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Gammage-Foster.

(From the Safford, Arizona, Guardian.)
 Again, the "God of Love" has entered our town and built his hymenial altar in one of our happy homes. Sly Cupid has caught in his net two bright young hearts and whispered softly "Ye shall be one."

Last evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Monroe Foster of this city, a most beautiful and impressive marriage ceremony was solemnized, when Mr. William Ward Gammage led to the altar the fair, sweet daughter of this home, Elsie Lucille.

The pretty parlors were a profusion of flowers and palms, the green and white color scheme being carried throughout. An archway of roses and mistletoe, with the lovely wedding bells tied with soft white knots of ribbon, pronounced the bower where the bride gave her hand and heart to the man of her choice.

Softly and sweetly Mr. Swift, accompanied by Miss Ethel Ellis, sang the impressive song "You" and as the words gently ceased, the strains of Mendelson's wedding march announced the arrival of the bridal party.

Mr. Roundy and Mr. Thum acted as ushers, and placed into the hands of little Misses Bonnie Hawley and Henrietta Olney the soft, white ribbons leading from the doorway to the altar and forming the bridal pathway.

These little fairies, in filmy white gowns, carried lovely baskets of flowers and were a sweet symbol of the purity of the marriage altar. Down the pathway came the maid of honor, Miss Georgia Colton, followed by the bride, who were met at the altar by the groom and his best man, Mr. Troupe Gammage, and turned to face the officiating minister, the Rev. Hawley.

Throughout the ceremony the soft strains of music, together with the impressive words of the ceremony sank deep into the hearts of those present, and still deeper into those of the young couple as he placed the ring on her finger and they were pronounced "man and wife." They knelt at the altar on satin pillows and received the benediction. As it was finished, the little flower girls pulled the ribbons attached to the large central bell, and a shower of rose petals came down on the bride and groom.

The bride was handsomely gowned in white crepe de chine over taffeta, trimmed in real lace and handmade motifs. She carried an arm bouquet of white sweetpeas and her veil was caught with lilies of the valley. The maid of honor wore a white muslin gown, a dream of simple elegance, and carried a bouquet of white carnations. The groom and the best man were arrayed in the conventional black full dress.

No sweeter, purer bride was ever led to the altar than Miss Elsie. For four years she has made her home in Safford, and by her gracious dignity and gentle manner, she has endeared herself to all. She is highly accomplished and very popular.

Mr. Gammage made his home in Safford a few months ago, and by his gentlemanly bearing and pleas-

ant manner has made a host of friends. He is a young man of sterling character and fine business ability and comes from one of the oldest families of the South.

After congratulations the guests were invited into the library and partook of the brimming punch bowl. From there into the spacious dining room, where pink and white were the reigning colors. Little tables were arranged and on these were served a salad course followed by cream, cake and coffee. The bride's table was under a beautiful silk canopy and was draped with tulle with pink roses and pink and white hearts.

Heartly wishes for a long and prosperous and happy life were expressed by all present.

School Notes.

The order of our Friday afternoon exercises is climatic. We had thought that it would not be within our province to report again a meeting of such interest and importance as our last one was. The literary program of the recent meeting was better in some respects. It was not of excessive length and the selections were more judiciously chosen. To go at length into naming those performing would be too much of detail. Because, however, of superior merit, we are pleased to note the following:

Piano solo, by Miss Mary McLean.

Reading, by Miss Rebecca Brown.

Piano solo, by Miss Mildred Benedict.

Declamation, by Mr. Dan P. Craddock.

Recitation, by Miss Reta Hatchell.

Several visitors were present. Among them, we think it deserving to record, that Misses Nell and Dell High played solos for us.

The best showing of the session was made by the debating members. The question was: "Resolved. That the railroads and insurance companies should be under the direct control of the Federal government."

Special preparation was in evidence. Good extemporaneous speeches were made by both sides. We make special mention of the speech of the liberal champion, Mr. Will Lipscomb. Possibly the best array of facts and figures forcefully expressed was in the speech of Mr. Joe E. Winfree and, as these two were not extemporaneous, they proved the worth of careful preparation and called forth a deservedly favorable comment.

The vote taken passed the bill by an almost strict party vote, as follows: Liberals, 17; conservatives, 20.

As far as the development of power to think and speak one's thoughts publicly is concerned, we note much improvement. The character of the questions discussed is being elevated and only a few of the debaters confine their expressions to the mere asking of questions and feigning for time. We think this form of exercise is one of the best of all student activities and are glad to see the proper interest being shown.

Respectfully submitted,
 COMMITTEE.

HEIR TO LARGE FORTUNE.

Thomas Pullen of Crockett has Estate Worth \$1,000,000.

The New York Herald has the following from Lincoln, Neb.:

Thomas Pullen, formerly a truck gardener of Albion, Neb., has fallen heir to a large estate left by the late James Thompson of England.

Mr. Pullen will come into his heritage through a notice published some time ago in the New York Herald.

This notice was seen by F. J. Mack of Albion, clerk of the district court, who left at once for Crockett, Texas, where Mr. Pullen is now living in very moderate circumstances. Mr. Mack will go

to England with the heir to prove his claim.

Mr. Pullen is a nephew of James Thompson, who has left an estate in Pett Lodge, Sussex and Gloucester counties, England. The exact amount of the estate is not known, but it is reported Mr. Pullen's share will be £20,000.

Mr. Mack, who has just returned from Texas, said he had satisfactory proofs of the relationship of Mr. Pullen to James Thompson, and the matter would be adjusted through the courts as soon as possible.

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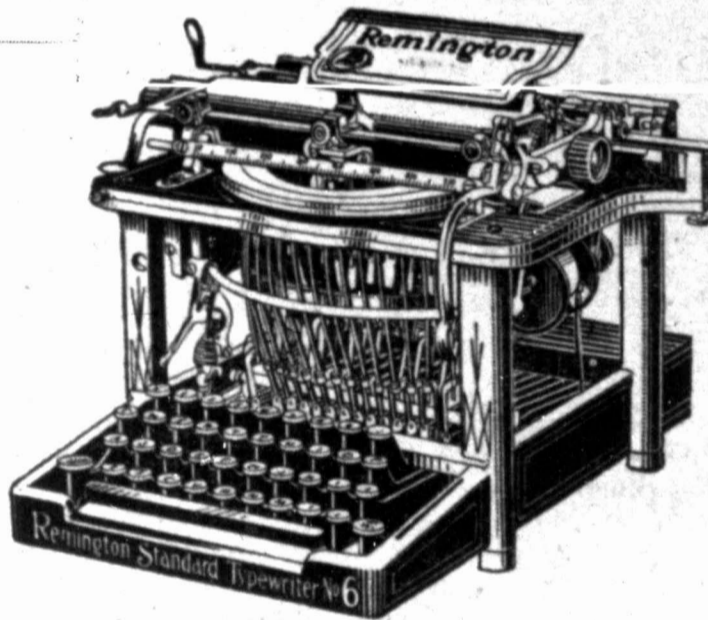
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The School vs. the Party.

My sole excuse for coming frequently before the public with school matters is that there is no institution that is of more importance or more general interest than the school. The Crockett free school belongs not to the teachers but to the people, and it is but right that they be put on their guard against anything that would interfere with the best progress of the work to be done.

In this connection I wish to call attention to children's party as a menace to good school work. It is no part of the province of any of the school authorities to legislate against play parties, as they have no legal right to interfere; but they certainly have a right to warn all concerned against threatened danger. I have been asked whether or not I am going to allow children to go to parties. To this I can only say that it is not for me to say. If parents wish their children to spend their time that way I have no call to interfere; but I cannot be charged with unwarrantable interference when I call attention to the possible harm arising from it.

Let it be understood at once that I do not oppose parties, as such. I think it is well enough that children be allowed some privileges of that kind occasionally. I am strongly of the opinion, however, that parties during a school term are an unceasing menace to proper school habits. We have pupils in school who claim to have attended a party at least once a week for months. Some go twice a week. The demoralizing influence is seen daily in the school conduct. When 14-year-old children get full of "party" feeling, hard study and good conduct must wait while they discuss parties. The frequently recurring party inevitably brings on a case of puppy love, which almost invariably puts its victim past work till the fever cools. The play-party cannot be defended on the ground of a need of congenial society, because they all have plenty of that every day at school. Perhaps these parties are given by people who in their goodness of heart desire to entertain the children and give them a good time. If that is the case, it is a mistaken kindness, as they pay heavily for their good time in their school life. The pupil in school should be trained to regard his work and duty of paramount importance; but his constant attendance on "kid" parties effectually destroys his ability to regard as important anything except his own pleasures.

Again, frequent attendance on these little affairs soon makes even a child of 13 regard herself as a grown young lady, and she becomes very restive at any attempt at control. She is not a grown young lady at that age by any means, and it is a positive hindrance to her to have such absurd estimates of herself.

People of Crockett, I am sure you want a good school for your children—the best obtainable; and I am sure no one desires it more than I. Let me ask all of you, then, to co-operate in every possible way with the faculty to that end. Inquire into how many parties your own children have attended since last September and see if it is possible it is interfering with their school work. In my judgment no pupil of any age ought to go to a party oftener than once a month, and children of 15 and under should not go at all in a school term. Young girls of 13 or 14 ought to be at home with their mothers, instead of coming in at midnight from a social jamboree.

Of course, if it should appear that my fears are groundless, no heed should be paid to them; but I am sure that it is worth while to make inquiry in regard to this matter.

This is written with no intent to criticize or interfere, but simply in the hope that it may help to bring our school up to where we all want it. I therefore ask the help of all parents.

C. E. GODBEY.

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What He Thought.

A gentleman riding with an Irishman came within sight of an old galloway, and, to display his wit, said:

"Pat, do you see that?"

"To be sure Oi do," replied Pat.

"Where would you be if the galloway had its dues?"

"O'id be riding alone," replied Pat.

Letter to W. A. Norris,

Crockett, Texas.

Dear Sir: Let's have a little private talk by ourselves on business; nobody else, please, read.

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She Was Willing.

"Kind lady," remarked the weary wayfarer, "can you oblige me with something to eat?"

"Go to the woodshed and take a few chops," replied the kind lady.—Philadelphia Record.

One Danger Avoided.

"I may run chances of a breach of promise suit," said the foxy old bachelor, "but there is some satisfaction in knowing that the divorce court can't touch me."—Detroit Free Press.

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"Uncle John, should I be justified in writing to a young man who has never written to me?"

"Only on very important business, my dear."

"Well, this is important business. I want him to marry me!"—Illustrated Bits.

In some South American tribes the women draw the front teeth, esteeming as an ornament the black gap thus made.

Notice in Probate.

The State of Texas.
To the sheriff or any constable of Houston County, greeting:

You are hereby commanded, that by publishing for three weeks in some newspaper published in your county, a true copy of this writ, you summon all persons interested in estate of Charlotte Douglass, deceased, to answer an application filed by Everett Douglass, guardian, in the county court of Houston County, on the 16th day of January, 1906, for final discharge as guardian which will be heard by said court on the 5th day of February, 1906, at the court house of said county, in Crockett, at which time all persons interested in said estate may appear and contest said application if they see proper.

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 my hand and official seal, at Crockett, this 16th day of January, 1906.

N. E. ALLBRIGHT,
Clerk County Court, Houston County, Texas.
By J. L. JORDAN, Deputy.

Order of Sale.

The State of Texas.
To the sheriff or any constable of Houston county, greeting:

Whereas, on the 12th day of April, A. D. 1905, W. E. Mayes recovered a judgment in the district court of Houston county, against W. E. Brown and J. O. Brown for the sum of One Hundred Eighty Nine and 56-100 Dollars, with interest thereon from the 12th day of April, A. D. 1905, at 10 per cent per annum and all costs of suit, with a foreclosure of a vendor's lien on the following described real property, situated in the county of Houston and State of Texas, to-wit:

Being a part of the A. E. Gossett league, or a part of his bearing right survey, and lying and being situate in about 500 varas north from the Court House in the town of Crockett, in said county of Houston and State of Texas; and beginning at James Shotwell's N. E. corner; thence N. 35 1-5 vrs; thence S. 83 1/2 W. 152 1-5 varas; thence S. 16 E. 22 1-5 varas to Shotwell's and LeGory's corner; thence with Shotwell's north line N. 80 1/2 145 1/2 varas to the place of beginning, containing one acre of land more or less, as it existed on the 12th day of April, A. D. 1905, and that said property be sold as under execution in satisfaction of said judgment.

And whereas, on the 26th day of October, 1905, a credit of Fifty Dollars was paid on this judgment.

Therefore, you are hereby commanded that you seize the above described property, and sell the same as under execution. And should the proceeds of said sale be insufficient to satisfy said judgment, interest and costs of suit and the further costs of executing this writ, then of the goods and chattels, lands and tenements of the said W. E. Brown and J. O. Brown you will cause to be made said sum of money then remaining unpaid.

Herein fail not, and have you the said moneys, together with this writ, showing how you have executed the same, before said court at the Court House thereof, in Crockett, Texas, within sixty days from this date.

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, Texas, this first day of February, A. D. 1906.

J. B. STANTON,
Clerk District Court Houston County, 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 heirs of Elijah Wheeler, deceased, whose names are unknown, the heirs of Mat J. Edmiston, deceased, whose names are unknown, the heirs of J. A. Dominy, deceased, whose names are unknown, and J. A. Dominy, to appear at the next regular term of the district court of Houston county, Texas, to be held at the court house thereof, in the town of Crockett, on the second Monday in March, 1906, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 6th day of January, 1906, in a cause numbered 4994, wherein Angeline C. Craddock, a feme sole, H. F. Craddock, T. D. Craddock, S. J. Craddock, D. M. Craddock, Allie Craddock, a feme sole, Minnie Craddock, a feme sole, Sue Wootters, joined by her husband, J. S. Wootters, are plaintiffs, and the unknown heirs of Elijah Wheeler, deceased, the unknown heirs of Mat J. Edmiston, deceased, the unknown heirs of J. A. Dominy, deceased, and J. A. Dominy are defendants, the cause of action being alleged as follows: That plaintiffs are the owners in fee simple and are seized and possessed of the following described tract or parcel of land, to-wit: Situated in Houston county, Texas, about six miles east from Crockett, being a part of the Elijah Wheeler league and bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the S. E. corner of 271 66-100 acres survey sold by John H. Burnett to H. F. Craddock, on the S. B. line of the E. Wheeler league, a stake for corner, from which a post oak and pine marked x for corner. Thence North with the division line of a 553 1/2 acres survey sold by James English to Mat J. Edmiston at 570 varas set stake in the Crockett and Coltharp road. Thence with the meanders of said road as follows, N 85 W 200 varas, S 70 W 235 varas, S 85 W 290 varas, S 73 W 170 varas to the S. W. corner of J. G. Matlock's 59 acres survey, in said road, a post oak 16 in marked x bears N 26 E 11 varas. Thence South with Monk's 81 acres survey at 430 varas the S. E. corner of said 81 acres survey, a pine 12 in marked x bears N 81 W 4 varas and a Sweet Gum 3 in marked x bears N 81 E 4 varas. Thence East at 878 varas with the S. B. line of the said Wheeler league to the place of beginning, containing eighty and seven-tenths acres of land, more or less; that plaintiffs claim title to said land under the following chain of title: 1. A patent from the state of Texas to Elijah Wheeler, of date June 16, 1849, for one league of land, same recorded in book Y, page 231 of Houston county deed records. 2nd. A deed from Elijah Wheeler to James English conveying 553 1/2 acres of said league, including the land in controversy, which deed has been lost or destroyed and secondary evidence of its contents will be offered in evidence on the trial of this suit. 3rd. A deed from James English to Mat J. Edmiston, of date April 2nd, 1853, and recorded in book 9, page 159 of Houston county deed records. 4th. A deed from Mat J. Edmiston to John H. Burnett conveying the above mentioned 553 1/2 acres of said Elijah Wheeler league, which deed has been lost or destroyed and secondary evidence of its contents will be offered on the trial of this suit. 5th. A deed from John H. Burnett to H. F. Craddock, of date August 20th 1859, and recorded in book 6, page 217 of Houston county deed records. Plaintiffs claim as the surviving widow and children of said H. F. Craddock, who is now deceased, being his only legal heirs. Plaintiffs also claim title to the above described premises under and by virtue of the statutes of limitation of three years, five years and ten years. Defendants are setting up and asserting some kind of pretended claim to said land, the nature of which is not known to plaintiffs, which creates a cloud on plaintiffs' title thereto. Plaintiffs sue to remove the cloud

from their title and to be quieted in their title and possession to said land and for 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 at Crockett, Texas, this, the 6th day of January, A. D. 1906. J. B. STANTON,
Clerk District Court, Houston County, 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 heirs of Levy W. White, 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, Texas, on the second Monday in March, 1906, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 6th day of January, 1906, in a cause numbered 4993, wherein Angeline C. Craddock, H. F. Craddock, T. D. Craddock, S. J. Craddock, D. M. Craddock, Allie Craddock, Minnie Craddock, Sue Wootters, and J. S. Wootters are plaintiffs and the unknown heirs of Levy W. White, deceased, are defendants, the cause of action being alleged as follows: Plaintiffs allege that they are the owners in fee simple and are seized and possessed of the following described tract or parcel of land, to-wit: Situated in Houston County, Texas, on the waters of Speer Creek, about six miles east of Crockett, being the Levy W. White survey No. 1080, containing 320 acres of land, and bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the S. W. corner of the J. W. Brent 640 acres survey, a white oak bears N 67 W 98-10 varas. Thence West with (greenberry) Mathews N. E. line at 50 varas his S. W. corner. Thence South at 10 varas corner. Thence West at 64 varas corner, a white oak and ash marked X. Thence North at 50 varas intersects the J. M. Kennedy 240 acres survey. Thence with said survey N 65 E at 78 varas the S. E. corner of same, a pine marked X bears S 67 W 8-10 varas. Thence S 23 W with said Kennedy's line at 115 varas corner 2 large pines marked X. Thence North at 192-8-10 varas set stake for corner. Thence East at 442-10 varas set stake for corner. Thence South with said Brent's line 320 varas an ell corner of the J. W. Brent survey. Thence S 25 E with Brent's line at 330 varas to the place of beginning, containing 320 acres of land; that plaintiffs are the owners of said land as the surviving widow and heirs of H. F. Craddock, deceased, who in his lifetime purchased from Levy W. White an interest of 320 acres in Bounty Land Warrant number 3000 issued to said Levy W. White, May 22, 1858, by B. E. Bee, Secretary of War, and by virtue of which the above described land was located, surveyed and patented by the state of Texas; that said Levy W. White on or about the day of—, 1859, duly conveyed an interest of 320 acres in said bounty land warrant, number 3000 to said H. F. Craddock, and that said conveyance has been lost or destroyed, and plaintiffs will offer secondary evidence of its execution and contents on the trial of this suit; that plaintiffs and those whose estate they have, holding under title and color of title from the state of Texas, have had and held peaceable and adverse possession of the above described premises for more than three years next before the commencement of this suit; that they also claim title to said land under and by virtue of the statute of limitations of ten years; that defendants are setting up and asserting some kind of pretended claim to the above described premises, the nature of which is not known to plaintiffs; that the loss of the above mentioned conveyance from Levy W. White to H. F. Craddock and the claim of defendants to said land creates and constitutes a cloud upon plaintiffs' title thereto.

Wherefore, plaintiffs sue to remove such cloud from their title to said land and to be quieted in their title and possession of same.

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, 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 Crockett, Texas, this the 6th day of January, A. D. 1906. J. B. STANTON,
Clerk District Court, Houston County, Texas.

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Don't neglect that cough. One pair of lungs is all you'll ever have—treat them well. Simmons' Cough Syrup will soothe and strengthen them, stop the cough and give you a chance to sleep in peace.

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A Household Necessity.
I would almost as soon think of running my farm without implements as without Hunt's Lightning Oil. Of all the liniments I have ever used, for both man and beast, it is the quickest in action and richest in results. For burns and fresh cuts it is absolutely wonderful. I regard it as a household necessity.

Yours truly,
S. HARRISON,
Kosciusko, Miss.

The "Beaver" in Parliament.
The "cumbersome old white beaver hat" is not yet wholly obsolete. It is still worn by a member of the house of commons, Sir Edwin Durnings-Lawrence, who relates proudly that he bought the beaver hat in Paris upward of 30 years ago, that he has worn it every summer since, that it is as good as new, and would, owing to the scarcity of beavers—which are all but extinct—fetch now at least ten times its original price.

Hitting Back.
"Do you see that gentleman in the big black tie and checkered jacket?" said the meek little woman, as she turned the corner. "Well, he is an artist. I would like so much for you to have him paint your portrait."
"Indeed," replied the husband, who always growsls at the table; "is he a good artist?"
"Fine. He is known as the best wild animal painter in the country."—Chicago Journal.

Prolific Fruit.
The producing power of the banana is 44 times as great as that of the potato. The dried fruit is readily converted into nutritious flour; it may also be manufactured into sausages; beet can be made from it; while the skin can be turned into cloth, and the juice made to do service either as ink or vinegar.

Master—A coal merchant has ten tons of coal, which he sells at five dollars a ton. How much does he get for it?
Scholar—About \$70.
"That's wrong."
"Yes, I know; but, all the same, a good many coal merchants do it."—Cassell's.

Two With But a Single Thought.
"I am delighted," said the old friend who had called, "to find that you agree with your husband in everything, Mrs. Henpeck."
"Indeed!" answered that estimable lady. "If you will take the pains to investigate our domestic relations, sir, you will find that it is Mr. Henpeck who agrees with me in everything."—Tit-Bits.

Sacrifice gives a heavenly grace to any gift.

Trying Moment.
It was a dark and foreboding night. The sentry was seen to pace up and down, with his deadly gun on his shoulder.

Suddenly a rustle in the bushes was heard.

"Who goes there?" quickly came from the guard as he stopped and placed his gun in position to fire.

"None of your business!" rang out from the one who had disturbed the silence.

I suppose, gentle reader, that you expected to see next that "the sharp crack of a rifle was heard," etc., etc.; but no. The sentry put his gun on his shoulder and began pacing up and down as before.

"None of your business," was the countersign for that night.—Yonkers Statesman.

Ring of Fungus Growth.
Before people studies nature to learn the truth, and when they delighted in all sorts of fancies, it was claimed that rings of fungus growths were caused by the dancing of fairies, by a thunderbolt entering the ground, or by the work of moles. Various other equally absurd explanations have been given. Now we know that the first fungus plant growing from a spore takes from the soil under and near it all or most of the special food that the plant requires. Only the spores from this plant that fall just outside the exhausted soil will find good fungus food, and so the circle of successive growths widens because only the spores outside of the ring can find food.—St. Nicholas.

"Manner."
"Manner" is an important factor in the beauty list. The woman with a nice manner has gained half the battle. In manner can be counted a sweet, low voice. Then there is the pretty poise of the head, the pleasant smile, the soft intonation, the nice way of holding the hands, the delightful quality of trying to please.

And Then She Wept.
"Oh, Georgie, dear," she whispered, when he slipped the engagement ring on her tapering finger. "How sweet of you to remember just the sort of stone I preferred! None of the others were ever so thoughtful."
George was staggered but for a moment. Then he came back with: "Not at all, dear; you overrate me. This is the one I've always used."—Tit-Bits.

Oyster Divers.
Oysters are obtained in many ways. At Minoreca the fisherman simply dives to a depth of seventy feet, with a weight in one hand to carry him down. With the other hand he picks up as many oysters as he can carry, and brings them to the surface.

"The successful people nowadays are the reformers," remarked the patriotic citizen.

"Yes," answered Senator Sorghum, "I believe that reform is actually getting around to a basis where it can be made to pay."—Washington Star.

It is said that 7,700 wives were deserted by their husbands in New York last year.

Try and arrange the hours so that the servant may have an opportunity to attend church on Sundays.

OVER SEA HABIT
Difference on This Side the Water.
The persistent effect upon the heart of caffeine in coffee cannot but result in the gravest conditions, in time.

Each attack of the drug (and that means each cup of coffee) weakens the organ a little more, and the end is almost a matter of mathematical demonstration. A lady writes from a Western state:

"I am of German descent and it was natural that I should learn at a very early age to drink coffee. Until I was 23 years old I drank scarcely anything else at my meals.

"A few years ago I began to be affected by a steadily increasing nervousness, which eventually developed into a distressing heart trouble that made me very weak and miserable. Then, some three years ago, was added asthma in its worst form. My sufferings from these things can be better imagined than described.

"During all this time my husband realized more fully than I did that coffee was injurious to me, and made every effort to make me stop.

"Finally it was decided a few months ago, to quit the use of coffee, absolutely, and to adopt Postum Food Coffee as our hot table drink. I had but little idea that it would help me, but consented to try it to please my husband. I prepared it very carefully, exactly according to directions, and was delighted with its delicious flavor and refreshing qualities.

"Just as soon as the poison from the coffee had time to get out of my system the nutritive properties of the Postum began to build me up, and I am now fully recovered from all my nervousness, heart trouble and asthma. I gladly acknowledge that now, for the first time in years, I enjoy perfect health, and that I owe it all to Postum." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

There's a reason. Read the little book, "The Road to Wellville" in pigs.

Postum Food Coffee contains no drugs of any description, whatsoever.

CAUGHT BY THE GRIP-- RELEASED BY PE-RU-NA

Pneumonia Followed La Grippe—Pe-ru-na the Remedy That Brought Relief.

Mr. T. Barnecott, West Aylmer, Ontario, Can., writes:

"Last winter I was ill with pneumonia after having la grippe. I took Peruna for two months, when I became quite well, and I can say that any one can be cured by it in a reasonable time and at little expense."

Systemic Catarrh, the Result of La Grippe. Pe-ru-na Receives Credit for Present Good Health.

Mrs. Jennie W. Gilmore, Box 44, White Oak, Ind. Ter., writes:

"Six years ago I had la grippe, which was followed by systemic catarrh. The only thing I used was Peruna and Manalin, and I have been in better health the last three years than for years before. I give Peruna all the credit for my good health."

Pe-ru-na—A Tonic After La Grippe.
Mrs. Chas. E. Wells, Sr., Delaware, Ohio, writes: "After a severe attack of la grippe, I took Peruna and found it a very good tonic."

"Most Effective Medicine Ever Tried for La Grippe."
Robt. L. Madison, A. M., Principal of Cullowhee High School, Painter, N. C., is chairman of the Jackson County Board of Education. Mr. Madison says: "I am hardly ever without Peruna in my home. It is the most effective medicine that I have ever tried for la grippe."

Mrs. Jane Gift, Athens, O., writes: "I had la grippe very bad. My husband bought Peruna for me. In a very short time I saw improvement and was soon able to do my work."



Suffered Twelve Years From After-Effects of La Grippe.

Mr. Victor Patneau, 328 Madison St., Topeka, Kas., member of Knights and Ladies of Security, writes:

"Twelve years ago I had a severe attack of la grippe and I never really recovered my health and strength—but grew weaker every year until I was unable to work.

"Two years ago I began using Peruna and it built up my strength so that in a couple of months I was able to go to work again.

"This winter I had another attack of la grippe, but Peruna soon drove it out of my system.

"My wife and I consider Peruna a household remedy."

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When a woman begins to lose her eyesight she makes an ideal chaperon.

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CROCKETT, - - - TEXAS.

EVENTS OF EVERYWHERE.

A pawnshop in Sixth Avenue is showing a long chain of near-coral beads, with almost-gold links set in at intervals of sixes. \$9.30.

At Rock Springs, John Simpson, 18 years of age, was run over by a heavy freight wagon he was driving, and was instantly killed.

August Sweet, a Bohemian, 33 years of age, was found dead in her bed in Fort Worth. The justice of the peace decided that death was due to consumption.

The Chinese divide the day into twelve parts of two hours each. The Italians go right round the twenty-four hours, instead of having two divisions of twelve hours each as we do.

The harvest mouse is generally thought to be the smallest of British quadrupeds. It is so diminutive that two of them put into a scale will just weigh down one copper half-penny.

The London Daily News, noting that Harmsworth, the newspaper proprietor, recently created a peer, has adopted for his arms two rolls of paper, remarks that "the selection of them betrays a rather cynical humor."

Just after he had discovered the richest vein of tungsten ore ever found in this country, George Spralley, a veteran prospector, was killed by an explosion of dynamite in his claim in Boulder County, Colo.

Cattle raising is carried on in Morocco on a large scale, but only by the natives. Moroccan horses are the finest in the world. Camels, mules and donkeys exist in large numbers and are the only means of transportation throughout the country.

The Chinese are, perhaps, the most successful poultry raisers in the world. They do not feed the fowl, but make them pick their own food, each flock being kept on the move, as sheep are on the range. The quality of this poultry is, however, poor.

The citizens of Muskogee turned out en masse and raised the bonus of \$40,000 to secure the shops and operating department of the Midland Valley Railroad. The shops will be moved from Excelsior, Ark. They will employ something near 180 men.

The Indian Agent of the five civilized tribes has instructed officers on lines of railways to arrest hunting parties taking game from the Territory. At Garvin a Kansas City party of sportsmen were arrested in their special car for violating the game laws.

When Col. Mosby was asked why he did not try to get his young grandson into the Military Academy, he said: "Because I don't want him to shoot anybody." "If he went to either one of those schools and was hazed, he would surely shoot the fellows that tried to do it."

A girlie noticed in Herald Square is fashioned of linoleum, with a long, narrow, japanned buckle studded with rhinestones. Suitable for a favor.

An optimist derives a lot of pleasure from thinking of troubles that do not trouble him.

C. W. Post of Battle Creek, the multimillionaire manufacturer, has gone to Colorado City to examine a large ranch, with the view of purchasing it. It is reported that Mr. Post intends to buy about 20,000 acres of Texas land and establish colonies thereon.

Three persons were injured, one of them seriously, in a small wreck on the Salt Lake road in which two passenger trains crashed together in a head-end collision near Rowland, Calif.

Col. John Temple Graves, candidate for United States senate, was removed from the position of editor of the Atlanta, Ga., News because he persisted in using the columns of the paper to laud himself. After one day of deposition he was restored, and all is well.

Prominent capitalists who have loaned money to Russia are under threat of death at the hands of the revolutionists. Among these is Herr Mendelsohn of Berlin.

TOBACCO PROFIT.

TEXAS FARMERS DON'T TAKE HOLD AS THEY SHOULD.

UNCLE SAMPLE BELIEVES IN IT

Money Has Been Spent in Demonstrations, a Market Secured, and Yet The Hang Back.

Houston, Texas, Feb. 6.—B. T. McNess and W. M. Hinson, the two United States government tobacco experts, arrived in Houston yesterday, to begin an inspection of Texas tobacco lands.

"It is a downright shame that your farmers do not take more interest in tobacco growing," said Mr. McNess. "The government has had all your soils analyzed and passed upon; has kept experts in the state for several years to teach the farmers what they could about raising the weed. A market has been found for the crop each year, and at profitable figures; the Southern Pacific has imported the best kind of seed from Cuba, and yet—well, the farmer here does not get aroused. Mr. Hinson and myself are going out among the husbandry and see if we can not do some missionary work among them. We are prepared to show each and every one of them that Texas soil raises a better filled than any other state. In fact, we have letters from over 200 well known tobacco dealers to back up our statements. We have not a few letters from large dealers who claim they prefer the Texas-grown to the Cuban filler. Then the tobacco raised here commands a much better price than any other grown in the United States. There is much more money to be made in raising tobacco than in cotton or corn, and I can not see why the farmers down here will not be convinced. You do not see Uncle Sam spending so much time and money helping the tobacco raisers in Connecticut, Ohio, Kentucky or Wisconsin. In fact, those poor chaps up there, in a cold, inhospitable climate, have to work out their own salvation and hurry in their tobacco crop in a few months—harvest it, or an early frost gets it. Down in this salubrious climate you have months and months to do the same work an Ohioan would have to crowd into June, July and August. A man requires no more expert knowledge to raise cigar fillers than he does to raise cotton—not a bit. It requires experience to raise anything that grows—the same experience the farm-raised boy has when he starts out as a farmer and supplants his father on the old homestead. But the government has been and is still willing to teach your farmers how to raise and cure their tobacco. Wouldn't a Northern farmer be greatly pleased if his government would teach him how to raise a crop that would pay 50 per cent better than any that he understood, and, further, send a buyer to his farm and take away the crop, leaving some crisp notes in payment? It looks that way to me. Now, here is another thing to consider: The tobacco now raised in your state is for cigar fillers only. The Agricultural Department thought it wise to start the new industry here by raising fillers, because the wrappers are more difficult to grow, the difference being that even if the leaves going to make fillers get worm eaten, injured by hail, or in any such way, they are not lost inside the cigar, where it is not seen, to the grower, because such tobacco will smoke just as well and is placed off course a wrapper has to be flawless or the cigar will draw like a hanky mule. Now, in time and as soon as your farmers have mastered the growing of fillers, our experts will then educate them in growing the wrappers, which will command many times the price per pound paid for fillers. Say at 75c a pound for wrappers, see how money a man would get off one acre of land. He ought to raise, with good cultivation, from 800 to 1,000 pounds to the acre. Just multiply these figures and see how many acres he would have to have in cotton to raise any such such. I hope we will be successful in our missionary work and cause your good farmers to see the matter in its right light. There is no reason why the known tobacco lands of this state should not produce yearly enough tobacco fillers and wrappers to make all the cigars annually smoked by the people of America."

AN UPRISING OF CHINESE.

Army Officers from Philippines Believe One Is Imminent.

San Francisco: Army officers who arrived here on the transport Logan yesterday report the prospect of trouble in China as the chief topic of discussion in army circles in Manila. The Thirteenth infantry and two squadrons of the Eight cavalry have been ordered to prepare themselves for field service. The destination of these troops remains a headquarters secret, but the only explanation in order is that they will be thus held in readiness for a China expedition at first warning of an outbreak.

Those who came on the Logan asked first for news from China, as they said most of the information on the subject which was current in the Philippines came by way of Washington. Officers of troops under field orders have made preparations to leave on twenty-four hours' notice and the expectation is that they will be sent to Peking.

PRESIDENTIAL APPOINTMENTS.

Col. Henry Ray is Retired With the Rank of General.

Washington: The president today sent the following nominations to the senate:

To be placed on the retired list, with rank of brigadier general, Col. P. Henry Ray, Fourth Infantry.

Marshals: John R. Abernathy, Territory of Oklahoma.

Register of treasury: William T. Vernon, Kansas.

Postmasters: Texas—Fenman, Carpenter Franklin.

DEADLY BOMB EXPLOSION.

Private House on Russian Frontier Destroyed—Many Killed.

Berlin: The Local Anzeiger today printed a dispatch from Kottowitz, Prussian Silesia, announcing that a private house at Siloe, across the Russian frontier, had been destroyed by the explosion of a bomb. The bodies of 12 persons can be seen in the ruins and it is believed that many others were killed.

WRECK NEAR EL PASO.

Three Men Were Injured on the Southern Pacific.

El Paso, Texas: Three men were injured in a freight wreck on the Southern Pacific east of here, which blocked traffic for twelve hours. R. T. Hill of Kokomo, Ind., W. T. Murphy of DeWitt county, Texas, and V. E. Thomas of Nebraska are the injured men.

Bride a Suicide.

Yoakum, Texas: Mrs. Ed Williams, who resided with her husband six miles east of Yoakum, committed suicide at 10 o'clock Sunday morning by taking a poisonous drug. Deceased had been married but a short time. No cause can be assigned for the commission of the rash act.

Mail Robbery Charged.

South McAlester, I. T.: Paul Corey, a negro lad, 14 years old, whose home is in Muskogee, was arrested in the postoffice corridor here last night on a charge of robbing the mails. Over \$20,000 worth of checks and vouchers were found frozen in the ice in front of Curran & Lamb's store, where they had been thrown.

"No More Black Hands."

Austin, Texas: The mystery of the black hand postal cards has turned out to be nothing more than the advertisement of a soap house, which says: "No more black hands" if you use that particular brand of soap.

Good Work of Bucket Brigade.

Newroads, La.: Fire destroyed the residence of Jules Patin. Hard work of bucket brigade prevented the destruction of thousands of dollars' worth of property. The building was valued at \$1800 and was insured for \$1000.

Miss Barr Thrown from Horse.

Crowley, La.: Miss Ruby Barr was injured, while horseback riding with a number of other young ladies. The number of other young ladies. The horse of Miss Barr became unmanageable and threw its rider in such a manner as to cause her to fall upon her head. Miss Barr was rendered unconscious for some time.

Penitentiary Board Meeting.

Austin, Texas: Chairman Oppenheimer and Secretary Fritz G. Lanham of the Penitentiary Board left for Huntsville last night to attend a meeting of the Penitentiary Board, which will convene there Wednesday.

GREETING TO THE NEW YEAR.

Scotchmen Gather Annually in St. Paul's Churchyard, London.

"The sad old churchyard of St. Paul's in London is quiet and deserted save for one night in the year," said an Englishman. "That night is New Year's eve. Then all the Scotch in London fill the place."

"Since Dr. Johnson's time the Scotch residents of London have seen the New Year in together in St. Paul's churchyard. They begin to assemble at 9 o'clock and soon the yard is filled with Tam O'Shanter, plaids, bare knees and bagpipes."

"Scotch whisky is drunk freely as a safeguard against the cold, moist air. There are a lot of 'Hechs' and 'Hoot mons' to be heard. The bagpipes squeal and squeak till you think yourself in the pork department of a slaughter house."

"Then suddenly everything is hushed. The Scotch clasp hands in a great circle. The twelve strokes of midnight boom out solemnly."

"They die upon the air and in a tremendous chorus the Scotch sing 'Auld Lang Syne.' They sing it with feeling. Tears fill their eyes as they think of home."

"Then the medicinal whisky passes about once more, there is a highland dance or two, hearty good nights and soon enough the churchyard is empty and silent again."

Lemnos "Sealed Earth."

Lemnos, the latest island of the Aegian upon which the international squadron has descended, will no doubt offer a warm welcome to the invaders, for it is to her shores that the Sultan sends his political enemies—in order that they may be cured of their distemper. There was a time, indeed, when the island enjoyed a high reputation for the cure of many distempers other than political. The Lemnian earth, or "sealed earth," was famous during the Middle Ages as a panacea for snake-bite, plague, and dysentery. But the earth had no virtue unless collected on Aug. 6, with due religious ceremonial, and from a particular spot near the ruins of Hephaestia. Of recent days, however, all the virtue has vanished from the "sealed earth," and only the most ancient of the Grecian matrons are foolish enough to load their barrows with the despised medicine. The natives—25,000 of them are Greeks and 5,000 Turks—have discovered that corn, wine, and tobacco are now in greater request, and they may be depended upon to meet the demands of the British marine.—London Chronicle.

His "Precious Stone" Was Glass.

"When we reached Ceylon," said a man who had gone around the world on a \$600 tourist ticket, "I thought that we had struck at last a primitive and outlandish place, unswayed by a civilization's hands. "Strange outrigger boats filled the blue water and men dressed like women in bright silks with long, plaited hair and soft voices offered us strange fruits, flowers and carvings in ivory and dragonwood. "I bought for a rupee an uncut ruby that the vendor had first asked eighty rupees for. Ceylon is the land of jewels. They get there superb emeralds, rubies, amethysts and pearls. It seemed to me that I had gotten a bargain. "But the American consul said with a gruff, harsh laugh when I showed him my ruby: "A piece of colored glass. German ships here tons of this glass every winter, made up to resemble the precious stones that Ceylon yields. These glass stones sell readily to tourists. The poor fools think they are buying gems swiped by the miners from the mines."

The Wanderer.

No home is mine in the North or South, Roofless? No where to rest, No home to shut out the careless winds, I am tossed on the billow's crest.

No name have I in all the world, No place in the halls of fame, No friend to encourage a halting step, None either to praise or to blame.

Calmly climbing the steep ascent Of life, to the Valley of Age, Awe-struck! The lesson is hard and long Yet it covers a single page.

Why do I learn each line? Why not Pass over the dark words of gloom? Ah! There's a voice that whispers of life Beyond the struggles, and tears, and tomb.

"You are safe and warm and watched with care," Comes the whisper from above; "You are sheltered from the lonely winds and the sun— Sheltered in God's Great Love." —Reba Fay, in New Orleans Picayune.

The Point of View.

Cheer up. What right have you to carry a burden in your face? The world has troubles of its own.

Cheer up and change your point of view. Your ills are mostly imaginary. Why, man alive! in five minutes' walk you can find scores of people worse off than you. And here you are going through the world feeling sorry for yourself—the meanest sort of pity in the world. You are nursing an ignominious illusion. Rid yourself of the bogie man and—

Cheer up.—Omaha News.

LOST 72 POUNDS.

Was Fast Drifting into the Fatal Stages of Kidney Sickness.

Dr. Melvin M. Page, Page Optical Co., Erie, Pa., writes: "Taking too many feed drinks in New York in 1895 sent me home with a terrible attack of kidney trouble. I had acute congestion, sharp pain in the back, headaches and attacks of dizziness. My eyes gave out, and with the languor and sleeplessness of the disease upon me I wasted from 194 to 122 pounds. At the time I started using Doan's Kidney Pills an abscess was forming on my right kidney. The trouble was quickly checked, however, and the treatment cured me, so that I have been well since 1896 and weigh 188 pounds."



Sold by all dealers. 50c a box. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

We meet the big troubles of life bravely; but the little ones always make us crawl to kittle.

Important to Mothers.

Examine carefully every bottle of CASTORIA, a safe and sure remedy for infants and children, and see that it

Bears the Signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher* In Use For Over 30 Years. The Kind You Have Always Bought.

Belts of gold braid are fetching and will brighten up the dark shirt-waist suit to be so much worn this winter.

Storekeepers report that the extra quantity, together with the superior quality of Defiance Starch makes it next to impossible to sell any other brand.

Valuable dogs are often vaccinated nowadays.

Pink Cure is the best medicine we ever used for all affections of the throat and lungs.—Wm O. Eschley, Vanuren, Ind., Feb. 10, 1900.

Four dispositions should remember that weeds never have sweet perfume. The London County Council now uses motor repair wagons.

Hundreds of dealers say the extra quantity and superior quality of Defiance Starch is fast taking place of all other brands. Others say they can not sell any other starch.

Evening schools average twice as many young men as young women.

It is folly to be wise to all you see and hear.

When the servants do well encourage them by a few words of praise.

Farming a Great Business.

Viewed from all sides, farming is a great business. And it is as a real, substantial and serious business that the farmers should regard and conduct their affairs. Fortunately, the system is rapidly revolutionizing the business. In the golden northwest the successful farmers are managing their estates like great manufacturing plants. There are no leaks, no slipshod methods. They are planting magnificent crops and are making fortunes. Through Kentucky and the south, too, the farmers are beginning to look upon their occupations as a sure-enough business and not as a speculative pastime.

WINTER WEAKNESS

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills the Tonic That Most People Need for Blood and Nerves.

In winter the air of the close rooms in which we spend so much of the time does not furnish enough oxygen to the lungs to burn out the foul matter in the blood. In the cold season we do not exercise as much and the skin and kidneys do not throw off the waste matter as freely as usual. The system becomes overloaded with poisonous matter, and too feeble to throw it off. Relief can be had only through the use of a remedy that will promptly and thoroughly purify and strengthen the blood, and the one best adapted for this purpose is the great blood tonic known as Dr. Williams' Pink Pills.

"They acted like magic in my case," said Mrs. Clara L. Wilde, of No. 377 Farnsworth avenue, Detroit, Mich. "I was weak and thin and could not sleep. My stomach and nerves were out of order. I can't describe how miserable I really was. I dragged through six months of feebleness, growing weaker all the time until I finally hadn't strength enough to leave my bed."

"Then a glad day came, the day when I began to take Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. They made me feel strong, right away. My appetite came back, I took on flesh and the color returned to my cheeks. People wondered that these pills did for me what the doctors couldn't do. I took only six boxes and then I was perfectly well. If I had not found this wonderful remedy I surely think that I must have wasted to death. Believing firmly that these pills saved my life by the strength which they gave me at a critical moment, I unhesitatingly recommend them to others."

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills contain no stimulant but give strength that lasts. They may be obtained at any drug store.

HE ATTENDS TO BUSINESS

who goes straight to work to cure

Hurts, Sprains, Bruises

by the use of

St. Jacobs Oil

and saves time, money and gets out of misery quickly.
It Acts Like Magic. Price, 25c. and 50c.

Started Something.

Referring to the fact that an American in England had said that for less than a penny a mile one may travel on an English railway in a compartment nearly equal to the American Pullman or parlor car, the London Globe says that a large force of private detectives has been set to work to try to discover which railroad the American was speaking of.

The dowager empress of China is only a secondary wife in the household of her husband, who died 40 years ago, but her individuality is so powerful that she became without any trouble the head of the imperial household. Her subjects are almost as numerous as all the people in Europe.

To Renew Old Carpets.

Worn and faded Brussels and velvet carpets may be made to look like new by redyeing. After the carpet has been cleaned and laid, wipe it off with vinegar water and allow to dry. Prepare a good dye, selecting a predominant color in the carpet, and apply with a wide paint brush. All colors and shades will not absorb the dye alike, so that a design will remain and all worn places will be covered.

The styles that are settled show circular skirts, all kinds of coats, but especially the short one for dressy affairs, the princess skirt, the loose top coat, the small hat, and the skirt that touches.

In Preference.

Friend—What did the editor offer you for your poem?
Poet—Half a crown.
"Why, that was an insult. What did you say?"
"Nothing. I pocketed the insult."—Cassell's.

No Pull.

Johannie's Father—Here's a note from your teacher saying you are again at the foot of the class. I'm surprised at you.
Johannie (bitterly)—Well, if you had a automobile an' could take th' teacher out ridin' like Tommie Perkin's father does, maybe I'd stand a better show fer bein' at th' head of th' class as often as Tommie is.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

See that the maid wears a clean apron while making the beds, and that she knocks at each bedroom door before entering.

Advantages of a Quarrel.

"Gee, but I got a clutch!"
"What is it, Tommy?"
"I do anything I want ter, an' then I tell ma th' pa said I could. An' I tell pa th' ma said I could."
"But don't they get wise when they ask each other?"
"Naw. Pa an' ma don't speak."—Cleveland Leader.

Man no sooner gets in his winter supply of coal and his screens in the cellar than he has to break in his winter underwear.

31 Boxes of Gold

300 Boxes of Greenbacks

For the most words made up from these letters

Y - I - O - Grape-Nuts

331 people will earn these prizes

Choose the words or about the well-lighted family reading table during the winter evenings the children and grown-ups can play with their wits and see how many words can be made.

20 people making the greatest number of words will each receive a little box containing a \$10.00 gold piece.

10 people will each win one box containing a \$5.00 gold piece.

200 people will each win a box containing \$1.00 in paper money and one person who makes the highest number of words over all contestants will receive a box containing \$100.00 in gold.

It is really a most fascinating bit of fun to take up the list evening after evening and see how many words can be added.

A few rules are necessary for absolute fair play.

Any word authorized by Webster's dictionary will be counted, but no name of person. Both the singular and plural can be used, as for instance "grape" and "grapes."

The letters in "Y-I-O-Grape-Nuts" may be repeated in the same word.

Geographical names authorized by Webster will be counted.

Arrange the words in alphabetical classes, all those beginning with A to those beginning with E to come under E, etc.

When you are writing down the words leave some spaces in the A, E, and other columns, to fill in later as new words come to you, for they will spring into mind every evening.

It is almost certain that some contestants will tie with others. In such cases a prize identical in value and character with that offered in that class shall be awarded to each. Each one will be requested to send with the list of words a plainly written letter describing the advantages of Grape-Nuts, but the contestant is not required to purchase a pkg. These letters are not to contain poetry, or fancy flourishes, but simple, truthful statements of fact. For illustration: A person may have experienced some incident or chronic ailment traceable to unwise selection of food that failed to give the body and brain the energy, health and power desired. Seeking better conditions a change in food is made and Grape-Nuts and cream used in place of the former diet. Suppose one quits the meat, fried potatoes, starchy, sticky messes of half-cooked corn or wheat and cuts out the coffee. One may for breakfast a bit of fruit, a Grape-Nut and cream, two

pieces of hard toast, Postum Food Coffee, and a banana. "A man would not be so stupid," but, by dear

the prediction that some who win a prize of gold or greenbacks will also win back health and strength worth more to them than a wagon full of money prizes.

There are no preliminaries, cut out this statement and go at it, and send in the list and letter before April 30th, 1906, to Postum Cereal Co., Ltd., Battle Creek, Mich., and let your name and address be plainly written.

Suppose, if you have never really made a move for absolutely clean health that pushes you along each day with a spring in your step and a reserve vigor in muscle and brain that makes the doing of things a pleasure, you join the army of "plain old common sense" and start in now. Then after you have been 2 or 3 weeks on the Grape-Nuts training you write a statement of how you used to be and how you are now. The simple facts will interest others and surprise yourself. We never publish names except on permission, but we often tell the facts in the newspapers, and when requested give the names by private letter.

There is plenty of time to get personal experience with Grape-Nuts and write a sensible, truthful letter to be sent in with the list of words, as the contest does not close until April 30th, 1906. So start in as soon as you like to building words, and start in using Grape-Nuts. Cut this statement out and keep the letters Y-I-O-Grape-Nuts before you and when you write your letter you will have some reason to write on the subject, "Why I Owe Grape-Nuts."

Remember 331 persons will win prizes, which will be awarded in an exact and just manner as soon as the list can be counted after April 30th, 1906. Every contestant will be sent a printed list of names and addresses of winners on application, in order to have proof that the prizes are sent as agreed. The company is well known all over the world for absolute fidelity to its agreements and every single one of the 331 winners may depend on receiving the prize won.

Many persons might feel it useless to contest, but when one remembers the great number of prizes—(331)—the curiosity of seeing how many words can really be made up evening after evening and the good, natural fun and education in the competition, it seems worth the trial; there is no cost, nothing to lose and a fine opportunity to win one of the many boxes of gold or greenbacks.

We make the prediction that some who win a prize of gold or greenbacks will also win back health and strength worth more to them than a wagon full of money prizes.

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ICE KING'S SWAY

A BLIZZARD IN NORTH TEXAS AND THE TERRITORIES.

WAXAHACHIE'S SWIFT DROP

From 2 P. M. to Night the Temperature Fell Thirty Degrees—Sharp Changes Elsewhere.

Dallas, Texas, Feb. 5.—The Territories and the whole of North Texas are in the grasp of a blizzard once again, the cold weather coming early in the morning, preceded in many cases by light rains.

At Guthrie, Ok., a severe norther hit the place in the morning, accompanied by sleet and snow. The report is that this is the coldest period of the winter.

Snow began falling in Muskogee in the morning, and in a short time a veritable blizzard was raging. The wind continued to blow toward night, says the reports, and colder weather prevails.

The blizzard struck Enid, Ok., after springlike weather, sending the mercury down to zero by daylight, from a temperature ranging from 60 to 70 above.

The drop in temperature at Thomas, Ok., was reported to be from 67 at night to 16 above, the weather being cloudy and dry.

In the Indian Territory conditions were about the same all day yesterday. Tulsa reported a blizzard raging all day, with a drop of 40 degrees in temperature in 24 hours. The blizzard had ceased at night, but indications were of zero weather.

At Vinita the blizzard was in full force and severity. The thermometers were almost at zero and a heavy snow was falling.

The most serious blizzard of the season was reported from Ardmore, the cold wave reaching the section in the morning. The temperature dropped 66 degrees and sleet was reported in some sections of the Chickasaw Nation. Cattle are reported safe.

The cold wave swept south into Texas, and reports aggregate that the drop in temperature was great, and in some cases a painful one. The norther struck Greenville about noon, sending the mercury down, and it was reported still falling late in the day.

Early morning rain in Paris was followed by cold weather, rapidly approaching the freezing point.

After a morning rain at Plano, the wind veered to the north, growing colder every minute and eventually reaching 24 above, with prospects for colder weather.

A great drop in temperature was reported at Cleburne, the early morning being almost like spring.

Waxahachie reported a swift drop, one of the most sudden ever experienced in that section. At 2 p. m. the thermometer registered 60 degrees, at 3 p. m. 38 and at 4 p. m. 32. At night it was hovering about 30 and a blizzard was blowing.

At Waco the mercury dropped from 65 to 35 between 2 and 3 in the afternoon. The cold wave was accompanied by rain, snow and sleet, followed by a freeze at night. Lower temperature is predicted.

A cold north wind driving a heavy rain reached Corsicana at 3 o'clock in the afternoon. A blizzard at forty miles an hour struck Ennis in the afternoon, accompanied by rain. At 5 o'clock 30 degrees was the drop in temperature, the freezing point being reached at night. Snow began falling at 8 o'clock, promising a heavy fall.

The norther was reported in full blast at Wichita Falls, with a temperature of 18 degrees, which was considered good for fruit which showed inclination to bud.

The norther struck Mineral Wells about 10 o'clock in the morning, lowering the temperature 30 degrees in about an hour.

Sick Solons.

Washington: Senator Heyburn of Idaho, who is ill with an attack of appendicitis, was reported as slightly better today. The attack is proving more severe than expected, but the attending physicians are making every effort to avert resorting to an operation.

The condition of Representative Hitt of Illinois, chairman of the house foreign affairs committee, continues encouraging, although he is still confined to his bed.

CARDINAL GIBBONS WARNS.

Shows that Inciters to Industrial Discontent Do Not Repeal Laws.

Baltimore, Md., Feb. 5.—Socialism and the divine rights of kings was the theme of Cardinal Gibbons in his monthly sermon at the Cathedral yesterday. He said:

"The most mischievous and dangerous individual to be met with in the community is the demagogue who is habitually sowing broadcast the seeds of discontent among the people. He is disseminating the baneful doctrine of socialism, which would bring all men down to a dead level, would paralyze industry and destroy all healthy competition. The demagogue is blaming fortune and society, both among the rich, for the consideration of poor and laboring classes. He has not the capacity to discern that after all due allowances are made for human energy this varied condition of society must result from a law of life and by an overruling Providence."

HUNGARIAN SITUATION.

Emperor-King May Establish Absolutism in Hungary.

Vienna: The negotiations looking to the settlement of the Hungarian situation ended in a complete failure yesterday, and Count Julius Andrássy, one of the leaders of the coalition parties, returned to Budapest after a lengthy interview with the Emperor-King, who refused to accept the modified program of the coalition.

Unless the coalition yields at the last hour this failure to reach an agreement must, it is thought, result in an effort by the crown to establish absolutism in Hungary.

AFRAID OF THE CHINESE.

Looting of Missionary's Home at Fautau Spreads Terror Among Whites.

Hong Kong, Feb. 5.—Foreigners at Canton are in a state of great apprehension owing to the insufficiency of police protection. After the looting Saturday of the residence of the Rev. Mr. Andrew Beattie, an American Presbyterian missionary at Fautau, by an armed band of Chinese, the guard boat was requested to send assistance, but the commander replied that he was not empowered to comply with the request.

American Projects Canal.

St. Petersburg: An American named Wendell Jackson has a project for linking the Duna and Dnieper rivers by a canal near Vitebsk and forming an internal waterway from the Baltic sea to the Black sea. The plan is seriously thought of in some quarters and a committee made up of representatives of the ministries of commerce, finance and railroads was established today and authorized to examine and take a report on the matter, though, owing to the financial situation, there is no immediate prospect for favorable action being taken.

Plea for Hawaii.

Washington: A delegation of Hawaiian citizens has arrived here to appear before committees of congress to advocate legislation requiring three-fourths of the customs duties and internal revenue collected in the territory to be expended on public works there.

It is said \$1,200,000 a year, equal to \$8 per capita of the population, is now taken out of the territory, which the members of the delegation say constitutes a heavy drain on its resources.

Chinese See Gotham.

New York: The Chinese commissioners who are here studying American conditions and institutions devoted several hours today to visits to the Metropolitan Museum of Art, St. Patrick's Cathedral, the American Museum of Natural History, Reformed Church and other places of interest.

Civilized Cherokees.

Tulsa, I. T.: Buckmans Field, Mudge Henson and Bob Calvin, Cherokee Indians, were arrested last night in the Cherokee Nation, charged with robbing the First National Bank at Owasso, I. T., on Jan. 26. They were taken to jail at Claremore. The bank vault was wrecked and looted for \$2,000.

Against Austria.

Vienna: It is reported that a military convention has been concluded between Italy and Montenegro for the purpose of breaking down Austria's predominating influence in the Balkans, but neither confirmation nor denial can be obtained in official circles here.

Ill fortune never crushes that man whom good fortune deceived not.—Ben Johnson.

Shake Into Your Shoes

Allen's Foot-Ease, a powder. It cures painful, smarting, nervous feet and ingrowing nails. It's the greatest comfort discovery of the age. Makes new shoes easy. A certain cure for sweating feet. Sold by all Druggists, 25c. Trial package FREE. Address A. S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y.

Celery is the cultivated variety of the English weed, smallage.

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

When one wishes to appear particularly well, the becoming picture hat remains the favorite.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup.

For children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. 25c a bottle.

The German Emperor recently received a peculiar present, consisting of a pair of scissors valued at \$500.

Every housekeeper should know that if they will buy Defiance Cold Water Starch for laundry use they will save not only time, because it never sticks to the iron, but because each package contains 16 oz.—one full pound—while all other Cold Water Starches are put up in 8-oz. packages, and the price is the same, 10 cents. Then again because Defiance Starch is free from all injurious chemicals. If your grocer tries to sell you a 12-oz. package it is because he has a stock on hand which he wishes to dispose of before he puts in Defiance. He knows that Defiance Starch has printed on every package in large letters and figures "16 oz." Demand Defiance and save much time and money and the annoyance of the iron sticking. Defiance never sticks.

Blouses of satiny leather in white or colors are the modish shirt waists for motoring or driving.

Where Others Failed.

"Each spring for five or six years I broke out with a kind of Eczema, which nothing seemed to relieve permanently. Finally I tried a box of Hunt's Cure, which promptly cured me. Two years have passed by, but the trouble has not returned."

Mrs. Kate Howard,
Little Rock, Ark.

The one thing a woman always looks on the bright side of is a mirror.

A GUARANTEED CURE FOR PILES. Itching, Bleeding, Protruding Piles. Druggists are authorized to refund money if FAGO OINTMENT fails to cure in 6 to 14 days. 50c.

Prince Danilo of Montenegro sent his father the head of a notorious bandit as a birthday present.

It is never too late to love or go home.

A TRULY IDEAL WIFE

HER HUSBAND'S BEST HELPER

Vigorous Health is the Great Source of Power to Inspire and Encourage—All Women Should Seek It.

One of the most noted, successful and richest men of this century, in a recent article, has said, "Whatever I am and whatever success I have attained in this world I owe all to my wife. From the day I first knew her she has been an inspiration, and the greatest helpmate of my life."



Mrs. Bessie Ainsley

To be such a successful wife, to retain the love and admiration of her husband, to inspire him to make the most of himself, should be a woman's constant study.

If a woman finds that her energies are flagging, that she gets easily tired, dark shadows appear under her eyes, she has backache, headaches, bearing-down pains, nervousness, irregularities or the blues, she should start at once to build up her system by a tonic with specific powers, such as Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

Following we publish by request a letter from a young wife:

Dear Mrs. Pinkham: "Ever since my child was born I have suffered, as I hope few women ever have, with inflammation, female weakness, bearing-down pains, backache and wretched headaches. It affected my stomach so I could not enjoy my meals, and half my time was spent in bed."

"Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound made me a well woman, and I feel so grateful that I am glad to write and tell you of my marvelous recovery. It brought me health, new life and vitality."—Mrs. Bessie Ainsley, 511 South 10th Street, Tacoma, Wash.

What Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound did for Mrs. Ainsley it will do for every sick and ailing woman.

If you have symptoms you don't understand write to Mrs. Pinkham, daughter-in-law of Lydia E. Pinkham, at Lynn, Mass. Her advice is free and always helpful.

Don't Forget:

We are still in the Drug Business and want your trade, and assure you that it will have our best attention, at lowest possible price—"Live and let live prices."

DON'T FORGET.

Your Friends,
Smith & French
Drug company

Local Items.

Notice to Advertisers.

Copy for advertisements must be in this office not later than Tuesday morning to insure insertion. No deviation will be made from this rule in the future, because to do so delays publication, causes the paper to miss outgoing mails and works an all-round hardship on all concerned.

Parker has bulk garden seed.
S. H. Platt has resigned as jailer,
Buy your garden seed in bulk from F. P. Parker.

Onion sets at T. D. Craddock's at 10 cents per quart.
T. D. Craddock wants your business. Try him for prices.

A new lot of Chase & Sanborn's coffee at T. D. Craddock's.
Mr. M. M. Baker's condition, we regret to say, is quite critical.
E. C. Arledge, cashier of the Trinity State Bank, was here Sunday.

Walker King, superintendent of the Palestine city schools, was here Sunday.

Hog Wire, the best in town. Call at the Big Store and get their prices.

Car of Kokomo wire just received at T. D. Craddock's at reduced prices.

When in doubt buy the best. Parker has the best of everything in the grocery line.

J. C. Kennedy of Augusta was in town Monday and paid the COURIER a visit.

R. D. Wherry, S. H. Platt, J. F. Rains and Dr. Evans remembered the COURIER Saturday.

The best seed Potatoes to be found is the Maine Triumph. Call at the Big Store for them.

We can, of course, fill any prescription, no matter whether it is ours or not.

MOORE & HARRISON.

If it is a pair of Slippers you want, go to the Big Store. They have them and all sold at a bargain.

W. F. Ham of Lovelady and Thos. Matlock of Ratcliff were callers at this office since last week.

L. W. Sweet has returned from Kilbourn, Wis., where he was summoned by the death of his father, who died at an old age.

Mr. H. A. Fisher has returned to Joliet, Ill. His family will remain at their home near Crockett the rest of the winter.

See those beautiful Ladies' Lace Hose in the prettiest designs, the celebrated Wayne Knitting Mills' best output. You can see them at the Big Store.

Mr. W. B. Page was confined to his room with illness.

A big shipment of bulk garden seed just received at Parker's. He handles nothing but the best.

Have you tried our Syrup White Pine with Tar? It will stop your cough.

MURCHISON & BEASLEY.

Bring your prescriptions to us. We fill them right and charge you only what it is worth.

MURCHISON & BEASLEY.

The most reliable preparation for kidney troubles on the market is Foley's Kidney Cure. Sold by Smith & French Drug Co.

WANTED—Bright young man from Crockett to prepare for paying position in Government Mail Service. Box One, Cedar Rapids, Ia. 8t.

American Stag Cigars.

Smoke American Stag—our leader—\$40.00—5c.

MURCHISON DRUG STORE.

The Big Store buyer left last week for Northern and Eastern markets to buy their mammoth spring stock.

Goats for Sale.

J. G. Matlock has a bunch of fifty goats for sale. Address or see him at Crockett, Texas. 3t

We make a specialty of prescription work.

MOORE & HARRISON,
The Druggists.

If railroads do not give passes with the expectation of gaining favor, why do they give passes to tax assessors and none to tax collectors.

Wait! Wait! Wait! and see those beautiful spring dress goods in all the latest novelties that are due to arrive next week at the Big Store.

Winter coughs are apt to result in consumption if neglected. They can be soon broken up by using Foley's Honey and Tar. Sold by Smith & French Drug Co.

Horse Wanted.

I want to buy a good work horse. Apply to
S. H. Platt,
Crockett, Texas.

The cold wave of this week will be worth much to the fruit crop in the way of driving back the sap and preventing budding. A few trees were already in bloom, but the main crop, it is thought, is uninjured.

The country home of Mr. Terbell near Crockett is said to be one of the most commodious and best appointed in the South. The Terbells will remain here until May, when they will return to New York.

During the coming campaign it will be well to consider a candidate from every standpoint. There is no better standard of measurement for a man than as to how he meets his obligations—pays his debts.

For Rent.

A good farm, seven miles from town. Two good houses with brick chimneys, a pasture of 75 to 100 acres in connection with farm. Can be had on any reasonable terms. Apply to
T. D. CRADDOCK.

L. A. Daniel has instructed the COURIER to announce him for re-election to the office of representative, subject to the democracy. Mr. Daniel has served one term in the legislature, and his action on all questions was above board and open to criticism. He stands for re-election on his record as a legislator and as a democrat in the political affairs of Houston county.

FOLEY'S HONEY AND TAR
for children; safe, sure. No opiates

Our friends will please remember that all announcements for office must be accompanied by the cash. There will be no exceptions to this rule.

Be sure to remember the Valentine tea and sale given by the ladies of the Presbyterian church at the church parlors February 14. Fancy work and candy for sale.

Services at the Methodist church begin promptly at 11 A. M. and at 7:15 P. M. The public cordially invited.

IRVIN B. MANLY, Pastor.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Presbyterian church will give a Valentine tea and sale at the church parlors February 14, three to nine o'clock. Everybody cordially invited.

Drugs cannot hold their virtue forever; they dry up and die like everything else. You get only live, fresh, active drugs from us. Our drugs are kept moving and have no chance to get old.

MOORE & HARRISON.

Your prescriptions are in safe hands when placed with us. We give you the very best drugs and fill your prescription just as the doctor says.

MURCHISON & BEASLEY.

Angora Goats for Sale.

Sixty-eight head of high-grade Angora goats for sale at \$1 per head near Pennington, Texas. See
DAVID MATHEWS,
Pennington, Texas.

Lost or Stolen.

One sorrel horse about fifteen hands high, left hind foot white, white spot in left side where girth rubbed, foretop cut close. \$10.00 reward delivered at Crockett.

B. L. SATTERWHITE.

Possibly you are already a patron of ours. If not, it might be well to start in now. A trial may prove mutually profitable. With a view to getting better acquainted, we invite you to call at our drug store.

MOORE & HARRISON.

J. N. Wellborn authorizes the COURIER to announce him for constable of precinct No. 1. Mr. Wellborn has the essential qualifications for a peace officer. He is a man of fine physique and courage, and would prove a terror to evil-doers. His candidacy is subject to the democracy.

Oscar C. Goodwin announces this week for tax collector, subject to the action of the democracy. Oscar is a deserving young man, was raised at Lovelady and is at present teaching the Wesley Chapel school. He is well qualified for the office, which he is seeking strictly on his merits.

The norther Sunday night blew up in the same manner that it did two weeks ago, with the exception that this time the storm was traveling toward the south when two weeks ago it was traveling eastward. It is a safe prediction that a cold wave traveling south will be of longer duration than if originating in the west.

A Thousand Dollars Thrown Away.
"My wife had lung trouble for over fifteen years," writes Mr. W. W. Baker, of Plainview, Neb. "We tried a number of doctors and spent over a thousand dollars without any relief. She was very low and I lost all hope, when a friend suggested trying Foley's Honey and Tar, which I did; and thanks be to this great remedy it saved her life. She is stronger and enjoys better health than she has ever known in ten years. We shall never be without Foley's Honey and Tar and would ask those afflicted to try it." Sold by Smith & French Drug Co.

FOLEY'S HONEY AND TAR
stops the cough and heals lungs

Money to Loan.

We Buy and Sell Real Estate.
List Your Land With Us.
Fire Insurance Written in Best Companies.

WARFIELD BROTHERS,
Office North Side Public Square,
Crockett, Texas.

Our cigars are becoming more popular every day. They satisfy. Try one.

MURCHISON & BEASLEY.

Mothers can safely give Foley's Honey and Tar to their children for coughs and colds, for it contains no opiates or other poisons. Sold by Smith & French Drug Co.

Game Chickens.

I have a few trios to spare of the famous Red Cuban Pit Games, the best of all heavy weights. \$3.00 per trio. Eggs for hatching in season.

N. J. SANDLIN,
Lovelady, Texas.

The announcement column contains this week the name of C. G. (Gershom) Lansford for county clerk. Mr. Lansford made the race for this office two years ago and drew a strong support. His qualifications for the office are excellent. He has had the misfortune of losing one of his legs and is at present teaching school for a livelihood. His announcement is subject to the democracy.

A magnificent steel engraving of Hagerman Pass, the most famous mountain pass in Colorado, has been issued by the Colorado Midland Railway. This engraving is 26x40 inches and suitable for framing. It will be sent to any address on receipt of 15 cents in stamps by Morell Law, traveling passenger agent, 566 Sheidley building, Kansas City, Mo., or C. H. Speers, G. P. A., Denver, Colo.

In the announcement column this week will be found the name of A. W. Phillips for re-election to the office of sheriff. Mr. Phillips has served our people as a peace officer for a number of years—first in the capacity of constable and then as sheriff—which latter office he is filling his first term. He is known too well to need any further introduction at the hands of the COURIER. His candidacy, of course, is subject to the democracy.

J. W. Madden authorizes the COURIER to announce him this week for county judge. We suppose every man and woman in the county knows Mr. Madden. He has been prominent in the county's affairs for years. He served during the Culberson administration as secretary of state and has held other positions of trust. He is a native of Houston county and has been prominent in the councils of the democratic party since his boyhood.

Mr. M. M. Baker, mention of whose illness is made in another column, died at his home three miles north of Crockett Tuesday night. Mr. Baker was a good man—was one of the most influential men of the county—and served as county treasurer for many years. He was a farmer by vocation and his home was always noted for its old-time hospitality. Mr. Baker is survived by a large family—Dick, John, Arch, Henry, Harry, Mrs. Geo. Denny, Mrs. O. C. Payne and Miss Alwilder—his sons, with the exception of Rev. Henry Baker, all being prominent in business affairs. He is also survived by his second wife. The funeral occurred at Glenwood cemetery Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. J. J. Collier announces for county clerk this week. Mr. Collier spent two years at Sam Houston Normal, Huntsville, Texas, and is a graduate in shorthand and book-keeping of Tyler Commercial College, Tyler, Texas, and has taught school over the county for a number of years. He is a young man but is well identified with the interests of the county. Of course, his candidacy is subject to the action of the democratic party.

International Celebration

"Down by the Rio Grande"

Many years ago the citizens of Laredo, Texas, and Nuevo Laredo, Mexico, conceived the idea of fittingly celebrating George Washington's Birthday (February 22) by suitable "Mexican-American" fiestas, and from a small source this has grown to a magnificent Annual Event unsurpassed in its splendid surroundings and interesting particulars by anything of a similar nature ever held in Texas.

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

This year the celebration will consist of five days' continuous festivities, February 21st, 22nd, 23rd, 24th and 25th, and the program will comprise many new and interesting features, among which may be mentioned Famous Spanish Bull Fights, Cattle Roping Contest, Naval Fire works on Rio Grande River, Gen. Washington Crossing the Delaware, Military Drills, Historical Pageants and Trades Display, Flower Carnival, U. S. and Mexican Bands.

For this occasion low excursion rates will be in effect to Laredo, also for the benefit of those who desire to see more of Mexican life and customs arrangements have been made for the sale of excursion tickets to Monterey, Mexico, with ten (10) days' limit, permitting stop-over at Laredo to witness the International Celebration.

For further particulars, call on ticket agents, or write,
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ANNOUNCEMENTS.

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

For Representative
John B. Smith
I. A. Daniel
For County Judge
John Spence
J. W. Madden
For County Clerk
Nat E. Albright
C. G. (Gersham) Lansford
J. J. Collier
For Sheriff
A. W. Phillips
For Tax Collector
A. L. (Gus) Goolsby
Oscar C. Goodwin
For Constable Prec. No. 1
J. N. Wellborn
For Justice of Peace, Prec. No. 1
C. R. Stephenson

When a candidate, whether he is running for the legislature or for county commissioner, asks your support for office, ask him how he stands on the free pass question.

Palestine has organized a large stock company for the promotion of tobacco culture in Anderson county. Conditions for this crop are as favorable in Houston county as in Anderson.

Houston county has an abundance of rich tobacco lands. All that is needed to make the tobacco crop a success in the county is a well-directed effort on the part of our farmers and business men.

Why do the railroads load down our law-makers with passes if it is not to secure legislation in their favor? If it is for the love of the individual law-maker, why do they not keep it up after he is out of office?

A Chicago tobacco firm wants all the Houston county product it can get. It prefers Houston county tobacco to that grown at any other place. This firm says the best Texas tobacco comes from Houston county, and the best tobacco grown outside of Cuba comes from Texas.

What the people want in regard to free passes is that office-holders shall not be permitted to accept them. The people are not concerned in what the railroads do for employes, real estate agents and other individuals. It is the use of passes by office holders that they want stopped.

That was a smart bunch of politicians who fixed the proposed railroad pass measure in the last legislature so that neither house would pass it. The people demanded that a law be passed prohibiting the acceptance by legislators, judges, commissioners and other office-holders of railroad passes and the politicians added to the list railroad employes, real estate dealers, newspaper men, etc. It is a matter of fact that newspaper men never have passes, but accept, in payment for advertising, mileage which they use and which is improperly termed by many as a pass. Newspaper men render a stipulated service for the mileage received, and if law-makers, judges and other office-holders render any service for which the people would like to

The shortening of the schedule for mail trains between St. Louis and Texas points puts the St. Louis morning papers into Crockett on the same day of publication. The mail train leaving St. Louis every morning at 3 o'clock passes Crockett at 10:18 the following evening, making the run in less than twenty hours. The fastest time made heretofore was twenty-four hours by the afternoon train, which is still maintained.

The gentleman who superintended the tobacco crop in Houston county last year is growing a crop for himself this year in Georgia which he has sold in advance at a high price. Soil and climate are no more favorable in Georgia than in Houston county, and government tobacco experts tell us that Houston county has many advantages over Georgia in the matter of growing the finer grades of tobacco.

There is no objection made by the people to the railroads giving any private citizen engaged in any industrial pursuit a pass over their lines. What they do object to is the acceptance by office-holders of passes for themselves and the securing of passes by office-holders for relatives and friends. The passes are given for selfish ends, and whether or not the ends sought are accomplished, the people are demanding that the practice be stopped.

Congressman Randall has introduced a bill at Washington to make it a penal offense for a member of Congress or of the Federal Judiciary to accept a pass or other gratuity from a railroad or other corporations. It proposes that the officer of a corporation offering such a gratuity shall be fined not less than \$500, and be sentenced to penal servitude for a term not less than six months nor more than two years. Those who accept them are to be fined not less than \$100 and be sentenced to imprisonment for a term not less than six months nor more than one year.

The following editorial paragraph shows how the policy of the Courier is viewed from a distance. The item is taken from the Mexico, Mo., Ledger, whose editor is Col. R. M. White, one of the owners in a large orchard near Crockett:

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Last Sunday, in his sermon at a Baltimore cathedral, Cardinal Gibbons said in regard to socialism: "The most mischievous and dangerous individual to be met with in the community is the demagogue who is habitually sowing broadcast the seeds of discontent among the people. He is disseminating the baneful doctrine of socialism, which would bring all men down to a dead level, would paralyze industry and destroy all healthy competition. The demagogue is blaming fortune and society, both among the rich, for the consideration of the poor and laboring classes. He has not the capacity to discern that after all due allowances are made for human energy this varied condition of society must result from a law of life and by an overruling Providence."

At a recent Boston meeting of the shoe manufacturers of New England it was agreed that the prices of shoes must be raised in view of the fact that the staples of the shoe industry had increased 52 per cent in cost within the last few years. This increase was attributed to reduced consumption of meat, tending to a scarcity of leather, the use of shoes in the far eastern and southern countries and increased consumption of leather owing to poor quality. The manufacturers justify their course by saying that they are denied access to the open markets of the world by the duty on hides which they say protects no industry, but only serves the purpose of enabling the beef trust "to levy tribute on the people."

DEARTH OF HOGS.

Packers of Fort Worth Paying Kansas City Prices for Them, but Supply is Inadequate.

Fort Worth, Tex., Jan. 27.—There is complaint among packers in this city that the offerings of hogs on the local markets are entirely inadequate to the demand, although they say that Kansas City prices are being offered for the bovine. Speaking of the needs of the market, Colonel G. W. Simpson said:

"There is no question that the packing industry will continue to grow and that Fort Worth will grow with it. The packing industry has never gone backward in any city in which it was established. It grows all the time. There will always be a supply of cattle here for the packers, and the supply will get better, but the main thing is the hog market.

"If the people of Texas could be persuaded to raise more hogs it would build the future at once. We have here today two of the world's greatest packers, and Fort Worth is fortunate to have them. In the time the packing-houses have been in Fort Worth the town and the market have made the greatest progress that has ever been made in this country. Fort Worth is destined to be the third packing center in size in this country if it makes the same percentage in the future as it has in the past, and the short time we have had in the new year shows the percentage is keeping up.

"Fort Worth is now paying Kansas City prices for hogs. What does that mean? It means the packers want the hogs and are willing to pay for them. All they ask is that the supply be provided and they will take care of them. I heard one of the packers say today that he would take 5,000 hogs a day for a year if he could get them. The market is here, and if the people will furnish the hogs the packers will buy them."

"Do you expect other packers to come here," he was asked. "I do when there are more hogs. There is not a sufficient supply for them now. Give them the hogs and the packers will come, and there is no reason why Texas should not produce them."

POLL TAXES PAID.

About Two Hundred and Fifty More Than Last Year.

The number of poll taxes paid up to Wednesday night of last week was 3257. This is about 250 more than was paid last year, so Tax Collector Brightman informs us. The largest vote ever polled in the county was in 1896, when the total vote for governor was 4601.

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