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Three Constitutional Amendments To Be Voted On.

Three constitutional amendments are to be voted on this fall, and we give their purpose below, and voters should give them some thought before voting on them.

INTERNATIONAL IMPROVEMENTS.

Be it resolved that section 52, article 3, of the constitution of the state of Texas, be, and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Section 52. The legislature shall have no power to authorize any county, city, town or other political corporations or subdivision of the state to lend its credit or grant public money or thing of value in aid of, or to any individual, association or corporation whatsoever, or to become a stockholder in such corporation, association or company; provided, however, that under legislative provision any county, any political subdivision of a county, any number of adjoining counties, or any political subdivision of the state, or any defined district now or hereafter to be described and defined within the State of Texas, and which may or may not include towns, villages or municipal corporations, upon a vote of a two-thirds majority of the resident property taxpayers voting thereon who are qualified electors of such districts or territory to be effected thereby, in addition to all other debts, may issue bonds or otherwise lend its credit in any amount not to exceed one-fourth of the assessed valuation of the real property of such district or territory, except that the total bonded indebtedness of any city or town shall never exceed the limits imposed by other provisions of this constitution, and levy and collect such taxes to pay the interest thereon and provide a sinking fund for the redemption thereof, as the legislature may authorize, and in such manner as it may authorize the same, for the following purposes, to-wit:

(a) The improvement of rivers, creeks and streams to prevent overflows, and to permit of navigation thereof or irrigation thereof, or in aid of such purposes.

(b) The construction and maintenance of pools, lakes, reservoirs, dams, canals and waterways for the purpose of irrigation, drainage or navigation, or in aid thereof.

(c) The construction, maintenance and operation of macadamized, graveled or paved roads and turnpikes, or in aid thereof.

Sec. 3. The governor is hereby authorized to issue the necessary proclamation for submitting this proposed amendment to the electors of the state, as hereinbefore indicated, and to further direct said election in its details, as is usual and customary in such cases.

Sec. 4. That the sum of \$5000, or so much thereof as is necessary is hereby appropriated out of the treasury of the State of Texas, not otherwise appropriated, to pay the necessary costs, and expense of the proceedings herein-under to be had and done.

CONFEDERATE SOLDIERS.

Be it resolved by the legislature of the state of Texas, that article 3, section 51, of the constitution of the state of Texas be amended so as to hereafter read as follows:

Sec. 51. The legislature shall have no power to make any grant or authorize the making of any

grant of public money to any individual associations or individuals, municipal or other corporations whatsoever, provided, however, the legislature may grant aid to indigent and disabled Confederate soldiers and sailors who came to Texas prior to January 1, 1880, and who are either over 60 years of age or whose disability is the proximate result of actual service in the Confederate army for a period of at least three months, their widows in indigent circumstances, who have never remarried and who have been bonafide residents of the state of Texas since March 1, 1880, and who were married to such soldiers or sailors anterior to March 1, 1880; provided such aid shall not exceed \$8 per month, and provided further, that no appropriation shall ever be made for the purpose hereinbefore specified in excess of \$500,000 for any one year. And also grant aid to the establishment and maintenance of a home for sick soldiers and sailors, under such regulations and limitations as may be provided by law; provided, that the grant to aid said home shall not exceed \$100,000 for any one year, and no inmate of said home shall be entitled to any other aid from the state, and provided further, that the provisions of this section shall not be construed to prevent the grant of aid in case of public calamity.

Sec. 2. The governor of the state is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation for the submission of this amendment to the qualified voters of the state of Texas at the next general election for state and county officers.

STATE BANKS.

To amend section 16 of the constitution of the state of Texas, providing for the incorporation of corporate bodies with banking and discounting privileges, prescribing the liability of stockholders in the same; providing for the regulation of such corporate bodies and prohibiting foreign corporations with such powers from doing business in this state, and providing for the submission of such proposed constitutional amendment as required by law.

Section 1. Be it resolved by the legislature of the state of Texas: That section 16 of article 16 of the constitution of the state of Texas, be and the same is hereby so amended that the same shall hereafter read as follows:

Sec. 16. The legislature shall by general laws, authorize the incorporation of corporate bodies with banking and discounting privileges, and shall provide for a system of state supervision, regulation and control of such bodies which will adequately protect and secure the depositors and creditors thereof.

Each shareholder of such corporate body incorporated in this state, so long as he owns shares therein, and for twelve months after the date of any bona fide transfer thereof shall be personally liable for all debts of such corporate body existing at the date of such transfer, to an amount additional to the par value of such shares so owned or transferred, equal to the par value of such shares so owned or transferred.

No such corporate body shall be chartered until all of the authorized capital stock has been subscribed and paid for in full in cash. Such

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body corporate shall not be authorized to engage in business at more than one place, which shall be designated in its charter.

No foreign corporation, other than the national banks of the United States, shall be permitted to exercise banking or discounting privileges in this state.

Sec. 2. The governor is hereby required and directed to make the proclamation and give the notices required by law for the submission of the foregoing resolution to the people of the state of Texas as an amendment to the constitution of the state of Texas, at the next general election; at which election all persons favoring such amendment shall have written or printed on the ballots the words, "For the Amendment to Section 16, Article 16, of the Constitution, permitting the corporation of banks," and those opposed to said amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots the words, "Against the Amendment to Section 16, Article 16, of the Constitution, permitting the incorporation of banks," and the sum of \$500, or as much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated, to discharge the expenses of publishing the notices of the said proposed amendment as required by law.

Gen. Gordon Dead.

Gen. James B. Gordon died at his winter home in Miami, Fla., Saturday at the age of 71. His remains reached Atlanta yesterday and will be buried today after funeral exercises in the state capitol building. Governors of the south and prominent veterans of the Confederate army have been invited to take part.

Lieutenant General Stephen D. Lee, commander of the Tennessee department, United Confederate Veterans, assumes the office of commander in chief for the United Confederate Veterans' association, made vacant by the death of General John F. Gordon. In his order, General Lee says that the staff of the present commanding general will be retained.

The death of General John B. Gordon, commander in chief of the United Confederate Veterans, will not interfere with the annual reunion of that body, which is to be held in Nashville next summer, according to a statement made by John H. Pickman, secretary of Frank Chatham Bivouac of Braves.

The Men Who Ride On Passes.

This is good stuff from the Chicago Live Stock World:

"A railroad man recently remarked that about the only people who would be riding free after the new year would be politicians.

"That a farmer or a stock shipper can send in a lot of stock, even up to a train load, without being able to get back home without buying a ticket, seems an outrage, when politicians and their families are allowed to ride in all directions.

"What does it mean? "Perhaps one thing it ought to mean is, that farmers and stockmen ought to take interest enough in politics to be able to dictate terms to the railroad."

Dictating terms to the railroads is good as far as it goes, but the dictation should not stop at that. It would be better for the state if farmers and stockmen were to turn their attention to dictating to the politicians.

Every man who holds an office in Texas has a pass over the railroads of the state. Legislators who make laws, judges who interpret them, county assessors who appraise the values of railroads, are favored with passes. We have heard of some such officials who have returned the passes sent them, but these are an exception.

Passes are given because of the good effect they will have in cultivating a kindly feeling toward the givers.

We need a law that will require the railroads to make regular reports giving the names of all persons to whom passes are issued, and the offices held by such persons. Publicity of that kind would have a blighting effect on many a political bud.—Ft. Worth Citizen.

Indians For Prohibition.

ARDMORE, I. T., Jan. 10.—The governors of the five civilized tribes have transmitted to Congress a memorial asking that, in the event of statehood or a special legislation, the prohibition law now in force in Indian territory be observed. The tribes are in favor of a separate state without Oklahoma, on account of the sale of intoxicants in that territory.

Chillicothe is the first Panhandle town to obtain rural free delivery of mail, and the route is to reach 98 families north of that place.

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L. C. BEVRLY, Tax Collector.

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CLARENDON, TEX., JAN. 13, 1904.

A GENUINE wail has gone up in Washington because an order has been given that department clerks shall work seven hours. For some time they have not been keeping up with their work and have made repeated requests for more help. The president and his cabinet figured it out that an hour more per day would do the work without additional cost, and the clerk who draws good pay and spends two-thirds of his time in riotous living would come a little nearer earning his salary. "The clerks consider it a 'great outrage,' but sensible people will commend the president for this act, at least.

LEADING anti-prohibition politicians are adopting dark-lantern methods in their work. A number of them met in Houston Saturday, among whom were ex-Lieut-Governor George C. Pendleton of Temple, Senator I. G. Willacy of Portland, Senator R. N. Stafford of Mineola, Representative J. F. Onion of San Antonio, Colonel W. M. C. Hill of Dallas, ex-assistant Attorney General R. R. Lockett of Texarkana, Judge J. C. Bradley of Denton, Hon. Walter Gresham of Galveston, Judge J. H. Dill of Sherman, H. B. Rice of Houston, and a number of others. The meeting was held behind closed doors and the greatest of secrecy was maintained, the session lasting about two and a half hours. At the close of the meeting it was announced by all those who had attended that nothing transpired for publication. It is pretty evident that every effort possible will be made in the next legislature to change the prohibition election law, and a hand will be taken in the coming election, as well as the conventions, to get men in the state and legislative offices favorable to the whiskey side.

J. Pierpont Morgan is credited with making an offer of two hundred and fifty thousand dollars for the manuscript of Milton's "Paradise Lost." He will see the day, doubtless, when he would be willing to give several times two hundred and fifty thousand dollars for his own paradise lost.—St. Joseph (Mo.) Gazette.

Yes, especially when he sees he can take none of his dollars with him on his final journey, and that if he could they would melt.

The political bones over which the fight in the coming Amarillo election seems to have narrowed down are the saloons and labor unions. The Advocate says: "The members of the various labor unions of Amarillo have expressed a willingness to defeat any candidate for a city office who has shown himself to be opposed to the unions. In making up your slates, it might be well to make a note of this."

According to a decision rendered at San Antonio, by District Judge Edward Dwyer, the Texas anti-trust law does not apply to labor unions when the members of a union agree among themselves not to ride upon street cars.

The Quanah Observer says that John W. Dale, who has several times quit the newspaper business for all time, will soon break in again. He now lives at Chilli-cothe.

The Rock Island has consummated the purchase of fourteen acres of land in Tucumcari from A. D. Goldenberg. This land was bought for the terminal buildings of the Choctaw road. The price paid was \$125 an acre.

A spouting oil well was struck east of Corsicana Tuesday that blew the top off the derrick.

What Bryan Says of His Trip.

Mr. Bryan has returned from his European trip and was tendered a reception by leading politicians in New York. In response to his welcome, he said:

"During my brief sojourn in other lands I have had my ears and eyes open, and I have sought to see and hear and learn. I found much to interest me and I saw some things that I think we might very well learn. But I have not been in any land where I would wish to live and work as well as here. In some countries I have found freedom of speech just as much as there is here, yet I was impressed with the idea that nowhere else in the world is the same opportunity for a man to make the most of himself.

"I wish to express my sense of appreciation of the courtesy shown me by Republican officers abroad. I carried with me a letter of introduction from the secretary of state, but they said I did not need it. I could not have been more kindly treated if I had been a Republican. As an evidence of good faith, I wish to make the admission that this trip has relieved me of one great anxiety I had in 1896. I was afraid at that time that if I should be defeated there might not be enough competent men zealously to protect and share the responsibilities. Now my mind is greatly eased on this subject. Beginning with Ambassador Choate, and all along my journey I met a most admirable body of men representing this country. And they all acted as though they did not know I was a Democrat, or if they did know it, as if they did not care. I want to say that I believe those representatives are upholding the honor and dignity of our country absolutely.

"Everywhere I went, too, the foreign officers whom I met expressed their appreciation of the American representatives. And so far as myself receiving any attention from foreign officers, I wish to say that I do not think that they were extended to me personally.

"I am glad that there are Republicans here. At times I have talked to Republicans with some vehemence, but I did it for their own good. I do not want my party to gain any temporary advantage, but only want a permanent advantage, and that an advantage that shall be for the good of everybody."

The War Cloud.

London, Jan. 10.—The Tientsin correspondent of the London Daily Mail says that the Russian government has sent to the Chinese government a threat that Russia would immediately occupy Pekin should China join forces with Japan. As a result the grand council has advised the throne to adopt the policy of neutrality.

It is announced from Tokio that the Russian warships which left Vladivostock have returned there. The port of Saseho is filled with officers taking leave of their families.

Despite the general impatience over the situation there is no great excitement in Tokio.

ROME, Jan. 10.—The Italia says that Russian warships sighted between Genoa and Spezzia yesterday are believed to be spying on and following the Japanese cruisers Niasin and Kasaga, which left Genoa yesterday.

It became known to-day that some unknown person had attempted to set the Niasin on fire by tampering with the electrical appliances. The police authorities have begun an inquiry into the matter.

PEKIN, Jan. 10.—Predictions in the native press that a war is inevitable and immediate and that China will certainly be involved

are causing great uneasiness. Many Chinese fear a repetition of the scenes of pillage and murder which made the year 1900 memorable.

Address of Local Option Association.

H. A. Ivy, of Sherman, Texas, secretary of the Texas Local Option Association has issued the following address, signed by the executive committee composed of H. H. Halsell, Decatur, G. W. Owen and G. C. Rankin, Dallas, C. H. Jenkins of Brownwood:

To the People of Texas: This organization has become necessary because of the organized scheming of the friends of the liquor traffic, backed by enormous capital and aided by the shrewdest political manipulators that money can hire to prevent the enforcement and, if possible, compass the death of our present local option law by judicial and legislative measures. Nothing but a compact organization of patriotic believers in civic righteousness throughout the State will hold the territory lately reclaimed from rum tyranny and free other territory from the curse of the saloon, and insure the enforcement of the law.

Our hope is the law-loving individual citizen. As a matter of self-protection, law-abiding citizens should organize to secure the enforcement of the law adopted by their votes, and to prevent the corrupting by the liquor traffic of the very fountain heads of legislation at Austin.

Every intelligent citizen knows the local option law can be more easily enforced than the law against murder, theft, arson, etc., if the officers want to enforce it; and even children know the officers will want to enforce the law when their jobs depend on their doing so. A public sentiment that will say to the officers "no law-enforcement no office" is the thing needed, and this association hopes to help develop such a sentiment.

This is addressed to you, as an individual citizen, if you believe in the enforcement of the law and in wholesome social and political conditions that are impossible under the liquor regime.

If your county is already organized, get them to at once align your organization with our State movement, and be sure that the names of your officers are sent to our secretary.

If your county is not already organized, write now to our secretary, Prof. H. A. Ivy, Sherman, Texas, for particulars regarding plans for the organization of your county, and begin at once to talk it up among your neighbors. If you think it necessary, ask for our organizer to come and assist in organizing your county association and give you a start on the precinct organization. Do this now.

If your local paper has not already done so, get it to publish this notice with any editorial comment its editor may think proper, and send a copy of the paper to our secretary.

STATE NEWS.

The Bowie hotel at Bowie burned with its furniture Saturday night.

The St. Jo Tribune contains an even dozen candidates' announcements.

A barn and 400 bushels of corn belonging to J. K. Polk was burned last week near Mt. Calm.

Cotton receipts at Weatherford this year amount 22,300 bales, nearly 6,000 more than last year.

Saturday, while Frank Crisman, a harness-maker for the Floto shows, which are in winter quarters at Dallas, was bitten by one

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of the large monkeys while he was putting a collar on the animal. The man's left hand and arm were badly lacerated.

The residence of Mrs. White at Canadian was destroyed by fire on the 2nd, the fire starting from an explosion of gasoline.

The residence and contents, of S. H. Leavelle, at Abilene was damaged to the amount of \$1200 by fire Saturday.

Fire broke out in the store of J. M. Pitts & Co., at Petty Sunday night and half the business portion of the town burned.

The headquarters of the office of the division freight and passenger agent of the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific has been removed from Dalhart to Amarillo. Mr. Myers holds the position. It looks as though the Rock Island and Denver are making a close alliance.

Farmers can not exercise too much caution in purchasing cottonseed of the "imported" or "improved" variety. The country is overrun with bunco-steerers in the cotton seed line, and every mother's son of them has "the latest, most select and best seed on the market." Hardly a town of any size in Texas but has an agency for some new-fangled variety of cotton seed, which will produce "prodigious yield." Even the chief bug-ologist of Texas declares there is no way to distinguish good seed from poor seed. What's the poor farmer to do? Our advice is, make your own selection, based upon experience, and you will have as good chance for a heavy crop as those who listen to the fairy tales of the cotton seed peddlers.—Mercury.

Human Life Held Too Cheaply.

In the United States the rate of mortality to railway employes during a year is one for every 306 employed. In Germany it is one for every 750 and in Austria one for every 1,057. Human life is held twice as cheap here by the railways as in Germany and three times as cheap as in Austria. In injuries not fatal the comparison is still more humiliating to this country. In the United States one in thirty-three is injured, in Germany one in 169 and in Austria one in 292.—Ex.

RELIGIOUS EXERCISES.

Baptist, Every Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.—Rev. W. L. Skinner, pastor. Sunday school 10 a. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday night.

M. E. South, services every Sunday—Rev. G. S. Hardy, pastor. Sunday school 10 a. m. Prayer meeting every Wednesday night. Junior Epworth League at 3 p. m. Epworth League at 4 p. m. every Sunday.

Catholic, St. Mary's Church—Rev. D. H. Dunne, pastor. Sunday services: Mass at 10 a. m.; Sunday School after mass. Evening services at 7:30. Services every Sunday except 2nd.

SOCIETIES.

I. O. O. F.—Clarendon Lodge No. 381, meet 1st and 3rd Thursday nights each month in 3rd story of courthouse. Visiting brothers made welcome. D. E. Fosky, N. G. M. ROSENFELD, Sec'y.

W. O. W., Woodbine Camp No. 476—Meets in Odd Fellows Hall every Friday evenings. Visiting choppers invited. Ed Kizer, C. C. J. E. Cooke, cl rk.

A. F. & A. M.—Clarendon Lodge No. 700, meets 2nd Friday night in each month over the Bank of Clarendon. JAMES TRENT, W. M. E. S. CHAMBERLAIN, Sec.

CLARENDON CHAPTER, No. 216 R. A. M.—Meets the first Friday night in each month at 8:30 o'clock. Visiting companions cordially invited. W. H. MEARNS, H. P. JAS. TRENT, Sec.

K. of P.—Panhandle Lodge, No. 90. Meets 1st and 3rd Tuesday nights in every month in their Castle Hall, in Johnson's Hall. Visiting Knights cordially invited. M. ROSENFELD, C. C. F. A. WHITE, K. of R. S.

CLARENDON CHAPTER, ORDER EASTERN STAR—Meets 1st and 3rd Thursday each month at 7:30 p. m. in Masonic Hall over Bank of Clarendon. Mrs. FLORENCE TRENT, W. M. MRS. MARY ANDERSON, Sec.

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TIME TABLE.

Fort Worth & Denver City Railway.

NORTH BOUND.	
No. 1, Mail and Express.....	8:47 p. m.
No. 7, Passenger and Express.....	7:15 a. m.
SOUTH BOUND.	
No. 2, Mail and Express.....	7:15 a. m.
No. 8, Passenger and Express.....	9:30 p. m.

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Business locals five cents per line for first insertion and 3 cents for subsequent insertions. All locals run and are charged for until ordered out. Transient notices and job work are cash, other bills on first of month.

Business Locals.

Wall paper at Stockings.
Pure ribbon cane syrup for sale by Posey & Patman.
A six room dwelling for rent. Inquire of Dr. Stocking.
Lee has a car of flour, car of cotton seed and cotton seed meal, as well as oats for sale. Give him a trial when you want feed.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

Col. Goodnight is spending today in town.
John Kelley is back from his visit at Cleburne.
Geo. McMahan and wife have returned from their Kentucky visit.
Miss Dee Richards has returned from Amarillo and is again in school.
Adie Hill came down from Dalhart Sunday morning and is spending this week here.
Will Charles, formerly a barber here, was married in Tucumcari Jan. 3, to a Miss Nannie Anderson. He is a Dalhart barber.
Dr. Rosche, the eye specialist, was a day late getting here, but he has prolonged his appointment to cover tomorrow and Friday.
Mrs. W. H. Elenburg, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. M. M. McCracken, for two weeks, left yesterday for her home at Bowie.
M. W. Vaughn, of Oak Cliff, spent Monday here and went out to the Peebles ranch to see after 80 head of cattle he is having wintered there.
The Misses Della and Dot McCracken, of Whitefish, who have been visiting at Fort Worth and Bowie, returned yesterday morning.
Frank Johnson and wife left this morning for Guymon, Ok., near where Frank has a claim. He thinks of going in the windmill business at Guymon.

Charley Parsons, who went to Snyder, and Cooper Morgan, who went to Childress, both seeking better jobs, have returned, having found nothing favorable.
In spite of the fact that everybody looks for bad weather this time of the year, it is as pleasant and fine as it can be. Farmers, however, are all wanting rain.

Alvis Weatherly, who worked in the Banner-Stockman office here a few years ago, is now local editor of the Quanah Observer and is father of a new boy besides.

Robert Troup, of this city and Frank Collinson, of Clarendon, will leave in a few days for New Mexico to look after some valuable mining interests owned by them.—Dalhart News.

Roy Taylor and Miss Viola Wyatt were married here last Sunday morning by Rev. R. M. Morris, after having obtained the license at Memphis. The girl is under age and her father is somewhat wrought up over it.

Fort Worth Market.

Top prices Monday were: steers \$—; cows \$2.35; calves \$4.50 hogs \$4.85. Receipts were: cattle 1,200, calves 63, hogs 3,250.
The grandjury at Fort Worth has found indictments against Mrs. Haskins and her son and their bonds have been put at \$1000 each.

Chas. M. Kella, formerly of Clarendon, has become associate editor of The Dalhart Texan. He's a climin' and may become a U. S. senator yet. The last Texan says: "This week C. M. Kella's name appears in the Texan as associate editor. Mr. Kella although never being directly connected with a newspaper, has had a great deal of experience in newspaper writing and will undoubtedly add credit to and awaken new interest in the editorial and news columns of the paper. It is the aim of the Texan to give the people the best paper in the Panhandle and there is nothing like adding a little variety and spice to the columns."

"Old Maids Convention."

A sensation will be sprung upon the staid citizens of Clarendon next week. The youth and beauty of our married and single fair sex will disguise themselves so that they will be eligible for admision into the "Old Maids Convention" at the Opera House. Look out for date in next issue.

Weight and Measure Party.

The Woman's Home Mission Society have changed the weight and measure party from the parsonage to Mrs. Dr. White's.
Weight rocts per hundred.
Measure 1ct per foot.
Refreshments: Ham sandwiches, pickles, cake, coffee and chocolate; price 15cts or 25cts for two. Whip cream and gelatine rocts extra.
Time: Friday evening Jan. 15th. A souvenir to all who attend.

College Clatter.

Misses Lizzie and Etta Stevens were visitors at the college Monday.
Misses Delia Gill of Miama and Anna Jordan of Canyon City are new boarding pupils.

We made a mistake last week in regard to the president of the Castalian Society. Pearl Thompson is president and Mary Peebles is vice-president.

Master Doyle Kennedy is still sick.
Final examination has come. And the pupils are all very studious now. The examinations will extend over three days—Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

At present the Denver has moved its pump from Washburn to the mouth of the Clousnitzer well and is using daily over 20,000 gallons of this excellent artesian water for all of its northbound engines. The Denver water supply at Childress, Chillicothe and Vernon has given out and to the railroad this Quanah well is proving to be a veritable godsend.—Quanah Tribune.

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The postoffice at Leger was made a presidential office on January 1st., and the name of the town is to be changed back to Altus. Another instance of the old saying that good things never come singly.—Quanah Observer.

A Boston mother said to her little daughter: "If you had my faith, darling, you would have no toothache." The child replied: "Well, mother, if you had my toothache you wouldn't have any faith."—Boston Herald.

NOTICE.

You are hereby warned not to purchase a certain Vendor's lien note for \$1139.00 given by J. P. Snyder to T. J. Davis and secured by certain property in Hereford, Texas, as I have an attachment on the property and will contest the payment of the note.
R. H. GOUGH.

Herald.

Rev. J. L. Pyle has been quite sick for a couple of days at his home.

A negro preacher passed this way and stopped off last Saturday. He found none of his brethren to preach to but Bart and he was beyond fear of punishment or hope of reward, so the sky pilot went coon hunting.

The last of the holiday marriages of Memphis young people this year was that of William Lester Fore and Miss Henry Annie Finger, which took place at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Finger, near Leslie Sunday.

School opened last Monday morning in the new building, with an enrollment of two hundred and fifteen pupils, quite a number being new pupils. The teachers were kept busy the early part of the day grading them.

Rev. J. B. Cole has presented his resignation to the congregation of the Baptist church here and will accept the pastorate of the Childress Baptist church for full time. He will not move his family to Childress just yet until he can secure proper quarters to live in. All people will regret the going away of this splendid family.

Childress.

The rip track is still full of dead engines. At least six months repair work in sight.

We hear the local freight which runs north of Amarillo, has been taken off. The crew came to this place Monday.

The Denver has leased engines No. 12 and 38 to the Rock Island. They delivered them Christmas week at Dalhart.

Coming Again.

Dr. David Rosche, the well known eye specialist will be in Clarendon to examine eyes and fit glasses Jan. 13, 14 and 15. Dr. Rosche has been here before and his work is well known. This will be his last visit before going to take charge of the optical work at the St. Louis Fair.

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Claude.

Brother Hawkins received a substantial holiday "pounding."

Prof. Graves has moved to Raymond, where he will take charge of the school.

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Felix Honnol died Sunday afternoon December 27.

Born—To A. F. Womack and wife, January 4th, a son. To Tom Brummett and wife, January 5th, a son. To R. M. Taylor and wife, January 5th, a daughter.

C. H. Taul has been confined to his bed at the home of Henry Lynch for the past week with what threatened to result in pneumonia, but his friends will be pleased to know he is recovering.

A very quiet but impressive ceremony was performed at the charming home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter McLaren at 7 o'clock on Sunday evening, December 27th, whereby Mr. George Bishop and Miss Floyd Hickox were joined in the holy bonds of wedlock, Rev. P. Warner officiating.

Wellington.

Both schools now have about all the pupils they can accommodate.

J. B. Battle traded his half section west of town to J. H. Walker for his residence and livery stable.

Three hunters came to county court last Saturday and paid about \$10 apiece as a result of hunting with fire arms on enclosures of not exceeding 2000 acres.

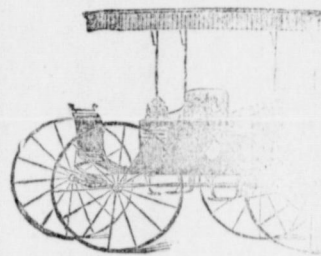
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WASHINGTON LETTER.

From the Democratic Congressional committee

The consensus of opinion here regarding the building of an isthmian canal is universal in favor of the canal among all sorts of public men, but they differ radically when it comes to the route and methods adopted by the republican administration in making the Panama route the only one over which the canal can be built. The democrats in Congress are a unit in favor of the canal, but they do not intend to let the skullduggery of the present administration prevail if they can help it, and I think they can. They are not satisfied with the message of the President which he sent to the Senate on the subject of Panama, and they think he has evaded the main question asked him, and they will not stand for it. He has not cleared up the mystery surrounding the movements of this government just previous to the announcement that the Panama republic was born, and they either will have the facts or the Panama treaty will not be ratified, all the talk of the republican leaders to the contrary notwithstanding. The democrats want a canal, but they want it with honor.

They know that the Panama route is not the only one that there is in that section of the world, and that the Nicaragua route is better than the Panama; that not so many people will die of fever while the canal is being built, and that there is a law repealed on the statute books of the nation authorizing the President of the United States to negotiate with the republics of Nicaragua and Costa Rica for the right of way for such a canal. Furthermore, they know that the money has been appropriated for the Nicaragua route, and has not been appropriated for the Panama route. They do not like the antics of the administration in this matter, and, notwithstanding the instructions given to some southern Senators by their legislatures, they will refuse to obey them so far as the Panama route is concerned, because they know that is not the only chance for a canal, and they will defeat the ratification of the Panama treaty and demand that the law concerning the Nicaragua canal be carried out.

We will then have a canal much nearer the United States, and especially the southern states, than would be the Panama canal, and they will have rebuked the republican administration for its disregard of law and the outrageous conduct in robbing the United States of Colombia of one of its states. Unless the President of the United States can make a better defense of his position in this Panama deal than he has done, the Panama treaty will not be ratified, provided the democrats stand together as they now say they will do. We will have a canal and we will swat the republican administration in the neck.

The democrats in the House of Representatives tried mightily hard this week to get the republicans to agree to an investigation of the post-office scandals, but they failed. The republicans refuse to be investigated. They killed a resolution for the purpose of calling an investigation of the Bristow charges by referring it to a committee by a slim vote of 107 to 111. After it is referred to the committee it will continue to sleep in the pigeon-hole of the chairman of the committee.

That should show the people of the country where the sincerity of the republican party lies in this matter. They know full well that if the investigation is ever pulled off it will put more kinds of big republicans in a hole and soap the sides and pull up the ladder, than

any man now dreams of. That is why they will smother the thing in its inception. The people may draw their own conclusions.

The Anthem.

The rustic choir's greatest show was always made in the anthem, in which some bumpkin had generally a solo to exhibit his "justy voice." It was a splendid musical display—of its kind. People came from a long distance to hear it and felt so satiated that they left without the sermon. No wonder Shakespeare made Sir John Falstaff lose his voice with "hallooing and singing of anthems." To be sure, he was guilty of an anachronism, for there were no anthems in the fat knight's time, but it may reasonably be supposed that he had become so impressed with this part of the service in his own day that he dropped into the nod which even Homer is privileged occasionally to enjoy.

The Jack Tar who explained a "hanthem" to his mate on the simple principles of verbal elongation was not so far out after all. "If I was to say to you," he began, "'Ere, Bill, give me that handspike,' that wouldn't be a hanthem, but if I was to say to you, 'Bill, Bill, Bill, give, give, give me that, that, that handspike, spike, spike, spike,' why, that would be a hanthem." Just after this fashion did the old village choirs tear and toss their anthem texts.—Cornhill Magazine.

Impressions While Drowning.

Most of us, I expect, at some time or other have wondered what it feels like to be drowned. If we have never seen any one drowning we mean by this that we wonder whether it is at all like what it is represented to be—whether one's whole past life passes before one's eyes like a dream, whether one spends one's last few moments in wishing one had spent more profitably the last few years. If we have seen people drowning we wonder whether it feels as bad as it looks. Now, I cannot pretend to have been nearly drowned. Nor can I say what it feels like to sink after a prolonged struggle in calm water within sight of land. But I can say what it feels like to be quite convinced that one is going to be drowned, and I am happy to know from personal experience that the feeling is one merely of disappointment. One is simply annoyed, certainly not angry, certainly not afraid.—Hubert Walter in Blackwood's.

Too Many Revolutions.

The New York Outlook tells an amusing story illustrative of the vigilance of the Turkish censorship. There is a strict supervision over telegrams. A German engineer in the Lebanon placed an order with a Paris firm for some sort of a stationary engine, to be shipped to him as soon as possible. The firm telegraphed to inquire how many revolutions a minute he wanted. He answered, "Five hundred revolutions a minute." The next day he was arrested. Brought into court, the judge asked him if he lived in the Lebanon. He replied that he did. "Do you correspond with such and such a firm in Paris?" "Yes." "Ah!" cried the judge. "I know you. You are the man who telegraphed to Paris that there are 500 revolutions a minute in the Lebanon!"

The Quaker's Retort.

In the early days of the White House, when Dolly Madison was its presiding genius, the conversation was lively, and the bonnet, the repartee and even the retort gave zest to the talk. On one occasion a Quaker from Philadelphia who was dining with the president paid back the raillery of the gay hostess in her own coin. As Mrs. Madison, looking very handsome in an evening gown that displayed her plump shoulders to great advantage, took her seat at the table, she raised her wine glass to her lips and, bowing to her guests, said gayly, "Here's to thy absent broad brim, Friend Hollowell," to which the Quaker, nothing daunted, said, returning the bow to his hostess, "And here's to thy absent kerchief, Friend Dorothy."

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