of business men on their visit to throckmorton this week, and Mrs. Meadow discharged the duties of editing the Herald.

Judge J. E. Poole left Tuesday on a business trip to Dallas and returned Friday morning.

Dan Lynch left Monday for Albany.

The leans and the fats played a game of ball at the park yesterday and at the end of the game it stood 12 to 15 in favor of the fats. Dr. A. G. Neathery umpired the game. The fat men will play the clerks next Thursday evening at 4 o'clock. Don't miss this game if you want to laugh.

### The Buyers' Guide

The firms whose names are represented in our advertising columns are worthy of the confidence of every person in the community who has money to spend. The fact that they advertise through us is a guarantee of their integrity, progressive men of business, a credit to our town, and deserving of support. Our advertising columns contain a Buyers' Guide to the leading, good goods, lowest prices.



# THE HASKELL FREE PRESS

OSCAR MARTIN } Publishers  
WALTER S. HICKS }

Entered at the Postoffice at Haskell, Texas,  
as Second Class Mail Matter.

**SUBSCRIPTION:**  
One Year..... \$1.00 (Six Months..... .50c.)  
PUBLISHED EVERY SATURDAY MORNING

HASKELL, TEXAS, Sept. 5, 1908

If you owe a small debt don't wait to be hunted up and dunned, go pay it.

It appears from the Mattador Maverick that Motly county is to have a stock show.

The FREE PRESS force is going to try to give the public the best service they can. We want the people to help us. Call us up by phone and give us all the local news you know.

The Sagerton Sun gave a very full report of an agricultural exhibit and picnic, given at that place a few days ago. Many prizes were awarded to the farmers and the whole affair was a success.

We are going to try to be accurate in the publication of all local news and advertising matter. We will systematize our methods, so as to reduce errors to the minimum. When we do this we want some people we know to quit kicking.

The firm of Poole & Martin are closing up their affairs and they want to settle same with the least delay. If you know your self to be indebted to them, do your best to pay them. The subscription accounts are now owned by Martin & Hicks, but all accounts for ads or job work are due Poole & Martin.

The argument for cotton mills in the South, being made by the Press Correspondent in our Farmers Union columns is absolutely unanswerable.

The thing to do is to organize a company and by popular subscription to raise the funds necessary to erect a plant. This should be done independent of a promoter. Any business man, possessing general ability, could with the assistance of experts and capital to back him, put in a mill at Haskell that would pay.

Last week's issue of the Haskell Free Press contained the announcement that Judge J. E. Pool, who has been connected with the Free Press for fifteen years, had sold his interest in the paper to Walter S. Hicks. The Judge is an old newspaper man of much ability, and has been the instrument of accomplishing great good for his town and county. Mr. Hicks is a young man of commendable push and enterprise and we confidently believe he will very materially aid in keeping the Free Press to its excellent standard. The Tribune wishes for the Free Press all the success that it deserves. —Stamford Tribune.

Bob Steel, who at one time lived here but for the past few years has been in south west Texas returned to this section. Mr. Steel has been in the sheep and wool business for many years. He says that the sheep industry is ruined, that wool is only worth 10 cents per pound and that there was no profit in sheep now. We thought it very strange that under a republican administration and high protective tariff, the sheep business should be in such condition. Just such conditions as this turned nearly all Texas wool growers to the republican party in 1893.

F. G. Alexander, trustee of the Stamford College, visited that institution this week.

Now is the time to prepare the ground for small grain. Don't risk your all on cotton, plant a few acres of both wheat and oats. Break and harrow the land well, use a press drill to seed with and take off every other hoe. "Why do this?" Because we know a practical farmer who did this and it paid him. Seed the ground with the rows running east and west. Done as directed, you can use a section harrow after the grain comes up. "Why plant oats now?"

Because the surest crop ever made in West Texas was the volunteer crop on oat stubble that was plowed under in the summer and fall.

Suppose you fail to plant any grain and the boll worms get all your cotton next year. Mr. farmer plant some small grain. Diversify your crop. Don't get too heavy on small grain, but plant some. Don't risk your all on cotton.

## MEAT MARKET

I have opened a meat market on the north side of the square, where I will serve the best fresh meats to be obtained.

I will appreciate a share of your patronage.

**A. B. RITCHIE & CO.**

REV. D. JAMES DEAD

Mr. John Ellis received a phone message yesterday about 11 o'clock, that his father in law, Rev. D. James, had fallen dead while conducting a meeting at the Hutto school house in the northwest part of the county. Heart failure is supposed to have been the cause of his death.

We have known Mr. James for the past twenty-three years. He was the first missionary the Baptist church ever sent to this territory, and for many years he has been a faithful servant in the christian cause. His sincere christian life and work have won him the friendship and respect of all classes of people. He has probably organized more churches in new fields, in north-west Texas than any other minister. Knowing him as we do we can not help but believe that it was the fitting and special provision of providence that he should be called while devoting himself to the cause of his God, and humanity.

It is given but to few mortals the privilege of serving until a final reward for ones life work shall call him hence, and no doubt if Bro. James could have foreseen the end he would have praised his God that such it should be.

Let those bereft seek consolation in hope, strive to imitate his life and christian character, and prepare to meet him in that city, where sorrow, death and separation shall come no more.

In another column will be seen the program for the county Sunday School convention to be held at Haskell Sept. 12th and 13th. We have been requested to announce that all the Sunday Schools of the county are invited to send delegates and that there will be provision made to entertain the delegates.

Mr. W. C. Zerwer has purchased an interest in the West Texas Development Company.

Emery Menefee left Monday for Stamford where he will attend college.

## LONDON'S NEW FAD

MAHATMA POPE JUST NOW THE LION OF SOCIETY.

Wonderful Philosopher from India Preaches Strange Doctrines and Rebukes the Follies of the Clients Who Visit Him.

Society's latest lion is an Indian ascetic, with a name composed of many consonants and numerous divisions, says a London, Eng., correspondent. He is the Mahatma pope, a great man in India (not the sort of Mahatma spoken of by Mrs. Besant or Col. Olcott), a ruler of rajahs and a sort of king of philosophers. He was rich once and a member of a high caste family, but he flung his wealth aside—he says money-making is the occupation of pigs—divested himself of his worldly splendors and lived eight years in the jungle, communing with his soul. From this seclusion he emerged, shriven, as it were. He can cause his heart to stand still for a quarter of an hour and yet his spirit does not leave the body. He says he has seen the soul of one animal leave its earthly body and go into another. If we lead bad lives on earth we shall lead worse in the next incarnation. We are all atoms in the ocean of atoms which are creation, and his object in coming here is to teach us to control our minds so that the mind shall control the body, after which there will be no pain, no unhappiness, no mean actions and no use for money. He does not touch money, though there are plenty of his "disciples" who are only too glad to pay the cost of his lodging. And to this prophet—a grand, forceful specimen of an Indian, a man of 62, looking 40, society trudges by the hour, day by day, to listen to his wonderful philosophy. I went to see him one day last week, and in the room, sitting in front of the turbaned, full robed Mahatma, I found a young British duke and his American wife. The pope had apparently said nothing to them, but had contemplated them in silence. Suddenly he turned to the duchess and said: "You are a duchess! What good is that to you? Does it give you more to eat than formerly? Are you not prouder than you were when you were just a miserable money-making millionaire's daughter?" All this in a torrent of words and the embarrassed duchess shifting from side to side. "I'll tell you what I think," said the Mahatma, pointing his finely shaped hand at her, "You have a monkey mind, yes, a monkey mind. It is like a shuttle—change it by thinking of good things! And you"—here he addressed the duke—"you have a bad mind, a bad character; but I will reform you."

Then he dismissed them and he told me after they had gone: "He will come back. She will not. She is afraid. She is a good woman with a monkey mind. I will make him a leader of men." The duke came back and is now a regular "disciple," learning how to discipline his mind. The duchess did not return. She was afraid. But other great social leaders go daily to this wonderful man, who refuses money or gifts, who eats a handful of curried vegetables a day, sleeps three hours a night, sits the rest of the time in an arm-chair preaching, preaching, preaching in a clarion voice that never tires, and yet if he likes he can walk 50 miles without stopping for a rest. No wonder he is lionized.

**Fleeing Adventurous Lambs.**  
Not long ago the sole and absorbing mission of Edmonton, in a commercial way, was to bilk ignorant Klondike adventurers—poor fellows who thought that Alaska was perhaps 100 miles west of Winnipeg—into outfitting there for the land of gold, writes Emerson Hough in *Outing*. There were Englishmen bound for the Klondike who brought with them as far as Edmonton their own baled hay—a fact, though it seems impossible, even for an Englishman—and others who brought traction engines to carry them thence merrily over the Rockies to the Klondike, and yet others who had barrels rigged with axles and shafts for horse draft, which in transit nicely mingled nails, sugar, baking powder and other goods into one homogenous fabric, and many other men, who thought they knew where the frontier was and how it might be mastered.

**A Great Institution.**  
"What are your views on the tariff?" inquired the interviewer.  
"The tariff," answered Senator Sorghum, "is a great institution. Whenever you want to impress your constituents with your profound wisdom you can always use it as a text for saying something that nobody understands." —Washington Star.

**Envy.**  
Uncle George—So you're just five years old today?  
Tommy—Yes, sir.  
Uncle George—Well, well! I'm 50—think of that!  
Tommy—My! I wish I was; then I'd get 50 cents for my birthday 'stead of five."

**The Great Uncompiled Lexicon.**  
Johnson was compiling the first list of words with meanings.  
"But," we inquired, "why don't you get up a dictionary of the things people didn't mean?"  
Glancing the enormity of the task, he incontinently fled.

## THE COLLEGE OPENING.

The College Opening will be given in Haskell on the night of September 11th in the basement of the Odd Fellows building. A novel entertainment will be given by the Senior League of the Methodist Church.

Be sure and come and have a little fun. You can't afford to miss the fun of going through college for twenty five cents. We have good instructors to teach and are sure you will get something to eat.

Below are the courses and instructors.

COURSES.	PROFESSORS.
Mathematics	Dovenflower
History	Hambleckner
Botany	Stauntzenberger
Astronomy	Natboggles
Geology	Windowshackles
Chemistry	Willsprongwigglespriggle
Forestry	Lengthyapplejackquister

YOU MUST COME.

HEAR IT. ODD FELLOWS BUILDING.

FRIDAY NIGHT, SEPTEMBER 11TH.

## THE HASKELL PHARMACY

Successors to Terrells Drug Store.

Is now open to the Public. We are receiving a stock of fresh Drugs a with a registered Pharmacist, are prepared to supply your wants in our line.

J. M. COX, Manager.

## DR. J. M. BRITTON

of Cisco, Texas.

Specialist  
EYE - EAR - NOSE  
AND THROAT

Will be here at Dr. Kimbrough's office  
Tuesday, Sept. 8th.

## TWO BIG QUESTIONS

THE "MORAL OBLIGATION" AND "DOES IT PAY?"

SHOULD BE CONSIDERED

An Honest Answer to These Will Keep the Trade with the Home Merchant Every Time.

(Copyrighted, 1906, by Alfred C. Clark.)

When the thrifty person or his wife sits down for the first time—or any time—with the mail order catalogue and its temptations, there are two, and only two, points to be taken into consideration.

One of these is moral obligation, and the chances are that that will be dismissed as sentimental nonsense.

The other is—Will it pay? and to that the thrifty person will be inclined to interpret an answer from the prices quoted in black-faced figures in the catalogue.

Neither of these questions should be lightly dismissed. Moral obligation is not sentimental nonsense, and black-faced figures sometimes lie.

The duty a man owes to his own community and his obligation to trade at home are so often reiterated in the country press that, possibly like some of the preaching, it has a tendency to harden the hearts of the sinners.

What has your neighboring town given you, Mr. Farmer? A market for your produce. What has made 25 to 50 per cent. of the present value of your farm? The accessibility of a market. You know what your grandfather did on that same farm? Drove his hogs and hauled his grain 20, 30, maybe 75 miles to the nearest market town, and received prices for them that would make you howl about the trusts. And he hauled back the family supplies for which he paid what you would consider monopolistic prices. Do you happen to know what the old farm was worth then? Well, it lacked a good deal of being \$75 or \$100 an acre.

Yes, the home town, with its handy market, has advanced the value of your property and made you worth several thousand dollars more than your grandfather was worth. The home town affords schooling for your children, and perhaps social and church privileges which your family would not otherwise enjoy. The rural mail routes and telephone systems, radiating from the home town, as spokes from a hub, bring to your home the greatest conveniences of modern times.

Have you ever noticed that the first thing the settlers of a newly-opened reservation do is to send for a wagon load of mail order catalogues? Well, I haven't. They lay out a town site every six or eight miles, start two or three general stores, build a school house, a church, a blacksmith shop, a grain elevator, petition the depart-

ment for a post office, and start a newspaper. They know, from former experience that, with these things close by, life will be endurable, whatever hardships may come. They know, also, that without them they must live lives of isolation and endure an existence that is contrary to all natural human instincts.

On the other hand, it goes without saying that the average country town cannot exist without the support of its tributary territory. Then, if that town affords the advantages for the rural citizen that have been enumerated, there exists what we may call an interdependence and a moral obligation between the two. Are you, Mr. Thrifty Farmer, living up to that obligation when you do your trading with the mail order house?

To this line of argument the farmer may answer that his greatest obligation, his first duty, is to his immediate straitened circumstances. Would a letter to the mail order house, stating all these circumstances, secure for you a supply of the necessities of life on liberal credit terms? Most assuredly not. An appeal to the proprietors for aid in your extremity would be barren of results. It is the home merchant who stands ready to extend the credit necessary to tide you over an emergency, and for this reason, if for no other, he should have your loyal support in your times of prosperity.

Perhaps you are financially independent, and have never known the necessity of asking for credit. Even then you are indebted to the home merchant for many of the advantages you enjoy. The proprietors of a small order house would laugh you to scorn were you to ask them to subscribe toward the building of your new church, the improvement of your school building, or the expenses of maintaining your fire department. The home merchant contributes liberally to the support of these institutions so essential to the public comfort and well-being, and you cannot afford to withhold from him your patronage.

You know your local dealers. Perhaps they have grown from childhood to manhood in your home town; you were boys together, they have watched you in sickness, and comforted you in sorrow, they take a kindly interest in your welfare. Do you not prefer that your trade should increase their small profits rather than add its quota to the millions of dollars annually sent to the mail order houses? If the home merchants prosper the town will be a better place in which to live. Their prosperity will be manifested by improvements in the appearance of their own property, and by their increased liberality in contributing toward public improvements, and by helping them by your patronage, you will also be helping yourself and the entire community.

FRANCES A. HARRIS.

Provocation Enough.

Maud (before the laughing hyena's cage)—How provoking! Here we've been 20 minutes, and the hyena hasn't laughed once.

Ella—Strange, and he's been eyeing your new spring hat, too.

## MUCH IN LETTERS

SHOWING IMPORTANCE OF BUSINESS CORRESPONDENCE.

In These Days of Fierce Competition, the Man of Affairs Knows He Cannot Afford to Offend Correspondents.

"To be sure," said the business man, "in writing letters we always endeavor to make them satisfactory to those to whom we write; but if possible we should be more than ever careful to do this in writing to correspondents whom we may have occasion to address but once.

"You see persons to whom we are writing frequently come to know us, and they judge us by what we are and make due allowances for the lapses or incidental shortcomings inseparable from the conduct of any business; but the person to whom we may have occasion to write but once judges us by that identical letter, by which, in his or her estimation, we stand or fall.

"If to such a correspondent we send a brusque letter it may wound or offend, and the person receiving it will keep away from us thereafter if he can; whereas, if we send him a polite and well considered letter, one inspired evidently by a desire to be courteous, the recipient will be pleased and his disposition will be friendly.

"So when we have occasion to write a letter, perhaps the first we have ever written to a customer, and keeping in mind that we may never have occasion to write another, we give thought to the impression it is sure to make for good or ill and endeavor to make it one that shall please. It may be about a very slight transaction, involving an amount so small that what with the time and labor we bestow upon it we shall come out at a loss.

"But we don't take that into account at all. What we want is to have this customer know and believe that we are endeavoring faithfully to treat him with fairness and courtesy. We want to keep him, not to drive him away.

"We may lose on this individual transaction with him, but it isn't this transaction alone that we must have in mind. Many a good customer who might otherwise have quit has been saved and kept as a customer and made a friend of by one sound and polite letter written when the occasion arose.

"And we certainly want friends. If we depended for trade solely on people who came and bought something once, but never again, we shouldn't do much business. What we want is to hold all the customers we can, to keep them and to build up a trade to which we can add that transient custom, and we certainly never do want to drive away a customer by writing to him an impatient or careless letter.

"An interesting thing about the writing of polite, considerate and thoughtful business letters is found in their reaction on the writer. Even if he has been writing such letters from business reasons only he will soon find himself imbued with their spirit; he will come to find as much satisfaction in writing them as the persons addressed do in receiving them. In short, if he were not already so, he will find himself sincerely desirous of being polite, considerate and obliging, and in this he will have made more than one long step ahead, for as he is so will his subordinates come to be.

"They will take their cue from him, and how much they can mar or help him! By them is his ill or his good fortune increased and multiplied.

"Truly it is a good seed, wherever sowed, the really good business letter, and it is fruitful in proportion to the amount of seed scattered, when sowed in the mind of the customer to whom you may have occasion to write but once."

**Skyscraper Homes.**  
If skyscrapers in New York continue to mount higher each year the residential problem of the city may be met in this way. When 20 stories told the height of the highest office building in the world many people believed that the limit had been reached, that climbing skyward had gone as far as it could. But the present proposition to build a skyscraper to a height more than twice as great shows us that in all probability the end is not even yet in sight. If the apartment houses could have as many stories there would not be so much need to tunnel to Long Island and New Jersey to find sleeping places for business people of New York.—Boston Transcript.

**No Use to Him.**  
About all the ordinary handkerchiefs of a woman is fit for is to carry in her hand and wipe her nose on if she has no cold, while a man's handkerchief is indispensable to his welfare. He uses it whether he has a cold or not, ties it around his neck to keep his collar clean if he is from the country; uses it in the place of a towel or napkin; wipes off his desk and typewriter with it; polishes his shoes; uses it as a blindfold at lodge or a party in the game of "Jacob and Ruth" and for a hundred other purposes. What would a man do if his handkerchief were a four-inch border of lace around a piece of linen two inches square?—Athenaeum Globe.

**Superfluity.**  
"What is the most picturesque spot you ever saw in this vicinity?" asked the enthusiastic tourist.  
Bronco Bob gave the question some thought before he answered:  
"A one-spot when I was drawing on a roya' flush."



# C. D. Grissom & Son

The Store With the Goods.

## Announce Their FALL

## MILLINERY OPENING

Tuesday and Wednesday  
September, Eighth and Ninth.

We will have on display during these days a large and choice collection of New Fall Millinery, selected from New York and St. Louis.

We will also have on display the most extensive assortment of Tailored Suits, Cloaks, Skirts and Waists to be found in Haskell.

You are Cordially  
Invited  
TO ATTEND  
C. D. Grissom & Son

The Store With the Goods

### Locals and Personals.

I will gin your cotton and pay the highest market price for seed. W. T. Newsom.

Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Oates of McKinney are visiting their daughter, Mrs. A. S. Bullock of this city.

Phone Stephens & Smith for a good sack of flour—quality and price guaranteed.

Call in and see my new line of jewelry. A. M. Craig.

Miss Fannie Lee Fitzgerald entertained a large party of girl friends a few evenings ago at the residence of her parents in the east parts of town.

Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Russell spent Sunday visiting friends at Rule.

Phone your wants to the Haskell Dairy. Phone No. 227, R. E. Debard, manager. (30 tf)

It will positively take cash to get school books at Colliers.

There has been a wonderful change in the crop situation in the past 15 days. The cotton has put on fruit in great clusters.

A good furnished room to rent close in, suitable for a couple. Apply at Free Press office "N"

Herbert McCelvey of Temple, Texas, was in Haskell Wednesday.

Judge J. M. Hancock of Stamford, spent Wednesday in Haskell.

Mrs. R. C. Montgomery has returned from an extended visit to her sister, Mrs. E. H. Morrison of Graham.

Miss Willie Chambliss who has been visiting her parents at Baird, has returned and will again be found in the dry goods department of the Alexander Mercantile Company store.

T. G. Carney and son, Dick, of the city bearing their name, were in Haskell several days this week.

The best line of spurs, bits, belts, purses, saddles and harness will be found at Evers' shop in Haskell. 23tf

Judge Pete Helton has returned from a business trip to the Fort Stockton country.

Six hundred cords of dry wood for sale or trade at my farm three miles and a half north of Haskell. Will sell or trade any quantity and take hogs, cattle, colts, chickens, turkeys or any thing. J. C. Holt. 29tf.

Mrs. M. M. Bryant of Whitesboro has moved to Haskell to be with her son, Hon. Bruce W. Bryant, who is the democratic nominee for County Attorney. Mr. Bryant will in future make his home with his mother.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Jones of Rule, were visiting in the city Wednesday.

Baggage transferred to all parts of the city, ring No. 114 or Rupe & Pearsey.

Two lots on the square for sale. Submit offer through Oscar Martin, Clark Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Jones, accompanied by their daughter, Mrs. T. B. Russell, left Wednesday for their home at Aransas Pass. Mrs. Russell will spend several weeks visiting in south Texas.

Our stock of grain is complete. Favor us with an order and see with what promptness and satisfaction we can handle your business. L. P. Davidson Grain & Coal Co.

Bring your sick watches to me, at my new shop north side of square. R. M. Craig.

Our abstract books are complete and up-to-date. Get your abstracts from Sanders & Wilson. (tf)

If you want a fancy California hand stamped belt, bag, band or purse, see Evers' shop at his harness shop in Haskell. 23tf

Mrs. H. G. McConnell left Wednesday for Sherman accompanied by her daughter Miss Lois who will attend Kid-Key college.

J. D. Hughes of Georgetown, who has been visiting his ranch on Paint Creek, left for home Wednesday. 23tf

The British and American Mortgage Company will, after September 15th, have plenty of eight per cent money to loan, or to extend Vendors lien notes on desirable farm property. Time of loan, five or seven years, or part may be paid each year. Phone or write S. W. Scott agent Haskell, Texas.

Wm. Oglesby is on a business trip to the plains country.

Mr. A. P. Oliver of Knox City was in Haskell Wednesday.

Joe Park of Graham has purchased a five hundred acre tract of land from Mr. I. D. Killingsworth four miles east of town.

Miss Gertrude Cummings entertained a party of friends Tuesday night, at the home of her aunt, Mrs. L. M. Garrett.

Mr. S. W. Scott spent several days at his ranch this week.

Mrs. J. B. Dibrell of Seguin Texas, president of the Texas Federation of Women's Clubs, has appointed Mrs. S. W. Scott, of this city, as delegate to the International Tuberculosis Conference, to meet at Waseington D. C. Sept. 21st to Oct. 12th, and she desires Mrs. Scott to suggest the name of some lady for alternate. Mrs. Scott is now desirous to find an alternate who will promise to attend the conference.

Miss Elsie Scott is visiting the little daughter of Mrs. J. T. Hallsell of Stamford.

I am better fixed to do your watch and jewelry repairing than ever before. Craig

The ladies of Harmony Grove No. 735 of the W. C. offer their many, many thanks through the columns of the FREE PRESS to their big brothers of Elm Wood Camp No. 24 of the W. O. W., for the delicious cake and cream served in the hall Tuesday the 27th ult.

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J. F. Vernon made a business trip to Abilene Wednesday.

A few days ago, A. W. McGregor, Esquire, visited the farms of his mother and himself near Weinert, and he reports to us that their tenants have 250 acres of fine cotton that is putting on an immense crop. He said he went to the field and counted 66 forms on the first stalk he came to, and that this was about on an average.

See the large show window display of drawn work and reseau pieces at the "Big Store."

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We have the land in the Bailey pasture for sale.

Sanders & Wilson.

You will have to hurry Tuesday morning if you get a piece of that fine linen at Alexander Merc. Co's.

Mr. Charley Abrey of Abilene was in the city Thursday.

Miss Annice Fields is visiting Miss Grace Anderson of Knox City.

Service! Weight! Purity! For all of these telephone No. 157. L. P. Davidson Grain & Coal Co.

Mrs. J. B. Armstrong and children, of Elk City, Ok., are visiting the family of Mr. Frank Goff, a brother of Mrs. Armstrong.

New cloaks at Alexander Merc. Co's.

Mr. Jas. P. Kennard left Thursday on a business trip to Dallas.

Mr. G. T. McCulloh left Thursday on a business trip to Central Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Lemmon visited friends at Munday this week.

See us for school shoes we have our fall line all ready and can fit smallest to the largest. See us before you buy we will make the price suit you. J. S. Keister & Co.

Mrs. D. R. Couch of Aspermont is visiting the family of her father, Capt M. S. Pierson.

Mrs. E. J. Hunt in company with her little granddaughter, has returned from a visit to Mrs. Hunt's daughter at Rock Port.

Mr. J. L. Jones of Rule was in the city Thursday.

Mr. C. W. Coker, speaking of the public road question said it was twelve miles, as the crow flies to his old home on Miller creek but the way the road runs it is now twenty miles from Haskell, and that the people were complaining about this. We suggest that we have a good court and a well signed petition will straighten the roads.

Newest shapes and shades in misses soft and stiff hats at Alexander Merc. Co's.

Our abstract books are complete and up-to-date. Get your abstracts from Sanders & Wilson. (tf)

Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Robertson visited the family of their son, Mr. J. E. Robertson of Weinert the early part of the week.

Mr. C. H. Stanley who is with the Knox City Mercantile Co. called at our office yesterday and enrolled as a subscriber to the FREE PRESS.

Our stock of fine dress goods and fancy silks are the latest. Alexander Merc. Co.

Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Taylor of Vontress were in the city Thursday.

Mrs. J. A. Lester is visiting at Cooper and has ordered the FREE PRESS sent to her at that place.

### NOTICE CONFEDERATES

The Commander, Capt. M. M. Roberts, requests that Haskell Camp and other confederates who wish to meet with them, meet at the court house in Haskell, Sept. 12th 1908, at 2 o'clock P. M. There will be important business to transact.

### For Sale.

Block "A" of 8 lots 70 x 160 in Martins addition, four room house, two story barn storm cellar well, windmill 18 barrel tank pipe and hydrants. Splendid water. Make me an offer. Oscar Martin.

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Send to us for a free book of testimonials of what the people think of Peruna as a catarrh remedy. The best evidence is the testimony of those who have tried it.

### USED CHURCH AS SCHOOLROOM

Proceedings That Somewhat Astonished the Sexton.

The sexton of one church that keeps open doors all day long didn't know whether to regard the matter in the light of a desecration or a devotional exercise. He paid no attention when the three women, watched by a man who stood at the lower end of the aisle, walked the length of the church and back again. Even when they made the trip a second time he scarcely gave them a thought, but when the trio started around the church a third time and the man called out, "Step a little more briskly, please," he began to wonder, and presently made inquiry.

"I hope you won't be offended," the man replied. "I am a physical culture instructor. I am teaching these young ladies to walk. I have already taught them to walk in the street, in the drawing room, in the theater and every place else they are likely to find themselves. I am now teaching them to walk in church. Very few women can walk there properly. Some lurch, some swagger, some skip, others adopt a mincing gait. All these styles are very inappropriate for church. A dignified, subdued gait alone is suitable for devotional purposes. Church is the best place for pupils in walking to receive practical instruction, therefore I have brought them here."

"Great fathers!" gasped the sexton. "What next?"

But he said no more till the walking exercise was ended. Then he followed the class to the door.

"I hope," he said, "you will practice the lesson learned to-day by coming here to church once in a while."

### OCULIST A MAN OF RESOURCE.

Has a Blind Beggar Woman to Advise His Business.

Enterprise takes various forms, even in Warsaw. A young oculist, finding that patients were few and far between, hit upon an original means of advertising.

He engaged a blind woman who sits and begs by the Church of the Holy Cross to hold a light board whereon are written his name, address, professional qualifications and consultation hours.

As the church is in the busiest thoroughfare of the town the notice attracts a good deal of attention. The beggar herself says she is quite satisfied with the results, as many people notice her who would otherwise pass by, and as the doctor has added his assurance that she is hopelessly blind benevolent old ladies throw coppers into her tin mug, sure that their money is not wasted on an impostor. It is not yet known whether the number of patients has increased.

### TUNES FAIL TO KILL; MAY BUY.

Aged Flute Player Makes Sure by Trying Score of Pieces.

A little old man entered a large music shop and asked the assistant to show him a book of flute music.

"Here, sir, is a very fine selection," said the assistant, "and cheap at half a dollar, seeing that it contains no fewer than 50 airs."

The old man took the book, opened it, and laid it on a shelf. Then he took his flute out of his coat pocket, screwed it together and began to play softly the first tune in the book.

When he had finished the first tune he turned the page and played the second. Then he played the third.

An hour later he was still playing. The assistant thought it was time to hurry him up a bit.

"Well, sir," he said, "do you think the book will suit you?"

"I like these so far very much, thank you," said the old man, putting his instrument to his lips again, "but I have only played half the tunes so far!"

English Sense of Humor. In one of his burlesque sketches on English history Bill Nye spoke of Julius Caesar's jumping into the water as he approached the English coast, wading ashore, running up to London, and walking through Regent street.

"An acquaintance of mine reported to me," said Mr. Nye, "that he had asked an Englishman how he liked the story. 'Not at all, not at all,' was the reply. 'That fellow Nye doesn't know what he's about. There wasn't any Regent street then, you know.'"

### VISITS WITH UNCLE BY

In the Stillness of Night.

HE day had been warm. In fact, several days had been warm. The thermometer was feeling all "swelled up" because of its exalted condition and also because of the fact that it had risen higher than any thermometer in seven years.

The house was thoroughly heated and folks had been sitting up most of the night rather than take sweat baths in the second stories. But Jones had gone to bed because he was almost all in. And Mrs. Jones had done likewise because there wasn't much else to do.

As Jones lay there with the windows wide open and only the sheet over him, he heard the clock tick, tick, tick! Then it struck midnight. After it had struck 1 o'clock, or the half after midnight—he couldn't tell which—he went to sleep. It was so hot that he woke just as the clock was tolling 2. He almost dozed off again when he heard Mrs. Jones ask:

"John, are you awake?"

Not desiring to be awake, John did not answer.

Then Mrs. Jones shook him gently and asked again:

"John, I thought you were awake. Are you?"

No answer.

"John!"

Seeing that it was no use, Jones stirred uneasily and muttered:

"What is it?"

"John, when the company comes next Saturday, do you think it will be too hot for soup—and had I better serve cantelope for the first course instead?"

And do you believe it, the wretch turned over in bed and made believe he had gone to sleep, without once answering that woman, who had been puzzling her brain over this momentous question for three hours!

Reformers. You cannot spare the bad one off by calling him the devil. While saying "Booh!" to little imps will never stop their revel.

If you would put a crimp in sin, don't stand around and yoke it. But double up your rusty fist, go find a head and soak it!

It doesn't help a bit to snort. It only makes you snicker. A barking doggie seldom bites. It's like that with a kicker!

And when you win a round with crime, don't stop to bask in glory—The devil's cohorts never sleep, nor stop to tell their story!

The man who says the ballot box is quite too loud for smelling. Will find when all the votes are in, the devil does the yelling—It. So work and vote and "do it now," for this is your salvation. Spasmodic scraps will never win nor save a mighty nation!

Glitteratiens. Philadelphians should be pleased to note that the days are growing shorter.

The trouble with most protectors is that there is nobody near to protect us from our protectors.

The sweetest perfume in the world is that you get from bath soap—provided you take the bath.

A slot machine that would yield a marriage license and a preacher, and another that gave forth a divorce edict and alimony, would be two mighty popular additions to the drop-a-nickel galaxy.

A Chicago dentist advertises to extract teeth on the front porch. Now all he needs to catch the male molar is to hire a few divorce-cradle ladies to march up and down in front of the porch.

An Indiana newspaper comments liberally upon the appearance "in our midst" of an "ox team" and a "log wagon." Since Indiana became literary anything connected with plebeian toil is of special interest.

If a man really wants to enjoy himself and keep from getting lonesome while his wife is away, he should take dinner downtown, eat a lobster, a Welsh rabbit, ice cream and Roquefort cheese. After this gets to working in his intestinal regions, he won't be lonesome!

Retribution. Love of money never hurts. If a man will get it fair—But the man who plunders it. In his butter finds the hair!

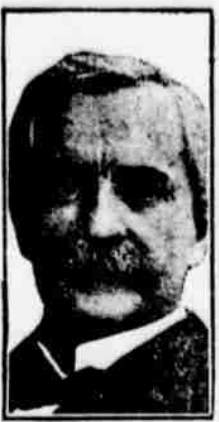
Avoldrups. The man who weighs 230 pounds wonders what the skinny fellow is kicking about because he can't add 10 pounds to his comfortable 115. The fat man also wonders why the thin man assumes to be warm in hot weather. It always makes him mad to have the cadaverous individual claim he is just as hot as anybody, even if he doesn't carry so much flesh. I wonder if he is?

Would Honor Journalists. A Paris paper complains that no journalist has yet been buried in the Pantheon, and mentions as representatives of the craft who ought to be there Chateaubriand, Benjamin Constant, Paul Louis Courier, Armand Carrel, Emile de Girardin and Louis Veulliot.

Byron Williams

### WHAT IS HEAVEN?

By REV. A. C. DIXON, D. D., Pastor of the Chicago Ave. (Moody's) Church, Chicago.



Jesus said: "I go to prepare a place for you." Heaven is, therefore, a locality. In just what part of the universe it is located we do not know. Astronomers say that all the stars and planets seem to be revolving around a great distant center. That center may be heaven.

It is a cosmopolitan place. "I beheld, and lo, a great multitude which no man could number, of all nations, kindreds, people and tongues." Every tribe of earth shall have representatives there. Jesus, a Son of Man, is suited to all nationalities.

Christ Enthroned. Heaven is a place where Christ as Saviour is enthroned. The great multitude "stood before the throne, and before the Lamb, and cried with a loud voice, saying, Salvation to our God which sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb." In another place we are told that they say "the Lamb as it had been slain, in the midst of the throne." The victim of Calvary is king of heaven. His pierced hand holds the scepter; the brow that was pricked by the crown of thorns wears the crown of glory.

Purity. Again, heaven is a place of purity. The inhabitants are "clothed with white robes." These are they which came out of great tribulation, and have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. The blood washes white, and never whitewashes.

Peace Through Victory. Heaven is also a place of peace. The white-robed throng have "palms in their hands," and the palm is a symbol of peace through victory. Through Jesus Christ they have been reconciled to God and gained victory over sin. There is no discordant note in their natures. They love God's will and way. They do his pleasure.

Worship. And heaven is a place of worship. They fell before the throne on their faces and worshiped God, saying, Amen. Blessing, and glory, and wisdom, and thanksgiving, and honor, and power, and might, be unto our God for ever and ever. Amen. They begin their worship in heaven with "Amen." It is the "Amen" of acquiescence in God's will. They close their worship with the "Amen" of praise.

Service. Heaven is a place of spiritual service. "Therefore are they before the throne of God, and serve him day and night in his temple." We draw this distinction between the secular and the sacred. We have our secular days and our sacred days, secular places and sacred places, temples of worship and stores for business. In heaven it is all temple. The temple, you know, is a house completely consecrated to God; every part of it is his and he fills it. All heaven is his temple.

Social. Heaven is a social place. A city indicates that. The highest form of civilization and social life is in the city. Sad to say, in the cities of earth the social nature is degraded, and gives also the very lowest form of degradation, but in the city of light where there is no sin, social life will reach its perfection.

Treasures. Finally, heaven is the great treasure city of the universe. It is God's capital, and into the capital city the treasures of art, of music, of learning and of wealth are apt to pour. Jesus commands us to lay up treasure in heaven where it will be safe forever. Hoarding upon earth will make the miser miserable; hoarding in heaven will make the Christian forever happy. And this does not mean that only millionaires can lay up treasures in heaven. The widow with her two mites, the seamstress with her meager income, the working man with his small wages, the child who saves from its weekly allowance may, by sacrificing for Jesus, lay up treasure in heaven.

Beginning of Alfalfa Crop. Alfalfa was first brought to Kansas by the late Harrison Parkman of Emporia. Mr. Parkman first saw alfalfa growing in Chile. He brought the seed to America and in the late '70s he went to Emporia to live. He sowed alfalfa in a farm which he bought and the plant prospered. It was slow in gaining popularity in Kansas, but is now one of the state's most important forage crops.

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### RAIL MEN THINKING

MANY OF THEM ARE CONSIDERING PRESENT DAY CONDITIONS.

Some Interesting Figures Given by F. F. Yoakum in an Interview with a New York Times Reporter.

"Railroad employees, according to F. F. Yoakum, chairman of the Executive Committee of the Rock Island-Frisco lines, are losing every day through the present depression in trade \$1,000,000, or \$25,000,000 a month," says the New York Times. "One-quarter of them, or about 400,000 men, are out of employment and are living on their rapidly diminishing savings."

"Construction of new lines has almost entirely ceased, and for every 1,000 miles of new track that are not built 6,000 men lose permanent employment and 24,000 people a good living. The railroads are purchasing supplies at the rate of \$500,000,000, instead of \$1,250,000,000 a year."

"Mr. Yoakum has been speaking lately in Texas and St. Louis, and urged there that the most important element in the present industrial conditions was the enormous losses in wages and the stagnation caused by the stoppage of the development of the country. He has considered this phase of the present crisis deeply."

A reporter of the New York Times sought him recently at his farm at Farmingdale, L. I., and asked him how he believed the railroad men of the country would vote this year. Mr. Yoakum declined to answer directly, but said he could at any rate say what is pressing itself day by day on the minds of the railroad men. He said:

"Hard times are now costing railroad employees \$25,000,000 a month or \$1,000,000 for each working day. This decrease of the employees' payroll is approximately the same amount as the Government's daily deficit at Washington. The Government's deficit of \$1,000,000 is shared by the entire population of 85,000,000 people while the other \$1,000,000 daily loss is borne by the railroad employees."

"This loss in wages indicates that the means of living for 400,000 railroad men has been cut off, and that not only themselves but the 1,500,000 persons comprising their dependent families are living out of their savings of better days."

"I have been asked how the railroad men will vote in November. Frankly I do not know, but I believe I know of what they are thinking. They are thinking of next Winter's fuel, clothing bills, and keeping their children in school. They are wondering what will be done to remedy the present industrial conditions and stop the appalling loss from enforced idleness."

"Railroad workers are thrifty and they help one another. Their savings and mutual bearing of the burdens of adversity have prevented much suffering up to this time, but they have greatly reduced their surplus bank accounts, and when winter comes the story will be different unless business conditions materially improve."

"The more than a million and a half of former railroad workers have in mind that one-fourth of their number are out of jobs or on short pay. They are thinking of their lost jobs, not worrying over foreign policies or tariffs on imports, or how this Government shall deal with the Philippines, and such questions, which the Government authorities and Congress must deal with."

"The railroad employees are more interested in what is going to be done to start up the work which will bring back to them regular and permanent employment. They are tired of seeing dead engines, idle cars, neglected tracks and rusty signs of disuse. I will not try to say what they think should be done, but I do know that they are listening for words of encouragement."

"To think what it means in thousands of homes is not a pleasant topic, but we should look the situation squarely in the face, and each man should be pressed to share his responsibility in seeking a remedy."

"The campaign orators of September and October must face the country full of men out of employment. The stump speakers will be seeking votes and the idle will be seeking work."

"Of what else can the railroad men be thinking except of what caused the reduction in their income of \$300,000,000 a year? They are listening for those who have suggestions as to how to get on the payroll again and at old wages."

"But there are other factors in the railroad situation?" it was suggested to Mr. Yoakum.

"The railroad employee," he replied, "is the most important factor in the railroad situation from every point of view. The owners of the railroads, known as bond and stockholders, are less in number than the employees and have less at stake. One year ago there were, according to the Interstate Commerce Commission's figures, 1,675,000 employees, and they received \$1,975,000,000 as wages, and, according to Sloan Thompson, statistician, there are only 1,000,000 of both bond and stockholders receiving less than half the amount paid as wages."

"Out of every dollar earned by the railroads the employee gets 42 cents of it in wages, while the bond and stockholders combined only receive 31 cents out of each dollar, or one-half as much as the employee. Therefore, numerically and financially, the employee has by far the greatest interest in the railway revenues, and

are the ones who are now asking the most pertinent questions. They have more at stake than the owners, and are just as capable of deciding for themselves and taking care of their own interests."

"The 42 cents for the employee and the 21 cents for the bond and stockholder only account for 63 cents of each dollar earned by the railroads, but it shows the combined interests of 2,675,000 employees, bond and stockholders in the railroads of the Nation. Of the remaining 37 cents of the dollar, 7 cents go for taxes and insurance, and the balance of 30 cents largely for material and supplies, in the manufacture of which labor is the largest item."

"The loss to the entire country on account of inability of railroads to purchase supplies is as serious to the public as the forced reduction in the payrolls. Last year the total amount of the railroad purchases was one and a quarter billion dollars. At the present time they are only buying at the rate of one-half billion dollars per annum, which at this rate means a loss to the manufacturers and the general trade of the country of more than \$750,000,000 a year, or two million dollars a day. If to this is added the approximate one million dollars a working day which the railroad employee is suffering of this heavy loss, it is apparent that the business of the country is losing at this rate approximately three million dollars a day on account of shrinkage directly connected with railroad operation."

"Do you wonder why the Labor Commissioner of the State of New York is reporting that one-third of the union men are idle because there is no work, or that Jacob Schiff is appealing to the city officials of New York to open up municipal work for their relief?"

"There is another phase of railroad activity not included in the foregoing," Mr. Yoakum added. "It is one which is seldom mentioned in connection with figures dealing with employees, wages and material. I refer to construction of new railroads and more extensive improvement of existing ones to meet the growth of the Nation's traffic. I refer to the army of men usually employed in this work and the large amounts expended for supplies, tools, fuel and other material, the greater part of which has been cut off."

"The railroad employees are well-informed and capable citizens. They give due credit for the good which has been accomplished through healthy reforms within the last few years. They are not unmindful that proper regulations to prevent abuses and to give fair treatment to the public are necessary."

"There should be no difficulty in surmising the thoughts of the railroad man. He knows that one out of every four of his fellow-workmen is idle or working short hours. He fully realizes that something is wrong. He understands that the man who constructs 1,000 miles of railroad gives actual and permanent employment to 6,000 railroad men, and thereby furnishes the means of living for 24,000 souls constituting their families."

"He is thinking and hoping for better times. The vital issue will be the man and the job, and the candidates of both parties will have to meet it in both National and State Campaigns, with due regard to public welfare, at the same time encouraging full restoration of confidence in the country's institutions that construction, reconstruction, manufacturing and general business may again assume their normal activities."

FASTING AS A RELIGIOUS RITE

Ceremonial Observed by the Japanese Twice a Year.

From time out of mind, says the Japan Times, certain devotees of that country have visited a celebrated temple at Narita twice a year to perform the pious act of fasting within its sacred precincts. A "fasting hall" has been specially erected for their accommodation and the number entering this hall is on the increase. Those who have already fasted in the fasting chamber this year number 226 men and 32 women. Of the whole number 59 fasted less than a week, 174 fasted one week, ten continued fasting two weeks, 14 fasted three weeks and one without food for five weeks.

Inquiry as to the motives of the fasters showed that 169 men and 25 women desired to rise in the world, 13 men and two women wanted to increase their business profits, 16 men prayed for the safety of their families, 13 men and four women sought cures of diseases and ten men wanted general good luck.

Only three persons, two men and one woman, fasted in gratitude for the fulfillment of former prayers. "It need scarcely be said," remarks the Japan Times, "that the period of their fasting was the shortest."

Subtle Criticism. A certain young artist in New York, who is on terms of comparative intimacy with the janitor of the apartment-house wherein he maintains his studio, is in some doubt whether the said janitor is a cynic, or something of an art critic, or both.

"One day, while doing a bit of repair work in the studio," says the painter, "Mike scrutinized a bit of my work with ominous solemnity. When I indicated a portrait of myself the blow fell. Said I: 'The paint on this is badly cracked, which spoils the likeness.' 'With no more expression in his countenance than is to be seen in the face of a representation of Buddha, Mike replied: 'Not at all, sir.'—Harper's Weekly.

### WHAT THE TRADE MARK MEANS TO THE BUYER

Few people realize the importance of the words "Trade Mark" stamped on the goods they buy. If they did it would save them many a dollar spent for worthless goods and put a lot of unscrupulous manufacturers out of the business.

When a manufacturer adopts a trade mark he assumes the entire responsibility for the merit of his product. He takes his business reputation in his hands—out in the limelight—"on the square" with the buyer of his goods, with the dealer, and with himself.

The other manufacturer—the one who holds out "inducements," offering to brand all goods purchased with each local dealer's brand—sidesteps responsibility, and when these inferior goods "come back" it's the local dealer that must pay the penalty.

A good example of the kind of protection afforded the public by a trade mark is that offered in connection with National Lead Company's advertising of pure White Lead as the best paint material.

That the Dutch Boy Painter trade mark is an absolute guaranty of purity in White Lead is proved to the most skeptical by the offer National Lead Company make to send free to any address a blow-pipe and instructions how to test the white lead for themselves. The testing outfit is being sent out from the New York office of the company, Woodbridge Building.

PICNIC FOR THE PUP. His Devotion to Duty Rewarded by Strange Luxuries.

A Boston bulldog owned by George H. Clapp was so determined to capture a woodchuck which he had chased into its den that he followed after and staid in the hole all night.

When the dog had got his jaws about the enemy he found that he could not get out owing to the small size of the animal's hole. Rather than lose his prey the dog retained his hold on the woodchuck over night, and was helped out by his master in the morning. The dog was nearly exhausted, and revived after feeding and drinking in a curious manner.

He consumed about two quarts of unguarded ice cream, which had been set aside for a party, and capped the climax by falling into a bucket of lemonade.—Worcester (Mass.) Telegram.

WHICH? Visitor—Can I see the editor, my lad? Office Boy—Are you a contributor or gentleman?

Ouch! Col. Charles Cooney, the president of the American Federation of Aero clubs, said the other day of an aeronautical pilot:

"He is really too absent-minded to pilot a balloon. He used, you know, to be a railroad conductor, but he had to give up the work; he was too absent-minded for it, too."

"On his train, one day, as he passed through the cars taking up the tickets, a joking passenger, instead of proffering his pasteboard, solemnly proffered his forefinger.

"Never noticing anything out of the way, the conductor punched a little chunk out of the side of the finger and passed on."

A Few Funny Facts. The Georgia legislature has had under consideration a bill which would make null and void a matrimonial compact into which a woman has wheedled a man by means of paint, powder, perfume, cosmetics, artificial teeth, false hair, corsets, hoops, high-heeled shoes, low-cut waists, lace or rainbow hosiery, or by any other artificial means or practices. Why not limit the woman's "wheedling" privileges to the method of absent treatment? It is plain the poor men need at least a ten-mile start.

REMAINS THE SAME. Well Brewed Postum Always Palatable

The flavour of Postum, when boiled according to directions, is always the same—mild, distinctive, and palatable. It contains no harmful substance like caffeine, the drug in coffee, and hence may be used with benefit at all times.

"Believing that coffee was the cause of my torpid liver, sick headache and misery in many ways," writes an Ind. lady, "I quit and bought a package of Postum about a year ago.

"My husband and I have been so well pleased that we have continued to drink Postum ever since. We like the taste of Postum better than coffee, as it has always the same pleasant flavour, while coffee changes its taste with about every new combination of blend.

"Since using Postum I have had no more attacks of gall colic, the heaviness has left my chest, and the old, common, every-day headache is a thing unknown."—"There's a Reason." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich. Read "The Road to Wellville," in pkgs.

Ever read the above letter? A new one appears from time to time. They are genuine, true, and full of human interest.



### HER GOOD FORTUNE

After Years Spent in Vain Effort.

Mrs. Mary E. H. Rouse, of Cambridge, N. Y., says: "Five years ago I had a bad fall and it affected my kidneys. Severe pains in my back and hips became constant, and sharp twinges followed any exertion. The kidney secretions were badly disordered. I lost flesh and grew too weak to work. Though constantly using medicine I despaired of being cured until I began using Doan's Kidney Pills. Then relief came quickly, and in a short time I was completely cured. I am now in excellent health."

Sold by all dealers. 50 cents a box. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

### Same Old Story.

Mrs. Howells—How much does your husband earn a week?

Mrs. Howells—Oh, anywhere from \$15 to \$25 more than he gets.

**TO DRIVE OUT MALARIA AND BUILD UP THE SYSTEM.** Take the Old Standard GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC. You know what you are taking. The formula is plainly printed on every bottle, showing it is simply Quinine and Iron in a tasteless form, and the most effectual form. For grown people and children. 50c.

### In Self-Defense.

Him—I wonder why women, as a rule, talk so much?

Her—Oh, I suppose it tires them less than listening to men's talk.

**Hicks' Capudine Cures Headache.** Whether from colds, heat, stomach or nervous troubles. No acetanilid or dangerous drugs. It's liquid and acts immediately. Trial bottle 10c. Regular 25c and 50c at all druggists.

You may have observed that an office seeker is a man who shakes the voter's hand before the election and shakes the voter afterward.

**Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup.** For children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. 50c a bottle.

A woman is known by the acquaintances she cuts.

## Habitual Constipation

May be permanently overcome by proper personal efforts with the assistance of the one truly beneficial laxative remedy, Syrup of Figs and Elixir of Senna, which enables one to form regular habits daily so that assistance to nature may be gradually dispensed with when no longer needed as the best of remedies, when required, are to assist nature and not to supplant the natural functions, which must depend ultimately upon proper nourishment, proper efforts, and right living generally. To get its beneficial effects, always buy the genuine

**Syrup of Figs and Elixir of Senna** manufactured by the **CALIFORNIA FIG SYRUP CO. ONLY** SOLD BY ALL LEADING DRUGGISTS one size only, regular price 50¢ per bottle

## SICK HEADACHE

**CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS.** Positively cured by these Little Pills. They also relieve Distress from Dyspepsia, Indigestion and Too Hearty Eating. A perfect remedy for Biliary Disorders, Nausea, Drowsiness, Bad Taste in the Mouth, Coated Tongue, Pain in the Side, TORPID LIVER. They regulate the Bowels. Purely Vegetable. **SMALL PILL. SMALL DOSE. SMALL PRICE.**

**CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS.** Genuine Must Bear **Fao-Simile Signature** **Refuse Substitutes.**

## TOWER'S FISH BRAND WATERPROOF OILED GARMENTS

are cut on large patterns, designed to give the wearer the utmost comfort. **LIGHT-DURABLE-CLEAN** and **GUARANTEED WATERPROOF** **SUITS \$3.00** **SLEEVERS \$3.25**

**THE DUTCH BOY PAINTER STANDS FOR PAINT QUALITY** IT IS FOUND ONLY ON PURE WHITE LEAD MADE BY THE OLD DUTCH PROCESS

**OPIUM** and Whiskey Habits treated at home without cost. **PATENTS** Watson E. Coleman, Washington, D.C. Book free. High class references. Best results.

## NEWS FROM OVER TEXAS

Albert Ferrier, formerly City Auditor of Galveston, died in St. Louis Monday morning in a hospital.

As a result of the heavy rains recently, the city dam at Kaufman was broken, and thousands of dollars' worth of damage done otherwise.

It is a possibility that in the near future the streets of the ancient city Athens will be made dustless by using petroleum from the oil wells of Texas.

The Rock Island officers received dispatches Tuesday from El Reno, Okla., saying that E. P. Haines, a well known Wichita Falls citizen, died on a train that day of apoplexy.

J. H. Rosser, a well-known farmer, living between Brookston and Ambia, was seriously stabbed with a pitchfork while in the field loading and hauling hay Monday.

W. H. Shelton, manager of the Commercial Oil Company at Houston, shot himself through the left breast at dawn Tuesday. The bullet came out near the back bone under the shoulder.

While walking along Ervay street at Dallas, Wednesday morning, at 11 o'clock, Adolph W. Bannard, aged about 36 years, dropped to the sidewalk, and when help came to him he was dead.

F. J. Easley, at Little Rock, superintendent of the Rock Island, Wednesday issued a bulletin notifying all employees that cigarette smoking will not be permitted and the first violator will be discharged.

Polito Ponce, a Mexican at San Angelo Tuesday confessed to the murder of Juan Carbo August 16. He was caught fleeing to the border several days ago, and at first denied all knowledge of the crime.

Saturday evening the Grayson County old settlers made the last payment and became the owners of the grove and park in which they hold their reunions. It contains thirty acres and its proximity to Sherman makes it easily worth \$25,000.

William Oldenburg, grand president of the Sons of Herman of Texas, died Monday at his residence in Galveston. He was 64 years of age and had been a resident of Galveston forty-one years. He organized the first paid fire department in Galveston and was its first chief.

In order that he may more closely watch the yellow fever situation and avoid any possibility of it getting into Texas, State Health Officer Brumby has sent Drs. Linnsey and Eaves to Vera Cruz and Tampico, Mex., respectively, to report to him on the matter from these points.

The Attorney General has advised the Commissioner General has advised Office that the fee for patenting land on Mustang Island is \$5 for each tract, and they are all acre tracts. There is some ambiguity in the law placing the Mustang Island land on the market relative to the patent fee, and the Attorney General rules that \$5 is the correct sum. It is the uniform price charged.

Henry Swafford, aged 17 years, son of Mrs. Rebekah Swafford of North Sherman, enlisted in the United States Navy with grade of apprentice seaman, is the winner of the Admiral Trencher gold medal for marksmanship.

Receipts at the Dallas postoffice for August were \$40,854.28. This showed a very healthy increase over the same month of last year, stamp sales alone making an advance of more than \$1,000.

Charles M. Johnson, an old and well-known resident of Lamar County, died suddenly Monday morning at his home, two miles east of Paris while sitting in a chair. He was attacked with a swelling in the throat Friday night, which prevented swallowing.

J. H. Gillespie of the comptroller's department at Austin has returned from a business trip to LaSalle county and said that the cultivation of onions in that country is fast becoming the leading industry.

After an illness of several months, Dr. L. Meyers Connor, reputed one of the most capable chemists of the Southwest, died in a private sanitarium in Fort Worth Friday. The remains were shipped to his home in Dallas.

C. H. Doyle, who was arrested in Sherman, Texas, last Friday, and was being returned to Chattanooga, Tenn., on a warrant charging him with passing worthless checks, made his escape from the officers at Memphis.

It has been reported that the State would this week call for all the cash from the thirty-two depositories, this being necessary for the State to meet its many obligations incident to the beginning of the new fiscal year, September 1.

### ABSENT-MINDED.



Old Gent—Here, you boy, what are you doing out here, fishing? Don't you know you ought to be at school?

Small Boy—There now! I knew I'd forgotten something.

### CURED HER CHILDREN.

Girls Suffered with Itching Eczema—Baby Had a Tender Skin, Too—Relieved on Cuticura Remedies.

"Some years ago my three little girls had a very bad form of eczema. Itching eruptions formed on the backs of their heads which were simply covered. I tried almost everything, but failed. Then my mother recommended the Cuticura Remedies. I washed my children's heads with Cuticura Soap and then applied the wonderful ointment, Cuticura. I did this four or five times and I can say that they have been entirely cured. I have another baby who is so plump that the folds of skin on his neck were broken and even bled. I used Cuticura Soap and Cuticura Ointment and the next morning the trouble had disappeared. Mme. Napoleon Duceppe, 41 Duluth St., Montreal, Que., May 21, 1907."

**Not Guilty.** "Now, Mrs. McCarthy," said counsel for the defense, "please tell us simply as you can your version of this affair. It is alleged that you referred to Mrs. Callahan in disparaging terms."

"Not a bit of it. I didn't say anything about disparaging nor disparaging nor any other garden truck, except that I said she had a nose like a squash and her complexion was as bad as a tomato in the last stages. Yez can see for yerself if it ain't the truth."

**Man and Beast Alike.** Only those who have suffered the agony of eye afflictions can appreciate the blessing to humanity in Dr. Mitchell's famous Eye Salve. Introduced in this region as far back as 1849 it is found to-day in all well regulated homes hereabouts. Not alone a cure of man but those of the dumb animals have enjoyed its comforts. Mitchell's Eye Salve. Sold everywhere. Price 25c.

**Heard in the Rain.** Seeing the sun shining through the rain a Georgia youngster said to Brother Dickey: "Is the devil beating his wife behind the door?" "I dunno, honey," said the old man "Hit's my opinion dat ef de devil go a wife he ain't sayin' a word ter no body!"—Atlanta Constitution.

**STATE OF OHIO CITY OF TOLEDO, Lucas County.** FRANK J. CHENEY makes oath that he is senior partner of the firm of F. J. CHENEY & CO., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of CATARRH that cannot be cured by the use of HALL'S CATARRH CURE.

**All Up.** "And when I saw the mouse," said the girl to her gentleman caller, "I thought it was all up with me!" "It was all up with her," butted in her little brother; "she grabbed her skirts an'—"

**Important to Mothers.** Examine carefully every bottle of CASTORIA a safe and sure remedy for infants and children, and see that it bears the Signature of **Wm. C. Little** In Use For Over 30 Years. The Kind You Have Always Bought.

**We Know That Follow.** "That man over there is the biggest skin in the city." "Rob you, would he?" "Rob! Say, if I had to shake hands with that fellow I wouldn't feel sure I had all my fingers until I'd counted 'em."—Boston Transcript.

**What a lot of trouble some children seem to have keeping their parents in the way they should go!**

**Lewis' Single Binder costs more than other 5c cigars. Smokers know why. Your dealer or Lewis' Factory, Peoria, Ill.**

**Gossips talk about others and bores talk about themselves.**

**It takes a woman with sound judgment to generate silence.**

**Where Others Failed** "Each spring for five or six years I broke out with a kind of Eczema which nothing seemed to relieve permanently. Finally I tried a box of Hunt's Cure, which promptly cured me. Two years have passed but the trouble has not returned." **MRS. KATE HOWARD, Little Rock, Ark.**

**A Hard Blow.** "So Barnstormer's performance of Hamlet caused a great hit in the country circuit." "Yes, a stunning hit." "Between ourselves, what caused it?" "I don't think Barnstormer ever knew himself what struck him."

**For the Blues** If you are blue, dejected, and feel like the world has it "in for you," the chances are your liver is taking a few days off. Put it to work by using **Simmon's Liver Purifier** (10 boxes); it's the best regulator of them all.

**Instruments of Torture.** "You don't seem to be keeping up very well this summer," said Father's Cane to Mother's slipper. "True," acknowledged the handy spanker, regretfully, "I've been falling astern lately."

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

In drinking liquor some men complain that it goes to the head and others that it goes to the feet, which would seem to indicate that it goes where there is the most room for it.

**Hicks' Capudine Cures Women.** Periodic pains, backache, nervousness and headache relieved immediately and assists nature. Prescribed by physicians with best results. Trial bottle 10c. Regular size 25c and 50c at all druggists.

It sometimes happens that a man doesn't ask his wife to sing because he is fond of music.

If your child's eyes are weak or sore apply **John R. Dekey's** old reliable eye water. It don't hurt, feels good.

Being bad all the time is almost as monotonous as being good.

You always get full value in Lewis' Single Binder straight 5c cigar. Your dealer or Lewis' Factory, Peoria, Ill.

Even the prude isn't averse to sitting in the lap of luxury.



**DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS** FOR ALL KIDNEY DISEASES, BRUISES, RHEUMATISM, BRIGHT'S DISEASE, DIABETES, GRAVEL, ETC. 75 "Guaranteed"



**PARKER'S HAIR BALSAM** Cleanses and beautifies the hair. Promotes a luxuriant growth. Never Falls to Bleeding. Gray Hair to its Youthful Color. Cures scalp diseases & hair falling. 50c and \$1.00 at Druggists.

**ASTHMA and HAY FEVER** POSITIVELY CURED BY **KINMONTH'S ASTHMA CURE** Over 1000 patients cured during the past 3 years. A 50-cent trial bottle sent to any address on receipt of 2c. **DR. H. N. KINMONTH, Ansbury Park N. J.**

**PENSIONS** New Law Sent Free Texas Volunteers, 1861-65 entitled. Write Nathan Blackford, 142 N. Y. Ave., Washington, D. C. **Use filled with** **Thompson's Eye Water** **W. N. U., DALLAS, NO. 36, 1908.**

**The little useless "head" that takes more time to make than the cigar itself—that's what makes three cigars cost you 15 cents—5 cents for what you smoke, and 10 cents for the heads you throw away.**

**OLD VIRGINIA CHERROOTS** Are 5 cent Cigars Without the Head Therefore 3 for 5 cents By smoking Old Virginia Cheroots you make your money go three times as far, because you get a cigar that's all cigar—no useless head to pay for, then clip off and throw away. **Sold Everywhere**



**Malaria Causes Loss of Appetite** The Old Standard GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC, drives out Malaria and builds up the system. You know what you are taking. The formula is plainly printed on every bottle, showing it is simply Quinine and Iron in a tasteless, and the most effectual form. For adults and children. 50c.



This woman says that sick women should not fail to try **Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound** as she did. **Mrs. A. Gregory, of 2355 Lawrence St., Denver, Col., writes to Mrs. Pinkham:** "I was practically an invalid for six years, on account of female troubles. I underwent an operation by the doctor's advice, but in a few months I was worse than before. A friend advised Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and it restored me to perfect health, such as I have not enjoyed in many years. Any woman suffering as I did with backache, bearing-down pains, and periodic pains, should not fail to use Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound."

**FACTS FOR SICK WOMEN.** For thirty years Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, made from roots and herbs, has been the standard remedy for female ills, and has positively cured thousands of women who have been troubled with displacements, inflammation, ulceration, fibroid tumors, irregularities, periodic pains, backache, that bearing-down feeling, flatulency, indigestion, dizziness or nervous prostration. Why don't you try it? **Mrs. Pinkham invites all sick women to write her for advice. She has guided thousands to health. Address, Lynn, Mass.**

**Did You Know That Schaa's Laxative Chill Cure** was really a Chill Cure and Liver Regulator combined. It not alone kills all germs but at the same time expels them by acting on the Liver and Bowels. It does not contain any Quinine, Strychnine or Arsenic and is perfectly safe to take.



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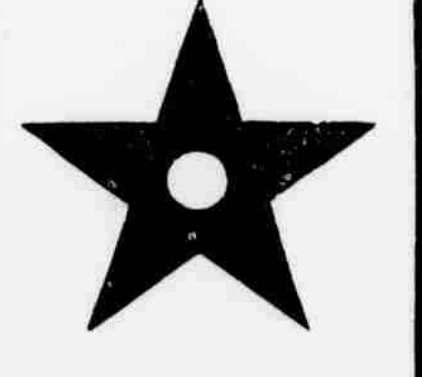


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STAR has for years been the world's leading brand of plug chewing tobacco. Statistics show that about one-fifth of all the chewers of plug tobacco chew STAR.

There's a reason for this enormous and constantly increasing number of STAR chewers, and it's just this—

Star Plug has always been manufactured with one sole object in view—to give chewers the best chew of tobacco it is possible to produce, yet to sell this STAR chew at a moderate price.



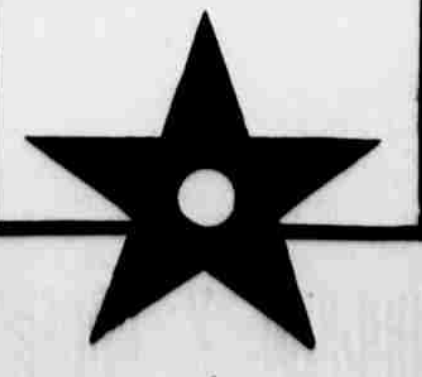
More chewers are learning every day that STAR, considered from the standpoint of true merit, has no competitor, and is the one best chew.

For a long time there was a prejudice (which probably still exists) among certain chewers against the use of what is generally termed "Navy Tobacco," because of the impression that all tobacco of that character is too sweet.

It is true that some brands of tobacco, similar in appearance to STAR, are too sweet to please chewers accustomed to the use of tobacco manufactured in thin plugs, but we know that STAR is right in every way.

You use tobacco for the pleasure it gives—**increase your pleasure by chewing STAR!**

**In All Stores**



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# LINEN SACRIFICE

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Drawn Work

Reseau Pieces

We have secured through a large Importer at a great sacrifice 20 Dozen Pieces of Japanese Fine Drawn Work and Reseau Pieces, this lot includes Doilies, Table Squares, Table Centers and Dresser Scarfs running in size from 18 to 72 inches, all PURE LINEN, very elaborate work and dainty patterns.

We will place this vast collection on sale

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at a price that is positively less than the cost of the material.

Not a piece in this lot that the most fastidious lady would not appreciate, and this will be a showing of fine linen such as you have never seen in Haskell. Prices run from \$1.25 to \$6.00 each and a great many are worth up to \$12.00.

These goods will be on display in our Large Show Window until Tuesday morning, and will be a rare treat to every one who sees this unparalleled showing.

Positively no piece will be sold or laid aside until Tuesday morning  
Don't Fail to See our Window Saturday Night.

# Alexander Mercantile Company

The Big Store

### BIG SALES

The Furniture Sale at the Boyd Furniture Company of Haskell is a great success. The store was crowded all day on Wednesday, and we were advised that the sales were much over \$1,000. It is a strictly bona fide sale and nothing in the entire \$20,000.00 has been reserved, in fact, prices have been reduced to a point where, in some instances, they are lower than actual cost of material.

The Boyd Furniture Co. has, without a doubt, the highest class line of goods in this section of the country, and it is indeed a chance of a lifetime for those who desire anything in their line.

The people from all the surrounding country are coming and a visit to their store will convince the most skeptical.

The sale closes Sept. 13th.

Your old harness may cause you a serious wreck that will result in your having a doctor's bill to pay. Evers at Haskell is not the doctor but he's the man that has lots of good harness to sell cheap. 23tf

### CITY

## MEAT MARKET

FRESH,  
BARBECUED,  
ROAST

meats of best quality always on hand

We will be pleased to serve you

## HUDSON & ROBERTS

### DEMOCRATIC NOMINEES For County Offices

- For County Judge: JOE IRBY
- For County and District Clerk: J W MEADORS
- For County Attorney: BRUCE W. BRYANT
- For Sheriff and Tax Collector: M. E. PARK.
- For County Treasurer: A G JONES
- For Assessor of Taxes: R. H. SPROWLS
- For County Superintendent of Public Schools: T C WILLIAMS
- For County Commissioner, Pre 1: JNO F GILLILAND
- For Commissioner Pre No 2: CT JONES
- For Commissioner Pre No 4: N E MARTIN
- For Justice of Peace, Pre 1: G W LAMKIN
- For Public Weigher Prec. No. 1: W. A. MARSH.
- For Constable Pre No 1: T W CARLTON
- For Justice of Peace, Pre. 2: C T JONES

Among those who cashed up for the FREE PRESS the past few days are J. F. Cox, for himself and father, O. H. Cox of Belton, A. O. Williams, H. C. Melton, H. E. Bland, T. E. Ballard, S. Bevers, A. S. Bullock, R. E. DeBard, Wat Fitzgerald and T. E. Warnock. Renewals and new subscribers, S. V. Jones, W. F. Patterson, Jim Killingsworth, Clay Kimbrough, O. Justice, V. F. Onstead and Mrs. J. A. Lester.

C. H. Merchant, of Weinert, was a passenger on the south bound train Tuesday. He was going to Abilene to meet his daughter-in-law from California.



### OUR DEPOSITORS

who daily use the facilities afforded by the Farmers bank will tell you of the many advantages which they receive by it in conducting their various commercial pursuits, loans, discounts and collections are features of every business, and we never forget the fact that our depositors are our friends, and should be regarded as such when they call on us for any accommodations.

**FARMERS NATIONAL BANK.**  
R. C. MONTGOMERY,  
Cashier,  
Haskell, Texas.

J. J. Stein has returned from a business trip to Central Texas.

M. V. McConnell, a merchant of Crockett, is visiting his brother, Judge H. G. McConnell of this city. We learn that Mr. McConnell thinks the Haskell stores up-to-date, and are as well arranged as those in the cities.

Miss Jennie Vic McCulloh left Tuesday for Waco where she will teach in the T. C. U.

Misses Dollie Perry and Rachel Stuart are visiting in Mineral Wells.

Coleman Menefee visited Stamford Monday.

Miss Obera Pinkerton left Monday to visit friend at Venis.

Last Wednesday after noon, Mrs. J. S. Keister entertained a large party of her lady friends at her beautiful home in the north part of town.

## BERTWIN BUSINESS COLLEGE

Stamford, Texas.

A school of practical business training, open to both sexes. A high grade institution second to none in the state. Courses in Bookkeeping, Banking, Penmanship, Spelling, Rapid Calculation, Business Arithmetic, Commercial Law, Business Grammar, Correspondence, Shorthand, Typewriting, Telegraphy, Railway Station work, etc.

Write for Catalogue and rates of Tuition.

A. F. REAGAN, Principal



### A FIRE IN THE NIGHT

is always a horrible experience to those who have been burned out and left homeless—especially if they have had no insurance to cover their loss. Don't get caught like this, but like the wise virgins, have your lamps trimmed and burning and be ready for the fire fiend by having a policy in a good company, drawn by

**O. E. PATTERSON.**  
HASKELL, TEXAS.

If you want to buy dwelling or business houses see S. G. Dean, manager of Progressive Lumber Co., Haskell, Texas, he will make you easy terms.

We have just received a fine Line of Gingham & Calicoes pretty as new money, all calico at 5 cents per yard see us for prices and every thing. Cash talks with us. J. S. Keister & Co.

## MANY HOMES

have been burnt to the ground by LAMP EXPLOSIONS due to use of new experimental coal oils.

### EUPION OIL

has been used 52 years and has never caused an explosion. Are you getting EUPION, if in doubt about it phone No. 147 or 144.

J. J. Stephens of Stamford was in the city Tuesday.

Minter Moore of Sagerton was in the city Tuesday.

W. L. Hills of Rule was in Haskell Tuesday.

C. P. Wasshurn of Sagerton was in the city Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Dale, visited friends at Stamford this week.

Mr. J. M. Cox of Stamford having purchased the Terrell drug stock has opened up a drug store at the old stand under the name of the Haskell Pharmacy.

See us for Light Crust flour the best flour on the market. Every sack Guaranteed. Phone 69 J. S. Keister & Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Sager and daughter were in Haskell Thursday, and while here visited Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Martin.

A party of business men, consisting of Judge Joe Irby, R. E. Sherrill, F. G. Alexander, B. Cox, Jno. B. Baker and Tom Griffin went to Throckmorton Thursday. They have in view good roads, a new mail route and a closer business relation with our neighbors.

Miss Ruby Liles who has been visiting for some time, returned home a few days ago.

Walter Davis and Bob Herren left Monday for Stamford where they will attend college this fall and winter.

Mathew Alexander left Monday for Stamford to attend College.

John Oates left Monday for Abilene there he will attend Simmons' College.

Haskell was visited by a light shower on both Monday and Tuesday last.