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Court House Items.

Henry Holcomb informs us that he will not be a candidate for re-election as tax assessor. The influences causing him to reach such a conclusion are of a private nature, such as the demands on him by his farming interests and the fact that the duties of the office require him to be away from his family so much of the time. Several names are already mentioned as probable candidates for this position, viz: Jno. Spence, Harvey Mobley, Tony Gossett, Charley Ellis and one or two others.

Attorney Jno. I. Moore will file papers before next district court in the nature of *quo warranto* proceedings for the purpose of testing the validity of the act removing Henry Kent from office as commissioner of precinct No. 2.

We are informed that Justice of the Peace Ed Callier will not be a candidate for re-election. No probable candidates are mentioned for this office yet.

A strong pressure is being brought from all parts of the county to bear on Hon. J. W. Madden to enter the race for county judge. We understand that he has the matter under consideration.

The amount of money collected under the road tax before the tax was enjoined by District Judge Gooch was \$248.41. Of this sum some seventy-five or eighty dollars have been refunded to those who paid it, leaving a balance of about \$160.00 in the hands of the collector to be returned.

In view of coming political events it will be interesting to those who are thinking of running for office to have some idea of what the earnings of the several county offices amount to in this county. Closely approximated the earnings are about as follows:

- Of tax-assessor from \$1800 to \$2000.
- Of tax-collector from \$1500 to \$1800.
- Of sheriff from \$4500 to \$5000.
- Of county clerk from \$4500 to \$5000.
- Of district clerk from \$1000 to \$1300.
- Of county judge from \$1500 to \$2000.
- Of county attorney from \$2000 to \$2500.
- Of county treasurer from \$900 to \$1200.

Tax collections are just a little behind those of same time last year. Those who have not paid should not forget that after the 31st of this month a penalty of ten per cent additional will be imposed on all delinquents after that date.

Petitions are on file to be presented to the next meeting of commissioners' court asking that all the property of petitioners be added to the city hog-law district. Such action will extend the city hog-law limits out as far as the limits were under the old law which was repealed a short time since.

The action of Holcomb and Callier in voluntarily declining to be candidates for office again breaks the rule which, it is said, Jefferson laid down with reference

to office-holders: "That few die and none ever resign."

No delusion is so sweet and alluring as the one which persuades many a good man to think that his popularity is so far-reaching and comprehensive that he can be elected to any office he wants.

"DOWN BY THE RIO GRANDE."

The Annual Event of the Two Republics. Yaqui, George Washington, the Laredos.

Some years since the citizens of Laredo and New Laredo conceived the idea of fittingly celebrating Washington's birthday, (February 22,) by suitable Mexican-American fiestas and parades, and from a small source this has grown to a magnificent annual event, unsurpassed in its splendid surroundings and interesting particulars by anything of a similar nature.

International in its character, located on the border line between the two great republics, occurring at a season of the year when business cares press lightly, and at a time when weather conditions in that locality are ideal, this event offers unsurpassed inducements to the pleasure seeker.

This year the celebration will consist of three days continuous festivities, February 21st, 22nd and 23rd, the principal day of course being the 22nd, and the program, which is very elaborate, will comprise several new and interesting features among which may be mentioned daylight and night illuminations, (the latter by electric illumination) torchlight parades, embodying typical Mexican and Indian features, sham battle and capture of the city by the Indians, Naval Fireworks, Military drills and display evolutions, Historical Pageants and trades display, Flower Carnival, Band and Musical contests, etc.

For this occasion low excursion rates will be made to Laredo, also for the benefit of those who desire to see more of Mexican life and customs, arrangements have been made for a sale of ten day excursion tickets to Monterey, permitting stop over at Laredo in order to take in the International celebration.

Any particular information desired can be ascertained from your nearest ticket agent, or by addressing

D. J. PRICE,
G. P. & T. A., I. & G. N. R. R.,
Palestine, Texas.

A Little Boy's Life Saved.

I have a few words to say regarding Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It saved my little boy's life and I feel that I cannot praise it enough. I bought a bottle of it from A. E. Steere of Goodwin, S. D., and when I got home with it the poor baby could hardly breathe. I gave the medicine as directed every ten minutes until he "threw up" and then I thought sure he was going to choke to death. We had to pull the phlegm out of his mouth in great long strings. I am positive that if I had not got that bottle of cough medicine my boy would not be on earth today—JOEL DEMONT, Inwood, Iowa. For sale by B. F. Chamberlain.

You've got the real thing when you get Hunt's Lightning Oil for burns, bruises, cuts and sprains. The most penetrating and healing ointment known. Guaranteed Price 25 and 50 cents.

Local News.

Highway Robbery.

Wm. Pearce, a horse trader, living at Grapeland for the present, was returning one night this week from Henry Ivey's, who lives on the road from Grapeland to Augusta, and was held up by a lone highwayman on the public road and made to turn over his money, amounting to one hundred and fifty dollars. The robber threw a pistol on Pearce and made him give up his money.

K. of P. Installation.

The following officers of Davy Crockett Lodge, No. 193, Knights of Pythias, were installed on Thursday night, January 16, by Grand Vice Chancellor John T. Bonner of Tyler:

Arch Baker, C. C.; R. H. Jaynes, V. C.; J. E. Monk, Prologue; S. L. Murchison, K. of R. and S.; W. King, M. W.; John H. Baker, M. of E.; J. T. Dewes, M. of E.; J. S. Cook, M. of A.; W. H. Rice, I. G.; H. A. Beasley, O. G.

A Stage Line.

There is a fine opening for some one to make money by putting on a regular daily stage or bus line from Crockett to the new town at Coltharp. The travel from Crockett out is and will be heavy and the return travel would also be fine. Here is a fine opportunity for Loco English or some one else. The travel to and from the new town to and from Crockett will continue heavy even after the road begins to run passenger trains from Lufkin.

Democratic Executive Committee.

The county democratic executive committee met last Friday pursuant to call of the chairman. But as there were only nine of the committee present and as it takes eleven to constitute a quorum, no business was transacted and the committee adjourned to meet again on Friday, January 31, at the court house. At the next meeting the matter of test, date for primary, etc., will be considered. A full attendance of the committee is desired as the business to be brought up is of an important nature.

The ladies of the Methodist church will give the public a unique entertainment at the opera house on Wednesday evening the 29th inst. They have secured Geo. C. Landrum, the "impersonator and comic story teller." The remarkable thing about Mr. Landrum is that he is in greatest demand where he has once been, and the public have the opportunity not only of helping the ladies to pay for the furniture in the new church, but also the promise of a first-class entertainment. The popular prices of 50, 35, and 25 cents will be made, and the tickets will be on sale at Harry Castleburg's.

Oh in the stillly night a racking cough doth rob us of that sweet sleep which nature seeks to give Simmons' Cough Syrup is an infallible cure; untroubled sleep and pleasant dreams it doth assure. Guaranteed Price 25 and 50 cts.

Foley's Kidney Cure
makes kidneys and bladder right.
at J. G. Haring's.

Mr. Oscar S. Moore, a brother of H. F. Moore, cashier of the First National bank of Crockett, was the guest of his brother Saturday and Sunday. Mr. Moore is from Dayton, Ohio, and travels all over the United States. He says that by drawing a line north through Texas by way of San Antonio, Waco and Dallas and on to Kansas, then east to the eastern boundary of Missouri and then south through Mississippi to the gulf, you have the most prosperous section of the United States. He says East Texas is enjoying her full share of this prosperity, and he was very enthusiastic over the prospects of Crockett and Houston county.

Notice to Candidates.

As the time for announcing for office is about at hand, the COURIER desires to say that it is ready to receive same, and that the cash must accompany each announcement. A man on entering the race for an office very naturally pays his announcement fee with much better heart than after he is beaten, and all can not be elected. And then announcing is something like going to a show. You pay the admission price with much better heart before seeing the performance than you would afterward even though you get your money's worth. So candidates will please not ask us to credit them. And we desire further to say that any communication or article in the interest of any candidate will be charged for.

A Delightful Entertainment.

Mrs. J. W. Madden entertained the Ladies' Social club at her hospitable home on last Thursday afternoon, from 3 to 6 o'clock. Quite a number of ladies attended and all enjoyed themselves hugely. Music was dispensed by Stanton's Orchestra, and this was a most pleasant feature of the occasion. Refreshments were served, and when the prize was drawn for, Mrs. J. G. Haring drew the lucky number, the prize consisting of an elegant silver-plated letter opener. Assisted by Mrs. J. B. Valentine and Mrs. Chas. Madden, Mrs. Madden exhibited much tact and skill in the entertainment of her guests, and all went away feeling that the evening had been a very delightful one, and the occasion was one that will be remembered with pleasure by all who were present.

"Some time ago my daughter caught a severe cold. She complained of pains in her chest and had a severe cough. I gave her Chamberlain's Cough Remedy according to directions and in two days she was well and able to go to school. I have used this remedy in my family now for the past seven years and have never known it to fail." says James Prendergast, merchant, Annato Bay, Jamaica, West India Islands. The pains in the chest indicated an approaching attack of pneumonia, which in this instance was undoubtedly warded off by Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It counteracts any tendency of a cold toward pneumonia. For sale by B. F. Chamberlain.

La Grippe coughs often continue for months and sometimes lead to fatal results after the patient is supposed to have passed the danger point. Foley's Honey and Tar affords positive protection and security from these coughs.—J. G. Haring.

Grapeland Letter.

ED. COURIER:

The poet laureate of England has written a recent poem, one verse of which says:

"Should envious aliens plan and plot
'Gainst one and now the other,
They swift would learn how strong the knot
Binds brother unto brother.
How quickly they would change their tack
And show the recreant feather,
Should Star and Stripe and Union Jack
But float mast high together."

And now our government is making grand preparations to bend the knee to royalty in receiving Prince Henry and to have a representative to represent the United States at the coronation of a king! Shades of Washington, Jefferson and Jackson, whither are we drifting? Have the American people lost all sense of patriotism? Will they quietly submit to this toadyism without a protest? Is imperialism really popular? We wait and see.

Our little town is growing slowly and surely. The hum of the gin, the whir of the saw mill and the rattle of the hammer is a constant din.

Mr. J. E. Hollingsworth is preparing to erect a block of brick buildings on the lot where he was burned out over a year ago.

Rev. J. E. Kennedy passed through our town Saturday on his way to Daly to preach.

A case of smallpox is reported near Daly.

A thief entered Dr. Woodard's residence last Thursday night and stole \$25.00 from the doctor's pants pockets.

The weather has been very dry here for the last month, but indications are good for a rain today.

The Christian church has secured the services of Henry Hamilton for this year. He will preach second Sunday of each month.

Our school is progressing finely under the excellent management of Prof. Wat Mathews and his efficient assistant, Miss Holman.

Mrs. Meriwether's music class is progressing nicely.

Health is excellent and if it continues the doctors will have to bore for oil. "BEE'R RABBIT."

N. Jackson, Danville, Ill., writes: "My daughter had a severe attack of la grippe and a terrible cough settled on her lungs. We tried a great many remedies without giving relief. She tried Foley's Honey and Tar which cured her. She has never been troubled with a cough since." J. G. Haring.

Frank Treadwell, Bennett, Ia., was troubled with kidney disease for two years. He writes: "I had taken several kinds of kidney remedies, but with little benefit. Finally I tried Foley's Kidney Cure and a one dollar bottle cured me." J. G. Haring.

How to Succeed in Business.

Keep your liver in good condition by using Simmons' Liver Purifier (tin box). It corrects constipation, cures indigestion, biliousness, stops headache, gets your heart in the right place so you can smile at your neighbor.

For Pneumonia.

Dr. C. J. Bishop, Agnew, Mich., says: "I have used Foley's Honey and Tar in three very severe cases of pneumonia with good results in every case." Bishop, Agnew, Mich. J. G. Haring.

SPECIAL SHOE SALE AT

"THE BIG STORE."

If you want good shoes, shoes that are low-priced and shoes to fit you, then we are the people you should interview. Just to get up a little excitement we have marked down the prices on our shoes. The winter isn't near over yet, but we must make room for our spring stock before time for it to come in.

One lot Children's Spring heel Shoes, guaranteed solid leather, bright dongola uppers, lace only, sizes 5 to 8, for only..... 65c

Lot Children's Shoes, full Vic Kid, inlaid velvet top, lace only, sizes 5 to 8, an elegant shoe for 98c

Huiskamp's "Reliance" Children's Shoes, heel or spring heel, Milwaukee grain, solid leather throughout, bradded and sewed, button only, worth \$1.25, for only..... 90c

Lot of the celebrated Tennent Strubling Misses' Shoes, box calf, lace only, spring heels, sizes 8 to 12, were \$1.50, now only.....\$1 00

Ladies' and Misses' genuine Vic Kid Shoes, extension soles, elegantly finished, lace only, all sizes, the best shoe for the money that you can buy, worth \$3.50, but now only.....\$3 00

One lot Ladies' Shoes, pebble grain, all solid leather, common sense heel and toe, lace or button, all sizes, were \$1, now..... 89c

Ladies' oil grain, button, common sense Shoes, bradded and sewed, solid piece uppers, sole leather counters, were \$1.50, now.....\$1 20

One lot Ladies' Dress Shoes, bright dongola button, patent leather tips, stylish heels and toes, hand sewed, were \$1.25, now..... 98c

Ladies' bright dongola lace Shoes, late style heels and toes, solid leather throughout, splendid wearing shoes, were \$1.50, now....\$1 25

Ladies' A 1 Dress Shoes, Vic Kid, all solid leather, any style heel and toe, any size you want, lace only, were \$2, now.....\$1 70

Boys' Dress Shoes, French calf, solid leather throughout, extension soles, lace only, sizes 13 to 2, worth \$1.50, now.....\$1 25

Boys' Plow Shoes, Milwaukee grain, Creedmore, solid leather throughout, sizes 3 to 5, were \$1.25, now only.....\$1 00

Desnoyer's Shoes for Men, best everyday shoes you can find, full stock calf and oil grain, lace congress and button, solid leather throughout, all sizes, from \$1.00 to.....\$1 65

One lot Men's Tan Shoes, Florsheim, Huiskamp and Stacy-Adams makes, all styles and sizes, these are bargains, were \$3.00 to \$5.00, now \$2.50 to.....\$4 25

JAS. S. SHIVERS & CO.

Pretty Children

"We have three children. Before the birth of the last one my wife used four bottles of MOTHER'S FRIEND. If you had the pictures of our children, you could see at a glance that the last one is healthiest, prettiest and finest-looking of them all. My wife thinks Mother's Friend is the greatest and grandest remedy in the world for expectant mothers." Written by a Kentucky Attorney-at-Law.



MOTHER'S FRIEND prevents nine-tenths of the suffering incident to childbirth. The coming mother's disposition and temper remain unruffled throughout the ordeal, because this relaxing, penetrating liniment relieves the usual distress. A good-natured mother is pretty sure to have a good-natured child. The patient is kept in a strong, healthy condition, which the child also inherits. Mother's Friend takes a wife through the crisis quickly and almost painlessly. It assists in her rapid recovery, and wards off the dangers that so often follow delivery.

Sold by druggists for \$1 a bottle. THE BRADFIELD REGULATOR CO. ATLANTA, GA. Send for our free illustrated book written especially for expectant mothers.

A Longtown gentleman, whose fruit orchards had been very often robbed, caught a boy up one of his trees. "Come down, you young rascal!" shouted the owner. "Noa fear and you there," replied the arch. "Well, I'll wait till you do." "Verra weel," said the lad. They had waited about an hour, when an idea occurred to the boy. Snatching an apple he took a steady aim and hit the old fellow on the head with it. "Hallo, what's up now?" "It's just this, I'm gann to show you how I'll every apple off the tree unless ye promise not to lick me." "The old man was a bit of a rascal," said the lad. London Advertiser.

TUNE WAS TOO SUGGESTIVE.

Automatic Musical Chair That Married a Funeral's Solemnity. Mr. Black, a wealthy resident of Brooklyn, who died recently, was a man of many fads, chief among which was a mania for "machine" music—that ground out by the hand organ and the music box. As a visitor entered his house some secret connection with the door started the flustering strains of "Hail to the Chief," to the accompaniment of which the astonished guest was ushered into the reception room. Clocks of every sort sounded fitting music to the passing hours; in short, every piece of furniture in the house seemed in some way to be connected with a hidden orchestra. Mr. Black's death was untimely; a hand organ with a new and wonderful combination of every orchestral instrument that blares, suddenly began a concert in front of his house. In his eagerness to examine this new musical marvel, Mr. Black tripped and fell down the long staircase, and his life paid the penalty of his final pursuit of his ideal. Before the funeral extreme care was taken to silence all the harmonies of the house. For two days the servants labored diligently disconnecting wires and removing offending furniture. At last they rested from their labors and the last sad hour arrived. The exercises were conducted in the house, and as the minister was concluding his panegyric on the departed a belated mourner entered and was shown to the one empty seat, a chair in an obscure corner. Silently the late comer tiptoed to the chair and quietly sank into its depths. Instantly there pealed forth a loud chord and then without interruption there came forth the loud, strident notes of "There'll be a hot time in the old town to-night." All efforts to silence the music were futile. In notes that drowned the minister and were plainly audible for blocks the music continued and not until the last strain had died away was the minister able to conclude his remarks.—Chicago Chronicle.

Big Job on His Hands. Mark M. Fagan, whom the Republicans have renominated for mayor of Jersey City, N. J., has undertaken the largest contract ever attempted in that state. He has promised, if elected, to keep politics out of all the city departments, and the voters out of politics. "It's worth seeing him," said an old Democrat, "just to see how he will do it."

BAKING A TURKEY.

An Expert Says It Is Generally Done in a Wrong Way. "Ninety-nine women out of every one hundred; ninety-nine cooks out of every one hundred, will bake a turkey with the back to the pan," said a New Orleans man who keeps in touch with the kitchen, "and this is a mistake. I said ninety-nine out of every one hundred. Rather should I have said that the mistake is almost universally made. But few cooks ever think of cooking the turkey any other way. There seems to be a demand for well-browned turkey breast. But in browning the breast they sacrifice the sweetness of this part of the fowl. The best way to prepare a turkey is to bake it with the breast down. I learned this lesson from Miss. Boggs, whose place down in the Old Quarter near the French market has become famed all over the country. She never thinks of baking a turkey with the breast up. The breast is turned to the bottom of the pan, and instead of being dry and tasteless when it is served is richly flavored, and as sweet and juicy as one would care to have it. You see, all the fine flavoring of the turkey, the juices of the dressing and a little daintier touches flow down toward the breast of the fowl, and when the white meat is served you get the full benefit of every flavor added during the process of preparing and baking the turkey, in addition to the distinctive taste of the fowl itself. Inconvenient and awkward? Not at all. It is just as easy to cook a turkey in this way as in any other way, and the result is infinitely more satisfactory. It is no trouble to arrange the fowl in the pan. If you decide to place the fowl on the table before carving it you will find that it will look quite as well as it would if baked in the usual way, and certainly it will taste much better than it would if you baked the breast until it was dry and flavorless."—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

"A Good Excuse." The Alger (Ohio) Gazette failed to appear during a recent week, and the editor in his issue for the following week gave the following excuse for the omission: "Born, to Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Richards, last Wednesday, a ten-pound baby girl. That's the reason the Gazette was not published last week, and we think it is a good excuse. We felt too jubilant after we found out we were Dad to think much about work. We think our readers will forgive the omission. We are not used to being called Dad yet, but feel proud of the fact that we are."

LI WROTE TO BOTH MEN.

Not They Compared Notes and Spoiled His Effect. Many tales are told of the dealings of Li Hung Chang with his diplomatic subordinates, and there is a characteristic story afloat with regard to his relations with the present Minister to England, Sir Chih-chen Lo Feng Luh. The time was that of the siege of the legations in Peking, when all the civilized world was in fear as to the fate of the beleaguered, and when China, with her emissaries and all pertaining to her, was looked on with no very friendly eye. Li Hung Chang was the virtual ruler of China, and it was from him that the various ministers and ambassadors received their instructions. There had, apparently, been some fresh manifestation of European displeasure, when one day the minister in England received from Li a message, the purport of which was as follows: "We are not satisfied with your efforts in London. The English are hostile, and you must do something to alter matters. You are not energetic enough. You are neglecting to influence the government. The man who is doing the work is your colleague in Washington, Wu-Ting-fang. He is the man you should imitate." Wu-Ting-fang was for Li's little game, Sir Chih-chen and Wu-Ting-fang happened to be close friends, and the minister here considered what had happened to his friend in Washington. Wu-Ting-fang was, to say the least of it, surprised. "This is very extraordinary," he replied. "I also have had a message from Li Hung Chang. This is what he says to me: 'Your efforts are not giving satisfaction. We feel you should be more energetic, and that you should try to influence the American government to take our side in this affair. You are not doing half enough, and, if you want an example, you should turn to Sir Chih-chen Lo Feng Luh, the minister in London. He is the man who is doing all the work.'"—The Candid Friend.

Gambling for Prayer Books. The ladies of the town of Arensburg are passionate card players. Since they are not allowed to play at the local clubs they make up games at their friends' houses and gamble all day through. As soon as the cash funds run short they take to various articles, mostly toilet belongings. Thus one lost to another her corset, one lost a bonnet, a third some lace and perfumes, and they go even as far as losing their prayer books.—Arensburg Tageblatt.

BAD BLOOD, BAD COMPLEXION.

The skin is the seat of an almost endless variety of diseases. They are known by various names, but are all due to the same cause, acid and other poisons in the blood that irritate and interfere with the proper action of the skin. To have a smooth, soft skin, free from all eruptions, the blood must be kept pure and healthy. The many preparations of arsenic and potash and the large number of face powders and lotions generally used in this class of diseases cover up for a short time, but cannot remove permanently the ugly blotches and the red, disfiguring pimples. Eternal vigilance is the price of a beautiful complexion when such remedies are relied on. Mr. H. T. Shobe, 274 Lucas Avenue, St. Louis, Mo., says: "My daughter was afflicted for years with a disfiguring eruption on her face, which resisted all treatment. She was taken to two celebrated health springs, but received no benefit. Many medicines were prescribed, but without result, until we decided to try S. S. S., and by the time the first bottle was finished the eruption began to disappear. A dozen bottles cured her completely and left her skin perfectly smooth. She is now seventeen years old, and not a sign of the embarrassing disease has ever returned." S. S. S. is a positive, unflinching cure for the worst forms of skin troubles. It is the greatest of all blood purifiers, and the only one guaranteed purely vegetable. Bad blood makes bad complexions. SSS purifies and invigorates the old and makes new, rich blood that nourishes the body and keeps the skin active and healthy and in proper condition to perform its part towards carrying off the impurities from the body. If you have Eczema, Tetter, Acne, Salt Rheum, Poor skin, or your skin is rough and pimply, send for our book on Blood and Skin Diseases and write our physicians about your case. No charge whatever for this service. SWIFT SPECIFIC COMPANY, ATLANTA, GA.

WHAT SETTLERS IN SASKATCHEWAN VALLEY HAVE TO SAY.

Formerly from the United States. Rosthern, July 8th, 1900. Frank Pedley, Esq., Superintendent of Immigration. Sir:—We, the undersigned settlers in Saskatchewan, Township 43 Range 6, beg to submit the following letter. We came from Springfield, Borhomme County, S. Dakota, in the spring of 1899, and settled where we now reside. We had considerable crop last year we put in on new breaking, and it was very good, and this year, 1900, our crop is excellent. Our wheat will yield about twenty bushels to the acre, the oats and barley are also very good, and our potatoes and root crop all that could be desired. We consider this a fine country and are glad we came, as our prospects could not be better. A poor man will get a start in this country much quicker than in Dakota.

We are, yours respectfully, John H. Schultz, H. A. Goshen, S. Gora, B. H. Dirks, C. D. Urny, P. Urny, and A. Ratzlief. All from South Dakota, U. S. A.

Germany owns twenty-four of the sixty-one palatial ocean racers afloat.

INSIST ON GETTING IT.

Some grocers say they don't keep DeLancey Starch because they have a stock in hand of 12 oz brands, which they know cannot be sold to a customer who has once used the 16 oz. pkg. DeLancey Starch for same money.

"But his letters are so gushing," they protested to the fair young thing who was corresponding with a sentimental youth. "I know they are," she said, "but you must remember that he writes with a fountain pen."—Baltimore American.

Stops the Cough and Works Off the Cold. Laxative Broncho-Quinine Tablets. Price 25c.

"Every Cuban must have his helper," says an army officer who has been serving in the island. "You can not hire a carpenter for an hour unless you provide him with a helper to hand his hammer and nails and talk to him."

Pain's Cure is the best medicine ever used for all affections of the throat and lungs.—Wm. O. Emery, Vancouver, Ind., Feb. 10, 1900.

Last year the municipality of Berlin derived a profit of more than \$2,000,000 from the city gas works, which represent an investment of about \$15,000,000. Much of the profit came from such by-products as coke, tar, ammonia—in fact it may be said that the entire expense of maintaining the gas works was paid from the manufacture and sale of these articles, so that the direct receipts from gas were almost clear gain.

Mr. Simms has over 1000 acres of land in cultivation nearby and the store was established for the purpose chiefly to supply his tenants.



PRICE, 25c.

GENTLEMEN HERE IS YOUR CHANCE!

Are you married? If not, why not marry? We will give the names, addresses and descriptions of twelve ladies who wish to marry. Ages from 17 to 40. They have from \$10,000 to \$75,000 in cash. We will send you all the particulars for \$1.00 or all twelve for \$10.00. Send for all and take your choice. Don't lose the most favorable. WHY NOT MARRY RIGHT AWAY? Write to: CONFECTIONER CORRESPONDENCE CLUB, Drawer 577, Lancaster, Pa.

OPIUM WHISKY and other drug habits cured. We want the sure cure. Book and references FREE. Dr. E. M. WOOLLEY, Box 37, Atlanta, Ga.

Agents Wanted You can earn \$5 per mo. handling our Portraits and frames. Write for terms. C. H. ADGERTON & Co., 572 Elm St., Dallas, Tex.

DROPSY NEW DISCOVERY, gives quick relief and cures worst cases. Book of testimonials and how to SATISFACTION. FREE. DR. H. B. GREEN'S HOME, Box 2, Atlanta, Ga.

Use CERTAIN CHILL CURE Price, 50c.

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W. N. U. HOUSTON, NO. 4, 1902

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WISCONSIN CURE FOR... Cures with all the best... Best... FREE... DR. H. B. GREEN'S HOME

EAT A BED TIME MEAL.

But Avoid Partaking of Heavy and Almost Indigestible Food.

What is one man's meat is another man's poison; some people sleep better on a full stomach and some better on an empty one, and there probably always will be two parties in the world, the advocates of supper and those who condemn it, just as there are people who recommend a hearty breakfast and those who advocate a morning meal consisting of coffee and a roll. But the advocates of going to bed on a full stomach are increasing, and many physicians now recommend a bed time meal for weak, nervous and emaciated persons. While rich and hearty food is undoubtedly inappropriate at bed time, a light nourishing repast at night often conduces to sound sleep by drawing the blood away from the brain. The long hours of sleep consume about one-third of our existence. Although there is naturally much less demand upon the system during sleep than during our waking hours, there is still a wasting away of tissue consequent upon the suspension of nutriment for so many hours. If the food taken at dinner is digested by bed time the body feeds upon itself during the sleeping hours. Often one is wakeful and restless at night because the stomach is empty.

One physician says: "Man is the only animal I know of who does not deem it proper to sleep on a good meal. The infant instinctively cries to be fed at night, showing that food is necessary at that time, as well as during the day, and that being left too long without it causes the child discomfort." So, if you crave it, the supper advocates say, eat a light, easily digested supper at bed time and the long hours of sleep will work out for you a problem in addition, instead of subtraction in adipose tissue. But in your eating at bed time be careful what you eat, always having in mind the sad fate of little Mary:

Mary had a little lamb, Some steak and mushroom stew; And ere the sunlit morning broke She had the nightmare, too. —New York Press.

FRIENDS OF ROOSEVELT.

Ways in Which They Make Life Pleasant for the President.

We have never had a President like Roosevelt. This is said often, and is true in several respects. It is especially true socially. He knows so many people in other than a political way. There is almost no part of the country where he cannot go and find friends other than political ones. If he goes on a hunting expedition in the far west, he finds college mates to entertain him. If he goes to Farmington he finds relatives. If he stops at New Haven he falls into a group which includes a rough rider or two. When he goes over to New York he puts up with his own people and after dinner goes to the Century Club and spends an evening, as any member might.

What other President have we had who was at home everywhere in such associations as these? Mr. McKinley, as the results of public experience of twenty-five years, knew men in all parts of the country, but they were mostly politicians and statesmen. If he went anywhere he was entertained with more or less stiffness and had little of the freedom of the private citizen. There is no President we have ever had, says the Waterbury American, who everywhere could find the hospitality which is extended to the man, and not the president, who, therefore, could enjoy inure or less social privacy and could conceal himself from the exposure to which a President is subjected as President Roosevelt can.

Postal Fame for All.

It used to be necessary to be a celebrity if your portrait was to adorn a postal card. Ordinary citizens who had never distinguished themselves in some such profession as the theater, for instance, could not enjoy the delight of seeing their pictures prepared to travel through the mails visible to every postman who delivered the card. Now days fame is not indispensable to the enjoyment of this sensation. There are photographic studios in the city that will print three pictures on postal cards for the modest sum of 25 cents, and the operation is so brief that the subject has the satisfaction of taking the cards out of the establishment within a few minutes.

Queer Street Names.

Peerless street, in London, is a corruption of Perilous Pool. Golden square was originally Gelding square and the name was changed at the wish of the inhabitants. Fetter lane has nothing to do with fetters, but only with fawtors, idle fellows, who once loafed in the neighborhood. Gutter lane, in the city, is really Gutheron's Lane. Buck's Foot lane, near Cannon street, should be Duke's Foot lane, being so named after the Duke of Suffolk. Cannon street has nothing to do with guns, but everything with candles, which were made in it when called Candlewick street.

No fewer than 587,884 prisoners were in the prisoners of British India in 1899-1900, an increase of 92,064 over the number for 1891. Of this huge total only 24,555 were females, which is a smaller proportion than in western countries.

Alumina has just been employed for the construction of a new fireproof theater curtain. The curtain is sixty feet wide by fifty-four feet high and is composed of sheets one-twentieth of an inch thick.

WHAT CAUSES DANDRUFF?

Greatest European Authority on Skin Diseases. Says It's a Germ.

The old idea was that dandruff is scales of skin thrown off, through a feverish condition of the scalp, is exploded. Prof. Unna, Hamburg, Germany, European authority on skin diseases, says dandruff is a germ disease. The germ burrows under the scalp, throwing up little scales of cuticle, and sapping the vitality of the hair at the root. The only hair preparation that kills dandruff germs is "Newbro's Herculid." "Destroy the cause, you remove the effect." Not only cures dandruff, but stops falling hair and causes a luxuriant growth. Delightful hair dressing.

"If I had not been brought up a dean," says Dr. Hole of Rochester, "there are three other vocations I should have liked to have followed: Master of a pack of hounds, head gardener in a large nursery, or a bookseller. I think the last is the best office of the three."

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

Attached to the door of the parish church of Seale, near Farnham, England, is the following notice: "Be in time. Come straight into church. Kneel down. Do not look around every time the door opens. Stand up directly the hymns are given out. Do not whisper to your neighbor. Keep your thoughts fixed."

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In a new church at Fairview, Ky., a marble tablet set in the wall has this inscription: "Jefferson Davis of Mississippi, was born June 3, 1808, on the site of this church. He made a gift of the lot March 19, 1886, to Bethel Baptist church, as a thank offering to God."



Miss Marion Cunningham, the Popular Young Treasurer of the Young Woman's Club of Emporia, Kans., has This to Say of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—Your Vegetable Compound cured me of womb trouble from which I had been a great sufferer for nearly three years. During that time I was very irregular and would often have intense pain in the small of my back, and blinding headaches and severe cramps. For three months I used Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and aches and pains are as a past memory, while health and happiness is my daily experience now. You certainly have one grateful friend in Emporia, and I have praised your Vegetable Compound to a large number of my friends. You have my permission to publish my testimonial in connection with my picture. Yours sincerely, MISS MARION CUNNINGHAM, Emporia, Kans."

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When women are troubled with irregular, suppressed or painful menstruation, weakness, leucorrhoea, displacement or ulceration of the womb, that bearing-down feeling, inflammation of the ovaries, backache, bloating (or flatulence), general debility, indigestion, and nervous prostration, or are beset with such symptoms as dizziness, faintness, lassitude, excitability, irritability, nervousness, sleeplessness, melancholy, "all-gone," and "want-to-be-left-alone" feelings, blues, and hopelessness, they should remember there is one tried and true remedy, Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound at once removes such troubles. Refuse to buy any other medicine, for you need the best.

Mrs. Pinkham invites all sick women to write her for advice. She has guided thousands to health. Address, Lynn, Mass.

Advertisement for Salzer's Seeds. Includes text: "Salzer's Seeds Never Fail. It is a fact that Salzer's Seeds are grown to more gardens, and planted on more acres in America than any other. There is reason for this—SALZER'S SEEDS NEVER FAIL. No matter how poor the soil or inclement the weather, Salzer's Seeds produce. We are the largest growers of Vegetable and Farm Seeds, operating over 4,000 acres, and have made the following assortment of seeds—150 Kinds for 16c, Postpaid. 150 kinds of finest hardy Garden Seeds. 150 kinds of finest hardy Garden Seeds. 150 kinds of finest hardy Garden Seeds. 150 kinds of finest hardy Garden Seeds. JOHN A. SALZER SEED COMPANY, La Crosse, Wis."

Advertisement for California Fig Syrup Co. titled "THE CHILDREN ENJOY". Includes text: "Life out of doors and out of the games which they play and the enjoyment which they receive and the efforts which they make, comes the greater part of that healthful development which is so essential to their happiness when grown. When a laxative is needed the remedy which is given to them to cleanse and sweeten and strengthen the internal organs on which it acts, should be such as physicians would sanction, because its component parts are known to be wholesome and the remedy itself free from every objectionable quality. The one remedy which physicians and parents, well-informed, approve and recommend and which the little ones enjoy, because of its pleasant flavor, its gentle action and its beneficial effects, is—Syrup of Figs—and for the same reason it is the only laxative which should be used by fathers and mothers. Syrup of Figs is the only remedy which acts gently, pleasantly and naturally without griping, irritating, or nauseating and which cleanses the system effectually, without producing that constipated habit which results from the use of the old-time cathartics and modern imitations, and against which the children should be so carefully guarded. If you would have them grow to manhood and womanhood, strong, healthy and happy, do not give them medicines, when medicines are not needed, and when nature needs assistance in the way of a laxative, give them only the simple, pleasant and gentle—Syrup of Figs. Its quality is due not only to the excellence of the combination of the laxative principles of plants with pleasant aromatic syrups and juices, but also to our original method of manufacture and as you value the health of the little ones, do not accept any of the substitutes which unscrupulous dealers sometimes offer to increase their profits. The genuine article may be bought anywhere of all reliable druggists at fifty cents per bottle. Please to remember, the full name of the Company—CALIFORNIA FIG SYRUP CO.—is printed on the front of every package. In order to get its beneficial effects it is always necessary to buy the genuine only."

The Crockett Courier.

W. B. PAGE, Editor and Proprietor
W. W. AIKEN, Publisher and Local Editor
CROCKETT, TEXAS.

It looks as if the old Yale spirit had got into the Harvard jug.

King Edward will be crowned June 28. His millinery is sent home in time.

Anarchy is about to take its place where it belongs—at the head of the list of crimes.

A 20-foot giraffe in Greater New York has obligingly absorbed the visible supply of influenza.

One-eighth of the British empire's population are of British descent; the remainder are ascending.

The politician may always be relied upon to reflect popular opinion with prompt, unerring accuracy.

Hate a big-souled man and he will forget it; despise him and he will remember it to his dying day.

Gen. Lew Wallace expects to have his autobiography ready for the printer in the course of a few months.

There are fewer orators in congress these days. The dry frost of increasing business nips the young jaws in the bud.

There's to be another whisky trust, but there is no reason to believe that whisky will be put beyond the reach of the masses.

Professor Garner has succeeded in teaching a chimpanzee two English words, but the brute never can remember them in company.

The New Hampshire man who has a record of having sawed a cord of hard wood in an hour and a half must have some lovely lungs.

If wireless telegraphy becomes general it will only be necessary to send up a kite to tap the information putting a girle around the earth.

The truly wise man groans under the burden of his wisdom. None will ease him of it, and none will stop to ask him where and how he got it.

Conservative prophets predict that if the present year is more prosperous than last 1902 will make a better showing than did 1901. This is at least safe.

Foreigners are requested to look the other way while the Chinese court enters Peking. Why not let the spectacle be enjoyed through smoked glasses?

A St. Louis man and his wife provided a Christmas tree for their dog this year. Did Santa find any children's stockings hanging up in that house Christmas eve?

The London Saturday Review puts the business of 1901 this way: "America had a boom, while England had three slumps." This is scarcely statistical, yet we fancy we can grasp it fairly well.

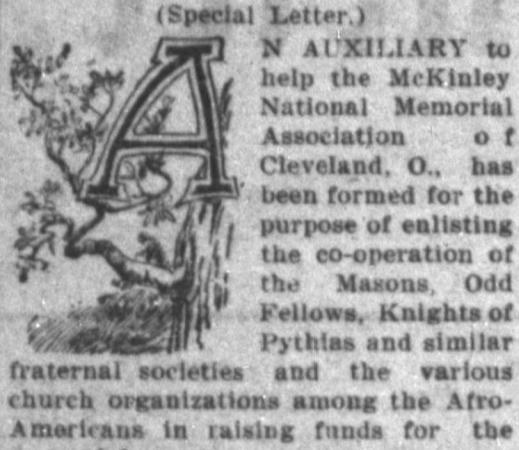
The Mexicans are favoring the proposed Olympian games in Chicago. There was a time in Mexico's history when the Aztec kings settled their differences by resorting to a friendly game of what is now called football.

San Francisco bay is to be tunneled to accommodate the traffic between opposite sections of the city which now has to go around. The distance is about five miles and the subway will pass beneath an island in the bay.

Minneapolis Times: The Milwaukee ministers are engaged in a crusade against gambling and will carry the war into the municipal campaign next spring. They will interview every candidate on the subject and those that are not outspoken in support of the reform movement will be attacked from the pulpit. Some of the Milwaukee politicians will be subjected to a terrible strain.

Secretary Hay and Lord Pauncefote have a most honorable ambition if they are seeking to settle all the questions in dispute between this country and Great Britain, with reference to Canada. The most serious question is that of the Alaskan boundary. Practical agreement, as we understand, was reached by the joint high commission on all other questions. But our British friends wished everything settled or everything left open, and as the commission could not get together on the Alaskan boundary, its deliberations were indefinitely postponed. Perhaps some settlement will be more easily attained. This country has whatever it wishes to demand. It would seem to be impossible to have rights.

Washington Letter



(Special Letter.)
AN AUXILIARY to help the McKinley National Memorial Association of Cleveland, O., has been formed for the purpose of enlisting the co-operation of the Masons, Odd Fellows, Knights of Pythias and similar fraternal societies and the various church organizations among the Afro-Americans in raising funds for the memorial.

Members of the New York delegation, including Senator Platt, will bring in a bill shortly after Congress resumes business next month appropriating enough money to reimburse the creditors of the Pan-American exposition at Buffalo. The corporation that controlled the exposition is bankrupt. Without congressional aid, it is said, the creditors will have to go without their money.

The first bill introduced in the present Congress designed to perpetuate the name and memory of the late President McKinley by making his birthday a national legal holiday, was introduced by Representative William Alden Smith of Michigan. After Garfield died many similar bills, which, if they had passed, would have made Garfield's birthday a legal holiday, were introduced in Congress.

Some congressmen have discovered, or believe they have, that President Roosevelt gives preference to senators in granting prompt audience. If the room is crowded and there are representatives and senators among the waiting, instead of taking them in the order of their arrival, the President, it is said, singles out senators and keeps the members of the lower house waiting. Of course they are offended. Which shows there are several brands of trouble which a President may encounter.

Thus far Speaker Henderson has



not withdrawn his resignation, tendered several days ago to the Metropolitan Club, although the board of governors has importuned him to do so. They have gone to him and presented an official apology for the discourteous treatment which was accorded him. He promises to give the matter consideration.

Hon. Sereno E. Payne, representing the 28th New York Congressional district, is a native of his state, having been born at Hamilton, N. Y., in 1843. He was first elected to the forty-eighth Congress, and with the exception of the fiftieth Congress, has served continuously ever since.

Mr. Payne is the leader of his party on the floor of the House. As chairman of the Committee on Ways and Means, which is by far the most important committee in the House, he is overwhelmed with public business of every conceivable character.

"There is to be no tariff revision at this session of Congress," says Mr. Payne, "and, in fact, the consensus of opinion amongst Republicans, so far as I have been able to learn, is that we are getting along as well as possible, and it certainly would not be wise to tinker with the schedules."

"I am strongly opposed to the Babcock bill for the reduction of duty on certain iron and steel products, and on general principles would fight any attempt at piece-meal tariff legislation."

Mr. Payne believes that there will be provision made for the Nicaragua canal at this session, if the treaty is satisfactory, and if so he will favor it.

"I have noticed no change in the sentiment of leading Republicans on the trust question," he says. "The Republicans passed an anti-trust bill through the house at the last session that went as far as the Constitution would permit."

Mr. Payne expects an extremely busy session, and one lasting well up into July of August.

Secretary and Mrs. Hay have announced Feb. 5 as the date of the marriage of their daughter, Miss Helen Hay, to Mr. Payne Whitney of New York. The ceremony will take place

at the Church of the Covenant on Connecticut avenue. Dr. Hamlin, pastor of the church, officiating, assisted by a number of other ministers of the Presbyterian church. Miss Hay will be given away by her father, Secretary Hay, and will have as bridesmaids her sister, Miss Alice Hay, and the sister of the groom, Miss Dorothy Whitney. The eight ushers will be selected from the New York friends of Mr. Whitney, and the name of the best man is not yet known.

ROSA BONHEUR'S BEATH.

The Last Pleasure That the Great Artist Experienced in Life.

In Harper's Magazine Jules Claretie relates a pathetic incident attendant on the death of Rosa Bonheur, whose friend and critic he had been for many years:

"It was while visiting Paris, during a rainy spell, and after having rashly taken an open carriage from her house to the station, that the artist caught cold," says M. Claretie, "and on arriving at By went to bed, never to rise again. One might well have said that Rosa Bonheur was made for the country, for the peasantry, and for the animals, and that she should never have left them even for a day. At all events, she came back to die among them, and sweetly, without complaint, resigned and resolute, just as she had lived through so many years of hard work. It was my mournful consolation to be able to give my beloved friend her last pleasure. I had written in the Journal apropos of the medal of honor which the Salon jury wished to give her, only they knew she would have refused it. Into this article I put all my admiration for the artist, all my respect for the woman. I was ignorant of the fact that, having been imprudent enough to brave the cold at Paris, Rosa Bonheur had returned to By sick. What say I? Sick! Ah! she was lost, the victim of pulmonary congestion."

"She could no longer speak when the paper was brought to her. But the faithful servant, perceiving the name of Mlle. Rosa on the page, sat down by her pillow and read the article in a loud voice. The dying woman shook her head, and her lips parted in a last wan smile, which seemed to express thanks. This was in the morning. Gradually her vision grew clouded. That evening she was dead."

"And now I dedicate, as a new crown or chaplet for the monument erected in honor of Rosa Bonheur, these few pages of souvenirs—souvenirs of the affection with which she honored me, and of conversations far too short, alas! with one of the most noble and elevated of spirits, one of the artist's most unrivaled, and certain to remain illustrious in the future, whom it has been my privilege to know, to admire, and to love."

Bogus Gems.

It is declared, by people in a position to know, that a great deal of bogus jewelry is worn among the "400" of New York city, the vogue for artificial jewelry having begun about two seasons ago. This is said to be especially the case with pearls, perfectly matched ropes being exceedingly difficult of procurement. The imitations are indistinguishable from the real except under a glass, and then only to the eye of an expert. The demand for such ornaments of late has become so great that nowadays first-rate prices are obtainable for them, and, of course, the best workmen are engaged in manufacturing them. It is roundly stated that nine-tenths of the pearls now worn in New York are bogus. Imitation diamonds and rubies are also quite common, but not so much so as pearls.

The Future of the Globe.

It was believed by Lyell, the geologist, and other followers of Hutton, that the earth was a kind of "perpetual motion" machine, that is to say, would go on forever as it is, and has been, illuminated by the sun, and a habitation for plants and animals, race upon race; but Lord Kelvin showed, in his doctrine of the "Dissipation of Energy," that the solar system was running down like a clock, and that "within a finite period of time past the earth must have been, and within a finite period of time to come must again be, unfit for the habitation of man as at present constituted, unless operations have been, and are to be, performed which are impossible under the laws governing the known operations going on at present in the material world."

Summer Vacation Schools.

Nearly 1,000 men and women are employed to conduct summer vacation schools and playgrounds in the boroughs of Manhattan and the Bronx. Last summer more than 100,000 boys and girls were in more or less constant attendance.

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has given prominence in history to the now world famous Texas Panhandle. But a few years ago the wonderful possibilities of this region as a wheat country became known, and great things were prophesied for "The Granary of the South," which subsequent harvests justified. Comparatively recent is the demand of good lands for "Vernon Cautalopes," but it's come to stay. Those acquainted with this section and its wealth as a producer of feed-stuffs, corn and cotton have long believed in it, nor have they been moving away. When Northwestern Texas remained conspicuous for its excellence in the face of almost universally discouraging crop conditions, people began to see reasons for the faith of those inviting them to enter and possess the land; and now, with farms and ranches being bought daily by new settlers coming in by wagon and rail, three new railroads now building and four more projected, seeking a share of the general prosperity, good reason is evident for the favor with which the territory along "THE DENVER ROAD" is regarded by prospectors.

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Court House Items.

Henry Holcomb informs us that he will not be a candidate for reelection as tax assessor. The influences causing him to reach such a conclusion are of a private nature, such as the demands on him by his farming interests and the fact that the duties of the office require him to be away from his family so much of the time. Several names are already mentioned as probable candidates for this position, viz: Jno. Spence, Harvey Mobley, Tony Gossett, Charley Ellis and one or two others.

Attorney Jno. I. Moore will file papers before next district court in the nature of *quo warranto* proceedings for the purpose of testing the validity of the act removing Henry Kent from office as commissioner of precinct No. 2.

We are informed that Justice of the Peace Ed Callier will not be a candidate for re-election. No probable candidates are mentioned for this office yet.

A strong pressure is being brought from all parts of the county to bear on Hon. J. W. Madden to enter the race for county judge. We understand that he has the matter under consideration.

The amount of money collected under the road tax before the tax was enjoined by District Judge Gooch was \$248.41. Of this sum some seventy-five or eighty dollars have been refunded to those who paid it, leaving a balance of about \$160.00 in the hands of the collector to be returned.

In view of coming political events it will be interesting to those who are thinking of running for office to have some idea of what the earnings of the several county offices amount to in this county. Closely approximated the earnings are about as follows:

Of tax-assessor from \$1800 to \$2000.
Of tax-collector from \$1500 to \$1800.
Of sheriff from \$4500 to \$5000.
Of county clerk from \$4500 to \$5000.
Of district clerk from \$1000 to \$1300.
Of county judge from \$1500 to \$2000.
Of county attorney from \$2000 to \$2500.
Of county treasurer from \$900 to \$1200.

Tax collections are just a little behind those of same time last year. Those who have not paid should not forget that after the 31st of this month a penalty of ten per cent additional will be imposed on all delinquents after that date.

Petitions are on file to be presented to the next meeting of commissioners' court asking that all the property of petitioners be added to the city hog-law district. Such action will extend the city hog-law limits out as far as the limits were under the old law which was repealed a short time since.

The action of Holcomb and Callier in voluntarily declining to be candidates for office again breaks the rule which, it is said, Jefferson laid down with reference

to office-holders: "That few die and none ever resign."

No delusion is so sweet and alluring as the one which persuades many a good man to think that his popularity is so far-reaching and comprehensive that he can be elected to any office he wants.

"DOWN BY THE RIO GRANDE."

The Annual Event of the Two Republics. Yaqui, George Washington, the Laredos.

Some years since the citizens of Laredo and New Laredo conceived the idea of fittingly celebrating Washington's birthday, (February 22,) by suitable Mexican-American fiestas and parades, and from a small source this has grown to a magnificent annual event, unsurpassed in its splendid surroundings and interesting particulars by anything of a similar nature.

International in its character, located on the border line between the two great republics, occurring at a season of the year when business cares press lightly, and at a time when weather conditions in that locality are ideal, this event offers unsurpassed inducements to the pleasure seeker.

This year the celebration will consist of three days continuous festivities, February 21st, 22nd and 23rd, the principal day of course being the 22nd, and the program, which is very elaborate, will comprise several new and interesting features among which may be mentioned daylight and night illuminations, (the latter by electric illumination) torchlight parades, embodying typical Mexican and Indian features, sham battle and capture of the city by the Indians, Naval Fireworks, Military drills and display evolutions, Historical Pageants and trades display, Flower Carnival, Band and Musical contests, etc.

For this occasion low excursion rates will be made to Laredo, also for the benefit of those who desire to see more of Mexican life and customs, arrangements have been made for a sale of ten day excursion tickets to Monterey, permitting stop over at Laredo in order to take in the International celebration.

Any particular information desired can be ascertained from your nearest ticket agent, or by addressing D. J. PRICE, G. P. & T. A., I. & G. N. R. R., Palestine, Texas.

A Little Boy's Life Saved.

I have a few words to say regarding Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It saved my little boy's life and I feel that I cannot praise it enough. I bought a bottle of it from A. E. Steere of Goodwin, S. D. and when I got home with it the poor baby could hardly breathe. I gave the medicine as directed every ten minutes until he "threw up" and then I thought sure he was going to choke to death. We had to pull the phlegm out of his mouth in great long strings. I am positive that if I had not got that bottle of cough medicine my boy would not be on earth today. JOEL DEMONT, Inwood, Iowa. For sale by B. F. Chamberlain.

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Local News.

Highway Robbery.

Wm. Pearce, a horse trader, living at Grapeland for the present, was returning one night this week from Henry Ivey's, who lives on the road from Grapeland to Augusta, and was held up by a lone highwayman on the public road and made to turn over his money, amounting to one hundred and fifty dollars. The robber threw a pistol on Pearce and made him give up his money.

K. of P. Installation.

The following officers of Davy Crockett Lodge, No. 193, Knights of Pythias, were installed on Thursday night, January 16, by Grand Vice Chancellor John T. Bonner of Tyler:

Arch Baker, C. C.; R. H. Jaynes, V. C.; J. E. Monk, Prelate; S. L. Murchison, K. of R. and S.; W. King, M. W.; John H. Baker, M. of F.; J. T. Dawes, M. of E.; J. S. Cook, M. of A.; W. H. Kice, I. G.; H. A. Beasley, O. G.

A Stage Line.

There is a fine opening for some one to make money by putting on a regular daily stage or bus line from Crockett to the new town at Coltharp. The travel from Crockett out is and will be heavy and the return travel would also be fine. Here is a fine opportunity for Lace English or some one else. The travel to and from the new town to and from Crockett will continue heavy even after the road begins to run passenger trains from Lufkin.

Democratic Executive Committee.

The county democratic executive committee met last Friday pursuant to call of the chairman. But as there were only nine of the committee present and as it takes eleven to constitute a quorum, no business was transacted and the committee adjourned to meet again on Friday, January 31, at the court house. At the next meeting the matter of test, date for primary, etc., will be considered. A full attendance of the committee is desired as the business to be brought up is of an important nature.

The ladies of the Methodist church will give the public a unique entertainment at the opera house on Wednesday evening the 29th inst. They have secured Geo. C. Landrum, the "impersonator and comic story teller." The remarkable thing about Mr. Landrum is that he is in greatest demand where he has once been, and the public have the opportunity not only of helping the ladies to pay for the furniture in the new church, but also the promise of a first-class entertainment. The popular prices of 50, 35, and 25 cents will be made, and the tickets will be on sale at Harry Castleburg's.

Out in the stillly night a racking cough doth rob us of that sweet sleep which nature seeks to give. Simmons' Cough Syrup is an infallible cure; untroubled sleep and pleasant dreams it doth assure. Guaranteed. Price 25 and 50 cts.

Foley's Kidney Cure makes kidneys and bladder right. At 7. C. H. Hering's.

Mr. Oscar S. Moore, a brother of H. F. Moore, cashier of the First National bank of Crockett, was the guest of his brother Saturday and Sunday. Mr. Moore is from Dayton, Ohio, and travels all over the United States. He says that by drawing a line north through Texas by way of San Antonio, Waco and Dallas and on to Kansas, then east to the eastern boundary of Missouri and then south through Mississippi to the gulf, you have the most prosperous section of the United States. He says East Texas is enjoying her full share of this prosperity, and he was very enthusiastic over the prospects of Crockett and Houston county.

Notice to Candidates.

As the time for announcing for office is about at hand, the COURIER desires to say that it is ready to receive same, and that the cash must accompany each announcement. A man on entering the race for an office very naturally pays his announcement fee with much better heart than after he is beaten, and all can not be elected. And then announcing is something like going to a show. You pay the admission price with much better heart before seeing the performance than you would afterward even though you get your money's worth. So candidates will please not ask us to credit them. And we desire further to say that any communication or article in the interest of any candidate will be charged for.

A Delightful Entertainment.

Mrs. J. W. Madden entertained the Ladies' Social club at her hospitable home on last Thursday afternoon, from 3 to 6 o'clock. Quite a number of ladies attended and all enjoyed themselves hugely. Music was dispensed by Stanton's Orchestra, and this was a most pleasant feature of the occasion. Refreshments were served, and when the prize was drawn for, Mrs. J. G. Haring drew the lucky number, the prize consisting of an elegant silver plated letter opener. Assisted by Mrs. J. B. Valentine and Mrs. Chas. Madden, Mrs. Madden exhibited much tact and skill in the entertainment of her guests, and all went away feeling that the evening had been a very delightful one, and the occasion was one that will be remembered with pleasure by all who were present.

"Some time ago my daughter caught a severe cold. She complained of pains in her chest and had a severe cough. I gave her Chamberlain's Cough Remedy according to directions and in two days she was well and able to go to school. I have used this remedy in my family now for the past seven years and have never known it to fail," says James Prendergast, merchant, Annato Bay, Jamaica, West India Islands. The pains in the chest indicated an approaching attack of pneumonia, which in this instance was undoubtedly warded off by Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It counteracts any tendency of a cold toward pneumonia. For sale by B. F. Chamberlain.

La Grippe coughs often continue for months and sometimes lead to fatal results after the patient is supposed to have passed the danger point. Foley's Honey and Tar affords positive protection and security from these coughs.—J. G. Haring.

Grapeland Letter.

ED. COURIER:

The poet laureate of England has written a recent poem, one verse of which says:

"Should envious aliens plan and plot
'Gainst one and now the other,
They swift would learn how strong the knot
Binds brother unto brother.
How quickly they would change their tack
And show the recreant feather,
Should Star and Stripe and Union Jack
But float mast high together."

And now our government is making grand preparations to bend the knee to royalty in receiving Prince Henry and to have a representative, to represent the United States at the coronation of a king! Shades of Washington, Jefferson and Jackson, whither are we drifting? Have the American people lost all sense of patriotism? Will they quietly submit to this toadyism without a protest? Is imperialism really popular? We wait and see.

Our little town is growing slowly and surely. The hum of the gin, the whir of the saw mill and the rattle of the hammer is a constant din.

Mr. J. E. Hollingsworth is preparing to erect a block of brick buildings on the lot where he was burned out over a year ago.

Rev. J. E. Kennedy passed through our town Saturday on his way to Daly to preach.

A case of smallpox is reported near Daly.

A thief entered Dr. Woodard's residence last Thursday night and stole \$25.00 from the doctor's pants pockets.

The weather has been very dry here for the last month, but indications are good for a rain today.

The Christian church has secured the services of Henry Hamilton for this year. He will preach second Sunday of each month.

Our school is progressing finely under the excellent management of Prof. Wat Mathews and his efficient assistant, Miss Holman.

Mrs. Meriwether's music class is progressing nicely.

Health is excellent and if it continues the doctors will have to bore for oil. "BEE'ER RABBIT."

N. Jackson, Danville, Ill., writes: "My daughter had a severe attack of la grippe and a terrible cough settled on her lungs. We tried a great many remedies without giving relief. She tried Foley's Honey and Tar which cured her. She has never been troubled with a cough since." J. G. Haring.

Frank Treadwell Bennett, Ia., was troubled with kidney disease for two years. He writes: "I had taken several kinds of kidney remedies, but with little benefit. Finally I tried Foley's Kidney Cure and a one dollar bottle cured me." J. G. Haring.

How to Succeed in Business.

Keep your liver in good condition by using Simmons' Liver Purifier (tin box). It corrects constipation, cures indigestion, biliousness, stops headache, gets your heart in the right place so you can smile at your neighbor.

For Pneumonia.

Dr. C. J. Bishop, Aztec, Mich., says: "I have used Foley's Honey and Tar in three very severe cases of pneumonia with good results in every case." J. G. Haring.

SPECIAL SHOE SALE AT

"THE BIG STORE."

If you want good shoes, shoes that are low-priced and shoes to fit you, then we are the people you should interview. Just to get up a little excitement we have marked down the prices on our shoes. The winter isn't near over yet, but we must make room for our spring stock before time for it to come in.

One lot Children's Spring heel Shoes, guaranteed solid leather, bright dongola uppers, lace only, sizes 5 to 8, for only..... 65c

Lot Children's Shoes, full Viet Kid, inlaid velvet top, lace only, sizes 5 to 8, an elegant shoe for 98c

Huiskamp's "Reliance" Children's Shoes, heel or spring heel, Milwaukee grain, solid leather throughout, braided and sewed, button only, worth \$1.25, for only..... 90c

Lot of the celebrated Tennent Stribbling Misses' Shoes, box calf, lace only, spring heels, sizes 8 to 12, were \$1.50, now only.....\$1 00

Ladies' and Misses' genuine Viet Kid Shoes, extension soles, elegantly finished, lace only, all sizes, the best shoe for the money that you can buy, worth \$3.50, but now only.....\$3 00

One lot Ladies' Shoes, pebble grain, all solid leather, common sense heel and toe, lace or button, all sizes, were \$1, now..... 89c

Ladies' oil grain, button, common sense Shoes, braided and sewed, solid piece uppers, sole leather counters, were \$1.50, now.....\$1 20

One lot Ladies' Dress Shoes, bright dongola button, patent leather tips, stylish heels and toes, hand sewed, were \$1.25, now..... 98c

Ladies' bright dongola lace Shoes, late style heels and toes, solid leather throughout, splendid wearing shoes, were \$1.50, now....\$1 25

Ladies' A 1 Dress Shoes, Viet Kid, all solid leather, any style heel and toe, any size you want, lace only, were \$2, now.....\$1 70

Boys' Dress Shoes, French calf, solid leather throughout, extension soles, lace only, sizes 13 to 2, worth \$1.50, now.....\$1 25

Boys' Plow Shoes, Milwaukee grain, Creedmore, solid leather throughout, sizes 3 to 5, were \$1.25, now only.....\$1 00

Desnoyer's Shoes for Men, best everyday shoes you can find, full stock calf and oil grain, lace congress and button, solid leather throughout, all sizes, from \$1.00 to.....\$1 65

One lot Men's Tan Shoes, Florsheim, Huiskamp and Stacy-Adams makes, all styles and sizes, these are bargains, were \$3.00 to \$5.00, now \$2.50 to.....\$4 25

JAS. S. SHIVERS & CO.

Pretty Children

"We have three children. Before the birth of the last one my wife used four bottles of MOTHER'S FRIEND. If you had the pictures of our children, you could see at a glance that the last one is healthiest, prettiest and finest-looking of them all. My wife thinks MOTHER'S FRIEND is the greatest and grandest remedy in the world for expectant mothers."—Written by a Kentucky Attorney-at-Law.



MOTHER'S FRIEND prevents nine-tenths of the suffering incident to childbirth. The coming mother's disposition and temper remains unruffled throughout the ordeal, because this relaxing, penetrating liniment relieves the usual distress. A good-natured mother is pretty sure to have a good-natured child. The patient is kept in a strong, healthy condition, which the child also inherits. MOTHER'S FRIEND takes a wife through the crisis quickly and almost painlessly. It assists in her rapid recovery, and wards off the dangers that so often follow delivery.

Sold by druggists for \$1 a bottle. THE BRADFIELD REGULATOR CO. ATLANTA, GA. Send for our free illustrated book written especially for expectant mothers.

A Longtown gentleman, whose fruit orchards had been very often robbed, caught a boy up one of his trees. "Come down, you young rascal!" shouted the owner. "Noa fear and you there," replied the urchin. "Well, I'll wait till you do." "Verra weel," said the lad. They had waited about an hour, when an idea occurred to the boy. Snatching an apple he took a steady aim and hit the old fellow on the head with it. "Hallo, what's up now?" "It's just this. I'm gawn to keep pullin' till every apple off the tree unless ye promise not to lick me, for if I'm gawn to get a hidin' I'm gawn to have my sport for it. What d'ye say?" The old fellow had to agree.—London Answers.

TUNE WAS TOO SUGGESTIVE.

Automatic Musical Chair That Harrowed a Funeral's Solemnity.

Mr. Black, a wealthy resident of Brooklyn, who died recently, was a man of many fads, chief among which was a mania for "machine" music—that ground out by the hand organ and the music box. As a visitor entered his house some secret connection with the door started the flattering strains of "Hail to the Chief," to the accompaniment of which the astonished guest was ushered into the reception room. Clocks of every sort sounded fitting music to the passing hours; in short, every piece of furniture in the house seemed in some way to be connected with a hidden orchestra. Mr. Black's death was untimely; a hand organ with a new and wonderful combination of every orchestral instrument that blares, suddenly began a concert in front of his house. In his eagerness to examine this new musical marvel, Mr. Black tripped and fell down the long staircase, and his life paid the penalty of his final pursuit of his ideal. Before the funeral extreme care was taken to silence all the harmonies of the house. For two days the servants labored diligently disconnecting wires and removing offending furniture. At last they rested from their labors and the last sad hour arrived. The exercises were conducted in the house, and as the minister was concluding his panegyric on the departed a belated mourner entered and was shown to the one empty seat, a chair in an obscure corner. Silently the late comer tiptoed to the chair and quietly sank into its depths. Instantly there pealed forth a loud chord and then without interruption there came forth the loud, strident notes of "There'll be a hot time in the old town to-night." All efforts to silence the music were futile. In notes that drowned the minister and were plainly audible for blocks the music continued and not until the last strain had died away was the minister able to conclude his remarks.—Chicago Chronicle.

549 JOB ON HIS HINDS.

Mark M. Fagan, whom the Republicans have renominated for mayor of Jersey City, N. J., has undertaken the largest contract ever attempted in that state. He has promised, if elected, to keep politics out of all the city departments, and the saloons out of politics. "It's worth electing him," said an old Democrat, "just to see how he will do it."

BAKING A TURKEY.

An Expert Says It Is Generally Done in a Wrong Way.

"Ninety-nine women out of every one hundred; ninety-nine cooks out of every one hundred, will bake a turkey with the back to the pan," said a New Orleans man who keeps in touch with the kitchen, "and this is a mistake. I said ninety-nine out of every one hundred. Rather should I have said that the mistake is almost universally made. But few cooks ever think of cooking the turkey any other way. There seems to be a demand for well-browned turkey breast. But in browning the breast they sacrifice the sweetness of this part of the fowl. The best way to prepare a turkey is to bake it with the breast down. I learned this lesson from Marie Legue, whose place down in the Old Quarter, near the French market, has become famed all over the country. She never thinks of baking a turkey with the breast up. The breast is turned to the bottom of the pan, and instead of being dry and tasteless when it is served is richly flavored, and as sweet and juicy as one would care to have it. You see, all the fine flavoring of the turkey, the juices of the dressing and a little daintier touches flow down toward the breast of the fowl, and when the white meat is served you get the full benefit of every flavor added during the processes of preparing and baking the turkey. In addition to the distinctive taste of the fowl itself. Inconvenient and awkward? Not at all. It is just as easy to cook a turkey in this way as in any other way, and the result is infinitely more satisfactory. It is no trouble to arrange the fowl in the pan. If you decide to place the fowl on the table before carving it you will find that it will look quite as well as it would if baked in the usual way, and certainly it will taste much better than it would if you baked the breast until it was dry and flavorless."—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

"A Good Excuse."

The Alger (Ohio) Gazette failed to appear during a recent week, and the editor in his issue for the following week gave the following excuse for the omission: "Born, to Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Richards, last Wednesday, a ten-pound baby girl. That's the reason the Gazette was not published last week, and we think it is a good excuse. We felt too jubilant after we found out we were Dad to think much about work. We think our readers will forgive the omission. We are not used to being called Dad yet, but feel proud of the fact that we are."

Only That.

While the Supreme Court chamber is being remodeled the Supreme Court sits in the room of the senate committee of the judiciary. The justices, arrayed in their long black silk gowns, sit around the committee table and solemnly listen to long-winded arguments. The other day a member of the judiciary committee strayed into the room. Justice Brewer saw him. A moment later a note from the justice reached the senator. "This is not the committee on the judiciary," wrote Justice Brewer. "This is nothing but the Supreme Court."—Washington Star.

BAD BLOOD, BAD COMPLEXION.

The skin is the seat of an almost endless variety of diseases. They are known by various names, but are all due to the same cause, acid and other poisons in the blood that irritate and interfere with the proper action of the skin.

To have a smooth, soft skin, free from all eruptions, the blood must be kept pure and healthy. The many preparations of arsenic and potash and the large number of face powders and lotions generally used in this class of diseases cover up for a short time, but cannot remove permanently the ugly blotches and the red, disfiguring pimples.

Eternal vigilance is the price of a beautiful complexion when such remedies are relied on.

Mr. H. T. Shobe, 2702 Lucas Avenue, St. Louis, Mo., says: "My daughter was afflicted for years with a disfiguring eruption on her face, which resisted all treatment. She was taken to two celebrated health springs, but received no benefit. Many medicines were prescribed, but without result, until we decided to try S. S. S., and by the time the first bottle was finished the eruption began to disappear. A dozen bottles cured her completely and left her skin perfectly smooth. She is now seventeen years old, and not a sign of the embarrassing disease has ever returned."

S. S. S. is a positive, unfailing cure for the worst forms of skin troubles. It is the greatest of all blood purifiers, and the only one guaranteed purely vegetable.

Bad blood makes bad complexions.

SSS purifies and invigorates the old and makes new, rich blood that nourishes the body and keeps the skin active and healthy and in proper condition to perform its part towards carrying off the impurities from the body.

If you have Eczema, Tetter, Acne, Salt Rheum, Psoriasis, or your skin is rough and pimply, send for our book on Blood and Skin Diseases and write our physician about your case. No charge whatever for this service.

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LI WROTE TO BOTH MEN.

Not They Compared Notes and Spotted His Effects.

Many tales are told of the dealings of Li Hung Chang with his diplomatic subordinates, and there is a characteristic story about with regard to his relations with the present Minister to England, Sir Chih-chen Lo Feng Luh. The time was that of the siege of the legations in Peking, when all the civilized world was in fear as to the fate of the beleaguered, and when China, with her emissaries and all pertaining to her, was looked on with no very friendly eye. Li Hung Chang was the virtual ruler of China, and it was from him that the various ministers and ambassadors received their instructions. There had, apparently, been some fresh manifestation of European displeasure, when one day the minister in England received from Li a message, the purport of which was as follows: "We are not satisfied with your efforts in London. The English are hostile, and you must do something to alter matters. You are not energetic enough. You are neglecting to influence the government. The man who is doing all the work is your colleague in Washington, Wu-Ting-fang. He is the man you should imitate." "What should I do for Mr. Li's little game, Sir Chih-chen and Wu-Ting-fang happened to be one of those, and the minister had concluded what had happened to his friend in Washington. Wu-Ting-fang was, to say the least of it, surprised. "This is very extraordinary," he replied. "I also have had a message from Li Hung Chang. This is what he says to me: 'Your efforts are not giving satisfaction. We feel you should be more energetic, and that you should try to influence the American government to take our side in this affair. You are not doing half enough, and, if you want an example, you should turn to Sir Chih-chen Lo Feng Luh, the minister in London. He is the man who is doing all the work.'"—The Casid Friend.

Gambling for Prayer Books.

The ladies of the town of Arensburg are passionate card players. Since they are not allowed to play at the local clubs they make up games at their friends' houses and gamble all day through. As soon as the cash funds run short they take to various articles, mostly toilet belongings. Thus one lost to another her corset, one lost a bonnet, a third some lace and perfumes, and they go even as far as losing their prayer books.—Arensburg Tagblatt.

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W. B. PAGE, Editor and Proprietor
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CROCKETT, TEXAS.

It looks as if the old Yale spirit had got into the Harvard jug.

King Edward will be crowned June 26 if his millinery is sent home in time.

Anarchy is about to take its place where it belongs—at the head of the list of crimes.

A 20-foot giraffe in Greater New York has obligingly absorbed the visible supply of influenza.

One-eighth of the British empire's population are of British descent; the remainder are ascending.

The politician may always be relied upon to reflect popular opinion with prompt, unerring accuracy.

Hate a big-souled man and he will forget it; despise him and he will remember it to his dying day.

Gen. Lew Wallace expects to have his autobiography ready for the printer in the course of a few months.

There are fewer orators in congress these days. The dry frost of increasing business nips the young jaws in the bud.

There's to be another whisky trust, but there is no reason to believe that whisky will be put beyond the reach of the masses.

Professor Garner has succeeded in teaching a chimpanzee two English words, but the brute never can remember them in company.

The New Hampshire man who has a record of having sawed a cord of hard wood in an hour and a half must have some lovely lungs.

If wireless telegraphy becomes general it will only be necessary to send up a kite to tap the information putting a girdle around the earth.

The truly wise man groans under the burden of his wisdom. None will ease him of it, and none will stop to ask him where and how he got it.

Conservative prophets predict that if the present year is more prosperous than last 1902 will make a better showing than did 1901. This is at least safe.

Foreigners are requested to look the other way while the Chinese cook enters Peking. Why not let the spectacle be enjoyed through smoked glasses?

A St. Louis man and his wife provided a Christmas tree for their dog this year. Did Santa find any children's stockings hanging up in that house Christmas eve?

The London Saturday Review puts the business of 1901 this way: "America had a boom, while England had three slumps." This is scarcely statistical, yet we fancy we can grasp it fairly well.

The Mexicans are favoring the proposed Olympian games in Chicago. There was a time in Mexico's history when the Aztec kings settled their differences by resorting to a friendly game of what is now called football.

San Francisco bay is to be tunneled to accommodate the traffic between opposite sections of the city which now has to go around. The distance is about five miles and the subway will pass beneath an island in the bay.

Minneapolis Times: The Milwaukee ministers are engaged in a crusade against gambling and will carry the war into the municipal campaign next spring. They will interview every candidate on the subject and those that are not outspoken in support of the reform movement will be attacked from the pulpit. Some of the Milwaukee politicians will be subjected to a terrible strain.

Secretary Hay and Lord Pauncefoot have a most honorable ambition if they are seeking to settle all the questions in dispute between this country and Great Britain, with reference to Canada. The most serious question in that of the Alaskan boundary. Practical agreement, as we understand, was reached by the joint high commission on all other questions. But our British friends wished everything settled or everything left open, and as the commission could not get together on the Alaskan boundary its deliberations were indefinitely postponed. Perhaps agreement will be more easily attained this summer had whatever proposals were presented. It would seem that it would not be impossible to reach a settlement on the right side.

Washington Letter

(Special Letter.)



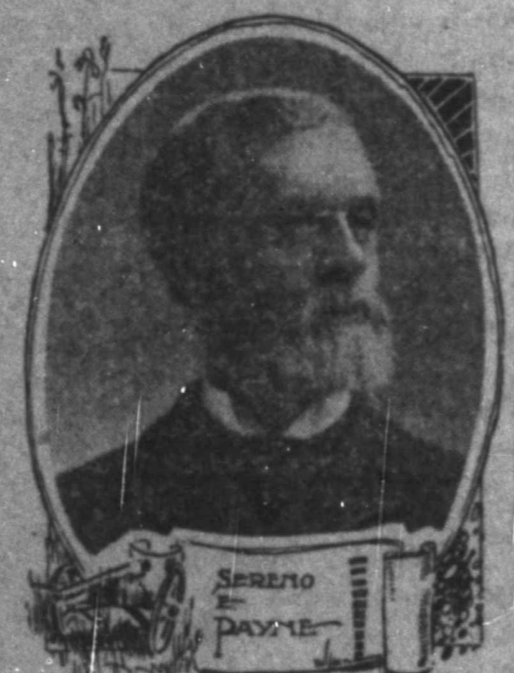
AN AUXILIARY to help the McKinley National Memorial Association of Cleveland, O., has been formed for the purpose of enlisting the co-operation of the Masons, Odd Fellows, Knights of Pythias and similar fraternal societies and the various church organizations among the Afro-Americans in raising funds for the memorial.

Members of the New York delegation, including Senator Platt, will bring in a bill shortly after Congress resumes business next month appropriating enough money to reimburse the creditors of the Pan-American exposition at Buffalo. The corporation that controlled the exposition is bankrupt. Without congressional aid, it is said, the creditors will have to go without their money.

The first bill introduced in the present Congress designed to perpetuate the name and memory of the late President McKinley by making his birthday a national legal holiday, was introduced by Representative William Alden Smith of Michigan. After Garfield died many similar bills, which, if they had passed, would have made Garfield's birthday a legal holiday, were introduced in Congress.

Some congressmen have discovered, or believe they have, that President Roosevelt gives preference to senators in granting prompt audience. If the room is crowded and there are representatives and senators among the waiting, instead of taking them in the order of their arrival, the President, it is said, singles out senators and keeps the members of the lower house waiting. Of course they are offended. Which shows there are several brands of trouble which a President may encounter.

Thus far Speaker Henderson has



not withdrawn his resignation, tendered several days ago to the Metropolitan Club, although the board of governors has impertinently told him to do so. They have gone to him and presented an official apology for the discourteous treatment which was accorded him. He promises to give the matter consideration.

Hon. Seno E. Payne, representing the 28th New York Congressional district, is a native of his state, having been born at Hamilton, N. Y., in 1843. He was first elected to the forty-eighth Congress, and with the exception of the fifteenth Congress, has served continuously ever since.

Mr. Payne is the leader of his party on the floor of the House. As chairman of the Committee on Ways and Means, which is by far the most important committee in the House, he is overwhelmed with public business of every conceivable character.

"There is to be no tariff revision at this session of Congress," says Mr. Payne, "and, in fact, the consensus of opinion amongst Republicans, so far as I have been able to learn, is that we are getting along as well as possible, and it certainly would not be wise to tinker with the schedules."

"I am strongly opposed to the Babcock bill for the reduction of duty on certain iron and steel products, and on general principles would fight any attempt at piece-meal tariff legislation."

Mr. Payne believes that there will be provision made for the Nicaragua canal at this session, if the treaty is satisfactory, and if so he will favor it.

"I have noticed no change in the sentiment of leading Republicans on the trust question," he says. "The Republicans passed an anti-trust bill through the house at the last session that went as far as the Constitution would permit."

Mr. Payne expects an extremely busy session, and one lasting well up into July or August.

Secretary and Mrs. Hay have announced Feb. 6 as the date of the marriage of their daughter, Miss Helen Hay, to Mr. Payne Whitney of New York. The ceremony will take place

at the Church of the Covenant on Connecticut avenue Dr. Hamlin, pastor of the church, officiating, assisted by a number of other ministers of the Presbyterian church. Miss Hay will be given away by her father, Secretary Hay, and will have as bridesmaids her sister, Miss Alice Hay, and the sister of the groom, Miss Dorothy Whitney. The eight ushers will be selected from the New York friends of Mr. Whitney, and the name of the best man is not yet known.

ROSA BONHEUR'S REATH.

The Last Pleasure That the Great Artist Experienced in Life.

In Harper's Magazine Jules Claretie relates a pathetic incident attendant on the death of Rosa Bonheur, whose friend and critic he had been for many years:

"It was while visiting Paris, during a rainy spell, and after having rashly taken an open carriage from her house to the station, that the artist caught cold," says M. Claretie, "and on arriving at By went to bed, never to rise again. One might well have said that Rosa Bonheur was made for the country, for the peasantry, and for the animals, and that she should never have left them even for a day. At all events, she came back to die among them, and sweetly, without complaint, resigned and resolute, just as she had lived through so many years of hard work. It was my mournful consolation to be able to give my beloved friend her last pleasure. I had written in the Journal apropos of the medal of honor which the Salon jury wished to give her, only they knew she would have refused it. Into this article I put all my admiration for the artist, all my respect for the woman. I was ignorant of the fact that, having been imprudent enough to brave the cold at Paris, Rosa Bonheur had returned to By sick. What say I? Sick! Ah! she was lost, the victim of pulmonary congestion."

"She could no longer speak when the paper was brought to her. But the faithful servant, perceiving the name of Mlle. Rosa on the page, sat down by her pillow and read the article in a loud voice. The dying woman shook her head, and her lips parted in a last wan smile, which seemed to express thanks. This was in the morning. Gradually her vision grew clouded. That evening she was dead."

"And now I dedicate, as a new crown or chaplet for the monument erected in honor of Rosa Bonheur, these few pages of souvenirs—souvenirs of the affection with which she honored me, and of conversations far too wonderful alas! with one of the most noble and elevated of spirits, one of the artist's most unrivaled, and certain to remain illustrious in the future, whom it has been my privilege to know, to admire, and to love."

Bogus Gems.

It is declared, by people in a position to know, that a great deal of bogus jewelry is worn among the "409" of New York city, the vogue for artificial jewelry having begun about two seasons ago. This is said to be especially the case with pearls, perfectly matched ropes being exceedingly difficult of procurement. The imitations are indistinguishable from the real except under a glass, and then only to the eye of an expert. The demand for such ornaments of late has become so great that nowadays first-rate prices are obtainable for them, and, of course, the best workmen are engaged in manufacturing them. It is roundly stated that nine-tenths of the pearls now worn in New York are bogus. Imitation diamonds and rubies are also quite common, but not so much so as pearls.

The Future of the Globe.

It was believed by Lyell, the geologist, and other followers of Hutton, that the earth was a kind of "perpetual motion" machine, that is, to say, would go on forever as it is, and has been, illuminated by the sun, and a habitation for plants and animals, race upon race; but Lord Kelvin showed, in his doctrine of the "Dissipation of Energy," that the solar system was running down like a clock, and that "within a finite period of time past the earth must have been, and within a finite period of time to come must again be, unfit for the habitation of man as at present constituted, unless operations have been, and are to be, performed which are impossible under the laws governing the known operations going on at present in the material world."

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