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Commissioners Court.

Special term 25th. March. Ordered that, R. E. Douglas appointed Justice of the Peace, Precinct No. 3. Bond approved.

Ordered that, the County purchase five scrapers from D. L. Buchanan, at \$5.00 each.

Ordered that the scrapers be turned over to each of the Commissioners and one to the County Judge to be used on public roads.

ACCOUNTS ALLOWED.

M. H. Davis, Judge, 1 day \$3.00
M. H. Havens, Com. " 3.00
J. C. Newton, " " 3.00
L. B. Murray, Sheriff 2.00

Adjourned.

Special Call Term.

April 17th, 1899.

Ordered that special school tax of 20 cents on the \$100.00 in School District No. 6 be abrogated. Vote in district, for abrogation, 15; against abrogation, 12.

On petition the Robert Lee and San Angelo road was changed.

R. M. Cumb's report on stock culvert approved.

An election was ordered, on petition, to see whether or not School District No. 2 should be divided into three separate Districts.

On petition, an election was ordered in School Districts No's. 8 and 9 to determine whether or not a new School District would be allowed the township of Edith.

910 Acres of land reclassified.

\$400.00 transferred from the Road and Bridge Fund to the Contingent Fund.

Treasurer ordered to pay off Court House and Jail Bond No. 1.

Levi Pruvitt's resignation as Constable Precinct No. 2 accepted.

J. F. Shook appointed Constable Pre. No. 2.

ACCOUNTS ALLOWED.

M. H. Davis, Judge, 2 days \$6.00
J. H. Barrroughs, Com. No. 1 6.40
M. H. Havens, " " 2 6.00
J. C. Newton, " " 3 6.00
G. W. Payne, " " 4 6.00
L. B. Murray, Sheriff, 4.00
J. W. Barnett, Express charges 1.00

L. B. Murray, boarding and guarding prisoner, 36 days, at 1.50 per day 54.50

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H. H. Pearce, printing and stationery 54.00

J. W. Reed and Co, clothing furnished prisoner 18.90

Geo. D. Barnard and Co., stationery 5.00

Lee Powell, walking bailiff for Grand Jury 5.00

Jno. A. Stewart riding bailiff for Grand Jury 10.00

Hannibal Edington, riding bailiff for Grand Jury 6.00

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Hasp and Staple, .05
Mouse traps, from .05 to .15
Dish mops, each .05
Kitchen spoons, wood or tin .05
Glass dippers .20
Tin dippers .05
Fishing tackle, an assortment. .25
Violin bows, .05
Violin strings, .05
Violin bridges, .05
Violin Rosin, .05
Case Hair Pins, .05
Shaving brush, .10 to .25
Lead Pencils down to 1 doz. .10
Safety Pins 1 dozen for .05
Memorandum books .05 to .10
Sewing Machine Oil .05
Tin oilers .05
Potato Mashers .05
Sardines per box .05
Belmont Coffee Mills .50
Goblets per set .75
Alphabet blocks .15
Coffee mills at .25
Comb cases .10
Pound butter moulds .15
Bowl & Pitcher, porcelain 1.00
Tubular Lanterns .65
Cuspidors .10 to .25
3 cornered files .05
Mill saw files .10 to .25
Knives and Forks, per set .50
Hatchets .10 to .25
Stove pans .10 to .25
Wash pans .05 to .15
Coffee pots .10 to .40
Thread from .02 a spool to .05
Glass Lamps, ready for use, .50
Glass tumblers, per set .20
Glass salt & pepper shakers .05
Glass goblets, per set .60
Glass sauce dishes per set .30
Glass covered butter dish .20
Glass spoon holder .10
Glass water sets .75
Glass sugar bowls, covered .20
Glass lamp chimney .05 and .10
Glass syrup pitchers, each .15
Glass oil cans, one gallon .30
Clocks, 8 day, 23 inches high 3.00
Buggy Whips .10 to 1.50
Zinc Water Buckets, 2 Gal. .25
Lamp burners .05 and .10
26 inch Hand saws .75 to 1.00
Stew Pans, Tin .10 to .25
Milk Pans, Tin, .05 to .25
Pin Plates, Tin .05
Matches, five boxes for .05
Dish pans .35
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Frying pans .15 to .25

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J. E. STEWART.

District Court Echoes.

The big District Court adjourned last Friday afternoon.

The Grand Jury found only seven true bills, and only four of them were felonies.

CRIMINAL DOCKET.

No. 71. State vs. John Moore; Theft of horse, Continued (Alias Capias).

No. 96. State vs. Bob Blair; assault with intent to murder, Continued by witness.

No. 95. State vs. Will Weathers, Theft of one cattle.

No. 99. State vs. Eli Austin, perjury, Continued by defendant.

No. 100. State vs. C. Vickery; rape, dismissed on motion of District Attorney.

No. 97. State vs. Cliff Creighton, seduction; Jury returned verdict of guilty and fixed punishment at a fine of \$2,000.00. Motion for new trial over-ruled. Notice of appeal given.

CIVIL DOCKET.

No. 158. J. W. Rankin vs. W. F. Allison, et al., suit on promissory note. Continued for service.

No. 159. Lucy E. Austin vs. J. J. Austin, suit for divorce. Non-suited.

No. 185. Mrs. F. A. Green vs. C. R. Creighton, suit for damages. Continued by agreement.

No. 186. W. H. Richards vs. Alice Richards, suit for divorce, Continued for service.

No. 187. E. C. and Will Good vs. I. J. Putnam, suit for damages Continued.

No. 188. Wm. Hancock vs. Joe Lindley, suit on promissory notes. Judgement by default, with foreclosure of lien.

No. 190. Joe Lindley vs. Wm. Hancock, petition for injunction. Continued by plaintiff.

No. 189. State vs. H. P. Taylor, motion for fine. Fined \$100.00

No. 191. N. G. Chapman vs. N. T. Phillips, to try title and for damages. Continued.

No. 192. W. B. Jones vs. Andrew Tyler, suit on notes to foreclose Vendors Lien. Judgement by default with foreclosure of lien.

No. 193. Sarah J. Walker, et al. vs. J. H. McClanahan, to try title as well as for Damages. Dismissed.

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The best Salve in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilblain, Corns and all Skin Eruption and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction or money refunded. Price 25cts. per box For sale by Ed. Mobley.

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Notice.

I have now a large stock of Coffins on hand; but must have cash or good security.

Respect.,
J. H. Barrroughs.

MAKING A NEW FANEUIL HALL.

Crane of Liberty Being Rebuilt Along the Original Lines.

From the New York Herald: Boston's Faneuil hall is being rebuilt. It is being reconstructed along the original lines and the old material will be used as far as is possible. The walls will not be altered, though a new roof will be supplied and new supports for it will be needed. The historical landmark has been in bad shape for some time. The floor used by the Ancient and Honorable Artillery company had sagged several inches and efforts to raise it were futile. The trusses that held the roof had given way and the additional braces supplied had not proved sufficient. Experts reported in favor of tearing out the interior from the foundation and supply a new structure of steel and fireproof material. The proposed alterations will cost about \$100,000 and a better building could have been put up for much less. But it would not have been "The cradle of liberty," and Bostonians wanted the old building preserved. When the building was torn down it was seen that the foundation, formed of rubble six feet thick, was not solid, as it rested on dock mud. The workmen had to dig eleven feet lower before finding solid ground. Concrete foundations were built on this, and a dressing of granite on top formed a solid base for the plates which will support the columns, and thus take all strain off the walls. Faneuil hall is the cradle of liberty, but the money with which it was built was made in the slave trade. Old Peter Faneuil, a wealthy Boston merchant, owned a speedy ship which he named The Jolly Bachelor, because of his own state of single blessedness. This boat made regular trips between Cuba, Boston and Africa. In Cuba she was loaded with molasses, which was made into rum in New England. The rum was traded for slaves in Africa, and in this way Faneuil became rich. Having no children to whom he could leave his wealth, he willed it to the city of Boston to build Faneuil hall. The Jolly Bachelor was attacked by blacks on the African coast finally and was salvaged by a man named Burchell. The settlement of the salvage question was brought into the Newport courts after Faneuil's death.

TERRIBLE TRAGEDY AT SEA.

Insane Jealousy of a Husband Results in the Loss of Four Lives.

From the New York Herald: An appalling tragedy occurred the other day on the steamer Orion, as the vessel was making her way from Santos, in Brazil, to Genoa. Among the passengers was a family named Ferrarini, the members of which were natives of Modena. The family comprised the father, mother and four children, who were returning to Italy with a snug fortune which the father had accumulated in Brazil. During the voyage Mr. and Mrs. Ferrarini frequently quarreled, the husband accusing the wife of improper conduct, and she retorting that he was insane through unfounded jealousy. Finally, in the presence of all the passengers the husband made an awful charge in regard to the two youngest children, winding up his invective by saying that he would not acknowledge them. At this the wife became beside herself with indignation, and, catching the two little ones in her arms, she sprang to the side of the vessel and flung herself overboard. The witnesses of this horrible act were for the moment petrified with amazement. Then the captain was notified, the vessel was stopped and boats were hastily launched in hopes of saving the three unfortunates. This hope, however, was soon seen to be baseless. The sturdy seamen did their best, but the sea had engulfed its prey, and the bodies could not be recovered. When Ferrarini saw that the search was useless, he abandoned himself to despair, and it soon became evident that he was losing entire command of himself. Consequently a close watch was kept over his movements, but he eluded his watchers and on the third day after his wife had drowned herself and the two youngest children he too flung himself overboard and met with the same death. There were now only two children left, and when the vessel arrived at Genoa they were landed and given to the care of the authorities.

Lightning and Wire Fences.

In the month of September last 266 head of live stock were killed in Iowa by lightning, and 118 of the victims were found in close contact with wire fences. If the fences did not serve as pathways for the fatal discharges, at least, it would appear, they afforded no protection to the animals near them.

Food Fit for the Gods.

"There are two things I am very sorry I ever did," said an old-timer in the lobby of the St. Charles hotel, New Orleans. "One is that I ever read 'The Three Guardsmen,' and the other that I ever ate any bull-bats. I'm sorry," he continued, in answer to the wondering looks of his hearers, "because, by Jove! I'd like to enjoy 'em both again for the first time, with all the zest of a new sensation. Never ate any bull-bats? Well, sir, you then have the greatest treat of your life still in store. Permit me to envy you. But it all depends upon how they are prepared. To cook bull-bats properly, you should take several nice plump birds, which have been refrigerated not less than two days, and stuff them with highly seasoned sausage meat, made of pork, chopped up at home. Then envelope them completely in thin, translucent slices of prime bacon, fasten on with silk threads. Next select some small, hard, ox-heart cabbages. The ox-heart is a dainty vegetable, and bears about the same resemblance to an ordinary cabbage that an incubator bears to egg-plant. Well, scoop just enough of a cavity in each head to contain a bird; then entomb the bats and jacket the ox-heart with bacon, as already described. Now then, you need only a dripping pan, an oven and a slow fire. When the cabbage is thoroughly cooked, cut the threads and let the bacon drop off. When you touch the cabbage with your fork it will fall apart—open, by gad, sir, like a rose, and your bull-bat stands revealed—a tidbit fit for the gods of high Olympus! It is a dish that would make an epicure out of an anchorite. It combines with the natural flavor of the bird itself, which is exquisite, the aroma of the ox-heart and the sausage. My idea of paradise is a place where I can dine exclusively upon bull-bats."

Storm Presagers.

While a British brig was gliding smoothly along before a good breeze in the South Pacific, three months ago, a flock of small birds about the size shape and color of paroquets, settled down in the rigging and passed an hour or more resting. The second mate was so anxious to find out the species to which the visiting strangers belonged that he tried to entrap a specimen, but the birds were too shy to be thus caught, and too spy to be seized by the quick hands of the sailors. At the end of about an hour the birds took the brig's course and disappeared, but toward nightfall they came back and passed the night in the main-top. The next morning the birds flew off again, and when they returned at noon the sailors scattered some food about the decks. By this time the birds had become so tame that they hopped about the decks picking up the crumbs. That afternoon an astonishing thing happened. The flock came flying swiftly toward the brig. Every bird seemed to be piping as if pursued by some little invisible enemy on wings, and they at once huddled down behind the deck house. The superstitious sailors at once called the captain of the brig, who rubbed his eyes and looked at the barometer. A glance showed that something was wrong with the elements, and the brig was put in shape to outride a storm. The storm came about twenty minutes after the birds had reached the vessel. For a few minutes the sky was like the waterless bottom of a lake—a vast arch of yellowish mud—and torrents of rain fell. Why, it did not blow very hard, no one knows, but on reaching port, two days later, the captain learned that a great tornado had swept across that part of the sea. The birds left the vessel on the morning after the storm and were not seen again.

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Advertising Rates.
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It rained at Robert Lee.

Fine showers of rain fell all over Coke County since our last issue.

More "Rabbits" will be "twisted" in Coke this year than ever before.

If it had not rained this spring or summer, Coke would have been reduced to a cash basis, as in '94.

The RUSTLER circulation is "expanding". We issue 24 more papers this week.

Mr. Sam Saynor sold to Mr. Tol Cawley, 65 steer yearlings, at \$15.00 a head.

Miss Mamie Sue Tom represented an old maid from Coke County at the recent "Old Maids Convention" in San Angelo.

Eld. W. O. Baker once a citizen of this County died near Abilene the other day. Peace to his ashes.

Mr. H. C. Arnett of Big Springs is one of our new subscribers this week.

Honor Roll.

The following is the list of pupils of the Robert Lee Public School, higher grades, that averaged 95 per cent in recitations 98 per cent in deportment, and 100 per cent in attendance, for last week, April 10th to 14th inclusive:

May Stewart,	Pearl Hamilton,
Roxy Ingram,	Elsie Toliver,
Dollie Stewart,	Mabel Davis,
Ina Barfield Cornelia Montgomery	
Elsie Lasswell,	Lydia Roe,
Lillie Trammell,	Effie Murray,
Pearl Murray,	Jessie Stickney
Neely Gardner,	Clyde Warren
Fines Walters,	Dalton Johnston,
French Ingram,	

O. W. Gardner,
Prin.

Following is a list of the pupils of Paint Creek school, whose average in attendance, deportment and recitations for the week ending April 16th, is above 90 per cent:

Joda Key,	D. P. Key,
Charley Benson,	George Benson,
Preston Blackwell,	Ora Collier,
Lonisa Millican,	Clyde Fields,
Mary Benson,	Effie Walling,
Lutie Blackwell,	Vida Key,
Eala Blackwell,	Kellie Brown,
Lucy Benson,	

cent:
Emma Merchant,
Teacher.

We are sorry that our paper is two days late this week. It was all occasioned by the "patent" part being missent.

Dr. J. R. Campbell, from Milam County, is a prospector in Robert Lee.

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Christian:—Services on Second Sunday in each month at 11 a. m. and at night, at School House.
Rev. Hooton, Pastor.

Methodist Episcopal South—Services Third Sunday in each month at 11 a. m., and night.
Eugene T. Bates, P. C.

Methodist Protestant—Services on Fourth Sunday in each month at 11 a. m., and at night, at Methodist Church.
A S Miller, Pastor.

Methodist Sabbath School at 3 p. m. each Sunday.
J. O. Turner, Supt.

Primitive Baptist—Second Sunday and Saturday before in each month at Valley View School house.
Gid Graham, Pastor.

Official Directory.
DISTRICT.
Judge.....J. W. Timmins,
Attorney.....D. D. Wallace,
Sheriff.....L. B. Murray,
Clerk.....J. W. Barnett,

COUNTY.
Judge.....M. H. Davis,
Attorney.....Gid Graham,
Clerk.....J. W. Barnett,
Sheriff.....L. B. Murray,
Assessor.....W. W. McCutchen,
Treasurer.....C. L. Hughes,
Surveyor.....G. C. Berryman,
Hide & Animal Inspector, Will Perry,

Bronte News.

On last Friday night we had a fine rain it was a chunk floater, gullie washer and a weed starter. The R. R. surveyor was in Bronte last week prospecting. Mr. Coulson sold to M. H. O. Daniel 20 bu. of corn at 50 cts. per bushel.

The Bronte School had a nice School meeting last Friday night, some interesting essays by Misses Lillie Stark, Minnie Clark and Minnie Luthrell, also a nice recitation by Miss Fannie McCutchen and others.

P. S. Stark has just received a nice stock of new goods.

E. C. Bawlings reports more rain last Friday night than at any one time since he has been living there.

Most of our Bronte men were absent last week attending Court at Robert Lee.

Mr. Levi Pruitt, our Constable, and Wm. Pruitt, with their families, left for New Mexico last week.

I. E. Williams, one of Bronte's merchants, has moved to his farm but will continue his mercantile business at the same old stand.

Miss Lou Wilkin's school closed at Valley View last Friday, on account of measles and roseola there being several cases in the neighborhood.

Mouroe Vaughan's little daughter Ima has been very sick for two weeks, we are glad to learn she is rapidly improving.

Every one is rejoicing on account of the delightful rain.

Coke County was not alone in the drouth stricken list, seeing from various parts of the state they are suffering for rain.

M. H. O'Daniel bought a bunch of yearlings for \$11.00 and \$12.50 per head.

Dr. W. F. Key bought 2 cows and calves from N. A. ion Cobb, considerations \$52.50.

Prof. Jas. Fletcher is back in our midst, his school having closed.

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W. B. Jones, Tennyson,
Mrs. J. N. Padgett, Silver,
J. I. Westfall, Nanhattie,
Mrs. M. Marshall, Maverick,

Grandma Russell returned from a long visit to East and North Texas last Friday.

Mistrot Bros. & Co.,

Controllers and Owners of over 20 retail stores, together with large wholesale business in Texas, have opened up in San Angelo. The combination and power of this Concern, with a fixed aim, and under the strong arm of one management is to own goods as cheap as is possible to get them with the ready CASH. Prices below show our record as cash buyers.

STAPLES AND DRESS GOODS
36-inch, full width, bleached domestic soft finish for the machine, 4 1-2 cts. India Mull, nice, pretty, goods for dresses; one pattern, 10 yards, to each customer for 20 cts.

SPECIAL JOB.
Is our finer Dotted Swiss; color, tan, at 5 1-2 cents; regular price 10 cents. Grenadines, pretty patterns, makes up be. utifully, soft finish and silk effect, only 8 1-3 cents; regular price 15 cents.

In addition, we are showing a beautiful line of waist silks, woolen goods for skirts and dresses, dimities, organ-dies, piques, in all their varied effects, texture, etc. For want of space cannot mention all.

A BATCH OF BARGAINS TOLD IN FEW WORDS.
To see them will be to appreciate them at the prices.

Scrim for curtains, 3 1-2 cts. yard.
2 cakes Butter Milk Complexion Soap for 5c. Regular price 3 Or 25c.
2 spools Standard thread 5c
3 spools Best Sewing Thread 10c.
2 packages XX-5 Envelopes for 5c.
2 packages to a customer.

GLASSWARE.
50c. means \$1.00 in purchasing power in the following goods. A limited amount on hand now, but more coming. Large quantity bought before the rise at a great reduction:

Wash Pan.
Dish Pan.
Sauce Pan.
Cullenders.
Coffee Pots.
Dippers.
Strainers.

Goods arrived too late to give prices. For the want of space we cannot name every article but a few of the most useful ones, will suffice to show the real value of all.

Combination goods sold at retail for less than jobbers' prices.
See our standard brand of Oil Cloth at 10 cents.
The saving comes in the way of large purchasing, which we make to our advantage.

SHOES, SHOES.
Surely we can interest you when we offer Ladies Dongola Button Shoe, solid leather out and out from heel to toe, leather lined inner sold highly finished, stamp price \$2.00, our special bargain \$1.45.

Our Ladies India Kid Button Shoe, solid leather inner soles at 75c, is worth \$1.25.

Misses and Ladies Slippers from 35 cents up.

See our good weight cotton Jeans Pants at 45c.
Extra quality Men's Cassimere Crotch Lined Jeans Pants, our special at 95c.

Men's Duck Pants 35c.
Our Men's Cotton Imitation Cassimere Pants, we have known them to sell for \$1.50, our leaders 75c.

ITEMS THAT IT WILL PAY YOU TO SEE.
Men's Undershirts, 10c, 20c, 35c and up.
Men's Dress Shirts 2 Ply Cuffs and collars 18c. Work Shirts at the same price.

We have a beautiful line of Negligees Dress Shirts, Plain White and Fancy Effect Fronts.
Men's Suspenders from 5c pair up.
Hose from 2c pair up.
Collars 5c up, and a lot of other good values. Come and see.

MILLINERY.

Last but not least is our Millinery. It will be impossible for us to give an intelligent price list in this department; but in this line, as in all other goods, they were bought in large quantities, which is evidence of their cheapness. We can show you a Misses' and Ladies' Neatly Trimmed Hat from 35c. up to any price to suit you. Our Trimmer, Mrs. Gray, is an Up-to-date designer and trimmer and we are sure she can please you.

Mail orders will receive our careful and prompt attention. Write for samples. To dealers or parties wanting to wholesale bills; we can give you advantage of our Jobbing prices, call and see us, or write and we will call on you.

Our motto:—"One price, strictly cash, courteous and polite treatment to one and all."

Mistrot Bros. & Co.

Next to C. A. Probandt's, San Angelo, Texas.

FURNITURE!

Large line and low prices.
Bed room suits, \$16.50 up. Rocking Chairs, \$1.50 up.
Solid Oak High back Cane seat dining chairs, 90c up.

A GOOD LINE OF WINDOW SHADES AND MATTINGS.
IRON BEDS A SPECIALTY.
Mrs. E. C. Fitzgerald,
Opposite Post office, — San Angelo, Texas.

The Ladies Emporium OF FASHION,

By Mrs. Ollie Gilbert, San Angelo, Texas.
The people of Coke County are respectfully invited to call and examine our stock of Fashionable Millinery. Fashionable Dressmaking in connection.

Stop at the
CENTRAL Wagon Yard,
When you drive to San Angelo. Your teams well cared for. Feed stuff sold at lowest prices.
Headquarters for Knickerbocker, Sherwood, Ozona and Robert Lee mail hacks.

Yours for business,
D. E. COCREHAM,

LOCAL CHIPS.

Attend the Literary Society and Debate at the Court House to-night.

Mr. Lock Murray's family are having the measles this week.

Stop at the Webb Hotel when in Lee.

Mr. Thad Green is up again after a scuffle with the measles.

Mr. Sam Alison, of Ballinger was on our streets last Friday.

New millinery goods at Mrs. Martin's.

Master Lee Weathers was in from his mother's ranch last Monday.

Mr. Lon McGill passed through town Monday, going to his home in Runnels County.

The ladies are especially invited to examine the new stock of Millinery goods at Mrs. Ingram's.

Mr. Griffin's family, 4 miles North of town, are having a small spell of measles.

Mr. J. B. McCutchen the foreman of the Grand Jury dropped in last week and caused us to feel happy.

W. L. Hayley and Co. have doubled their store room and shelving capacity during the last week.

Mr. Everett, an old friend from Garden City, spent a few days visiting friends, in the Valley View neighborhood last week.

Mr. Sam Saynor, ex county commissioner, who lives near Tennyson, pleasantly remembered the printer latter part of last week.

F. L. and R. H. Harris will pay \$100.00 reward, for the arrest and conviction of any person killing or stealing any of their stock.

Mr. Key and Mr. Combess, two handsome young gentlemen, from Bronte, were in Robert Lee the latter part of last week.

Judge Truly and Bob Bennett were up from Ballinger last Friday just "courting" a little you know.

Mr. Marion Burnett, formerly of this County, now of Claud, Armstrong County, was here last week.

Arkansaw Smith says "I sell groceries for cash and cash talk. You are not paying anybody else bills when you trade with him for they all pay cash and are happy."

John Barron traded 160 acres of land near Saeco, to his brother, W. C. Barron, for the latter's residence in Robert Lee.

Just received, a new line of millinery goods at Mrs. Ingram's

Court adjourned last Friday afternoon and the District Judge and Attorney went home at San Angelo Saturday.

Arkansaw Smith sold 1000 sacks of flour, last month, and made 5 cts. on the sack. Cash talk! It cost nothing to price goods at his store. Be sure and see him before you buy.

Married, in Tom Green County Mr. J. W. Saynor and Miss Willie Chambers. We are unable to give particulars, but extend congratulation. Miss Chambers was one of Coke's most popular teachers.

Judge H. L. Abams was in town a while Wednesday.

Mr. B. W. Bilbo, of Saeco has a very sick child.

Mr. Geo. Adams attended Jesse Adams wedding, in Robert Lee Wednesday.

1899 Spring styles of new millinery goods at Mrs. Martin's.

Notice the letter from the State Superintendent of Public Instruction, in this issue.

Ft. Chadbourne Notes.

Regular Correspondent.

We were made glad twice last Friday, we were glad to get the RUSTLER and then we were made to rejoice for the good rain that came to us Friday night. Mr. Editor we certainly ought to be as thankful as the pig, when he comes to the Oak to find acorns, he will now and then look up, with seeming gratitude; so I think the people should look up with sincere gratitude to our Father from whence cometh the rain and all our blessings. The tanks are all full, the fields wet, and the corn is coming up; yea the face of all nature seems to smile, it has taken on new life. We are very hopeful of good crops this year.

Mr. Ed McDonald's infant babe died Friday night, it was buried by its mother, at the Ft. Chadbourne Cemetery, Sunday.

Mr. Tom Richards bought 250 head of cattle, for a man in Nolan Co. at p. t. Tom made a trip to Sweetwater last week, and also to Ballinger.

The R. R. people are making a survey through our part of the country; they are camped near R. E. Douglas, crossed Oak Creek at the old camp ground, they say that they aim to go by Bronte and by Mt. Margaret; we, of this neighborhood would rather the road would go by Lee as it would be to our interest in the way of taxation.

Mr. Will Hazlewood of Crockett County is up visiting R. E. Douglas. Mr. Will says they are needing rain badly.

The Protestant people held their quarterly meeting at Rock Springs the 15th and 16th inst.

The over seer of the Bronte and Chadbourne road, was in our neighborhood last week giving our road hands an invitation to come to Bronte, I think the most of them went, but your scribe was slighted.

Mr. Homer Clark made his parents a visit last week, Mr. Homer is one of our nice young men, we would be glad to have him with us all the time.

Our School will close Wed. 26 Exhibition at night. Come over and we will entertain you in modern style.

With success to the RUSTLER and all its readers.

UNCLE TOM.

Married.

Mr. Jessie Adams and Miss Fannie Manning were quietly married by Rev. Eugene T. Bates, at the Lee Hotel last Wednesday. Only a few relatives and friends were present. Mr. Adams is a prosperous young stockman well known in Coke. His bride is a daughter of our neighbor, W. J. Manning, who lives near Edith. The happy young couple will reside near Bronte, in a little dove-cote home already prepared and furnished by the handsome young groom. The RUSTLER wishes Jesse and his pretty bride many years of happiness.

Clubbing Rates.

By special arrangements we can give the RUSTLER and any one of the following papers for one year for \$1.80:

Dallas Semi-Weekly News.
Galveston Semi-Weekly News.
Houston Semi-Weekly Post.
St. Louis Semi-Weekly Republic.
Atlanta Semi-Weekly Journal.
Atlanta Weekly Constitution.
New York, Trice a week, World.
Texas Farm and Ranch, Weekly

Larkin Hayley is laid up with the measles.

To School Trustees

Your attention is called to the following letter from State Superintendent, Kendall, regarding the apportionment of school funds to the different schools.

M. H. Davis,
Ex Officio Supt.

Austin, Texas,
April 1, 1899.

Mr. C. L. Hughes,
Robert Lee, Tex.

Dear Sir:

Answering your letter of the 29th ult. you are advised that the trustees have the power to divide the money belonging to any district in whatsoever manner they please, with the strong and unconditional proviso that they please to distribute it properly. By this I mean to say that they have the deciding power, but this is conditioned on the one fundamental law that such division shall give to every school approximately the same length of term as every other. The money is not prorata money after it gets into their power. This money should be given to the schools so that, with the view of contracting with the teacher, nearly exactly the same length of term shall be given to all schools in the district. Otherwise it will be wrong and illegal. Furthermore, the money should be so divided as to give to each district the longest term possible. It should not be so divided as to give one school three months and another five.

Yours truly,
J. S. Kendall
State Superintendent.

To School Trustees:

All School Trustees are earnestly requested to meet at the Court House, in Robert Lee, at 10 A. M. on Saturday, May 20th, 1899, to discuss important matters pertaining to our Schools in this County.

M. H. DAVIS,
Ex-Officio Superintendent.

Obituary.

Ft. Chadbourne Tex.,
April 14, A. D. 1899.

To the Editor of the COKE COUNTY RUSTLER,

Dear Sir:

We beg space in your paper for the following communication in memory of Sister Blancha McDonald, wife of E. H. McDonald, living on Kiekepoo near Rock Spring Store, in Coke County Tex.

One short year of married life and death came and called her home. Oh, for faith steadfast to the end and dying grace that will take away the sting of death, and from the grave, the victory; for the Saviour has said he would not forsake us or leave us alone. Sister Blancha's death was sudden. She was the third child of Joel and M. E. Caleway, who lived at their home near Rock Springs since 1888. A father and sister have gone on before her. Sister McDonald was 26 years, 11 months, and 29 days old, departed this life April the 1st, 1899. Sister McDonald was conscious that death was near and exhorted her loved ones to meet her in heaven, she had the 25th Psalm read, and several songs, one "Jesus is calling to me" and "The Prodigal child come home" and "Meekly wait and murmur not". She was conscious until the last, she fell to sleep in Jesus and in peace with her good neighbors, and God's blessing on her companion and infant child. And now dear friends let me exhort you to live so that you may meet your loved one where there will be no partings, sorrow, sickness, and death. Your brother and friend,
Rev. W. C. BURR.

THE FAIR

STILL LEADS the Procession in Naming LOW Prices.

For SAN ANGELO,

All we ask you to do is to bring your Chicago or New York Catalogue and compare prices.

We have just received a nice line of Table Oil Cloth, 5x4 goods, unbreakable, at 10, 12 1-2, 15 and 20c per yard. Our line of Wash Dress Goods is unapproachable in quality, style and price. A full line of French Organdies for Spring wear, pink blue, cream and fancy plaids, figures, flowers, etc. White Dress Goods are lovely beyond description, 5, 8 1-3, 10, 12 1-2, and 15c per yd. Our line of Hamburg Embroidery is too cheap to advertise prices; 1 inch wide, nice embroidered edge 1c per yd; 1 1-2 inch, 1 1-2 and 2c; 2 inch, 3c running still wider, 5, 7 1-2, 8 1-3, 10, 12 1-2, 15 to 25c per yd. We still have lace to throw at the birds; nice line of French Valenciennes, per dozen yards, 10, 20 30 40 50 and 60c—very dainty; we also have wide goods in Valenciennes ranging in price from 7 1-2, 8 1-3, 10, 15 to 20c per yd; and Guipure 15, 20, 25 up to 75c per yd. Bleached and unbleached Domestic, Percales, Chambray, Dress Lining, and Prints in all the latest patterns. Handkerchiefs, colored border each, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8 1-3, 10 and 15c; Jap. silk, each, 10 and 15c. Towels, Napkins, Lace Window Curtains, Drapery, Serim Window Shades Overalls, Work Shirts, Negligee Shirts, Ladies' and Gent's Underwear and Ladies' Shirt Waists. We defy competition.

We buy for Spot Cash and sell for Cash and have one price to all. All are welcome—the Ladies are especially invited to visit our store.

The Fair,

SAN ANGELO, TEXAS.

New Barber Shop.

NEXT DOOR TO LASWELL'S DRUG STORE, ROBERT LEE.

A. Jack CROCKETT, Proprietor

When you want a smooth and easy shave, drop in.

MONEY SAVED

On your Plow Tools, Windmills, Hard ware Glassware, Chinaware Aermotor Wind Mills, Well Supplies of all kinds, Piping, Casing, Cypress and Galvanized Tanks, Horse Power and Pump Jacks, Steam and Power Drilling Machines, Hacks, Buggies, Bains, Old Hickory, and the Celebrated Deere Steel Wagon, Coal, Buggy and Hack Tops, Etc.

C. & G. Hagelstein Co.,

SAN ANGELO, TEXAS.

I am prepared to furnish 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, and 16 foot Steel Star Mills, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20, 22 1-2 and 25 foot of the Celebrated Eclipse Mills, and all kinds of Well Supplies at close figures. My office is at Hagelstein's.

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ROBERT LEE, — — — TEXAS.

Millinery & Dressmaking,

The Latest Styles and Lowest Prices in both, and Perfect Fit in Dressmaking Guaranteed at

Mrs. Z. I. Williams,

Next door to Gaunt's Furniture Store, San Angelo, Texas.

More Drugs!

W. L. Hayley & Co.

(Successors to Pearce's Drug Store)

Are RECEIVING a full and FRESH

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TOILET ARTICLES, PERFUMES, STATIONERY, Etc.

READ THE RUSTLER.

The best Dollar Weekly in West Texas.

THE NEW YORK DOLLAR DINNER.

One of the Largest Gatherings of the Kind Ever Held at Gotham--Bryan Vociferously Welcomed.

Thousands Present.

New York, April 17.—The dollar Jefferson dinner of the Chicago platform Democrats at the Grand Central Palace Saturday night, in point of numbers, was one of the biggest affairs ever held in this city.

Nearly 3000 men and women sat down at the long tables in various rooms at the big palace.

The balconies were festooned with flags and with silken banners. Suspended between the flags at the back of the stage were two American flags draped, one bearing the portrait of Jefferson and the other the portrait of Bryan. Small portraits of Bryan were interspersed between the flags on the balconies.

On the stage was an immense floral horseshoe of carnations, roses and heliotropes. It had, worked in flowers, the words, "Women's Bryan League." Below in red carnations on white roses was the name "Bryan." Surrounding all were the numerals "16 to 1." A brass band of thirty-five pieces on the balcony discoursed music throughout the evening. The diners began to arrive at the Grand Central Palace at 5 o'clock.

The women, to the number of 475, dined in the long hall just off the second gallery. They sat down to the tables at 5:30 o'clock.

The band played "Hail to the Chief" as Mr. Bryan was hurried down one of the main aisles. There was tremendous cheering and waving of napkins. Diners stood on chairs and tables, waving frantically. The demonstration lasted five minutes.

Among those who sat down at the guests' table were James R. Brown, presiding; on his right W. J. Bryan, on his left Charles A. Towne of Minnesota, O. H. P. Belmont, Wm. S. McNary, secretary of the Democratic state committee of Minnesota; Mayor J. L. Rhinoceros of Covington, Ky., Bolton Hall, George Fred Williams, ex-Congressman William E. Ryan of Rochester, A. S. Towne of Virginia, Col. Thomas Smith of Virginia and John Clark Riddpath.

In introducing Mr. Bryan, Chairman Brown said that Abraham Lincoln had come out of the west to serve the nation, and another man had come from the west to save the nation. A perfect tempest of applause from the men and women broke out. The applause subsided, but started afresh. The band struck up, but could scarcely be heard as it played "The Stars and Stripes Forever." Hats were thrown up into the air, women waved their cloaks and handkerchiefs. There was a maelstrom of discord. Bryan raised his hand deprecatingly, but the more he did this the more the crowd cheered. It was a wild, frantic demonstration. It lasted for at least five minutes.

Mr. Bryan began in a clear, calm voice. He was frequently interrupted by applause. When he said there was harmony only between those who think and act like there was great applause. His reference to the Chicago platform and his declaration that his nomination had not come from bosses was received with tremendous cheers. He caused great enthusiasm when he declared that the Chicago platform was a menace to those who robbed others, and he created a rurore when he stated that the platform was disliked by those who had their hands in the pockets of their neighbors.

Tumultuous applause greeted his reference to the drafting of the soldier and the unwillingness to tax the rich. Mr. Bryan spoke one hour and nine minutes. He was in as good voice when he finished as when he began.

When Mr. Bryan had finished there was a great rush to him on the platform. He was almost suffocated in the crush. It required five policemen to force a way through the crowd for him. He shook hands on all sides.

The room of Charley Crowley, a brick mason, was burglarized at Clarksville, and his trunk taken therefrom. It was subsequently found in the creek bottom and \$43 in money and a coat and vest were missing from the trunk, while a lot of other clothing was unmolested.

Secretary Alger returned to Washington.

SOUTHERN NEWS.

The Citizens' bank of Adkadelphia, Ark., has commenced business.

The fourth Illinois regiment will be mustered out at Augusta, Ga., on May 2.

Austin Mullins shot and killed George Seward, a prominent politician, near Pound Gap, Va.

Will Tutt killed his wife at Mayfield, Ky., because she went to a baseball game with another man. His execution took place on the 13th.

At its annual meeting in Nashville the Tennessee Medical society elected Dr. D. Nelson of Chattanooga president and Dr. W. D. Haggard of Nashville secretary.

A well known civil engineer who has examined the Alabama river says that an expenditure of \$10,000,000 that river can be made deep enough to admit ships as far up as Selma.

Dr. R. Lin Cave, president of Kentucky university at Lexington, Ky., has voluntarily resigned. Dr. Cave is one of the foremost educators of the United States.

While several young men were returning from calling on some young ladies near Richmond Ky., two of their number, James Wylie and Thomas Murphy, became involved in a difficulty resulting in Murphy's death.

C. B. Hollinshead was shot and killed in an Aberdeen, Miss., saloon as the result of an alleged slighting remark the former made about Mrs. W. J. Webb, proprietress of the City hotel in that city.

Great preparations are being made at Charleston, S. C., for the coming reunion of the United Confederate veterans. The city has erected an auditorium at a cost of \$35,000, with 7000 seating capacity.

At High Mass.

London, April 17.—A Rome correspondent, describing the thanksgiving mass yesterday at St. Peter's cathedral, says:

When the pope came into view the people whispered. He had the appearance of a ghost when his face, overshadowed by the glittering tiara, became discernible, with the dark eyes peering from the deep sockets. His hands trembled violently and a sad smile played over the colorless lips. With his left hand he waved greetings, while the right did its feeble best to mark the act of blessing. During the mass he sat with folded hands. Twice he arose and was supported while he knelt in prayer, reading the benediction. His voice was scarcely audible, but in the absolute silence his first words were caught by the assembled multitude. He tried to raise himself, but fell back and pronounced the remainder in a recumbent position. A loud cry, like the bursting of a storm, broke from the congregation, and the pope, stretching his hand in benediction, was carried out.

New Industries.

Baltimore, Md., April 17.—The most important of the new industries announced during last week by the Manufacturers' Record included an 80-ton oil mill, \$25,000 telephone company in Arkansas; \$400,000 terminal company in Florida; \$100,000 quarry company, \$50,000 cotton factory, \$25,000 bat factory addition and \$250,000 brewery in Maryland; \$100,000 oil mill in Mississippi; \$100,000 cotton mill, \$10,000 cotton mill, \$100,000 cotton mill, 10,000-spindle cotton mill and \$25,000 mining company in North Carolina; \$15,000 oil mill in South Carolina; \$25,000 iron company to blow in idle furnace, 120-ton furnace blowing in, 90-ton furnace blowing in, in Tennessee; \$10,000 round bale compress and ginny, three other round bale compresses, \$40,000 oil mill, \$50,000 oil mill and ginny company in Texas; \$50,000 building material factory, \$10,000 lumber company and \$50,000 acetylene machine company in Virginia.

A colored convict was killed near Wharton, Tex.

National League baseball season opened on the 14th.

Carried Without Loss.

Manila, April 15.—Starting in an easterly direction along the road to Pansangham, a party of sixty sharpshooters under Lieut. Southern of the Washington regiment, came upon a trench across the road about a mile out of Santa Cruz. Lieut. Southern was wounded.

The Americans then advanced with the mounted guns and the fourteenth infantry and the battalions in the center, Links' battalion of the first Idaho infantry on the right, and Fraine's battalion of the first North Dakota infantry on the left, both flanking. The trench was carried without loss to the Americans.

Pansangham was found deserted.

One Filipino was killed and five wounded in the encounter beyond Togas. This was an ambush. Eight men of the North Dakota regiment, moving in single file through the woods, received a volley from a clump of bushes about fifty feet away. Only one got off unhurt. He dragged a comrade with four bullets in his body to the main force and then led the troops back to the spot of attack. The Filipinos were easily scattered.

Additional Filipino dead found north of Santa Cruz swell the number of the enemy killed on Monday to 150, including Paole Aguirre, one of the leaders, and twelve officers.

According to the statements of some of the prisoners the Filipinos drove 100 Spaniard prisoners and twelve priests into Santa Cruz at the point of the bayonet on Sunday night. Four other priests died of starvation.

As he lacks sufficient troops for garrisoning, Gen. Lawton will withdraw from the towns entered.

Not a house has been burned. It is hoped that this respect for property will convince the natives of the good intentions of the Americans.

At Pansangham a woman was found hidden in a basket and a youth buried in mud except as to his head. Both were given food and money.

All non-combatants are released with American proclamations to be distributed to their friends.

Lieut. Brooke has brought to Manila one of the captured steamers with five of the American dead, ten wounded and fifty who were sick. Most of the sick attribute their disorders to the Cuban campaign.

Consolidation.

St. Louis, Mo., April 15.—Alex Konta arrived in St. Louis yesterday from New Orleans, where he has completed the consolidation of five breweries under one management. They are the American, Security, Jackson, Standard and Columbia plants. Mr. Konta says that the syndicate which he represents expects to manufacture beer for the southern, Porto Rico, Cuban and Mexican trade. He also says that the New York capitalists behind the deal have \$40,000,000 to invest in New Orleans if the sewerage question can be solved and epidemics of small-pox and yellow fever prevented. The price paid for the five breweries is said to have been \$1,400,000.

Agreement Reached.

Berlin, April 15.—The minister of foreign affairs, Baron Von Buelow, announced in the reichstag yesterday that an agreement had been arrived at with Great Britain with regard to sending a commission to Samoa.

The interpellation on Samoa was presented by Dr. Lehr, an extremist pan-German, and was replied to by the minister of foreign affairs, Baron Von Buelow. The whole affair was looked upon as a fizzle and only lasted eighty minutes. There was a slim attendance in the reichstag, but the galleries were crowded. The United States embassy was represented at the session.

Will Not Resign.

Washington, April 15.—Secretary Alger last night put an effective quietus on the persistent reports that he contemplated retirement from the cabinet by a positive and unequivocal statement that the reports were absolutely without foundation, and that unless some unforeseen and unlooked for contingency arises he proposes to remain secretary of war throughout this administration.

Delay Granted.

Rome, April 15.—A semi-official note issued says that at the request of the government of the republic of Colombia Italy has decided to grant a further delay of three months in carrying out the conditions of her ultimatum, at the same time insisting that during such interval Colombia must provide for the complete execution of President's Cleveland's award by the payment of the Cerruti debts.

The Quay Case.

Philadelphia, Pa., April 15.—Resplendent, keen and brilliant argument between District Attorney Rothermel on the one side and Messrs. Watson, Shapely and Shields on the other upon the admission of testimony which may go a long way to establish the alleged guilt of ex-Senator Quay, was the feature of yesterday's trial of that distinguished defendant, and it is culminated in a decided victory for the prosecution. The red book found in Cashier Hopkins' desk after his suicide and upon the admission of which the commonwealth so largely rests its case was at the defense. To pave the way for the final effort to introduce the book itself he succeeded after frequent clashes with opposing counsel, sometimes bitter and personal, in presenting expert testimony to prove that the book was necessarily a book of the bank, as accounts in the book admitted under the court's ruling would be made intelligible by the red book.

During the examination touching on the book no intimation of the amounts or names was allowed to reach the jury. The prosecution all along, however, has alleged that this book will show Cashier Hopkins computed interest on state funds and deposited the money to Senator Quay's credit. On a point raised by counsel for the defense the court ruled that the books of the bank will be admitted so far as they go to prove the conspiracy charged in the indictment.

Examine No More.

Washington, April 15.—The court of inquiry has decided to examine no more witnesses after the close of this week unless in exceptional cases where men who were examined were unavoidably detained. Gen. Miles will not be heard, if at all, until next week, but he will not be called except upon his own request. There are several witnesses still to be examined, but the court will expedite the close. In accordance with this decision the court will not hear all the additional witnesses whose names have been suggested by Gen. Miles. Some of them will, however, be called, and these include Inspector General Breckenridge. The 200 additional reports of officers will be received except in cases where made by officers who have already testified, or whose reports have been read and excepting also reports of officers who were not on duty at Santiago or in Porto Rico.

Pingree on Trusts.

New York, April 15.—The announcement that Gov. Hazen S. Pingree of Michigan was to speak last night under the auspices of the People's institute in Cooper Union hall attracted an immense gathering. There was not a vacant seat in the hall when the speaker, whose subject was "Trusts," appeared. His appearance was the signal for much cheering. Gov. Pingree's speech was a severe arraignment of trusts throughout. He said: "Harsh as it may sound, the trust will divide the people of this country into sharply-defined classes, masters and slaves."

"Not the least of benefits to come from the destruction of the trust will be the purifying to a degree of our legislative bodies."

"I believe that the 'trust' problem should not be made the foot ball of politicians and political parties. I think all parties should make common war against it."

To Soon Sail.

Washington, April 15.—The Samoan commission will sail for Apia on the United States naval transport Badger, leaving San Francisco on the 25th instant. This arrangement was made the day after Baron Speck von Sternberg, first secretary of the German embassy, had called on Secretary Hay and advised him of his appointment as the German member of the commission. This completed the body.

The formal announcement of Baron Sternberg's appointment was received from the German foreign office and gave general satisfaction among officials and diplomats. His choice was accepted as an evidence that the commissioners would be able to co-operate and to reach the unanimous decision called for by the agreement.

Evidence Insufficient.

Charleston, S. C., April 15.—In the Lake City lynching case yesterday the government consented to a verdict of not guilty against the three parties under indictment, the evidence being insufficient. The three are Clark, Kelly and E. Rodgers, all members of the second South Carolina regiment. The government has practically closed its case and the defense will call witnesses now. The government's case is not conclusive and it is doubtful if conviction is secured.

HIS OLD YELLOW ALMANAC.

I left the farm when mother died, and changed my place of dwelling to the city street, And there was them, before I came, that sort of scared me tellin' How I would find the town-folks' ways so difficult to meet. They said I'd have no comfort in the rustlin', fixed-up throng, And I'd have to wear stiff collars every week-day right along.

I find I take to city ways just like a duck to water. I like the racket and the noise, and never tire of shows; And there's no end of comfort in the mansion of my daughter, And everything is right at hand, and money freely flows; And hired help is all about, just listenin' for my call, But I miss the yellow almanac from off my kitchen wall.

The house is full of calendars from attic to the cellar, in all colors, and are fancy-like to see. They're painted in all colors, and are fancy-like to see. But just in this particular I'm not a modern feller, And the yellow-covered almanac is good enough for me; I'm used to it, I've seen it round from boyhood to old age, And I rather like the jokin' at the bottom of each page.

I like the way the "S" stood out to show the week's beginning (In these new-fangled calendars the days seemed sort of mixed), And the man upon the cover, though he was n't exactly winnin' With lungs and liver all exposed, still showing how we are fixed; And the letters, credentials that was writ to Mr. Ayer, I've often, on a rainy day, found readin' very fair.

I tried to find one recently; there wa'n't one in the city. They toted out great calendars in every sort of style. I looked at 'em in cold disdain, and answered 'em in pity: "I'd rather have my almanac than all that costly pile." And, though I take to city life, I'm lone some, after all, For that old yellow almanac upon my kitchen wall.

—Ella Wheeler Wilcox, in the Century.

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What We Should Do.

In my former letter I showed where we are politically. Showed that the next national battle is to be between the Trusts, Syndicates, Rail Road Magnates, Gold standard, Bankers and Speculators, all marching under the Republican banner, on one side. Now where can we find an organized opposition to this Republicanism I have described? Only in the Chicago platform. It received at the last election 6,500,000 votes, nearly enough to win, under the Democratic banner. The Democracy must and will reaffirm that platform. They will do so because the people demand it. They must do it or cease to be a party. The name might be retained but the thing which it stands for would be a sham, a counterfeit which could command neither respect nor votes. The Republican scheme of governmental control by an oligarchy of wealth, which it opposes with not mere denunciation and declaration, but a proposal of definite measures, adapted and necessary to defeat the powerful conspiracy of which that party has become the representative. Let us look at some of the dominant features of the Chicago platform. The restoration of Silver, to prevent the robbery of debtors and taxpayers; The control of the currency issues by the government, to defeat the scheme of bankers to manipulate prices by controlling the money volume; a graduated income tax, to prevent wealth from shirking taxation. These are the dominant features of the platform, and no one of these can be yielded or modified.

They are fundamental propositions which distinguish Democracy from Republicanism. It is the Chicago platform that gives to Democracy its distinctive character, and in adherence to which lies its only prospect of success. This platform resurrects the Democratic party from the grave where Cleveland laid it away and gives to it life, vigor, hope, and promise of victory. In 1896 Mr. Bryan received 1,300,000 Populists and 1,000,000 silver Republican votes and nothing but the Chicago platform induced them to overcome deep-seated partisan prejudices and co-operate with the Democracy. Abandon or essentially modify this platform and every one of these 2,300,000 voters will repudiate the party. Yes the Chicago platform will be reaffirmed and whatever new issues have arisen will be strictly in line with its vital principles. To minor elements deserve our consideration. The Populists achieved their most signal triumph in forcing the adoption of the Chicago platform in 1896. But for the Peoples party pure Democracy was lost and its restoration is largely due to the peoples party. What a Crown of glory if they don't hold office or win another victory, as present conditions seem to indicate. Having been the potent factor in converting the great Democratic party, they certainly cannot now afford to antagonize it. There can be no successful resistance to Imperial-Republican-Monied-Aristocracy but by the Union of all those opposed to it, under the name and direction of the Democratic organization for they cost about two thirds of all the vote of Mr. Bryan. Is there a sensible Populist who thinks the Republican nominee for President can be defeated by any other than the nominee of the next National Democratic Convention, and if, as is not doubtful, the Chicago platform is reaffirmed, it is not true that the success of the nominee

will secure many of the most important measures of reform for which Populists have contended. We cannot doubt that the great mass of Populists, intelligent and patriotic as we believe them to be will, obligated by a sense of duty, give their vote to the Democratic Candidates. There may be, of course, in every doubtful state, a separate organization, claiming to represent the peoples party and insisting upon independent action. But these, whatever their professions, will be in fact but Republican attachments and their leaders will draw their support from Republican funds.

We would sum up our ideas of Democratic duty by saying, Stand fast by the Chicago platform, add to it whatever is necessary to express our abhorrence of the sacrifice of American lives for the subjugation of a people fighting for independence and make a straight fight for a Democracy that is Democratic.

A. P. McCarty.

No Trespassing!

I have bought the W. P. Smith pasture on the line of Coke and Sterling Counties. All trespassers for the purpose of cutting timber, or hauling wood, will be prosecuted to full extent of the law. This Jan. 24th. '99.

H. G. Beason.

Sanco Sunshine.

Sanco is right side up, after courting to hearts content, and some over; we returned to our homes where farming is occupying our efforts and attention, with prospects very much improved by a fine rain and warm growing weather. Corn is coming up nice with moist enough to last about three weeks, however there is some corn that is not going to suffer for water in three months; though some might be injured by continued rain where the roof is leaky; not so with the fruit crop, neither rain nor dry weather will effect the fruit crop here; and we predict the importation of all the peach cobbles that are to be in this section of the state of Coke.

We learn, Mr. Bilbo's family is improving, three of them have been sick recently; no other sickness reported. Short rations conserve good health, see that's why we are in good health all the time but with fine gardens, weeds, grass and prairie dogs, we are likely to relapse wrong side up.

SANCO.

Arkansaw Smith says; "pric groceries all over town and then see him. He will knock them all out on the first round."

Edith Etchings.

We have had fine rains, and both farmers and stock men wear smiling faces.

Although last winter was very severe I don't know of stock in our neighborhood that died of poverty.

J. R. Arnett sold last week to Rex Lewis, 100 steer yearlings at p. t.

Rev. John Reed made a business trip to Robert Lee Monday. J. D. Collier and W. P. Walling sold their yearling to Nox Barfield for \$15.00.

Mrs. Vida Halmark's school at Wild Cat is out.

The Pecan school will last three weeks.

'Rah for Coke and the RUSTLER. REX.

Some dry goods drummers made the Coke County Territory last week.

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Estray Notice.

Returned by G. W. Rayne, commissioner, precinct No 4, Coke county, Texas, on 15th day of February, 1899. One black and white pided cow, about six years old, branded < S on left shoulder, marked under-crop right ear. Also one yearling, branded same as cow.

The above described stock at Mrs. Milt Tucker's, on Yellow Wolf Creek.

To The Public.

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Programme

For the Robert Lee Literary and Debating Society.

Friday evening, April, 28.

Roll Call of members with responses of quotations from miscellaneous authors.

Select Reading.—Miss Hetty Hooten.

Paper, Progress of Education in Coke County.—W. B. Green.

Song.—School.

Amusement for young people. (a) From a parents' standpoint.—Mr. B. F. Montgomery and Mrs. Dr. Martin.

(b) From a teacher's standpoint.—O. W. Gardner. (c) From the young people's standpoint.—Mr. Will Lasswell and Miss Pearl Hamilton

Recitation.—Miss Scottie Ingram.

Solo, with guitar accompaniment.—Miss Lena Smith.

Recitation.—Elsie Toliver.

Declamation.—Terrel Trammell.

Journal.—G. J. Couch.

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