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HIS LEGAL RESIDENCE LOCATED

Commissioner Sam Lively Is a Citizen of Houston County, So Declares the Commissioners' Court.

So far as the commissioners' court is concerned, the question is settled. Commissioner Sam Lively is a citizen of Houston county. Five weeks ago the Courier asked the question and the commissioners' court itself has given the answer. When the Courier asks a question, there is a reason. It was the general talk around the court house, upon the public streets and in the meeting places of Crockett that Commissioner Lively had moved his family to Walker county; that he had also moved his household effects. The Courier published it and asked the question if Commissioner Lively were, legally, a citizen of Houston county. The Courier did not publish all it heard, but asked some questions about the following current talk: As to whether Commissioner Lively had really sold his home in Houston county, talk being to the effect that he had sold his home-place and taken some notes in payment or part payment; that the banks had refused to take the notes, and that Commissioner Lively, after moving his family to another county, had his home-place thrown back on his hands. The Courier does not yet know whether these are facts, and we would not publish them now except to show that our statements were not without foundation—founded on general information, but not explicit. Therefore the questions, some of which are yet subject

to answer.

And the Courier's questions have done some good. They have brought from the commissioners' court an answer that sets at rest the over-worked question as to the legal residence of Commissioner Lively. If we have done some good, we are glad of it. The court was in session last week and passed, as a part of its work, the following order: "S. H. Lively a Legal Commissioner—The attention of the court having been called to the rumor afloat in the county, or charge made, that Commissioner S. H. Lively is not a legal resident of precinct No. 1 of Houston county, Texas, the court has made an investigation into the matter and finds that S. H. Lively is a legal resident of his precinct and that this court has no authority to remove or impeach him."

And the Courier further learns that it is the intention of Commissioner Lively to move his family back into Houston county. This we are also glad to know. The commissioner and his family are good people and Houston county does not want to lose any of its good citizens, especially while they continue to hold public office.

Chest pains and a dry, hacking cough should be treated with Ballard's Horehound Syrup taken internally, and a Herrick's Red Pepper Porous Plaster applied to the chest. Buy the dollar size Horehound Syrup; you get a Porous Plaster free with each bottle. Sold by I. W. Sweet.

U. D. C. Notes.

The D. A. Nunn chapter met on 28th of Jan. in the hospitable home of Mrs. D. A. Nunn and held a very interesting meeting, a large number of members being present. The chapter having been called to order by the president, were led in prayer by Miss Craddock. The secretary's report was read and adopted. The treasurer read her report and dues were paid. Mrs. Theo. Dunn then gave a most interesting account of the work being done by the Winnie Davis Auxilliary. Little Elizabeth Adams, president, gave a fine history of the same. Fannie Bond, the secretary, gave a splendid report of their last meeting which was held with Effie and Katie Lacy. Alton Box, the successful contestant in making the first foot of dimes for the purpose of erecting the Confederate monument which the D. A. Nunn chapter hope ere long see placed in Crockett, gave a most spirited account of the manner in which he had earned the amount. The stirring report of this auxiliary aroused great enthusiasm in the chapter and we feel will incite the members to renewed effort in this great work. The chapter was glad to welcome a new member, Mrs. I. A. Daniel. Every one enjoyed the musical number given by the Confederate choir, which was followed by a poem written and read by Mrs. Stephenson. Elizabeth Adams gave a beautiful piano solo. Mrs. Nunn opened the historical program with a most touching New Year's address. This meeting being held in honor of General Lee and Jackson, a very interesting paper on Gen. Lee was read by Miss Etta Hail. Miss Augusta Adams gave the beautiful old piano solo, "The Mocking Bird." Mrs. W. C. Lipscomb read the always appreciated poem of Father Ryan, "The Sword of Lee." Mrs. Page read a splendid paper on Stonewall Jackson. Mrs. Dunn followed with the beautiful little poem, "The Little Bronze Cross." This interesting program was closed with a paper on Stonewall Jackson by little Elizabeth Adams. After delicious refreshments were served, the chapter adjourned to meet with Mrs. Page the last Saturday in February.

Mrs. J. P. Hail, Pres.,
Mrs. D. F. Arledge, Sec'y,
D. A. Nunn Chapter.

Royal Entertainers.

Of the many beautiful entertainments enjoyed by the Quid Nunc Club this winter, none surpassed the Butterfly Luncheon given by Mrs. Millar and Mrs. Gail King at the latter's home, January 30, 1913. The house had been artistically decorated with Southern smilax. Peeping from this lace work of greenery were myriads of beautiful variegated butterflies. These little butterflies were so real and life-like in appearance, it seemed as if they, shunning the cold outside, had sought the beauty and warmth of the lovely home, to enhance the richness of effect and lend additional beauty. The dining room and parlors had been thrown into one banquet hall. Carnations and butterflies formed the decorations for the table and under the rich glow of light from the electrolier and fairy lamps, a most beautiful seven course luncheon was served. Mrs. Denny, Mrs. Sweet and Miss Nell

Beasley assisted Mrs. Miller and Mrs. King in doing the honors of the day. A full club membership was present and many other guests for the occasion.

The honor guests were Mrs. Craddock of Dallas, Mrs. Sala of Houston, Mrs. Jack Beasley and Miss Bettie Davis.

With the close of the day the pleasing hospitality, that Mrs. Miller and Mrs. King have so often extended to their many friends, became another happy memory.

Guest.

Visitors Complimented.

As a hospitality in honor of their visitors, Miss Helen Moore of Waverly, Ohio, and Miss Gladys Walling of Houston, Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Moore entertained with a dance-party Monday evening. The reception hall and the music room were converted into a ball room for this event. Guests were welcomed at the door by the host and hostess and introduced to the visitors. Twenty-four dances were enjoyed, and between dances fruit punch and champagne wafers were served in the dining room, with Mrs. Moore presiding over the punch bowl. Those enjoying this delightful hospitality were: The guests of honor, Misses Moore and Walling; Miss Mary Lee Benedict of White-wright, Miss Hazel Long of Kingston, Ohio, Misses Virginia Chamberlain, Judith Arledge, Gladys Dawes, Alline Foster, Lucile Davis, Nell Beasley and Myrie Haring; Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Arledge; Messrs. Oliver Aldrich, D. P. Craddock, Chas. Long, J. C. Wootters, Benton Roberts, Lee Foster, Roy Arledge, Harvey Bayne, Downes Foster, Henry Ellis, W. W. Aiken and Harry Fred and Phil Moore.

Grapeland School Building Completed.

Grapeland's new \$10,000 school building was completed and delivered to the school board last Friday. The school was moved into this magnificent building Monday morning. The building was completed and furnished, with the exception

of seating the auditorium.

The young people of the town put on a play on Friday night called the "Broken Links," the proceeds to go to purchasing seats for the auditorium. The play was quite a success; they realized nearly \$100. They say that they are going to put on plays enough during the incoming season to seat it with first class seats.

The building presents a beautiful appearance from the railroad and fills a long felt want in Grapeland and is the pride of the city.

Debating and Declamation League.

Attention is called to the fact that the schools of this county, members of the Texas Debating and Declamation League, will hold their first annual contest in Crockett on March 14 and 15. At this meeting there will be contests in debating, declamation and various athletic sports. The county officials of the league are preparing an interesting program for this meeting and it is earnestly hoped and urged that every school in the county send representatives to this series of contests whether their particular school is represented on the program or not.

Crockett extends a cordial and general invitation to everybody, and a special invitation to the pupils and teachers of the county.

De Daines' Music Store

has everything in music. Can sell you Edison Phonographs, Player Pianos and Pianos direct from the factory. Sheet Music and Instructors for all instruments.

Let Us Furnish Your Home

¶ This store can save you money if you want to purchase furniture. Our line is complete and our prices are right. When you need anything in furniture, matting, rugs, art squares, etc., give us a call.

¶ Our undertaking department is complete in every respect and we invite your patronage in this line.

Deupree & Waller

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"NO TROUBLE TO ANSWER QUESTIONS"

IF you are looking for a farm home, whether improved or unimproved, tell us what you want, location preferred, etc., and we will endeavor to please you.

IF you own lands which you are desirous of selling, list your farms with us exclusively—we will put forth every effort to sell same for you. Or, you might desire, from special reasons, to change your present location. Where this is true, we would be pleased to sell your home for you, if the price is right, and assist you in finding another location.

WE now have for sale lands in any size tracts, improved and unimproved, in Trinity, Houston, Polk and adjacent counties.

LET us furnish you a list of some of our bargains. Write fully and tell us just what you want. Our prices and terms are right.

WHEN we can be of service in all matters of interest to you or your friends, command us.

SOUTHWEST COMP'NY

TRINITY, TEXAS

OUR HEROES.

Written for the Courier.

We are gathered together again in the name

Of true loyal devotion to those Who have stood by the cause and honored the same

Are the heroes of old we have chose, Their records are here like the temples of old

With the sun and the rain, and the dust over spread

We are linked to the memory of ruins so bold

And smile at the tears we have shed.

The dust of the past lay a smouldering scar.

The blaze in the sky unending will tell, The lone star of Texas that shines from afar.

Sheds its light on the ground where they fell.

Oh! heroes of youth! be the name of our loss.

We are gathered in memory here, A tribute to bring, thy praises to sing.

While we blotted each name with a tear.

Their records will stand in the pages of time

Embossed like the deeds of renown, As they hung up the sword and stepped from the line

They have laid down the cross for the crown.

The pages that lie in the covers of truth

Are gilded with fame for the brave.

Imprinted with faith, untarnished with proof

The sword and the pen will engrave.

The star of battle the theme of a song

The notes of the bugle been silent so long.

The heroes that lived for this bright land of ours,

Their memory is crowned with the scent of the flowers.

Mrs. C. R. Stephenson.

A Powerful Combination: St. Valentine and the Quid Nuncs.

When the summons, "Come unto me!" is issued by Mrs. Berta Wooters to her friends, dimpling with delight they come.

Remembrances of old-time hospitality for which this dear old home has been famous for decades came stealing over our hearts. We knew that the two of the fair daughters, who helped to make the place so attractive in the past, had hied them to other homes and scenes, there were, still to the fore, our handsome, charming Chatelaine herself and beautiful, capable Mrs. Lucia Painter.

It began at the gate—the enchantment I mean—when stepping on the inside there were little fairies, white and purple, by hundreds, nodding and waving to us, and shedding their fragrance like "perfume from the violet vales" all along the pathway to the door. Mortals usually call these little earnest of spring-time, "hyacinths" and "violets."

St. Valentine had evidently taken possession of the entire house. In the doorway his mightiest follower, Cupid, held sway.

Peeping from charming nooks and corners were birds, and birds, evidently twittering to each other the joyful news, that the great 14th had come.

Hearts galore were everywhere in evidence—heart grilles, heart festoons, hearts impaled, two or one arrow, etc.

But we go on to the dining rooms—are presented at the door, by a lovely maiden, Miss Etta Hail, with a mysterious looking little object, which proves on closer examination to be a brown nut that we must not open until seated. Then we learned that a vast kindness had been shown us. Some sympathetic friend, anticipating the condition of mental paralysis which settles on the average mind, at the bare mention of an impromptu toast or sentiment, had provided a ready-made couplet, neatly written and folded away, within the convolutions of this little receptacle. These were opened and read by each of us, in turn, without loss of more time in paying our devoirs to the elegant, varied and recherche nine-

course luncheon. For two and one half hours wit and merriment clasped hands and bubbled and danced around the artistically decorated tables, while Misses Etta Hail, Yola Kennedy and Lucia Painter, swift-footed, silent, watchful, came and went and replenished almost ad infinitum.

A few games were essayed in the afternoon. The most interesting event was the bestowal to each guest of a bona fide Valentine sent by Cupid himself, per his young representative, Harry Painter, Jr., alias Dan Cupid. A Guest.

NATURE'S WARNING.

Crockett People Must Recognize and Heed It.

Kidney ills come mysteriously. But nature generally warns you. See if the color is unhealthy—If there are settlements and sediment,

Passages frequent, scanty, painful. It's time to fear serious kidney trouble.

It's time to use Doan's Kidney Pills.

Doan's have done great work in Crockett.

James McDaines, Crockett, Texas, says: "Disordered kidneys bothered me and I had a lame and weak back, together with pains across my loins. The kidney secretions were irregular in passage and unnatural. I got Doan's Kidney Pills from Sweet's drug store and they relieved the pains and aches, in fact, did me more good than any other medicine I had used in years."

For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, New York, sole agents for the United States.

Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other.

Citation by Publication.

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

You are hereby commanded to summon W. E. Nelson by making publication of this Citation once in each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the Third Judicial district, but if there be no newspaper published in said Judicial district, then in a newspaper published in the nearest district court of Houston county, to be held at the court house of said Houston county, in the town of Crockett, on the 5th Monday after the 1st Monday in February, A. D. 1913, the same being the 10th day of March, A. D. 1913, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 5th day of February, A. D. 1913, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said court No. 5425, wherein Mary Nelson is plaintiff, and W. E. Nelson is defendant, and said petition alleging that plaintiff is a bona-fide inhabitant of the state of Texas, and that she has resided in said Houston county for a period of more than six months next preceding the filing of this suit, and that the residence of defendant is unknown to plaintiff. That plaintiff and defendant were lawfully married in Houston county, Texas, on or about the 2nd day of June, A. D. 1892, and lived together as man and wife until on or about the day of July, A. D. 1897, when defendant, without cause on the part of plaintiff, left the bed and board of plaintiff with the intention then and there of abandoning her and since which time they have neither lived or cohabited together as man and wife. That plaintiff at all times and places treated her said husband with kindness and attention and managed his household affairs with prudence and economy, but that defendant on or about the last named date left the bed and board of plaintiff as above set out without cause on her part and that more than three years have elapsed since said abandonment. Plaintiff prays for citation to issue, for proof to be heard and upon hearing that she have a decree dissolving the bonds of matrimony now existing between herself and defendant, and for all costs of suit and general and special relief in law and in equity.

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

Witness, J. D. Morgan, clerk of the district court of Houston county. Given under my hand and the seal of said court, at office in Crockett, this 5th day of February, A. D. 1913.

[SEAL] John D. Morgan, Clerk, Adv. At. District Court, Houston County.

If you have dizzy spells, attacks of momentary blindness, with ringing noises in the ears, it is an unfailing sign of a torpid liver; a condition which brings on some serious sickness—if neglected. Herbine is a powerful liver tonic. It puts strength and activity in the liver, purifies the bowels and restores a feeling of health, vigor and cheerfulness. Price 50c. Sold by I. W. Sweet.

THE FIRS.

Worn Only as Ornaments and Served No Useful Purpose.

In early times, when man was master, clothes were fastened with strings and brooches. The Norman nobility, who always had an eye to effect, spent considerable sums of money on their brooches, which were chastely wrought and added greatly to the beauty of a costume.

When the poorer people indulged in brooches they were content if such accessories to the toilet fulfilled the purpose of holding the clothes together. The earliest buttons were merely adopted as ornaments and fulfilled no useful function. In the earliest paintings one finds buttons without any corresponding buttonholes. Buttons were also sewed on shoes and figured prominently on the sleeves.

This latter fashion is still popular as regards ceremonial garbs and uniforms. The button as an article of use and not merely as an ornament may be said to date from the reign of Edward I. These early buttons were of modest appearance and were manufactured from bone and wood.

It was the usual custom to have two buttons stitched on the coat at the small of the back to enable a man to button back his coattails so that he could walk or draw his sword the more easily. These two buttons are still retained on modern coats, though any reason for their existence has long since departed.

As wealth increased gold and silver buttons made their appearance. We find Pepys writing, "This morning came home my fine camlett coat, with gold buttons, and a silk suit, which cost me much money, and I pray God to make me able to pay for it." A little later Pepys refers to his jackanapes coat with silver buttons and records the fact that he put on for the first time "my black camlett coat with silver buttons," from which it is evident he had a camlett coat with silver buttons and one with gold. Pepys was only a man of moderate means and at the time when he was making such a display with his gold and silver buttons supposed himself to be worth "about £500 clear in the world."

But the gold and silver buttons were necessary if he were to keep in the fashion. Those who stood outside the fashionable world flattered their love for display by sporting gilt buttons. At a later date cloth buttons became popular, but when Birmingham began to turn out metal buttons an act was passed in the reign of George I. forbidding the manufacture of cloth buttons in order that the new industry of metal buttons might have a chance to flourish. The metal button industry made the most of the opportunity, for all kinds of buttons now compete on an equal footing for popular favor.—London Globe.

FALSE ALARM OF FIRE.

A Peril Always to Be Met Promptly on Board Ship.

It was on board the Northern Light, says Captain Osbon in "A Sailor of Fortune," that a false alarm of fire was sounded and disaster prevented only by prompt action. A passenger, looking down through the boiler hatch, saw the red painted boiler fronts and, seeing the flamelike color amid a cloud of steam shouted "Fire!" Immediately the whole vessel was in an uproar, and a dangerous panic was imminent. I was one of the underofficers.

The climax came when the quartermaster saw a minister of the gospel on the rail trying to lower the bow of one of the ship's boats. I ran to him and ordered him to come down on deck. The minister paid no attention, and I seized his coattail to drag him down by force.

Perhaps it was an old coat, for the seams parted, and a second later I had the ministerial coattail in my hands. He came down then. He was angry and was likewise a spectacle to look upon.

He started to call an indignation meeting, but most of the passengers had recovered from their fright by this time and were inclined to be merry at the reverend gentleman's expense.

He went raging to the captain, who summoned me to appear. I came, still carrying the coattail in my hand.

"Mr. Osbon," he said, "what are

your orders in case of a false alarm of fire?"

"My orders," I said, "are to stop it by any means necessary. I may knock a man down, throttle him or split him wide open."

The captain turned to the irate minister.

"Those are Mr. Osbon's orders," he said. "You are fortunate that it was only your coat that was split open."

The danger from the false alarm of fire on shipboard is second only to the real thing and is always a peril to be met promptly.

"Home" In Our Language.

In no other language, according to the London Telegraph, is there a word expressing the ideas and associations which are aroused at the sound of the simple yet heart touching word "home." A Frenchman once translated Cardinal Newman's hymn, "Lead, Kindly Light," and in his hands the beautiful line "The night is dark, and I am far from home," became "La nuit est sombre, et je suis loin de mon foyer," the translator having been obliged to use for home the French word which describes the green room of a theater. The Italian and Spanish "casa," the German "haus"—their "heim" is too general to have any particular value—and the Russian "doma" all refer to a building of some kind or other and have none of the memories and associations that cluster round the precious English word.

Papyrus.

The papyrus used by the ancient Egyptians was made from the stems of a peculiar water reed growing in all parts of Egypt. The outside layer of the plant was removed, and beneath this there were found a number of layers of a delicate, pithy membrane. These, being separated, were placed in layers. A second layer was laid at right angles to and above the first and sometimes a third over the second. Heavy pressure was then applied, and the layers were firmly cemented into a fair article of paper. No gum other than what was contained in the plant itself was used in the process. The papyrus was very much stronger than the average paper made by the modern machines. The sheets were commonly made from six to twelve inches square.

England's "Fiery Dragons."

In the year 1532 various parts of Great Britain were visited by a remarkable meteorological phenomenon, which the old authors refer to as "the visitation of the fire drakes or dragons." The author of "Contemplation of Mysteries" says, "In ye letter parte of ye yeare (1532) ye fieri dragons appeared flying by flocks or companies in ye ayre, having swines' snowtes, and sometimes were they seene foure hundred flying together." In speaking of the fire dragons in another portion of his work he says, "Common people thinke fire drakes to be spirits which watch over hidden treasure, but the philosophers affirm them to be ye result of poisonous vapors which are spontaneously lighted in ye ayre."

Advice For the Minister.

In preaching the minister had been rather long winded when the young bride remembered that she had left the dinner in the gas range without regulating the flame. She hastily wrote a note and slipped it to her husband, who was an usher. He, thinking it was intended for the minister, calmly walked up and laid it on the pulpit.

The minister paused in the midst of his sermon and took the note with a smile which changed into a terrific frown as he read:

"Please hurry home and shut off the gas."

About the Way.

A young man about to get married asked his father how he got on so well with his wife. The old man considered for a moment or two, and then he said:

"It's like this, John. If your wife is a good woman let her have her own way, and if she's a bad one she'll take it."—London Telegraph.

One Way.

"Will you have the kindness to take my overcoat to town in your automobile?" inquired Mr. Dalton of his more prosperous suburban neighbor one cool morning.

"Certainly," was the response, "but how will you get it again?" "Very easily; I shall remain in it."

DO YOU KNOW YOURSELF?

Ask a True Friend to Picture You as You Appear to Him.

Few people—in fact, very few people indeed—ever realize the priceless value of the ancient counsel, "Know thyself." It seems so trite, so ordinary. It seems so easy to acquire—this knowledge. Does not every one possess it? Can it not be got by simply sitting down in a chair and yielding to a mood?

And yet this knowledge is just about as difficult to acquire as a knowledge of Chinese. Certainly nine hundred and ninety-nine people out of a thousand reach the age of sixty before getting the rudiments of it. The majority of us die in almost complete ignorance of it. And none may be said to master it in all its exciting branches. Why, you can choose any of your friends—the wisest of them—and instantly tell him something glaringly obvious about his own character and actions and be rewarded for your trouble by an indignantly sincere denial! You had noticed it; all his friends had noticed it. But he had not noticed it. Far from having noticed it, he is convinced that it exists only in your malicious imagination. For example, go to a friend whose sense of humor is notoriously imperfect and say gently to him, "Your sense of humor is imperfect, my friend," and see how he will receive the information. So much for the rarity of self knowledge.

Self knowledge is difficult because it demands intellectual honesty. It demands that one shall not blink the facts, that one shall not hide one's head in the sand and that one shall not be afraid of anything that one may happen to see in looking around. It is rare because it demands that one shall always be able to distinguish between the man one thinks one ought to be and the man one actually is. And it is rare because it demands impartial detachment and a certain quality of fine shamelessness—the shamelessness which confesses openly to oneself and finds a legitimate pleasure in confessing. By way of compensation for its difficulty the pursuit of self knowledge happens to be one of the most entrancing of all pursuits, as those who have seriously practiced it are well aware. Its interest is inexhaustible and grows steadily.—Arnold Bennett in Metropolitan.

Touching Memories.

"A friend of mine traveling in Ireland," said a federal official, "stopped for a drink of milk at a white cottage with a thatched roof, and as he sipped his refreshment he noted on a center table, under a glass dome, a brick with a faded red rose upon the top of it.

"Why do you cherish in this way," my friend said to his host, "that common brick and that dead rose?"

"Shure, sir," was the reply, "there's certain memories attachin' to them. Do ye see this big dent in my head? Well, it was made by that brick."

"But the rose?" said my friend.

"His host smiled quietly.

"The rose," he explained, "is off the grave of the man that threw the brick."—New York Tribune.

Languages In the Balkans.

Albania, Bulgaria and Roumania, although contiguous to one another, speak three totally different languages. The Bulgarian tongue is that of ancient Russia, and Roumanian resembles that of ancient Rome more closely than modern Italian does. Albanian has no marked affinity with any other language, though philologists have discovered in it some slight traces of Basque and Hungarian influence. Yet, strangely enough, the three languages have one peculiarity in common—that of putting the article at the end of the word it qualifies. Thus the title of the leading financial paper of Bukharest is *Courier Financier*—the *Financial Courier*, "ul" being Roumanian for "the."

Heroic Rescue.

Three-year-old Montague and two-year-old Harold were having a bath together in the big tub.

Mother left them a moment while she went into the next room. Suddenly a succession of agonized shrieks recalled her. Two dripping, terror stricken little figures stood clasped in each other's arms in the middle of the bathroom floor.

"Oh, mother," gasped Montague, "I got him out! I saved him! The stopper came out, and we were going down!"

Citation by Publication.

The State of Texas, to the sheriff or any constable of Houston county, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon the unknown heirs of Barton Clark, deceased, the unknown heirs of Hannah Robinson, deceased, the unknown heirs of Charlie Robinson, deceased, and the unknown heirs of D. W. Faulkner, deceased, by making publication of this citation once in each week for eight successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the nearest county to your county, to appear at the next regular term of the district court of Houston county, to be holden at the court house of said Houston county, in the town of Crockett, on the fifth Monday after the first Monday in February, A. D. 1913, the same being the 10th day of March, A. D. 1913, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 7th day of January, A. D. 1913, in a suit numbered on the docket of said court No. 5426, wherein J. R. Sheridan and J. H. Painter are plaintiffs, and the unknown heirs of Barton Clark, deceased, the unknown heirs of Hannah Robinson, deceased, the unknown heirs of Charlie Robinson, deceased, and the unknown heirs of D. W. Faulkner, deceased, are defendants, and said petition alleging that plaintiffs are the owners in fee simple of the following described tract of land situated in Houston county, Texas, on the Trinity river about 3 miles west of Weldon and being 212 8-10 acres of the Barton Clark league survey described as follows: Beginning at a rock for corner on the E B line of the Scott tract P. O. 30 in mkd X brs S 9 W

5 vrs hickory 6 in dia mkd X brs S 60 E 1 5-10 vrs. Thence N 87 1/4 E 906 vrs rock for corner pine 30 in dia mkd X brs W 5 1/2 vrs P O 14 in mkd X brs S 58 1/2 W 10 1/2 vrs. Thence S 1 E 1066 vrs stake pine 6 in brs N 27 1/2 E 2 vrs do 6 in mkd X brs N 16 W 5 1/2 vrs. Thence W 1306 vrs corner on P O 30 in dia mkd O R. Thence N 541 vrs stake in edge of old field P O 10 in mkd X brs S 80 W 7 1/2 vrs. Thence N 70 E 409 vrs rock for corner P O 28 in dia brs S 58 E 9 vrs pine 12 in mkd X brs S 33 W 1 8-10 vrs. Thence N 346 vrs to the place of beginning. Plaintiffs allege that they and those by, through and under whom they claim title to said land have had and held peaceable, adverse and continuous possession thereof, cultivating, using and enjoying the same and paying all taxes thereon under deed or deeds duly registered for a period of more than five years prior to the filing of this suit, and plaintiffs specially plead the five years Statute of Limitations in bar of any and all claims asserted by defendants. Plaintiffs allege that the deeds from Barton Clark to Hannah Robinson, his daughter, and from Hannah Robinson and her husband, Charlie Robinson to R. N. Read have been lost or destroyed and that the records of both of said deeds were destroyed by fire at the time of the destruction of the court house of Houston county by fire in either the year A. D. 1865 or A. D. 1882. That D. W. Faulkner died intestate and that his estate was never administered upon and that there is no proof of record in Houston county, Texas, to show that N. C. Faulkner, M. A. Vanwinkle and H. D. Faulkner were said W. D. Faulkner's sole heirs. That by reason of the loss and destruction of the aforesaid deeds and the records thereof and

the failure to administer upon the estate of the said D. W. Faulkner a cloud is cast upon the title of plaintiffs to said property and plaintiffs say that any other or further claims or clouds against said property is unknown to plaintiffs wherefore plaintiffs pray for judgment quieting title to said land in them, removing all clouds from the title thereof, substituting and replacing all missing deeds and instruments and for general and special relief.

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

Witness John D. Morgan, clerk of the district court of Houston county.

Given under my hand and the seal of said court, at office in Crockett, this the 7th day of January, A. D. 1913.

John D. Morgan, Clerk District Court, Houston County.—Adv. 8t.

Methodist Minister Recommends Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

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Stubborn Case

"I was under the treatment of two doctors," writes Mrs. R. L. Phillips, of Indian Valley, Va., "and they pronounced my case a very stubborn one, of womanly weakness. I was not able to sit up, when I commenced to take Cardui.

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PUZZLES IN FIGURES.

Some of the Unsolved Riddles in the World of Numbers.

There are many mysteries in the world of numbers—little things the conditions of which a child can understand, though the greatest minds cannot master. Everybody has heard the remark, "It is as hard as squaring the circle," though many people have a very hazy notion of what it means. It is this: If you have a circular piece of paper, how are you to cut out another piece in the form of a square that shall contain exactly the same area? Well, it cannot be done with exactitude, though we can get an answer near enough for all practical purposes, because it is not possible to say in exact numbers what is the proportion of the diameter to the circumference. But it is only in recent times that it has been proved to be impossible. Only cranks now waste their time in trying to solve this venerable puzzle.

Again, we can never measure exactly in numbers the diagonal of a square. If you have a windowpane exactly a foot on each side, there is the distance from corner to corner staring you in the face, yet you can never say in exact numbers what is the length of that diagonal. The novice will at once suggest that we might take our diagonal first, say an exact foot, and then construct our square. Yes, you can do this, but then you can never say exactly what is the length of the side. You can have it which way you like, but you cannot have it both ways.

Here are a couple of puzzles that have not been proved to be impossible, but that nevertheless have not been solved. They will give the reader some fascinating employment during spare hours if he happens to be fond of figuring. First, then, take the round table problem. Nine persons are stopping at a boarding house, and they all sit down together to dinner on twenty-eight successive nights at a round table. The rule of the house is that no person shall on any two occasions have the two same neighbors. How is it to be done, if at all?

Here is another poser. If we write down the number, composed of seventeen ones—11,111,111,111,111,111—and ask you to find some number—other than 1 or the number itself—that will divide it without remainder the answer will give you considerable labor to discover. We will, however, say at once that the only numbers that will divide it are 2,071,723 and 5,363,222,357. Now add two more ones to the number, and we cannot tell you whether it can be exactly divided by any number or not, for nobody knows. If you can find such a divisor you will have done something that nobody else in the world has yet succeeded in doing. And we cannot say that it is impossible.

Wealth and Happiness.

"Wealth doesn't bring happiness."
"You really believe that?"
"I know it. It never brought me any."
"I didn't know that you were wealthy?"
"I'm not."—Houston Post.

Lange's Stolen Base.

One of the funniest incidents in base stealing happened in Chicago one of the years that Bill Lange led the league in base running. It was a close race between Lange and Hamilton for the honors in base stealing, and the season was drawing to a close. The game was close, and Lange led off in the eighth inning with a two bagger. Anson went to bat and laid down a perfect bunt, intending to sacrifice. He went out in a close finish at first and, looking up, discovered Lange still perched on second. He was furious, but that condition was mild to what he experienced an instant later when Lange stole third—and took the lead for base running honors.

Warned.

Some years ago Miss Mabel Love was playing the title role in "Little Red Riding Hood" at Dublin. She was entering the room to visit her grandmother in bed when an excited and anxious little voice shouted from the gallery: "Stop, stop! It isn't your grandmother. It's a wolf." The house burst into a storm of applause and laughter at the child's innocent alarm for the safety of the little maiden in the red hood.

A Serpentine Wharf.

At Port Los Angeles, Cal., there extends into the Pacific for the distance of almost a mile what is probably the longest wharf in the world and which, besides, presents a most curious feature in that it takes the form of a long serpentine curve. The reason for this construction is that it offers a better resistance to the strong currents and buffeting of the waves than if it were perfectly straight.—New York Press.

Encouraging.

The Parson (about to improve the golden hour)—When a man reaches your age, Mr. Dodd, he cannot, in the nature of things, expect to live much longer, and I—

The Nonagenarian—I dunno, posson. I be stronger on my legs than I were when I started.—London Opinion.

Gold Horseshoes in Olden Times.

Roman writers inform us that Commodus caused the hoofs of his horses to be covered with gold leaf and even the fetlocks to be gilded. Nero's short journeys were invariably performed on white mules wearing gold shoes on their fore feet and silver behind. The beasts which drew the chariots of his wife, Poppae, were shod all around with gold. Several others among the dignitaries and potentates of the riotous days of the Roman empire shod their horses with gold and used the same material for bridle bits, buckles, spurs, etc.

Carried to Excess.

"My husband is too tender hearted altogether to get on," said Mrs. Muggins dolefully. "It shows his good points, certainly. Why, he won't even speak a cross word to me, nor whip the children, nor even kill a fly."
"Oh, that's nothing," said Mrs. Buggins. "My husband is so tender hearted that he can't even beat the carpet."—London Stray Stories.

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Sweet music, baby faces and beautiful flowers were with her continually during her sickness. She loved them all, and louder than the waves of death were the songs of the angels.

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She has lived in Marlin only a few years, but her friends were numbered by the hundreds.

She leaves one son, three brothers and two sisters and a host of friends to mourn her loss. May all meet her in the great beyond, where sorrow is no more and love eternal.

In childhood's day, a hand so fair
Rested on her golden hair
As she kneeled in evening prayer
At Mother's knee.

A twig is bent, the tree inclines—
Can one forget the love that twines
About our infancy? That love blinds
Not, but gives a broader vision and refines.

In atmosphere of love she grew
To womanhood, and by experience she knew
The joys of life and sorrows, too,
Which every soul must needs pass through

In the Refiner's fire.
But she was ever loving friend,
Sweet Charity's mantle would she lend
To hide the faults, and make transcend
Some towering virtue that would amend
For all our weaknesses.

And mother, too, she came to be,
And loved with all the constancy
That heaven her's in infancy;
And trusted so implicitly
Unto prevailing love.

She loved the beautiful, the fair,
The flowers in the garden there,
The songs of birds in open air,
So joyous and so free from care.

At noon-tide when the summons came
Her heart and soul were all aflame
With plans of living and of love;
She heard the voice of angel bands
Calling her to Heavenly lands,
And committing all to Him above,
She fell asleep.

—A Friend.

King's Highway.

By Mrs. Lipscomb Norvell, Chairman on preservation of historic spots in Texas. Daughter of the American Revolution.

The King's highway across Texas has been maintained and continued on Texas maps as the old San Antonio road and we cannot blot that out. The old San Antonio road is treated with no reverence, and it should receive some token of our regard. We can find no record of it, save a few mentions in printed text.

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To let it be known, as a means of tracing our human experience and the progress of our state in the expansion of the southwest, our highway markers should read:

Old San Antonio Road
King's Highway.
1725-18—

Erected by Daughters of American Revolution and State of Texas.

Citation by Publication.

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

You are hereby commanded to summon W. E. Nelson by making publication of this Citation once in each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the Third Judicial district, but if there be no newspaper published in said Judicial district, then in a newspaper published in the nearest district to said Third Judicial district, to appear at the next regular term of the district court of Houston county, to be holden at the court house of said Houston county, in the town of Crockett, on the 5th Monday after the 1st Monday in February, A. D. 1913, the same being the 10th day of March, A. D. 1913, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 5th day of February, A. D. 1913, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said court No. 5425, wherein Mary Nelson is plaintiff, and W. E. Nelson is defendant, and said petition alleging that plaintiff is a bona-fide inhabitant of the state of Texas, and that she has resided in said Houston county for a period of more than six months next preceding the filing of this suit, and that the residence of defendant is unknown to plaintiff. That plaintiff and defendant were lawfully married in Houston county, Texas, on or about the 2nd day of June, A. D. 1892, and lived together as man and wife until on or about the — day of July, A. D. 1897, when defendant, without cause on the part of plaintiff, left the bed and board of plaintiff with the intention then and there of abandoning her and since which time they have neither lived or cohabited together as man and wife. That plaintiff at all times and places treated her said husband with kindness and attention and managed his household affairs with prudence and economy, but that defendant on or about the last named date left the bed and board of plaintiff as above set out without cause on her part and that more than three years have elapsed since said abandonment. Plaintiff prays for citation to issue, for proof to be heard and upon hearing that she have a decree dissolving the bonds of matrimony now existing between herself and defendant, and for all costs of suit and general and special relief in law and in equity.

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

Witness, J. D. Morgan, clerk of the district court of Houston county.

Given under my hand and the seal of said court, at office in Crockett, this 5th day of February, A. D. 1913.

[SEAL] John D. Morgan, Clerk, Adv. 4t. District Court, Houston County.

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Notice of Sheriff's Sale.

(Real Estate)

The State of Texas, County of Houston.

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a certain alias execution issued out of the Honorable District Court of Galveston County, on the 24th day of December 1912, by J. C. Gengler, Clerk of said District Court for the sum of Sixteen Hundred Eighty Five and 34-100 Dollars and costs of suit, under a judgment, in favor of H. E. Mimms in a certain cause in said Court, No. 29286 and styled H. E. Mimms vs. J. D. Freeman, placed in my hands for service, I, A. W. Phillips as Sheriff of Houston County, Texas, did, on the 18th day of January 1913, levy on certain Real Estate, situated in Houston County, Texas, described as follows, to-wit: 62 acres of land a part of the W. B. Loe survey being the same land conveyed to J. D. Freeman by E. E. Garner et al by deed dated - day of November 1906 which deed is recorded in volume 46 on page 579 of the deed records of Houston County, Texas. 50 acres of land a part of the M. J. Chamar league being the same land conveyed to J. D. Freeman by L. Leonard and N. O. Leonard by deed dated January 30, 1907, which deed is of record in volume 49 on page 40 of the deed records of Houston County, Texas. 177 acres being all of the John Edens labor, abstract No. 362, Patent No. 325, being the same land conveyed to J. D. Freeman by J. H. Painter by deed dated January 14 1907, which deed is recorded in volume 49 page 88 of the deed records of Houston County, Texas. 120 acre interest in the Stephen Stubblefield 160 acres survey, Patent No. 32 Vol 25 being the same land conveyed to J. D. Freeman by J. H. Painter by deed dated January 14th, 1907 which deed is recorded in Volume 49 on page 88 of the deed records of Houston County, Texas. 92 acres of land a part of the Collin Aldrich league being the same land conveyed to J. D. Freeman by Elias Atkinson by deed dated December 11, 1906 and which

deed is of record in Volume 47 on page 248 of the deed records of Houston County, Texas. 86 acres of land a part of the M. J. Chamar league, being the same land conveyed to J. D. Freeman by H. E. Goodwin and L. C. Goodwin by deed dated February 2, 1907, which deed is recorded in Volume 49 on page 64 of the deed records of Houston County, Texas. 66 2-3 acres of the W. G. Redding 640 acres survey, being the same land conveyed to J. D. Freeman by C. H. Dominy and May Dominy by deed dated March - 1912, which deed is recorded in Volume 62 on page 382 of the deed records of Houston County, Texas. 160 acres of the Rufus Webb 160 acres survey, being the same land conveyed to J. D. Freeman by A. A. Aldrich and Geo. W. Crook by deed dated December 31, 1909, which deed is recorded in Volume 58 on page 256 of the deed records of Houston County, Texas. 105 acres of the Wm. and Corpus Clark surveys and being the same land conveyed to J. D. Freeman by H. J. Oliver and R. N. Oliver by deed dated December 5, 1906, which deed is recorded in Volume 49 on page 251 of the deed records of Houston County, Texas. 100 acres of land and 16 3/4 acres of land a part of the John Cheairs league, being the same land conveyed to J. D. Freeman by Lang Smith by deed dated April 15, 1907, which deed is recorded in Volume 49 on page 43 of the deed records of Houston County, Texas. 150 acres of the H. W. Bozeman 3,200 acres survey being the same land conveyed to J. D. Freeman by J. R. McIver by deed dated May 2, 1907, which deed is recorded in Volume 49 on page 250 of the deed records of Houston County, Texas. 300 acres of the H. W. Bozeman headright being the same land conveyed to J. D. Freeman by Earle Adams by deed dated January 30, 1906, which deed is recorded in Volume 45 on page 514 of the deed records of Houston County, Texas. 172 2-10 acres of land out of the M. J. Chamar survey being the same land conveyed to J. D. Freeman by Earle Adams by deed dated January 30, 1906, which deed is recorded in Volume

45 on page 514 of the deed records of Houston County, Texas, and levied upon as the property of J. D. Freeman and that on the first Tuesday in March 1913, the same being the 4th day of said month, at the Court House door, of Houston County, in the City of Crockett, Texas, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m., by virtue of said levy and said alias execution, I will sell said above described Real Estate at public vendue, for cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of said J. D. Freeman.

And in compliance with law, I give this notice by publication, in the English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale, in the Crockett Courier, a newspaper published in Houston County.

Witness my hand, this 3rd day of February, 1913.
A. W. Phillips, Sheriff,
Adv.3t. Houston County, Texas.

Old Age.

Old age as it comes in the orderly process of nature is a beautiful and majestic thing. It stands for experience, knowledge, wisdom, counsel. That is old age as it should be, but old age as it often is means poor digestion, torpid bowels, a sluggish liver and a general feeling of ill health, despondency and misery. This in almost every instance is wholly unnecessary. One of Chamberlain's Tablets immediately after supper will improve the digestion, tone up the liver and regulate the bowels. That feeling of despondency will give way to one of hope and good cheer. For sale by all dealers.

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HOW MUSS.

And What Happens to the Mussel After They Are Landed.

The gathering of mussels is an important industry in the middle west. The mussel fishing outfit consists of a boat and a pair of dredges. A dredge is composed of ordinary gas pipe where to a number of hooks are attached, each hook showing four prongs.

Fastening a stout rope to the dredge, the hunter drops it overboard, and as the boat drifts with the current the dredge drags along the bottom of the stream. The mussel lies with shell open, and when the prong of a hook strikes within the opening of the mussel's two shells the deluded mollusk, under the impression that it has captured something edible, closes down on the hook with a viselike grip. After floating twenty or thirty yards the dredge is pulled up and the remaining dredge is dropped from the opposite side of the boat. It is not unusual for a fisherman to capture as many as a hundred mussels at a single drop of the dredge.

When the fisherman has got as many mussels as his boat will conveniently carry he rows ashore and undertakes the "cooking out" process. The mussels are transferred from the boat to a tank that holds from 500 to 1,000 pounds. Here the mussels are boiled for one hour, a process that loosens the meat from the shell. The shells are placed upon a platform, where they are sorted and cleaned for shipment. The price paid for the shells in ton lots frequently touches the \$10 mark.

While the shells form the principal product of mussels, the fisherman not infrequently has the luck of finding a valuable pearl in his catch. A pearl to be of first quality must be of good luster and of a round, button or pear shape. If it is irregular in form, but has a brilliant color, it has some value. An irregularly shaped pearl is called a baroque. A pearl to be of any great value should be not less than one-eighth of an inch in diameter and in color should be white, pink, purple, brown or black.

Frequently the mussel fishermen find pearls of perfect shape, but of a dull lead color. These are worthless and are known as "dead pearls."

Another product of the mussel deserving mention is the "slug." The "slug" is always irregular in form and is composed of the same matter that goes to make up the pearl, although it does not possess sufficient brilliancy to be classed as a baroque. "Slugs" are employed in the manufacture of cheap jewelry, and the price for them ranges from \$1 to \$1.50 an ounce.

Pearls, baroques and slugs are thought to be formed by the mussel as a means of protection against irritation. A foreign substance, such as, for example, a grain of sand, effects an entrance between the shells. This irritates the mussel, and to protect itself it envelops the offending object in a coat of naere of varying thickness. — Harper's Weekly.

A Scot's Strategy.

Sandy MacDougal was a braw lad of twelve. One day he fell off the roof and broke his leg. His parents carried him ben the hoose and stretcht him on the bed, where he groaned and grat while the doctor was sent for. When the doctor came Sandy didna want him to touch his leg for fear it would hurt. But the doctor explained that it maun be done.

"Whilk leg is it, Sandy, lad?" speired the doctor.

"This aye," whined Sandy.

The doctor seized the ankle, pit his fut in Sandy's oxter and gied the leg sic a yerck that the lad was nigh pu'ed in twa. He yammert like a boggle. Then the doctor pit on a bit of bandage and went awa.

"Did it hurt, laddie?" asked the auld feyther.

"Nae sae muckle as it might," answered the lad, grinning. "I wasna sic a fule as to gie him ma sair leg." — Cleveland Plain Dealer.

A Mother of Queens.

When Charles I. was king of England a country girl came to London in search of a situation and applied for the position of "tub woman," or carrier of beer at a brew house. The brewer, struck by her good looks, married her. In a short time he died, leaving her a large fortune. She gave up the brewery and for the proper settlement of her husband's affairs was recom-

mended to Mr. Hyde, a rising young barrister, whom she afterward married. This gentleman ultimately became Earl of Clarendon, and from his marriage with her he had one daughter, who became the wife of James II. and mother of Mary and Anne, the subsequently queens of England.

NAPOLEON AS A FARMER.

He Patented Sugar Beet Cultivation to Head Off a Revolution.

The method of extracting sugar from beets by which more than half the world's supply of sugar is now produced was the discovery of a German scientist, but the credit for establishing the culture of beets as a world industry belongs to Napoleon.

In the course of his great struggle with England the emperor of the French issued his famous decrees forbidding commercial relations with that country and specifically prohibiting importations from British colonial possessions, from which at that time practically the entire supply of sugar was obtained. Cut off from this supply, the price of sugar in France rose within a few years to \$1 a pound and threatened a revolt among his own subjects.

Napoleon, however, had had eminent French scientists studying the sugar beet and experimenting to determine its possibilities. As a result of their investigations he was able to meet the difficulty by directing that 90,000 acres of land in various parts of the country should be devoted to the culture of sugar beets. At the same time he called attention to the fact, discovered in the experiments conducted by his experts, that "the growing of beet roots improves the soil and that the residue of the fabrication furnishes an excellent food for cattle."

In such dramatic and arbitrary fashion did the humble beet make its appearance as a factor destined to assume worldwide and mighty commercial importance. To Napoleon it was only a minor incident in his herculean struggle for dominion, but it stands today as the most beneficial single act of his career, for the demonstration that beet culture improves the soil and increases the yield of other crops used in rotation with this one has revolutionized the agricultural methods of the leading countries of continental Europe, has halted the flood of emigration that formerly poured out of these countries and has solved for a long time to come, and perhaps for all time, the threatening problem with which they were confronted of providing a food supply for their people. — National Magazine.

Famous Boys.

A boy used to crush the flowers to get their color and painted the white side of his father's cottage in Tyrol with all sorts of pictures, which the mountaineer gazed at as wonderful. He was the great artist Titian.

An old painter watched a little fellow who amused himself making drawings of his pot and brushes, easel and stool, and said, "That boy will beat me some day." So he did, for he was Michelangelo.

A German boy was reading a blood and thunder novel. Right in the midst of it he said to himself: "Now this will never do. I get too much excited over it. I can't study so well after it. So here goes!" And he flung the book out into the river. He was Fichte, the great German philosopher.

Quick Wit.

The late Sir James Allport, then Mr. Allport, when manager of the Midland line, once visited a small station in the north, and, after being assiduously waited upon by the porter on duty on alighting from the train, he offered the attentive official half a crown.

The man promptly pocketed the gratuity, whereupon the manager inquired:

"Do you know who I am, my man?"

"Certainly, sir," was the ready reply, "Mr. Allport, sir, fellow servant of the company, sir. Course, I don't take tips from the general public, sir." — London Answers.

The Sublime Porte.

The phrase "sublime porte," frequently used to denote the government of the Turkish empire or the country itself, is derived from the French and means lofty gate. It had its origin in the gateway of the outer court of the seraglio at Constantinople, from which justice was supposed to be administered.

Satisfactory Service

The unsatisfactory service of the average print shop is unnecessary and due to lack of system.

Yet the average business man puts up with delays, excuses and mistakes, thinking all printers are alike.

But he is mistaken, they are not. We are different from the majority.

We are prompt. We are reliable. Our work is satisfactory, and if perchance we make an error, we stand the loss, not you.

Every piece of work must be right, and be delivered when promised.

Our promptness is being appreciated by our customers.

Send us your next job and if it's a rush order we'll rush it for you.

We are general and specialty printers. "The Quality Must be Kept Up."

The Crockett Courier.

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ST. LOUIS, January 17, 1913.

Publishers of
THE COURIER,
Crockett, Texas.

RE: COCA-COLA BUSINESS

Gentlemen:—

Our Mr. D'Arcy having just returned from a conference with the Coca-Cola Company, of Atlanta, with the plans for their advertising during the coming season finally adopted, we are glad to be able to send you the advance information that your good paper will again be on the list.

The Coca-Cola Company expressed themselves as having every reason to be gratified with the results obtained through the publicity engaged upon in your columns last year, and we have authority to promise a renewal of the business.

We are not yet in a position to give you the exact details of the schedule, but these will follow shortly, and we expect that the copy will begin to run some time towards the middle of April and continue through the season, as usual.

You will receive from us a formal order with complete schedule, in good time, and we trust that you will continue to give the same service that so satisfied our clients last year, and that results will be obtained that will be satisfactory to everybody concerned.

Yours very truly,

D'ARCY ADVERTISING COMPANY.

CCP-P.

By C. C. P.

Demand Drug Quality

A little difference in the quality of drugs used, or in the way the drugs are compounded, often makes a big difference in the results. Any one who needs medicines or who has a prescription to be filled should, as a matter of pure self-interest, insist upon the best drugs and best service.

WE OFFER HIGHEST QUALITY AND BEST SERVICE. You will find our store a particularly satisfactory place to trade, as we provide exceptionally fine service and our prices are right, quality considered.

We will appreciate your trade in drugs and other things.

Decuir-Bishop Drug Company

Phone 47 or 140

Free Delivery to Any Part of the City

Local News.

W. H. Harrison of Weches was in to see the Courier Monday.

That plan to pave a block of Public avenue is a live one.

A complete, up-to-date abstract of—adv Aldrich & Crook.

For Sale—A thoroughbred jack on easy terms. See W. B. Wall.

S. A. Cook of Route 2 was a caller at the Courier office Friday.

If you need a mule get a good one from Jas. S. Shivers & Co., Big Store.—Adv.

C. B. Isbell of Route 5 was a visitor at the Courier office Thursday of last week.

Mrs. H. F. Craddock has returned from Marlin and her health shows marked improvement.

Next week the Courier will contain an article by Rev. S. F. Tenney on the subject of "Dancing."

One car load good young mules for sale, cash or credit. Apply to Jas. S. Shivers & Co., Big Store.

Misses Mary Head and Josie Ellis of Palestine will arrive Monday to visit Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Arledge.

We do cleaning, pressing, repairing and alterations as they should be done. Arledge Tailoring Co.

The Pickwick Barber Shop for first-class work. Cleanliness our hobby. Hot and cold baths.—Adv

W. V. McConnell will pay \$15.00 for 1909 Lincoln pennies, equal to \$19.09. Now, do you understand?

W. A. Eddy of Route 2 and Orland Gainey of Augusta were among those calling at the Courier office Saturday.

Oliver chilled plows and all other farming implements at the right price. Jas. S. Shivers & Co., Big Store.—Adv.

Messrs. Will and Fred Fisher have returned to their homes in Chicago and Joliet, after visiting their brother, H. A. Fisher, here.

If its farming implements you want and the best to be had we have them. Jas. S. Shivers & Co., Big Store.—Adv.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Porter entertained some of the young people of the West End Friday evening with a rook and forty-two party.

The Arledge Tailoring Co. solicits a share of your cleaning and pressing work. The service is prompt and the work satisfactory.—Adv.

The ladies of the Baptist church will resume their Saturday's market this week. Cakes and candies for sale at Ralph Lundy's place.

Bring us your cleaning and pressing. Prompt service and satisfactory work is our motto.

Adv. Arledge Tailoring Co.

New stock of wall paper just received at Chamberlain & Woodall's. The patterns are new and cannot fail to please the most particular.—Adv.

For Sale.

Three sawmill houses for \$75.00. Apply to Tolliver & Enos at sawmill, four and one-half miles southeast from Crockett.—Adv. tf.

Among the new enterprises we hear spoken of for Crockett is a brick and tile factory. The clay is here in abundance. All it needs is scientific treatment.

John W. Shaw and J. B. Womack of Weches, Page Hale of Route 6 and Jesse Bishop of Route 5 are among our good friends remembering the Courier since last issue.

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Chas. Long and Will McLean are giving the people of Crockett a good picture show. Their theater is made doubly attractive by the recent addition of a string of bright lights in front of the building.

Great Agricultural and Industrial Train
Will hold free demonstrations at various stations on I. & G. N. R'y Feb. 10 to March 8. See ticket agent for exhibition date and full particulars.—Adv. 4t.

T. J. Ashby of Ratcliff, George H. Grounds of Chicago, Robert Reed Nunn of Corsicana and K. D. Lawrence of Lovelady are some of the number renewing subscriptions to the Courier since last issue.

If you are contemplating brightening up your home this spring, you will need some new wall paper. It will pay you to see our stock before you buy.—Adv.
Chamberlain & Woodall.

Married, at Rock Hill, seven miles west of Grapeland, Mr. Louis Brimberry of Rock Hill to Miss Laura Coleman of Myrtle Springs, Rev. G. M. Wallace officiating. Louis is the son of Rev. G. T. Brimberry and Miss Laura is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Coleman.

Will Lend Money on Real Estate

or take up your note and give you a lower rate of interest. We will buy your land or find a buyer. See or write Hail & Wilson, Crockett State Bank building, Crockett, Texas. Adv.

The Porter Springs school district, having consolidated two smaller schools with its own district, is running a school district wagon for the benefit of the children. The wagon was taken out from Crockett this week and will carry about twenty children. A pair of very large mules has been bought to pull the wagon.

An Old Maid.

Once there was an old maid who said she did not need to marry. She had a parrot that swore, a monkey that chewed tobacco and a cat that went out nights. But the old maid needed her county newspaper and you need it. If you are not already a subscriber, try the "Old Reliable," the Crockett Courier.

An old, reliable, tried and true remedy, Stone Root Compound, made from standard and reliable remedies, for kidney and bladder troubles, compounded in a proper manner, so as to obtain the best results without injury to the human system. We are ready to serve you. Try it at our expense.

Adv. Decuir-Bishop Drug Co., The Prompt Service Store.

Grand Jurors.

Following is a list of the grand jurors selected for the spring term, 1913, of the Houston county district court:

D. M. Leaverton, J. D. Johns, E. Robinson, John L. Brown, Jas. S. Shivers, George Kent, J. H. Scarborough, J. C. Estes, F. H. Hill, John Bitner, Henry Treadgill, H. H. Hallmark, George Murray, R. S. Hooks, W. P. Conner, Henry Knighten.

Automobile Contest.

Having entered the Galveston News automobile contest TO WIN, I earnestly request every one who will help me win who takes the Galveston News to give me their renewal, and all who do not take it to give me a subscription to this good, live, clean newspaper. Write to or see Dr. J. S. Wootters in his office or Mrs. J. S. Wootters at Crockett, Texas.
Adv. tf. Mrs. J. S. Wootters.

Stone Root Compound.

A scientific preparation, free from mercury, opiates and all injurious and habit-forming drugs. It is just the thing for stones in the bladder. Relieves the cause and aids the weak spots in the back. If it helps you recommend it to others. If it isn't effective tell us.
Decuir-Bishop Drug Co., Adv. "The Prompt Service Store."

Bankers, merchants and other business men cannot expect much of their home newspapers in the way of giving publicity to new enterprises when they place their orders for stationery and other printed matter with houses that have no connection with their home newspapers. And when they do so, they ought not to expect mention of anything they are connected with in any way except in the form of advertising.

Notice.

At a regular session of the City Council of the city of Crockett, held on February 14th, 1913, City Tax Collector C. W. LeGory was directed to use every means provided by law to collect the delinquent taxes due the City.

The law directs that the tax collector shall use due diligence by making a levy upon personal property belonging to a delinquent sufficient to satisfy the amount of taxes due, costs of levy and sale of such property so levied upon.

Attest: J. W. Young, Mayor.
M. Saterwhite, Secretary.

Money to Loan.

We make a specialty of loans on land and to farmers. We buy vendors lien notes and any other good paper. If you want to borrow money you will DO WELL to call and get our terms before placing your loan. We buy and sell real estate.

Warfield Bros.

Office North Side Public Square.

CROCKETT, TEXAS

Stolen Horse Sold Here.

A constable from Hearne arrived in Crockett Saturday to identify a horse that had been stolen from him. The horse, which had been sold to a trader here, was found and identified. The thief, riding one horse and leading another, had sold the one he was leading and disappeared as quietly as he came.

A Traveling Fair.

Tuesday, February 25, is the day advertised for the coming of the agricultural demonstration train run by the I. & G. N. Railway company, the state agricultural department and the packeries. Reports from sections visited by this great demonstration train are to the effect that thousands are viewing it daily and gaining much useful information. More than a thousand Houston county farmers should be on hand at Crockett on the day this traveling fair visits here.

Petit Jurors.

The following is a list of the petit jurors for the second week of the spring term, 1913, of the Houston county district court:

Denman Sims, John Creacy, R. L. West, Babe Dickey, Will Meeks, A. B. Mulligan, Walter Gossett, W. J. Branch, J. A. Dennis, Lewis Corder, Ben Westbrook, J. B. Womack, C. M. Hamner, Donald Thompson, Lloyd Anderson, Tom Cruce, T. N. Sage, John Childs, Jim Beard, J. S. Brown, C. C. Chaffin, Jim Marks, E. W. Davis, Wiley Wilson, Lee Frazier, A. J. Pratt, Nick Routledge, Dick Bates, W. B. Hearon, P. D. Austin, J. S. Arrington, James G. Cobb, Jim Parker, Tom Tunstall Jr., J. T. Hammonds, J. B. Simmons, G. Q. Anderson, John Allen (Shiloh), M. K. Conner.

The Best Cough Medicine.

"I have used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy ever since I have been keeping house," says L. C. Hames, of Marbury, Ala. "I consider it one of the best remedies I ever used. My children have all taken it and it works like a charm. For colds and whooping cough it is excellent." For sale by all dealers.

PATRONIZE the Royal Theatre ten times and get a \$1.50 photograph of yourself absolutely FREE Get Photo cards at the box office.

Photo cards punched on Wednesday and Saturday matinees only.

Open Every Night at 7:00 O'Clock

2 SHOWS 2

Two Continuous Matinees
Wednesday, 2 p. m.
Saturday, 1 p. m.

Notice.

As I have been directed by the City Council to proceed to force collection of all delinquent taxes due, and as the law directs that a tax collector shall levy upon sufficient live stock or personal property belonging to a delinquent tax payer, I will be forced to levy upon, advertise and sell sufficient property belonging to delinquents to satisfy the amount of their taxes past due.

Now I trust that all who are in arrears for taxes will come forward in the next ten days, and settle same, and avoid forcing me to make a levy upon any of their property.

Respectfully, C. W. LeGory,
City Tax Collector.
Crockett, Feb. 17, 1913. 2t.

All Old and New Patrons and Friends

are cordially requested to call and inspect the most modern and up-to-date drug store in Houston county.

We have just completed the work of remodeling our drug store and have doubled our capacity to serve you, both in quantity and quality of stock.

Won't you give us the pleasure of showing you through our store? We want you to know of our efforts to serve you at any and all times.

We have added to our prescription department Mr. McMullen, formerly of Port Arthur, a graduate pharmacist of six years' experience. Otherwise our business will be conducted along the same lines as in the past. The same courteous treatment will be extended to each and every one alike who pays our store a visit.

SWEET'S DRUG STORE

The Crockett Courier

Issued weekly from the Courier Building.

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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

For City Marshal
J. D. Sexton

WAGON FACTORY FOR CROCKETT.

Four Thousand Acres of Hardwood Timber in the Trinity Valley Bought for That Purpose.

The Courier has information to the effect that a Northern firm has bought 4000 acres of Trinity river valley hardwood timber land to be used in the manufacture of wagons. This firm now has a large factory in the North and the timber may be shipped to the Northern factory, although that is one of the details that has not been decided on. The company is considering the advisability and practicability of establishing a factory at Crockett to be nearer the timber and to save a long haul.

Much will depend on the attitude of Crockett towards a project of this kind. The Courier has no information as to what the company will want, but a factory site as a donation will no doubt be one of the considerations. Our people could well afford to donate such a site. Nothing helps a town so much as factories. Crockett ought to be the home of hardwood factories and the surroundings seem to be especially adapted to the manufacture of wagons. We have the timber in abundance, and if this timber is not manufactured at home the consumer pays the freight both ways—from the forest to the Northern factory and from the factory back to the field.

If Crockett now has an opportunity, do not let it be lost to be grieved over in the future. Our information is that the wagon company proposes to use the tram from the river to Crockett for the purpose of transporting their timber to the railroad, as the timber is in that part of the river valley penetrated by the tram. Will this timber be manufactured in Crockett or will it be shipped to the Northern factory? We understand this matter will rest with Crockett's business people. It will be up to them to lift up their town or deal it a blow. Opportunities of this kind do not come often.

TOWNSEND TAKES FIRM STAND.

Wants Charter of Eastern Texas Railroad Complied With Before Consolidation.

Editor Courier:

My attention has been called to a criticism by one of the leading newspapers of the state of my position upon the "Cotton Belt Consolidation Bill" in attempting to place a rider thereon to the effect that the Eastern Texas Railroad Company shall extend its line of railroad from Kennard to Crockett, in Houston county, a distance of seventeen miles, before such consolidation should take effect, and in view of the fact that my position is doubtless misunderstood by many, I desire to make this public explanatory statement:

The St. Louis Southwestern Railway Co. of Texas, commonly known as the "Cotton Belt," is seeking to consolidate with its lines of railroad

the railroads of the Eastern Texas Railroad Company and the Stephenville North & South Texas Railway Company. The Eastern Texas Railroad Company was chartered in October, 1900, by R. H. Keith of Kansas City, Mo., and others and at that time was an independent railroad. The charter as filed in the Secretary of State's office at the time, as shown by Section 2 thereof, is as follows:

"It is intended to construct the proposed railroad from the town of Lufkin in Angelina county, State of Texas, to the city of Crockett, Houston county, State of Texas." At the time the charter was procured, some of the citizens of Angelina county made cash donations to said railroad, the funds to be used in purchasing a right-of-way through said county; besides the City Council of the said town of Lufkin condemned certain streets and alleys in said town for right-of-way and depot purposes and gave such property to the railroad company on the faith of its building said railroad. This independent corporation built thirty miles of railroad under its charter, extending from Lufkin, Angelina county, to Kennard, in Houston county, and later on, to-wit, May 26, 1902, after its said line of railroad had been constructed to Kennard, in Houston county, the stockholders of said Eastern Texas Railroad Company held a meeting at Kennard, in Houston county, and authorized a million dollar stock issue to finish construction of said railroad and to equip same. The exact verbage of that portion of the resolution of the board of directors referring to the matter, now on file in the Secretary of State's office, reads as follows:

"Now, therefore, be it resolved that the capital stock of this corporation be increased from \$150,000, its present capital, to \$1,000,000, that being the amount of increase required for constructing, equipping and operating the railroad of the corporation between the towns mentioned in its charter, to-wit: Lufkin, Angelina county, Texas, and Crockett, Houston county, Texas," which resolution was adopted by said stockholders at said meeting, the purpose of said directors being to finish the construction of said road to Crockett, a distance of seventeen miles, and to properly equip said railroad. Bear in mind, at this time and during these proceedings, the said Eastern Texas Railroad Co. was an independent corporation. Later on the St. Louis Southwestern Railway Co., a Missouri corporation, purchased the controlling interest in said railroad and as shown by the last annual report of said Eastern Texas Railroad Company to the Railroad Commission, it is now the owner of 4535 shares of the stock of said company, there being only ten remaining shares.

My belief, based upon all the circumstances connected with the transaction, is that the "Cotton Belt" railroad purchased this little line, the Eastern Texas Railroad Company, for the express purpose of preventing its extension from Kennard to Crockett, a distance of seventeen miles, as called for by its charter, and my belief is that the reason the "Cotton Belt" crowd purchased this road was that the Gould interests owned the "Cotton Belt" already; besides, it owned and controlled the International & Great Northern Railroad Co. and did not desire any competition with said International & Great Northern Railroad Company at Crockett, when, in fact, if this Eastern Texas Railroad had been extended into Crockett, as called for by its charter, it would have given the people of Crockett and Houston county a competitive line of railroad touching the Southern Pacific system at Lufkin and this, I really believe, is what the

"Cotton Belt" crowd attempted to defeat, a competitive line out of Crockett whereby the people of Crockett and Houston county could secure the services of a competing line, instead of being controlled in the matter of their freight shipments and passenger fares by the International & Great Northern Railroad, said road having no competition at Crockett. At least, the position of the "Cotton Belt Railroad," in purchasing this line and stopping its extension, has served this purpose and I do not believe, in fairness to the people of Angelina and Houston counties interested in this matter, that this consolidation ought to be permitted unless the Cotton Belt system shall agree to extend the line of railroad of the Eastern Texas Railroad as called for by its charter; in other words, I want it to keep faith with the charter provisions of the Eastern Texas Railroad Company, which is nothing more nor less than a covenant with the people affected. The Cotton Belt Railroad desires to take over the road and thus consolidate and not to comply with its charter. I desire that if they take over the railroad that they do comply with its charter. It occurs to me that fairness and justice to the people affected demand that the Cotton Belt Railroad comply with the charter conditions of said railroad, if permitted to consolidate. However, the matter is up to the legislature and to the governor, and we must all abide their decision. In my humble opinion, too many consolidations have been permitted in Texas on verbal promises made by the railroads to the people, which promises are ruthlessly laid aside by the railroad companies when it suits their conveniences and demands and the people's rights are not consulted. We ought to write into the bills amendments requiring the companies to do what they have promised to do verbally, thereby saving such rights to the people and no longer take verbal statements made by their lobbyists. Texas has already suffered on account of consolidations where verbal promises have been indulged in, and I, for one, want to see the time come when railroad companies, through their duly accredited agents, can come before the legislature and lay before it in a businesslike way its reasons for consolidation, and where desirable and to the interest of the people to permit such consolidations and to write into the consolidation bills the agreements made to the people.

W. J. Townsend, Jr.,
Senator, 13th Senatorial District.

Texas Southeastern to Weches.

John W. Shaw of Weches was a caller at the Courier office Wednesday morning. He told us of a railroad that is building quietly into his section—the Texas Southeastern from Diboll, Angelina county. This road crosses the Eastern Texas at Druso, Houston county, and follows close to the Neches river valley. A survey has been run to Weches and contract let for clearing the right-of-way. N. B. May has the contract from Hickory Creek to the San Antonio road. The railroad people have bought the S. W. Shaw place at Weches which, it is believed, will be used for the depot location. John W. Shaw has bought the McIntosh place and he reports other activities in real estate. Weches is on the historic San Antonio trail, 21 miles from Crockett and 15 from Alto, Cherokee county. It is well located to become an important town.

Itching of the skin anywhere on the body stops instantly when rubbed with Ballard's Snow Lintment. One or two applications cures permanently. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by I. W. Sweet.

Have You Seen Our New Stationery?

If not, call and see our 25, 35 and 50c boxes. They are great.

The McLean Drug Company

The Rexall Store

O. L. Club.

Mrs. William B. Page was hostess to the O. L. Club Thursday, February 13. The honorees were the visiting ladies, Mrs. Long, Misses Ethel and Hazel Long and Miss Helen Moore of Ohio, Miss Gladys Walling of Houston, Miss Mary Lee Benedict of Whitewright, Miss Partlow of Liberty, Miss Mildred McGill of Mineral Wells.

The popular game of rook gave diversion for the afternoon. Miss Mary McLean kept record of the game and gave the coveted punch when deserved.

Delicious refreshments were served by Mrs. Sydnor Murchison, Misses Etta Hail and Sue Denny.

Mrs. Page entertains with true Virginia hospitality on all occasions, and this affair was so thoroughly enjoyed that it will not be long before the O. L. Club will be begging for another invitation to her home. Guest.

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Mistrot-Munn Company

Respectfully invites the people of Crockett and vicinity to visit their stores while in Houston. They not only handle the very best merchandise, in large and complete assortments, but they have the most perfect organization of salespeople in the South.

Mistrot-Munn Company

Houston, - - Texas

A New Drug Store

We have opened up a first-class drug store in the old Chamberlain corner. For 30 years this corner has been occupied by a drug business, and we propose to put in one of the best and most up-to-date drug stores in East Texas.

Our business will be handled by Mr. B. F. Chamberlain and Mr. A. B. Woodall, both of whom are registered men with many years' experience in the drug business, and you can feel safe when your doctor's prescriptions are filled by us. Cleanliness and accuracy is our hobby.

We will have in stock all the time such things as you will find in any first-class drug store, including school supplies, toilet articles, King's chocolate candies, cigars, smoking and chewing tobacco, Masury's paints (the best), turpentine and colors. Wall paper a specialty—big stock on hand.

We earnestly solicit your patronage and good will. Give us a call and be convinced our prices are right.

Chamberlain & Woodall DRUGGISTS