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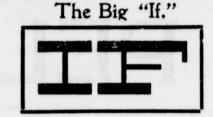
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Albert Tuerpe and F. P. Fulcher were in town the first of the ceived 10 cars of lumber this -Roger's and Tuft's silverware week trading with Ballinger's week and have as many more on merchants. They report every the road. las. E Brewer thing all right though a little dry.

No shortage now. We have re

BALLINGER LUMBER CO.

Stock New ..

Hume Bros & D y shipped today from Miles 1500 head of 3 and 4 year old steers to feeding grounds at Davidson, I. T.

A. M. Miliar sold to Richards, of Bosque county, 700 head of cattle at about \$17 00. These cattle are to be fattened and in the tall shipped to Cuba They were shipped from Ballinger Friday.

T. J Webb shipped last week from Miles 7 cars of cattle to his range at Elgin, Kansas.

Tom Shaw bought of T. K. Wilson 800 head of steers, 400 3's and up at \$24 00; 400 2's at \$18 50.

W. M. Smiley, of Winters, bought of Lon Mapes, of the Concho, 25 head of top cows at

Epworth League Program.

Apr. 7, 1901.

Topic - Resurrection - 1 Cor 15:

12 22, Eph 2:1-10. Leader -- Mrs. J F. Wright.

Song No 182.

Scripture Reading and Prayer Song No 179

20:1 18 - Miss Mary Miller.

15:1-11 - Mrs. Kate Scoggin.

Song No 126.

Grant. Song No 58.

Christ-Leader.

Resurrection of Character-

Paper-Miss Adrienne Truly. Results of the Resurrection Pastor.

Song and Benediction.

Murder Will Out.

The news came to Sheriff Kirk Tuesday evening of the killing of two men at Sonora by Sheriff Bryant. The particulars are as follows: Last week a Mr. Thorn-

was guarded. At eight o'clock two men rode into town and dismounting went into a small store atter supplies. The sheriff, a deputy and a constable followed them in and when the two were Invited to surrender the firing began which resulted in the death of one and wounding of the other. The dead man contessed to being Will Carver, the last member of the noted Black Jack gang, and it seems that he had been in Concho county quite awhile masquerading under several names. The wounded man is said to be Geo. Kilpatrick, of Concho county, well known here The other member of the gang escaped on horseback, going north with a posse in pursuit. This very nearly ends the existence of a noted band of desperadoes. Sheriff Bryant is receiving many congratulations on his success in overtaking these men.

made to rob it that night, so it

The Millinery Openings.

Ye editor's eves were dazzled last Monday by the tempting and Resurrection of the Lord-Ino beautiful array of spring hats exhibited by the different millinery Recorded Appearance-1 Cor. establishments of the city. He does not profess to be a connoisseur in such matters but ventures The Springtime Resurrection the assertion that such another of Nature-Paper-Miss Nellie elegant line was never betere shown in Ballinger and if the ladies who attended could not Our Resurrection Assured if in be suited here in style, color, shape, quality and price then they could not be suited, that's

> These millinery openings were given by Mrs. Forbes, Mrs. Green, Misses Lewis and Brin's, and all were nice enough to extract money from any body's purse, except an old bachelor's.

Fifth Sunday Meeting.

A party of Ballinger people went to Miles Saturday night ton was killed near Eden and two anticipating a pleasant and enor three men were suspected of joyable day at the 5th Sunday he crime. Officers were wired meeting of the Baptist church descriptions of the men and warn | next day. The fickle weather ed to be on the lookout. Sheriff however interfered with their Bryant had learned that they plans, compelling them to spend were near Sonora and had plan the greater part of the day at the ned to give them a warm recep- hotel. Those going were M. C. ion. During the day one of the Cobb and wife, B. C. Kirk and gang had come to town and de wife. Dr. A. S. Love and wife, posited \$100 in the bank and it Miss Mary Cordill, Asa Cordill, was thought an effort would be Hugh Jackson and Jeff Brooks.

=Unapproached and Unapproachable====

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Santa Fe Train Service.

Passenger Trains: West-bound due at Ballinger 12:26 a. m. South-bound due at Ballinger 6:30 p. m Local Trains:

West-bound due at Ballinger 3:15 p. m. Cast-bound due at Ballinger 10:40 a. m.

Houston has sent a representative to President McKinley with a gorgeous invitation for him to visit the Bayou City when en route to the Pacific Coast.

Apparently the American gov ernment has captured an elephant in the person of Aguinaldo, the Philippino Chief, and just now it is being puzzled to know what to do with him.

Bicycles are less popular now than several years ago. In 1898 American manufacturers exported seven million dollars worth of wheels; in 1900 the exports amounted to only three million dotlars.

A Jersey farmer visiting New York stood looking at a sign in a book store window, 'Dickens' Works All This Week for Two Dollars' 'Wal,' he remarked, 'my opinion is, that Dickens fellow is either a mighty poor workman, or else he is contounded hard up tor a job."

Lawyers can draw a distinction without a difference. In a law Herbine will purify the blood, suit over a kettle, a lawyer made the jury believe the kettle was cracked when his client borrowed Drug Store. it, it had no crack in it when he brought it home and that the client never borrowed the kettle. -Winsboro Wide-Awake.

Another big ranch deal is on tap. A capital of \$2,000,000 and 641,000 acres will be involved The famous Goodnight ranch is the principal property to be ab sorbed. H. W. Scott of New York is promoter of the scheme. This will be one of the largest cattle ranch syndicates in the world. The deal has not yet been con cluded however.

some one, to which Bill Nve replies: "It is a library. It is an encyclopedia, a history, a dic tionary, a time table, a romance, a guide, a political resume, a ground plan of the civilized ous things to me. They are hard and stay for months. But the last was stopworld, a low priced multum in parvo. It is a sermon, a song. a circus, an obituary, a shipwreck, for me." Mrs. Emma L. Hollin, 14, have to rush off up east for it.—

symphony in cold lead, a med Moss St., San Francisco. Aug. 6, 1900. ley of life and death, and a grand his shame. It is, in short, a bird's nd meanness, the joys and sorbirths, the pride and pover ty of the world-all for a few

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Dr. Rape Writes.

Polyclinic, New Orleans, La. MR. H. F. MAYES,

Ballinger, Tex.

Dear Sir and Brother:

Please send your paper to me till I notify you otherwise. I am quite well and have been hard at work for several days in the hospital wards. I am located very near the college building so I do not have much walking to do. It is very warm today. I find a great many Texas men in attendence. I hope to make my visit real profitable while here.

Wishing the people of Ballinger spiritual progress in a holy life, and financial success, with much love, I am as ever,

Yours Iruly,

THOS. A. RAPE. March 28, 1901.

Satisfaction Guaranteed.

Send your laundry to the Brownwood Steam Laundry. Basket leaves Tuesday night and returns Saturday mornings. Work called for and delivered. Leave orders at Lee & Pike's "Up to date" Barber Shop.

Those horrid fits of depression, melancholy, low spirits, and endden irritability, that sometimes afflict even good-tempered people, are due to the blood being permeated with black bile. restore health and cheerfulness. Price 50 cents. At E. D. Walker's

Another Election.

Saturday Ballinger is to have an election. This time the entire county will be included. It will be to see who are our next school trustees. The evidences point to more interest in this than in the city election last Tuesday.

BAD COLDS.

Quinine is to years behind. Colds do not now have to be endured. mendel's Dynamic Tabules (called dynamic from their energy) crowd a week's ordinary treatment into 12 hours and abort the worst of colds over night.

had. A half dozen friends had sure "What is a newspaper?" asks cures. Still it hung on. Heard of the Dynamic Tabules. To my amazement they stopped both cold and cough the first right. I endorse and recommend them to the people" Barclay Henley, Ex member Congress and Attorney, 101 Sansome Street, San Francisco. July 7,

suddenly by mendel's Dynamic Tabules. state. But if we want a two-bit Both cough and cold disappeared in a "I live across the street from where mendel's Dynamic Tabules are made aggregation of man's glory and That is how I first took them. They stop colds without notice. I took a dozen boxes with me tor myself and friends we view of all the magnanimity when I went to Nome." H. L. Van Winkle, Cappitalist, 3017 Washington Street, San Francisco. Aug. 10, 1900. For sale by E. D. WALKER, Druggist.

In Monday's Dallas News an land at \$1 to \$2 an acre. item in the Brownwood society laby carriages-all sorts, all column read "Mrs. Sam Parks of -Finest line of watches in Bal-Ballinger is here."

THANKS .- I retire from the barber business gratified and pleased with the patronage my friends have seen fit to give me and I hereby wish to extend them sincere thanks for the same. May rich success be yours.

> Truly. JOHN MCCAMANT.

Even the most vigorous and hearty people have at times a teeling of weariness and lassitude. To dispel this feeling take Her bine; it will impart vigor and vitality. Price 50 cents. At E. D. Walker's Drug Store.

City Election.

Tuesday was election day, but little interest was aroused. Up to the morning of the election no tickets had been prepared and no candidates were suggested. During the day, save for the closed saloon doors there was little evidence of an election, very tew going to the polls In all 81 votes were cast and resulted in the election of J. W. Powell, mayor; J. B. Wilmeth, treasurer; P. Mc-Gregor, secretary and collector; P. E. Truly and loe Ostertag, aldermen. The only contest was in the aldermen election.

Make yourself nests of pleasant thoughts. None of us yet know, for none of us have been taught in early youth, what fairy places we may build of beautiful thought, proof against all adversity-bright fancies, satisfied memories, noble histories, faithful sayings-treasure houses of restful and pleasant thoughts, which care cannot disturb, nor pain make gloomy, nor poverty take away from us, houses built without hands for our souls to live in .- Ruskin.

It has been said that Texas could be walled in from the world and within and of herself support five times her present population and Texas can do it and not half try. We can raise anything with a name, wheat, corn, cotton and molasses can be grown with equal success. We can raise a blizzard in the Pan Handle and a melon on the coast at the same time; we have all kinds of climate and soil and every mineral wealth worth digging for can be found in the umbrella or a five dollar hat we

Woodward & Gwinn

Have moved their Land Office to the office rooms in second story of the J. H. Miller building. Call around and see them for

linger at Asa Cordill's.

To The Trade:



Having purchased the business of Mr. Geo. . Schroeter, formerly McGregor & Francis, I am prepared to fill the wants of the trade in my line. All heavy goods will be handled in car lots, thus saving the jobbers

profit, the benefit of which will be given to our customers. I propose to do a strictly honest, legitimate business, and to treat everybody alike. Get my prices on CORN, CORN CHOPS, OATS, HAY, BRAN AND SALT.

Will sell in car lots or any quantity desired. Also handle CHASE & SANBORNS' COFFEES, which have a world wide reputation and cannot be excelled and AMERICAN BEAUTY FLOUR, which took St. Louis Fair premium in 1900. A trial of this Coffee and Flour always makes a customer. I want a share of your trade and we proposed to meet all competition. Give me a trial.

JOHN HOFFER

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To meet the constantly growing deand for a Graphaphone of the Grand type at a figure that will suit the proper purse, the Columbia Phonograph Company announces that the price of the Columbia Grand Graphophone is reduced from \$75 to \$50, of Grand records from \$1.50 to \$1.00 each, and of Grand blanks from \$1 to 75 cts. each.

It is confidently believed that this substantial price reduction will have the affect of placing Graphophones of the genuine Grand type in the hands of thousands of persons who have hitherto been restrained from purchasing by reason of the comparitively high prices beretofore prevailing. As a further and even greater means of stimulating the sales of Grand machines and records' and of overcoming what undoubtedly has been the principal deterrent to their almost universal use, the price of Grano records has been reduced to \$1 each instead of \$1.50 as heretofore.

Columbia Grand records have justly earned the reputation of being the fines product of the record-making art, and the manufacturers pledge themselves that the goods will continue to deserve this reputation. The reduction in price has been made possible by new manufacturing processes which result in improved records as well as more economical manufacture.

Grand blank cylinders, formerly \$1 each, are reduced to 75 cts. each.

It is estimated that the new prices will create a demand for these wonderful machines that will gre tly tax the superb facilities of the manufacturers Their plant at Bridgeport, Conn., is the largest and most modern and complete talking machine factory in the world and their facilities for the quick and economical production and distribution of their goods are unapproached.

The Columbia Phonograph Co. has brought about every substantial improvement in the talking machine art. The most recent achievement and one as startling as the original invention eself, was the discovery of the princies governing the construction of

aphophones of the Grand type. These hines give forth reproductions of nd with the same volume and quality the original rendition. They speak and sing with the volume of a giant's voice; yet with the intensified vibrant power there is no sacrifice of quality, but on the contrary, a richer, fuller and more faithful reproduction of the timbre of the original sound is obtained.

Five hundred dollars was the price of the machine when first offered for sale, and the original price of large records was five dollars each. Facilities for the manufacture of the goods on a large scale and the bringing out of new models have made possible great reductions in price. There is now no obstacle to the universal adoption of the Grand Graphophone as the most fascinating home ontertainer of modern lite.

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-Jas. E. Brewer pays cash for goods, consequently can sell them cheaper.

-Has your insurance policy expired? Let C. P. Shepherd & Co. renew it. Phone 125.

-Go-carts at Ostertag's.

-Don't buy until you see Jas. E. Brewer's new stock of latest de signs in watches. First National Bank Building

-The best engraving done in a tew minutes at Jas. E. Brewer's.

ASA CORDILL.

San Angolo to Brownsville.

Austin, Tex., March 25.-An amendment to the charter of the Panhandle and Gulf Railway Co., which is the Texas corporation of the Kansas City, Mexico and Orient system, was filed in the Secretary of State's office here today. It provides for the building of the main line of that system hrough the state from the north ein portion of Wilbarger County on the Red River to some point on the Rio Grande, either in Preidio County or in Brewster Couny, a total distance of about 500 miles, also for the building of a branch line from San Angelo on he proposed main line southeas o Brown-ville, near the mouth of he Rio Grande, a distance of bout 450 miles, making a total it nearly 1,000 miles of road to be constructed by the company in lexas. The proposed branch me to be built from San Angelo is to run through the counties of Com Green, Schleicher, Sutton, Edwards, Kinney, Uvaide, Maver ck. Zavalla, Dimmit, Webb, Encinal, Zapata, Starr, Hidalg and C meron

From Spefford, where the ranch road will connect with the southern Pacific, the route will be down the valley of the Ri-Grande for a distance of over hree hundred miles

The Children.

At the noon hour or in the ifternoon when the public school ismisses, the children swarm in o the streets like blackbirds, their merry laughter ringing out ke the chime of Christmas bells. They are happy and careless, the sunshine of more than a hundred comes-without them the ligh would go out in our lives and we vould grope about in darkness This country is the finest in the world for children; they come with astonishing rapidity and hey grow like they were indige nous to the soil. God bless them, they can never become too numerous, for their smiling taces are the most effective carifuge that was ever invented or tried. In the unfortunate homes where no chubby fingers ever stain the windows or mix up the needle work, there may be happiness, but no real joy, no ecstacy, and more likely the sable bird of regret-if not of remorse-si's upon the chamber door and with mournful notes mocks at their mistortune. The Roman mother was not wrong, when, asked to produce her jewels, she pointed to three dimple cheeked babies in a cradle and replied, "These are my jewels."-Gatesyille Mes senger.

We understand that "Jolly Uncle Josh" was arrested and placed in jail upon a charge of getting money under false pretense in Fort Worth. The Messenger res pectfully suggests that those of our citizens who received him so cordially a few weeks since and canced to the tune of his great scheme at the rate of twenty cents a line go over and bail him out. For indeed it has been said that "Laugh and all the world laughs with you; weep and you weep alone." And we do not think it quite right for the friends of Uncle Josh, after so generously setting his nephew up in business even to the point of extravagance, to desert him at this time. -- Gatesyille Messenger.

Eczema Can Be Cured.

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Yours, ior groceries

MILLER MERCANTILE COMPANY.

Tornado Season Approaching

Do you carry Tornado Insurance on your Dwelling? Do vou know it is very cheap? \$2 50 per \$1000 is the price per annum. Tornadoes visit other towns and Ballinger may not always be so fortunate as to

Prepare for emergencies is a good rule of action, and is very applicable in this case. Call on or Phone

UPSTAIRS IN OSTERTAG BUILDING. 'Phone 125.

We Need Abe Mulkey.

Mr. D. Brin of the Brin Dry Goods Company of Waxahacnie received this week from a man living in Amarillo \$20, which was in payment of goods purchased of Mr. Brin eighteen years ago, when he was doing business in Cleburne. The sender stated the step was taken on account of and after hearing Rev. Abe Mulkey's sermon on restitution .-Pecan Valley News.

Killed by the Cars at Santa Anna.

Santa Anna, Texas, March 30. -The 13 year-old boy of H. H. Brown, of this county, was instantly killed by a westbound Santa Fe local. It seems that young Brown was trying to cross the railroad while the train was switching. The boy got between two cars and was crushed to death between the drawheads.

-Don't take his word for it. Go and see that Jas. E. Brewer's selection watches can't be beat in Ballinger

-Get my prices on watches. ASA CORDILE.

ose I care whether ver meeting or not? vided against itself d." Have you seen here of late to justify latement? Do you catch sear me people! We are ided from a long line of energetic, industrious, selfant race of people who knew opposition to their will, who, hen they undertook an object in peir own life, or some good or daring deed for the public, they knew no failure for they went be yond the bounds of reason, if necessary, to attain what lay nearest home, and could say with a true Spartan spirit, "Stand from between me and the sun."

We are all ready to stop and take one long sigh of relief After all our church is now ready to occupy, so next regular Metho dist day there will be services in the new church. A new organ and an intelligent choir will add greatly to the attractiveness of the occasion. Everyone must be present, fill the house to overflowing. I can't say when it will be dedicated.

We are very sorry to add to the sick list this week, Mrs. Moore, but very glad that Miss Ethel did not get to leave; very sorry she was disappointed, but very glad that she cannot leave for some time yet.

The bad weather Monday spoiled our little "playhouse plans" for a fishing spree. How ever we surely will go when Miss Moore recovers from the measles, Last Friday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J Lynn, in honor of Miss Iva, the young tolks were invited to spend the evening to enjoy themselves as becomes the young people of their age, and they were so royally entertained that every one expressed a desire to renew the experiment in the near tuture.

Lynn Bros have sold their stock of goods at this place and will move right soon to Dora where they intend making their future home. Nevertheless we are not to be shortened on neighbors. Mr. Roberts and family have taken up residence in our midst, and will run the store just the in Winters.

We were all glad to see Mr. Keeder come into our midst and and Sunday. very sorry to see him leave so soon.

Messrs. Roaten and Harter receive top prices for wheat at present.

Say if you young tolks only knew what a nice time the correspondent spent Sunday evening and where, you would want comedy and high class musical to go there every Sunday. I will tell you part of it; for supper we had lemon pie that could not have been better if it had been made to order.

I get old. and go to mid-week carried out to a line, and every services?

ed awaking at the dead hour of the Band. Following is the pronight, and listening for a time to the sweet strains of melodies as they are borne down to you in a warm, comfortable bed of dreams, from an experienced harpist, such as was furnished Saturday night-you, I say, have missed cited in such a thrilling, striking more than you imagine.

one; but the young folks surely did make good use of it by informing every one in the neigh borhood of an April fool party at Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Roaten's, exept them, of course. At the appointed time they began drilling

in good time until 12:30 a. m. when they accidentally took a notion to go home, and then came the other part of the April fool. Coat sleeves and ladies coats were sewed tight and fast, and with buggy cushions disappearing in the performance everyone took a new start at laughing and the last thing your correspondent heard of the crowd, was some one laughing about buying a cackling GRANDPA.

Winters.

Drs. Grant and Sheeley are kept busy visiting the sick these days. Dr. Tinkle is on the sick

Mr. Ed Stone, with an eye to business, bought 60 acres of fine land in the suburbs of Winters on the 2nd, from Esq Pierce, at p. t

The Winters Band report a 'grand' time at Content last Saturday night They never tire telling of the royal treatment they received from our neighbors over the mountain.

We heard a young lady pass a compliment on the young men of that community that was not very flattering to the Winters boys.

It is said that "the band played ·Hot Time' while on the way to Content, and they played it so well that the grass was set on

Mrs. Church and daughter, of New Hope, were shopping in Winters the 2nd.

Miss Lillian A. Sheelev and her elocution class are preparing to give an entertainment in the near tuture. We are confident that it will be a grand treat to all who

Mr. Springfield is hauling lum ber to build himself a residence Winters. He will build on Main S'reet.

Mrs. Oliver recently from Limestone county, is having a residence built on her ranch north of Winters. She will build in the city also, soon,

Prots. Banks and Campbell, of Waco, are with us this week. They will teach a class in vocal music, beginning next Monday

Prot. Hill, a graduate of the Sam Houston Normal, is visiting

W. M. Spain and family were visiting here last Saturday and

Will Guthrie and lady, of Con tent were shopping in town one day recently. NEMO.

The Concert at Content.

According to previous announcements the Winters colos sal concentration of dramatic talent, exhibited here the 30th The performers were applauded from beginning to finish, and it will be remembered the most preeminent concert that we have I wonder will I be good when seen lately. The program was one deserves praise. Prof. C. T. You that have never experienc- Grant was the principal leader of gramme as we jotted it down.

First-Quick March-Old Folks at Home—by the band.

Second was an oration pertaining to the burial of the Confederate soldiers, etc, which was remanner that those present who April tools day has come and knew something of what he was reciting could not keep the tears from coming to their eyes.

3rd-Music-Conglomeration. 4th-Happy Uncle Tom. This was all O. K.

5th-Music-Big Indian War Dance. This piece kept the ith e giggle and "I am well audience spellbound, from beginre you," until the house was ning to finish and all were sorry when the end came.

6th-Dialogue-Hired Man.

7th-Music-Poca Polka

8th-Dialogue-Rastus.

9th-Whistling Coon-And we must say "dem dancin' niggers won de blue ribbon," on dancing.

10th-The Woodhauler-This was very dramatic and laughter was general throughout.

11th—Barber Shop — It was acted to perfection and the audience cheered the gritty barber.

12th-John L. Sullivan was a comic piece and the spectators applauded with shouts and hearty laughter as the scene closed.

13-Melodrama, of jokes and music with guitar, banjo, and tambourine. The jokes were received mid shouts and cheers and every one laughed till the next ladies Sunday. piece was announced and then once more listened to the sweet band music, [pealing forth in softest notes, "Hot Time in the Old Time."

The orchesta intended taking a part in the exercises, but one of the gallant knights happened to a very sad accident while crossing a stream on the way here. They were playing Swanee River, and the above mentioned fell in and escaped drowning. narrowly These young people are going to be a great credit to their county before long and we wish them unbounded success. Many, many thanks, boys, for your charming entertainment, and when you come again, we wish you to know the "latch-string" is out. The tollowing is a list of the members and visitors who attended from Winters. Messrs, C. P. Crews, R G. Middleton, A. Speill, Zed Nesbitt, George Murray, Buford Mangum, Porter Murray, Michael

made Come again, one and all. The proceeds amounted to \$21.40. They apportioned one tenth of income to the school at this

Messrs. M. C. Bright, Joe Hood, P. Warnica and others were in Abilene the first of the week.

Nora Smith is having quite a

time with the chills lately. Our merchants are doing a lively business at present.

Messrs. Mat McKenny and Claud Coats left Monday for a ranch near Paint Rock with about 700 head of cattle.

Prot. Webb had the group of his school taken last Friday. The photographer, Mr. Lloyd, took a group for Prot. Webb last winter, that every one present enjoyed and we hope this work will be as

satisfactory as the former. Mr. and Mrs. Carrol were in Abilene Thursday trading.

There are several cases of catarrhal fever in the community. We had a light rain last Sun-

For fear of tiring the "force" we will bring our communication to a close. Yours,

BOOKWORM and ASSOCIATE.

Cows for Sale.

20 or 30 milk cows to sell. Ap-J. H. HOLLAND.

-My watch and jewelry work guaranteed. JAS. E. BREWER.

-See my line of solid gold Brooches, Buttons, Pins, Bangles. Charm and Chains. Can't be beat in Ballinger. ASA CORDILL

-Big Line of New Matting just received. J. A. OSTERTAG & CO -Jas. E. Brewer's prices on watches are as low as the lowest.

Paint Rock Items

Several of the men of our burg were at Ballinger this week.

Mr. Will Estey returned this week from Nolan county, bring ing back with him as a bride the charming daughter of Mr. Rob erts, a prominent farmer of Coke county. We wish Mr. and Mrs Estey a long and happy life in their new relations.

Mrs. Butler and son were in town Saturday on business.

Lark Murray was in town Saturday from Lipan Flat. He reports everything flourishing in his section.

Mr. Ed Brooks was visiting among the Paint Rock young

Mr. Bob Crozier and Prof. Swafford were in from No6 Satur day. Prof. Swafford has a fine school, enrolling 31 pupils. We wish him success Mr, Crozier is complaining of rain the past two months-not enough to make crops look their best.

Wheat and oats fine, corn just coming up, and people preparing to plant cotton.

A. L. Burk's mother, sister and two brothers, came up to spend a few days in our little city. They are recently from the coast country. Mr. Burk is a prominent grocery man of Paint Rock.

CONCHO TIMES.

Oh say, Hubby, please send me dress any Santa Fe agent or up a sack of LIVE OAK FLOUR too from the Miller Mercantile Co. That is the Best.

Winters Literary Association.

Last Saturday eve will be long remembered as the time of the most enjoyable meeting ever held Overby, Isaac Barton, Prof. C. T. by the Winters Literary Associa-Grant, Mr. Smith, Misses Attie tion. For some unknown reason Grant, Claudie and Linnie Hunt- the President was absent, and er, chaperoned by Mr. and Mrs. after waiting some time for him, T. W. Burk and Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Kelly was called to the chair and presided during the The band may make another meeting. Secretary Dale being date here in about two months if present, the minutes of the pre satisfactory arrangements can be vious meeting were read and approved. The program was then taken up and rendered with most satisfactory results.

The exercises were opened with recitations by Miss Ethel Eoff 8th and 9th. and Miss Lillian Kelly. As these are all quite young members they deserve much praise for the elegant manner in which they rendered their parts.

two, at least, deserve special attention. Prof. T. A. Fannin read that highly pathetic description of Franklin's visit to to his mother. The profound attention given to this showed conclusively the reading. Miss Lydia Eoff then read "The Baldheaded Man." This was so real, so lifelike, that the broad smiles involuntarily spread over every face in the audience.

As Winters has long been noted for its excellent school and the high literary attainments of its citizens, we hope that the present Association may, if possible, be ultimately brought up to that high standard of former

Miss Lillian Sheeley who is instructing a class in elocution, will soon give an entertainment. The exercises will be conducted by teacher and pupils and as she is an elocutionist of unusual ability we feel assured of a rare treat. The pupils who are taking elocution under this lady, who formerly taught in Henry College, are truly proud of their teacher, and interest in this attractive art is rapidly developing.

-See Asa Cordill's line of ladies set rings. They are beauties.

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Reunion Scottish Rite Masons; Meeting of the Grand Commandery Knights Templar; Convention of the Grand Lodge K of P. Galveston, Texas. Rate \$13 35. While the pieces were all good, Date of sale April 13, 14, 15, and

> State Foreign Mission Convention, Colored, Rosebud, Tex. Excursion rates. Dates of sale April 16, and 17th.

G. A. R. Annual Reunion Galveston Texas. Round trip \$13 35. Sell April 21st.

State Medical Association, Galveston, Tex. Round trip \$13.35. Sell April 23rd.

Dr. Broiles, the specialist, had quite a number of callers Friday. He is a pleasant, genial gentleman and takes well with the people he meets. He is clearly no part of a humbug.

-Which do you wear-a beautiful lady's watch or a ladies' beautiful watch. I have both.

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Harr Wagner-Tuesday night at the Court House.

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The Banner-Leader has several obituaries on hand which will be published as early as possible.

Miss Mathes pupils appear tolight at the K. of P. hall in an entertainment. A large crowd should attend.

A summer normal for Ballinger seems to be a certainty. Twelve that it was a broken heart that killed San Angelo teachers have joined in a petition to Superintendent Kendall asking for one to be put here, and as many more teachers from this place will also send a ttor. "Whenever he needs money all similar petition. The attendance promises to be large.

Miss Kate Thomson left Ballin ger Thursday for Coleman to visit friends.

W G. Fields has disposed of his custom tailoring business to Mr. Williams.

Mrs. A S. Love is to leave this afternoon for Florence, Tex ... to visit home tolks.

J R Caldwell, Jr. of Brown wood, is here this week, sampling cotton for shipment.

Admission to Harr Wagner's lecture 50 cents. Court House Tuesday night. Benefit of school

Miss Mae Harris and her violin will assist Sunday in the dedication of the new Christian church at Santa Anna.

Mr Davidson, a Limestone county smith, arrived the first of the week and has secured a job with Mr. Geo. Wilson.

This evening Harr Wagner, editor of the West rn Journal of Education, at San Francisco, gave his lecture on "Uncle Sam Jr.," well tinctured with bumor, round ed out with patriotic elequence. He delighted his audience .-Seattle Post Intelligencer

It seems that Ballinger is tated o have at least one case of small pox continuously. This time it is Miss Kate Turner, daughter of W. j Turner, of Wingate, who is staying in town with her aunt. & Mrs. Muchell. She had fever Thursday evening and Friday morning the dector said "small pox." The usual quarantine regulations will be followed and it is hoped there will be no more

THE MYSTERY OF DREAMS

In Which the Coincidences Were Remarkable.

On one occasion during the civil war I dreamed that I was standing beside a road when there came marching along it a strong column of prisoners. with guards at intervals on the flanks I asked one of these guards who the prisoners were and where they had been captured. He informed me that they had been taken in an engagement with the enemy on the day before and that there were 1,900 of them. I then asked some bystander what day of the month it was and was told it was such a day of a certain month, some six weeks later than the date of the dream. The whole dream was extremely distinct, and it made a strong impression on me. I related it to a number of my comrades within the next few days and then thought of it no more.

Six weeks later, on the morning of the very day that had been mentioned in the dream as the date when the col umn of prisoners had passed before me, I was on picket two miles distant from the point where I had seemed after breakfast, and I was standing by the side of the road at the fire talking to the officer of the picket when an aid to the commanding general came riding down the road. He had been a schoolfellow of our officer's at West nized his friend. He told us that he had good news; that there had been a sharp engagement with the enemy the day before and that our people had captured 1.900 prisoners, who had just passed the headquarters that morning on their way to the rear .- St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Stuck to His Post. When it comes to a battle, a horse shows no fear of death, no sign of being overcome by panic, in all the wild R. G. Bosworth, the section tumult of the battle's roar. A horse boro fight was hit by a piece of shell, which split his skull so that one side was loosened. The driver turned him loose, but when he saw the team he had worked with being driven back for ammunition he ran to his old place another horse put in, he gazed at the new one with a most sorrowful expression in his eyes. Then he seemed to realize that the battle was no more for him, and he walked away and lay down and died. The officer declared him.-Our Dumb Animals.

"This man," said the keeper softly,

"magines he has millions." "Isn't that nice?" answered the visbe has to do is to draw on his imagination."-Kansas City Times.

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I have just returned from the Eastern markets, where I have bought one of the best selected stocks of Dry Goods that has ever BEEN SHOWN IN THE CITY OF BALLINGER.

I cordially invite you, one and all, to inspect my New Spring Goods which are now arriving daily. Among the New Arrivals which deserve special mention is the fine line of Silks I am showing. All the Latest Novelties in the Silk line.

A fine line of Colored Wash Goods. White India Linens, White Nainsooks, White and Figured Dimities etc, etc.

Here are a few specials worthy of your consideration:

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The finest line of Silks ever shown out side of the largest cires. All the high class novelties are shown here at prices that will interest you.

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100 dozen Laces and Insertings to match, values range / c to 121/2 your choice of the lot at ... 5 cts a vd

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6 dozen finest quality Bleached Damask Towels, sold regularly at 75c and \$100 each, Speial sale 50 and 60e each.

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Finest Quality Pure Linen Embroidered H'd'k'fs., segular 65c and 50c qualities, special offer, your choice for 35e each.

Several dozen very fine Swiss Handkerchiefs Embroidered and Lace Edges, regular 40c quality. Special price 25c each.

Another lot of Handkerchiefs Embroidered Edges, regular 150 qualities, it is a sample line. 10e each. Special

Fine Line Handkerchiefs of good quality White Lawn, wide and narrow Hemstiched Border, regular 81/3 and 10c grades, Special 5e each.

Come and see my new Line of Spring Goods, the best stock by tar ever shown here, and at Bargain Prices.

Yours for Bargains,

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The Death of N. G. Westfall.

years, one month and 20 days, yourselt. fell asleep in Jesus on March 20, 1901, at Table Gap, near Content. to be when I saw them. It was soon He was buried in the Content cemetery. He was only sick 12 days The 11th of March 1901, up-to-date tobs at las. E. Brew he was kicked in the side by a er's. horse which caused an abscess. Point, and he reined up when he recog- He was born in Blanco county, and raised in Mason county where he married Miss Georgia Butts on the 27th of May last and the first of January came to make Runnels county his home, But alas, his time was short here. He was perfectly willing to make the change as he said he had made peace with God, and wanted his father and mother to meet him in foreman, is having a small cottage in one of our batteries in the Murfrees- heaven. He leaves a dear wife and sweet little girl baby to mourn his loss, besides many other relatives and friends. Grieve not dear ones for the loss and galloped back with the rest. When of your loyed one. It was the an officer pushed him aside to have call of God that caused him to go on a dying pillow. Before many guests my darling husband was called to rest. His last request was, "Dear father and mother, brothers and sisters, grieve not for me, some bright

> Written by his Dear Wite, MRS. GEORGIA WESTFALL.

day in heaven I hope we may

meet."

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-Watches! Watches!! Watches!!! Mr. N. G. Westfall, aged 26 At Jas. E. Brewer, See for House-Harr Wagner-the hu-

> fresh vegetables are on the market once more.

> -Drop in and see those new and

Mr. Will Vaughn's residence is completed and he has moved in. This home has a most desirable location and the house is a creait and an ornament to the town. It's where he has his cattle pastured. builder, J. J. Rushing, is also deserving of praise for a generous share of the good looks of the

Tuesday night at the Court

Gaston Hardgrave has succeeded Herbert O'Bannon in the telephone office.

Van Pelt & Kirk are having a big warehouse erected on the lot back of their present location.

Lee Russell, a Menardville stockman, was in town Wednesday on his way to the territory,

-Give your watch to Asa Cordill for repairs and be pleased.

-Import Shipment of Matting. J. A. OSTERTAG & Co.

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I'm overloaded on Strychnine-bought an enormous stock-more Strychnine than was ever before brought to Ballinger.

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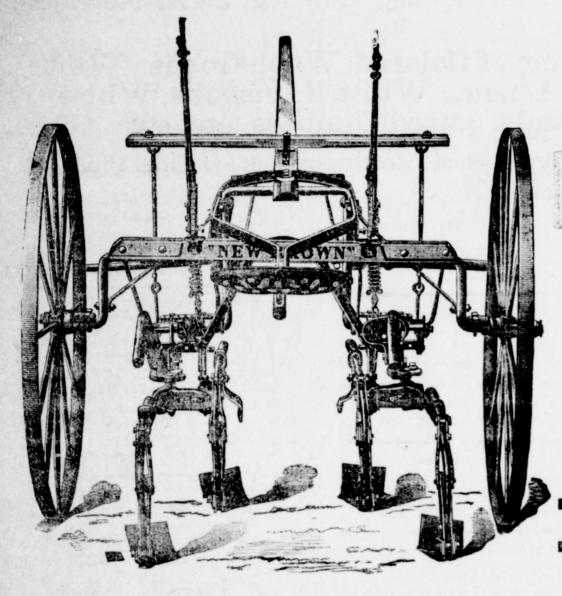
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The plans contemplate a three story building, one story stone taced and the remainder in grav brick and gray terra cotta, with Ft. Worth & Rio Grande Railway the root of copper. The building is to be strictly fireproof. The plans have been completed and bids will be advertised for in about three weeks. The first floor is to be occupied by the postoffice, and the public corridors will be faced with marble, the floor to be in mosaic. The second floor will be used as the United States court and will extend to the third story, with public galleries and spacious pro visions for the court, officers and clerks and other officials connected with the court. This will prove the handsomest arrangement of any public building in the country. The basement will be for the use of the carriers, etc.

In Russia 3,000 arrests of revotionists have been made recent- D F Johnson, Agent,

At Fails River, Mass., 29 mills were shut down and will be closed several weeks, possibly continu ously. This threw out 8000 Evidently McKinley. prosperity has only struck in spots.

For coughs and colds there is no medicine so effective as Bailard's Horehound Syrup. It is the ideal remedy. Price 25 and 50 cents.-At E. D. Walker's Drug Store.

All sorts of rewards have been suggested for Gen. Funston, for the capture of Aguinaldo, from making him president down to purchasing him a gold watch The president has appointed him Brigadier-general.

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Lines in memory of Mrs. Tinnie Bowen, who died April 23rd, 1900, near Wingate, Texas.—By Mrs. Fanny Leeson Williams, of California.

Step lightly and gently Around our sweet dead, Weave garlands of lilies To place around her head.

How dreary our home is: And gone is its joy What comfort she gave us-Our dear loving mother

Place gently the casket Beneath the green sod, Our darling is at rest And at peace with her God.

From Heaven's pure portals We hear her voice come-"Weep not for me dear ones, I'm safely at home."

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It's worth a million dollars and it doesn't cost a cent.

There is no room for sadness when we see a cheery

It always has the same good look-it's never out of -tyle-It nerves us on to try again, when failures make us

The dimples of encouragement are good for me and

It pays a higher interest, for it is merely lent-

It's worth a million dollars and it doesn't cost a cent. A smile comes very easy-you can wrinkle up with cheer A hundred times before you can squeeze out soggy

It ripples out, moreover, to the heart-strings that will

And always leaves an echo that is very like a hug. So, smile away. Folks understand what by a smile is meant.

It's worth a million dollars and it doesn't cost a cent. -Harriet S. Damon.

Everybody knows that it pays big to kill the prairie dogs and the question is, "what kills them best?" There is no doubt but that

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-The best jewelry made, sold and engraved tree.

AS. E. BREWER.

Dr. Duncan last week brought sight to the eye of Geo Hull by the removal of a cataract and to say that George is pleased with the result hardly expresses it.

T. K. Wilson, of Concho county, sold to Tom Shaw, of Ballinger, 450 4-year-old steers, at \$24 50. 300 2 year olds at \$18.50, with the 10 per cent cut of the 4's at \$18 50; also 150 cows, at \$15.50-

Billy Drennan, one of our old imers, was in the city Tuesday, enroute home from Sonora, to Ballinger. Billy is getting fatter, sassier and better looking all the time and gives Ballinger the

The San Angelo Standard man casually remarks that it all his readers would pay a year's subscription in advance he might get married. It Pat should marry it would be one of the wonders of the twentieth century.

The Banner-Leader learns that all the churches will prepare a program of music for next Sunday in commeration of the day. The ministers also will have something extra for the occasion. The people should attend, all who can, and make the man who stays at home teel lonesome.

The first number of the Miles Messenger arrived this week. It is a tour-page six-column sheet and starts with a liberal advertisng patronage. Ballinger and Angelo merchants contributed the larger share of the advertising. Banner Leader extends greeting to the Messenger, with wishes for continued and easy success.

We have certainly been enjoying prosperous times in the last tor negro cotton pickers to wear diamonds in this section, but the climax of prosperity was reached out west the other day when a t amp discarded a pair of pants without taking the trouble to take live stock dealer, bought this a \$50 bill out of the watch pocket. -Greenville Banner.

Lige Barbee, who lives on Little Concho, got his barn and shed burnt Monday night together with 75 bushels of oats, 7 hogs, 200 bushels of corn, two new sad- a number of friends Monday dles, a lot of poultry and cotton night in honor of Messrs. Lusk seed and a fine mare. Mr. Barbee thinks it was the work of an incendiary. We sympathize with Wilson, Emily Mapes, Mina Dor-Lage as it was a total loss, having no insurance.—Concho Herald.

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Speaking of the installation Sunday of the pastor of the C. P. church at Brownwood, the Bulletin said;

"The sermon was preached by Rev. O. M. Fitzhugh, of Ballinger, on the theme "The Church, Its Mission and Methods." The sermon made a profound impression and was universally regarded as a very able discourse."

Lend Me Your Ears,

Your head and your face and I'll give vou a stylish hair-cut, an easy shave and send you away happy. I own the entire shop J. A. DANCER.

Cuts, wounds, burns, sprains, and bruises quickly heal if you apply Ballard's Snow Liniment. Price 25 cts and 50 cts. At E. D. Walker's Drug Store.

The Banner Leader wants the services of a smart young box

A Standard writer was afflicted last week with gastronolgiasticu-

H. T. Sims, a prominent Coleman lawyer, was in Ballinger the first of the week on legal busi-

Dr. D. D. Fowler, of Paint Rock, was in town Tuesday and while here purchased a splendid new

Mr. Haley, of Norton, was in Ballinger Tuesday and that afternoon took the train for Belton, his former home

Look up Dr. Broiles, advertisement in this issue. This specialist is highly endorsed by hundreds of people he has cured.

W. T. Melton, of Brownwood, was in Ballinger a few hours Tues day while enroute home from a business trip to Paint Rock.

Jacob Brin, of the firm of Brin Bros, left Monday for Comanche, leaving the business here in charge of his brother, Harry

Mrs. I. J. Erwin returned the latter part of last week from Austin. Her brother, Louie Long, accompanied her home and will visit in our city.

Fruit trees, shade trees, shrutbery, anything in the nursery line can be bought through J. A. DAN-CER, agent for the Tyler nursery, one of the best in the state

Communion service at the Presbyterian church next Sunday at the 11 o'clock service, Also preaching at night. Everybody cordially invited to be present,

Saturday was a big day tor Santa Anna, it being the date for a live stock show there It was reported the largest gathering of tarmers and stockmen ever held ir Coleman county.

1. F. Cross, the Brownwood week of W. S. Boswell 40 head of unbroke mules, ranging from one to four years old, at \$271/2 per head. They were shipped out

Miss Minnie Wilke entertained and McCamant. Those present were Misses Alma Doose, Minnie sey and Katte Glober and Messrs Lusk, McCamant, Bert Dorsey and Geo. Wright.

Messrs. John McCamant, Robert Lusk and Herbert O'Bannon departed Tuesday for Dallas where they will enter the Metropolitan Business College. These young men are among Ballinger's brightest and the Banner Leader predicts that they will make a good record for themselves in school.

H. A. Massey moved this week to his new residence near the Presbyterian church. As yet the house is unfinished but carpenters and painters are busy and will have it completed in a short while. Mr. and Mrs. Massey will have one of the prettiest and most comfortable residences in Ballinger.

Mothers! Beware of those secret robbers of your baby's quiet and health Those sleepless nights and long hours of tiresome vigil are caused by those terrible enemies of childhood-worms. Destroy and remove them with White's Cream Vermifuge. Price 25 cents. At E. D. Walker's Drug Store.

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Contains all the essentials for your dinner and we will be pleased to fill your order and deliver the same at satisfactory prices.

Are also in the Gents Furnishing business and a visit to our New Store will show you a handsome line of Shoes, Boots, Hats, Shirts, Collars, Ties, ready-to-wear Pants, and all the essentials to a gentleman's complete wardrobe. We are in the business to stay and we have the goods, so call on us at

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Good well of water, plenty of wood, comfortable clean camp houses and stalls for your teams. Try the Central and you will stay with it.

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Subscribe for the Banner-Leader.

Lee Stokes, a Miles tarmer, was in Ballinger Thursday.

W. S. Bowden and wife, of Brownwood, have moved to Ballinger.

Henry Leging, a prosperous stockman from Miles, was in town Ihursday

Miss Edna Sharp, having clos ed her school a' Oak Creek, is at home once more

Rev. F. M. Gilliam, of Brownwood will preach at the C. P. church next Sunday.

Mr Headley, Hartung's pho tographer, spent several days of this week in Brownwood.

W. W. Luper returned Saturday from a trip to Hunt county, bringing his cattle back with him

The Ballinger K of P lodge received seven applications for membership last Monday night.

Marion M. Williams this week bought of M. Barbee his Concho river ranch, 800 acres at \$8.00 per acre.

J. C. Hill, proprietor of the O K wagon yard, is one of the lat est additions to the Banner-Lead er list.

Messrs. W. J. Turner and J B Johnson, prominent cattlemen of let back of Mr. Cole's residence this section, went to Ft Worth and is to build a neat little cot Wednesday.

S. D. Williams and tamily are occupying the two story house acjoining C. C. F. Blanchard's residence.

Mc D. Townsend, manager of Winkler's establishment at Win gate, was in town Thursday "stocking up."

Miss Jessie Woodward, who over has been in San Angelo for several months, is visiting friends in Ballinger this week.

We hear several schemes talk ed of for the improvement of Ballinger. Just whether any of them will develop remains to be

At the Methodist church next preach a specially prepared Easter sermon. The public is invited to attend.

electric light plant arrived Tuee day night and will be put in the into tip top shape. ground at once. The dynamo arrived Monday and was put in position.

son, George, have rented the der of Worshiptul Master. house formerly occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Will Vaughn.

W M. Pumphrey, of the Wingate country, was in town Thursday and while here interviewed the printer for a few minutes. He reports everything in his neighborhood prosperous and pleased

N R. Polk, of Greenville, a prosperous blacksmith and wheelwright, spent several days in Ballinger this week "looking around" with a view to locating with us. Mr. Polk is related to W. W. Luper of this city.

Uncle Joe Routh celebrated his 60th birthday Tuesday of this week, or rather his daughters, Mrs. R. L. Maddox, Mrs. W. P. Nash, and Mrs. Hayden Routh, celebrated it for him by cooking a fine dinner, carrying it to his house and asking him to participate. That night he was enter tained with a domino party, in which he carried of all the honors The Banner-Leader congratulates Mr. Routh on this occasion and wishes that he may live to enjoy many other similar occasions.

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Highest Honors, World's Fair Gold Medal, Midwinter Fair Avoid Baking Powders containing alum. They are injurious to health

The Baptist parsonage is near ing completion

See card of B. M. Dorsey & Co. tor vou.

-Fresh Garden Seed and Seed Sweet and Irish Potatoes at Miller Mercantile Co.

Mr. Gus Noves is having a rent cottage erected on the Royalty Hotel block.

-Corn, Seed Oats, Feed Oats, Corn Chops, Bran, Cotton Seed and Hay at Miller Mercantile Co.

J. E. Wells has purchased tage thereon.

Miss Callie Stocks, who is the very capable instructor of the Miles youth, spent Sunday in Bal linger with home toiks.

T. J. Butts, of Winters, was a Ballinger visitor Thursday. Judg ing by the plow points he had, he will soon have a lot of sod turned

Judge C. H. Willingham spent Sunday and Monday in Ballinger He says a more dismal, wet and drear place than Austin can scarcely be imagined.

A. W. Sledge, the Ledger toreman, has recently invested in Ballinger real estate, the lot just back of the Bantist church, Sunday morning Rev. Manly will bought of R L. Maddox for \$200

Ike Wooden has retired from the confectionery business and it is now B. M. Dorsey & Co. The poles for the Ballinger They have moved into their new building and are rapidly getting

A called communication of Bal linger Lodge No r43 A F & A M will be held next Monday even-Mrs. J. F. Wright is at home ing tor work in the third degree. from Dallas where she has been All members take due notice and visiting friends. She and her be governed accordingly. By or-

C. R. CREWS, Secy.

Cards have been received an nouncing the marriage of Miss Mona Routh Rountree to Mr James J. Brumley to take place at Sonora April 17 Miss Roun tree has many triends in Ballin ger, having visited here several times, and one and all, in advance wish her unalloyed joy, and sin cerely congratulate Mr. Bromley in winning her hand and heart.



THE LIMIT PASSED.

One Scheme Which the Girl's Stern Parent Woold Not Sanction.

"Please, mamma, please!"

"Papa. I beg of you do not refuse!" Cordelia l'asdetout clung wildly about her fond but obdurate mother's neck and rained kisses upon her cheeks, while Anastasia, her sister, did likewise to her father.

But their pleading seemed of no avail. The elder Pasdetouts shook their gray heads firmly in negation, though it was evident that the necessity of refusing their daughters' request pained them beyond measure.

Gently, but with decision, as one shakes a hard shelled crab from out a scalp net, the parents disentangled their daughters' arms from their shoulders: then, mastering his emotions, the

father said: "No. Anastasia and Cordella, what you ask of us is too much! Never before have we refused a request of yours We have moved from city to city, from state to state, to the injury of my business and the destruction of your mother's health, in order to deceive people as to your ages. For the in this issue. There's candy in it last ten years it has been nothing but move on for us, for every time the people of one place would begin to suspect your true ages you have insisted on us packing up and going elsewhere, that you might start anew at 22 and 23, respectively We have submitted to this nomadic life for our love of you, but your most recent demand is too much. We absolutely refuse!"

The daughters sobbed like anything. In fact, they sobbed like everything

But their firm parent remained firm. "No." continued Mr Pasdetout; "we will not, absolutely will not, celebrate our silver wedding again in order to prove to people that you two cannot be over 24 at the outside! The idea!"-Harper's Bazar

TAKE WATER FOR MEDICINE

A Health Producer Which Is Available Everywhere.

There is no doubt that we do not drink enough. Our bodies consist largely of water, and the average man needs to drink from four to six pints of water dally in order to maintain health This is the amount of water eliminated from the body by means of the kidneys, the skin and lungs. It is evident that a fresh supply is constantly needed to supply this lost aid in the process of digestion and carry away waste matter

If the amount of water imbibed is not sufficient for all this, the health must suffer Air, water and food are the essentials of life in the order given.

A person can fast a long time experiments have proved this-but that same person could not get along without water for that length of time.

As a usual thing women are the ones who suffer the most from an insufficiency of water. Mothers should see to it that their children have plenty of water to drink.

There is a diversity of opinion regarding drinking at meals. Some assert that the practice is injurious, as it dilutes the gastric juice. Others again claim that a glassful of pure drinking water taken during the process of mastication is healthful. On one point, however, all authorities agree-namely. that ice water is injurious.

Generally speaking, the theory advocated by the best physicians nowadays is to drink often and much. It cleanses the system, increases circulation and helps to make a clear complexion. Therefore, ye men and women, the latter especially, drink. Take clear, pure. sterilized water and be thankful so simple a remedy of nature is near at hand.-Table Talk.

Fireproof Safes.

"For city use in modern buildings," said a safe manufacturer, "safes are nowadays made thinner walled than formerly, thus giving them more room inside in proportion to the space the safe occupies. The modern building is fireproof, or substantially so, and in case of fire the safe does not fall down through the burned floors into a mass of burning debris in the cellar, but it stays where it has been placed, supported by the steel floor beams of the room and, with less around it to burn, subjected to comparatively less heat.

"Under such conditions the thin walled safe is as fireproof as the thick walled safe would be under the conditions in which it is used in the old style buildings, for use in which the thick walled safe is still commonly sold."-New York Sun.

Just Like a Man.

Biggs (to cabman)-What will you charge to take me and my wife to Blank's hotel?

Cabman One dollar, sir. Biggs-And how much for taking me Cabman-The same-one dollar.

Biggs (to his wife)-There, my dear, you see how much you are valued at .-Chicago News.

The pronouvs "I" and "my" are greatly to be avoided in general conversation. "I" do this or that; "my" children are so and so; "my" cook, "my" house, "my" equipages-such Iteration sets terribly on the nerves of the listener, besides being in very bad farm.-New York Tribune.

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The Doctor

has performed some wonderful is a man of rare attainments and ures. People who were almost his rare efficiency and knowledge r quite deaf have been made to of the many ailments of the huear, cases of chronic catarrh man famor, is heralded by the mahave been cured, rupture and ny hundreds in Texas who have emorrhoids have disappeared, (some seemingly almost miracus have indigestion, dispepsia, tously) been cured under the neveneral and nervous debility, un er erring care and treatment of er his treatment, and many this medical genius. Nothing is ther wonderful cures have been more commendable in a man than to truthfully portray him as a highly intellectual, first class, affable gentleman, no humbug, but a man of his word-such is Dr. Broiles.

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WHY HE CURES.

Many people have read the testimoni- would have prescribed liniment and incured when he is not?

ourse and during thirty years of active Democrat. practice.

use one arm at all. Many a doctor afflicted.

als written by people who have been sisted on rubbing. Doubtless his doctors cured by Dr. Broiles, and after reading had prescribed this course. Dr. Broiles them have wondered Wondered not examined him and saw that his paralysis only at the cures performed, but have was caused from kidn y trouble. He wondered how they were cured. Was it gave him medicine to cure the kidney a lucky guess on the part of the doctor, trouble and the paralysis got well too. or was it just the man imagines himself And so with all other cases. Dr. Broiles locates the cause of the disease These questions are but natural, and and preceeds to remove that cause. It it is very proper for a sick man to be takes skill, ability and a high degree of skeptical and consider carefully before medical science to do this. It takes engaging a specialist's services. But careful examination to do this. And these questions can be very easily and then it is no little thing to be able to satisfactorily answered. Dr. Broiles is give just the right treatment to remove an able physician. He has studied the that cause. Dr. Broiles understands the science of the human body, its a lments nature of the disease before he begins. nd diseases in a thorough college He knows what he is doing .- Belton

The first thing to be done when a man COPPERAS COVE, Texas, Jan. 22, 1901. is sick is to diagnose his case-find out - Dr. Broiles began treating me Decemwhat is the matter with him. If a pin is ber 4th, 1900, for paralysis of right arm st cking in your back you can't stop the and leg, in fact complete paralysis of pain by rubbing liniment on your feet, the right side. I could not get about Take the product and the pain will stop. much even with the aid of the cane. 1 But in so complex a machine as the hu- an now walk about without the assistman body it often takes deep st skill to ance of the cane. I can now use my locate the cause. That is why some right hand in driving and can grad doctors are so much more successful anything with this hand and am rap t an others. They locate the trouble, regaining its use. He has also cu then give something to remove the me of catarrh and catarrhal deafness cause. The result is the patient gets stomach trouble, kidney and bladder well. This is just exactly what Dr. trouble, and also cured my chronic sore Broiles does. His thorough knowledge eyes. All these troubles are of long of his profession enables him to locate standing. I am pleased with my treatthe trouble. Take the case of "Old ment and the neighbors are astonished Man Wilson" of Copperas Cove, for in- at the result so far, and speak in praise stance. One side was paralized, he of this well-known specialist. I cheerhad to walk on crutches and could not fully recommend him to all who are W. J. WILSON.