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## EXPERIMENTAL TOBACCO FARM.

### One to be Established Near Crockett by the Government—Expert to be in Charge.

Some time ago Mr. W. M. Hinson, a tobacco expert in the employ of the government, in the department of the bureau of soils, Washington, D. C., but with headquarters at Nacogdoches, where the government is conducting an experimental station and tobacco warehouse, was in Crockett looking into some tobacco grown by Messrs. W. B. Page and J. W. Arledge. He carried samples of the tobacco back to Nacogdoches with him and put them through processes of fermentation and general inspection to determine the merits of the tobacco. The results of his investigations were so satisfactory that when a Washington representative of the bureau of soils was in Nacogdoches last week to see what the station there was doing, Mr. Hinson decided to bring him over to Crockett and let him see some of the tobacco grown here and the soil from which it was grown. The Washington representative was none other than Mr. Geo. T. Mc Ness, an expert on soils and the culture of tobacco. They arrived in Crockett Thursday evening. Friday morning they were driven out to the farm of Mr. Page where an examination of the soil was made with a view to conducting experiments in tobacco culture during the year if a suitable soil was found. The experts were so well pleased with their investigations that they have recommended to the department that a tobacco demonstration station be established on Mr. Page's farm. This assures a tobacco experimental farm for Houston county and the work will be begun inside of ten days. A man will be sent here by the government to superintend the work and will be paid by the government. His work will be of a demonstrative and educational character and the tobacco industry of Houston county will be given a thorough test. Only five acres will be cultivated by the government, which will be enough to determine the tobacco-producing qualities of the soil and the extent to which cultivation can be profitably carried on.

Under the contract which Mr. Page made with the agricultural department, he furnishes the land and the tobacco barn and the government does the work. The crop of tobacco heretofore has gone to the owner of the land, but there has been a change in the system. As now conducted the government gets the entire crop, works it up and puts it on the market and by its report shows what there is in the soil and the location of the soil. Mr. Page will plant several acres in tobacco and Mr. M. Bromberg will likely try some.

Mr. Page has been at work for some time with the department of agriculture at Washington, seeking to interest them in making a soil survey of this county. A corps of experts is now making such survey of Anderson county. Mr. Page hopes to be able to get them to come into this county as soon as the work is completed in Anderson.

## Citation.

The State of Texas, to the Sheriff or any Constable of Houston County, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon the unknown heirs of Thomas R. Townsend, deceased, the unknown heirs of Ann P. Allbright, deceased, the unknown heirs of William Albright, deceased, the unknown heirs of Morris Townsend, deceased, the unknown heirs of Mrs. Morris Townsend, deceased, the unknown heirs of Elijah Chairs, deceased, the unknown heirs of Elizabeth Chairs, deceased, the unknown heirs of Susan A. Read, deceased, the unknown heirs of Sarah E. Chairs, deceased, the unknown heirs of James M. Chairs, deceased, the unknown heirs of Andrew H. Chairs, deceased, the unknown heirs of James W. Stanley, deceased, all of whose names are unknown, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Houston County to be held at the court house thereof, in the town of Crockett, on the first Monday in March 1904, being the 7th day of March 1904, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 6th day of January 1904, in a cause numbered 4839 wherein W. V. Berry is plaintiff, and the unknown heirs of Thomas R. Townsend, deceased, the unknown heirs of Ann P. Allbright, deceased, the unknown heirs of William Albright, deceased, the unknown heirs of Morris Townsend, deceased, the unknown heirs of Mrs. Morris Townsend, deceased, the unknown heirs of Elijah Chairs, deceased, the unknown heirs of Elizabeth Chairs, deceased, the unknown heirs of Susan A. Read, deceased, the unknown heirs of Sarah E. Chairs, deceased, the unknown heirs of James M. Chairs, deceased, the unknown heirs of Andrew H. Chairs, deceased, the unknown heirs of James W. Stanley, deceased, are defendants, the cause of action being alleged as follows: that plaintiff is the owner in fee simple and in right and is seized and possessed of the following described tract or parcel of land to-wit: Situated in the County of Houston and State of Texas, about five miles S. W. from the town of Crockett, being a part of the T. R. Townsend league, and bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a stake in old field, same being the N. E. corner of a ten acre tract now in possession of H. W. Moore; Thence N 35 W. 786 vrs. corner. Thence S. 55 W. 1102 vrs. to corner. Thence S. 35 E. to corner on a Pin Oak mkd. X at 786 vrs. Thence N. 55 E. 1102 vrs. to the place of beginning; that the defendants are setting up and asserting some kind of claim or title to said land that casts a cloud upon plaintiff's title thereto, wherefore plaintiff seeks to remove such cloud from his title and to be quieted in his title and possession of said land.

You are further commanded to serve this citation by publishing the same once in each week for eight successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in a newspaper published in your county; but if no newspaper is published in said county, then in the nearest county where a newspaper is published.

Herein fail not, but have you before said court, on the said first day of the next term thereof, this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

witness J. B. Stanton, Clerk of the District Court of Houston County.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court in the town of Crockett, this the 6th day of January 1904.

J. B. STANTON, Clerk District Court Houston Co., Texas.

## Citation by Publication.

The State of Texas, to the Sheriff or any Constable of Houston County, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon George Lester, and the unknown heirs of George Lester, deceased, by making publication of this Citation once in each week for eight successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the Third Judicial District; but if there be no newspaper published in said Judicial District, then in a newspaper published in the nearest District to said Third Judicial District, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Houston County, to be holden at the Court House thereof, in Crockett, on the first Monday in March, 1904, the same being the seventh day of March, 1904, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 12th day of January, 1904, in a suit numbered on the Docket of said Court No. 4842, wherein J. W. Hail, W. H. Denny and R. M. Atkinson are Plaintiffs, and George Lester and the unknown heirs of George Lester, deceased, are Defendants, and said petition alleging that Plaintiffs are the owners in fee simple, of the following described tract of land, to-wit: Situated in Houston County, Texas, and known as the George Lester 320 acre survey. Beginning at the S. E. corner of R. M. Bridges survey, whence a P. O. brs. E. 3.8 vrs., a P. O. mkd. B. M. brs. S. 77 E. 7 vrs. Thence S. 30 w. at 1344 vrs., stake whence a hickory brs. S. 37 w. 6.5 vrs., a R. O. brs. S. 3 w. 9.3 vrs., mkd. G. L. Thence N. 60 w. at creek, course N. E., at 1344 vrs., stake whence a R. O. mkd. G. L. brs. N. 37 E. 10 vrs., a R. O. brs. N. 65 w. 10 vrs. Thence N. 30 E. at 1344 vrs. to said Bridges S. W. corner, a stake whence a P. O. mkd. B. M. brs. N. 1 w. 5.5 vrs., a dig wood brs. N. 15 E. 6.2 vrs. Thence S. 60 E. at 1344 vrs. to the place of beginning, containing 320 acres. That Plaintiffs are now in possession of above described tract of land, and they and those under whom they claim, have been in actual, peaceable and adverse possession of same, using, cultivating and enjoying the same for more than five years continuously before the filing of this suit, under duly recorded deeds and paying taxes on same during said period. That Plaintiffs own same as follows: Deed from Unknown Owners by J. R. Sheridan, Tax Collector of Houston County, Texas, to R. M. Atkinson, J. W. Hail and Madden & Lipscomb, dated April 3, 1894; deed from A. D. Lipscomb to W. H. Denny dated March 4, 1901, conveying grantors' interest in said land; deed from J. W. Madden to J. W. Hail, dated Jan. 1, 1902, conveying grantors' interest in said land; and by judgment dated April 16, 1901, in cause No. 4882 in the District Court of said Houston County, entitled the State of Texas vs. Unknown Owners et al., (J. W. Hail et al. Interveners). That Defendants have some claim on said land which is a cloud on Plaintiffs title. Wherefore Plaintiffs pray for judgment forever quieting their title and removing all cloud therefrom, and for general and special relief.

Herein fail not, but have you before said Court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this Writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

witness J. B. Stanton, Clerk of the District Court of Houston County.

Given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at office in Crockett this the 12th day of January, 1904.

J. B. STANTON, Clerk, District Court, Houston County.

## Rev. Carlisle P. B. Martin, L. L. D.

Waverly, Texas, writes: "Of a morning, when first rising, I often find a troublesome collection of phlegm, which produces a cough and is very hard to dislodge; but a small quantity of Ballard's Horehound Syrup will at once dislodge it, and the trouble is over. I know of no medicine that is equal to it, and it is so pleasant to take. I can most cordially recommend it to all persons, needing a medicine for throat or lung troubles." Price 25c, 50c, \$1.00 bottle at Smith & French Drug Co's.

## A TEXAS WONDER.

### Hall's Great Discovery.

One bottle of the Texas Wonder, Hall's Great Discovery, cures all kidney and bladder troubles, removes gravel, cures diabetes, seminal emissions, weak and lame backs, rheumatism and all irregularities of the kidneys and bladder in both men and women, regulates bladder troubles in children. If not sold by your druggist, will be sent by mail on receipt of \$1. One small bottle is two months treatment and will cure any case above mentioned. Dr. E. W. Hall, sole manufacturer, P. O. Box 629, St. Louis, Mo. Send for testimonials. Sold by all druggists. Smith & French Drug Co., Crockett.

CROCKETT, TEX., Jan. 30, 1903.

This is to certify that one bottle of the Texas Wonder, Hall's Great Discovery, cured me of kidney and bladder trouble and I can cheerfully recommend it to others suffering in same manner. Respectfully,  
J. A. BRICKER.

## Congratulations.

Mr. John H. Cullom, Editor of the Garland, Texas, News, has written a letter of congratulations to the manufacturers of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy as follows: "Sixteen years ago when our first child was a baby he was subject to croupy spells and we would be very uneasy about him. We began using Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in 1887, and finding it such a reliable remedy for colds and croup, we have never been without it in the house since that time. We have five children and have given it to all of them with good results. One good feature of this remedy is that it is not disagreeable to take and our babies really like it. Another is that it is not dangerous, and there is no risk from giving an overdose. I congratulate you upon the success of your remedy." For sale by B. F. Chamberlain.

## A Prisoner in Her Own House.

Mrs. W. H. Layba, of 1001 Agnes Ave., Kansas City, Mo., has for several years been troubled with severe hoarseness and at times a hard cough, which she says, "Would keep me in doors for days. I was prescribed for by physicians with no noticeable results. A friend gave me part of a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy with instructions to closely follow the directions and I wish to state that after the first day I could notice a decided change for the better, and at this time after using it for two weeks, have no hesitation in saying I realize that I am entirely cured." This remedy is for sale by B. F. Chamberlain.

## Accept No Substitute.

There is nothing just as good for Malaria, Chills and Fever as Dr. Mendenhall's Chill and Eever Cure. Take it as a general tonic and at all times in place of quinine. If it fails to give satisfaction mail the front of the carton to J. C. Mendenhall, Evansville, Ind., and get your money back. Sold by Smith & French Drug Co.

## DEMONSTRATION FARM.

### One to be Established by the Government Two Miles North of Crockett.

Houston county has secured a government cotton experimental farm as the following letter from Mr. A. H. Wootters will explain: Editor COURIER:—I herewith hand you telegram from Hon. A. W. Gregg and also letter in regard to the government seed to be distributed. All parties receiving letters from the department of agriculture should bring their letter or shipping card with them when the seed are to be received.

We now have a government experimental farm where all farmers of Houston county can get all the information that is to be had from the U. S. government. This farm will be located two miles north of Crockett on Hurricane bayou on the Palestine road. There is something to be learned every day and all farmers are invited to look over this farm from time to time and get the benefit of everything that science teaches in the agricultural line.

Yours truly,

A. H. WOOTTERS.

The following is the telegram from Hon. A. W. Gregg above referred to:

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25, 1904.

A. H. Wootters, Crockett.

The department has promised me to locate a diversification farm on the land mentioned in your petition.

(Signed) A. W. GREGG.

Following is the letter to Mr. Wootters in regard to the distribution of government seed. The letter is from the U. S. Department of Agriculture and is dated Washington, January 18. It reads as follows:

"Dear Sir:—Arrangements have been made by the Department of Agriculture for distributing, through the Texas Members of Congress, certain varieties of cotton seed which have been shown to have value in the matter of maturing the crop before the attacks of the boll weevil become severe. In order to facilitate the distribution of this seed, we have been informed by your Representative that you will handle a certain portion of it, distributing the same in accordance with instructions which will be forwarded. Inclosed is a list of the parties for whom the seed is intended, and to whom you will deliver it upon the presentation of proper shipping card or letter from this Department. All those who are to receive seed will be notified, and requested to call upon you for it.

"As all of the seed purchased has been distributed, it will not be possible to send to any one not on the inclosed list.

"Very truly yours,

"B. T. GALLOWAY,

"Chief of Bureau."

## Best Liniment on Earth.

Henry D. Baldwin, Supt. City Water Works, Shullsburg, Wis., writes: "I have tried many kinds of liniment, but have never received much benefit until I used Ballard's Snow Liniment for rheumatism and pains. I think it the best liniment on earth." 25c, 50c and \$1.00 bottle at Smith & French Drug Co's.

**Citation.**

The State of Texas, to the Sheriff or any Constable of Houston County, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon the heirs of John C. Hagan, deceased, the heirs of Rosanna Hagan, deceased, the heirs of R. N. Read, deceased, the heirs of Susan A. Read, deceased, the heirs of John M. Murchison, deceased, the heirs of William A. Atkinson, deceased, the heirs of Nancy Atkinson, deceased, the heirs of Mary Rosamond, deceased, the heirs of Lucy Wright, deceased, the heirs of Corinne Combs, deceased, all of whose names are unknown and C. B. Robinson and John G. Wright, whose residences are unknown, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Houston County, to be held at the Court House there in, in the town of Crockett, on the first Monday in March, 1904, being the 7th day of March 1904, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 6th day of January 1904, in a cause numbered 4838 wherein W. V. Berry is plaintiff, and the unknown heirs of John C. Hagan, deceased, the unknown heirs of Rosanna Hagan, deceased, the unknown heirs of R. N. Read, deceased, the unknown heirs of Susan A. Read, deceased, the unknown heirs of John M. Murchison, deceased, the unknown heirs of William A. Atkinson, deceased, the unknown heirs of Nancy Atkinson, deceased, the unknown heirs of Mary Rosamond, deceased, the unknown heirs of Lucy Wright, deceased, the unknown heirs of Corinne Combs, deceased, C. B. Robinson, John Robinson, Harriet McManner, Doss McManner, Josephine Huffman, John G. Wright, B. F. Read, C. B. Read, John T. Read, Sarah Beeson, Emma Wortham, F. M. Wortham, Luella Stafford, R. N. Stafford, Louisa Giles, R. P. Giles, J. G. Chappell, Mrs. U. C. Murchison, Jas. W. Murchison, Minnie M. Hamby, Robt. M. Hamby, Carrie M. Hart, W. D. Hart and L. Meriwether are defendants, the cause of action being alleged as follows: that plaintiff is the owner in fee simple and right and is in the possession of the following described tract or parcel of land, to-wit: Situated in the County of Houston and State of Texas, about four and one-half miles S. W. from Crockett, being a part of the John Hagan league and bounded and

Beginning at the S. E. corner of the T. R. Townsend league and the S. W. or Western corner of the John Hagan league on the John Moore league and its North boundary line, a Red Oak 30 in mkd S. T. hrs. S. 12 W. 5 3 5 vrs, a Black Jack mkd X hrs N. 51 E. 5 vrs; this corner is on the Huntsville road 5 miles from Crockett; thence N. 35 W. with the Townsend and Hagan league line at 950 vrs. corner a Hickory 6 in mkd. X hrs. S. 20 W. 11 8 10 vrs.; same being Mrs. L. Wright's S. W. corner; thence N. 55 E. with her S. B. line at 1090 vrs. her S. E. corner, a large red oak mkd. X; thence N. 35 W. with her and Mrs. Rosamond's E. B. line 2130 vrs. to corner in San Antonio road an Elm mkd. X; thence with the meanders of said road N. 37 E. 145 vrs.; N. 61 E. 293 vrs.; N. 45 E. 040 vrs. to corner in said road, a P. O. 10 in mkd. X; thence S. 35 E. with the line of survey No. 4 465 vrs. pass the S. E. corner of No. 4 and with the E. B. line of 69 1-5 acres survey to corner, a Sweet Gum mkd. X; thence N. 55 E. with said survey and the Hazlett tract 355 vrs. to the N. E. corner of said 500 acres survey, bearing trees gone; thence S. 35 E. with the E. B. line of said survey and J. Cason's 343 acres survey, 1473 vrs. to his S. E. corner; thence N. 55 E. 7 vrs. the N. W. corner of Cayson's South survey; thence S. 35 E. with said survey 339 vrs. the S. E. corner of the Woodson or Murchison survey; thence S. 55 W. with Albright's N. B. line 1245 4 16 vrs. pass the S. W. corner of 500 acres survey, at 1537 vrs. pass S. W. corner of 49 acres survey, at 2456 vrs. in all to the place of beginning; that defendants are setting up some kind of pretended claim or title to the said premises which casts a cloud on plaintiff's title to said land, wherefore plaintiff sues to remove said cloud from his title and to be quieted in his title and possession,

for costs and general relief.

You are further commanded to serve this citation by publishing the same once in each week for eight successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in a newspaper published in your county; but if no newspaper is published in said county, then in the nearest county where a newspaper is published. Herein fail not, but have you before said court, on the said first day of the next term thereof, this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness J. B. Stanton, Clerk of the District Court of Houston County.

Given under my hand and the seal of said court, in the town of Crockett this 6th day of January A. D. 1904.

J. B. STANTON, Clerk District Court Houston Co. Tex.

**Citation.**

The State of Texas, to the Sheriff or any Constable of Houston County Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon the heirs of Joseph Hodges, deceased, the heirs of Henry Raguett, deceased, the heirs of William G. Logan, deceased, the heirs of Jacob Snively, deceased, the heirs of C. O. Barton, deceased, the heirs of Matthew Cartwright, deceased, the heirs of Louisa C. Coleman, deceased, the heirs of Cornelia Alford, deceased, whose names are unknown, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Houston County, to be held at the Court house thereof, in the town of Crockett, on the first Monday in March 1904, being the 7th day of March 1904, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 7th day of January 1904, in a cause numbered 4840, wherein W. V. Berry is plaintiff and the unknown heirs of Joseph Hodges, deceased, the unknown heirs of Henry Raguett, deceased, the unknown heirs of William G. Logan, deceased, the unknown heirs of Jacob Snively, deceased, the unknown heirs of C. O. Barton, deceased, the unknown heirs of Matthew Cartwright, deceased, the unknown heirs of Louisa C. Coleman, deceased, and the unknown heirs of Cornelia Alford, deceased, are defendants, the cause of action being alleged as follows: that plaintiff is the owner in fee simple and right and is seized and possessed of the following described tracts or parcels of land, to-wit: Situated in the County of Houston and State of Texas, about five miles S. E. from Crockett, on the Pennington road, being a part of the Joseph Hodges league, and bounded and described as follows: First tract, Beginning at the S. E. corner of the Joseph Hodges league, in the field, a stake for corner; thence N. 55 E. with the Hodges league line at 950 vrs. pass the corner of Box league, at 2190 vrs. the N. E. corner of the Coleman survey; a Hickory mkd. X; thence N. 35 W. with the old fence row, at 1200 vrs. to Nelson Seaton's N. E. corner in old field; thence S. 55 W. with Seaton's line at 1040 vrs. to corner; thence N. 35 W. with Seaton's line 177 vrs. to Peter Haden's corner, a pin oak 6 in mkd. X; thence S. 55 W. with said Haden's line at 1159 vrs. to the Hodges league line; thence S. 35 E. with said league line 1400 vrs. to the place of beginning.

Second tract, also being a part of said Joseph Hodges league, beginning in the Crockett and Pennington road, where the Nelson Seaton's N. B. line crosses said road; thence with the meanders of said road, S. 65 E. 300 vrs. S. 55 E. 365 vrs. to corner on Matlock's fence; thence S. 10 W. with Matlock's line at 390 vrs. to corner on W. V. Berry's line; thence N. 35 W. with Berry's line at 880 vrs. to the place of beginning. That defendants are setting up some kind of pretended claim or title to the above described premises which casts a cloud on plaintiff's title thereto, wherefore, plaintiff sues to have such cloud removed from his title to said lands, and that he be quieted in his title and possession of same, and he prays for costs and general relief. You are further commanded to serve this citation by publishing the same once in each week for eight successive weeks previous to

the return day hereof, in a newspaper published in your county; but if no newspaper is published in said county, then the nearest county where a newspaper is published.

Herein fail not, but have you before said court, on the said first day of the next term thereof, this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness J. B. Stanton, Clerk of the District Court of Houston County.

Given under my hand and the Seal of said Court, in the town of Crockett, this 7th day of January A. D. 1904.

J. B. STANTON, Clerk District Court Houston Co., Texas.

**Citation by Publication.**

The State of Texas, to the Sheriff or any Constable of Houston County, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon the unknown heirs of W. F. Richardson, deceased, the unknown heirs of Daniel Daley, deceased and the unknown heirs of J. E. Marsh, deceased, by making publication of this citation once in each week for eight successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the Third Judicial District; but if there be no newspaper published in said Judicial District, then in a newspaper published in the nearest District to said Third Judicial District, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Houston County, to be held at the Court house thereof, in Crockett, on the first Monday, in March 1904, the same being the 7th day of March 1904, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 12th day of January 1904, in a suit, numbered on the Docket of said Court No. 4844, wherein R. B. Warfield and C. C. Warfield are Plaintiffs, and Martha J. Marsh, Thad Marsh, Harvey Marsh, Mister Allen and husband, Dave Allen, Cory Grounds and husband, Bill Grounds, Fanole Cahoon and husband, Harlie Cahoon, Robert Marsh, the unknown heirs of W. F. Richardson, the unknown heirs of Daniel Daley and the unknown heirs of J. E. Marsh are Defendants, and said petition alleging that Plaintiffs are the owners in fee simple of the following described tract of land, to-wit: Situated in Houston County, Texas, about 6 1/2 miles S. E. from Crockett and being a part of the W. F. Richardson 320 acre survey. Beginning at a stake, the S. W. corner of the W. F. Richardson 320 acre survey from whence a P. O. mkd. W. F. N. hrs. N. 45 E. 17 vrs., a B. J. mkd. X hrs. N. 76 E. 10 2 vrs. Thence N. with the W. B. line of said 320 acres at 1026 vrs., a stake on S. bank of small branch from which a sweet gum 9 in. hrs. S. 86-50 E. 19 vrs., and a sweet gum 4 in. hrs. S. 89 W. 1.2 vrs. Thence up with the meanders of said branch to a stake on the S. bank of same from which a Hickory 7 in. hrs. S. 33 W. 3 vrs., a P. O. 4 in. hrs. S. 30 E. 4 vrs. Thence E. at 145 vrs., a stake from which a Hickory 5 in. hrs. N. 30 E. 4 vrs. Thence S. at 502 vrs., a stake in the S. B. line of said 320 acres, from which a B. J. 5 in. hrs. S. 52 E. 1.3 vrs., a B. J. 5 in. hrs. S. 87 W. 3 vrs. Thence W. with said line at 740 vrs. to the place of beginning, containing 100 acres. That Plaintiffs are now in possession of said 100 acres of land, and they and those under whom they claim, have been in the actual, peaceable and adverse possession of same, a long, continuing and enjoying the same for more than ten years continuously before the filing of this suit, and own same through following deeds, to-wit: Deed from Obadiah Marsh to John Sharp, dated Jan. 1, 1880, conveying 50 acres of said land; deed from John Sharp to John C. Ward, dated Jan. 4, 1882, conveying said 50 acres; deed from Obadiah Marsh to John H. Allen, dated Nov. 15, 1879, conveying 50 acres of said land; deed from John H. Allen to John C. Wall, dated Dec. 21, 1880, conveying last mentioned 50 acres; and deed from P. A. Wall and S. J. Ward to Plaintiff, dated Dec. 24, 1903, conveying said 100 acres. That said W. F. Richardson, Daniel Daley and J. E. Marsh, all now deceased, claimed said land by conveyances to them, and the heirs of said W. F. Richardson, Daniel Daley and J. E. Marsh, all deceased, have a claim on said land which is a cloud on Plaintiffs title. That said Martha J. Marsh is the widow of said J. E. Marsh, and the other named Defendants are children of said J. E. Marsh and all claim some interest in said land which is a cloud on Plaintiffs title, and Plaintiffs pray for judgment forever quieting their title and removing all clouds therefrom and for general and special relief.

Herein fail not, but have you before said Court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness, J. B. Stanton, Clerk of the District Court of Houston County.

Given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at office in Crockett, this 12th day of January, 1904.

J. B. STANTON, Clerk, District Court, Houston Co., Texas.

Simple Cadd.

Cease to be simple, it at all prolonged. The safest way is to put them aside at the very beginning.

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—Miss GUILA GANNON, 359 Jones St., Detroit, Mich., Secretary Amateur Art Association. —\$5000 for full if original of above letter proving genuineness cannot be obtained. When one considers that Miss Gannon's letter is only one of the countless hundreds which we are continually publishing in the newspapers of this country, the great virtue of Mrs. Pinkham's medicine must be admitted by all.



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**CUPOLA SKETCHES** BY BYRON WILLIAMS

Copyright, 1904, by Western Newspaper Union. When Sorrow Came. Two married lovers were cloyed with life. Trite were the pleasures of man and wife. Home was no longer a rose-strewn bow. Where they might linger in Cupid's power! Low, in the embers, slept passion's fire. Heaped over with ash like a funeral pyre! Love, fickle trickster had flown away. One half in jest and one half in play—Held, he but chafed at the galling chain, Binding him captive to enna's reign!



LOVE CHAFES AT THE CHAIN.

Then sorrow came, and the camel black Knelt at their gate with his woe-a-pack. Came to these two, in their loveless state— Death and the shadow insatiate! Took from their arms, on the billows wild, That which they worshipped alone—their child!

Robbing they stood while the cold clay felt Hard on their hearts with despairing knock! But, by the grave with its tears and grief, Love spring from woe as a garnered sheaf! There by the grave, through their tear-wet eyes, God showed the way to Love's paradise!

Our Flower Garden.

Every human heart has its flower garden where memory, with the dew of affection, refreshes the blossoms that bloom therein. Friends depart, but a flower there is for each of them. The years go by, but the flowers exhale their fragrance as long as the human span shall arch above the abyss of oblivion. Far and wide the traveler goes, amid new scenes and strange faces, but the flowers within his heart bloom ever beautiful. In this garden, too, are set the roots of grief, as well as those of gladness. Side by side they grow, their blossoms purifying each other. Here, likewise, we plant the flowers of love, the blossoms of affection—while memories of us are in turn implanted in the heart-gardens of others. It is a comforting thought. Campbell has prettily expressed it thus:

"To live in hearts we leave behind is not to die." And the garden grows. Sometimes we are unmindful of it—and then, on the rhythm of some touching poem, or with the strain of some old masterpiece, there rushes into us that divine inspiration we call memory. Pictures come to us in the freight, or the twilight, and we sit enchanted; dreaming in the fragrance of the flowers, or Life's old loves and beneficent joys!

God so arranged this garden that the aged, upon whose horizon the sun has almost set, and who take greatest peace in achievements of the past, may keep therein the most blossoms. In their garden of gratification they sit, amid the fragrance of beautiful memories and dream their way into the sunset and the end.

The Maid and the Bee. A bumble-bee sat on a rock—"Buz! Buz! Buz! Buz!" A maiden came in flimsy frock—"Frou! Frou! Frou!" And down upon the rock she sat Before the bee could bumble "Scutt!" Right down upon the little bee And then—"got up again! D'ye see? "Te-he! Te-he! Te-he!"



"COME AGAIN, MARY ANN!"

Quid Rides? The Arab rides the camel, The Mexican the "bronco", In many lands, on rocky roads, The traveler rides the "donk"; The Siamese rides the elephant, The "Hinglish" the tram-car? The "Chinee" rides the rickshaw, The Indian the "bar"; The rich once rode in "shaynes"— "The" I'm not going to swear— But now they ride in autos. Ye gods! just see 'em tear! For when it comes to movin' Some faster than a run, Just trust them gold darn Yankeeites To capture it—the bun!

Hair Raising Time. "That was a hair-raising affair over at Joder's the other evening." "Did Miss Joder do her hair up high on top of her head?" "No, a burglar raised a cue and made off with it." "Chinese?" "No, billiard!" Light music.

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Dr. Llewellyn Jordan, Medical Examiner United States Treasury.

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Olway, the English dramatist, died prematurely and through hunger.

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Some of the "high finance" is so "high" that it is patrid.

When a man gets neat enough to roll up his trousers the time is ripe for pulling his leg.

It was hardly fair in Laureate Austin to write a rank parody of Kipling and call it a New Year's ode.

The Philadelphia mint has begun striking off coins dated 1914. Here's hoping you may get a lot of them.

The assertion is made that the average Russian peasant's vocabulary is limited to 110 words. And such words!

Question of etiquette: Should the coy but not unwilling young man compel the leap year popper to ask popper?

There will be more room on the water wagon after a few days.—Washington Post. Going to climb down, are you?

It puzzles the people of Santo Domingo most of the time to determine which is the revolution and which is the government.

Sir Thomas Lipton has forwarded his check from London to Chicago. There's a man whose heart and hand you can depend upon.

Perhaps it has occurred to you by this time that you can break that New Year's resolution without anybody's knowing anything about it.

A California woman carried off the first prize in the New York beauty show. California produces fine girls, no doubt, but there are others.

One of the most serious results of the production of "Parsifal" on this side of the ocean is that it will now be played by the street pianos.

New Hampshire's governor is charged with holding four positions and drawing four salaries. Just think what he is saving the state in desk room.

The Kalamazoo flying machine also is "cigar-shaped." It will probably be a long time before a new cigar is spoken of as being "flying machine shaped."

It is erroneously reported that six women put on men's clothes and witnessed a boxing prize fight in New York. They are not women, simply females.

When will the ingenious manufacturers discover that a mixture of kerosene and molasses is not a satisfactory substitute for pure Vermont maple sirup?

That doctor who declares that danger lies in the bath should be prepared to find himself officially appointed the family physician for Wandering Willie.

An Illinois woman stole a lead pencil from a store twenty years ago and has just paid for it. Cold molasses? A conscience like that is almost as slow as cold cream.

From the Medicine Hat News we learn that there is a "first brigade" in that town. The popular impression has been that Medicine Hat has nothing but ice houses.

It will be unwelcome news to leap-year girls that a Paris scientist has found out how to show the heart's action by photograph. They'd rather speak for themselves.

Every time an actor lights a match on the stage now to burn a letter or light his cigar people watch the flame with fascinated interest, and think of the disaster in Chicago.

One of the important reasons which Gen. Weyler fails to mention in explaining why he did not invade the United States is that the United States would not let him in.

Strange, isn't it, how some men can steal several thousand dollars, mysteriously disappear, suddenly return "broke," and then report that their "mind was a blank"? Yes, it is passing strange.

The most wonderful music in all the world is the rippling laughter of a romping, frolicing girl.—Indianapolis Sentinel.

Unless, of course, she is making fun of you.

The new ocean steamer just ordered will be 755 feet long—32 feet longer than the largest steamship in the world. A walk from end to end of her and back before breakfast will be a first-rate constitutional.

THIRTY-EIGHT DEAD

STORM SWEEPS AWAY AN ENTIRE TOWN.

More Than One Hundred are Injured. The Ground is Swept Perfectly Bare.

Tuscaloosa, Ala., Jan. 23.—The most disastrous tornado that has ever swept over this section visited Moundville, a town of 300 inhabitants, 15 miles south of here yesterday morning at 1 o'clock, and as a result twenty-eight persons were killed and more than one hundred injured, and every business house, with the exception of a small drug store, was completely destroyed.

The tornado struck the city from the southwest, dealing destruction as it made its path, a quarter of a mile wide, through the town.

By the force of the storm persons were blown hundreds of feet from their beds in the blackness of night. Through terror, a father, mother and three children fled from their home to seek refuge, and in their excitement left a five-year-old boy in bed. Yesterday he was pulled from beneath some timber, and thus far it is impossible to find any other member of the family.

Bedding, carpets and wearing apparel are scattered a distance of ten miles through what was a forest, but which is now as clear as if it had been cut by the woodman's ax. Freight cars were torn to splinters, the trucks from them being hurled hundreds of feet from the track.

The depot, warehouses, gins, thirty homes and store houses occupied by R. L. Griffin, A. W. Wiggins & Son, W. J. Domenick, A. P. Griffin and W. P. Phifer, together with their stocks, were completely destroyed. Where they stood it is impossible to find even the pillars, upon which these structures rested.

Bales of cotton which were stored in warehouses, were torn to atoms, the fragments of lint lodging in trees making it appear as if that section had been visited by a snow storm. Heavy iron safes were moved by the storm, the doors of which were torn from their hinges.

A young clerk employed by W. P. Phifer, hearing the terrible roar approaching, let himself into a well. He had no sooner found his place of safety than the store was completely demolished. In the morning he was drawn out uninjured.

BETTER LOOK OUT SOME.

Here's Trouble to Violators of Election Laws.

Waco: Two men were arrested and placed under bonds of \$700 each on charges of violation of section 121 of the Terrell election law, which reads: "Any person who lends or contributes or offers or promises to lend or contribute or pay any money or other valuable thing to any voter to influence his vote \* \* \* or to induce such voter, or other person to place or cause to be placed his name on the poll tax or certificate of exemption rolls is guilty of a felony."

The arrests grew out of the ex parte investigation instituted by Judge Gerold yesterday morning.

It is apparent, under the portion of the statute quoted, that it is a violation of the law for one person to lend money to another for the payment of his poll tax, and exhortations to "borrow the money and pay your poll tax" are not meeting with much favor from those who might otherwise be inclined to make a loan.

Looking for Theater Site.

Dallas: Representatives of the Orpheum Theatrical Circuit Company have been for some time, seeking a central location for the erection of a new theater, to be one of their chain of playhouses which extend from New Orleans to San Francisco. It was rumored that the syndicate had bought the property on Commerce street, which is owned by Crowds Drug Company, but such is not the fact, as the Crowds Company will build there.

Found Mortally Ill.

Dallas: While driving along the road four miles east of Dallas Saturday evening Charles Mandalla discovered by the roadside an aged Mexican in a serious condition. He was taken home by Mandalla, and becoming unconscious, it was decided to bring him to town for treatment the following Friday morning. When several miles out of town the aged man slid from the seat and was found dead.

TEXAS GOES MARCHING ON.

New Industries Springing Up Within Her Borders.

Houston, Texas, Jan. 23.—Another big canning industry is developing for the benefit of Texas fruit and truck growers. Mr. I. V. Smith of Indiana has been in the state since the 1st of January looking over the truck growing section with the idea of establishing some canneries at favorable locations. The land and immigration department of the Southern Pacific has afforded Mr. Smith every assistance in his tour of inspection and given him much valuable data. The only question regarding the feasibility of his plans at the outset was, could a location be secured accessible to enough product to keep a cannery busy. Mr. Smith operates a cannery at Delphi and another at Wabash, Ind., and they have a daily output of 320,000 cans of vegetables. The railroad officials assured the Northern gentleman that whereas no one section of the state within a reasonable distance of transportation by team could keep a canning establishment of that proportion supplied with vegetables just now, if the gentleman would make known his intention to start a cannery there was no doubt that the farmers and truck growers would arise to the occasion and keep such a plant running. "This is what the truck growers have been praying for," said one official, "and you start in to building your cannery plant and every farmer for miles around will begin to raise truck, and next spring, when your factory is completed, the vegetables will commence pouring in."

The Indianian was so well pleased with the favorable conditions and encouragement received that he is now figuring on the fuel question, and if that proves satisfactory he will locate a plant. He stated that his plants in the North were located in the coal belt, where the price of fuel was only \$2.30 a ton. Here in Texas he found soft coal worth \$7.50 per ton. He is now investigating a plan to use oil in place of coal, and if the cost is not prohibitive he will start a cannery in the state at once. Speaking of the needs of such industries in the state he said that while looking about the state since the first of the year he had sold eighty-seven carloads of canned vegetables to Texas merchants, and had made no special endeavor to sell goods. "That proves conclusively that your state needs these canneries, so that your merchants and tobacco would never have to go out of the state to buy foreign products that you can produce in such abundance at home."

Big Blaze at Rockwall.

Rockwall: One of the most disastrous fires in the history of Rockwall occurred here Thursday night. The fire was discovered in the second story of the Lorejoy Building, and rapidly spread over the entire building and from this to the building occupied by J. L. Jones and owned by Wm. Hickard, thence to O. C. Long's drug store and the postoffice building. A strong wind was blowing from the northwest, and for a time it seemed that almost the entire business portion of the town would be destroyed. The origin of the fire is unknown. Losses foot up over \$50,000.

Frank A. Biggs, aged sixty-seven years, died at San Antonio Friday. He was injured December 23 by an emery wheel breaking while he was sharpening a chisel, a piece of the emery striking him on the forehead, and fracturing his skull.

Col. W. D. Willie Dead.

Dallas: Remains of Col. William D. Willie, for years identified with the progress of Dallas and this section of Texas, first commander of the Texas department of the Grand Army of the Republic, and otherwise distinguished in civil and political life, whose death occurred at Danville, Ill., Wednesday night, will reach here Sunday morning for interment. Burial will probably be made that afternoon.

Greenville Library Completed.

Greenville: The finishing touches are being put upon the Carnegie library and it will be ready for dedication by February 1. The entrance and grand stairway are all in finely polished marble. The first floor contains the library rooms, and the upper story will be an auditorium with a handsome stage, for lectures and concerts. It is a building Greenville may be proud of. No man can be happy unless he is on good terms with his stomach.

Fighting the Weevil Systematic Warfare.

Aid of the Farmers of the State to Be Invoked in this Fight Against the Weevil.

Washington, Jan. 25.—The Secretary of Agriculture has approved the plans for the cotton boll weevil investigation in the Southwest, for which a special appropriation of \$250,000 has been made available. Secretary Wilson believes that the best methods for meeting the ravages of the weevil are the facts which have been accumulated by the department during the last two years in the matter of improving cultural conditions, the planting of early maturing varieties of cotton, substitution of other crops, etc. The plans approved which were submitted by Dr. R. T. Galloway, the chief of the Bureau of Plant Industry, and Dr. Howard the chief of the Division of Entomology, embody the following lines of investigation:

Farmers' Co-operative Demonstration Work—This will involve the organization of farmers in Texas and adjacent states in such a way as to secure the cultivation of tracts of cotton under specific instructions from the Department of Agriculture. Thus a definite working plan will be given to each farmer, the farmer himself to furnish the seed and fertilizers if such are required. These areas of cotton will serve as objects and will be planned to show the practicability of growing cotton despite the presence of the weevil. Similar work will be carried on in Louisiana, where the weevil has not yet advanced. It is planned to have 4000 or 10,000 farmers engaged in this work.

Plant Breeding and Selection Work—This work will have for its object the improvement of the present varieties of cotton with a view of making them more prolific and earlier so as to prevent the ravages of the weevil. The work will be conducted on the experimental farms which will be selected with due respect to climatic, soil and other conditions.

Cotton Diseases—The bill making the appropriation directs the Secretary to investigate other insects and diseases and one serious malady which will receive attention is the so-called cotton root rot. This work will be in the direction of securing immune varieties by selection and breeding and the testing of types that already have been selected.

Diversification of Crops—This is considered one of the most important lines of work and will have for its object demonstration work in the direction of gauging crops other than cotton and of forage crops with cotton. Diversification farms will be secured by co-operation with the farmers themselves. Thirteen of these farms will be located in Texas, five in Louisiana, three in Mississippi and several in other cotton-growing states. The foregoing work will be looked after by the Bureau of Plant Industry. The Division of Entomology will continue its investigations on experiment farms. Thirteen farms for the growing of cotton will be located in Texas and the investigations conducted will have for their object the determination of numerous questions relative to combating the boll weevil which have not yet been definitely settled. The question of the effect of fertilizers on the early maturing of cotton will be considered. It is planned that these farms shall embrace about 100 acres each. Investigation of Parasites—The original home of the weevil will be made the subject of investigation, the object being to introduce the parasite into Texas with hope of securing the destruction, through them, of the boll weevil.

Inspection of Cotton Products, Their Fumigation and General Expenses—Inspecting the certification required by State laws will be another line of work conducted by the entomologist.

Investigations into the Life, History and Habits of the Weevil and General Testing of Persons and Machines—This will include the destructive cotton worm, which is one of the most serious pests in a number of Southern cotton-growing states.

The organization of the work on the co-operative demonstration farms has begun under the charge of Dr. R. A. Knapp, who is now in Texas.

Will Move the Town.

Washington: A majority of the Democratic Senators will vote for the ratification of the Panama treaty unless the investigation which they demand discloses something which in their judgment will make such action on their part impossible. Steps toward such an investigation were taken at the caucus of the Democratic Senators Saturday. At this an agreement was reached that Senators will not express themselves one way or the other upon the treaty until after all the information called for has been received. In the discussion of the different phases of the Panama question which consumed the time of the caucus the attitude of the individual Senators was made clear and the poll showed as indicated above. At the same time it was disclosed that the Democratic Senators will act together in preventing a vote upon the treaty until they are satisfied that investigation has brought out all the facts bearing upon the secession of Panama, and the aid rendered the secession movement by this government or any of its own officials.

A Skyscraper Fire.

Chicago, Ill.: Fire in the Masonic Temple, a Twenty-story building Saturday, caused a panic among the 4000 occupants of the building and caused the stock and fixtures of tenants to the extent of \$20,000. All occupants of the building escaped without serious injury, through the bravery of the elevator men, who remained at their posts and operated their cars while dense clouds of smoke filled the building. The fire originated on the fifth floor.

Senator Burton Indicted.

St. Louis, Mo.: The Federal grand jury gave an indictment against Joseph Ralph Burton, United States Senator from Kansas, charging him on nine counts with accepting five checks for \$500 each from the Rialto Grain and Securities Company between Nov. 22, 1902, and March 26, 1903, while a United States Senator, for his alleged services interceding with the Postmaster General and others.

The Lamar County Truck Growers' Association has ordered a carload of fertilizer from Memphis, Tenn.

Saturday night Ab Thompson of Canyon City fell into the cellar of a building being erected by Tom Carson and broke one of his legs.

Sucker Staters for the Panhandle.

Hereford: A man named Talmage, with an immigration company at Chicago, has brought in a second car load of farmers of Illinois to this place. The first car arrived about two weeks ago, and a number of the prospectors bought land and will move here and try farming. Mr. Talmage charters a car and arranges for the farmers of those states to come and see what we have on the plains.

Starting Right at Last.

Mount Pleasant: A meeting of business men was held here Saturday night for the purpose of organizing a stock company with a paid up capital of \$60,000 for the purpose of converting the grounds on which the Iridescence Springs, one mile from town, are situated, into a summer and pleasure resort, laying off the grounds and erecting a summer hotel to cost \$25,000.

Old Settler of Harrison Gone.

Hillsboro: The town of Bynum, on Ash Creek, between here and Hubbard, is to be moved to the Trinity and Brazos Valley Railroad. The railroad company has promised to place a switch and depot at the site selected. A gentleman living near the site has donated twenty acres of land for the town. The buildings of the old town will be rolled up on rollers.

Will Vote to Ratify.

Marshall: James C. Scott died at the residence of his nephew, R. R. Scott, in Scottsville, at an early hour Saturday morning. Mr. Scott was born in Mississippi in 1815. He settled in Louisiana in 1827 and afterwards lived in Victoria and Marion Counties, Texas, and a Mexico, but lived the last twelve years at Scottsville. Deceased was the oldest white citizen of this county, with the exception of Uncle Billy Allen of this city.

# MEN ENTOMBED BY MINE EXPLOSION

Cheswick, Pa., Scene of the Disaster—190 Men Said to Be in the Ill-Fated Mine.

Pittsburg, Pa., Jan. 26.—From all that could be gathered at a late hour last night between 149 and 190 men are lying dead in the headings and passage ways of the Harwick mine of the Allegheny Coal Company at Cheswick, the result of a terrific explosion yesterday. Cage after cage was gone into the mine and come up again, but only three miners of all those that went down to work yesterday morning were brought to the surface. One man is Adolph Guntap, and he is still alive, but in a critical condition at the temporary hospital in the rude school house Henry Mayhew, check weigh man, and George Waitman, tippie man, died of their injuries. In addition to the miners who were at work when the explosion occurred it is now believed by practically all of the men of the rescue party who have come up the 330-foot vertical shaft for a warming and a breathing spell, that Selwin M. Taylor, the mining engineer, who spotted the mine and who was the first to reach the bottom after the explosion happened, is also now among the dead.

Of those in the mine all are probably dead. The explosion occurred at 8:30 yesterday morning, and the first warning was the sudden rumbic underground and then a sheet of flame followed up the deep shaft. Both mine cages were hurled through the tippie twenty feet above the landing stage, and the three men on the tippie were

thrown to the ground. A mule was thrown high above the shaft and fell dead on the ground. The injured men were brought at once to this city, where two of them have already died.

### There is No Hope.

Pittsburg, Pa., Jan. 26.—The report of the rescuers an hour ago that many were alive was rudely shattered at 2:25 a. m., when the body of Selwin Taylor was brought up. He had evidently been dead for several hours and no hopes for the other imprisoned men have been abandoned.

The rescuers are being brought out coated with ice, drenched to the skins and unable to walk. They report that dead are scattered one above the other as thick as pine needles. Water is fast pouring into the mine, covering the corpses with a shroud of ice and making the work of rescue almost impossible.

3 a. m.—Physicians have gone to the bottom of the shaft to examine the miners there to determine if they are alive.

3:15 a. m.—Dr. W. B. McCullough of Cheswick, who has been in the mine for two hours, has just come to the surface and told the Associated Press representative that, in his opinion, not one of the miners who were in the shaft at the time of the explosion is alive. He thinks it will be several hours before any of the bodies can be brought to the surface.

### Texas Press Association.

San Antonio, Texas.—The executive committee of the Texas Press Association was at home in San Antonio on Monday. The meeting was called for the purpose of arranging the details for the coming state convention, and was marked by a full attendance.

May 5, 6 and 7 were dates for the convention and San Antonio was selected as the convention city. The session will open with a public meeting at the Grand Opera House, followed by a number of business sessions. D. L. Beach of the Gonzales Inquirer, J. H. Lowery of the Honey Grove Signal, and M. L. Bixler of the Beaumont Enterprise were appointed a committee to arrange the program.

### Collier Murder Case is on Trial.

Franklin, Texas.—The trial of J. R. Collier for the murder of J. D. Bica was begun in the district court here Monday. A jury was secured by 3 o'clock p. m. Three witnesses were examined and at 6 o'clock the state closed, except for rebuttal. There are a large number of people in attendance most of whom are witnesses.

### Arrested for Spy.

Tokio.—Takashima, the Japanese interpreter for the Russian attaché, was arrested last Saturday on suspicion of acting as a spy in the Yokosuka fortified zone. He has been taken to Yokohama for trial. It is alleged that conclusive evidence has been obtained regarding other suspects which is causing a very strong feeling against such treachery, which is a capital offense in Japan.

### Assassination Near Elkhart.

Elkhart, Texas.—Sam Bickerstaff, living four miles south of this place, was shot to death by unknown parties. The body was found Monday morning by his son half a mile from his home.

### Concessions to Avoid War.

Berlin.—As the German government understands the present situation the feeling is such at Tokio that Japan will declare war unless Russia answers her demands favorably. Russia recognizes this and accordingly intends to accept enough of Japan's point to make the Tokio cabinet feel that a sufficient cause for war no longer exists and while the forthcoming note will not fully satisfy Japan it will prevent the serious possibility of a declaration of war.

### Innocent Man Nearly Drowned.

Eagle Pass, Texas.—Customs inspectors on the lookout for a load of mesquite from Mexico mistook an innocent man for the smuggler and shot his horse when he refused to halt. The man thought he was against a holdup and made a run for it, nearly being drowned in trying to cross a creek.

### Report Untrue.

Seoul, Korea.—The report of the landing of a Japanese army at Masampo has been found to be untrue.

### Schools Closed.

Milwaukee, Wis.—The present cold wave in this vicinity seems to have spent itself, the thermometer at 9 o'clock last night, pointing to 8 above zero. New Richmond, Wis., reports all cold weather records in that region broken yesterday by a temperature of 46 to 48 below zero. At many towns the public schools were closed on account of the cold. Janesville reports schools closed. Low temperatures from other points are as follows: Mondovi, 35 to 40 below; Rhinelander, 28 below; Plymouth, 33 below; Plainfield, 28 below; Waukesha, 25 below.

### Take Control of Railways.

London.—The correspondent of the Daily Telegraph at Tokio sends in the following statement:

"The Official Gazette publishes an imperial ordinance empowering the government to assume control of all private railways, etc., for military purposes.

"The situation is very grave and developments are hourly expected."

### Sleet at Memphis.

Memphis, Tenn.—The first, severe snow and sleet storm of the winter is prevailing in this vicinity. A slow rain during the day Monday was changed to a heavy downpour of sleet and snow at night, when the thermometer fell to lower levels. Telegraphic communication is hampered to a considerable extent.

### Nearing the Record.

Chicago.—Piercing cold made the whole Northwest suffer Monday. The thermometer reached 15 below in this city. The record here is 23 below, and there is some expectation that a new low point will be touched before the cold spell is ended. One man, frozen stiff, was found in Thirty-second street.

### China Offered Good Offices.

Peking.—The Chinese officials have approached the ministers here of several powers with proposals directed toward attempting mediation between Russia and Japan. China is anxious that war should be averted.

### Transfer to Americans.

Mantia.—The Japanese merchants in this city have received advices from the home government that in case of an outbreak of hostilities they had better transfer their business over to the Americans.

### J. Frank Quinlan Dead.

Boston.—J. Frank Quinlan, the noted Marathon runner, who helped defeat the Greeks at the first Marathon meet in Athens 1898, is dead in Jamaica Plains from blood poisoning brought on by an unsuccessful operation for quinsy.

### Major Hoyt Sherman Dead.

Des Moines, Iowa.—Major Hoyt Sherman, brother of General T. T. Sherman and of Secretary John Sherman, died today.

# KANSAS CITY GIRL WHO HAS WON HIGH FAVOR IN ENGLAND



MISS ELIZABETH PARKINSON

London correspondents point out an unusual honor for an American singer in the three-year contract made by the Covent Garden opera in London with Miss Elizabeth Parkinson. Miss Parkinson is the daughter of Judge John D.

Parkinson of Kansas City. She made her musical debut in Paris a little over a year ago, and a few months later appeared with success as Lakme in a grand production at the Opera Comique.

### WON CAMPAIGN WITH BULL.

How New York Assemblyman Secured His Seat.

Much surprise was evinced when the young millionaire Robert Winthrop Chanler defeated Major Francis G. Landon in the race for the New York assembly. The explanation may be found in a story which seems to indicate that Mr. Chanler either has a good idea of practical politics or is being guided by a veteran at the game. Everything was going well with Major Landon's campaign, despite his unpopular move in declaring against the acceptance of Pullman passes, when Mr. Chanler invested \$5,000 in a prize bull, which he invited all of the farmers of the district to call at his place and view. The ruralists went into raptures over the bull, and when they expressed a wish that they might own such an animal Mr. Chanler promptly presented each with a card giving him an interest. These cards were distributed without discrimination to all farmers of wealth, and the prize bull became the common property of the county. Against this sort of competition Major Landon's fight was hopeless.

### GEN. GORDON IN BATTLE.

Possessed Almost to Madness with the Joy of Fighting.

Major Robert Stiles of Richmond, author of "Four Years Under Marsa Robert," says Gen. Gordon in battle was the most glorious human being his eyes ever looked upon. He describes him in the first day's fight at Gettysburg, his face radiant, his figure erect, mounted on a splendid ebony charger, with gleaming eyes and proud arched neck. The rider fairly stood in his stirrups and, bareheaded, waved both hands, while his sonorous voice rolled out such exhortations as only he knew how to make to soldiers. Thus they charged, with the great black charger joyful in the midst of the flashing muskets.

### CHARITIES TO BE KEPT UP.

Forecast of John D. Rockefeller's Last Testament.

It leaked out the other day through the statement of a prominent business man of New York city, whose acquaintance with John D. Rockefeller is a close one, that the terms of the Rockefeller will are so drawn that the numerous charities to which he now contributes regularly will receive the same benefits yearly as they do now. It isn't known whether this will include the University of Chicago or not, but it does include scores and scores of institutions and private charities which are kept alive largely by the generosity of Mr. Rockefeller, and of which the world at large knows but little.

### Left Lands of Unknown Value.

The personal property of the late George M. Wakefield, mining operator and speculator of Milwaukee, is worth \$123,699.40, according to the report of the appraisers made to the county court. How much the real estate is worth is not known, as the appraisers were unable to determine the values, there being 4,186 acres of mining land in Michigan and thirty acres in Marinette county.

### SPLIT IN NOTED SOCIETY.

Women Leave Organization on Question of Divorce.

An organization of Catholic women was formed in New York city recently which had for its object, among other things, suppression of the divorce evil. Miss Annie Leary, a leading member of the 400, a personal friend of Mrs. Astor and a social countess, was one of the principal movers in the new enterprise, but it is understood she and Mrs. Frederick Nelson, also one of the leading women of the Catholic lady of the United States, have withdrawn from the society, the reason being that a rule was recently adopted that all members pledge themselves to abjure the society of divorced persons. Miss Leary numbers among her friends Mrs. Oliver H. P. Belmont and other notable divorcees. Mrs. Nelson, the mother of Mrs. Hollis Hunnewell, who recently divorced Arthur I. Kemp and was remarried soon afterward, followed suit.

### WORSTED IN WITTY CONTEST.

Young Society Woman Got the Best of Chauncey Depew.

Chauncey Depew was badly worsted the other afternoon in a contest of wit with a young society woman of Washington. The two had been waging a fairly even battle until the Senator ventured to praise a certain young woman who for some time has been endeavoring to work her way into exclusive society. The youthful matron with whom Chauncey was conversing does not view this aspiration with favor, and he was aware of the fact. "You must admit," said he, "that Mrs. Blanks' crudeness is disappearing. I should certainly say that she is rising in the social scale." "Oh, dear me, yes," was the reply, "she is snubbed by a better class of people every time she appears. To that extent at least the poor thing is making progress."

### A DIPLOMAT AND NOVELIST.

South American Who Has Won Fame in Both Spheres.

Dr. Eduardo Acevedo Diaz, the newly appointed minister from Uruguay, who has been sent to Washington to open a legation, is known in South America as a novelist of high repute. Not confining himself to running a newspaper as editor and dabbling in affairs of state, Senor Diaz found time to publish in Spanish a large number of romances of thrilling interest. Most of these stories have all the interest of Spanish love tales and are typical of South America, taking high mark in the lighter literature of that country.

### Lady Minto's Long Journey.

Lady Minto, who recently returned to Ottawa after an enjoyable visit to Japan, has covered a good many thousands of miles since she took up her abode at government house. It was only quite recently that she and her husband made the journey from Ottawa to Montreal, a distance of 120 miles, in Canadian canoes. The party, which comprised eight persons, paddled by day and camped in the woods at night, the arrangements generally being of the simplest and least luxurious description.

**Harvest Work.**  
The harvest of wheat alone engages about 1,000,000 men and 50,000 teams three months of the summer, while at least 10,000 women are needed to prepare food for the workers. The harvest of other crops employ less men, but the entire number of harvesters needed in gathering the crops of the United States has been estimated at 1,520,700—that is, exclusive of the farmers that reside on their own land and aid in the harvest.

**Roses After Rain.**  
Cheer your heart up, sweet, my honey,  
Dark on hill and plain;  
But the weather'll soon be sunny—  
Roses after rain!  
Somewhere sweet the bells are ringing  
Joy to earth again;  
In the blooms the birds are singing:  
"Roses after rain!"  
In your eye the bright tears glisten—  
Tears are only vain;  
All the world is singing—listen:  
"Roses after rain!"  
—F. S. Stanton.

Magnolia is more than three-fourths as large as Russia and nearly four times as large as Manchuria, while Magnolia and Manchuria together are more than half as large as the United States, exclusive of Alaska and outside possessions.

**A Dentist's Advice.**  
Toledo, Ohio, Jan. 25th.—Mr. Harry L. Lewis, Dentist, 607 Sumit street, this city, says: "I certainly advise anyone, no matter how severe they may have Kidney Trouble to take Dodd's Kidney Pills."

"I was troubled with Kidney Disease for several years and Dodd's Kidney Pills cured me. I had used many so-called remedies without any benefit. Four months ago, I was fat on my back with this painful trouble and must say that I almost gave up hopes of ever getting any better. Through a friend's advice I purchased six boxes of Dodd's Kidney Pills.

"At first I could see but little benefit, but after two weeks, I could see an improvement. I had been getting up several times at night and pains in my back were very severe. When I had taken six boxes I felt better than I had for years. The pain had all gone and I didn't have to get up during the night at all. I continued the treatment until I had used several more boxes, and now I am glad to say that I am completely cured."

A man robs himself if he does not make the best of his time.

Be sure you get the Cough Syrup manufactured by the A. C. Simmons, Jr., Med. Co., and take no substitute. Pleasant to take and guaranteed to cure. 25 and 50c.

When it is too late it is easy to think of something better.

Calico is named for Calicut, a town in India, where it was first printed.

**10,000 Plants for 10c.**

Write to a remarkable offer the John A. Balzer Seed Co., La Crosse, Wis., makes. They will send you their big plant and seed catalog, together with enough seed to grow:  
1,000 fine, solid Cabbages.  
2,000 delicious Carrots.  
2,000 blanching, nutty Celery.  
2,000 rich, buttery Lettuce.  
1,000 splendid Onions.  
1,000 rare, luscious Radishes.  
1,000 gloriously brilliant Flowers.  
This great offer is made in order to induce you to try their warranted seeds—for when you once plant them you will grow no others, and  
ALL FOR BUT 10c POSTAGE,  
providing you will return this notice, and if you will send them 20c in postage, they will add to the above a package of the famous Berliner Cauliflower. (W. N. U.)

A man usually gets the last word in an argument with his wife because she gives it to him.

Tasso, the Italian poet, was often distressed for a dollar.

Defiance Starch is put up 16 ounces in a package, 10 cents. One-third more starch for the same money.

Pilius, the Roman comic poet, turned a mill.

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

A taper can't taper off by cultivating a taper on his nose.

POTNAM FADELESS DYES are fast to light and washing.

Collections of cartoons which have appeared in the newspapers are among the best selling books in France.

Defiance Starch is guaranteed biggest and best or money refunded. 16 ounces, 10 cents. Try it now.

If poets are born their ancestors should be held responsible.

Try me just once and I am sure to come again. Defiance Starch.

Leap year advice to the fair sex—look before you leap.

Time may heal a broken heart, but give us Simmons' Cough Syrup for instant relief from coughs and colds. Guaranteed to cure. 25 and 50c.

Serge comes from Xerxes, the Spanish for a certain sort of blanket.



**LASTING RELIEF**

J. W. Walls, Superintendent of Streets of Lebanon, Ky., says:

"My nightly rest was broken, owing to irregularities of the kidneys. I suffered intensely from severe pains in the small of my back and through the kidneys and was annoyed by painful passages of abnormal secretions. Doctors failed to relieve me. I began taking Doan's Kidney Pills and I experienced quick and lasting relief. Doan's Kidney Pills will prove a blessing to all sufferers from kidney disorders who will give them a fair trial."  
Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y., proprietors. For sale by all druggists, price 50 cents per box.

An English temperance newspaper prints a fine mixed metaphor, announcing that the winter campaign "is already being launched in a blaze of enthusiasm."

If you don't get the biggest and best it's your own fault. Deference Starch is for sale everywhere and there is positively nothing to equal it in quality or quantity.

Were it not for the multitude of stocks that throng to Egypt every winter there would be no living in some part of the country for, after every inundation, frogs appear in devastating numbers.

The U. S. Dept. of Agriculture gives to Salzer's Oats its heartiest endorsement. Salzer's New National Oats yielded in 1903 from 150 to 300 bu. per acre in 39 different States, and you, Mr. Farmer, can beat this in 1904. If you will Salzer's seeds are pedigreed seeds, bred up through careful selection to big yields.

Per Acre:  
Salzer's Beardless Barley yielded 721 bu.  
Salzer's Home Builder Corn 350 bu.  
Salzer's Speltz and Macaroni Wheat 30 bu.  
Salzer's Victoria Rape 50,000 lbs.  
Salzer's Feedstuffs, the quick-growing fodder wonder 150,000 lbs.  
Salzer's Billion Dollar Grass 50,000 lbs.  
Salzer's Pedigree Potatoes 1,000 bu.  
Now such yields pay and you can have them, Mr. Farmer, in 1904.

SEND 10c IN STAMPS and this notice to the John A. Salzer Seed Co., La Crosse, Wis., and you will get their big catalog and lots of farm seed samples free. (W. N. U.)

In the vaudeville business alone 100,000 persons earn a living in the United States. All told something like 1,300,000 persons gain a livelihood from the amusement stage in our country.

Mother Gray's Sweet Powders for Children. Successfully used by Mother Gray, nurse in the Children's Home in New York, cure Constipation, Feverishness, Bad Stomach, Teething Disorders, move and regulate the Bowels and Destroy Worms. Over 30,000 testimonials.  
FREE. Address A. S. Olmsted, LeRoy, N. Y.

Legislation aimed at the trading stamp is being considered in New York.

Every bottle of Cough Syrup manufactured by the A. C. Simmons, Jr., Med. Co. is guaranteed to cure or money refunded. Use no other. 25 and 50c.

Vein of tin oxide have been discovered in the Trapswaal which yield 67 per cent. tin.

**ARKANSAS TRAVELER RESPONDED.**

Got Back in Rhyme at Missouri Pacific's General Passenger Agent.

H. C. Townsend, general passenger and ticket agent of the Missouri Pacific with headquarters at St. Louis, sent out a novel holiday greeting to patrons of the road and was surprised to receive a response in rhyme from a man in Arkansas. Here is the greeting followed by the answer:

This is the train that runs so fast  
Across the plains to mountains vast;  
This is the train that's never late,  
And keeps its service up to date.  
This is the train that runs out West,  
And takes you there for work or rest;  
This is the train that runs in the land  
Of mountains high and canons grand;  
This is a true hotel on wheels,  
It serves to you the best of meals;  
This is the train with lowest rate—  
St. Louis to the Golden Gate.  
If you should wish to go that way,  
See H. C. Townsend, G. P. A.

This is what the Arkansas traveler wrote in response:

H. C. Townsend, G. P. A.—  
I received your card to-day,  
And I'm writing now to say  
That your train's A-O-K.

I'm a regular passenger  
And I'm here to tell you all  
It's a corker—sure enough,  
(Please don't take this as a puff—  
All your trains are up to snuff—  
Strictly in it—just the stuff.)

Makes me restless when I read  
Of the comfort and the speed—  
Want to pack my clothes and skip  
On that train—Gee! What a trip!

Feed you like a millionaire—  
Gosh! Just read that bill-of-fare!  
Tender steaks, well done or rare,  
Game and things from everywhere!

Walds, doughs, coffee, cake—  
Wow! It makes my stomach ache!

And the rates—I'll swear to you  
Are as cutting as a razor!  
Shame to take such service cheap—  
Want to make us pay a heap!

Guess I've said about enough,  
(Every word is straight—no guff.)  
So I'll sign myself with awe,  
Truly yours, A. FASSENJAIN.

# OVER THE TEACUPS

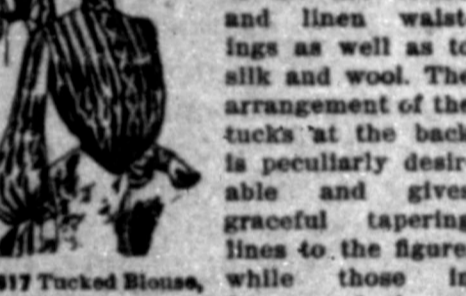
**Box Plaited Waist.**  
Shirt waists of the simpler sort are always smart whether made from cotton, silk or wool. This one is laid in full length box plaits at front and back, with sleeves that are plaited above the elbows and is eminently satisfactory. The model is made of peach colored taffeta with pipings of



4488 Box Plaited Waist, 32 to 40 bust.

panne velvet. To make it will be required 4 1/4 yards of material 21, 3 1/2 yard 27 or 2 1/2 yards 44 inches wide. A May Manton pattern, No. 4488, sizes 32 to 40, will be mailed to any address on receipt of ten cents.

**Of Pink Crepe Albatross.**  
Tucked blouses are much in vogue and may be looked for in still greater numbers with the season to come. This one is made of pale pink crepe albatross with



4617 Tucked Blouse, 32 to 40 bust, neckline becoming and fashionable fullness below the stitching. When preferred the lining can be omitted and the waist can be left plain, with a regulation box plait at the center. The waist consists of the fitted

lining, fronts and back. The back is smooth, but the fronts are full and blouse-stylishly over the belt. The sleeves are the favorite ones that fit the upper arms snugly and form soft puffs below the elbows. At the neck is the usual stock.

The quantity of material required for the medium size is 4 1/4 yards 21 inches wide, 3 1/2 yards 27 inches wide or 2 1/2 yards 44 inches wide, with 2 1/2 yards of insertion 2 1/2 inches wide to trim as illustrated.

The pattern, 4617, is cut in sizes for a 32, 34, 36, 38 and 40 inch bust measure.

**Squirrel Ulster.**  
A most comfortable fur wrap seen last week was a long ulster of squirrel fur cut with flare at the bottom, where it touched the floor. It was almost close fitting at the shoulders, and the sleeves were the modified kimono shape. A large hat covered with squirrel fur and trimmed with a gray ostrich plume topped this wrap.

**Gay Russian Garnitures.**  
From Russia come all sorts of red and blue heavy wool and cotton embroideries, not expensive and exceedingly smart on the plainer shirt-waists. Where the embroideries are in bands, strips are used on the front plait, running out in epaulettes over the shoulders, and for collars and cuffs.

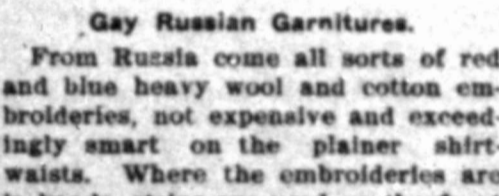
**When Boiling a Cracked Egg.**  
When boiling a cracked egg a teaspoonful of vinegar put into the water will prevent it boiling out, no matter how much it is cracked.

**New Pudding Tins.**  
Before using new pudding tins place them in the oven with a little oatmeal or bran and water, when they will be much sweeter, and it will prevent the puddings from sticking.

**About Mixing Mustard.**  
When mixing mustard add a saltspoonful of salt and the same quantity of moist sugar, and mix with boiling water. It will be found to keep moist much longer and have a better taste.

**Torn Oilcloth.**  
This is difficult to mend satisfactorily. Try putting a piece of sticking plaster underneath the tear. It will need to be made damp and must be left severely alone after sticking it on till quite dry.

**Girl's Costume.**  
Veiling in all colors is much used for young girls' frocks, but is especially charming in the lighter ones. The very pretty costume illustrated shows the material in one of the new reseda shades, with machine stitching in corticelli silk of the same color, yoke and straps of taffeta, the latter held by gold buttons showing a



4611 Girl's Costume, 8 to 14 years. Trajectory of black, and drop ornaments that combine reseda with black and white. The color combination is a peculiarly good one and the effect admirable, but there is the whole long list of beautiful tones from which to choose.

The costume consists of the waist and the skirt which are joined and closed together at the back. Both fronts and back of the waist are tucked, and are gathered at the lower edge but the tucks of the fronts extend to yoke depth only, while those of the back are full length, and the fronts are joined to a vest-like portion which consists of a tucked yoke with full portion below. The skirt is cut in five gores, the seams being concealed by the tucks.

The quantity of material required for the medium size (12 year) is 5 1/2 yards 27 inches wide, 3 1/2 yards 44 inches wide or 2 1/2 yards 52 inches wide, with 1/2 yard of silk for yoke.

The pattern, 4611, is cut in sizes for girls of 8, 10, 12 and 14 years of age.

**With the Housewife.**

Little balls of fur dangle from smart collars.

Panne de chine is the latest fabric. Oh, dear! Any more?

Such gorgeous shaded plumes as complete the velvet hat!

Rip the gold braid off your beaver hat and trim it now with tulle.

Deep linen collars, shaped to the neck, are worn with tailored dresses.

One charming cream broadcloth coat is lined with turquoise satin duchesse.

A gown of white broadcloth, a corsage bouquet of violets and a big purple hat—there's beauty.

Deep silk fringe is knotted into the lace collar that finishes one gem all in delicate champagne color.

Scarlet slippers with gold heels are pretty enough in the showcase; but are they worn off the stage?

**To Gloss Linen.**  
To gloss linen beautifully, add to one pint of cold water two tablespoonfuls of starch, one of borax and one of kerosene oil. Mix well; put the dry linen through this; wring and iron at once. A cloth dampened in kerosene and rubbed over the iron is an improvement.

Readers of this paper can secure any May Manton pattern illustrated above by filling out all blanks in coupon, and mailing, with 10 cents, to E. E. Harrison & Co., 65 Plymouth Place, Chicago. Pattern will be mailed promptly.

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Town \_\_\_\_\_  
State \_\_\_\_\_  
Pattern No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Waist Measure (if for skirt) \_\_\_\_\_  
Bust Measure (if for waist) \_\_\_\_\_  
Age (if child's or miss's pattern) \_\_\_\_\_

Write plainly. Fill out all blanks. Enclose 10c. Mail to E. E. Harrison & Co., 65 Plymouth Place, Chicago.



4605 Girl's Box Plaited Suspender Costume, 6 to 12 yrs.

Suspender costumes are exceedingly charming for little girls and are among the novelties of the season. This one is made of dark red henrietta with pipings of black velvet and is worn over a guimpe of sheer white lawn. The skirt is laid in deep box plaits, which are lapped at the upper edge and allowed to flare at the lower, and the suspenders are cut in sections which are joined at the front by orna-

mental buttons. The guimpe is one of the new ones of the season and box plaited in harmony with the skirt. To make the frock for a girl of 10 years of age will be required 4 1/4 yards of material 21 inches wide, 2 1/2 yards 27 as 1 1/2 yards 44 inches wide with 1 1/2 yards 36 inches wide for the guimpe. A May Manton pattern, No. 4605, sizes 6 to 12 years, will be mailed to any address on receipt of ten cents.

London physicians are conducting elaborate experiments looking to the discovery of a cure for the sleeping sickness. There's a fortune in it for the man who secures the Philadelphia rights for the remedy.

Missionaries propose to break up the habit of allowing women to be yoked with oxen in the Barbary states. Their condition would not be improved by yoking them to some of the men of the Barbary states.

The Victorian churches of Christ, Christian Endeavor Union, Australia, have now sixteen metropolitan and three county societies. The aim of the union is to have a society in every church in Victoria.

It has been necessary for the Japanese to import smokeless coal for the use of the fleet, but a deposit of smokeless coal, underlying about 1500 acres, has lately been discovered in Hokkaido.

The smallest inhabited island in the world is that on which the Eddystone lighthouse stands. At low water it is 30 feet in diameter; at high water the base of the lighthouse, the diameter of which is 28 3/4 feet, is completely covered by the waves.

1904.  
The H. & T. C. R. R. has the best passenger service in the south. Three trains daily each way, making direct connection with all lines for North, East and West. Through Pullman Sleepers to St. Louis, Kansas City, Dallas, Fort Worth, Waco and Austin. For full information and rates call on local agent, or address M. L. Robbins, G. P. A., Wm. Doherty, A. G. P. A., Houston, Texas.

**Knowledge from Experience.**  
Is what we understand when Dr. Spelling, an eminent Baptist divine of Galveston, Texas, writes "Send me two bottles of Taylor's Cherry Remedy of Sweet Gum and Mullein. It is for a friend suffering from consumption. It is a preparation I know from experience to be good."  
At druggists, 25c, 50c, and \$1.00 a bottle.

Some men have such ill manners that when they reach home they take off their coats and put on their hobnailed shoes.

The Belgian city of Liege, with a population of 150,000, maintains 10,000 drink sellers.

**Curious English Custom.**  
At Clingford, in Essex, an estate is held by a very curious condition. Whenever it passes into new hands the owner, with his wife, man servant and maid servant, comes on horseback to the parsonage and pays his homage by blowing three blasts upon a horn. He carries a hawk upon his fist and his servant has a greyhound in a slip both for the use of the rector for that day. He receives a chicken for the hawk, a peck of oats for his horse and a loaf of bread for his greyhound. After dinner the owner blows three more blasts and then with his party withdraws from the rectory.

**Valley of Mexico.**  
The Valley of Mexico is seventy miles in length and forty-five miles in width. Lake Texcoco, a large body of water lying immediately to the east of the City of Mexico, is only six feet lower than the level of the street pavements. In 1629 this lake rose and inundated the city, drowning thousands of the inhabitants. The waters of the lake covered the site of the city to a depth of three feet, and remained so for over four years. This danger is now obviated by a great drainage canal.

**DR. FED HIMSELF.**  
Found the Food that Saved His Life.

A good old family physician with a lifetime experience in saving people finally found himself sick unto death. Medicines failed and — but let him tell his own story. "For the first time in my life of sixty-one years I am impelled to publicly testify to the value of a largely advertised article and I certainly would not pen these lines except that, what seems to me a direct act of Providence, saved my life and I am impressed that it is a bounden duty to make it known.

"For 3 years I kept falling with stomach and liver disorders until I was reduced 70 lbs. from my normal weight. When I got too low to treat myself, 3 of my associate physicians advised me to 'put my house in order' for I would be quickly going the way of all mankind. Just about that time I was put on a diet of Grape-Nuts predigested food. Curiously enough it quickly began to build me up, appetite returned and in 15 days I gained 6 lbs. That started my return to health and really saved my life.

"A physician is naturally prejudiced against writing such a letter, but in this case I am willing to declare it from the housetops that the multiplied thousands who are now suffering as I did can find relief and health as easily and promptly by Grape-Nuts. If they only knew what to do. Sincerely and Fraternally yours." Name of this prominent physician furnished by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

Look in each package for a copy of the famous little book, "The Road to Wellville."

## Local Items.

E. Wilcox of Augusta was here Monday.

Miss Lizzie Howard is visiting at Palestine.

Jas. S. Shivers returned Monday from Marlin.

H. F. Moore went to Madisonville Monday night.

De Little Store sells gasoline oil per gallon 15 cents.

R. B. Rich came up from Houston Saturday night.

D. A. Nunn, Jr., returned Tuesday from Groveton.

The best prices on furniture can be had at the Big Store.

S. C. Brown Leghorn eggs for sale by Mrs. W. V. Clark.

Buy your seed potatoes and fertilizer from H. J. Phillips.

Trade at the Big Store the year 1904. They'll save you money.

De Little Store sold three car loads of kerosene oil in 60 days.

If you have a good young mule for sale take it to the Big Store.

The meeting at the Baptist church continues through this week.

See that beautiful line of short length embroidery at the Big Store.

Use the best plows—Oliver is the name. Get 'em at the Big Store only.

H. J. Phillips has two cars alfalfa hay. Will make you a price by the ton.

Let the Big Store give you prices on Hickman wagons. They are the best.

### For Sale.

5000 feet of good fencing. Apply at the Big Store.

De Little Store sells Oxidine, Grove's and Diamond chill tonic per bottle 25 cents.

Remember we are the tailors and furnish Chester suspenders.

### Just Received.

1,754 yards embroidery. Will sell at bargain. Call Big Store.

Chester suspenders are the best.

Only a few more nice comforts and blankets left, and they are being sold cheap at the Big Store.

L. D. Sheprine and W. T. Connor from the eastern part of the county were here Thursday and Friday.

Think of it! The low prices we have always made on high-grade tailoring have been reduced.

The best results are obtained from good plows. The Big Store sells the Oliver chilled. They are the best.

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Henslee, N. T. Green and Miss Birdie Cochran composed a party from Lovelady in Crockett Monday.

Let us have your cleaning, pressing, and repairing. We will please you and Chester suspenders.

All who are indebted to me, please call and settle as I expect to move to West Texas in February.

If you want your old suit or pants made new we can do it.

Have you ever thought that the suit you have been wearing all winter is beginning to look shabby? Others have. Take it to Kennedy's and have it cleaned and pressed.

## Don't So Wrong

This New Year, make it a point to buy your Drugs from us. It will be to your interest, because we sell you only the best. We make close prices and we give you your money's worth. Come and see us.

## B. J. Chamberlain,

THE DRUGGIST.

J. H. Gregg of Augusta made us a pleasant call Thursday.

Cotton sold for 14½ cents in Crockett Thursday morning.

R. A. Shaw has returned from Monroe, La. He did not find things as rosy over there as pictured.

Salt, san-silk, soda, santuche braid, saddles, saws, soap, silk seam braid or anything you need at the Big Store.

Have a shop made pair of pants and get them next day. They are better.

Some of the young men of the town are thinking of organizing a brass band. The town has plenty of material for such a band.

George Denny and Ralph Lundy left Sunday night for Tyler, where they were summoned to appear before the Federal grand jury.

The beautiful weather of the past week is a gentle reminder that you ought to have your suit or pants cleaned and pressed at Kennedy's.

It isn't necessary to buy a suit of clothes every two or three months to be well dressed. Have your old clothes cleaned and pressed at Kennedy's.

The Royal Tailors have made us a big reduction on 116 popular patterns. Order your suit or pants now.

De Little Store has in stock and in transit nine car loads of heavy stuff kerosene oil, bacon and lard, Portland cement, rock lime, salt, alfalfa hay, flour and bran, wire and nails, sugar and syrup. Merchants' orders solicited.

Jas. S. Shivers & Co. have bought another car of King's improved seed. The first car bought by them was sold out. If other firms in Crockett would take as much interest in supplying the farmers with seed as they, we would have a more prosperous county.

Mr. T. C. Lively announces this week for county treasurer. Mr. Lively served four years as county commissioner previous to the present term, which he did creditably. He is well known over the county and stands in need of no recommendation at our hands.

In its issue of the last week in February the COURIER will contain the new election law in full. If you are not a subscriber, subscribe now and get the law. If you are a subscriber and owe the paper, pay up and renew or your name may be dropped before the law is published.

Saturday is the last day you have to pay your poll tax without being disfranchised.

Miss Ethel Wootters will sing at the wedding of Miss Lucy Miller, which occurs at Bastrop next week.

Judge B. H. Gardner of Palestine was looking after professional business in Crockett Tuesday and Wednesday.

### Change in a Firm.

T. D. Craddock, successor to Craddock & Co., desires to thank the customers of the old firm for their business in the past and respectfully solicits a continuance of the same. He is fully prepared to supply the wants of his customers now as in the past and all new business will be appreciated.

All announcements for office must be paid in advance. We then get our money, the candidate gets his money's worth and the thing is settled as far as the candidate and the newspaper are concerned. If the voters decide against the candidate, he can console himself to some extent with the fact that he does not owe the newspaper for his announcement.

We learn from a citizen of Lovelady that a large acreage of Irish potatoes will be planted around that town. A car of seed potatoes have been received and planting will soon begin. Those who planted last year had poor success on account of the late, wet spring, but they were not discouraged and have confidence in the potato as a money-bringing crop.

Last fall the COURIER warned the people to hold their corn. They can now see the wisdom of such advice. Corn has started to advance in price and by next spring will be worth as much as, if not more than, it was last spring. Farmers who sold their corn for 35 and 40 cents last fall will likely have an opportunity of buying it back next spring at 80 cents again.

### Notice.

I was appointed at the November term, 1903, of the county court for Houston county, administrator of the estate of J. G. Conner, deceased, and have qualified. My P. O. address is Tadmor, Texas. Notice is hereby given to all parties having claims against said estate to present them to me within the time prescribed by law.

### Entertained.

Miss Evie Hail entertained the young ladies of the Calendar club and other friends last Friday afternoon complimentary to Mrs. Earp of St. Louis. Progressive games were indulged in until a late hour, after which delicious cake and chocolate were served. Miss Evie makes a charming hostess and on this occasion she has sustained the reputation she has won in the past.

### Another Large Land Deal.

The following gentlemen comprised a party of land buyers from Missouri who were in Crockett the first of the week: W. E. Jameson and E. H. Tuttle of Fulton and R. L. Smith and T. P. Harrison of McCredie. Two of these gentlemen, Messrs. Jameson and Harrison, bought a large tract of land from W. V. Berry, lying east of Crockett a few miles, and will put in an extensive orchard and truck farm. The above tract of land is known as Berry's farm and is a fine body of farming land. The terms of the sale were private. Messrs. Smith and Tuttle are still here and will buy large tracts of fruit and truck land if they can find what they want.

## U. D. C. DEPARTMENT.

### President's Message.

Daughters of the Confederacy: Our past year's work is finished, and considering the length of time that we have been an organized chapter, I feel that we should all be pleased with what has been accomplished. We have done what we could, with love to all, ill will to none. It is a duty we owe, to keep in loving remembrance the brave, heroic deeds of our Southern men, and the cause for which so many of them laid down their lives. Our Southland seemed deserted, not a man left at home except those who were too old and infirm to go. I do not wish to recall unpleasant memories, at the same time our children ought to be taught to love the South and study the history of the South from the Southern standpoint; taught to honor our Southern heroes: Davis, Lee, Hood, the Johnstons, Rodgers and others; our dear Gen. Gordon who has so recently passed to the other shore—they are rapidly passing away, but Daughters of the Confederacy, they must live in our memories. We have organized ourselves into a band, the objects of which are charitable, historical, memorial and social. For a chapter so young, we have done creditable work. We have observed Memorial day, Davis' birthday, remembered our veterans in Austin with a Thanksgiving box, which made glad their hearts. We have given \$25 to the Davis memorial arch, Richmond, Va.; an honorary member, in the name of the chapter, gave \$50.00—\$45.00 to go to the Woman's Home, \$5.00 for the Winkler fund. At the convention in Houston the D. A. Nunn Chapter received very complimentary notice. 'Tis a chapter that we should all feel proud to be a member, and work for its improvement in every line.

MRS. J. H. WOOTTERS,  
Pres., D. A. Nunn Chapter, U. D. C., Crockett, Texas.

### Lee Day to be Observed.

The following program will be observed Lee day by the Daughters of the Confederacy with Mrs. Frank Craddock, January 30:

Prayer by chaplain.  
Roll call, with quotations from Gen. Lee.  
Music, "Bonnie Blue Flag"—Lind Harmonics.  
Article on Gen. Lee.  
Song—Mrs. Grace King.  
Sword of Lee—Mrs. W. C. Lipscomb.  
Music, "Tenting on the Old Camp Ground"—Lind Harmonics.  
Recitation—Mrs. Fisher Arledge.  
Song, "Maryland, My Maryland"—Miss Ethel Wootters.  
Recitation.  
"Dixie"—Sung by Lind Harmonics and chapter.

T. J. Cook of Percilla was here Wednesday.

Mr. Canon, of the firm of Canon & Davis of Lovelady, was transacting business in this city Wednesday.

Jas. S. Shivers & Co. bought from Col. W. W. Davis Wednesday afternoon six bales of cotton weighing 3284 pounds. The price paid was 14 5-16 and the six bales brought a total amount of \$470.02. This is as much money as eighteen bales brought a few years back. The COURIER predicts that cotton will bring 15 cents in Crockett in a short time.

Mr. Wm. S. Crane, of California, Md., suffered for years from rheumatism and lumbago. He was finally advised to try Chamberlain's Pain Balm, which he did and it effected a complete cure. For sale by B. F. Chamberlain.



### A TOUCH OF "RHEUMATISM?"

Get that prescription of Dr. Helden that did you so much good last time re-filled; or, if the pain's of a different sort, ask the good doctor to write you another one, bring it to us and we will compound it with conscientious care.

## SMITH & FRENCH DRUG CO.

The tobacco demonstration station and the cotton experimental farm mean a great deal for Houston county. They mean the day is fast coming when a new order of things will prevail in Houston county. Cotton as the sole crop is a thing of the past, but cotton by improved cultural methods will be the new order. Cotton, tobacco, live stock, feed, fruit and truck are some of the things for which Houston county is going to become noted.

### Notice in Bankruptcy.

In the District Court of the United States for the Eastern District of Texas, at Tyler.

In the matter of James Owens & Company, Bankrupts. In Bankruptcy, No. 1423.

To the creditors of James Owens & Company, a partnership composed of James Owens, J. A. Davis and B. S. Gray, of Grape-land, in the County of Houston and Eastern District of Texas, bankrupts:

Notice is hereby given that said partnership and the individuals composing same were, on the 12th day of January, 1904, duly adjudicated bankrupts; and that the first meeting of their creditors will be held on Thursday, February 4th, 1904, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at my office in the City of Tyler in said Eastern District of Texas, (said place being most convenient for all parties at interest); when and where said creditors may attend, prove their claims, appoint a trustee, examine the bankrupts, and transact such other business as may properly come before said meeting.

C. G. WHITE,  
Referee in Bankruptcy.  
Tyler, Texas, Jan. 21, 1904.

### If Unwell,

Try a 50c bottle of Herbine, notice the improvement speedily effected in your appetite, Energy, Strength and Vigor. Watch how it brightens the spirits, gives freedom from Indigestion and Debility!

Isaac Story, Ava., Mo., writes, Sept, 10th, 1900. "I was in bad health. I had stomach trouble for 12 months, also dumb chills. Dr. J. W. Mory prescribed Herbine, it cured me in two weeks. I cannot recommend it to highly, it will do all you claim for it." Sold by Smith & French Drug Co.

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W. W. AIKEN, Editor and Proprietor

**ANNOUNCEMENTS.**

We are authorized to make the following announcements, subject to the action of the democratic party:

- For Sheriff  
A. W. Phillips  
John C. Lacy
- For County Treasurer  
T. C. Lively
- For Constable  
O. B. (Deb) Hale

**THE BOLL WEEVIL**

**Plan of the Department of Agriculture for Broader Experiments in Fighting the Cotton Pest.**

Washington, Jan. 20.—The plans of the Department of Agriculture for the broader experiments in the matter of boll weevil are rapidly being matured, and work is to be commenced at once. The department, however, wants every cotton planter in Texas to profit from what has been learned during the past year, and to this end has prepared the following recommendations, which it earnestly urges upon the attention of the farmers. The department hopes that the press of Texas will give these recommendations the widest possible circulation.

The recommendations are as follows:

The work of the division of entomology for several years has demonstrated that there is not even a remote probability that the boll weevil will ever be exterminated, and although the very large yields of cotton of former times may no longer be possible, it is nevertheless entirely feasible to produce cotton at a margin of profit that will compare favorably with that involved in the production of most of the staple crops of the United States by following what has become generally known as the cultural methods. These methods consist of the following changes and modifications of the system of cotton raising, made necessary by the weevil. They were originally suggested by a careful study of the life, history and habits of the pest, and naturally any improvements that may eventually be made will be the result of the continuation of the study. They have now been tested successfully on a large scale by the division of entomology, as well as by many planters, during two very unfavorable seasons, for the most part they are directed towards obtaining an early crop and toward clean farm practice.

1. Plant early. If possible plant seed of the varieties known to mature, or at least obtain seed from as far north as possible. It is much better to run the risk of replanting, which is not an expensive operation, than to have the crop delayed. The practice of some planters of making two plantings to avoid having all the work of chopping thrown into a short period is a very bad policy from the weevil standpoint.

2. Under the identical conditions, early cotton of improved varieties has invariably yielded from two to three times as much as native cotton under the same condition, and in many cases much more. Planted at the same time, the early varieties begin to bloom from twelve to eighteen days sooner than native cotton.

3. Early cotton fields of either native or improved varieties have almost invariably yielded twice as much as late planted ones.

4. The early varieties in general, having a small stalk and a short tap root, are adapted only for rich

soil. They also frequently grow well in the very light, drifting sandy loams of many of the river valleys of Texas, which, in long seasons, before the advent of the boll weevil, often produced the largest yields. In these situations early varieties will yield but little more than native cotton.

5. Cultivate the fields thoroughly. The principal benefit in this comes from the influences that such a practice has upon the constant growth and consequently early maturity of the crop. Very few weevils are killed by cultivation. Much of the benefit of early planting is lost unless it is followed by thorough cultivation. In case of unavoidably delayed planting, the best course for the planter to pursue is to cultivate the fields in the most thorough manner possible. Three choppings and five plowings constitute as thorough a system of cultivation as is necessary in cases where the land has been previously kept reasonably clear.

6. Plant the rows as far apart as experience with the land indicates is feasible, and thin out the plants in the rows thoroughly. On land which in normal seasons will produce from 35 to 40 bushels of cotton, the rows should be 5 feet apart. Even on poor soil it is doubtful if the distance should even be less than 4 feet.

7. Destroy, by plowing up, wind rowing and burning all the cotton stalks in the fields as soon as the weevil become so numerous that practically all the fruit is being punctured. This will generally not be later than the first week in October. Merely cutting off the stalks by means of the triangular implement used for that purpose throughout the South is by no means as effective as plowing, because the stumps remaining give rise to sprouts, which furnish food until late in the season to many weevils that would otherwise starve. The plowing, moreover, serves to place the ground in better condition for early planting in the following spring. In such cases turning cattle into the field is advisable, aside from meeting a practical destruction of the plants. Grazing of the cotton fields furnishes considerable forage at a time when it is generally much in demand. Nevertheless, the cattle should never be turned into cotton fields in which Johnson grass has been started.

8. It is known that at present fertilizers are not used to any considerable extent in cotton producing sections of Texas. There is, nevertheless, no doubt that there should be; not that the land is poor, but that earlier crops may be produced. At present it is sufficient to call attention to the fact that there has been uniform experience of experiment stations and planters in the eastern part of the belt that certain fertilizers, especially those involving a large percentage of phosphoric acid, have a strong tendency towards hastening the maturity of the plants.

**All Eyes on St. Louis.**

The eyes of all the world will be turned toward St. Louis during the year 1904. Everybody will want to get, from first hands, the news of the greatest World's Fair which the world has ever seen. Our readers are advised, therefore, to subscribe for the greatest St. Louis newspaper—a newspaper which acknowledges no equal or rival in the West, and which stands in the front rank among the great newspapers of the world. Subscribe for the St. Louis Globe-Democrat and get all the news of the World's Fair, all the news of the national campaign, all the news of all the earth. See advertisement elsewhere in this issue.

**Citation by Publication.**

The State of Texas, to the Sheriff or any Constable of Houston County, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon Durastus Carr and the unknown heirs of Durastus Carr, deceased, by making publication of this Citation once in each week for eight successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your County, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the Third Judicial District; but if there be no newspaper published in said Judicial District, then in a newspaper published in the nearest District to said Third Judicial District, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Houston County, to be holden at the Court House thereof, in Crockett on the First Monday in March, 1904, the same being the 7th day of March, 1904, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 12th day of January, 1904, in a suit, numbered on the Docket of said Court No. 4843, wherein J. W. Hail, R. M. Atkinson and W. H. Denny are Plaintiffs and Durastus Carr and the unknown heirs of Durastus Carr, deceased, are Defendants and said petition alleging that plaintiffs are the owners in fee simple, of the following described tract of land, to-wit: Situated in Houston County, Texas, and being known as the Robert E. Carr 320 acres survey, Beginning N. 17-48 E. 1214 vrs. from J. Gregg's N. W. corner, a stake for corner from which a P. O. mkt. X hrs. S. 10 E. 1.9 vrs., a pine mkt. X 15 in. hrs. S. 61 W. 4.5 vrs. Thence N. 20 W. at 950 vrs., a stake for corner from which a pine mkt. X 32 in. hrs. S. 84 E. 4.5 vrs., a B. J. mkt. X 6 in. hrs. N. 59 W. 4.5 vrs., thence N. 70 E. at 225 vrs. a branch, course S. E., at 710 vrs. a creek 3 vrs. wide, course S., at 1900 a stake for corner from which a P. O. 4 in. hrs. S. 47 W. 1.6 vrs., a pine mkt. X 10 in. hrs. S. 74 W. 6.5 vrs. Thence S. 20 E. at 950 vrs., a stake for corner from which a pine mkt. X 16 in. hrs. N. 55 W. a pine mkt. X 16 in. hrs. N. 55 W. 5.3 vrs. Do. mkt. X 18 in. hrs. S. 10 W. 6.7 vrs. Thence S. 70 W. 1900 vrs. to the place of beginning containing 320 acres of land. That plaintiffs are now in possession of said 320 acres of land, and they and those under whom they claim have been in actual, peaceful and adverse possession of same, using, cultivating and enjoying the same for more than five years continuously before the filing of this suit under duly recorded deeds and paying taxes on same during said period. That plaintiff own same as follows: Deed from Unknown Owners by J. R. Sheridan, Tax Collector of Houston County, Texas, to R. M. Atkinson, J. W. Hail, and Madden and Lipscomb, dated April 3, 1894; deed from A. D. Lipscomb to W. H. Denny, conveying all grantors interest in said land, dated March 4, 1901; and deed from J. W. Madden to J. W. Hail, conveying all grantors interest in said land, dated Jan. 1, 1902; by judgment dated April 16, 1901, in cause No. 4881 in District Court of said Houston County, entitled the State of Texas vs. unknown owners et al. (J. W. Hail et al., intervenors). That defendants have some claim on said land which is a cloud on plaintiffs title. Wherefore plaintiffs pray for judgment forever quieting their title and removing all cloud therefrom, and for general and special relief.

Herein fail not, but have you before said Court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness, J. B. Stanton, Clerk of the District Court of Houston County.

Given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at office in Crockett this the 12th day of January, 1904. J. B. STANTON, Clerk, District Court, Houston County.

**Kentucky News.**  
Lang Bros., Druggists, Paducah, Ky., write: "We sell more of Dr. Mendenhall's Chill and Fever Cure than all other remedies combined, having retailed over 700 bottles in one season. The physicians here prescribe it and persons who once use it will have no other." Sold by Smith & French Drug Co.

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