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SPRING GAP LOCALS.

The disagreeable weather continues and locals are scarce.

The Callahan school has been running a week under the management of Mr. Fred Baker.

Em Higgins has moved to his place on Deep Creek. Our loss is that vicinity's gain.

Little George Weeks is improving some but is not out of danger.

Clark Smith and Virgil Jones are in this part rustling steer yearlings. They are getting some nice steers.

W. D. Anderson passed through last week on his way to Cisco to close a cattle deal.

Mrs. Tom Mitchell is quite sick.

The young people of Admiral enjoyed an old time candy pulling Saturday night at Mr. Cooper's.

There was an apron party at Mr. Wilkey's last night. It was the first of the kind and the young ladies had several hearty laughs at the boys hemming aprons using their finger nails as thimbles.

Admiral Camp W. O. W. elected officers Saturday night as follows:

A. A. Callahan, Con. Com., W. J. Williams, Adv. Lieut., J. H. Weeks, Banker, T. B. Harris, Clerk, R. L. Griggs, Physician, W. H. Dawkins, Escort, O. E. Eastham, Watchman, J. J. Yarbrough, Sentry, J. J. Price, F. L. Walker, J. M. Shelton Managers.

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By Miss Martin, four blocks North of school house. Hours 9 to 12, 1 to 4.

Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Hill are in town to-day.

A new grain firm has opened up between T. E. Powell's and Wristen's, The McGowen Grain Company, with W. J. McGowen in charge.

If you have any idea of buying a buying a watch or any jewelry call on us as we are making a special run on that line. We meet all competition in quality and styles of goods. R. Phillips & Son 2

Will Cutbirth is at home from school at Waco, to spend the holidays with his parents.

Mrs. Luke Hearn and Mrs. E. C. Feguer, of Abilene are visiting Mrs. C. S. Boyles.

RIGGINS OUSTED.
Impeachment Proceedings Against Mayor of Waco Declares Office Vacant.
Waco, Tex., Dec. 6.—The city council, after an all-night session, in impeachment proceedings against Mayor J. W. Riggins, charged with irregularities in office, found Riggins guilty and declared the office of mayor vacant. Mayor Riggins will appeal.

WRIT REFUSED.
Seven Waco Aldermen Must Show Why They Are Not in Contempt.
Austin, Dec. 9.—The supreme court refused the application for writ of error in the case of J. W. Riggins vs. W. H. Thompson et al., from McLennan county, but in the same case on petition for injunction and motion for relief from contempt of court it was ordered that citation issue to defendants to show cause why they should not be commanded to rescind their action and be punished for contempt. This is a somewhat different turn than what had been anticipated. This disposes of the case as far as the writ of error is concerned, but seven aldermen of the Waco council are ordered to show cause why they should not be held in contempt for ignoring the fact that the application of writ of error pending in the supreme court when they impeached and ousted Riggins. Citations were issued to the defendants, made returnable next Monday, when the case will be heard. It is understood that defendants will waive citations and appear in next Monday. The order made by the court follows:
"It is ordered that citation be issued to defendants to show cause why they should not be commanded to rescind their action and be punished for contempt."

MRS. JOHNSON CHOSEN.
The Well Known Tyler Lady Elected President of the Daughters.
Fort Worth, Dec. 6.—The sixth annual convention of the Texas division of the Daughters of the Confederacy closed Thursday afternoon. Mrs. Cone Johnson of Taylor was chosen president, and Houston was agreed upon as the next place of meeting. Mrs. Johnson was the overwhelming choice of the delegates for the presidency. Mrs. John H. Reagan was also nominated, but declined in favor of Mrs. Johnson. Next meeting will be held at Houston.

Streetcar Strike Settled.
Houston, Dec. 6.—The streetcar strike was settled Thursday afternoon, the company making the desired advance. In the matter of the union the relationship was left just as it was before the strike was inaugurated. The wages were advanced to over 20 cents per hour.

Large Panther Skin.
Van Horn, Tex., Dec. 8.—J. H. Beach, who has a ranch north of Van Horn, killed a very large male panther. The panther measured eight feet in length and weighed 175 pounds. He had killed three cows belonging to Mr. Beach and had just turned his attention to the hogs on the ranch.

Fiestas Opened.
El Paso, Tex., Dec. 9.—The fiesta or feast in honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe, patron saint of Mexico, opened Saturday throughout the southern republic. At Juarez the event was celebrated with a bloody bull fight and by throwing open about 100 gambling booths where sums ranging from 1c to \$1000 may be wagered.

All Three Have Died.
Laredo, Tex., Dec. 8.—About two weeks ago the family of Mr. McDonald moved to Laredo from Carrizo Springs, and out of the four children two grown daughters and a two-year-old baby were stricken down with typhoid fever, and the past five days all three have died.

Conference at Crockett.
Crockett, Tex., Dec. 8.—The annual conference of the Texas and East Texas conference of the Methodist Episcopal church, south, is in session here. Bishop Hendrix is presiding. There is a large attendance.

En Route to Territory.
Fort Worth, Dec. 6.—Thirty-eight Mississippi Choctaw families passed through here en route to the Indian Territory to claim land and money allotments. Each is entitled to property and cash to the amount of \$2500. They will reside in that country.

Texas Loses Large Roll.
Hot Springs, Ark., Dec. 8.—A farmer from near Taylor, Tex., bet \$12,000 on the "foot race" game. The man he bet on stubbed (?) his toe and was outstripped.

Church Burns Up.
Denison, Tex., Dec. 8.—The first Presbyterian church was completely destroyed by fire Friday about noon. The parsonage, just north of the church, caught fire and was badly damaged.

Will Fight the Case.
Cleburne, Tex., Dec. 8.—The prohibitionists of Johnson county are taking steps to employ eminent counsel to assist in fighting the local option case in the higher court.

Lease Inspector.
Muskogee, I. T., Dec. 8.—The Creek council made provision for a lease inspector, who shall pass upon all leases in the Creek nation.

EARLY TRIALS.
The Budding Author
and in Misery.
He kicked his heels for ministerial anterooms, ct. Gambetta, to pre- g of want, gave him e of Castle Sarrasin, money he had to stop t for so long a time einet slipped into the ifing the period dealt ace" was in the south r he then lived I can- der things settled down he had fallen into the and with a beautiful er mother was no lon- er her domicile and ey were, with them. s had to take the well s of his bed and sell from death by famine e of introduction from tted his mother to t publisher. The him at a salary of 60 to tie up books in par- them. But he rather dving in him first ed him to write for the r known as reclames r had brought out. tuality and his re- young men. Hachette l higher by making t secretary. He was y, ill dressed, man- fellow, but he evi- s, who, paid great sishing up of his t shirts.—London

Health Making Storms.
What the tide does in the ocean of water and poisons germs are removed or killed. The noticeable increase in colds and influenza in the winter months is due to the action of our atmosphere in resisting the escape of the diant heat. When at the equator the cold exists at a level of four miles above the surface of the earth. During the night, the cold is in the grip of equal frost and put to rest. The upper fluid is pictured, so to speak, downward rush with rotary movement. Storms, therefore, are essentially beneficial, to health and life. They resupply use the necessary life giving warmth as carbonates do the rest of the earth.

Every one knows that windows will rattle when a loud noise is made in a room, but very few persons know that a glass can be broken by shouting into it.
Any ordinary glass which has a clear tone will, for this reason, and the exact nature of its tone can readily be ascertained by passing a moistened finger around its rim. This point being settled, the performer should hold the glass in front of his mouth and shout into it a note about an octave higher than that of the glass. The result will be that the glass will break immediately, and for the reason that it will not have strength enough to resist the force exerted against it by the waves of air.

The Heat of Lava.
The lava streams from the eruption of Vesuvius in 1872 were so hot twelve years later that steam issued from their cracks and crevices. Those that flowed from Etna in 1787 were found as late as 1840. The volcano Jorullo, in Mexico, poured forth in 1759 lava that eight years later gave off columns of steaming vapor. In 1780 it was found that a stick thrust into the crevices instantly ignited, although no discomfort was experienced in walking on the hardened crust.

Thorough Work.
Mrs. Youngwife—A friend has sent me a basket of quinces, and I don't know how to use them.
Mrs. Oldwife—Nothing is simpler. Pare and core them, make preserves of the best pieces, marmalade of the others, and jelly of the cores and peelings.
Mrs. Youngwife—Well, I declare! And what shall I make of the basket they came in?—New York Weekly.

Hypocrites.
"I despise a hypocrite," says Boggs.
"So do I," says Cloggs. "Now, take Knoggs, for example. He's the biggest hypocrite on earth. I despise that man."
"But you appear to be his best friend."
"Oh, yes; I try to appear friendly toward him. It pays better in the end."

Impediments.
Swiggs—Somehow I have failed to meet with any success in my undertakings.
Briggs—That's easily accounted for. Swiggs—Well, what's the answer?
Briggs—Too many bars in your way.—Chicago News.

A Supposition.
"I said the wise guy," I am thor- oughly convinced that honesty is the best policy."
"You have reached that after having tried both," the simple mug.—Philadelphia.

Desperation.
er (wildly)—I want some soothing quick!
er—Bottle! I want a keg! It's illustrated Bits.

POLITE NEW YORKER.
tion Proved That Gallantry Is Not a Lost Art.
t tell me any more that New s are not polite," chirruped the man who "takes a powerful s ride" to the old man who s he rides as the pair left an t train. "Saw something a lit- e ago that convinces me there ers besides blanket Indians on abattan reservation."
"It was it?" queried the man who and sees nothing unless per- it be a vacant seat spotted afar e top of his newspaper.
didn't notice it? Of course you u were too busy forgetting t that there were women in the e car. It happened between thir and Eighty-first streets, almost made me feel that the chivalry had returned. An old s was holding on a strap and g in front of a dapper chap blase face.
"Step car" sh lady w per hea lly said: "Dot Fifty-th and if seat."
"Such in New to my e but I a have re moisture which e- tected by Telegra
gallantry on an elevated train York almost brought moisture yes, and if I had had a baseball in quite sure that I could not strained myself from bringing e to that part of the blase face on the gridiron is usually pre- e by a rubber guard."—New York

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Coughing Spasms Harry Duck choked to death this morning at his home of his wife and a slight cold a few days but little attention morning he was coughing which time. His wife but before he died from coughing spells. Globe-Democrat and \$1.00 at Baird Texas.

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Lesson of the Lesson, I Sam. III, 1-14. Memory Verses, 7-10 Golden Text, I Sam. III, 9-Commentary Prepared by the Rev. D. M. Stearns.

Copyright, 1920, by American Press Association. And the child Samuel ministered unto the Lord before Eli.

See the same statement with an addition in chapter II, 18, and note that children may minister to the Lord, and no priest is called to anything greater (II Chron. xxix, 11), but every believer, being a priest (I Pet. ii, 9), is expected to stand before the Lord, to serve Him, to minister unto Him and offer sacrifice. It is said that the word of the Lord was precious (or rare, R. V., margin) in those days. There was no frequent vision, and yet here is a most important message given to a little child.

2-5. The Lord called Samuel, and he said, Here am I.

Then he ran to Eli thinking that Eli had called him, and Eli told him to lie down again, not thinking that possibly the Lord had spoken. Eli was not only physically infirm, but he was out of fellowship with God in some measure because of the iniquity that was in his household. This should lead us to consider most prayerfully if there is anything in our hearts or homes that may prevent us from hearing the voice of the Lord.

6. And the Lord called yet again, Samuel, and Samuel arose and went to Eli and said, Here am I, for thou didst call me.

And for the second time Eli told him to lie down and did not seem to think that the Lord had perhaps called him. How often has the Lord called us and we did not know or recognize His voice! By His word, by His Spirit, who generally speaks to us through His word, sometimes apart from it, but never contrary to it; by His providences He seeks to instruct us and guide us, but we are so dull of hearing, so preoccupied, so full of earthly things.

7, 8. And the Lord called Samuel again the third time, and he arose and went to Eli and said, Here am I, for thou didst call me, and Eli perceived that the Lord had called the child.

What a blessed son! What unwearied obedience! How many of us answered the first time the Lord called us? What might have been our condition today if He had not so patiently and persistently called us again and again! How blessed the assurance of Prov. i, 23, but how awful the possibility of verses 24 to 31. See in this boy the faithful training of the mother who had suffered so much in her own home and had also been misunderstood and misjudged by Israel's high priest II, 6-8, 14, 15, but had learned to know God better than many. Yet it would seem that Samuel had not been taught that the Lord in heaven sometimes spoke to people on earth, or if he had been told of God's messages to Adam, Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Moses and others he seems not to have been taught that the Lord might do so again.

9, 10. And the Lord came and stood and called as at other times, Samuel, Samuel. Then Samuel answered, Speak, for Thy servant heareth.

Thus Eli had instructed him to do if he should be called again. We should never open the word of God or listen to an exposition of it without some such prayer and expectation that the Lord will indeed speak to us and open our eyes to behold wondrous things out of His word (Ps. cxix, 18). He desires our fellowship and companionship; He wants to tell us all that is in His heart for us as far as we are able to bear it; He wants to accomplish His purposes through us, and so He is looking over the whole earth for those whose hearts are whole toward Him (II Chron. xvi, 9). The angels do His commandments, hearkening unto the voice of His word (Ps. ciii, 20), and we do not honestly pray "Thy will be done on earth as in heaven" unless we desire the same in ourselves.

11-14. I will judge his house forever for the iniquity which he knoweth, because his sons made themselves vile, and he restrained them not.

Or as it is in the margin, "He frowned not upon them." The law about rebellious sons is found in Deut. xxi, 18-21, and God had not failed to give Eli due warning and had told him plainly that in not restraining his sons he was honoring them above God (chapter II, 27-29). It means a great deal to be on the Lord's side, for it may mean that we must take a very decided stand against those who are very dear to us, not against them, but against their evil ways, which if they prefer rather than the right ways of God and of those who love them it must mean separation from them in some sense. We cannot have fellowship with God and with sin, with God and with the world lying in the wicked one (I John II and Jas. iv, 4). It seems to some who profess to believe God and hold and teach His truth a small matter to have fellowship with others who teach that much of the Bible is not reliable and the Lord Jesus is not God, but God sees it and will requite, though He bear long with it. We may wonder if either Eli or Samuel slept much more that night, but we are told that in the morning when Eli asked Samuel what the Lord had said Samuel told him every whit and hid nothing from him (verse 28). It seems to me that the great things written of Samuel in the last three verses of the chapter are intended to show us how the Lord honors those who are faithful to Him, according to chapter II, 30. We note also that the Lord continued to reveal Himself to Samuel, and all Israel knew that Samuel was a faithful prophet of the Lord (verse 20, margin). Eli's acknowledgment of his just desert is worthy of special attention. "It is the Lord. Let Him do what seemeth Him good" (verse 18). Compare Job i, 21; Ps. xxxviii, 15; xxxix, 9; I Sam. xv, 23, 26.

INDIAN TRADING.

The Way to Beat the Red Man Down in His Prices.

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The witness, a stage driver, in answer to a query as to the reputation of the place, replied, "A poor reputation." The lawyer inquired, "You say it has a reputation of being a 'poor shop'?"

"Louisville."

He said you hear say it was a temperate town?

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