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EAST TEXAS ARTESIAN.

REPORTS OF EXPERTS AND GEOL- OGISTS THAT NO FLOW

Existed East of the Trinity Entirely Disproved by Its Phys- ical Existence.

Crockett Correspondent Galveston News

Crockett, Tex., May 17.—Prognostications and reports of experts and geologists to the effect that no artesian water could be found in this section of East Texas at any point east of the Trinity river has at last been disproved, and although a great many people still believe the theory that the geologists have advanced in this regard, still a physical fact stands in this section as a monument to disprove what has heretofore been accepted as gospel truth. A few deep wells have been sunk at various points on the International & Great Northern railroad in search of artesian water, but those who had the matter in charge abandoned the effort and joined the crowd who insisted that no water could be found. It remained for Crockett capitalists to disprove this theory and to develop a fact which in the course of time may become as valuable as any of the many assets of this section. A year or so ago some parties here, believing that oil could be secured at a point near here, organized a company, which was known as the Houston County Development Company, and composed of Crockett and Lovelady capitalists, whose officers were D. A. Nunn, president, and J. D. Freeman, secretary. They secured large land holdings in the southeastern portion of this county and proceeded to sink a test well which, on account of unknown causes, was abandoned, but not, however, before developing the fact that artesian water could be secured in this section. In sinking the casing when a depth of 70 feet was reached a strong flow of water was found, and thinking that the gas which was so strong at this point which they were drilling caused the water to spout over the casing, this was abandoned temporarily to see if the gas would exhaust itself. Another well was started at a point of 50 feet distant from this and sunk to a depth of 1,200 feet, when the casing became stuck, and other accidents happened, it was decided to abandon this well and remove the casing. This was practically done and in doing so a strong flow of deep artesian water was found. When the casing had been pulled up to a depth of about 550 feet from the top, the water spouted to the top of the high derrick. The management, surprised at this phenomenon and believing that it was a strong flow of gas which was forcing the water to this great height, determined to let it stand for a while to see if the force would expend itself, but time seemed to make no change at all. When the removal of the casing was again attempted it was then pulled to a depth of 225 feet from the top, under great difficulties and danger to the workmen,

as the flow of water was so strong at this point a part of the derrick was destroyed, and the project abandoned. Although over one year has elapsed since the sinking of these wells, the water continues to flow in a steady stream, gushing eight feet clear over the top of the casing, which extends a number of feet from the ground. The water is cold and clear and pleasant to the taste and seemingly free from minerals. The topography of the country around this place is level, with a range of hills in the distance, the well being located in the valley, the soil resembling very much that variety found at Sour Lake and in the Batson oil fields. Perhaps in no section of Texas can stronger gas deposits be found than that which exudes naturally from the ground at this point and also the strata developed in the sinking of the wells mentioned. In all portions of south, central and western Texas water can readily be secured at various depths, but in eastern Texas, although many attempts have been made, this one has been the first to be successful, and while not important in itself, it is so in establishing a fact that artesian water can be found and other wells will no doubt be sunk where artesian water is desired.

In discussing this matter a few days ago with the officers of the company who own the property on which the find was made, they stated to your correspondent that their company proposed to make other experiments in this section and felt confident that their holdings were of great value.

COMMITTEE IS BACK.

Did Not Bring Road in Their Pockets, But Are Very Hopeful.

From Palestine Daily Herald.

That Palestine committee that was in Rusk yesterday came home last night. They did not bring the new road with them, but they come back very hopeful. Each member of the committee interviewed expressed the belief that Palestine would get the road, though the committee representing the penitentiary road were noncommittal.

The Palestine delegation assured them that Palestine was ready to do anything within reason.

A survey will soon be completed to Palestine, and until then the penitentiary board does not know just what will be required of Palestine.

The committee from Crockett was there, but the Palestine people did not learn what sort of proposition they made the penitentiary board.

Good Words for Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

People everywhere take pleasure in testifying to the good qualities of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. Mrs. Edward Phillips of Barclay, Md., writes: "I wish to tell you that I can recommend Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. My little girl, Catherine, who is two years old, has been taking this remedy whenever she has had a cold since she was two months old. About a month ago I contracted a dreadful cold myself, but I took Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and was soon as well as ever." This remedy is for sale by Murchison & Beasley.

CASE NOT BAILABLE.

SO HELD BY JUSTICE OF THE PEACE CALLIER.

W. N. and Clint Lane Returned to Jail—Henry Christian Under Bond.

The COURIER told last week of the beginning of the examining trial of Clint Lane, his father, W. N. Lane, and Henry Christian for the murder of Henry Dudley. The trial was begun Wednesday morning and many witnesses were examined. The court house was filled with spectators most of the time and no case has been tried in Crockett for a long time that attracted more interest.

Henry Christian turned state's evidence. He told how the Lanes killed their neighbor, Henry Dudley, and that he himself took no part in the murder further than being a witness. He told how Clint Lane fired the first shot from behind a tree and some vines, and how Dudley attempted to use his gun before falling, but was too badly wounded to get it into use; how Clint Lane again fired into Dudley's prostrate form, and how W. N. Lane took a hand in the shooting; that W. N. Lane told Clint Lane to kill Dudley. He also told of W. N. Lane coming to town and claiming that he killed Dudley in self-defense, and of the testimony that he and Clint were to give in defense of Mr. Lane; how and when he decided to change his testimony and tell the truth about the matter; and that he had been promised immunity by the officers. Neither Mr. Lane nor his son testified that Christian did any of the shooting. They claim self-defense for themselves. The testimony of all the witnesses would be interesting reading to our readers, but as the examination consumed three days, it is too lengthy for our columns. The trial began Wednesday morning and ended Saturday morning. At the conclusion of the evidence Justice of the Peace Callier remanded W. N. and Clint Lane to jail without bail. Henry Christian was placed under an appearance bond of \$500.

The attorneys for the defense have made application for a writ of habeas corpus and left for Palestine Sunday night to appear before District Judge Gardner. They will leave no stone unturned in their effort to secure bail for the Lanes. The Lanes and Dudley were all prosperous farmers.

From Weches.

Weches, Tex., May 20, 1907.

EDITOR COURIER:

As no news has been written from this little burg, except the base ball game played on Saturday, the 11th, will try to give a few more dots.

The weather has been fine for the past few days and farmers have put in their time in cotton and corn patches instead of sitting around on account of rainy weather.

S. C. Boykin, who has been con-

finied to his bed for some time with consumption, died Thursday, the 16th, and was buried on the 17th by Sovereigns of W. O. W. lodge No. 1047.

Mr. J. I. French, who has been in southwest Texas for the benefit of his health, came home on a visit to his family. His health has improved so much that he expects to make that his future home. He also states that it is very dry there. Cattle are dying for want of grass and water.

We think Dr. Dillard has had a bad case of hysterics (if there be such a thing). He claims that he is sick all the time and thinks of taking a trip. But since it has stopped raining and farmers have gone to work and there is little sickness now, he looks comparatively like a new man, and we are glad to see him in good spirits.

The Ramrod Base Ball team played with Weches' team Saturday, as stated in last week's COURIER; the score being 14 to 29 in favor of Weches' team. Ramrods, you were up against Weches' "real nine" this time. Weches will play Augusta Saturday, May 25th, on Weches' grounds.

Well, Mr. Editor, as our time is needed at our business will close. If you want to hear from this "big sand bed," why say so and we will try again. A READER.
(Send in the news.—Editor).

A NEW DOG LAW.

City Council Passes Ordinance Plac- ing Tax and Muzzle on Dogs.

The city council was in session Monday and took up the dog question. After much discussion it was decided to place a city tax of \$1 on all male dogs and a tax of \$3 on all female dogs. In addition it was decided that all dogs running at large must wear muzzles, and if caught without muzzles they must be impounded by the city marshal. The owner may redeem the dog by paying the impounding fee if the tax is paid, but if the tax is not paid the owner will have to pay the tax as well as the impounding fee.

It is not the purpose of the city council to work a hardship on any one, but the lives of our citizens must be protected. The fate of poor John Poole, who lived near Kennard and died of hydrophobia about three years ago, is yet fresh in the minds of our people. One human life is worth more than all the dogs in the county.

Neither is it the purpose of the council to put those living without the city limits to any unnecessary expense or trouble, but they are advised to keep their dogs at home. If their dogs follow them to town anyway, they had better keep a close watch on them to pre-

ADMITTED TO BAIL

IN HABEAS CORPUS PROCEEDINGS IN DISTRICT COURT.

Bonds of the Lanes Placed at \$5,000 Each and Recognizance in One Case Taken.

Attorneys for W. N. and Clint Lane returned from Palestine Tuesday afternoon, where they sought a writ of habeas corpus from District Judge Gardner for their clients. They were successful in securing bail, and the bonds of the Lanes were placed at \$5,000 each by Judge Gardner. If Judge Gardner had denied the Lanes bail, it was the intention of the attorneys to carry the cases up to the court of criminal appeals at Austin.

W. N. Lane made his bond Tuesday afternoon, which was recognized by the sheriff with the following securities: J. E. Downes, W. A. R. French, W. W. Davis, J. J. Bynum and G. H. Bayne. He was released from the custody of the officer and went home.

The bond of Clint Lane had not been made Wednesday morning and he was still in jail.

vent their being stolen. If a dog is tied to a wagon it will likely prevent its being taken up as a stray.

The people of Crockett have long endured the dog nuisance. Every spring there is an outbreak of hydrophobia, and this spring has been no exception to the rule, a number of dogs supposed to have hydrophobia having been killed within the city limits. Many other dogs are reported to have been bitten, some of which have been killed and some have not. The city council is determined to protect the lives of our citizens and at the same time rid the town of some of its worthless dogs.

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Cotton Seed.

After considerable trouble we have secured a car of cotton seed and are ready to supply any demand for planting as long as the car lasts. We will sell them at actual cost. In order to accommodate those who are not able to pay for them now, we will take pay in the fall if properly secured.

Houston County Oil Mill and Mfg. Co.

UNITED DAUGHTERS OF
THE CONFEDERACY

D. A. NUNN CHAP.

On Monday, May 18th, 1907, the D. A. Nunn Chapter met in called session at the home of Mrs. D. A. Nunn.

The object of this meeting was to discuss ways and means of responding to the call recently issued by the State President, Mrs. Joseph B. Dibrell, in behalf of the Home for the Wives and Widows of the Confederacy. Mrs. Dibrell's appeal was as follows:

"All Chapters are requested to arrange for the celebration of Jefferson Davis' Birthday, June 3rd, with a grand entertainment, where charges or free will offerings will be taken in for the Confederate Woman's Home. Let every Confederate Daughter and Son lend their energies to this noble deed on the day our State has set apart in sacred memory of the President of the Confederacy."

This cause is indeed one to thrill the tenderest emotions of the heart. It is hard enough for the old soldiers to be "wanderers under a winter sky, without an arm to save," but still more terrible for aged, feeble women.

Every man and woman in the town is asked to show their interest in and sympathy for these heroines of the lost cause.

The Chapter will give a Birthday reception on June 3rd, at the residence of Col. and Mrs. D. A. Nunn, from 4 to 6:30 during the afternoon, and from 8 to 10 o'clock in the evening. Every man, woman and child is invited to come and bring a penny for each year of life. Those not wishing to tell how many pennies are due will be allowed to pay any sum over the required number that they may desire.

The receiving line will be composed of officers of the Chapter. Cooling refreshments will be served. A musical program of war-time songs and melodies will be rendered, and a cordial welcome awaits all.

Come out and have a good, social, old-fashioned "party," and at the same time assist in a noble cause.

"The blue and the gray" are equally welcome.

Mrs. W. C. LIPSCOMB,
Cor. Secretary.

Excursion Season Opened.

The I. & G. N. R. R. announced their first excursion of the season to Houston and Galveston for Saturday, May 25th.

The bathing season has opened and the Electric Park and all the Beach attractions that were so popular last year are again delighting the populace.

The usual popular low rates will prevail.

Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy.

There is probably no medicine made that is relied upon with more implicit confidence than Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. During the third of a century in which it has been in use, people have learned that it is one remedy that never fails. When reduced with water and sweetened it is pleasant to take. For sale by Murchison & Beasley.

Cheerfully Recommended for Rheumatism.

O. C. Higbee, Danville, Ill., writes, Dec. 2, 1901: "About two years ago I was laid up for four months with rheumatism. I tried Ballard's Snow Liniment, one bottle cured me. I can cheerfully recommend it to all suffering from like affliction." 25c, 50c and \$1.00. Sold by Murchison & Beasley.

Weevils in Swarms.

Waco, Tex., May 20.—Col. E. S. Peters of Calvert, who is here consulting cotton men, says that the boll weevil in the Brazos valley are present in swarms ready for business. Col. Peters says the wet weather is retarding operations. He predicts a short cotton crop and a high range of prices.

Too Slow for Him.

Atlanta Constitution.
This is the notice the cross-roads postmaster tacked on the shutter the other day:

"This here town bein' too slow to call fer its mail, I've decided to close up an' go to the three days picnic at Jinkinson's still. There ain't no mail here fer nobody nohow!"

Relief for Rheumatic Pains.

"I suffered with rheumatism for over two years," says Mr. Roland Curry, a patrolman, of Key West, Fla. "Some times it settled in my knees and lamed me so I could hardly walk, at other times it would be in my feet and hands. I was incapacitated for duty. One night when I was in severe pain and lame from it my wife went to the drug store here and came back with a bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm. I was rubbed with it and found the pain had nearly gone during the night. I kept on using it for a little more than two weeks and found that it drove the rheumatism away. I have not had any trouble from that disease for over three months." For sale by Murchison & Beasley.

Sore Nipples.

Any mother who has had experience with this distressing ailment will be pleased to know that a cure may be effected by applying Chamberlain's Salve as soon as the child is done nursing. Wipe it off with a soft cloth before allowing the babe to nurse. Many trained nurses use this salve with best results. For sale by Murchison & Beasley.

Gold the First Metal Used.

Gold was probably the first metal known to man because it is generally found native. The oldest metallic objects to which we can assign a probable date were found in a royal tomb at Nagada, in Egypt, supposed to have been that of King Menes. In one of the chambers were some bits of gold and a bead, a button and a fine wire of nearly pure copper. If the tomb was properly identified, these objects were at least 4,300 years old at the time of their discovery. Nearly all of the ancient gold that has been examined contains enough silver to give it a light color. It was gathered by the ancients in the bed of the Pactolus and other streams of Asia Minor.

Old Time Advice to Doctors.

There is an old manuscript in the National library at Paris which has the following advice to physicians: "On approaching the patient you should assume a calm expression and avoid any gesture of greed or vanity, greet those who salute you with a humble voice and sit down when they do. Then, turning to the sick person, ask him how he is. To the patient you promise to cure, but immediately on leaving the room you say to the relatives that the disease is grave. The result will be that if you cure him your merit is greater, and you will receive the greater praise and fee, while if he dies they will say that you had no hope from the first."

Diamonds and Glass.

The diamond, instead of being a real solid, is a mass of atoms all in rapid and violent motion. The edge of the stone is formed of these moving molecules as well as the body. Now, glass is also made up of moving atoms, though they do not move so rapidly or so violently as the diamond atoms. When the diamond edge, therefore, is applied to the glass surface the diamond atoms drive the glass atoms out of the way and force a passage.

Training the American Officer.

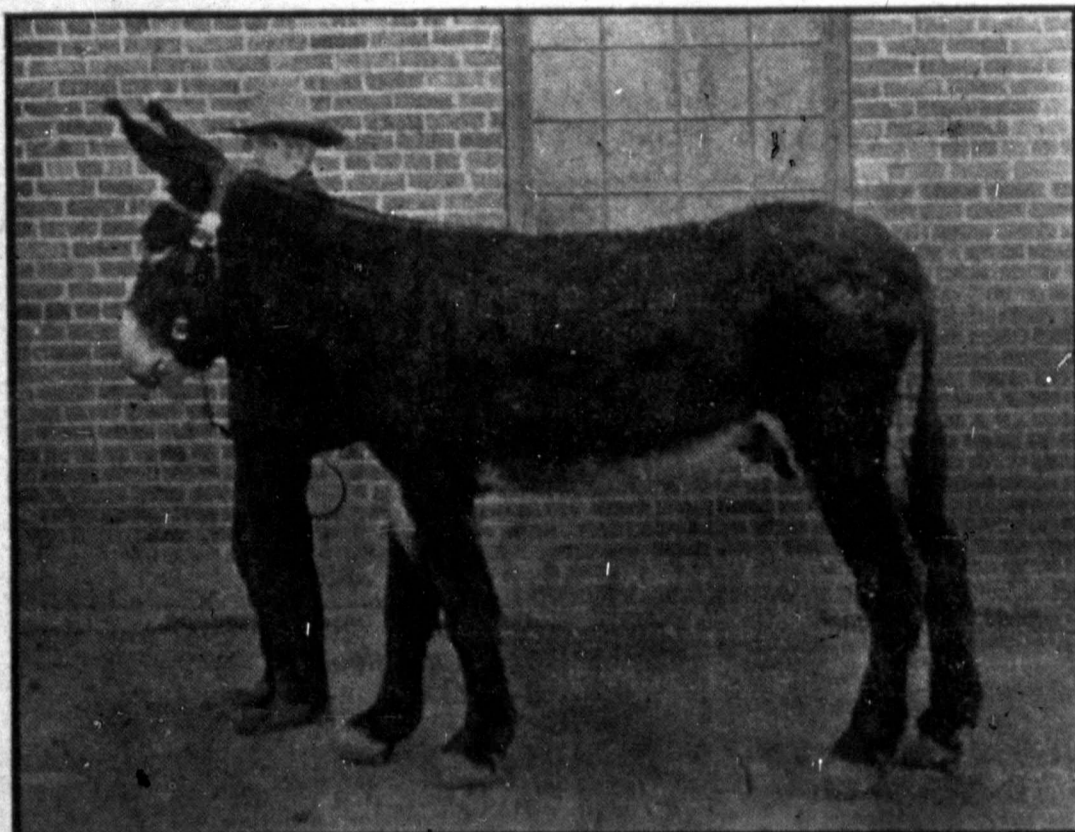
"Demerits" are given to the West Point cadet for the most trifling offenses, such as "gazing about in the ranks," having an "odor of cigarettes in his room" or appearing "on parade with soiled gloves." A rigorous medical examination has to be passed every few months, when the unfit are weeded out.—J. Stanton in Captain.

Attended Her Funeral, as a Rule.

Leave to attend his mother's funeral was thus applied for by a Lahore Baboo: "By the vicissitudes of time my mother yesterday went to eternity, and as a rule have to attend her funeral ceremonies."—Times of India.

TO THE FARMERS OF HOUSTON COUNTY

And Those Interested in Raising Fine Mules.



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'BILL THOMASON'

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The newest modes of the summer season find expression in a beautiful showing of "Diamond Brand" Pumps, Oxfords and Button Oxfords, varying in price from \$2.00 to \$5.00, that add distinction to the most fetching costume.

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EVENTS OF EVERYWHERE

W. J. Watson, an old citizen of Tulsa, I. T., dropped dead on the streets of that city a few days since.

The McGregor and Crawford districts of McLennan County will hold a local option election on the 25th instant.

At a late hour Saturday night, about thirty bales of cotton on the Missouri, Kansas and Texas wharf, near the oil mill, San Marcos, were badly damaged by fire.

T. C. Webster, of Horshoe Bend, Idaho, was taken from a train in Kansas City in an unconscious condition April 2, and has remained in that state ever since.

The county commissioners of Navarro County have ordered a prohibition election to be held in that county June 15.

Having partaken of a meal in a restaurant, E. T. Curtis of Wilmington, Ohio, started for his residence in Oklahoma and fell dead on the street.

Heavy rains have fallen in Havana Province, breaking a drouth of many months' duration in Cuba. Rain has been reported in other sections of the island during the past few days.

In a storm, near Martin, Tenn., a limb fell from a tree and struck the roof of Pat Gardner's house, frightening his wife, who was sick with measles, to death.

The public school board of Waco will proceed at once to the erection of a number of additions to the school buildings of the city, expending \$60,000 in that way.

For months past the railroads have had all they could do to handle the traffic offered, and many of them were literally overwhelmed. Now they are out digging up business.

The government experiments show that a lime-sulphur wash, so effective with the San Jose scale and peach leaf curl, is worthless for the terrapin scale.

State Health Officer Brumby has issued an open letter to the mayors of cities which are likely to be affected with mosquitoes, urging upon these city officers the necessity for a rigid enforcement of the mosquito ordinance.

The Adriatic, the newest ship of the White Star Line, is the largest and most complete ocean traveler afloat. Her length over all is 725 feet and 9 inches, her breadth is 75 feet and 6 inches, depth 50 feet, gross tonnage 25,000, displacement 40,000 tons.

A feud broke out at Village Mills, Hardin County, Sunday night, and John Waters stabbed Will Rutherford to death, and Monday night, Levi Rutherford, a brother of the man who was killed Sunday, was shot from ambush and fatally wounded.

Edwin Conger, former minister to China and recently resigned ambassador to Mexico, is critically ill at his home in Pasadena, Cal. Former Minister Conger first came into prominence as minister to Brazil in 1897.

From every State east of the Mississippi and from Missouri, Arkansas, Louisiana, Texas and the province of Ontario, Canada, the terrapin scale, the enemy of peach and other trees, have been reported to the department of agriculture.

Intimation has been given by the Pennsylvania road that a material reduction of its local train service in Ohio is to be expected because of the losses inflicted by the enactment of the two-cent fare law.

Quannah has under construction the erection of two blocks of two-story brick buildings, a \$50,000 oil mill and a \$50,000 court house. Pavement of two business streets and cement sidewalks in front of every business house is also proceeding.

District Attorney Jerome is preparing to prosecute gamblers and pool room proprietors in New York under a section of the penal code which up to now has practically been a dead letter.

Kate White and Refugio Margarcio were found dead Thursday in a shack in that portion of San Angelo known as Little Mexico. The Mexican had died from pneumonia and the woman is believed to have drunk wood alcohol.

Deafness Cannot Be Cured

By local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by Catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces. We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafness caused by Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars, free.

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The Timely Time.

Last spring our entire family took a few weeks' course of Simmon's Sarsaparilla and its effects were extremely gratifying. We enjoyed better health all summer than usual, which we attribute to its timely use.

Very gratefully yours,
SAMUEL HINTON,
De Kalb, Miss.

A Compliment.

"Of course," said Miss Clumsey, "Mr. Kidder's language is not always elegant, but he can be very complimentary in his rough way." "Yes?" asked Miss Wise. "Yes. He says I'm a bird." "Huh! So is an ostrich."

Famous Book Free.

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Write a letter immediately to Dr. W. O. Coffey, 390 Century Bldg., Des Moines, Ia.

Working For Christian Endeavor.

Dr. Francis E. Clark, of the Christian Endeavor society, is visiting the West Indies, Panama and South American republics in the interest of that organization.

No Others.

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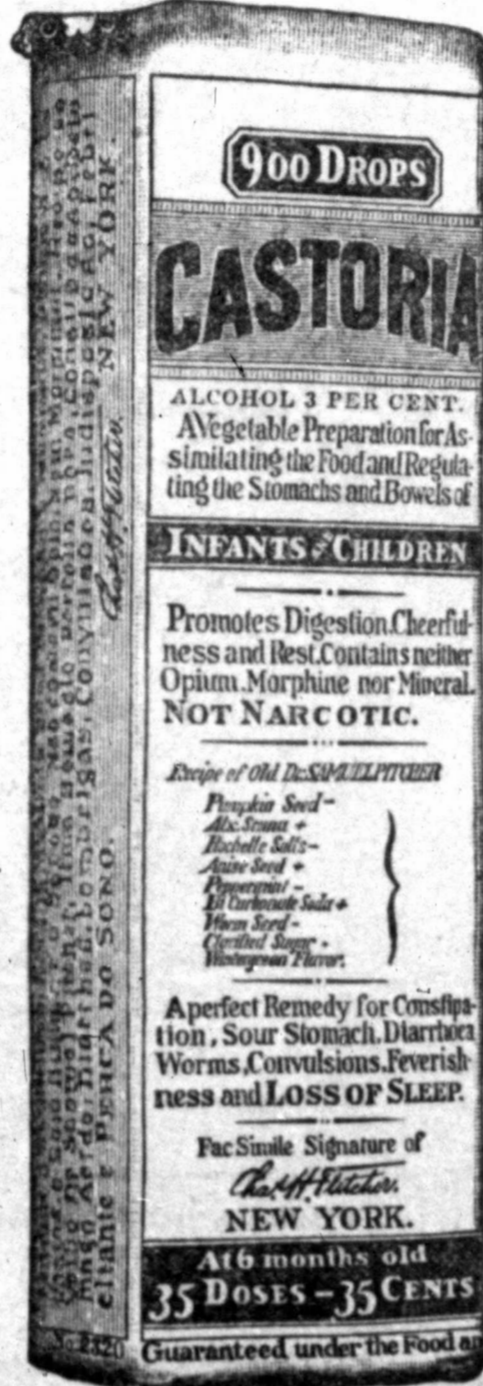
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Don't Poison Baby.

FORTY YEARS AGO almost every mother thought her child must have PAREGORIC or laudanum to make it sleep. These drugs will produce sleep, and A FEW DROPS TOO MANY will produce the SLEEP FROM WHICH THERE IS NO WAKING. Many are the children who have been killed or whose health has been ruined for life by paregoric, laudanum and morphine, each of which is a narcotic product of opium. Druggists are prohibited from selling either of the narcotics named to children at all, or to anybody without labelling them "poison." The definition of "narcotic" is: "A medicine which relieves pain and produces sleep, but which in poisonous doses produces stupor, coma, convulsions and death." The taste and smell of medicines containing opium are disguised, and sold under the names of "Drops," "Cordials," "Soothing Syrups," etc. You should not permit any medicine to be given to your children without you or your physician know of what it is composed. CASTORIA DOES NOT CONTAIN NARCOTICS, if it bears the signature of Chas. H. Fletcher.



Letters from Prominent Physicians addressed to Chas. H. Fletcher.

Dr. J. W. Dinsdale, of Chicago, Ill., says: "I use your Castoria and advise its use in all families where there are children."
Dr. Alexander E. Mintie, of Cleveland, Ohio, says: "I have frequently prescribed your Castoria and have found it a reliable and pleasant remedy for children."
Dr. J. S. Alexander, of Omaha, Neb., says: "A medicine so valuable and beneficial for children as your Castoria is, deserves the highest praise. I find it in use everywhere."
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Millions for Music.

An industrious calculator has estimated that \$10,000,000 were spent last winter by the people of America for the enjoyment of serious music—music, that is to say, as it is known in our concert halls and opera houses; not the music of the comic opera stage and the vaudeville house. The figure is more likely an underestimate than an exaggeration, says Everybody's Magazine. Few social phenomena of recent years in this country have been more remarkable than the enormous increase in the popular demand for music of the better class. Then years ago the works of Wagner, of Beethoven, of Schubert, of Schumann, of Tchaikowsky, were relegated in the average mind, to the vague and unattainable limbo of "classical" music; to-day, one catches one's carpenter whistling the "Siegfried" motive from "Der Ring des Nibelungen," and the little dressmaker from the suburbs discourses intelligently upon the revolutionary art of Richard Strauss. The publishers will tell you of the large and increasing demand for operatic guide books, for biographies of great composers, for introductions of all kinds to the secrets of that supposedly mysterious art—the art of music; and the great tribe of popularizers flourishes as never before.

The College Girls' Ideal.

Nearly three-fourths have as their ideal a friend, while only four take a historical character. The qualities of this ideal friend vary considerably, writes Amy E. Tanner, Wilson college, Pennsylvania, in International Journal of Ethics, and fall into three groups, each group chosen by nearly the same number of students—an altruistic ideal, with breadth of view, tolerance and unselfishness as the qualities most admired; a broad personal ideal of sweetness and strength of character; a narrow personal ideal, with brightness, attractiveness, good looks, popularity and social influence as the desired traits. For the most important virtue, a little more than one-third take honesty; one-fourth love of humanity; one-sixth, chastity, and one-fifth, self-control. One-sixth consider dishonesty the greatest vice; one-third drunkenness; one-fifth, impurity of life or unchastity, and one-fifth murder.

It would be hard to find, even in the noblest fiction, a story more tragic or more touching than that of the death of M. Berthelot, the great French chemist. Three months ago Mme. Berthelot became ill, and it was discovered that she had a form of heart disease from which recovery was impossible. M. Berthelot gave up all his studies and all his other interests and took his place by his wife's bedside. From that time on he scarcely left it. Not only did he sit there by day, but such sleep as he got he secured in the same chair. When the end came he had been 72 hours without sleep. Mme. Berthelot, rousing herself as death touched her, recognized her husband holding her hand. "My dear, how good you are!" she murmured. Although the accounts of the closing scenes differ, they all agree that when he knew that his wife was dead, he expired almost instantly. In their deaths they were separated by a few moments only.

At a recent meeting of the French Societe de Biologie there was an animated debate on the danger of being poisoned by eating oysters. At Toulouse recently a number of persons were taken ill after eating oysters taken from the beds at Cetta; but the illness was traced by M. Baylac, a chemist of Toulouse, to other causes. During the debate it appeared that the handling of oysters, when they are taken, rather than the waters from which they are taken, was the cause of infecting them with toxic germs. One of the speakers mentioned the curious fact that stale oysters are less unwholesome when suffered to remain stale, than they are when revived and refreshed by pure water.

Now the premier of Australia declares that it is Germany and Japan that will fight for the supremacy of the Pacific. The other nations seem either very anxious or very eager about the possibility of Japan's getting into another war, calling to rally round her with the United States. Germany has now been selected as the best bet upon whom to bet the Japanese.

JOHN W. GATES IN MANY WAYS TRUE TYPE OF AMERICAN

A Few of the Striking Episodes in the Life of the Great Plunger Who Has Raked In Some of the Biggest Jack-pots Known to the World of High Finance—Has Had Many Years of Unvarying Success.

New York.—John W. Gates, the most picturesque plunger who ever rose to fame and fortune in Wall street, has leased a great hunting preserve in France, and is winding up the business of his "House of Twelve Partners." He is through with Wall street, writes Frank Fayrant in the Times. When a market operator of his prominence quits the speculative game immediately after a disastrous panic in the market it is but natural for the goasps of the street to say: "They've got him at last." Ever since Gates began swinging big lines of stock in bull markets and running afloat of men of great power in Wall street the denizens of the street have shook their heads wisely and said: "They'll get him some day." During the panicky days of March, when the rumor mongers were telling of the huge losses piling up against wealthy operators, they were sure that the "House of Twelve Partners" was in deep water. And now that the famous house, that in big markets has carried at times \$125,000,000 worth of stock on margin, is going out of business, the rumor mongers are saying: "I told you so."

But John W. only smiles and says: "I wish they were all as comfortably fixed as I am." His friends say that he began trimming his sails last winter, when stocks were selling at sky prices, and that when the storm broke in March he had all his reefs in. They say that he actually bought stocks during the panicky days of March, and that banks were carrying millions of dollars of free cash for him when some very wealthy men were lying awake nights wondering how they would make their bank balances good the next day. His friends think that he is worth at least \$25,000,000, and perhaps a good deal more.

So John W. isn't exactly broke. Barbed Wire the Beginning.

It was in barbed wire that Gates began to build his fortune. Gates was a poor farmer's boy out west. His first business venture was contracting to husk a neighbor's corn. From the money he saved out of this work he

er crops, and threshing proved so profitable that before the winter came young Gates had made enough money to buy out his two partners. At one of the farms where the lad had threshed wheat he fell in love with a farmer's rosy-cheeked daughter. This gave him an incentive to go ahead and make a fortune.

A farming community away from the railways does not present many golden opportunities to an 18-year-old boy. Near the farm was a strip of woodland where Gates shot partridges and squirrels. Tramping along a foot-path in the woods one day the idea came to him that if the farmer would sell him the timber rights he could fell the hard wood and cut it up into firewood to sell to the neighboring villages. The boy went home after a tape measure, paper and pencil, and then back to the woods "timber-looking." Going about the woods, selecting small areas, counting the hardwoods and measuring them, he got an idea of the density of the forest. He sat down on a stump, and by dint of figuring he made a rough estimate of the number of cords of firewood an acre would yield. Then he went to the owner to make a bargain. He made an offer for all the timber, agreeing to pay for it as money came in from his sales of firewood.

"I haven't any money," the boy told the farmer, "but you can have my threshing machine as security."

"Go ahead, Johnny, your word is as good as a government bond."

Gates as a Woodcutter. All through the winter the lad was out in the wood lot before daybreak, working with a woodchopper he hired to help him. The great trees were felled, sawed into short lengths, and split into firewood. Young Gates delivered two loads of wood a day, by sled to the neighboring villages. Before the snow was off the ground the woods had been cleared, the owner had been paid in full, and the boy had \$1,000 in the bank. He took this money and opened a hardware shop at the neighboring railway junction. He sold the farmers their implements

an Illinois town, from whom he had been buying his wire.

This was Col. Isaac Ellwood, a pioneer in the business. He was not looking for partners, but he gave the bright young country shopkeeper a job as a traveling man for the concern. Gates traveled back and forth through the wheat belt selling barbed wire, and made a reputation as one of the best "drummers" on the road. But he wasn't content with his "drummer's" commissions. He wanted to divide the manufacturing profits with Col. Ellwood. The manufacturer

plunge heavily in Louisville & Nashville. He told his friends that it was a great property and that it ought to go higher. He and his following in New York and Chicago, which by that time had grown to large proportions because of the money he had made for them in his steel stocks, put the stock from around par to above \$150. The street woke up one morning to discover that Gates had "cornered" Louisville. The Northern Pacific corner panic was still fresh in the mind of Wall street and there was a momentary scare. But Gates said he didn't



couldn't see it that way, and so Gates put up a barbed wire mill of his own. His knowledge of the trade was an asset, and he soon became a dangerous rival of Col. Ellwood. The colonel brought an action for infringement of patent rights and a bitter fight was the result. But Gates hung right on. Col. Ellwood finally had to make peace with him. The two became business partners and have been closely associated in big enterprises ever since.

Other barbed wire mills began to spring up, and Gates saw that there would be a disastrous trade war if the rivals were not corralled. He went around the country buying them up and formed a barbed wire trust. This was the nucleus of the \$90,000,000 American Steel & Wire company, now a part of the Steel corporation. The first big flotation engineered by Gates was the Federal Steel, a \$100,000,000 corporation. That was in September, 1898, at the beginning of the great steel boom following the Spanish-American war. He followed that with the American Steel & Wire, with \$90,000,000 capital, four months later. The manner in which Gates and Ellwood brought out this company is characteristic of the man. On a telephone call from Pittsburg they jumped across Pennsylvania and bought a wire mill at Sharon; then they went to Cleveland and bought a \$5,000,000 rolling mill, and the next day they were back in New York to close a deal for the purchase of another mill.

The Steel Merger.

They picked up everything in sight, hurried to Chicago, and, within a week after the opening of their campaign, they had the whole company organized. This is the way that Gates likes to do things. Gates and all his followers cleaned up fortunes in this flotation. The public appetite was keen for industrial stocks, especially for steel stocks, and the conversion of millions of dollars' worth of newly manufactured stock certificates into the coin of the realm was accomplished in a short time. Two years later the big trust was formed in the steel trade, and the Gates companies were turned into the merger. Gates wanted to go on the steel board, but the chief promoter, Mr. Morgan, wouldn't have it. The banker said he didn't think that Gates was a safe man to have in a great corporation directorate.

Mr. Morgan's coldness toward him didn't seem to worry him at all. Not many months later Gates began to

want to hurt anybody. The road looked good to him and he had bought some of the stock. In fact, he had bought the control. Gates didn't have any special use for a railroad with 3,300 miles of track, and he looked around for a purchaser. He went to Mr. Morgan's office one morning, and said: "Morgan, I own the control of the Louisville. If you want it or have a buyer for it, you can take it off my hands." Mr. Morgan found a buyer and Gates cleaned up a fortune.

Gates is a born gambler. When he was a country shopkeeper out in Illinois he spent many a night in a "box-car" on the siding, playing the "great American game" by the light of a trainman's lantern.

In active markets it has not been unusual for Gates to carry a line of \$25,000,000 or \$30,000,000 worth of stocks on margin. Some of the older men in the street have tried again and again to tie him up, but they have never succeeded. Gates has always had his eyes open. Where he couldn't see far enough with his own eyes, he paid somebody else to look out for him. No operator in Wall Street ever organized a more elaborate system of getting advance information of things that would affect Wall street. When the street was waiting anxiously for the final decision in the Northern Securities case, and the Union Pacific party believed that it had defeated James J. Hill, Mr. Gates, one day sent word to Mr. Hill's office that he had something to tell him. The railroad president walked down Nassau street and across Wall street to the plunger's office. There he learned from Gates that the Supreme court decision would be against the Union Pacific. Gates didn't tell how he knew it, but he assured Mr. Hill that he knew what he was talking about. Northern Securities began to soar that day, and never stopped until it had advanced \$70 a share. Some days later the Supreme court decision was made public. It was just what Gates said it would be.

Of the hordes of newly created millionaires borne into Wall street on the wave of industrial combinations which overwhelmed the country from 1898 to 1901, Gates was the most picturesque. He has added to that distinction the further honor of lasting the longest and of retiring not without laurels. One may not wonder if it might not be said of him now what he once said of himself on another question, that he is "not broke, but badly bent."



made his first speculation. He bought a third interest in a threshing machine that came rattling across the prairie after the harvest. The old farmers shook their heads at this, for it was a tradition that the threshing machine man usually came to financial grief. But it was a year of bump

and machinery. One commodity that had a large sale was the newly invented barbed wire. The little hardware shop at the junction prospered, but Gates wanted to do something bigger. He saw that there was money in barbed wire, and so he sold out his business and went to see the man, in

Social Items.

Billy Lewis sells Crown tea. 2t.
 Hawke's spectacles. French, the druggist.
 See Billy Lewis about that Crown tea. 2t.
 Another lot of Crown tea at Billy Lewis'. 2t.
 Will Eichelberger has returned from Palestine.
 Belts! Belts! More of "em" at the Big Store.
 J. W. Howard was quite ill the first of the week.
 Spiehler's fine perfumes sold by French, the druggist.
 Jas. S. Shivers & Co. sell the best hose in Crockett.
 Miss Vina Smith visited friends at Lovelady last week.
 Buy your fine stationery from French, the druggist.
 Mr. J. E. Monk of Palestine was in the city Tuesday.
 A nice assortment of table-ware just received at Phillips'.
 French wants your trade. Everything in the drug line.
 Crockett is the largest shipper of Irish potatoes in Texas.
 For Spiehler's fine perfumes go to French, the druggist.
 Keep cool! Buy you one of those nice fans at the Big Store.
 Notice the quality of the Ice Cream at Crysups' Soda Fountain.
 Jas. S. Shivers & Co. has the very kind of slippers you want.
 For combs, brushes and toilet articles go to French, the druggist.
 T. D. Craddock sells Selz Shoes. Satisfaction guaranteed. Try a pair. 2t.
 Use Kreso Dip on you stock and make them comfortable.
MURCHISON & BEASLEY.
 Mrs. T. D. Craddock is visiting her mother and sisters at Palestine.
 Drink at our Soda Fountain. Everything clean and neat.
MURCHISON & BEASLEY.
 The COURIER office has old newspapers for sale at 25 cents a hundred.
 No substitution. That is our motto, and you get what you want.
MURCHISON & BEASLEY.
 B. J. Cash is among those remembering the COURIER since last issue.
 If you are troubled with insects buy Anti-Germine from G. L. Moore.
 Use "Shoo Fly" to keep the flies off of your stock. T. D. Craddock sells it. 2t.
 Mr. and Mrs. C. W. LeGory spent Saturday and Sunday in Galveston.
 See the line of Children's Suits at T. D. Craddock's. The nicest line in town. 2t.
 Mrs. A. LeGory and daughter, Miss Hortense, are visiting at San Antonio.
 Mrs. A. N. Henry and baby of Groveton were visiting relatives in Crockett this week.
 Mr. D. C. F. Snell of Lovelady was a pleasant caller at the COURIER office last Friday.
 Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Madden were visitors to Palestine and Elk hart this and last week.
 Rev. J. W. Downs will preach the commencement sermon to the Timpson public school Sunday.
 Phone your order in early and we will fill it in time.
CITY MEAT MARKET,
 Phone No. 108.

Drink Crown tea. Billy Lewis.
 A. N. Henry of Groveton was here Tuesday.
 Take your prescriptions to French, the druggist.
 Wootters Smith of Nacogdoches is visiting in the city.
 Did you drink at Crysups' Soda Fountain today? Thanks.
 Go to the Big Store for the best bargains in all kinds of Dress Goods.
 Mr. J. E. Downes has returned from a visit to his son, J. F., at Dallas.
 The policy of Crysups' Drug Store is to handle the best of everything.
 Have your steak served from one of those fancy steak dishes at Phillips'.
 Golden Orangeade, a new and healthful drink, at Crysups' Soda Fountain.
 Mrs. B. F. Chamberlain was reported very ill Sunday, but is much improved.
 Miss Margaret Hughes of Evansville, Texas, is visiting friends in the city.
 Mrs. J. F. Baker of Rogers, Texas, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Bayne.
 It is economy to have your clothes cleaned and pressed. Let Shupak, the tailor, do it.
 Miss Jo Bayne has completed her term of school and is again delighting her friends in town.
 The potato industry in Houston county has come to stay. It has come to be one of our staple crops.
 The City Meat Market will deliver your meats. Give us a call. Phone No. 108.
LANSFORD & WILSON.
 Paint your house with Hammar Paint if you want paint that stands this climate. Buy it from T. D. Craddock. 2t.
 Editor Hal Lacy and wife attended the annual meeting of the Texas Press association at Galveston last week.
 Dr. W. B. Collins, Mr. J. O. Monday, W. B. Cochran and others of Lovelady were noted in town last week.
 Quite a crowd of Lovelady young people came up Friday evening to attend the commencement exercises.
 Harry Weiss and Henry Weinberg, of New Orleans and Palestine respectively, were visitors to Crockett last week.
 Let G. L. Moore fill your prescriptions. He gives them his personal attention which is a guarantee of their accuracy.
 T. D. Craddock wants your trade on white goods, laces and embroideries, hosiery, "F. P." corsets, etc. his prices will interest you. 2t.
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 Have your clothes made, cleaned and pressed by Shupak Tailoring Co. and save money. Satisfaction guaranteed.
Attention, Ladies!
 Be sure to come to our store and see what a dainty line of table-ware we have received.
H. J. PHILLIPS.
 Only the best cleaning and pressing is done by Shupak, the tailor. He knows how to do it and gives it his personal attention.
 The Very Best—We try always to give you the very best of everything. That's why our business has increased.
MURCHISON & BEASLEY.
 The next meeting of the Daughters of the Confederacy will be held with the president, Mrs. J. R. Sheridan, Saturday afternoon at 4 o'clock.
Tombstones and Monuments.
 Let me call on you with samples and designs. All work guaranteed and delivered. Telephone No. 174.
J. C. LANSFORD.
 Some farmers around Crockett report immense potato crops. All report fair crops. The quality was never better and prices have been good.
 R. L. Aldrich, who has been quite ill for the past two months, is regaining his strength and will soon be able to be out, to the delight of his friends.
 Anti-Germine does the work. It kills roaches, moths, mosquitoes, ants, flees, bedbugs, lice and all disease germs. Try it. For sale at G. L. Moore's drug store.
 John Arrington and Albert Daniel shipped four hundred head of cattle to south Texas Monday. They sent about a hundred head to their ranch on the Trinity river.
 On account of illness Rev. Mr. Roney postponed his sermon to the Woodmen until next Sunday. He will then preach to them and they will appear in their new uniforms.
 Let the COURIER job department do your commercial printing. We have a complete stock of paper and do not let a job leave the office that is not first-class in every particular.
 Mrs. J. S. Wootters went to Sealy hospital at Galveston last week to have an operation performed for appendicitis. The operation was successful and she is fast recovering.
For Sale.
 116 acres land 2 miles E. of Crockett, 55 in cultivation and 5 in young orchard; 8-barb wire fence all around place; good size house; good well water. Apply on place to J. P. Spacek. 3t.
Men Wanted.
 Smith & Wootters want men at their railroad camp near Lufkin, on the Texas Southeastern. They will pay \$1.75 a day for grubbers, teamsters, slip loaders, etc. Apply at the camp or to Jim Smith at Crockett.
 A black silk umbrella was left at the postoffice window Monday morning. If the person who was seen to take it away will return it the owner will not cause them any trouble. Straight pearl and silver handle. Return to Jas. S. Shivers & Co's store and save trouble.

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"Uncle Dick" Thompson preached one of his profound and characteristic sermons at the Methodist church Sunday morning. The pulpit was filled by the pastor Sunday evening.

"Aunt" Mariah Turner, an old colored woman well known in Crockett, was buried by her people Sunday afternoon. "Aunt" Mariah had lived a frugal life and owned some property in town.

Crockett will ship about seventy-five cars of potatoes this season. The price has ranged from 65 cents to \$1.00 per bushel. This means the turning loose of much money at a time when it is greatly needed.

Miss Mary Jane Hopper of Kennard, who has been attending the Southwestern Texas Normal at San Marcos, arrived at Crockett Sunday night on her return from school. She spent Sunday with friends in this city and left Monday morning for home with her father, Mr. H. M. Hopper, who had come here to meet her.

Crockett School Notice.

Crockett, Tex., May 15, 1907.
 It is to the interest of every parent to see that their children are enrolled by the Census Trustee. So please aid by furnishing me with the exact age of your scholastic children.
C. W. LEGORY,
 Census Trustee.

The commencement exercises of Mary Allen Seminary were held this week. This school has just closed another very successful term. The students departed for their homes Wednesday and Thursday. It took three passenger coaches and two baggage cars to haul them and their baggage. This school is always filled to its capacity, which is something over three hundred.

The Daughters of the Confederacy will give a Jefferson Davis birthday reception on June 3 at the home of Col. and Mrs. D. A. Nunn. The reception will be in the afternoon from 4 to 6:30 o'clock and in the evening from 8 to 11 o'clock. Every one is invited to attend and bring a penny for each year of his or her life. For those not wishing to tell how many pennies are due, it has been very cleverly arranged for them to pay any sum they desire over the required number.

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Going South.....	1:45 P M
" ".....	9:44 P M

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Commencement Exercises.

The commencement exercises of the Crockett city school were held at the opera house Thursday and Friday nights of last week. The capacity of the opera house was tested to the limit. After 8:30 o'clock standing room was not to be had. The exercises were very prettily carried out. The stage had been specially arranged and decorated with flowers and ferns, and formed a very pretty background. The classes all acquitted themselves with honors and many a proud parent's heart was made to swell with pride. One parent was heard to remark that he never saw such a pretty sight before as that presented with the stage full of well dressed boys and girls. The sweet girl graduate, dressed in white and carrying a bouquet of flowers, was as pretty as she ever was, and she always will be so. It causes the mind to pleasantly revert to days gone by. The young orator was as much in evidence as ever and acquitted himself in the same pleasing manner. It is a time when youth is at its best. Both the teachers and the parents deserve much praise for the excellent work that has been done in the city schools during the past year.

In Regard to Pensions.

Palestine, Tex., May 17, 1907.
 Editor COURIER,
 Crockett, Texas.

Under an act of the last Congress all Federal soldiers of the Civil war, and all soldiers of the Mexican war, who are 62 years old are entitled to a pension of twelve dollars per month, all who are seventy years old to fifteen dollars per month, and all seventy-five years old and over, twenty dollars per month. They are entitled to these pensions by making proof of their age; not necessary to make any further proof, except that they served ninety days or more and were honorably discharged.

Thinking it probable that there are some soldiers in your county who have reached the ages above stated and are not drawing the full pensions to which they are entitled, I write this and ask you to publish it. If there are any such, and they will communicate with me, I will send them the necessary blanks to apply for the increase. The above pensions are given regardless of the financial condition of the soldier.

For Mexican veterans who are in indigent circumstances I can get by special bill \$20.00 per month regardless of age, and for the widows of Mexican veterans who are in indigent circumstances I can get \$12.00 per month.

Yours truly,
A. W. GREGG.

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if you suffer from rheumatism or pains, for Ballard's Snow Liniment will bring quick relief. It is a sure cure for sprains, rheumatism, contracted muscles and all pains—and within the reach of all. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00. C. R. Smith, Tenaha, Tex., writes: "I have used Ballard's Snow Liniment in my family for years and have found it a fine remedy for all pains and aches. I recommend it for pains in the chest." Sold by Murchison & Beasley.

The Crockett Courier

W. W. AIKEN, Editor and Proprietor.

PUBLISHER'S NOTICE.

Obituaries, resolutions, cards of thanks and other matter not "news" will be charged for at the rate of 5c per line. Parties ordering advertising or printing for societies, churches, committees or organizations of any kind will, in all cases, be held personally responsible for the payment of the bill.

The COURIER again advises its farmer friends to raise mules. They can be raised at little expense and it is a sure money crop. Almost any farmer ought to raise a pair of young mules every year that are worth from two to three hundred dollars to him. It is almost a pick-up.

By a law enacted by the recent legislature, special veniremen are to be paid at the rate of \$1.00 a day for attending court. The law reads: "That all men summoned on a special venire shall be paid out of the jury fund \$1 per day for each day he attends court on said summons."

Some times we think the politicians are not to blame for classing railroad mileage paid the newspapers on advertising contracts as passes. Once in a while we hear an editor speak of his mileage book as a pass. Such an editor undoubtedly puts very little value on his advertising space. Some times trip tickets are issued instead of mileage, but they are always charged against the editor and are never in the form of a pass.

"Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, and have not charity, I am become as sounding brass, or a tinkling cymbal.

"And though I have the gift of prophesy, and understand all mysteries, and all knowledge; and though I have all faith, so that I could remove mountains, and have not charity, I am nothing.

"And now abideth faith, hope, charity, these three: but the greatest of these is charity."

The COURIER is in favor of every farmer in Houston county, who is not an office holder, having and using a railroad pass if he can get it. Certain office-holders also should have them—peace officers, for instance. Members of legislative bodies, judges and others of like positions should not have them. We fail to see the consistency of a legislator with his pockets bulging out with railroad passes voting to prohibit farmers and others of that class from using them.

Under the new law a person summoned for jury service who is exempt need not appear in court, but can file an affidavit to that effect. The law reads as follows: "That all persons summoned as jurors in any court of this state, who are exempt by statutory law from jury service, may hereafter, if they so desire to claim their exemptions, make oath before any officer authorized to administer oaths, stating their exemptions, and file said affidavit any time before the convening of said court with the clerk of said court."

The following should be closely read by every citizen of Crockett: "The town whose citizens refuse to assist in attracting new enterprises and who fail or refuse to contribute to an enterprise which will add to the commercial advantages of the town, is on the way to the cemetery. The citizen who will do nothing for the town is digging the grave. The man who curses the town furnishes the coffin. The man who is so selfish as

to care for no business save his own, is making the shroud. The man who will not advertise and by refusing to do so injures the business of the town, is driving the hearse. The man who is always pulling back from every public enterprise and pouring cold water on them, throws bouquets on the grave. The man who is so stingy as to be continually howling hard times, preaches the funeral sermon and sings the doxology and then the town lies buried from all care and sorrow."

So much has been said in regard to editor's passes over the railroads, that the COURIER editor feels called upon to say this: That he never rode on a railroad pass in his life, and he refutes any assertion or insinuation to the contrary. He has always been able to make arrangements with the railroads whose lines he expected to use for an advertising contract that has always been satisfactory to both this paper and the railroads using its advertising columns. He always felt that he gave the railroads full value for what little riding he did on their trains. He never at any time considered himself a "dead head" passenger. He felt that he was paying his way. He resents any intimation that such contract was a blind and not handled on a business basis. Certain politicians would have the public believe that the newspaper men were the greatest pass-packers in the country and every self-respecting newspaper man should resent this libel on the right of a newspaper to trade its advertising space for anything it sees proper to use.

Commissioners' Court.

The commissioners' court met on May 13, 1907, in regular session, the following officials being present: Judge John Spence presiding, commissioners S. H. Lively, G. R. Murchison, J. A. Harrelson and C. B. Isbell, County Clerk N. E. Allbright, Sheriff J. C. Lacy and County Attorney Earle Adams, Jr.

CLAIMS ALLOWED.

G. L. Moore, drugs.....	\$ 5 35
J. R. Brooks, lumber....	4 00
Jas. S Shivers & Co, mdse	4 15
W. H. Black, tend. pris...	40 95
A. J. McLemore, holding inquest.....	5 00
J. M. Bennett, work on road.....	5 25
J. N. Tyer, work on road	2 50
J. K. Jones, ".....	1 50
Mose Cooper, build. bridge	50 00
W. J. Rhodes, hauling lumber.....	5 10
Daniel & Burton, mdse...	88 00
J. O. Monday, nails.....	6 50
J. M. Selkirk, holding election.....	2 00
J. F. Martin, holding election.....	4 00
H. H. Anthony, holding election.....	2 50
J. B. Zimmerman, holding election.....	2 00
A. L. Brown, holding election.....	2 00
G. R. Murchison, road service and nails.....	12 55
J. A. Harrelson, 5 days road service.....	10 00
S. H. Lively, 7 days road service.....	14 00
C. B. Isbell, 6 days road service.....	12 00
A. H. & R. H. Wootters, rent.....	16 50
J. C. Lacy, fees in lunacy cases.....	16 35
J. C. Lacy, court attendance.....	92 00
J. C. Lacy, feeding prisoners.....	131 95
J. M. Porter & Co., buckets.....	2 50
Nat Walker, haul. lumber	1 25
W. M. Patton, lime and nails.....	1 50

J. J. Cooper, syrup for convict camp.....	36 00
N. E. Allbright, counting tax collector's receipts..	9 35
N. E. Allbright, making transcripts.....	12 30
N. E. Allbright, recording deaths.....	2 20
N. E. Allbright, recording births.....	10 00
N. E. Allbright, keeping finance ledger.....	25 00
Houston County Times, stationery.....	60 50
Houston County Times, stationery.....	17 00
B. J. Cheney, lumber....	5 40
McConnell Hardware Co., mdse.....	34 75
W. R. Petty, build. bridge and hauling lumber....	20 00
Lundy & Thompson, mdse	1 10
G. R. Fowler, official stenographer.....	170 00
Citizens' Ice & Light Co., lights.....	34 25
H. W. McCelvey, building bridge.....	36 00
W. D. James, lumber....	26 90
M. Bromberg, mdse.....	2 40
Murchison & Beasley, drugs.....	31 80
J. H. Tomme, lumber....	25 00
J. L. Straughan, hauling lumber and build. bridge	6 00
The Crockett COURIER, stationery.....	4 50
Newton & Sims, coffin for pauper.....	15 00
H. F. Craddock, corn and nails.....	45 00
V. Streeter, work on jail..	2 50
G. D. Barnard, stationery.	150 30

An Afternoon in May.

Some one has said: "The pleasure derived from music arises from its exciting agreeable sensations and creating pleasing images and emotions." This was certainly the effect upon the large crowd assembled in Mrs. Corry's beautiful double parlors on Tuesday, the 14th, while listening to the program of the closing exercises given by the pupils of Mrs. Corry's school of music. Rarely was a crowd been so well entertained. From the wee, small beginners, who played their pieces in most exquisite time, without a discordant note, to the more advanced who gave such beautiful rendering, all were elevated, and felt that music is truly "an illustration of language."

Mrs. Corry should certainly be commended for the perfect control she has over the members of her class, with whom it seems a labor of love to obey and please her. We noted the high degree of excellence attained by her pupils in the rendition of their peices, some most difficult, and the fine technique, perfect time and beautiful expression given, showing a competent, pains-taking teacher and apt pupils. We thank her and them for a delightful afternoon. The well arranged program was most beautifully executed.

An interesting feature at the conclusion of this charming musicale was the presentation of the medal, given annually, by Mrs. Earle Adams to that pupil of this class who most faithfully performs all her duties, meeting all requirements. The happy recipient this year was Miss Emma Augusta Adams. The medal offered by Mrs. Corry to the young lady who had for four years done most faithful and efficient work was awarded Miss Mary Langston. In the conclusion of this delightful afternoon, our thoughts reverted to the words of Thomas Carlyle: "Music is well said to be the speech of angels. Nothing among the utterances allowed to man is felt to be so divine. It brings us near the Infinite."

A. D. C.

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