

The Signs of Spring

are to be seen on every side. The trees are budding forth, the grass is getting green and nature in general is putting on her spring clothes. The new spring goods are fast coming in and the people in general have begun to look forward to the new styles for spring.

We have recently returned from the New York and other Eastern markets, where we bought one of the largest and best assorted stock of goods that was ever shown in this part of the country. These goods are arriving daily and we invite you one and all to come down and inspect our line. If you want a new dress or any other part of your wearing apparel, we feel sure that if you will only come in and look through our mammoth stock of new goods you will be able to find that piece of goods which just suits you. And in our entire stock you will not be able to find a piece of goods on which we have placed too great a price. A mint is not the only place money can be made, but buy your goods from EGGER & SON and your savings account will grow rapidly. All you have to do is to place your order and your money is made for you right on the spot.

It is no trouble for us to show goods, we are expecting a call from you.

YOURS TO PLEASE,

D. EGGER & SON

"HAVE IT FOR LESS"

STAMFORD and HASKELL

TERRELL Druggist, Jeweler and Optician HASKELL, - TEX.

THERE COMES A TIME

In affairs of every man when the ability to command some ready money will help him to better his condition for the whole of the balance of his life. The chance to add a desirable bit of land to his farm at a bargain. The chance to buy into a good business. And yet how few people there are who are really forehanded and always in a position to take advantage of such opportunities.

But the man who carries a bank account in the

THE FARMER'S NATIONAL BANK

steadily banking his surplus money, soon places himself in this highly desirable position. Everyone can get ahead if they make a sincere effort. Better deposit your money in this strong, home bank where it will be available for a real opportunity than to tie it up in some questionable investment, where you cannot get it when you need it, or where you may lose it.

R. C. MONTGOMERY,
Cashier.

BILLY RICHARDSON KILLED.

Charley McGregor Waives Examination and Gives Bond.

WHISKY CAUSED THE TROUBLE.

The FREE PRESS has gathered the following facts and circumstances concerning the alleged killing of Billy Richardson from what it considers the most reliable sources. Leaving some minor details, we present the leading facts.

On last Sunday Mr. Charles McGregor and Billy Richardson, tenant on his farm, left Haskell in a hack for the McGregor farm in the north-west part of the county. Richardson, it is said, had a quart bottle of whisky and was considerably under the influence of the liquor, but McGregor was not.

Some distance before reaching the farm a contention and altercation arose between the two men in which Richardson seized McGregor by the throat and, in the scuffle which ensued, both fell out of the hack and the team ran away for some distance. McGregor overtook the team and drove on home and was seated at supper with his family when Richardson appeared at the door with a knife in his hand and began cursing and abusing McGregor. Mr. W. A. [Name], who was present, took hold of Richardson and persuaded him to leave the yard. He went to the room occupied by him about 100 yards distant and got a pistol and returned into McGregor's yard and fired a shot near a window, cursing and abusing McGregor and declaring that he would kill him. Mr. Black again got hold of Richardson and by persuasion and force got him off toward his room again, but before reaching it Richardson jerked loose from him and started back toward McGregor's house with the pistol still in his hand and, at this time, McGregor walked out into his front yard with his shot-gun in his hands and Richardson fired at him. McGregor returned the fire, shooting twice and Richardson twice more, but failing to hit McGregor. Richardson was shot in the right side the first time and the second charge took effect in his right hand and arm, causing him to drop his pistol. Only small or No. 8 shot were used by McGregor.

The shooting occurred about dark Sunday evening and Richardson died about 4 o'clock Monday evening.

The deceased was unmarried and about 47 years of age. McGregor has a wife and three children and is a prominent farmer. McGregor waived an examining trial and Justice Lankin fixed his bond at \$2,000, which he made with A. W. McGregor, J. S. Williams, T. E. Ballard and J. L. Baldwin as sureties. The defendant was represented by W. H. Murchison and the state by County Attorney J. E. Wilfong.

OF INTEREST TO WOMEN.

Mrs. C. B. Mason-Draper of Strout, Ill., in a letter dated Feb. 2, 1904 says: "For several years I have suffered ill health from stomach trouble, have taken many treatments with no satisfactory results until I began taking Re-Go Tonic Laxative Syrup. I have taken several bottles of this medicine, which has helped me more than anything I have ever used." Re-Go is a medicine of rare excellence for constipation, indigestion, biliousness and dyspepsia. 25c, 50c and \$1 bottles sold at Terrells drug store.

Mr. D. Egger, head of the firm of D. Egger & Son, with dry goods stores at Waxahachie, Stamford and Haskell, is spending a day or two with their Haskell House.

Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Scott attended the cattlemen's convention and fat stock show at Fort Worth.

DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

For Abilene District to Be Held Here April 12 to 15.

Very Large Attendance Expected.

Editor of the FREE PRESS: Please announce that the District Conference for the Abilene District will be held in Haskell April 12-15. About two hundred ministers and delegates are expected to attend, and we will want homes for these during the conference. Haskell is attracting attention from various quarters, and I am expecting a large attendance. So I appeal to the people of Haskell to help us to entertain these delegates. Most of them will doubtless come on the cars, but some will come by private conveyance and horses will have to be provided for. I have appointed as a committee to solicit homes, Mrs. Lillie Montgomery, Mrs. Ada Rike and Miss Ara Killingsworth. They will call on the people to find homes for our delegates. Please help these ladies. Tell them how many delegates you can take, also if you can care for a horse, should some one come in a buggy. Please don't wait for the committee to call on you, but if you meet one of them, or the writer, tell us how many delegates you can take. I feel sure the town will entertain the conference in a royal way, and that all will be ready to help.

J. H. Chambliss.

Saved Her Son's Life.

The happiest mother in the little town of Ava, Mo., is Mrs. S. Ruppel. She writes: "One year ago my son was down with such serious lung trouble that our physician was unable to help him; when, by our druggist's advice I began giving him Dr. King's New Discovery and I soon noticed improvement. I kept this treatment up for a few weeks when he was perfectly well. He has worked steadily since at carpenter work. Dr. King's New Discovery saved his life." Guaranteed best cough and cold cure by Terrell, druggist 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free.

Miller Creek Singing Convention.

Will meet at Pleasant View school house tomorrow and hold an all day session. A picnic dinner will be served on the grounds. The officers for the ensuing year will be elected at this meeting of the convention and all members of the convention are desired to be present.

A general invitation is extended to the public, and all good singers are especially desired to attend and participate in the singing.

A Traveling Man's Experience.

Mr. Albert Eldredge, representing the Edgar Printing Co., Paris, Ill., says: "I used Hart's Honey and Horehound during the winter of 1901 and 1902 for a bad cold and la grippe. I found it an excellent medicine, which effected a cure in a short time." Our readers are invited to call on the druggist named below and secure a large sample bottle of this excellent medicine free. 25c, 50c and \$1.00 bottles. Sold at Terrells drug store.

EGGS.

Eggs for setting from choice stock of Rhode Island Reds, 15 for \$2.00; from Silver Laced Wyandottes, 15 for \$2.00; from Brown Leghorns, 15 for \$1.00; from Mammoth Bronze Turkeys, 11 for \$2.50.

M. F. MILLER, Haskell.

A Diversifier's Experience.

Mr. J. D. Smith, one of the prosperous farmers of the Carney neighborhood, was in the county capital Saturday and renewed for the FREE PRESS. Mr. Smith is not an all cotton farmer and argues that the man who runs all to cotton and depends upon the proceeds of the one crop to buy nearly every thing else with, makes a big mistake and will find himself in a tight place much oftener than the farmer who diversifies his crops. Mr. Smith says he finds it as easy and as profitable to raise his meat and lard and to have an ample supply of grain and forage here as in any other country. He says that while the corn crop turns out rather short here sometimes, there is no excuse for any farmer being without an ample supply of grain every year, when they have such sure crops as Kaffir corn and dwarf milo maize to take the place of corn. He says he finds these an excellent feed both for his work stock and for fattening hogs, and as they can be planted any time from the early spring until in August with a certainty of producing a crop with a small amount of moisture, no farmer should ever be without grain. Newcomers to the country may profit by Mr. Smith's experience, as, from long observation, the FREE PRESS is sure he is correct.

Afflicted With Rheumatism

"I was and am yet afflicted with rheumatism," says Mr. J. C. Bayne, editor of the Herald, Addington, Indian Territory, "but thanks to Chamberlain's Pain Balm am able once more to attend to business. It is the best of liniments." If troubled with rheumatism give Pain Balm a trial and you are certain to be more than pleased with the prompt relief which it affords. One application relieves the pain. For sale by Terrell drug store.

White Plymouth Rock Eggs.

I have a select strain of birds from premium stock and my own took two first premiums at the Haskell fair. Eggs will be carefully selected and orders promptly shipped, \$1.25 for 15. G. S. FORRESTER, Abilene, Tex.

Worked Like a Charm.

Mr. D. N. Walker, editor of that splay journal, the Enterprise, Louisa, Va., says: "I ran a nail in my foot last week and at once applied Bucklen's Arnica Salve. No inflammation followed; the salve simply healed the wound." Heals every sore, burn and skin disease. Guaranteed at Terrells drug store. 25c.

Harwell's Five Lock Cotton.

Seed of the above big bell cotton is for sale at W. T. McDaniel's gin at 50 cents per bushel. These seed are pure and this cotton will always produce one-third of weight in lint. 4c

To rent—A 340 acre place, 100 acres in cultivation, 4-room house, plenty of water, six miles north of town. Will rent for third and fourth of crops. This offer open only till Apr. 1. See me at office of West Texas Development Co.

Mr. J. W. Wheeler, who resides southeast of town, called in Saturday and renewed his subscription. Mr. Wheeler says he came to this county four years ago from Collin county and is well pleased with the country, especially as his wife, who had poor health in Collin, has enjoyed good health since they have been here.

FLOUR, Big "M" FLOUR

The Best on Earth.



Through Good Flour.

Through good flour like our Big "M" Brand good bread is an assured fact. Indeed, it is almost impossible to make bad bread with it, for it is so pure, wholesome and nutritious that the bread can't help being the kind that satisfies the palate and benefits the entire system. One sack of Big "M" Flour will reveal many virtues—today is the best time to try it.

C. C. MILL, ELEVATOR and LIGHT CO.
SEYMOUR, TEXAS.

Protracted Meeting Announced.

As already announced, we will begin a series of services at the Methodist church next Sunday, to continue through the week. Bro. Evans of Stamford will be with us the first part of the meeting and Bro. Duncan the latter part. We hope the people will start in with us at the beginning of the meeting and help to win souls to Christ. As long as men are sinners so long should we seek the lost. Let us do our best, so that we may each be able to say at the close of the meeting that no soul will be lost because of my indifference. All are invited to attend.
J. H. Chambliss.

Junior Endeavor.

Topic—Brave Soldiers of the Cross in Far Lands.
Leader—Gertrude Cummings.
Song.
Responsive reading—Ps. XLVI.
Prayer.
John 15:18-21—Fred Alexander.
Song.
Lesson from Era—Almeda Camp.
Scripture references.
Comments on the lesson.
Song and collection.

We were pleased to see Mr. B. F. McCollum able to be on the streets again this week.

A most regrettable incident growing out of the fire Wednesday night was the difficulty between Mr. J. C. Bell and Mr. Will Wells. It appears that Mr. Bell had made some remark reflecting on Mr. Wells in regard to the origin of the fire and, when asked about it by Mr. Wells, repeated the statement. There was an immediate collision in which Mr. Bell received a cut in the face and two or three minor cuts and scratches with a pocket knife and Mr. Wells, who was soon downed by his unarmed but more powerful antagonist, received numerous bruises about the head and face before the bystanders came to themselves and separated the two men.

..Haskell National Bank..

HASKELL, TEXAS,

FARMERS

You are now getting your Cotton on the market; we solicit your account and offer you a bank service that is

Safe, Sure and Accurate.

M. S. PIERSON, PRESIDENT. G. R. COUCH, CASHIER.
LEE PIERSON, VICE-PRES. M. PIERSON, ASST. C.

The First National Bank of Paris and the Paris National Bank have consolidated. The new institution opened with \$300,000 capital and \$60,000 surplus.

An unknown man was run over and killed by a freight train on the Houston, East and West Texas Railroad Wednesday night in the edge of Corrigan.

T. H. Cochran, a prominent sawmill man of Lamb, Texas, committed suicide at Cleveland, Texas, by shooting himself through the head. No cause can be given for the rash act.

The report of the comptroller of the currency for February shows that at the end of the month Texas had 356 National banks with a total capital of \$15,205,000.

The Fort Worth police, acting under instructions from the Chief of Police, have arrested the leading members of the Salvation Army on the charge of obstructing the thoroughfares.

Lieutenant Governor Davidson has appointed Senators Skinner, Veale and Faust as members of the committee to arrange for Mr. Bryan's reception and speech on March 29.

Noberto Sallanas, a Mexican, charged with criminal assault on a 10-year-old Mexican girl, was given the death penalty in the District Court, at Goliad, the jury being out only ten minutes.

The auditor on the Katy Flyer was shot at by a negro while the train was standing at the depot at Hillsboro, Wednesday. The negro had been ejected from the train for not paying his fare.

For selling whiskey in violation of the local option law in Ellis County, Elmer Leach will pay a fine of \$100 and serve twenty days in jail. His conviction was secured in the county court.

With the beginning of easier conditions in freight handling this summer the Missouri, Kansas and Texas will make extended improvements in its yards and terminals in Dallas, expending about \$75,000 on the work.

D. W. Mays, a motorman on the Katy, and Inspector Humphries, of the same road, were run into by a freight train on the Katy at San Marcos Thursday, and Mays was instantly killed and Humphries badly hurt.

The cornerstone of the new Y. M. C. A. building, in course of construction on Commerce Street, near the Public Library, in Dallas, was placed Saturday afternoon at 4 o'clock with formal exercises.

Hereafter the railroad companies will no longer assume responsibility for the safe and direct transmission of corpses, but these, according to an official circular just issued by the roads of Texas, must be attended to by the person accompanying the body.

The tax collector of Dallas county has completed a certified list of citizens of Dallas county who have paid their poll tax for the year 1907, showing a total of 11,204 paid polls and 1,111 exemptions, or a total voting strength of 12,315. The list shows the qualified voters by precincts.

The Wrought Iron Range Company, of St. Louis, Mo., has obtained a permit from the Secretary of State to do business in this State. This company has a capital stock of \$1,000, and the Texas headquarters are to be located at Fort Worth.

Mrs. Sallie Bryant, aged seventy years, whose mind had become unbalanced on account of ill health, jumped into a lake behind the oil mill at Farmersville, and was drowned before she could be rescued.

The election in Nacogdoches to determine whether or not the city of Nacogdoches should issue \$50,000 in bonds for a waterworks plant resulted in 202 votes for and 33 against. A light vote was polled, some of the largest taxpayers declining to vote.

The Sherman High School building was completely destroyed by fire at an early hour Friday morning. The building was of stone and brick. The cost of the building and furniture was \$29,000; insurance \$18,000.

The City Council of Denison has granted to R. C. Deming a franchise to run natural gas into Denison. Mr. Deming is at the head of a large syndicate which is operating natural gas plants in Kansas and Indian Territory.

John Hall, a farmer, living four miles south of Blanket is dead, from shooting himself in the head with a shotgun. Two brothers witnessed the act, but were not near enough to prevent it.

THE SOLDIERS CONFESS

THE VEIL LIFTED FROM THE BROWNSVILLE SHOOTING.

SCARED AND TIRED THEY TELL

Five of the Negro Soldiers Have Confessed to the Authorities at Galveston.

Galveston, Tex., March 18.—By the confession of five negroes who belonged to the Twenty-Fifth Infantry and were discharged by President Roosevelt for shooting up the town of Brownsville, Texas, on the night of August 13, 1906, an entirely new phase has been given the case, which is the most sensational thing that has come to light concerning the affair which has attracted the attention of the whole country since the outrageous work was done.

The five negroes arrived here Saturday, and from what can be learned they have made a clean breast of everything and furnished testimony which will no doubt help to clear up the case. The discharged soldiers bear each other out in the statement that a Mexican woman was the prime cause of the riot, which cost the life of one man, resulted in the shooting up of several houses and eventually in the discharge of the regiment.

They claim that one of the soldiers had taken up with a Mexican woman who lived in the city of Brownsville somewhere near the barracks, and when he, and others who had been going with the woman found a white man in her house they became enraged, and going to the barracks called for volunteers to help "shoot up the town," as they put it. They claim that quite a number of the soldiers responded and immediately the shooting began.

While hunting for the white man who had been caught with their friend (the Mexican woman) they took occasion to fire their guns, and eventually became so angered that they fired at everything they saw. They hurried back to barracks after the shooting had been done, and from that hour they have been absolutely quiet about the affair.

Their reason for finally giving their side of the matter now is said to be due to the fact that it appeared useless for them to hold out against such strong evidence which has come to light since the investigations have been on. Each and every one of the five stand firmly on what he says and there is no doubt about their seriousness in this affair.

Considerable excitement has been occasioned here in circles where the news leaked out and it is the whole topic of conversation. No ill feeling is entertained, however, and the negroes are as safe here as if they were in the hands of officers.

Good Price for Texas Onions.

San Antonio: Roy Campbell, sales agent of the Southern Texas Truck Growers' Association, has received a report of the sale of the first car of onions in Chicago, shipped from Corpus Christi. The car contained 500 crates, and sold in Chicago for \$2.65 a crate, or a total of \$1,325. The highest price ever received for a car of Texas onions shipped out of the State. The car will net the owner \$2.20 a crate, or \$1,100.

Kaufman Baptists are arranging to build a \$10,000 meeting house.

Certainly Converted.

Chicago: A dispatch to the Record-Herald from Litchfield, Ill., says: Nearly \$1,000 worth of whiskey, wine and high grade intoxicating beverages of all kinds were poured out on the streets here in the presence of thousands of spectators as a result of the conversion of J. F. Teany, a saloon keeper. The barrels and bottles were smashed, and the ex-saloon keeper conducted the smashing.

Pittsburg's Loss is Heavy.

Pittsburg, Pa.: There is no reason to change the estimate of the property and business losses from the flood. Two most conservative figures are \$10,000,000, and from this they run all the way up to \$20,000,000. The loss of life in the three flood days has not yet been definitely ascertained. At least a score of persons met death in the flood, and many are said to be missing.

Miss Vilda Bell, the 15-year-old daughter of Asa Bell, living near Duncan, I. T., was driving a team hitched to a stalk cutter, when the horses became frightened and ran away. The girl was thrown in front of the machine and killed, and her body was dragged quite a distance.

Advices from Tacoma, Va., say that six persons are positively known to have lost their lives in the explosion which wrecked the coal mine of the Bruce & Bond Company, near that place.

FAMOUS THAW CASE DRAWING TO THE CLOSE.

The Hummel Evidence Will Have Much Weight With the Jury.

New York, March 19.—When the Thaw trial was adjourned yesterday afternoon there remained but four expert witnesses to be examined before the taking of evidence closes. Three experts were disposed of in little more than an hour, so it is generally believed that the last word of evidence may be uttered in the famous case today. In that event the summing up by Mr. Delmas for the defense will begin Wednesday morning. District Attorney Jerome will reply on Thursday, Justice Fitzgerald may proceed immediately with his charge to the jury, or he may defer it until Friday.

Unless the unexpected happens, there should be a verdict by Friday night.

The case for the people was finally closed yesterday by the introduction of the much-talked-of Hummel affidavit, which, with the consent of the defense, was read to the jury in full. The affidavit proved a surprise only in the alleged severity of assaults Harry K. Thaw is said to have made upon Evelyn Nesbit during their trip through Europe in 1903, when, according to the testimony of Abraham Hummel, Miss Thaw would not sign statements that Thaw had prepared, accusing Stanford White of having drugged and ruined her.

In this affidavit, Miss Nesbit charges Thaw with having attacked her with a cowhide whip while they were stopping at an old castle in the Austrian Tyrol, and the whipping of her bare skin until she became faint from the pain, and swooned. He repeated the attack next day, and afterward in Paris, he beat her at half-hour intervals throughout one entire day, leaving off only when she would faint away and could no longer understand what was happening. Miss Nesbit is alleged to have sworn in the affidavit that she was in daily fear for her life, and that Thaw acted like a demented person during some of the assaults.

OPINION OF RIVER PILOT.

Captain Edrington Says Stern Wheel Tow Boats Best for Trinity.

Dallas: Captain W. H. Edrington, river pilot, and commander of the Harvey when she was in commission on the Trinity, declares that the class of boat best adapted to successful traffic on the Trinity is the stern-wheel towboat with sufficient power to push two 300 ton barges at a speed of eight miles an hour.

"A boat of this class," said Captain Edrington, "can make the trip from Dallas to Galveston and back once every two weeks, besides handling the products of the numerous sawmills and other manufactories which will be erected all along the route. The forests of walnut, hickory, ash, pecan, pine, cottonwood and cedar, also gravel beds, heretofore inaccessible, will afford an abundance of material for transportation for years to come."

Salvador in the Row.

Panama: According to information received from Salvador, that country has allied itself openly with Honduras in the war with Nicaragua. On March 10, 2500 Salvadoran soldiers landed at Amapala and proceeded the next morning in the direction of Choluteca. This body came from San Miguel, in Honduras, and are under the command of General Jose Dolores Pensa. It is reported that General Bonilla, President of Honduras at the head of a body of troops, has started for Seagovia, Nicaragua.

W. J. Rhees, keeper of archives of the Smithsonian Institution, died of heart failure Monday. In point of service Mr. Rhees was one of the oldest employes of that institution, having been connected with it since 1852.

Since the loss of \$36,000 of the Southern Pacific Railway's money in the manipulation of a supposed cross-tie deal, the officials of the Southern Pacific have concluded to have a photograph taken of every man, woman and boy employed on that system.

H. H. Chamberlaine, superintendent of the mines of the Crescent Coal Co., at Slocum, Ala., and Joe Creek, a miner, are dead, and Will Creek, the latter's brother, is dying, as the result of a three-cornered pistol duel at the mines Monday.

While 200 persons, among them several Americans, were waiting Sunday morning in Clementine Hall for the appearance of the Pope, an elderly Italian woman died of syncope. Her remains were conveyed to her home in one of the Papal carriages.

Health officials have begun the task of cleaning up the flood scenes in Pittsburg in an endeavor to avert an epidemic of sickness which is threatening the city. Compulsory measures were resorted to in order to compel haste and thoroughness.

A wireless telegraph expert advances the theory that the explosion on the French battleship Iena a few days ago, with such terrible loss of life was caused by an accumulation of secondary waves in the first section to explode.

Our Austin Contributor

John E. Davis

Austin, March 18.

What the Railroads Want.

It is the belief among a great many of the Legislators that the railroad attorneys are doing all they can to promote the passage of measures to increase the ad valorem taxes on farm lands and town and city property with the hope that the passage of such measures would finally result in the repeal of such laws as the Williams Intangible Asset Tax law and the Love gross receipts tax law, as well as to make it unnecessary for laws of similar character affecting them to be passed by future Legislatures. No intimation is given or suggestion made that they are trying to improperly influence any Legislator, nor is it known for a certainty that they are quietly using their influence to push these measures, but the opinion seems at least a plausible one.

Wants Long Sheets.

Senator Griggs of Harris County has introduced a bill to compel all hotels, boardinghouses, rooming houses, and all other houses by whatever name which receive guests for sleeping purposes and receive pay therefor, to renovate and disinfect all bedding and bed-clothing at least three times per year; to change towels and bed linens before offering the room, bed or apartment to another guest, and to require the upper sheet to be nine feet long, so that it may tuck back over the upper ends of all coverlets, blankets, comforts, or other covering upon such bed, bunk or cot. Representative Blanton of Cooke County has offered a similar bill in the House. Evidently Messrs. Griggs and Blanton, in their rambles, have been up against it good and strong on the potel proposition. These things should be done, they say, as precautionary measures against the spread of disease.

No More "Unanimous Consent"—Bigger Than the Platform.

If Representative Brown, of Wharton, sticks to his word, and he has given every evidence that he will, no more bills will be taken up in the House out of their regular order by unanimous consent. A few days ago one of the members scored Br. Brown for objecting to and thereby preventing the consideration of a local bill with the result that Mr. Brown, who earned last session the sobriquet of "Sunny Jim" rose in his seat and announced that he would object every time hereafter when unanimous consent was sought. He also created a mild sensation by exclaiming that platform demands ought to be "chucked" out the window. He said he wasn't elected by the State Convention which made the platform, and that he would support a platform demand when it suited him and oppose it when it did not.

Days About Members of the House.

Of the one hundred and thirty-three members of the House of Representatives, seventy-five are lawyers by profession, twenty-two farmers, ten are newspaper men and ten are merchants. The balance are cattlemen, physicians, ministers, etc., no other profession having more than five representatives. Seventy of the members were born in Texas. Tennessee comes next, as seventeen were born in that State and thirteen are natives of Alabama. Two are natives of Germany, one of Bohemia, one of England and one of Ireland. Representatives I. A. Patton, of Johnson County and John T. Curry of Van Zandt County are the oldest members of the body, each of these gentlemen being sixty-nine years of age. Representative W. A. Nelson, of Hopkins County, bears the distinction of being the youngest member, being only twenty-three years of age. Capt. A. T. McKinney, of Walker County, and Representative L. P. Wilson, of Gregg County, have served in more sessions of the Legislature than any other member, both of these having served in five previous sessions.

Platform Demands.

Perhaps a stronger effort has been made during this Legislature to enact into law the Democratic platform demands than was ever done before, but it is safe to say that all of them will not be written on the statutes by this Legislature. In close States platforms are built for the main purpose of attracting the voters, but in Texas about the only purpose they serve is to indicate the wishes of the people and they do not always do that. In a close state the party managers are very careful about what goes in the platform; in Texas they appear very indifferent at times as the State is sure to go overwhelmingly Democratic regardless of the platform. Some of the platform demands—perhaps a big majority of the last Democratic platform demands—called for legislation on questions that have long been issues before the people and which are really demanded and desired by the people. Some of them, however, but represent the pet scheme of certain politicians or delegates to the State convention and were railroaded through while the delegates were weltering under the effects of a July sun.

The Election Law.

A question that the Legislature will find hard to settle is the nomination of candidates in primary elections. The three propositions up for consideration are the majority plan, which would necessitate two primary elections; the plurality plan and the preferential ballot. The matter was discussed to a considerable extent last week and the good features of each plan shown up but no action was taken and the matter will go over to the last of this week or possibly until next week.

State Politics.

Aspirants for State offices usually let their wants become known during the session of the Legislature next preceding election year, and while there is not as much talk of that kind as usual, nevertheless political matters are beginning to shape themselves for the campaign that will take place next year. Governor Campbell and State Treasurer Sparks are now serving their first terms and it is not at all probable that either of them will have opposition. Lieutenant Governor Davidson is also serving his first term, and he will probably make the race for re-election without opposition, though some of those who heard Senator Bailey score the Lieutenant Governor in a recent speech delivered in the Hall of the House of Representatives, believe that he will use his influence to induce some friend of his to make the race against Mr. Davidson, though I do not believe he will. Attorney General Davidson, it is understood, will not be a candidate for re-election, and Speaker Thomas B. Love of Dallas and Senator S. P. Skinner of Waxahachie are being groomed for the race for Attorney General. Comptroller Stephens is understood to be a candidate for re-election, and Senator D. A. Paulus of Hallettsville is an avowed candidate for that office. Land Commissioner Terrell, it is said, will retire at the expiration of his present term, and it is reported that J. T. Robinson, the present Chief Clerk in the Land Office, will make the race, and it is probable that former Representative W. H. Marsh of Tyler will also be a candidate for that office. While no announcement, so far as I know, has been made to that effect, the prevalent opinion is that State Superintendent of Education R. B. Cousins will not seek re-election and that F. M. Bralley, the present Chief Clerk in the Department of Education, will be a candidate to succeed Prof. Cousins, and it is also reported that Representative J. M. Alderice of Waxahachie may be a candidate for that office. Representative Huling P. Robertson of Bell County will probably be a candidate for Speaker of the next House of Representatives, and while he may have opposition, no other candidate has developed up to this time.

Convicts on Public Roads.

The sentiment throughout the State, and especially in North Texas, is strongly in favor of the working of short term State convicts on the public roads and is against the convict lease system. The two powerful influences that have accomplished its defeat in past Legislatures and which appear to have gotten in their work in this one, is the penitentiary management and the big interests that profit by the present lease system.

Work Better for Less Pay.

Col. W. G. Sterett, the well known staff writer of the Dallas-Galveston News, came down a few days ago to see the boys and get a line on things as they were. On the train from Dallas here, he remarked to the writer that the Legislature is the only body of men he ever saw who worked better for \$2 per day than they did for \$5; that the usual rule was that the better paid a man was, the more work he did.

No Summer Vacations.

The action of the general appropriation committee in the House in inserting a clause in the general appropriation bill requiring all clerks in the various departments to work eight hours each day and all days in the year, excepting Sundays and legal holidays, has caused considerable comment among the clerks. This action means nothing more or less than cutting out the two weeks' vacation usually given the clerks in the various departments.

Daughters of Confederacy Win Out.

For several years the Daughters of the Confederacy have been urging the passage of a resolution providing for the submission of a Constitutional amendment permitting the State to grant aid in the establishment of a home for the wives and widows of Confederate soldiers. Such a resolution has been offered in every Legislature for several years, but always failed of passage. This time, however, it has been passed by the Legislature and approved by the Governor. As is known, there is in Austin a State home for disabled or indigent Confederate soldiers but there has been no provision made heretofore for the wives and widows of Confederate soldiers.

Doing Business Rapidly.

Some idea of the rapidity with which the Legislature is now transacting business can be given by the statement that more measures, perhaps, have been passed in the past two weeks than in the preceding eight weeks. This, however, is always the case toward the close of the session, but when bills are rushed through in such a hurry there is some danger that the members may not be careful enough of what they are doing.

May Adjourn April 6th.

The House has adopted a resolution providing for sine die adjournment on April 6th, but the Senate has taken no action. It is believed that the general appropriation bill can be passed by that time and if the Legislature should pass that necessary measure and adjourn on that day it is not believed, that the Governor will call an extra session, though some members think he will if certain platform demands are not enacted into laws before the adjournment.

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Be sure your man uses a tinting material mixed with cold water. If he comes to you and asks for warm water, you can make up your mind that there is glue in the material which he proposes to put on your wall, and you can be certain that you are going to have a shoddy wall, for glue means shoddy. Glue means that it will hold its color long enough for the man to collect his bill and not much longer. Insist on your tinting material being mixed with clear, cold water. Be sure that your wall is made from pure materials, then you will have a permanent, artistic, sanitary wall. A wall that will be a "thing of beauty and a joy forever."

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SERIAL STORY

Lavender Creighton's Lovers

By OLIVIA B. STROHM

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CHAPTER XXIV.—CONTINUED.

At last, with the wind swaying the trees, the water kissing the pebbles as accompaniment to her words, she spoke: "To-day, to-night, the doubt is gone; I trust you utterly. But—and I give you fair warning—I may change again."

She nodded her head merrily! her mood was, on a sudden, strangely light—almost hysterical. Then, more seriously: "I don't trust my moods lately, they vary so. I may have been right then—or I may be right now, but I want to be honest to-night—honest with my heart—and you. And to-night, for the present, all's well."

"And, sweet one, for so much, thanks. You know the wisest man has said: 'There is a time to love and a time to hate.' Let us be happy now in the 'time to trust, the time to love.'"

Owatoga returned, and at his suggestion Boone rose. "You are right, we must press on," he said, and the Indian advanced to Lavender. "Owatoga will carry the white maid over the water; the ford is deep."

Lifting her as though she were no greater burden than the quiver that swung over one shoulder, he raised her to the other and plunged into the river.

The others followed, but the opposite side regained, the old pioneer staggered and fell, half fainting, in Winslow's arms.

"You are ill, sir? Quick, Owatoga! The brandy." And they worked hard to revive the old man who lay in a stupor on the sand.

"I—I have felt only tolerable well for a few days, and—and the walk—the walk has—has tired me. The water was cold—cold." And he shivered.

So all night they camped there, Owatoga guarding against surprise while Winslow and Lavender, too anxious for sleep, watched the pioneer, who lay helpless with fatigue and sudden cold. With early dawn he rallied a bit, and they pushed on until, at noon, they paused in a beautiful, sheltered grove.

Boone smiled like a pleased, tired child. "I shall rest here," he said. "I think we are secure; they have probably abandoned the trail. At any rate, I need go no further. St. Charles is but a few miles due east. You can easily reach it to-night. Good-by."

In vain they insisted upon remaining with him until he was stronger.

"No; for the sake of the girl's anxious father—for her sick mother, she must be brought home at once. Lose no time. I can soon have a cabin here as good as the one we left."

They set to work, and in a small ravine, with a pallid of poplars protecting it, and a hedge of pawpaw bushes all about, they put up a tiny shelter which the rugged woodsman declared was fit for a king's chamber.

When the time for farewells was come, Owatoga surprised Winslow by extending a ruddy hand. "Good-by," he said.

Daniel Boone, too, looked up amazed. "Why, how is this?" But the Indian sturdily retorted: "Owatoga stays; he will not leave the old man of the woods."

In vain Boone protested. "He is right," Winslow declared; "the main road lies just beyond that ridge. We can easily find it, and the journey is short. Our one regret, sir, is leaving you."

And there were tears in Lavender's eyes when she bent over and reverently kissed the high forehead and smoothed the long, white hair. "God bless you, girl," he said, weakly. "If you never see Daniel Boone again, think of him sometimes. And think of him as the 'old man of the woods.'"

He added this proudly, as though he wished no nobler title. Owatoga went with them until in sight of the road—a narrow hall in the green pavilion of nature, a weed-grown gap in the wilderness. With a few terse directions, and a gruff farewell, the guide left them to complete the journey together.

CHAPTER XXV.

"The King's Highway is a little uncertain," Winslow laughed as they trudged over the trail where only the faintest mark of wheels showed traces of frontier enterprise.

Lavender tried to return the sally, but the words would not come, and she walked by his side, dumb and heavy-eyed.

"Why so pensive?" he asked at last. But her reply was evasive, and he said no more, but talked of things impersonal.

About noon they rested by a brook that invited them by a cheerful gurgle. Lavender sat on the mossy turf while Winslow busied himself arranging the luncheon from a hamper.

At the brookside he filled a leaf with water.

"Drink," he commanded. "This is the cup of Lethe! You need it with that tragedy in your eyes."

"Have we time to stay here and rest a little?" she asked.

Winslow glanced at the sun. "He has long to travel," he said. "He will light us for hours yet," and he threw himself at her feet, while she said, with light raillery: "I see you have caught some of Owatoga's tricks of speech."

After a pause he said: "You are cold to me to-day; you are not happy with me. Won't you tell me why?" She did not answer.

"Lavender" (and he lingered over the name), "Tell me why. Is this, then, the 'time to hate?'"

She looked into his eyes frankly. "No," she said; "no, not a 'time to hate.' That time will never come. But it is a 'time to talk.' A time to think. A time to be honest with myself—and you."

Self-disgust was vibrant in her voice. Then she opened the bag which again dangled at her waist, and from it drew the yellow envelope.

Winslow gave an exclamation of distressed annoyance, but said nothing. "Then you recognize this?" and there was haughty distrust again in her manner.

"I am sorry to say I do. May I ask how it came in your possession?" His manner, too, was cold and peremptory.

She did not reply, and he continued: "The abominable mystery—for me—surrounding that letter is bad enough without your being mixed up in it; that I cannot bear."

With flashing eyes she returned: "It is true that this letter is none of my affair unless—unless we are to be friends. If we are," her voice dropped lower, "then surely I have the right to know why she—that half-breed woman—wrote this?"

She extended the letter toward him, entreating, reproach and scorn in her look and tone.

Winslow took it calmly and, glancing it over with an indifferent air, said: "She did not write it."

"Did not write it?" she repeated, vaguely.

"She did not. I have the best proof in the world. She cannot write at all."

Then, as she stared at him dumfounded, he explained further: "This letter is a forgery—written for what purpose, Heaven alone knows. Its only result was that, in total ignorance of the reason for my summons, or of whom I was going to meet, I came to the place appointed—in time to receive a stab in the dark. Of course, I was a fool to go, but—well, you see the note is urgent. 'For the sake of one I love,' the writer says."

He ended with a meaning look straight into her eyes, which were beginning to droop before the absolute honesty in his.

"The woman, Belle, has assured me that she never sent me a message of any sort; the question is—who did?"

"Who, indeed? A dreadful doubt was fomenting in Lavender's brain, but she pressed falteringly: "But the girl—she who was in the woods that night?"

He laughed. "Well, I suppose I must take everybody's word that there was a girl there, but—well, I did not see her. It is plain I did not have my wits about me. By the way, I have met her since; our estates join; he added, with mock dignity.

Already penitent, ashamed of questions which might seem at best a low curiosity, at worst a foolish jealousy, Lavender yet persisted: "Then you—you did not know her before?"

"How could I have had that pleasure? You know that was my first appearance in St. Charles. Rather an inauspicious debut, wasn't it?"

Quickly over the girl's mind flashed the conversation she had heard at the frolic; the gossip of the "branch-water girl," and her "city beau."

In an attempt to make the crooked straight, she repeated the talk to him now, concluding: "None of the gossip of the city cavalier impressed me at the time, but later, when I heard of the meeting in the wood, it seemed reasonable to think that—that you were the man."

She faltered through this with an apologetic blush, and for a moment Winslow was silent.

Then: "Reasonable?" he echoed. "My effort to please you has surely been in vain if you think it 'reasonable' that I could stoop to secret trips to St. Charles for the sly working of a rustic maid."

Indignation rose with speech, and he finished, sternly: "You have done—not only me, but yourself—a great injustice."

She was dumb; stricken with an overwhelming sense of loss—loss of the man who was more than worthy of the love which she now realized had always been his—must ever be his.

And Winslow's manner softened as she drooped before him in sweet contrition. "Never mind, sweetheart," he said, tenderly; but she interrupted him with sudden vehemence: "Then why did they remind me over and over again that you killed her father, and—"

For a moment Charles forgot his promise to Sue Miller, and burst out: "I? Killed her father?"

Then with swift recollection of his bond of silence: "Go on," he said, calmly.

"I was going to say that the circumstances under which you took his life, as I have since learned them, make his death appear in—well, in a different light."

"But still bad? You would think it better if no man's blood cried to me from the ground?"

Unconsciously she sighed in consent, but quickly answered: "It is so different to me now. He was not the father protecting his child, but an antagonist who sprang at you unawares."

He did not reply, and she went on: "But there must have been a mistake; the old man probably thought you were another. Did not the girl's lover appear?"

"I saw nobody," he declared. "Does anyone know who he is, or do they all think of you as I did?" He did not look at her as he replied, indirectly: "It is a matter of indifference to me what 'they' think, so long as I am right in your eyes. And you—you believe in me, now?"

He bent closer, trying to see into her eyes. But she kept them turned from him, fixed with unseeing gaze upon the river hurrying past them.

She did believe in him with a faith unalterable, but that faith grew, rose another mist of doubt—doubt of that other, of that man who had held the mirror wherein Winslow had appeared in such a bad light for her distorted vision. Was he, too, mistaken, or was he purposely misleading her? She dared not reason calmly. To distrust Gonzaga now would mean misery—would set all her hopes adrift. For was he not her betrothed, her mother's choice for her? The man who was to bring that mother back to home and life?

The last thought stilled the tumult in her breast, and remorse toward Winslow, thwarted love for him, suspicion of Gonzaga, all sank—weighed in this last scale. Her mother's health and comfort had before seemed all-important; was it only because, in her own unhappy state, nothing mattered anyway? When the one man in the world was gone out of her life, it had seemed easy to dedicate it to filial piety. But now—now that his love was hers, that the boon was within reach, was she to forget what had been so plain a duty? Because the plan was now a sacrifice, indeed, was she to renounce it? Conscience told her that though the path of duty were harder, it was just as clear.

He interrupted her musing: "We must not linger, dearest." And he took both her hands to help her up beside him; then, with sudden passion, drew her close.

But at the first sign of her rebellion he gently released her, and they stood, the man and the maid, facing each other in the road.

A squirrel ran, unalarmed, across their path. A blackbird scolded from a walnut tree near, and the scent of the green nuts was overpowering. Ever afterwards their pungent fragrance called to mind this scene—the sandy road with its border of tangled grass, and in the center of the picture the girl, ankle deep in flowering weeds. On the muslin bodice was a stain of pokeberry juice, forming a crimson cross on her breast.

"Forgive me," he said, simply. Her voice was strained and weary as she answered: "There is nothing to forgive, only—I have no right to love you."

"There is somebody else?" She bowed.

"And you would not tell me before?" She raised her hand, as if to ward off a blow. "Don't; I was weak last night," she pleaded, "and it was sweet to drift. But I am strong now—strong to live without your love. But not—your friendship! Let that ever abide with me."

She extended both hands, and he took them in silence. At that moment there was a sound in the forest, an indistinguishable sound; but their hearts stood still to hear.

CHAPTER XXVI

A strange sound in those wild woods was enough to make the boldest start. All day they had heard only the hum of bee, or twitter of bird; the swaying of branch or flutter of leaf in the too ardent caress of the south wind.

But this noise was none of these. It came from the road whence they had journeyed. The Indians! They were overtaken!

A fear seized the girl—a horror so awful that she would have fallen but for Winslow's protecting arms. For no other terror the mind of those days could conjure had power to appal like this. As both stood to catch the sounds that grew nearer, they distinguished the tramp of hoofs, and mingled with these the voices and laughter of many men.

Laughter! Speech! Here was relief so great that they wanted to shout aloud—to give it some physical utterance. For Indians did not pursue fugitives with tumult of voices and clatter of harness.

"Thank God for the laughter!" Winslow cried. "The 'crackling of thorns' shall be my next toast."

Lavender's smile was an effort as nearer came the ring of hoofs and the sound of men in loud talk. They were not Indians—for that she was deeply grateful, but what were they? Any interruption was unwelcome now. A premonition of evil made her shrink back as a troop of horsemen filed into view. The search party! Winslow was ashamed of his sudden sinking of heart at the sight which should have been so welcome, for her sake. But their happy rode together was ended now. Gerald rode ahead, Gonzaga beside him.

"Gerald, brother," and, clapping her hands, ecstatically, Lavender rushed from the protecting shrubbery into the middle of the road.

There was confusion in the band of riders; the sudden halt was followed by a variety of oaths and exclamations. Amidst a volley of questions the leaders dismounted and advanced, Gerald first. Lavender stepped to meet him, but the eager welcome left her lips as she read in his face distrust and anger.

Without touching her outstretched hand: "So, we have found you!" he said.

That was all, and there was a ring in his voice, a glitter in his eyes like steel.

"Why, Gerald, have you no word of welcome—are you not glad to see me?"

Here Winslow interposed, quietly: "I fear I am the one he is not glad to see," and he faced the brother who surveyed him in haughty silence.

"But why—I, I don't understand," Lavender stammered, looking helplessly from one to the other.

Here Gonzaga bowed low to her. "Perhaps I can enlighten you, Miss Creighton. But first—" and, advancing a step, he offered his hand.

Mechanically she put her palm in his and, holding it in a lingering pressure, he continued: "First allow me to say how glad I am to see you safe and well."

She withdrew her hand. "This is no time for compliment, senior. I am surely puzzled at this greeting. Where I expected pleasure, a word of welcome, at least, I meet with coldness, and a public snub. I am loath to turn from my brother for explanation, but it seems I am forced to it."

At this Gerald's anger burst all bounds, and he cried: "What? You ask what is the matter? You, who disappeared with this man's servant, only to be encountered alone with the master two days later?"

Winslow stood silent, holding himself in check by a great effort.

To his surprise, Lavender gave a little sarcastic laugh. "Are you worried about the servant? He is safe—as I have been."

Then dropping the mask of lightness, "Safe," she repeated. "Safe, with this gentleman, but for whom you would have gone back to our mother—alone."

She ended with a touch of solemnity which was not without its effect upon her brother. He turned toward Winslow, but before he could speak, Gonzaga interposed, with a laugh, low, rippling, but not pleasant to hear. "We all agree in delight at your rescue—I, of all men, have cause to rejoice," and again he bent over her hand.

(To Be Continued.)

HYPODERMIC PERFUMES.

Cologne Injection Under the Skin Imparts Odor to the Person.

The perfumer brought out a box of rose lacquer, lined with rose colored silk, wherein there lay a half dozen little bottles of cologne and a tiny gold hypodermic syringe.

"The latest Parisian novelty," he said. "The hypodermic perfume box."

And he put into the syringe a little heliotrope extract, turned back his cuff and injected the essence into his arm above the wrist.

"There," he said. "Now I shall smell like a bed of heliotrope for two days." The dealer went on to explain that the hypodermic use of perfumes had been discovered by a French chemist, and that the women of Paris were taking up the idea enthusiastically.

"I imported a dozen hypodermic perfume boxes," he said, "and this is the last one I have left. So the idea, you see, may be said to be taking in America, too."

"Ordinary perfumes injected give forth no odor. A special preparation, the invention of the French chemist, must be used. These preparations are costly, but they are also wonderful. A few drops injected into a woman's blood turn her body into a great, fragrant flower."

Woman's Way.

A man on a business trip arrived in town and went to a hotel. Shortly after a friend called and was shown up to his room. He found the traveler sitting in a chair surveying with a gloomy countenance a trunk which stood against the wall.

"What's the matter?" asked the caller.

"I want to get a suit of clothes out of that trunk," was the answer.

"Well, what's the difficulty—lost the key?"

"No, I have the key all right," said the other, heaving a sigh. "I'll tell you how it is. My wife packed that trunk. She expected to come with me, but was prevented at the last moment. To my certain knowledge she put in enough to fill three trunks she way a man would pack them. If I open it the things will boil up all over the room and I could never get half of them back."

"Now, what I'm wondering about is whether it would be cheaper to go out and buy a new suit of clothes or two additional trunks."—Stray Stories.

An Extraordinary Wife.

The French are a delightful people. Where, save in Paris, would the wife of a dramatist rush into print to describe her emotion when her husband read to her his new play? Mme. Catulle Mendes relates how the author of "Scarron," after a year's meditation, wrote for 14 hours a day till the masterpiece was done. Then he read it to her. "He read it in the glow of creation, the triumphant joy of a task achieved. It was night. Everybody was asleep in the house. All was silent in the garden and on the high road. I heard only the sonorous voice reciting the verse, felt only the palpitation of souls out of the historic past, troubled and torn, bitter or brutal, in their new kingdom of art. Ah! what incomparable hours!" This picture of Mme. Catulle Mendes listening, and all nature listening with her, while the poet declaimed will make some dramatic authors sigh with envy.

Judging by Effects.

"My daughter adores her piano." "From the way the unhappy instrument shrieks and groans, I'm afraid her love is not reciprocated."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Center of Feeling.

It is when the pocket is touched that things begin to stir.

Farmers' Co-Operative Union Of America

What we started to say is that cotton should be wrapped in duck and the ties should be cotton ropes. And that is the gospel truth.

Can't you do something toward making the next meeting more interesting? Try it once, and you will be surprised how that meeting grew in interest to you.

Don't forget that the best paying proposition on the farm is the poultry yard, and is it the same time the most neglected.

Put the prices at something like the prices that the speculator holds his lands at, and he will soon let go of his speculative stuff.

The big farm is not the natural way of farming. The big farm is doomed to go before many generations, or else all the people will have to suffer.

The hot sun and dry weather of the summer is worse, if possible, than the winter on all sorts of tools and implements left to the elements. Build you a shelter.

The gardens are now getting in good shape, and soon the talk will be about the home made potatoes and stewed chicked. Mighty good sort of a thing to eat, as well as talk about.

Don't forget that you have as much interest in the corners as you have in the open fields, and that stuff grows better, as a rule, in the corners than anywhere else. Take a hint.

Nature never intended that you should take the land that I need and hold it away from me, and some time, and in some way nature will get around the system that is pauperizing the people.

Unionism will settle the bonanza farm proposition. The little fellow can manage things in such a way that the bonanza farmer cannot compete with him. As soon as the little fellow learns to raise at home what he consumes at home, he will have mastered the problem of "taking care of the situation."

If you have an apology to offer for the Union, get out of the organization first. If you have nothing to feel proud of the Union, it is a sign that you have an ambition of the automobile order, while your building power is of the wheelbarrow caliber. In this latter case, it makes but little difference whether you are in or out of anything; you are a knot on a stick.

If the farmer will cut out politics and politicians in the meetings and in their thoughts, and put in all their time to the advancement of the raising and selling of farm products, to the education of their children and to the making of farm life happier and less irksome and to a higher plane of thought and action, there will be a bloodless revolution that will pale the great world's revolutions into insignificance.

There is nothing in the "two-cent fare," nor in "penny postage" to the farmer, except that he will have the reduction to pay in increased freight rates to the roads and in taxes to the Government. The farmer is not a traveler; he is a shipper; he is not interested in fares; but he is vitally interested in the "man who pays the freight." It is the meddling politician—not always a party politician, either—who is interested in the reduced fare. He wants to make his ways to all public meetings cheap and the "fool farmers" can make it up to the railroads, you bet," and he will have to do it, too.

Have you got some vines growing over the porch, so that God will meet you the first thing in the morning with a feast of refreshment for the eye and nose? If you haven't, invite Him in at once.

When a machine gets out of date, or when some new machine is invented, the progressive factory immediately discards its old machinery, and installs the new. This is good business sense. The fact is, the factory could not meet the competition with the old-fashioned machinery. What does the farmer do about this sort of thing? How many have absolutely driven their poor bred stock out on the commons and abandoned them for improved breeds? Not one, nor is this radical step required, but it is necessary for him to get rid of the poor breeds, if he would live up to his opportunities and privileges. Put the sorry machinery out of the shop and get the sort that will meet all competition, is good doctrine in a factory, and it is a mighty poor farm where the same plan is not the very best one to pursue.

Speaking of reading the papers leads up to another thing. It frequently happens that what appears to be a genuine news article is an advertisement pure and simple, and is paid for in the office of the paper. This does not mean the disguised medicine advertisement, but that sort that smooth politicians and other schemers put in the papers as dispatches to create sentiment in favor of or against some measure they want to promote. This has been going on in the country for some time. Keep your eye peeled on the schemer who wants to create a monopoly or promote a grab by "educating the public" up to his viewpoint.

COTTON DUCK BAGGING.

A number of local unions have passed resolutions favoring the use of cotton duck for bagging instead of jute bagging, and they give good reasons for their preference. It would seem that cotton duck would be the natural and reasonable, and most economical wrapping for cotton.

There is always a quantity of cotton raised on every farm of inferior grade, caused by rain stains and other things, that fetches only the lower prices. The demand for this grade of cotton is limited, but if cotton duck for bagging was generally adopted and the jute discarded, a good market for these inferior grades would be created. The quality of the cotton is all right in so far that it is sound and will make as strong, durable goods as the highest grades. It is claimed and very generally believed that the manufacture of jute bagging is in the hands of a trust that gouges the cotton raisers every year out of money enough to start several cotton duck factories in each of the cotton States, and if this be true, it will certainly be a wise thing to discard the jute bagging for the cotton duck.

The jute people would howl, of course, and try to head off such a movement, resorting to any and all means to circumvent it, going so far as to put down the price of their goods to cost or below, but if the cotton duck answers the purpose as well as the jute, even though it costs a little more, it ought to dethrone the jute, for it will pay to use it because of the enlarged market for the lower grades of the staple.

Remember that it is a good thing, a kind and helpful thing to humanity to kill a trust whenever you can. This jute bagging trust, if all reports be true, has preyed upon the cotton growers for years and years, growing rich at their expense by reason of extortionate prices for its products. Scourge the users and extortioners and money changers whenever the opportunity offers. Make opportunities when they do not offer. Rise up, farmers of this great land of ours, in the majesty of your might, and hurl from their vantage ground of oppression and injustice every trust and combine in existence in the country, and especially and particularly those monopolies that make you the victims of their spoliation and predatory machinations.

In discussing in your Local Unions the cotton duck bagging, discuss also the round bale. The principal objection urged to the round bale is its weight, being only about half that of the square bale; but if this is really detrimental it can be remedied. Presses can be made to turn out heavier bales, but it is questionable if the weight is a detriment. Light bales get to market in better condition than the heavy bales.—National Co-Operator.

BUT THEY DO STICK.

Don't tell us the farmers won't stick! At any rate enough of them are "sticking" to get good prices not only for Union cotton, but for the scab farmers' cotton as well. Which leads us to remark that the "scab" farmer ought to be heartily ashamed of himself. He is nothing more than a cowardly camp follower who profits by the victory of the army of organized producers, but slinks to the rear when the battle rages. This may be strong language, but it is the truth. If you do not like such a reproach, the only thing for you to do is to join the Farmers' Union now and do your part to throw off the yoke that wealthy thieves and gamblers have so long had around the necks of the American farmers.—Hallettsville New Era.

WHAT IT TAKES TO FARM.

There is no occupation and no profession which requires a wider range of intellectual faculties than that of farming, and it is passing strange that the men who farm should be looked upon so universally as mere muscular machines. The farmers themselves are largely responsible for this singular condition of affairs, because many of them, until recent years, believed wholly, or in part, in force farming, frowning upon the idea that scientific research or education from books would render the success of their business easier.

Knowledge is power. The cultivation of the brain is far more essential to success than the cultivation of the land. The soil can be made to do the bidding of man, and it will yield up its treasures of gold at each harvest time under the guidance of a properly equipped brain. Let us engineer for the future an active campaign of agricultural education.—Cotton Journal.

The Union will finally do away with the bonanza farm, unless the bonanza farmer does away with the Union.

Look over that list of topics prepared by President Calvin, and at a meeting of your local select one or two members to lead the discussion. Let it be understood that every member is expected to say something on this, and you will soon develop argumentative and oratorical within your local, and stimulate the minds of every member. The Farmers' Alliance did a full educational work in this. Never let the educational fever subside. The free and full exchange ways stimulates thought, spells progress.—Southern

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Whiskey has one more victim to its damnable credit.

The mud slinger often fails to besmirch the target at which he aims but he always soils his own hands.

Muzzaffer-Ed-Din, Shah of Persia, ascended the golden stair leading to the Mahometan "seventh heaven" the other day, leaving eight hundred Mrs. Dins to mourn his loss.

How do men get whiskey in Haskell? It devolves upon every good citizen as well as upon the officers of the law to answer this question. Outraged law and offended Deity demand an answer.

The Bond Propositions.

We publish this week for the information of our readers the order of the Commissioners' court for an election to be held on April 6 to authorize the issuance of \$40,000 of road and bridge bonds. We did not know of this order last week is the reason we made no mention of it.

It appears that there are two distinct propositions to be voted upon on the same date, the other being to authorize the issuance of \$16,000 of bonds for the construction of a new jail, and we take it that a man may vote for one and against the other, or for, or against both, but as the order in both cases provides exactly the same wording for the ballots we fail to see how the two tickets are to be separated or distinguished from each other, unless separate ballot boxes are used.

Not having seen any of the commissioners since we learned of the order for the road and bridge bond election, and the county judge being away on a trip to Dallas, we have not been able to ascertain the exact plans or ideas of the court as to the disbursement of the \$40,000, should it be voted, except that we have heard that they purpose paying off the \$11,000 of outstanding road and bridge bonds, and have heard merely in an incidental way—not directly—that their intention is to open some needed new roads and enter upon a general campaign of improvement of the principal roads in the county and to put in necessary drains and culverts of tiling instead of wood, which lasts only two or three years.

There has been a general demand for more roads and for the improvement of the roads for the past year or so, and if the money were to be judiciously used in the general betterment of the county roads no doubt it would be a good investment for the general good, as it is universally conceded that good roads are a matter of the greatest convenience and value to any country.

As stated, however, we are not officially advised as to the plans of the court, but think that the above fairly outlines their ideas. We believe it would be well for some of the commissioners to write us for publication a statement of their plans, or, perhaps better still, for them to get together and draw up an address to the public outlining their plans. The people like to know the details of a matter involving so large an expenditure.

Meantime the columns of the FREE PRESS are open to any citizen to discuss the matter over his own signature in any manner he may see fit to do, for or against.

Two Dead.

We regret to have to chronicle the sad bereavement of the family of Mr. Earnest Williams, who resides just east of town.

The City. On Thursday afternoon the infant granted to son, aged 14 months, died and on the to run natunight of the same day their little girl, Deming is at age, aged three years, died, the dicatc which use in each case being whooping plants in Kaugh and pneumonia. We also are ormed that they have a daughter years of age and a son of seven miles south of Bl disease, also, that Mr. Law, shooting himself sides on the same place, has an shotgun. Two brot, dangerously ill.

John Hall, a who are very sick with the act, but were not no children of Mr. Williams died in the Haskell cemetery rday afternoon.

McCarty was a caller at urseday and renewed his

THE FIRE FIEND

Lays in Ashes Seven Buildings on South Side of Square.

On Wednesday night a few minutes before 12 o'clock, fire was discovered in the row of business houses on the south side of the square, and by shouting, the firing of guns and the ringing of the court house bell, the majority of the male population was soon brought upon the scene. But the fire had gained a strong hold and, without any sort of apparatus for fighting fire, and a row of wooden houses extending from the Alexander Mercantile Co's. large concrete stone building on the northwest corner of the block clear through to the northeast corner, it was at once seen and realized that the whole row was doomed to swift destruction, and the entire efforts of the crowd was turned toward saving whatever could be carried out of the stores.

With a good breeze blowing from the south, the fire made such rapid progress that but little stuff could be rescued from the houses nearest the starting point, which was, according to the statements of most of the persons who were first upon the scene, in a narrow space between J. W. Bell's building and a small house occupied by Will Wells as a bicycle shop and owned by Durham and Shepard. It is said that the fire was running up the outer walls of both these houses when first discovered. The fact of the fire starting outside the buildings and at so late an hour leads many to believe that it was of incendiary origin, while some suggest that some late passer tossed a cigar stub out between the houses which alighted on some light trash and kindled the blaze.

A FREE PRESS representative saw the parties whose property was burned and got estimates of their losses and insurance as far as possible.

Beginning on the west end of the row is the Alexander Mercantile Co's. concrete building 90x100 feet, which was uninjured, although separated from the nearest burning building by the width of only one lot.

The next, a small two-story building owned and occupied by J. W. Bell & Son, was one of the first to burn and nothing was gotten out of the house. They estimate their loss, including books and accounts, at \$3,500 and had no insurance.

Next was a small house owned by Durham & Shepard and used by Will Wells as a bicycle and repair shop. Insured.

Next was an old building owned in Abilene by the Walsh estate and occupied by Will Wells with a stock of new and second hand goods, mostly furniture. Wells estimated his stock at about \$1,200 and had \$500 insurance. Only a small portion of his stock was saved from the fire. We were unable learn whether or not there was any insurance on the house, which was of little value, however.

The next building to burn was owned by W. P. Whitman and occupied by the L. P. Davidson Grain and Coal Co., who had only a small stock in at the time, valued at \$1,000 with \$300 insurance. No insurance on the house, which was valued at about \$500.

Next came the building owned by W. H. Patterson and occupied by Morgan & Tompkins with a stock of groceries valued at \$3,500 on which they had \$1,500 insurance. Possibly a fourth of their stock was saved. The house was worth \$500 or \$600 ad had some insurance on it but we failed to learn the amount.

Next was M. L. Lynch's place, occupied as a pool hall and restaurant. Building and contents

valued at \$800, no insurance.

The next and last was the corner building owned by J. S. Menefee and occupied by J. N. Ellis as a grocery and feed store. Nearly the entire stock and fixtures were carried out to a safe distance before the house burned, but there was considerable damage to stock, and the fixtures were pretty badly wrecked in the moving. There was sufficient insurance on them, however, to more than cover the damage. The house was worth probably \$800 and was insured.

So rapidly did the fire make headway that the last of the seven houses had fallen in at the expiration of about one hour from the starting of the fire, although it had to advance across the wind, which was from the south. The upward draft caused by the heat carried particles of burning shingles high in the air and they were borne over the public square and court house and many pieces fell upon the roofs of the stores and in the Spencer lumber yard on the block north of the square and some a considerable distance further north.

OUR SUNDAY COLUMN

The theme of Rev. Chambliss' sermon Sunday at the Methodist church was, "Fishers of Men," his text being taken from Matt. 4:19.

To briefly synopsize his discourse, Bro. Chambliss said in part: Jesus begins to select his disciples. He chooses no idler, but hunts for those who are busy and show that they have energy and are willing to work. God has no use for an idle man and will not give such a one a place. It is not the learned, or polished, or rich, as such; but the practical and industrious that he selects for his work. Hence he takes his followers from among the common people as well as from the rich and learned. We do not know much about the business of the disciples, but we do know that four were fishermen and one was a hated tax collector.

Christ can always use men that have energy and will do something. His object was to train these men for the work of catching men—saving souls. They must be disciples—learners from Him, before they can be apostles. It requires training in all avocations of life in order that the best success may be had, and the saving of men is no exception to the rule. To have influence over men is to possess a great talent, which may be used for good or for evil. But a devout Christian is the most potent means of influence that can be wielded for good. To follow Christ and learn of Him is the only way to attain unto this means of influencing men—then you will have power over men without having to study the art of bringing men under your power.

If men discover that you are trying to "work them" they will be the harder to work. But if they see that you are true and pure and good you will have a most powerful influence over them. So it is only as we follow Christ that we are able to lead men to him.

No one should say "I am too busy." You can follow him in the busiest calling of life so that, "men seeing your good works" will glorify God. Let every Christian try to lead some one to Christ during the coming week.

JIM BROWN

This now famous trotting and pacing stallion, one of the fastest harness horses in Texas, will make the coming season at Throckmorton.

Terms \$15.00 for the season and \$1.00 per month for pasture and handling mares. Money due when mares are taken away. Well fixed for water and grass. E. T. PARROTT, 124t Throckmorton.

New Blacksmith Shop.

We have opened a blacksmith shop just across the street, north of Cason, Cox & Co's. warehouse and invite the patronage of our friends and the general public. 124t Lamkin & Gardner.

Mr. Tom Isbell of Munday is visiting his mother and sisters.

Messrs. M. S. Shook, S. S. Cummings and J. W. Collins were among the Haskell crowd that took in the fat stock show at Fort Worth.

Boys, bring your bean sacks to L. P. Davidson Grain and Coal Co.

Miss Maud Isbell went out Wednesday to take charge of the Vernon school.

Wanted—bran and grain sacks. L. P. Davidson Grain and Coal Co.

PLANTERS

The season for the use of planters is approaching and the time is here for farmers to determine what make of this important implement they will use.

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Receipt for Total Loss.

\$1,000. Received of the Austin Fire Insurance Company, by the hands of Sanders & Wilson, Agents, the sum of One Thousand Dollars in full satisfaction for all claims and demands whatsoever for loss and damage by fire to the property insured under policy No. 24,401 issued at its Haskell, Texas, agency and which property was destroyed by fire on the 18th day of Feb., 1907, in consideration whereof said policy is hereby cancelled and surrendered to said Insurance Company. W. L. Oglesby.

The above shows payment of the full amount of loss within 30 days after the fire. This should recommend the above company to those who need insurance. Come and let us write it. Sanders & Wilson.

Mr. Ollie Henderson and Dr. Roasberry and Misses Houston and Bell went on a fishing expedition Thursday.

Mr. S. Bevers, who was at Fort Worth when Senator Bailey spoke to the assembled cattlemen, says the crowd was immense and very enthusiastic for Bailey.

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Locals and Personals

Dr. A. G. Neathery left Sunday on a visit to his father at Farmersville. Judge R. J. Fuston was over from Stonewall Wednesday. Mr. John Davis and little granddaughter Gertrude, of Stamford, visited Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Alexander the first of the week. Mr. O. E. Patterson left Saturday on a visit to his parents at Taylor— and possibly somebody else? Concrete building blocks at Sherrill's rock yard. Mr. E. G. Stein, of the Caudle-Stein realty company at Sagerton, was in Haskell Tuesday and said that real estate in that part of the county was selling rapidly. He said that his firm had made sales aggregating \$35,000 in the last two weeks. Dr. D. L. Cummings of Spider, Bell county, was in Haskell prospecting Monday. Dr. Cummings stated that he had visited many places in West Texas and liked Haskell better than any other place he had seen. Lost—A small hand satchel containing two baby rings. Finder please leave with R. M. Craig, the jeweler, and get reward. Burriss "Upper Crust" flour sold by S. L. Robertson & Co., in Haskell, is made from the best Northwestern wheat, which is selected and purchased by the special agents of the Burriss Milling Co. of Fort Worth, Texas. Mrs. J. L. Jones and children and Miss Mollie Williams visited in Haskell Sunday and Monday. Mr. Roy Beltz has located in Haskell. He is from Ellis county and is a nephew of Mrs. S. H. Foster. I have cotton seed meal for sale at the gin. F. T. Sanders. We keep a large assortment of toilet soaps. French Bros. Our abstract books are complete and up-to-date. Get your abstracts from Sanders & Wilson. Mr. R. G. Landes lost a \$30 bill in Haskell last Saturday. If any one has found it they can make him happy by returning it. Messrs. S. E. and A. B. Carothers returned Tuesday from Goldthwaite, where they were called to the bedside of a sick brother. They left him Sunday evening much improved. Messrs. S. R. Rike, Cabe Terrell and G. R. Couch took the train Monday for Fort Worth to take in the fat stock show and cattlemen's annual convention. Plant's garden seeds are the standard of quality. You get them at the Racket Store in bulk or in packets. Corn planting is over and we are going after more buyers. List your lands for quick sales. 10-14 West Texas Development Co. Messrs. J. J. Stein and G. C. McCulloch of the West Texas Development Co. have returned from a trip to Bell county. They state that while there they succeeded in closing sales of the remainder of the Post ranch, which they purchased and put on the market a few months ago. When you want to go to the depot ring No. 25 for Simmons' Wagonette. If you are anxious to sell we have a buyer. 10-14 West Texas Development Co. We have the largest stock of paints and wall paper in Haskell county. See us before you buy. McNeill & Smith. Mr. W. H. Folgham changed his original intention and instead of building his carpenter and machine shop west of the Spencer lumber yard is building on the next block north, fronting south. Dr. Harland and wife passed through Haskell Tuesday on their way to Cliff. Dr. Harland came out here from Alabama two years ago and purchased a tract of land in the north part of the county near Cliff. Dr. Harland was lately married in Alabama and this is Mrs. Harland's first trip to this section. If you want a choice three acre building lot in southeast part of Haskell, see me for price and terms on out lot No. 30, B. & R. addition. S. V. Scott. Found at Last. J. A. Harmon, of Lisemore, West Va., says: "At last I have found the perfect pill that never disappoints me; and for the benefit of others afflicted with torpid liver and chronic constipation, will say: take Dr. King's New Life Pills." Guaranteed satisfactory. 25c at Terrell's drug store.

To Witnesses in Power Case.

Abilene Tex., Feb. 16, 1907.

HASKELL FREE PRESS, Haskell, Texas,

Gentlemen:

The Lester Power murder case is set down for trial at Abilene on the 1st of April. All the witnesses who were subpoenaed at Haskell will be required to be here on that date. I would thank you to publish this, as Judge Higgins advises me that many of your readers are witnesses and that the information will reach them through your paper.

Very respectfully, W. P. Mahaffey, Dist. Atty.

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All of these diseases are attended by intense itching, which is almost instantly relieved by applying Chamberlain's Salve, and by its continued use a permanent cure may be effected. It has, in fact, cured many cases that had resisted other treatment. Price 25 cents per box. For sale at Terrells drug store.

Mr. G. S. Forrester who is advertising eggs of white Plymouth Rock chickens called our attention to the fact that we omitted the price last week. The price is now in the ad. Mr. Forrester claims to have a fine strain of high-bred chickens. Look his ad up if you are interested in chickens.

LISTEN

and remember the next time you suffer from pain—caused by damp weather—when your head nearly bursts from neuralgia—try Ballard's Snow Liniment. It will cure you. A prominent business man of Hempstead, Texas, writes: "I have used your liniment. Previous to using it I was a great sufferer from rheumatism and neuralgia. I am pleased to say that now I am free from these complaints. I am sure I owe this to your liniment." Sold at Terrells drug store.

Mr. C. C. Dockery was in Tuesday and told us that he killed two large rattlesnakes that morning, one of them being five feet long and having seventeen rattles. It is unusually early for these snakes to come out of their winter quarters, but it is probably accounted for by the very mild winter and unusually warm weather at this time. Mr. Dockery came to this county last year and bought 500 acres of land about 6 miles south of town at \$16 an acre on which he has built a good residence and made other substantial improvements. Mr. Dockery says he could sell now at \$25 but is too well pleased with the country to turn it loose. Mr. Dockery subscribed for the FREE PRESS to be sent to his brother and another friend in Milam county.

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Eggs for Setting.

Any one wanting the full blood Brown Leghorn eggs for setting can get them of me, sixteen eggs for 50c. Residence three-quarters of a mile southeast of Sagerton, on Stamford road. Mrs. D. R. JOHNSON.

The county Farmers' Union met at Corinth school house, near Rochester yesterday for a two days session.

CITATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS To the Sheriff or any Constable of Haskell County—Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon P. Stonaker by making publication of this citation once in each week for four 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 39th Judicial District; but if there be no newspaper published in said Judicial District, then in a newspaper published in the nearest district to said Judicial District, to appear at the next regular term of the district court of Haskell county, to be holden at the court house thereof, in Haskell on the 27th day of May, A. D. 1907, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 14th day of March, A. D. 1907, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said court No. 426, wherein R. V. Colbert is plaintiff, and P. Stonaker is defendant, and said petition alleging that plaintiff was on the 1st day of September, 1906, lawfully seized and possessed of a certain tract of land in Haskell county, Texas, being held in fee simple, that on the day and year aforesaid the defendant P. Stonaker entered upon said premises and ejected plaintiff therefrom and wrongfully withhold from plaintiff the possession thereof to his damage \$3000, that the premises so entered upon and wrongfully withheld by defendant from plaintiff are bounded and described as follows: A part of the Coryell county school league No. 60, beginning 80 vrs. north and 889 varas west of the S. W. corner of the John F. Morgan survey, the same being the S. W. corner of a 126 acre survey sold by Coryell county to L. P. Lackey, thence west 711 varas to a stake for corner; thence south 80 vrs. to a stake for corner; thence west 178 vrs., stake on the east side of Anson road, for corner; thence N. 14° E. 080 varas to stake on east side of Anson road, for corner; thence east on north line of Coryell county school land league 750 vrs. to stake for corner, same being N. W. corner of said 126 acre tract sold to Lackey, thence S. 14° W. 897 vrs. to the place of beginning. Containing 126 acres of land, more or less. Plaintiff also alleges that his title to said land is as follows: 1st. Patent by the State of Texas to school commissioner of Coryell county, Texas, No. 60, Vol. 11. 2nd. An order made by commissioners' court of Coryell county and entered upon its minutes Nov. 11th, 1895, instructing and authorizing T. C. Taylor, county judge, to sell said land to A. R. Davis. 3rd. Deed from T. C. Taylor, county judge, aforesaid, dated January 8th, 1896, conveying said land to A. R. Davis as instructed and authorized by above mentioned order. 4th. Deed by A. R. Davis and wife Lizzie Davis, dated Dec. 4th, 1899, conveying said land to J. R. Jenkins. 5th. Deed by J. R. Jenkins and wife Vesta Jenkins, dated Sept. 30th, 1901, conveying said land to D. G. Hisey. 6th. Release of vendor's lien executed by R. E. West, county judge of Coryell county, to A. R. Davis by which said land is released from lien reserved in above mentioned deed to A. R. Davis. 7th. Deed from D. G. Hisey and wife W. M. Hisey to plaintiff R. V. Colbert, dated Aug. 4th, 1906, conveying above described land.

Plaintiff also alleges that the claim of defendant with reference to the title and ownership of said property is that prior to the time of the above mentioned deed from T. C. Taylor, county judge, to A. R. Davis, said county had made conveyance of same to J. R. Jeter, and said Jeter had in turn conveyed same to G. W. Burns, and G. W. Burns and wife had in turn conveyed same to defendant P. Stonaker and said P. Stonaker had in turn conveyed it to A. R. Davis, reserving vendor's lien to secure a note for \$300 given by said Davis as part of the purchase money, due Nov. 15th, 1891, and the only claim now held by defendant is such title as he has by reason of said vendor's lien and said \$300 note, but plaintiff alleges that said note was paid at maturity to said P. Stonaker by said Davis and said note duly cancelled and marked paid by said Stonaker was by him duly surrendered to said Davis and thereupon said note and said lien became extinguished. Wherefore plaintiff prays that said lien be cancelled and that the title and possession of said property be decreed to him, and for general and special relief.

Herein fall 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. W. Meadors, clerk of the district court of Haskell county. Given under my hand and the seal of said court, at office in Haskell, Texas, this the 14th day of March, A. D. 1907. J. W. MEADORS, 12 Clerk, District Court, Haskell Co.

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W. N. MEREDITH Architect and Superintendent. Estimates and Sketches FREE OF CHARGE. OFFICE—over Collier's Drug Store. Phone No. 72. Haskell, - Texas.

Mr. J. L. Robertson of the West Texas Development Co. received a telegram Monday informing him that his mother was very ill and he and his family left Tuesday morning for Tennessee to see her.

L. P. Davidson Grain and Coal Co. Wholesale and Retail Dealers In GRAIN, FEED STUFF AND COAL Deliveries Made in Town. FLOUR, Wholesale Only. Just received a car load of CORN. We also have Choice North Texas prairie hay. PHONE NO. 157 West Side of Square—The Old Fields Building Haskell, - Texas.

Notice of Bond Election. Coyotes After Him.

THE STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF HASKELL. Whereas, the County Commissioners' Court of the county of Haskell and state of Texas, deems it advisable to issue bonds of said county for the purpose hereafter stated; Therefore, it is hereby ordered by the commissioners' court of said county that an election be held on the 6th day of April, 1907, at which election the following proposition shall be submitted: Shall the Commissioners' court of Haskell County be authorized to issue bonds of said county in the sum of Sixteen Thousand Dollars, (\$16,000.00), payable in forty years after date, with the option of redeeming same at any time after five years from date, bearing 5 per cent interest per annum, interest payable annually, and to levy a tax sufficient to pay the interest on said bonds and create a sinking fund sufficient to redeem them at maturity, for the purpose of erecting a county jail in the town of Haskell, Haskell County, Texas.

Mr. B. S. Long was in town Tuesday and told us a good one on one of our new citizens from Kentucky, Mr. F. H. Thomas. It seems that lately the coyotes have been serenading Mr. Thomas's premises, by which any old-timer would have understood that they smelled chickens. Mr. Thomas however, not being acquainted with the nature of our little prairie wolves, thought they might be hungering for a bite of a tender Kentuckian, and when on last Sunday night the coyotes became more bold and surrounded his house, making a yelping noise like a hundred little demons, (half a dozen of them can do that) he was still more convinced of their desire for Kentucky meat, so Monday morning he went over to his neighbor Mr. C. C. Dockery and borrowed his shot gun, saying he was bound to have something to protect himself with. Mr. Dockery could only furnish him with small shot cartridges but not having much confidence in bird shot against these savage creatures, he sent in by Mr. Long Tuesday for some buckshot cartridges.

Said election shall be held at Haskell Voting Box No. 1, Brushy Voting Box No. 2, Howard Voting Box No. 3, Vernon Voting Box No. 4, Marcy Voting Box No. 5, Lake Creek Voting Box No. 6, Pinkerton Voting Box No. 7, Cliff Voting Box No. 8, and Pleasant Valley Voting Box No. 9, and the following named persons are hereby appointed managers of said election: J. U. Fields, Precinct No. 1; J. B. Wadlington, Precinct No. 2; R. E. Lee, Precinct No. 3; J. S. Lipscomb, Precinct No. 4; A. B. Carothers, Precinct No. 5; J. T. Therwanger, Precinct No. 6; S. W. Vernon, Precinct No. 7; C. L. Travis, Precinct No. 8; and J. D. Roberts, Precinct No. 9, in Haskell County, Texas.

A Favorite Remedy For Babies. Its pleasant taste and prompt cures have made Chamberlain's Cough Remedy a favorite with the mothers of small children. It quickly cures their coughs and colds and prevents any danger of pneumonia or other serious consequences. It not only cures croup, but when given as soon as the croupy cough appears will prevent the attack. For sale by Terrell drug store.

Said election shall be held under the provisions of Chapter No. 149, Acts of the 26th Legislature, Laws 1899, and only qualified voters who are property-tax payers of said county shall be allowed to vote, and all voters desiring to support the proposition to issue bonds, shall have printed on their ballot the words "For the Issuance of Bonds" and those opposed shall have printed on their ballots the words "Against the Issuance of Bonds."

On account of sale of town lots at Hawley, Texas, on Feb. 27, tickets will be on sale Feb. 28, final limit Feb. 27. Fare for round trip \$1.60. G. E. LANGFORD, Agt. W. V. R. R. Co.

The manner of holding said election shall be governed by the laws of the state governing general elections. In testimony whereof, witness my official signature at Haskell Texas, this 4th day of March, A. D. 1907. JOE IRBY, County Judge, Haskell county, Texas.

How to Remain Young. To continue young in health and strength, do as Mrs. N. F. Rowan, McDonough, Ga. did. She says: "Three bottles of Electric Bitters cured me of chronic liver and stomach trouble, complicated with such an unhealthy condition of the blood that my skin turned red as flannel. I am now practically 20 years younger than before. I took Electric Bitters. I can now do all my work with ease and assist in my husband's store." Guaranteed at Terrells drug store.

Alice Roosevelt's Wedding was something to be recorded in the annals of history. Herbine has been acknowledged the greatest of liver regulators. A positive cure for bilious headaches, constipation, chills and fever and all liver complaints. J. C. Smith, Little Rock, Ark. writes: "Herbine is the greatest liver medicine known. Have used it for years. It does the work." Sold at Terrells drug store.

B. Y. P. U. PROGRAM. Subject—"Christian Duty." Scripture reading—Rom. 12:1-2, 9-11. Leader—Miss Emma Nicholson. Opening exercises. "Indifference a Hindrance to Christianity" (paper)—Miss Glennie Russell. Song. "Service a Duty" (paper)—Miss Myrtle Allen. Song. "Duty a Pleasure" (voluntary remarks). Song. Closing Prayer.

Visitors Entertained. The Misses Hughes entertained a few of their friends very delightfully Monday evening complimentary to Messrs. Taylor and Ellis of Temple, Texas. Progressive "Forty-two" was the feature of the evening and was greatly enjoyed by all. Those present were: Misses Rupe, Graham, Poole, Meadors and Messrs. Robertson, Williams, Touchstone, Gilliam, Smith, Taylor and Ellis. Delicious refreshments were served during the evening and was a late hour before the guests departed.

Don't Complain. If your chest pains and you are unable to sleep because of a cough. Buy a bottle of Ballard's Horehound Syrup, and you won't have any cough. Get a bottle now and that cough will not last long. A cure for all pulmonary diseases. Mrs. J. Galveston, Texas, writes: "I can't say enough for Ballard's Horehound Syrup. The relief it has given me is all that is necessary for me to say." Sold at Terrells drug store.

Locals and Personals

Take your jewelry to Craig, the jeweler, for repairs.

Corn, Oats, Chops, Hay and McAl-ester Coal at Melton & Crews. 4t

Mr. C. G. Jolley is a new subscriber on our list.

Mr. and Mrs. John Burk left Sunday on a visit to Mineral Wells.

See Johnson & Davis for choice farm land—they'll interest you.

Mr. W. L. Hills of the Alexander Mercantile Co. at Rule, was in Haskell Tuesday.

There is a red Hereford cow, unbranded, in my pasture. Owner come and get her. J. D. Roberts.

Everything new and up-to-date at French Bros.

Take your jewelry to Craig, the jeweler, for repairs.

Fresh butter—on ice—at Collins & Brewers'.

It's the last call—plant those shade trees!

Miss Tommie Boone visited friends at Munday the early part of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Mayes of Munday were down the early part of the week on a visit to Mrs. Mayes' mother, Mrs. T. D. Isbell.

Judge and Mrs. H. G. McConnell left last Saturday on a trip to Fort Worth.

Garden seed in bulk, large stock and assortment, at Racket Store.

See our line of tooth brushes. French Bros.

For window glass see the Haskell Lumber Co.

We are still in the Loan business, come to see us and let us figure on your loan; long time and easy payments, can also handle some gilt-edge land notes. We do our own inspecting. West Texas Development Co., north side of public square.

Mr. F. M. Todd returned Tuesday from a business trip to New Mexico. He and the other passengers had to ride to Stamford on a flat car from the burned bridge this side of Albany.

Messrs. F. M. Morton, S. Bevers, J. S. Boone and W. T. Hudson were among the Haskell stockmen who attended the fat stock show and cattlemen's convention at Fort Worth this week.

We still have plenty of money to loan at 8 per cent on land and to buy Vendor's notes. Sanders & Wilson. (tf)

Bargains! Go to Foster & Neal's bargain counter for anything from 5 cts. to a dollar. Bargains!

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Baker and Miss Pearl Grissom left Monday to visit at Waco. From there they will attend as delegates the Christian Sunday School convention which is to be held at Dallas March 22 to 24.

It will not cost you a cent to try Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets, and they are excellent for stomach troubles and constipation. Get a free sample at Terrells drug store.

Single Comb White Leghorn setting eggs, \$1 for 15. See me 10 miles N. of Haskell, or write 10-4t Mrs. Ella Pearcy, Haskell.

Mrs. A. S. Bullock and children arrived in Haskell from Farmersville the latter part of last week and joined Mr. Bullock, who had preceded them several months and has been with the firm of D. Egger & Son.

Evers, the new harness man at Haskell, has the largest stock of horse collars in the county.

If you need a good hair brush French Bros. is the place to get it.

Mr. E. D. Avery and daughter were in town Saturday from the Pinkerton neighborhood. Mr. Avery informed us that some farmers already had corn up and that others were busy planting. He says that the farmers of his section are generally well up with their work, better, he believes, than he has ever seen here before at this time of the year.

Collins & Brewer have everything in the confectionery line.

See us for window glass—Haskell Lumber Co.

Miss Monroe of Seymour attended Ladies Day at Messrs. Hunt & Grissom's this week and purchased quite a large bill of goods. The ability of Haskell merchants to draw long range trade speaks volumes for their enterprise and the drawing power of their prices.

Overseer F. C. Wilfong has graded up the street from the northeast corner of the square to the Wright hotel. This is a job the public will appreciate the next time it rains, as there was a low place along this street that held water and made it impassable for pedestrians for days after every rain.

A car load of screen doors just arrived at Cason, Cox & Co's.

Johnson and Davis have some bargains in real estate.

EXTRAORDINARY HAT BUYING

Ladies buying hats has always been a part of our daily business. But the increase in hat buying this season over that of any other time has attracted special attention. The appreciation shown of

Our Superior Showing of SPRING MILLINERY

has been a genuine pleasure. The buying of better goods has also been a noticeable feature. That, together with the increased business in this department, is, indeed, gratifying and for it we wish to express our thanks and appreciation.

To those who have not yet bought their spring hats, we invite you to come and see our line.

We Still Have Some Beautiful Hats

and will take special pleasure in showing them to you. A look will not cost a cent and you may come with the assurance of receiving a cordial welcome.

HUNT & GRISSOM

THE STORE - WITH THE GOODS

Mrs. A. B. Lewis of Belton and Mrs. Mart Oliver are visiting Mrs. Robert Branham.

The finest line of picture moulding ever shown in Haskell at McNeill & Smith's.

We keep the best line of cigars in town. French Bros.

Corn, Oats, Chops, Hay and McAl-ester Coal at Melton & Crews. 4t

Mr. Martin Arend was in Tuesday with cotton, which he said was the last picking of his 1906 crop. He remarked to the FREE PRESS reporter that a farmer could raise chickens, hogs and cows and produce his eggs, butter, meat, etc., so easily on the farm here that it was unnecessary for him to buy much of his living from the stores. Mr. Arend came to this county over a year ago and is so far highly pleased with the country.

Bring your prescriptions to French Bros., nothing but pure and fresh drugs used.

Fresh bread, cakes, pies and cookies at Collins & Brewers'.

Get your screen doors of the Haskell Lumber Co.

Mr. W. F. Karnes, late of Navarro county, arrived in Haskell the latter part of last week and will be in the grocery store with Messrs. Foster & Neal. Mr. Karnes is a nephew of Mr. Foster.

Let us frame your pictures. We are better prepared to do it than anyone. McNeill & Smith.

The FREE PRESS is reliably informed that the greater part of the material for the bridge to be erected over the Double Mountain Fork of the Brazos River west of Rule has been shipped and that the company will soon have the bridge under construction. This bridge is being built as a toll bridge by a stock company organized at Rule as the Brazos River Bridge Co.

All kinds of fresh vegetables at Collins & Brewer's.

We keep a nice line of post cards. French Bros.

Mr. Geo. A. Driver has returned from a business trip to Fort Worth.

Rev. J. W. Reagan of Rule was a visitor in Haskell yesterday.

A good vault door with a combination lock for sale. Terrell.

Mrs. Will Steadman returned yesterday from a visit to Stamford.

Horse Lost—on March 9th from my lot in Haskell, one red roan horse 15 hands high, 10 years old, fresh shod all around, hoof locks and foretop cut off, left hind leg a little crooked. \$5 reward for his return to McNeill & Smith, Haskell, Texas.

THEIR THANKS. Mr. and Mrs. Will Wells have requested the FREE PRESS to say to all those who so freely assisted and attempted to assist in rescuing their property from the burning building on Wednesday night that they feel very grateful for their kindly efforts and appreciate the fact that all was done that could be done by brave and willing hands under the circumstances.

All kinds of moulding, picture mats and passe-partouts supplies. McNeill & Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Lipscomb and daughter, Mrs. A. C. Dooley of near Sagerton were in Haskell shopping Monday.

We stopped in at Mr. C. W. Green's the other day and were shown his chicken raising establishment. At the east edge of town he has several acres fenced with net wire and divide into convenient runs for his different sorts of fowls, which are Rhode Island Reds and white Leghorns. The most interesting sight was a large hatch of young chickens just out of the incubator a day or two. They were as lively as crickets and seemed to know how to take care of themselves by huddling under the brooder.

Another shipment of wall paper at McNeill & Smith's.

We have screen doors—Haskell Lumber Co.

Mrs. C. C. Reynolds of Elkton, Ky., was expected to arrive here on yesterday evening's train on a visit to her daughter, Mrs. H. S. Wilson.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Sherrill of Temple spent a few days here this week. Mr. Sherrill has purchased several fine farms in this county within the last year or so and Mrs. Sherrill accompanied him on this occasion to see and get acquainted with the country, with which she expressed herself as highly pleased.

Mr. Homer Bivins of the north part of the county was in town Thursday marketing cotton.

Mr. D. W. Fields of Marcy was in the county capital Thursday.

We received a subscription to the FREE PRESS this week from Mr. R. N. Crow at Holland, Texas.

Judge H. R. Jones and Messrs. A. C. Foster and Henry Alexander and Judge Joe Irby are attending a meeting of the Shrines at Dallas. Judges Jones and Irby are candidates for initiation.

Several of the Haskell visitors to the cattlemen's convention at Fort Worth returned on the Thursday evening train.

Mr. T. E. Ballard attended the big cattle convention and fat stock show at Fort Worth.

LADIES

We are pleased to call to your attention the large and choice selection of all that is new and desirable in

Dress Goods, Trimmings and Notions

now on display at our store.

And you will find just what you want in our line of

Ready Made Underwear, Skirts, Etc.

We have in wash goods and woollens for the children's spring wear, a nice line of

BLOUSE SUITS.

When in need of comfortable, lasting and stylish footwear, don't pass by our

Star Brand Shoes

for people of all ages, conditions and sizes.

S. L. ROBERTSON & CO.

HASKELL'S PROGRESSIVE STORE.

Road and Bridge Bond Election.

THE STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF HASKELL.

Whereas, the county commissioners' court of the county of Haskell and the state of Texas, deems it advisable to issue bonds of said county for the purpose hereinafter stated;

Therefore, it is hereby ordered by the commissioners' court of said county, that an election be held on the 6th day of April, 1907, at which election the following proposition shall be submitted:

Shall the commissioners' court of the county of Haskell be authorized to issue bonds of said county in the sum of Forty Thousand (\$40,000.00) Dollars, payable in forty years after date, with option of redeeming same at any time after five years from date, bearing interest at the rate of 5 per cent per annum from date, interest payable annually, and to levy a tax sufficient to pay the interest on said bonds and to create a sinking fund sufficient to redeem them at maturity, for the purpose of purchasing or constructing bridges for public purposes, and for the purpose of improving and maintaining the public roads in Haskell county, Texas.

Said election shall be held at Haskell Voting Box No. 1, Brushy Voting Box No. 2, Howard Voting Box No. 3, Vernon Voting Box No. 4, Marcy Voting Box No. 5, Lake Creek Voting Box No. 6, Pinkerton Voting Box No. 7, Cliff Voting Box No. 8, Pleasant Valley Voting Box No. 9, and the following named persons are hereby appointed managers of said election: J. U. Fields, Precinct No. 1, J. B. Wadlington Precinct No. 2, R. E. Lee Precinct No. 3, J. S. Lipscomb Precinct No. 4, A. B. Carothers, Precinct No. 5, J. T. Thurwhanger, Precinct No. 6, S. W. Yarnon, Precinct No. 7, C. L. Travis, Precinct No. 8, and J. D. Roberts, Precinct No. 9, in Haskell county, Texas.

Said election shall be held under the provisions of Chapter 149, Acts of the 26th Legislature, Laws 1899, and only qualified voters who are property tax payers of said county shall be allowed to vote, and all voters desiring to support the proposition to issue bonds shall have printed on their ballots the words "For the issuance of Bonds," and those opposed shall have printed on their ballots the words "Against the issuance of Bonds."

The manner of holding said election shall be governed by the laws of the state governing general elections. In testimony whereof, witness my official signature at Haskell, Texas, this 4th day of March, A. D. 1907. JOE IRBY, COUNTY JUDGE, Haskell County, Texas.

Collier-Andruss

DRUG STORE

Haskell, Tex.



CITY MEAT MARKET...

MARSH & ENGLISH, Propr's.

Your Patronage Solicited.

We Keep all Kinds of Fresh Meats Obtainable in Their Seasons.

OPERA HOUSE STABLE

HASKELL - TEXAS.

We will furnish good rigs to all surrounding points.

Charges Moderate.

TRY US FOR PROMPT SERVICE

SIMMONS BROS.

WITH THE AFTERNOON TEA.

Appetizing Novelties That Will Be Appreciated.

Two kinds of confection, one plain and one sweet, are sufficient for the late afternoon tea, and only one is served by the majority of people on every-day occasions. These should be neatly placed on a compote or cake basket with a mat beneath of lace paper or the ordinary dolly. We give a number of new cakes, sandwiches and fancy crackers, with a few words of description, which are appetizing novelties for tea.

Tea Cakes—Thin wafers, in irregular shapes flavored with vanilla or chocolate.

Cambray Biscuits—Half-moon macarons, an inch wide, with chopped nuts.

Fan Jumbles—Fancy jumbles in the shape of an open fan.

Swiss Jumbles—Round jumbles, with meringue tops.

Importers—High-glazed oval pastries, pierced in waffle or lattice fashion.

Cassava Cakes—Large, round, waxy wafers slightly flavored with cheese.

Buttered Triscuit—Flat, shredded wheat crackers. Before serving butter thickly and bake in oven; serve as hot as possible.

French Cheese Sandwiches—Sliced brown bread with jam or marmelade, with a layer of fresh cream cheese on top.

French Sweet Sandwiches—Thin strips of puff paste, spread with whipped cream and a layer of jam.

Potato Scones.

These may be made with left-over potatoes, but they are much nicer prepared with fresh-boiled potatoes. Put the potatoes, smooth mashed, onto a baking board, and lightly work in as much flour as the potatoes will take. It should feel firm, and stick well together. Form into little rounds, pat lightly with the hand, roll out thin, lay them on a hot griddle, prick all over with a fork, and let them bake for a few minutes. Turn them over, and bake for two minutes on the other side. Roll up in a clean cloth until wanted. They are good, either hot or cold, with butter. They will not keep more than one day.

Mending China.

China may be mended as firmly as a rock in the following manner: Two persons will be needed for the work, however, for the manipulation must be done rapidly. The necessary materials are a little unslacked lime, pulverized, the slightly beaten white of an egg, and a small hair brush, such as is used for gum. Put the white of the egg on the broken edges of both pieces to be joined, and immediately dust one edge with the powdered lime, put the two edges accurately and firmly together, hold in place for a minute or two, and then lay aside to dry.

Regarding Linoleum.

To keep linoleum in good order and to preserve it, let it be washed very seldom. If it gets dirty and needs to be washed it should be done with a flannel dipped in warm soapy water, then thoroughly dried, for if any water is left on it will permeate through the linoleum and make it rotten on the under side. It should be well polished with flannel dipped in beeswax and turpentine, or a little plain linseed oil, then polished with a cloth. Rubbing with a cloth dipped in milk keeps the surface clean and in good condition, and prevents it from wearing.

Baking Dishes.

Baking dishes that have been discolored by being too long in the oven may be scoured with a piece of flannel that has been dipped in carbonate of soda, whiting, salt, or even fine ashes.

Salt will also prove effectual in removing the stains from china cups, egg stains from silver spoons or bone spoons, and will clean the bone handles of knives or brushes. Salt and vinegar will quickly remove stains from brass, but whiting must be used to give the finishing polish.

White Enamelled Ware.

White enameled kitchen utensils often become to all appearances hopelessly ruined when food has burned them. Place a mixture of strong soap powder and boiling water in such kettles, let them stand two or three days on the back of the stove without changing the water, then pour off the water and rub the inside with a soft cloth. All blackness and stain will disappear. Be careful not to scratch or scrape the kettle before soaking in this way, as the enamel will crack.

To Keep Rugs Flat.

Rugs which curl up at the edges or at the sides should be lined throughout. Cut out a piece of rough sail-cloth an inch larger than the rug. Turn in the edges all round and stitch them down flat with stout linen thread, making fair-sized stitches on the under surface, and those as small as possible on the right side. A little shot, enclosed in small flat bags and fastened into the four corners before sewing down the lining, will also aid in keeping the rug flat.

Rusty Fire Irons.

Rusty irons should be well rubbed with sweet oil, left for 24 hours, and then scoured with unslacked lime; if the stains are very deep the lime may be laid on as a paste, and left for a day or two. It must be kept in mind that if the rust has thoroughly eaten into the steel nothing will remove it. Prevention in this case is better than cure, and if fire irons, tops of fenders, etc., are rubbed every day with a piece of tissue paper, rust will not make its appearance.

Take Garfield Tea, the herb remedy that has for its object 'Good Health'. It purifies the blood, cleanses the system, makes people well. Guaranteed under the Pure Food Law.

Purely Experimental.
"Why in the world did you order a Welsh rabbit in this French place?" they asked her. "Of course, the cheese is about the same as you get everywhere, but how can you tell what a French Welsh rabbit will do to you afterward?"
"I'm not afraid," she informed them, placidly. "I just want to see what sort of ragtime nightmare French it will speak."

TACK THIS UP.
Simple Advice Which May Prove of Untold Value.

At the first sign of Backache or pain in the region of the Kidneys, or weakness and Urinary trouble, the following simple prescription should be used:

Fluid Extract Dandelion, one-half ounce; Compound Kargon, one ounce; Compound Syrup Sarsaparilla, three ounces. Take a teaspoonful after each meal and at bedtime.

Any good prescription pharmacy will supply these three ingredients at small cost, which can easily be mixed by shaking well in a bottle. This is said to force the Kidneys to filter the sour acids and poisons from the blood, overcoming the worst cases of Rheumatism.

Northern Democratic Senators.
After March 3 the only Democratic senators, who do not represent southern states, will be Newlands of Nevada and Teller of Colorado, and their terms will expire in 1909. Newlands is a native of Mississippi, and is a radical Democrat of the modern school. Teller has been a Republican most of his life.

THREE BOYS HAD ECZEMA.
Were Treated at Dispensary—Did Not Improve—Suffered Five Months—Perfect Cure by Cuticura.

"My three children had eczema for five months. A little sore would appear on the head and seemed very itchy, increasing day after day. The baby had had it about a week when the second boy took the disease and a few sores developed, then the third boy took it. For the first three months I took them to the N—Dispensary, but they did not seem to improve. Then I used Cuticura Soap and Cuticura Ointment and in a few weeks they had improved, and when their heads were well you could see nothing of the sores. Mrs. Kate Keim, 513 West 29th St., New York, N. Y., Nov. 1, 5 and 7, 1906."

CLEARED HIMSELF OF BLAME.
Explanation of Politician That Surely Was Convincing.

A recent incident in Australia is related as showing how watchful a politician must be in this censorious age. Among other accounts of a deadhead nature on the books of the Westralia railway was one setting forth that Miss Peacock had been franked over the lines to the value of \$35, and instantly there was wide demands about it. People wanted to know why Sir Alexander Peacock's daughter was given these privileges. Sir Alexander himself, a former premier of Victoria, was very much hurt when he heard of the matter, and hastened to assure the Westralia government firstly, that if his daughter had appeared in Westralia, it was entirely without his sanction; secondly, if she had made claims upon the Westralia railways she had done it without his authority; thirdly, that never during his long political career had he asked his own state, let alone any other, to extend dead-heading privileges to a daughter of his; and, fourthly and finally, he had no daughter, and never has had a daughter.—Boston Transcript.

Missionary's Large District.
The Rev. W. Arthur Noble, of Korea, has one of the largest districts in Methodism. Recently he walked 300 miles, the churches in one section of his district being near enough for him to do this.

FOOLED THE PREACHER.
A Doctor's Brother Thought Postum Was Coffee.

A wise doctor found out coffee was hurting him, so he quit drinking it. He was so busy with his practice, however, that his wife had to write how he fooled his brother, a clergyman, one day at dinner. She says: "Doctor found coffee was injuring him and decided to give Postum a trial, and we have used it now for four years, with continued benefit. In fact, he is now free from the long train of ills that follow coffee drinking."
"To show how successful we are in making Postum properly I will relate an incident. At a dinner we gave, Doctor suggested we serve Postum instead of ordinary coffee."
"Doctor's brother, a Clergyman, supposed it was old fashioned coffee and remarked, as he called for his second cup: 'If you haven't forgotten how to make it!'"
This goes to show that well-made—fully boiled—Postum has much the flavor and richness of good coffee although it has an individuality all its own. A ten days' trial will prove that it has none of the poisonous effect of ordinary coffee, but will correct the troubles caused by coffee. "There's a reason." Name furnished by Postum Co., Ltd., Battle Creek, Mich.

FADED TO A SHADOW.
Worn Down by Five Years of Suffering from Kidney Complaint.

Mrs. Remeth Myers, of 180 South Tenth St., Ironton, O., says: "I have worked hard in my time and have been exposed again and again to changes of weather. It is no wonder my kidneys gave out and I went all to pieces at last. For five years I was fading away and finally so weak that for six months I could not get out of the house. I was nervous, restless and sleepless at night, and lame and sore in the morning. Sometimes everything would whirl and blur before me. I bloated so badly I could not wear tight clothing, and had to put on shoes two sizes larger than usual. The urine was disordered and passages were dreadfully frequent. I got help from the first box of Doan's Kidney Pills, however, and by the time I had taken four boxes the pain and bloating were gone. I have been in good health ever since."

For sale by all dealers. 50 cents a box. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

Coolies Show Affection.
The Chinese laborers in the Vaa Rhu gold mines recently presented to their white manager a handsome silver tray to mark their feelings of affection, "as deep as the sea."

Bonham, Texas, Dec. 22, 1906.
J. L. Ward, Medicine Co., Big Springs, Texas.

Dear Sirs: Two years ago I was a sufferer with kidney trouble; became confined to my bed, the trouble became so severe that I passed blood in my urine in abundance; was treated by four prominent physicians, all of whom gave me up as incurable. I began taking Ward's Kidney Pills, and in a short time I could see and feel a great improvement; the bloody urine stopped; my kidneys acted freely without pain. After taking the two boxes I was able to be up; sent for more and continued taking them until I could feel no symptoms of my trouble. Today I can do hard manual labor. I will gladly answer any inquiry, for I greatly sympathize with any and all who are suffering with this terrible disease and feel perfectly safe in recommending to them Ward's Wonderful Kidney Pills.

W. M. DAVIS.
P. S.—Send us your druggist's name and 10 cents and we will send you a 50-cent box of Ward's Kidney Pills. The greatest Kidney Remedy upon the market.

A guaranteed cure for Kidney and Bladder Troubles, Diabetes, Weak and Aching Back, Rheumatism, Frequent Desire to pass water, Removes Gravel or Stone from the bladder. Sold and guaranteed by your local druggist.

J. L. WARD MEDICINE CO., Big Springs, Texas.

Iceland Ponies Popular.
Iceland ponies are a fad in England. They are in great demand among the British who can afford to indulge their whims.

It Will Stay There.
"In my family medicine chest no remedy is permitted to remain unless it proves beyond a doubt the best to be obtained for its particular purpose. For treating all manner of skin troubles, such as Eczema, Tetter, Ringworm, etc., Hunt's Cure has held its place for many years. I have failed to find a surer remedy. It cures itching instantly."

R. M. SWANN, Franklin, La.
Be not discouraged with your work, neither with your life. No work faithfully done has ever been wasted, and no life truly lived has ever failed.—C. Simmons.

Don't It Jar You?
To have a cough that you can't leave off—even when you go to bed? Put it away for good by using Simmons' Cough Syrup. It heals inflammation of the throat and lungs—gives you rest and peaceful sleep.

True courage is not incompatible with timidity, and heroism does not mean the absence of fear, but the conquest of it.—Henry Van Dyke.

The Secret
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After some bargaining a difference of five dollars remained. Finally the deacon said: "I am old and feeble, and shall not live long, and five dollars will be of no account," so the bargain was made. Farmer T. took the oxen home.

They proved worthless, could not work, and had been heated. He felt provoked at being sold, and, seeing a person the next day who was going to the part of the town where the deacon lived, said: "You tell Deacon J. he need not live another d—d minute longer on my account."

SCIATIC TORTURE

A Locomotive Engineer Tells How He Was Cured by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills.

Pain that seems almost unbearable is a characteristic of sciatic rheumatism. In some cases the pain is knife-like, sharp or shooting; in others it is dull and aching. Sciatica is stubborn in resisting treatment and the patient frequently suffers for years. This was the case with Mr. Herbert E. Spaulding, a locomotive engineer on the Cincinnati, New Orleans & Texas Pacific Railway, whose home is at Longview, Texas.

"While running an engine some years ago," he says, "I fell off and hurt my knee and spine and I have always considered this to be the cause of my illness. The sciatica took hold of me from my heel to the back of my head. The pain was the worst I ever suffered in my life and my leg and back were twisted out of shape. I was under a physician's care for several months and for six months could not get out of bed. I also went to Hot Springs but came back in a worse condition than when I went."

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EVENTS OF EVERYWHERE

A bill to appropriate \$10,000 for work against the green bug was introduced in the Lower House Monday, signed by seventy-six members.

Owing to an epidemic of smallpox in a portion of Kaufman county, the Health Officer of the county has issued a notice urging every citizen to be vaccinated.

Felis Gondass, aged 30 years, was run over by a freight train near Trent Monday, and was carried to Abilene for treatment, but died a few hours after he arrived.

Warren Bros.' livery stable at Blooming Grove was destroyed by fire Tuesday evening, loss \$3,000, insurance \$1,500. The origin of the fire is unknown.

The green bugs that did so much damage to grain in Texas are ravaging the wheat and oats around Ardmore, I. T. Oat land is being planted in corn.

The new electric sign in front of the First Methodist Church, Dallas, was lighted up for the first time Sunday night and was visible for several blocks. The sign reads: "First Methodist Church. Strangers Welcome."

Work on Wichita Falls' \$75,000 cotton oil mill was started this week. This same company will also erect a compress to cost a big amount, and both plants will be ready for business by fall.

One of the most disastrous wrecks of the year occurred Thursday night on the Frisco near Woodville, I. T. Seven ars of naphtha and one ar of lumber were burned. The ties for five hundred yards were destroyed.

Col. Solon E. Rose, aged eighty-eight years, is dead at his home in Pulaski, Tenn. He was once elected to the United States Senate from that State, but before the vote could be announced the vote was changed and there was a stampede to Hon. Howell E. Jackson.

The Missouri, Kansas and Texas will shortly put on a fast train for Texas, leaving St. Louis about noon. This train has been under contemplation for some time. No date is as yet set for its advent, but it can be stated upon reliable authority that the train will soon be in operation.

A Frisco oil train was wrecked between Woodville and Kingston, I. T., Thursday, and four or five cars of oil were burned. It is reported that no one was killed or injured. Smoke from the burning oil was blown into Texas and caused great alarm at Pottsboro.

It was nearly seven years since the passage of the act authorizing the organization of national banking associations with a minimum capital of \$25,000, and in that period under this act 2,149 banks with an authorized capital of \$56,018,500 have been chartered in the United States.

William J. Oliver, of Knoxville, Tennessee, whose bid for the construction of the Panama canal was recently rejected, has been elected Vice President of the United States Trust Company of Washington, D. C., which recently organized with \$1,000,000 capital.

A special train on the Missouri, Kansas and Texas Railroad containing six coaches filled with Japanese laborers passed through Texas Friday en route from Mexico to Sioux City, Iowa. There were 350 or 400 Japs in the trainload.

Sheriff H. M. Denny, of Otero County, N. M., Monday arrested at Este City, William Mitchell, alias Henry Russell, a stockman, charged with murder committed in Hood County, Texas, thirty-three years ago.

Maurice Grad, perhaps one of the best known managing directors of grand opera companies in the United States, died in Paris, France, Thursday. His fame as an organizer and a manager in the operatic world has spread to all other countries.

Miss Della Payne, daughter of J. D. Payne, daughter of J. D. Payne, a merchant of Brock, I. T., ate two spoonfuls of potted ham Thursday morning and was dead in a few minutes of ptomaine poisoning.

Accosting Miss Eudex Dobson, his seventeen-year-old sweetheart, on the main street of Pointe-a-la-Hache, La., Whitney Moliere, a young man, asked her to marry him, and on being refused, shot and killed the girl with a revolver.

The train dispatchers on the Mexican Central Railway have been granted an increase of \$40 per month. This is the second time the wages of the men have been advanced within a comparatively short time.

Clarence Brown, a Cherokee Indian, who killed his mother and murdered his brother near Ada, I. T., pleaded guilty before Judge David Bryant in the federal court at Paris, and asked for mercy. A life sentence was passed on him.

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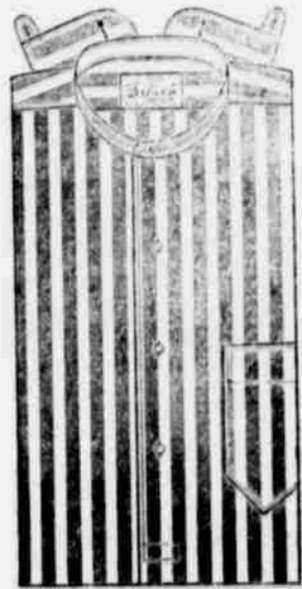


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