

THE STAYER.

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R. M. PEELER & CO., Land Agents,

CANYON CITY, TEXAS

Handle Large and Small Ranches and City Property.
Several choice valley sections with running water on them and adapted to Alfalfa for sale. Solicit your business.

This district is sadly in need of a suitable candidate for representative. The two gentlemen who are avowed candidates have, so far as we know, nothing to recommend them to popular favor. One of them is a third rate lawyer with neither ability, experience or anything else to his credit. One is a man of unusual brilliance, on whom nature and art have lavished every good gift; but one, and that, alas, is the one without which all the rest are naught. What a spectacle for gods or men should either one be elected to represent this, the most enlightened people in the state. This is the time when only the very best, purest and most incorruptible man should be sent because the vital interests of our people demand an honest, fearless and unbuyable man. The little rift within the lute that has appeared, with the evident determination of the people below the line to over run this part of the state by doing away with the quarantine line, will end in a division of this, the greatest state in the Union, a consummation to be feared by every patriotic citizen. If there ever was a time

when tricksters, shysters and politicians should be retired and a MAN sent it is now. We suggest Judge Gough, of Hereford, as the best man for the position, if he will have it. He possesses every qualification and if he will accept the office we believe every good man in the district should rally to his support unless some equally good man does volunteer.

Office of The Texas Northwestern Railroad,
759 Rose Building, Cleveland, Ohio, March 7, 1902.

Editor Stayer,
Canyon City, Texas.

Dear Sir:

I have this day sent to Attorney L. G. Wilson of your town a letter in reference to the following:

As our projected railway on present proposed lines, will run within a few miles of your town; I have advised him to bring before a proper committee of your citizens the suggestion that should they feel disposed to make a donation such as a bonus and sufficient land for right-of-way, our company might be prevailed upon to change our present route, giving your town the benefit of a trunk line railway. To the North we would connect you with Denver and northern points; South, with San Antonio and other southern cities. Would suggest that you see Mr. Wilson and co-operate with him in his efforts to give your town the advantages of a trunk line railway.

Feeling that you will appreciate these conditions, I am,
Yours Respectfully,
CARLOS D. MYERS, General Manager.

Mr. David Park will move into Mr. J. M. Vansant's residence this week.

The severe high winds have greatly retarded outside painting.

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CANYON LUMBER CO.

CANYON CITY, TEXAS.

The Literary meeting of the Oscar Hunt & Company carry Epworth League has has been a full line of caskets and all changed this week to the Methodist church Friday evening at 8 o'clock. An expert embalmer is always ready to answer calls promptly.

QUALITY AND PRICES

ARE BOTH CONSIDERED BY THE CAREFUL BUYER.

AS TO QUALITY:

WE HOLD A PLAINS WIDE REPUTATION FOR HANDLING ONLY THE VERY BEST GOODS.

AS TO PRICES:

IF YOU GET OUR PRICES YOU WILL GET OUR GOODS.

NEW SPRING STOCK NOW ARRIVING.

SMITH, WALKER & COMPANY

BE SURE TO GET OUR PRICES.

We learn that the windows for the C. P. church have been carried to Canyon, a station on the Texas & Pacific railroad in Stephens county, Texas, instead of being shipped to Canyon City. It should be remembered that in railroad guides OUR PLACE is listed as Canyon City and the station above mentioned is listed Canyon Texas. To avoid trouble when printed stationery is not used pains should be taken to see that the shipment is made to Canyon City and not Canyon.

We call your attention to the professional card of Dr. J. Ed Crawford. He will answer calls promptly day or night and carefully compound prescriptions.

Tuesday we had a delightful rain that will probably affect the high winds.

Bob Stratton began erecting his residence yesterday.

Mr. John A. Wallace has two very fine milk cows, fresh in milk, for sale.

Kansas City Stock Report.

Kansas City Stock Yards,
March 8, 1902.

The market for beef steers during the past week was again a very satisfactory one. Very few prime heavy weights were received, in fact not enough for the requirements of the trade and sales of this class of stock were quickly made at irregularly higher prices. Light butcher weights were in the best demand and sold at the high point of the season. Desirable cows and heifers also met with brisk inquiry and top-py stuff sold at 6 cents per pound. Choice export shipping steers 6.20 to 6.75; fair to good 5.25 to 6.25, choice to fair butcher cows and heifers 3.50 to 6.00; canners 2.50 to 3.00; bulls 3.25 to 4.75.

Well bred stockers and feeders are in active demand; all of the heavy feeder offerings being quickly picked up, at higher values; but common off colored light weight stuff is slow sale at slightly lower prices. Choice native steers weighing 950 to 1100 pounds are selling from 4.65 to 5.25 with medium weight

feeders and medium quality stockers bringing 3.75 to 4.80 while the plainer grades sell at 3.25 to 3.75.

There is nothing discouraging to report in the Southern division; prices are still advancing.

While the net advance for the week is only about 10 cents per hundred, the snappy tone of the market from day to day is very encouraging. Perhaps the medium weight good quality steers are the most active, but there was a strong demand that covered all classes from prime heavies to canning cows. The top for the week is 5.65 with several bunches selling at 5.25 to 5.50. Corn and meal cattle are selling at 4.50 to 5.35 cows and heifers 3.50 to 4.75; canners 2.50 to 3.30.

Hog arrivals continue light and the quality of the supplies only fair. The market has fluctuated but quotations today show 10 to 20 cents advance over last week's prices. Yesterday (Friday) was the high day of the week, top heavies selling up to 6.57 and values ranged from 4.70 for common lights to 6.57 for fancy heavies.

Owing to heavy supplies and declines on eastern markets early in the week, the lamb market was somewhat lower while sheep prices held firm, but with the general advance of Thursday and Friday lamb values are nearly as high now as two weeks ago and mutton sheep are selling at the high point of the season. Native lambs are selling at 6.15 to 6.50; Western lambs 6.20 to 6.40 Western wethers 4.80 to 5.40; Western yearlings 5.60 to 6.00; Western ewes 4.50 to 5.25; culls and feeders 2.50 to 4.00.

Home Comfort coffee is the best. J. A. Wansley & Co. of

JEWELRY!

R. B. Redfearn, the old reliable, has on sale, a beautiful line of solid gold, rolled gold, sterling silver and plated rings, pins, brooches, cuff buttons, collar buttons, fancy stick pins, bracelets, in fact a line too numerous to mention. Call and see what marvelous bargains he is offering. Remember

REDFEARN.

When the spring time comes every "gentle Annie" thinks of house cleaning and then comes the old question of furniture that is new and sightly, there never was a time when good, durable and attractive furniture could be had for so little money.

Oscar Hunt & Company have the most beautiful and complete assortment of furniture of all kinds ever shown in Western Texas and the greatest of all is they sell it cheap.

Mr. C. T. DeGraffenried was in town Tuesday and took home one dozen fine young Barred Plymouth Rock hens and two cockerels.

The C. P. Workers will give a picnic supper on the 14th. Picnic, coffee and tea will be served. All are invited and it goes without saying, a feast is in store for those who attend.

Mr. Thos. Lacy of Lancaster, Dallas county is prospecting with a view of locating on the Plains.

The Stockmens Bank have put in the first brick pavement in the city in front of the bank. We are glad to see it and hope it will be followed by many more.

For the Annual Reunion Confederate Veterans to be held at Dallas, Texas, April 22nd to 25th, inclusive, 1902, The Texas & Pacific Railway Company will sell round trip tickets from stations on its line in Texas at exceedingly low rates, in fact at lower rates than have been announced to Dallas for a long time.

Tickets will be on sale from points in Texas, also from Shreveport and Greenwood, La., on April 21st, 22nd and 23rd, 1902, limited for return to leave Dallas April 26th, 1902.

Any one of our agents will be glad to arrange for sleeping car accommodations and explain to you any points connected with the trip, or we will be glad to have you write direct to us for further information.

E. P. Turner,
General Passenger Agent,
Dallas, Texas.
H. P. Hughes,
Traveling Passenger Agent,
Ft. Worth, Texas.

The ladies of the Methodist church will have a dinner, supper and bazaar during the first week of district court.

The Lightning season will soon be here so "prepare for war in time of peace" and have your houses protected from Lightning.

R. I. Feasell,
Victoria Hotel.

THE STAYER.

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Mrs. R. W. Morgan, Editor and Publisher.

SUBSCRIPTION.

One Year, \$1.00
Six Months, .50

FOR GOVERNOR

Sergeant Sam W. T. Lanham

Confederate Reunion Association.

Dallas, Texas, Feb. 22, 1902. To U. C. V. Camps, The Camps of Sons and all whom it may concern.

The Texas Reunion Association, having in charge the arrangements for the Confederate Reunion, to be held in the city of Dallas, Texas, April 22, 23, 24 and 25, sends you this greeting.

The railroad rates from all points outside of Texas are a cent a mile for the distance traveled, that is, each way to and from Dallas. From points in Texas, the rates are one fare up to 100 miles. Add one cent a mile each way for distance above 100 miles to \$3.00, the 100 mile fare, and you have the rate. For instance, for 200 miles: \$3.00 for 100 miles and \$2.00 for the next 100 miles, makes \$5.00, and so on.

We will establish an encampment at our Fairgrounds—where the Reunion will be held—in the edge of the city, where, in tents and in buildings on the grounds, we will lodge, and also feed, free of cost, every Confederate soldier, whether rich or poor, who will go there. They will be the honored guests of the City of Dallas and the State of Texas. Our tables will be laden with the best that Texas affords and that money can buy. The last day, for dinner, we will serve barbecued Buffalo meat, the only Buffaloes living in America, save the few in menageries and public and private parks. The Reunion will open at 10 o'clock on the morning of April 22 and will close at 4 o'clock on the afternoon of April 25.

We will have various entertainments for everybody, the old and the young, interesting and amusing, that will make the hour pleasant by day and by night—enjoyable diversions from the routine of business, the reminiscent chats of "war-times" and rejuvenescence of the memories of the olden, golden days of our youth. Among these will be a parade by the Kaliphs—a famous order of this city—a most resplendent pageant, a scene rivaling in brilliancy and beauty even that of "The Field of the Cloth of Gold," or the mighty gatherings in the chivalric age of armored knights for the tournament, where lances were shivered and blows of sword and mace fell heavily in the fray, and all for a fair woman's smile. This will be on the night of the 23rd. The next night the Kaliphs will give a magnificent ball, clad in their wondrous costumes glistening with the sheen of gold and gems, and crown the Queen of the Kaliphate. The Sons of Confederate Veterans will also give a grand ball. To all entertainments the Confederate soldier has the entre. Dallas and Texas invite you all to come, fathers and mothers, sons and daughters and grand-children. Their portals will be unclosed. A cordial greeting, a heartfelt welcome awaits you. Everybody in our great city and within the broad limits of our state expects you. Their hearts and their homes are wide open and only cordiality and love and good-fellowship shall be yours. With

every fiber of our beings filling with joyous anticipations we bid you come.

We have established a bureau of information, of which John F. Worley, 373 Commerce street is chairman. He is arranging for accommodations for every visitor who may desire them. We request that each Confederate Camp and Camp of Sons, correspond with him as soon as possible, and arrange for lodging, or board and lodging, giving the number of persons who may desire same and the price they are willing to pay. Prices range for lodging from 50 cents to \$2.00, and for board and lodging from \$1.50 to \$5.00 per day, it being understood that here, as at all Reunions, two or more persons will lodge in a room, this being necessary to accommodate the throng.

Camps of Veterans are requested to notify the Secretary, Charles L. Martin, No. 247 Main street, as soon as possible, how many delegates will be sent and how many other members will attend, and how many are willing to go into the Encampment.

Visitors to the Reunion who desire, can have their tickets tendered to May 15, by deposit

To Advance the Swine Industry.

At the Hillsboro convention H. E. Singleton read the following paper:

It has never been questioned that the farmers of the state could profitably grow their own meat. But it has been a question (before the establishment of large packing and cold storage plants in the state) whether the growing and feeding of hogs, or in other words whether the production of pork as a business could be made profitable or not. The conditions in Texas are so different from those of other states where the business has been remunerative that feeders from those states who have embarked in the business here have, many of them, made signal failures. The failures have had their effect on the surrounding community. It has thrown a damper on the aspirations of some. It has caused many to throw up a fair start and a contemplated effort in this line. But from failure comes success. The observer profits by the experiment and guarding against loss from the cause, makes nice money with his small bunch. He becomes enthusiastic, increases his herd to be swallowed up the next year with a big drove of hogs, an empty crib, and corn as it is this year, 75 cents to \$1.00 per bushel.

These are the causes which have made it questionable whether the business could be made profitable or not. But the question has been solved, and no stronger evidence is required than the fact that in addition to the many packing houses erected throughout the state the past few years at Houston, Dallas, Fort Worth, McKinney, Sherman, and other points, the great millionaire curers of Chicago are establishing extensive plants in Texas to take care of our surplus hogs. These far-seeing, shrewd business men say their profits come from the hog and his products. They are not hanging up their money on the bushes; all Texas welcomes the farmers and feeders of the state and will give them business and profits.

Some of our feeders have been mixing a little brains, not with their pig-feed, but in their business. They have succeeded al-

HEREFORDS FOR SALE.

FULL BLOOD STOCK CATTLE.

I will sell at a bargain if taken in the next thirty days 83 1/2 to I have used with these cattle the very best bulls that money could buy. There isn't a cow over six years old. I will have 30 head of three-year-old heifers that will bring calves this year that will interest the most sceptical. My reason for disposing of my entire grade herd is to handle registered stock altogether. Come soon, they are going.

This is a chance for some one to get a good herd. Call on or write to

CANYON CETA STOCK FARM,

CETA, TEXAS.

C. T. DeGraftenreid, Prop.

ROGERSON HOTEL

REFURNISHED THROUGHOUT.

Tables Supplied with the Best the Market Affords. Neat, Clean, Polite Cooks and Waiters

It is Best Furnished Hotel on the Plains—Superb Beds.

MRS. I. N. HIX IN CHARGE.

TO OUR PATRONS AND FRIENDS:

We wish to say that after Jan. 1 we will sell STRICTLY FOR CASH

This is no dumping ground for hard stocks of other stores

ALL OF OUR GOODS ARE NEW AND FRESH

We Have Just Received our Spring Stock.

WE CAN SAVE YOU MONEY

If you will give us your trade, you will not have to pay for any one else's goods which you will have to do if you trade with credit houses.

GIVE US A TRIAL

CANYON MERCANTILE COMPANY,

CANYON CITY, TEXAS.

ing same and paying 50 cents. Excursion Rates over Texas will be not exceeding one and one-third fare for the round trip to and from Dallas.

C. C. SLAUGHTER, President. The Texas Reunion Association.

C. L. MARTIN, Secretary.

We have on sale now a quantity of Tonic Stock Salt. It is said to cure every ill cow flesh is heir to except death. Stock men report great results from its use. Try some of it and be convinced.

Canyon Mercantile Co.

Mr. W. E. Bates, late of Collin county, who is living on the place recently occupied by Mr. Geo. Long is the sort of people we need. He has quite a nice lot of fine stock that will be of interest to admirers of the best sort, and besides this he appreciates a county paper.

Miss Gyp Holland has accepted a position with Mr. Anderson.

DRS. DODSON & LEWIS, DENTISTS,

Amarillo, Texas, Dr. Lewis will be at Canyon City, the first Thursday, Friday and Saturday of each month.

most beyond their expectations. Three years ago at our spring meeting I stated there was a young farmer in Collin county who was producing pork at a cost of not exceeding two cents per pound with corn at 25 cents a bushel. I was criticised, in fact the correctness of the statement was questioned by many throughout the state. A few months afterward the Arkansas experiment station announced that they had succeeded in producing pork at a cost of 14 cents per pound. With all respect for Arkansas, I believe Texas can go them better. Now I want to say there is a young Grayson county farmer in this assemblage who is now feeding over 150 head of hogs. He is feeding shelled corn that he is paying 80 cents per bushel for. He is weighing his feed and weighing his hogs every week. At the present price of pork he is getting over \$1.00 per bushel for his corn, and he is feeding Duroc Jersey Reds at that. What might he accomplish with another breed? But I must refrain, fearing the wrath of our worthy president, through violating the rules of this association. What has enabled these young men to accomplish such results? The answer is education and application. Go to their homes and you find their reading room strewn with literature bearing on their business—reports from our experiment stations, feeding tables, etc. Later you will find them applying the knowledge thus obtained to their stock, not trying to make race

CANYON DRUG COMPANY

Carries in stock a FULL AND COMPLETE Line of

PURE FRESH DRUGS and DRUGGISTS SUNDRIES PAINTS, OILS, VARNISHES, BRUSHES ETC.

Give us a trial order and be convinced

BRENT C. TAYLOR,



LIVERY FEED AND SALE STABLE.

Bus meets all trains. Best teams and rigs always on hand. Drummer's rigs a specialty.

horses out of Percherons, premium beef out of Jerseys, or profitable pork out of razor-backs. Such men have done more in their communities, to advance the swine industry than all the legislation we have had for the past forty years, or ever will have.

Then what shall we do to advance this great industry in Texas? I answer, educate. Encourage the dissemination of literature bearing on the subject; encourage our home farm and stock papers; look to our experiment stations and let us have more of them. They are worth millions to the farmers and stock men of the state. Get your name and your neighbor's name on their mailing list, that you may receive their bulletins. Attend these meetings of our association and all meetings of farmers and stockmen. If you know nothing good enough to tell, ask and you can learn something yourself. Encourage and attend our state, district and county fairs; they are great educators to reach those fellows who are out here on the streets holding down a dry goods box, talking politics, telling yarns over the bar or spitting tobacco over some nice woman's heater while their stock is suffering for food, water or shelter. They can only be interested through their neighbors, and that's a very slow method as their fancy runs more to six bit first Monday horses than good crops and remunerative prices through the live stock route.

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GOBER & HUMME

Beg to Announce to the Public that they have



Coal, Coal,

CORN, OATS, BRAN, HAY, COTTON SEED MEAL AND FIELD SEEDS.

They will buy in large Quantities and will give the best service. They will make it to your interest to trade with them.

HIGHEST CASH PRICES PAID FOR HIDES, FURS AND BONES.

The following persons were among those in Canyon City this week:

Wm. Mann, Kansas City; Crockett Jennings, Waxahachie; J. P. Earhart and C. O. Leach, Portales; Sam'l Atkinson, Roswell; W. L. Graham, A. R. Shuttle, A. R. Carnes, F. D. Hill, J. F. Russell and J. C. Cox, Dallas county; W. G. Harris, R. N. Lindsey, Lee Rush, J. W. Orr, Hillsboro; C. B. Wilson, W. F. Naber, Ft. Worth; C. H. McKnight, Wichita, Kansas; D. Schruger, Raelne, Wisconsin; Moss Hall, Terrell; Mrs. Poulson, Mr. Reed, Bell county; Geo. Probasco, J. Probasco, Vernon; Green Parmer, Granite, O. T.; C. W. Baird Stratford; B. F. Holder, Castro county; J. A. Wahlechry, Town-er, Colo.; J. P. Stutson, Denver, Colo.; J. C. Kilburn; J. J. Davis, Snyder; J. H. McHull, Merkel; R. A. Dobbs, Ceta; J. W. Hendrix, Hereford; L. A. and Jessie Pierce, Fanchon; J. Heard, Carlsbad; L. Simpson, M. Lindsey, Quanah; S. H. Baker, Wright; Jim Kidd, Emma; Walter Angel, J. B. Sharp, Emma; J. D. Hunt, Lubbock; W. H. Harkey, R. C. Ware, D. R. Wicher, Plainview; J. H. Griffith, John B. Hunt, Lockney.

For strictly first class blacksmithing go to Harter.

We call your attention to the card of Messrs. R. M. Peeler & Company, real estate dealers. They have some choite bargains in lands. Be sure to see their lists before buying.

Panhandle Stockmens Association March 25th.

For above occasion the Pecos & Northern Texas Ry., will sell tickets to Quanah rate of one fare for the round trip. Selling dates March 23 and 24. Time limit not yet ascertained.

The ladies of Canyon are invited to call and see Mrs. Street's sample skirts and waists. They are lovely examples of the dressmakers art, perfectly cut, correctly finished with that style and chic effect none but an artist can give; but all women like, these samples possess in the highest degree. Ladies measures taken and garments made at lowest price. Call and see samples.

J. A. Wansley & Co. handle the old reliable Meyers flour, Altross and Supreme. Every sack guaranteed.

Mr. R. G. Oldham and little daughter Pearl have gone to Greenville to visit Mr. Oldham's mother.

Mrs. Walter Cobb, and little daughter, Ruth, have gone to Weatherford on a visit to friends and relatives.

Mr. J. E. Wansley is improving rapidly. Mr. T. H. Wansley is still dangerously ill; but more hope is now entertained for his recovery.

Mrs. Tom Wilson left for her home at Plainview Friday, after a visit to her parents Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Pipkin.

Get our prices. SMITH, WALKER & Co.

Mrs. McClure is back from market with a beautiful lot of hats, all of the latest and most exquisite shapes, flowers, laces and trimmings galore. The ladies are invited to call and see them at The Canyon Mercantile Company.

Drs. Dodson and Lewis, the dentists have a card in this issue. Dr. Lewis the junior member comes here and gives excellent satisfaction. He has done some work for us we were highly pleased with. We recommend him to all who need dental work done.

Only the very best wood working material carried in stock, and it is unpainted so you can see exactly what you are getting at Harter's.

Get our prices. SMITH, WALKER & Co.

A heavy rain fell at Bowie Monday night and Tuesday, the first ground soaker they have had in a year and a half. The rain was general from Texarkana to Texline. Wheat fields that looked dead on Sunday were reviving Tuesday evening. We hope much of the wheat will be saved yet.

Beverly Briefs.

March 6th, 1902.

Still dry and windy.

Dusty, oh my! We can't get good breath for the dirt.

W. H. Lemmons made a flying trip to Canyon City this week.

Mrs. Minnie Stevenson of Silverton is spending the week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Pietzsch.

Mr. Lige Campbell was on this side of the canyon last Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Leo. Pietzsch spent last Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Knight.

Miss Minnie Brooks spent last Monday night with Mrs. Stevenson.

Mr. Mart Hyatt is on the sick list this week.

Mr. Raymond Greathouse cut his foot very badly while cutting wood in the canyon a few days ago.

Mrs. Dover is spending a week with her brother, Mr. A. Montgomery at Milo.

BORN: To Mr. and Mrs. E. Brooks, a girl.

Beverly school has closed: We hear that our teacher is going to leave us real soon. We regret very much to see him go.

Messrs. I. S. and J. J. Jackson have got seven thousand posts on the cap rock now for sale.

Father and Mother-Hastings received a telegram last Saturday night that their daughter, Mrs. Oxford, of Stephenville, was not expected to live. The old folks left as soon as they got the telegram. We don't know how long they expect to be gone.

Mr. Frazier and family are at father Hastings while he is gone.

We are proud to know that Miss Maggie's health is greatly improved.

We are proud to know that Mr. Doughty and little son are able to be up again.

Good luck to the Cousins and success to The Stayer.

Remember Chamlee the jeweler can mend any broken piece of jewelry, no matter how bad the break.

M. C. Chamlee, the Jeweler has on hand a large stock of watches. Call and get his prices when you want a watch or clock.

It has rained.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF The Stockmen's National Bank at Canyon, in the state of Texas, at the close of business, Feb. 25, 1902.

| RESOURCES. | |
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| Loans and discounts | \$201,721.17 |
| Overdrafts secured and unsecured | 5,669.96 |
| U. S. bonds to secure circulation | 50,000.00 |
| Premiums on U. S. bonds | 3,050.15 |
| Banking house, furniture, and fixtures | 9,471.93 |
| Due from national banks (not reserve agents) | 2,788.08 |
| Due from state banks and bankers | 1,184.42 |
| Due from approved reserve agents | 19,298.45 |
| Internal revenue stamps | 153.79 |
| Checks and other cash items | 735.17 |
| Notes of other national banks | 700.00 |
| Fractional paper currency, nickles and cents | 96.50 |
| Lawful money reserve in bank, viz: | |
| Specie | 5,246.00 |
| Legal-tender notes | 4,533.00 |
| | 9,779.00 |
| U. S. certificates for gold deposited | 9,779.00 |
| Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer, 5% of circulation | 2,500.00 |
| TOTAL | 307,157.62 |
| LIABILITIES | |
| Capital stock paid in | \$50,000.00 |
| Surplus fund | 10,000.00 |
| Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid | 5,179.78 |
| National bank notes outstanding | 50,000.00 |
| Due to other national banks | 2,112.00 |
| Due to state banks and bankers | 4,408.81 |
| Individual deposits subject to check | 137,150.33 |
| Time certificates of deposit | 20,073.00 |
| Notes and bills rediscounted | 8,233.70 |
| Bills payable, including certificates of deposit for money borrowed | 20,000.00 |
| TOTAL | 307,157.62 |

State of Texas, county of Randall, ss: I, W. A. Donaldson, cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

W. A. Donaldson, Cashier, Subscribed and sworn to before me this 10 day of March 1902.

B. Frank Bule, Notary public Randall county, Texas.

Correct attest: F. M. Lester, L. T. Lester, J. L. Howell, Directors.

LOST.

Five head of horses, 4 branded quarter circle heart on left shoulder; one sorrel yearling filly unbranded. Liberal reward for recovery or information leading to recovery of same.

Address, Claud Money, Canyon City, Texas.

We have received No. 1 Vol. 1 of "The Crank" a paper published at Mullin, Texas. It is a well edited and fairly neatly printed temperance paper and will no doubt serve well the cause of sobriety and morality, its mission; but just why the brother includes woman's suffrage as one of the Sunday evils we means to oppose puzzles us.

We have never advocated equal suffrage because we have never felt the need of it. God has given us three boys to train and raise up to be citizens of this glorious republic and when they come to man's estate each time they vote on the side of truth, justice and good government we will bask in the reflection of their privilege and will have more surely cast a vote properly than we could do if allowed the opportunity now, while we are cooking, sewing and helping to educate these three sturdy young Americans. Neither man or woman should be allowed to vote until they have studied the questions that arise in solving the problem of good government and very few women have the time, taste and inclination to do that, hence, are not fitted to exercise the voting power, but as to inherent fitness there can be no question but what one sex is fully as capable as the other. The gentleman's remarks on this head are as follows:

Nothing will be admitted in its columns in defense of the use of liquor, of anti-prohibition, of Sabbath desecration—and I mean by that, Sunday buggy riding, Sunday trains, Sunday malls, Sunday papers, meat markets, ice wagons, candy shops, cigar stands, etc., dancing, theatres, card playing, woman suffrage, or anything which is opposed to the inspiration of the Bible.

Miss Mattie Strickland, of Plainview, passed through town home from Kansas City last week.

A GOOD THING

German syrup is the special prescription of Dr. A. Boschee, a celebrated German physician, and is acknowledged to be one of the most fortunate discoveries in medicine. It quickly cures coughs, colds and all lung troubles of the severest nature, removing as it does, the cause of the affection and leaving the parts in a strong and healthy condition. It is not an experimental medicine, but has stood the test of years, giving satisfaction in every case, which its increasing sale every season confirms. Two million bottles sold annually. Boschee's German syrup was introduced in the United States in 1888 and is now sold in every town and village in the civilized world. Three doses will relieve any ordinary cough. For sale by Hadley, leading druggist.

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The Sturgis Wager

A DETECTIVE STORY
BY EDGAR MORETTE

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"That reminds me," said Agnes, "consciously, as a charming flush suffused her beautiful face, that I have not yet broached the principal object of this interview."

Murdock observed her closely and waited for her to proceed. But Agnes was once more laboring under a strange embarrassment and could not find words in which to frame the confidence she was so reluctant to offer.

Perhaps the chemist divined something of the nature of what she was struggling to find-expression for. At any rate, he noticed her embarrassment and endeavored to come to her assistance with a few encouraging words, spoken with unusual gentleness. Agnes, engrossed with her own thoughts, did not notice it; but there was in his manner as near an approach to tender wistfulness as his nature was capable of.

At last the young girl seemed to gather courage, and she was about to speak, when there was a knock upon the door.

"Please, sur; there do be two gentlemen in the hall."

"Who are they, Mary?"

"Sure, thin, sir. I dunno, barrin' wan av 'em do be a policeman."

"Did they ask to see me?"

"They did not, sur; shure they asked if Mr. Chapman was in."

"Mr. Chapman?"

"Yis, sur. And I told 'em he was here this afternoon, and I wud see wuz he here now, fur I ain't seen him go yet."

"Well, Mary, you see he has gone, since he is no longer here," said Murdock quietly. "Take the gentlemen into the parlor, and tell them I shall be with them in a minute."

"All right, sur."

After the maid had left the room, the chemist rose from his chair and walked toward the door leading to the library.

"If you will excuse me for a few minutes, Agnes, I shall see what these men want—wait for me here, if you will. I shall be back directly."

Saying, he noiselessly opened the folding doors and passed into the library, closing the doors carefully behind him.

Freed from the presence of her father, Agnes almost instantly regained her composure. She had not, however, had much time to collect her thoughts, when she was suddenly startled by a loud, shrill whistle, which brought her to her feet in alarm.

"Well?"

She asked the question in anxious tones, as if realizing that life and death were in the balance. "Then she placed her ear to the mouthpiece."

At first she could not make out the words spoken by her invisible interlocutor. Then, gradually, they fell upon her ear with terrible distinctness; and she stood spellbound, as in a horrible nightmare, with sudden terror in her staring eyes, and with the fearful sense of impotence in her trembling limbs.

CHAPTER XXIII. THE SPEAKING TUBE.

Nature has implanted in every one of its living creatures, from the top to the bottom of the scale, the strongest of all instincts—that of self-preservation. As Sturgis fell forward and clucked wildly at the air, his hand struck the stone wall of the square chamber. No conscious impression was made upon his brain by the contact; but, automatically, his fingers tightened as they slipped over the smooth surface. His right hand struck an obstacle and closed upon it, in the convulsive grip of a dying man. Then a sudden gleam of consciousness swept across his sluggish brain.

It was the speaking-tube!

He clung to it with the remnant of his strength and eagerly placed his lips to the mouthpiece. For a few minutes he drank in with avidity the revivifying draughts of air which gradually brought him back from the brink of death.

With returning consciousness, the thought of his dying friend recurred to him in all its vividness. He tried to go to his assistance; but he was sick and faint, and his limbs were powerless to respond to his will. Then, at last, he was seized with utter despair and gave up the struggle.

He had sunk dejectedly upon the chair when a faint and indistinct murmur, as of distant voices, beat upon his ears, whose natural acidity seemed extraordinarily increased by the long nervous tension under which he had been. The rufing passion is strong in death; without knowing just why he did so, Sturgis found himself again at the speaking-tube, endeavoring to hear the conversation, the sound of which evidently came from Murdock's office.

He could barely distinguish a word here and there; but he recognized the timber of one of the voices. It was the chemist's, and his interlocutor was a woman—perhaps his daughter. If only he could reach Agnes Murdock with some word of signal.

In suspense, he held his ear to the mouthpiece, occasionally taking a sniff of fresh air to renew his strength.

into a valise; he saw him take from the same safe a few richly bound notebooks, which he proceeded to do up in a neat bundle, securely tied and sealed.

This done, the chemist put on his hat and coat, and was preparing to pass out into the hallway, when a knock sounded upon the door.

Murdock opened slightly enough to show himself, without revealing the presence of the other occupants of the room.

It was one of the housemaids.

"Please, sur," said the policeman in a frightened voice, "the policeman says he can't wait no longer; he must see yer right away."

"Are they in the parlor?"

"Only the policeman, sur; the other man said he would wait outside."

Murdock took a minute for reflection.

"Wait in the hall until I call you," he said, at last. "If the policeman becomes impatient, tell him I shall not be long; that I am engaged on most important business."

No sooner had the girl gone than Murdock, seizing the valise and the package, opened the door of the extension. His eyes rested for awhile upon his daughter, who, still absorbed in the tender care of her inanimate lover, was oblivious of all else. There was in them an unusual expression—almost a tender light; but the impassive face was otherwise emotionless.

The chemist seemed to hesitate for a brief instant whether to speak; then, passing out into the extension, he softly closed the door behind him.

Sturgis alone, weak and powerless, had seen him go.

CHAPTER XXIV. CHECKMATE.

The two detectives, after leaving Sprague and Sturgis in the cellar of the Manhattan Chemical company, proceeded to search the premises from basement to roof. They were somewhat disconcerted, they returned to the cellar, and were surprised to find that the reporter and his friend had disappeared.

After questioning the man whom they had left on watch on the outside, and ascertaining that neither Sprague nor Sturgis had yet left the house, the detectives called loudly to the missing men, and receiving no reply, at last became alarmed and sent word of the mysterious disappearance to headquarters. The chief's answer came at once:

"Remain on watch where you are. We shall investigate from the other side."

One of the detectives thereupon went up to the roof of the building, whence he could keep watch upon the back yards, while his companion remained in the front hall.

They had been waiting thus for some time, when the latter thought he heard footsteps in the direction of the private office. He was on the alert in an instant.

The door was cautiously opened and a man stepped out into the hallway. He carried a valise and a package. He blinked like a man coming suddenly from the darkness into the daylight.

"Who are you?" asked the detective, brusquely.

The man looked in the direction of the voice, and, as his eyes became accustomed to the light, returned the detective's surprised stare with a calm and searching look.

"Checkmate!" he muttered quietly to himself at last.

Then, without seeming haste, he passed back into the private office, before the astonished detective could make any attempt to stop him.

Recovering himself quickly, the detective followed the sounds of the retreating footsteps to the cellar stairs. Then, fearful of an ambush, he fired his revolver as a signal to his companion on the roof; and, after striking a match, he cautiously descended, reaching the cellar just in time to see Murdock disappear into the underground passage.

He rushed to the spot; and, unable to find the door, he pounded with all his



HE BORE HER GENTLY UP THE STAIRS.

might upon the shelves, causing the bottles to dance and rattle.

"Come now," he shouted, "the game's up! You may as well be reasonable. You can't possibly escape, for you're surrounded."

No answer came from within.

The man tried his powerful strength upon the door without any perceptible effect.

When the second detective arrived upon the scene he found the first one removing the bottles from the shelves by the light of a match held in his left hand.

"Get a light and an ax, Jim. There's a secret door here which we'll have to

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J. T. Jowell and son, P. W. Price, I. B. Edwards, J. W. Fincher, F. L. Frigg and Geo. Black Jr. were in from the country this week.

A. R. Carnes, representing the Dallas News clinic in Sunday and remained over Monday working for the News.

Sunday morning near Wayside Mr. Crawford Evans' residence was burned to the ground. Everything was lost except one leather bed.

Mr. Wm. M. Franklin of Collin county who has been prospecting Randall county for several days has gone to Terry county to look at some land represented by J. H. Garrison.

Last Saturday night Arthur Morgan lost a light colored overcoat about four miles south of Canyon City. The finder will be appropriately rewarded if he will leave it at the Canyon Lumber yard or The Stayer office.

Last Saturday we had the pleasure of meeting our old friend and fellow-townsmen, Mr. L. Simpson, General Manager of Wm. Cameron Lumber yards.

This week we received a real nice invitation to attend the Third Annual meeting of the Panhandle Stockmen's Association to be held at Quanah, the 25th and 26th inst. The card reflects credit, not alone upon the printer who printed it, but it is in keeping with the reputation that Quanah made twelve years ago for being a live, up-to-date and progressive town. Bah for Quanah!

J. C. Cox, Carlton, Dallas county, has been prospecting in this county. He has returned home to sell out and move out here.

Mr. J. W. Cummings has returned and is now running the butcher shop.

We are requested to announce that a meeting conducted by all of the ministers of the city will begin on the third Sunday at the Methodist church. Mr. McDonald, of Silverton will lead the music. It will be a union meeting and all christians are requested to attend and do their best to make this a meeting that will be rich in blessings to Canyon City.

D. W. Pinkston has sold his interest in the Silverton Mercantile Company and will go out west.

Car Brooks, E. Brooks, Buster DeGraftenried, Willis Fisher, Crawford Evans, Nick Orr were in town this week.

Mr. J. W. Orr, late of Hillsboro has moved to Canyon City.

The ladies say that if you want to get pie-full come to the old Bank building Friday March 14th, from 4 o'clock in the afternoon till the pies give out.

We wish to say to our friends and patrons that we will discontinue giving trading stamps after April 1st. This will give all who have stamp books partly filled time to fill them up.

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Preaching at Canyon City every 4th Sunday morning at 11 o'clock and at night at the Methodist church.

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REV. C. M. LOTTON, PASTOR.

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Preaching on 4th Sunday in each month at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. at the Baptist church by Elder H. M. Bandy.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE.

The Christian Scientists will hold their services at 2:30 p. m. each Sunday in the court room. Other denominations will kindly make a note of this when arranging their afternoon services. The Scientists usually take up about one and one-half hours altogether.

Canyon City Lodge No. 481 I. O. O. F. meets every Saturday night at 8:30 o'clock. All visiting brethren are solicited to meet with us.

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