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(St. Louis Chronicle.)

Wm. Hess, of 813 Chouteau ave., St. Louis, was a cripple yesterday, today he walks without his cane and as well as ever. Yesterday he had rubbed into his limbs three bottles of Veno's Electric Fluid before a large audience. He was taken to Veno hardly able to hobble, but in thirty minutes after Veno's Electric Fluid had been rubbed into his limbs Mr. Hess jumped, stamped his feet and declared himself free from pain. The excitement was at its height when he started home leaving his cane with Veno. The great audience cheered itself hoarse.

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LOSS OF SEVEN LIVES.

NEARLY ALL MEMBERS OF ONE FAMILY.

A Residence in Baltimore Takes Fire, Seven Persons Are Asphyxiated, One Fatally Hurt by Jumping, and Five Others Injured.

Baltimore, Md., Feb. 24.—Seven people were asphyxiated, one fatally hurt by jumping from a window and five others more or less injured by a fire in the residence of James R. Armiger, a prominent jeweler at 1806 Charles street, yesterday morning.

The dead are: James R. Armiger, aged 55; William B. Riley, his son-in-law, aged 4; Marian Riley, daughter of W. B. Riley, aged 2½; Mrs. Marian Chaplin, daughter of James R. Armiger, aged 30; James Champlin, her son, aged 3; Horace B. Manuel, aged 56, of New York city, a guest. Fatally injured: Alice Williams, colored servant, skull fractured and other serious injuries. Injured: Mrs. William B. Riley, burned about face and arms and suffering from inhalation of smoke; will recover; Mrs. James R. Armiger, aged 50, slight burns and suffering from shock and exposure; Miss Eleanor Armiger, aged 14, slightly burned; Miss Virginia Armiger, aged 25, ankle slightly sprained in jumping.

The house in which the holocaust occurred is one of a row of granite front residences just north of LaFayette avenue. It is four stories high and much rare bric-a-brac, plate and unique jewelry, of which Mr. Armiger was an enthusiastic collector, was lost.

In the house were just thirteen persons. Of these ten were members of the Armiger household, two were servants and the other, Mr. Manuel, was a guest, who had been visiting the Armiger family for the past two or three days. It was his purpose to have returned to his home in New York last night, but Mr. Armiger prevailed on him to remain until Monday.

All of these people were in their bed rooms on the upper floors, some of them being partially dressed, when at 7:45 o'clock yesterday morning fire was discovered issuing from a partition in a cellar. It had ignited from an overheated furnace flue and was first seen by Louis Whiting, the colored man of all work, who was at the time cleaning the front steps. Whiting ran to the adjacent corner and gave the alarm to a policeman and hurried back to the house, entering the front door, closed it behind him and ascended to the second floor, where Mr. and Mrs. Armiger had their bedroom.

The house was by this time filled with a dense, stifling smoke and when the negro and Mrs. Armiger attempted to descend they found it impossible. Whiting aided Mrs. Armiger to the fornt window and helped her to reach a small balcony in front, upon which he placed her and returned to the aid of Mr. Armiger. He found the latter had gone and came back to Mrs. Armiger, who, clad in nothing but her night clothes, was shivering on the narrow balcony and shrieking in agonized tones for help. Half a dozen men who were passing hastened to the power house of the Charles street cable line, a block below, and procured a short ladder.

When they returned they found Deputy Fire Chief McAfee, a noted lifesayer, who quickly mounten the ladder. It was not long enough, but by standing on the uppermost round he could reach the frightened woman. As he attempted to lift her from the balcony her scanty clothing caught on an obstruction and she fell forward with her whole weight on the outstretched arm of the fireman. Just then the ladder slipped, and everyone below expected to see both the rescuer and the woman he was trying to save dashed to death. By a tremendous effort, however, McAfee steadied himself, and holding Mrs. Armiger with one hand grasped the balcony with the other. Hanging thus he slowly reached the ladder with his feet and brought the now fainting woman down in safety.

In the meantime the inmates of the other front rooms were crowding to the window, making most pitiful appeals for help. The people shouted to them not to jump, but Alice Williams disregarded their warnings, and with an appalling shriek sprang from the fourth story window, struck the stone steps full upon her forehead, fracturing her skull and sustaining other injuries from which she will die. An attempt was made to succor the other unfortunates by the dorway on Charles street, but when the policemen burst it in they were met by such a volume of smoke and flame that they were driven back.

In the rear room on the second floor were Eleanor and Virginia, the unmarried daughters of Mrs. Armiger. They were partialy dressed, but so rapid was the spread of the flames that they had no time to escape by the stairway. In their extremity they leaned far out of the rear window and cried for help. A neighbor came to their aid and under his cool headed directions Miss Virginia lowered her younger sister with a sheet and by throwing a mattress out of the window leaped to the yard below. She alighted in safety and beyond the shock and a slight injury to her ankle escaped unhurt.

By this time the firemen had reached the scene and in a twinkling had reached long ladders up to the windows both front and rear. Up these they swarmed and in a few minutes the remaining inmates of the doomed house were being carried out.

On the stairway leading from the second to the third floor was found the body of Mr. Armiger, with that of his little grandson, Richard Riley, clasped tightly in his arms, showing that the old man had made a gallant attempt to rescue the boy at the cost of his own life.

In the front room on the third floor was found the corpse of Mr. Manuel. He, too, had the body of a child in his arms, telling another story of unrequitted heroism.

In the rear room on the third floor, lying on the bed the firemen found the dead body of Mr. Riley. By his side lay his wife, breathing faintly. She was hurried into the open air in time save her life, and though she is badly burned about the face and arms and half crazed by her terrible loss, she will recover.

In another room were the bodies of Mrs. Champlin and her 3-year old son, while upon the upper floor the firemen found Ida Whiting, the colored servant, unconscious from smoke, but not seriously hurt.

The injured were taken to homes of neighboring friends with the exception of the servants, who were conveyed to the city hospital. The dead were carried across the street to the residence of Dr. K. B. Bachelor, where every effort were made to resuscitate them without avail. When it was found that nothing could be done for them they were covered with sheets and laid out in the physician's parlor to await the coming of the undertaker.

Lithographers' Strike.

New York, Feb. 24.—It was announced at a meeting of the Central Labor Union last night that a general strike of members of the International Lithograph Artists and Engravers' Protective and Insurance Union in this country and Canada would begin to-day. About 1,000 men will go out. Of this number 500 are located in this city and Brooklyn. The other cities which will be effected are Buffalo, Louisville, Cincinnati, Chicago, Detroit, St. Louis, Milwaukee, Boston, Cleveland and Toronto. The lithographers' strike will seriously blockade the production of variegated calendars and advertising placards. Theatrical work will not be interfered with, as orders of this kind are placed during the summer months.

A Roof Falls In.

Stanford, Conn., Feb. 24.—By the collapse of the roof of an old building in Dublin late Saturday night one boy was killed, another fatally hurt and several others were more or less injured. The dead are Patrick Killkely, 5 years old. Injured seriously: Bryan Killkelly, will die; Antonio Demato, 10 years old, severely crushed and bruised.

Saturday night twelve boys went up to the second floor of the house and began cutting out the studding posts and other available material, the house being torn down for the purpose of making improvements. They carelessly cut the lower parts of rafters which supported the roof, which caused the accident.

The Sealing Bill.

Washington, Feb. 24.—Saturday Chairman Dingley reported to the house the bill agreed on by the ways and means committee to prevent the extermination of fur-sealing in Alaska. According to the terms of the measure, if the president finds himself unable to secure the co-operation of Great Britain, especially in securing the modus vivendi authorizing by the bill so as to protect and preserve the Alaskan seal herd for this year's sealing season, then the secretary of the treasury is authorized to take each and every fur seal on the Pribyloff islands and to sell the skins and to cover the proceeds into the treasury.

Burned to Death.

New York, Feb. 24.—Lillian Cecilia Lyons, the 14-year-old daughter of Daniel Lyons, of Brooklyn, was burned to death in her bed-room yesterday. The fire started through the accidental explosion of an oil stove, which had been used to heat the room. Lillian, who was an epileptic, was in bed at the time. She was unable to move without assistance. The bedclothes quickly became ignited and the girl was enveloped in flames before she could be rescued. They succeeded in getting the girl from the burning room. Before a physician arrived, however, the girl died in horrible agony.

THE CHAMPION GONE.

FITZSIMMONS AND PARTY LEFT FOR NEW YORK.

While Maher and Friends Have Gone to Pittsburg, Pa.—Everybody Received Their Money—Fitzsimmons' Future—He Will Go to England.

El Paso, Tex., Feb. 24.—In spite of the fact that several days have elapsed since Fitzsimmons and Maher settled their pugilistic differences on the banks of the picturesque Rio Grande the big mill is still the topic of conversation here among the remaining sports and other people. Every fellow you meet, no matter whether he swelled or diminished his wad on the result, has his own version of it, and is busy telling how it happened, the whys and wherefores. There is one thing, however, which is conceded, and that is, that it was the prettiest fight on record during the brief time it lasted.

The most artistic thing about the whole affair was the smoothness and ingenuity exercised by Stuart, in the selection of a battle ground. A better, more obscure and safer place could not have been found.

An Associated Press representative had a talk with Fitzsimmons about the Corbett challenge on the way in from the battle ground and he said: "I shall completely ignore that fellow Corbett. It was $1000, American money, to 1 cent, Mexican coin, that Jim would get in his oar just as he has. I shall use about the same argument once employed by Charles Mitchell—tell him to go and get a reputation. Let him go whip Peter Maher and Joe Choynski before he opens his head on me. Both men want to fight him, and I think either can lick him. This much I shall insist upon: He must first win from Maher and Choynski before he gets into a ring with me. I whipped with ease the man Corbett presented the championship belt to in order to escape a match with him.

"To show Corbett how little weight his championship carried I now formerly through the Associated Press renounce all claims to the belt and refuse to accept it.

"I am going to Madison Square for the night of Feb. 29 with half a dozen contracts. I made the contracts conditionally on winning from Maher, and then, with Julian, Stensler, Roenier and my family I sail for England."

Fitzsimmons was met by a monstrous crowd here on his return and he and Julian took a carriage, while poor, defeated and cast down Maher got off the same train ano walked to his room in the house of Dr. Albers.

Martin Julian and Fitzsimmons drove direct to the State National bank, where they had their certified checks cashed. They received $1000 in gold, the other $9000 in currency.

Leaving the bank Fitz went direct to his lion and taking the brute out explained to the animal just how he had knocked out Maher.

When asked by a reporter what he intended to do with Corbett's challenge Fitz said: "I will attend to that fellow in due time. He don't want any fight with me, but hopes to get some free advertising with his bluffs. I am going to defend the championship against all comers, and I am going to look after my own interests."

Dan Stuart was interviewed by a reporter and he said: "I have kept faith with the public, and when Corbett and Fitz are matched I will be in the field bidding for the fight. The vicinity of El Paso offers the greatest facilities in the world for pulling off a fight."

It is believed that Fitz will refuse to fight any one until next winter, as he wants to make some money out of his championship.

The Maher party left Saturday night over the Texas and Pacific road for Pittsburg. Julian says his party will remain a short time and then leave for New York.

Dan Stuart was paid the $6000 guaranteed by the citizens of El Paso in case he brought off the fight.

Merchant Held Up.

Fort Worth, Tex., Feb. 24.—Yesterday morning Collins Adams, who runs a small grocery store on East Twelfth street, reported at police headquarters that he was sitting in his store Saturday night, when a man entered, pointed a pistol at his head and ordered him to hand over all the money he had. Adams promptly complied, when the stranger backed out of the door and closed it, held his pistol against the glass until he saw his way of escape clear and then left. He threatened to kill Adams if the latter made any outcry. Adams said he was afraid to get out to summon help until the man had escaped.

Grayson County Farmers Behind.

Tom Bean, Tex., Feb. 24.—Farmers in this (Grayson) county are farther behind now than they have been for a number of years at this time of the season. The cotton acreage will be increased to some extent in this locality, owing to the good prices this last season, being better than before for some time. There was a good per cent of oats sowed.

TEXAS NEWS NOTES.

Decatur has a literary club.

Hunt county only owes $14,250.

Ward county has just had a jail delivery.

The railroad shops at Tyler are to be enlarged.

The Prohibitionists will nominate a state ticket.

Wichita county will issue $9000 of bridge bonds.

Hillsboro has another local option election on hand.

C. H. Sappington, a liquor dealer at Dallas, has failed.

Fannin county owes $48,648, with $38,518.89 on hand.

Grayson county has issued $15,500 of record vault bonds.

A. J. Brown, doing a grocery business at LaGrange, has failed.

A student clubbed a professor at Waxahachie recently.

Ed Tipps took too much morphine at Houston recently and died.

Fort Worth is to entertain the big cattle convention next month.

The Populist state executive committee will meet in the near future.

Mills county has just paid $1200 interest on bonds held by the school fund.

Nolan county recently redeemed $2000 of bonds held by the school fund.

The Fannin county Alliance men want the next State Alliance held at Bonham.

The Popjulists have nominated candidates for county officers in several counties.

Comanche county has just redeemed $1000 of courthouse bonds held by the school fund.

The postmasters in the larger towns and cities did a rushing business on St. Valentine's day.

The officers are still pursuing the "blind tiger" and "malt tonic" people in Johnson county.

The Texas Division American Cotton Growers' Protective association met at Waco on the 18th inst.

The comptroller registered a $3500 issue of Chico, Wise county, school house bonds a few days ago.

Bids will be asked for the recovering, painting and general repair of the federal building at Dallas.

Recently the team of Jesse Jones, living four miles north of Elmo, Kaufman county, became frightened, ran away, overturning the wagon and throwing him out. He was dragged beneath the wagon for several feet, fracturing his skull, breaking his collarbone and left arm near the shoulder. Mr. Jones is 65 years old and will hardly recover.

During the fiscal year just ended the total receipts of Dallas county amounted to $253,007.64, total disbursements $128,516.66, leaving a balance of $70,490.98 on hand. Twenty $1000 bonds were redeemed, leaving the bonded indebtedness remaining $321,000, divided as follows: Courthouse bonds $276,000, road and bridge bonds $18,000, jail bonds $27,000. The receipts from ad valorem and redemption taxes amounted to $176,788.48. The county treasury is in first-class running order and fifteen more $1000 bonds will be redeemed right away.

Parties digging a well near China Springs, McLennan county, found in a gravel stratum, twenty-three feet below the surface, an image in clay of queer shape, apparently an idot. It looks as if was made with the fingers while the clay was soft and burned in a very hot fire, causing it to glaze from sand particles contained in the clay. It a is rather grotesque effigy, having features which might be human or ape, either. The mouth is wide and the ears sticking up above the top of the head. The nose is hooked, and the figure is in a squating position. It is six inches from the pedestal upon which it squats to the crown of the head and the whole thing weighs four ounces.

Eugene Dalton, living near Taylor, cut off the forefinger of his right hand some days ago in a feed chopper.

Burleson county has just redeemed $1500 of courthouse and $1000 of jail bonds held by the school fund.

Near Bartlett, Williamson county, a few days since Gus Grawunder's two children, a boy about 12 and a little girl of 3 years, were playing in a room. A gun leaning against the wall was knocked down and was discharged. The bullet pierced the head of the little girl just above the left eye, killing her instantly.

Amos Nichols, living near Van Alstyne, Grayson county, while eating dinner the other day, fell over dead.

On Jan. 31 the penitentiary board had $98,681.18 on hand, $68,666.32 of which was in the state treasury, the remainder being in nine different banks.

Another Dallas county jury has found Dr. R. R. Jones guilty of murdering Capt. W. G. Veal and assessed his punishment at twenty years in the penitentiary.

The People's party executive committee of the Eleventh congressional district met at Rockport on the 18th inst.

What a Pet Eagle Did.

A pet eagle recently picked up the 2-year-old boy of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Morrison of Gainsville, Fla., and carried him 70 feet in the air before the mother's eyes. The young eaglets, which were in the eagle's nest near the house, began to scream and the mother bird turned and slowly descended. When 40 feet from the ground she dropped the boy in a cedar bush, and he was not seriously injured.

Malaria on the Mississippi Bottoms.

From the Banner-Democrat, Lake Providence, La.

The swamp lands along the banks of the Mississippi river in Arkansas, Mississippi and Louisiana are generally considered very unhealthy in contrast with the hilly country adjoining them. It is here the germs of malaria are formed, and from which originate those terrible malarial chills and fevers which the people of the low countries dread. In addition to these are intermittent and remittent fevers, dyspepsia, indigestion and rheumatism, all caused from malarial germs and the dampness of the atmosphere.

Medical science has been put to its utmost capacity to devise some mode of treatment by which these physical ailments can be moderated, if not eradicated, but so far it has failed. Not does it seem that there can be found any cure for these symptoms. Such has been the general opinion until recently, when Dr. Williams' Pink Pills found their way here, and came to stay. Today those who have used them say they would not do without them for all the medicines in the drug stores.

Mr. Dan. O'Sullivan, Sr., is a prominent citizen of this city, Lake Providence, La., and has been identified with its interests for years. At present he occupies an important position on the City Council and is also secretary of that body. He was once a strong, robust, healthy man, full of vigor and always on the go. Within the last year, however, his health has been very bad, his appetite poor, his digestion poor, in fact, his entire system was completely out of order. He began to use various medicines, but to no purpose. At length he decided to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. In a few days the change for the better could be noticed. He continued to improve so fast, that the proprietor of the Lake Providence Banner-Democrat interviewed him and asked him what he had been taking to put him in such good shape again. His reply was in substance as follows:

"My liver was all out of order, my digestion was very bad, I felt sluggish and did not want to do a thing but lay around the house. My blood began to get thin, and I felt sick all over. I concluded to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, as I had heard so much about them. After taking them a few days I could feel that they were doing me a great deal of good. I continued the use of them, and in a week or so I felt like a new man. They toned up my stomach, put my blood in good condition, gave me a good color, a good appetite, in fact, put me in a first-class shape again. My friends congratulated my return of health, and I smiled when I told them that Pink Pills did the work."

Mrs. D. H. Parker, who was raised in the city of Lake Providence, but who now resides in Greenville, Mississippi, also uses Pink Pills. Her husband, Mr. D. H. Parker, a popular traveling salesman of the Drummond Tobacco Company, of St. Louis, says that for years his wife had been suffering from dyspepsia and indigestion, that she had to be very careful what she ate, and would frequently have severe spells from being a little imprudent in her diet. She sent for some Pink Pills, took them and is now well and strong, and can eat any and every thing without being affected in the slightest manner. She is loud in her praises of Dr. Williams' great remedy. She also suffered from rheumatism, and that too, has left her.

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills contains all the elements necessary to give new life and richness to the blood and restore shattered nerves. They are for sale by all druggists, or may be had by mail from Dr. Williams' Medicine Company, Schenectady, N. Y., for 50 cents a box, or six boxes for $2.50.

Certainly he Will.

Felix Moral, a German, has got a concession from the shah of Persia to build a railroad from Bagdan to Teheran, the concession to last seventy-five years. He has the right to make his own rates, and use either steam or electricity, as he pleases. They say that he is going to make big money out of it.

A Sever Law.

The English law imposes a fine of £10, or 12 months at hard labor, for sending an "indecent print, book, card or other indecent article through the mail."

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Edgar Wilson "Bill" Nye, one of America's most noted humorists, died at his home near Ashville, N. C., a few days since. He had received a stroke of paralysis a few days before his death.

"Honor to whom honor is due." Congressman J. V. Cockrell deserves the thanks of his constituents and of the country at large for the material aid he contributed to the passage of the bill making prize-fighting a felony in all of the Territories of the United States.

Delegate Catron, of New Mexico, has done himself and his country honor by introducing and pushing the bill which became law Feb 7th, making priz-fighting a felony in all of the Territories of the United States. History will actually think more of Catron than of Dan Stuart.

The Dallas Commercial Club offers a premium of $50 to the public high school student who will write the best essay on "The Annexation of Texas and its influence on the American Nation." This is a theme prolific of ideas, replete with patriotism, and full of the philosophy of history—for history has its philosophy.

Snow-storms prevailed last week in the northern and middlewestern states. At places in Missouri, Illinois, and Michigan, the thermometer was reported to have been 12 degrees below zero. On last Thursday and Friday heavy snow and severe cold visited St. Louis, Chicago and other cities in that portion of the country.

The official call for primaries by Chairman Dudley of the state democratic executive committee providing for a test vote on the silver question and prescribing the form of ballot, "for bimetalism," and "against bimetalism," is being freely criticised by democratic journals; and Dudley's action is being ignored by several counties in the state.

Fitz. and Maher have at last had their pugilistic encounter. It occurred on the 21st inst., on a sandbank in the Rio Grande, two miles from Langtry, Texas. Fitz, the Englishman, gave Maher, the Irishman, "fits"—punching him on the jaw in a minute and a half. The Dallas News' reporter says, referring to the efforts of the Mexican authorities to suppress the fight, "a few grains of alkali dust came very near accomplishing the impossible."

An effort is being made to remove the Federal Court from Graham to Abilene. Our representative in congress made argument before the judiciary committee on the 14th inst., in favor of locating a branch of the Federal Court at Abilene, advocating the removal of the court from Graham to our neighbor city. The progress and outcome of the matter will be watched with much interest. The location of a Federal Court at Abilene would be a great convenience and benefit to this county and section.

What and if the curtain rolls back and presents to view two men at a distance, in an open field talking, not of the past, not of the present, but of the prospects of entering the race for Treasurer. "Jest let 'em come, we have no objections."

QUARANTINE.

MIDLAND, Tex, Feb, 18, 1896.
FRED WILLIAMSON.

DEAR SIR:—Your letter to hand and contents noted. You no doubt have seen the action of the board and governor as to their action in regard to the quarantine line since the United States government has quarantined Texas. They have agreed to mantain the line and allow cattle to cross after the 15th of February and not until the 15th of November, and have called on all the sheriff's of the bordering counties and propose to put the Rangers along the line to prevent any crossing. I am satisfied it will be maintained and every violation will be punished. It behoovs every good citizen who is in favor of the enforcement of law to aid in whatever way he can to assist the board and Rangers to enforce the law, in order to get U. S. Government to rescind their order or the whole of Northwest Texas will be cut off from any market for their young steers in the Northwestern states.

Yours truly,
T. J. MARTIN.

[T. J. Martin is a member of the State Sanitary commission.—ED.]

Old Quarantine Line Re-establishd. Secretary Morton will Revoke the Order Shutting out Tex.

A Washington special telegram to the Dallas News, of date the 24th, states that Governor Culberson and his secretary of State, accompanied by the Chief Clerk of the Supreme court of Texas, had a conference that morning with Secretary Morton with reference to the quarantine line in Texas. Governor Culberson left Washington with the assurance from Mr Morton that the quarantine line will be left just as it was prior to the order issued a few weeks ago—in other words, that Secretary Morton would revoke his late order cutting off the cattlemen of Texas from shipping cattle out of the state except for immidate slaughter.

Mr. Scott Greene, of this place, received on Tuesday a letter from Mr. J. S. McWilliams, of Colorado, to the effect that a telegram had been received by the stockmen there stating that the old quarantine line had been reinstated. By the time this is in press we will doubtless have official confirmation of the information last stated.

The vote by which the silver bill was defeated in the house 90 to 215 was a surprise to the friends of the white metal, but it ought to serve as an object to those who affect to believe that silver will ever be accorded any recognition by the republican party. Of the 90 votes for silver in the house, only 25 were cast by the republicans, the 7 populists and the democrats furnishing the balance—65. To summarize, the democrats, with 89 members, cast 58 votes for silver; the republicans, with 209 members, cast 184 votes against silver.

An Animal She had Never Seen.

Howard, the populist member of congress from Alabama, tells of his experience with a mountan woman as follows.

"I was much pleased with the progress I was making, and I ventured to put the question of most importance to me: 'Are there any Populists in this vicinity?'

"'Dear me, stranger,' she answered, "you are a little mite too hard for me this time. You see, I don't pay much attention to them things, but Bill is a mighty peert hunter, and has killed and skint all kinds of varmits in these mountains; but whether he ever kotch one o' them air, what you call it, stranger?—Populist vgrmits—is more nor I know. If you'll just walk 'round the back side o' the house, where he's got all his pets hangin' up a dryin', you may find one o' them things, for, now that I come to think about it, Bill, he yesterday mornin' killed one of the dolgastedest critters I ever saw. It had long legs, bandy shanks, long hair, an' I jest bet a pound o' home-made tobacker it was a Populist, though I never hearn tell o' one 'afore.'"—Washington Post.

CITATION.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Borden county Greeting:

You are hereby commanded, that by making publication of this citation in some newspaper published in the county of Borden, if there be a newspaper published in said county, (but if not, then in the nearest county where a newspaper is published,) for four weeks previous to the return day thereof, you summon the heirs and all persons interested in the estate of S. A. Johnson deceased, whose residence is unknown, to be and appear before the Hon. County Court, at the regular term thereof, to be holden in the county of Borden at the court house thereof, in the town of Gail on the first Monday in May, same being the 6th day of May A. D. 1896. File number being No 2, then and there to answer and contest the petition and application of T. T. Polk (should they desire to so,) filed in said court, on the 20 day of January A. D 1896, against the said heirs of, and all persons interested in the estate of S. A. Johnson, deseased, and praying for the Probate of a nuncupative will and alleging in substance as follows, to-wit: "T. T. Polk, your petitioner, avers that he resides in said Borden county. That on the 10th day of January A. D. 1896 S. A. Johnson, who at and before his death, had his domicile in the county of Borden aforesaid, that the deceased died in Colorado, Mitchell county, Texas, to which place he had gone temporarily for medical aid on the 10th day of January 1896. That at the time of his death the said S. A. Johnson was seized and possessed of personal property of the probable value of three thousand dollars. That on or about the first day of January the said S. A. Johnson, at his usual habitation in said Borden county, then being about forty-five years of age and of sound mind, but languishing under a dangerous illness, made his will and testament in the manner and form of a nuncupative will, and by uttering certain testamentory words in the presence of witnesses then in attendance, did bequeath his said estate as follows: "I want T. T. Polk to have all my property and I know that I am likely and liable to come to my death by reason of my present feelings and physical condition, and I want you to tell Tom Polk that I want him to have all I have. That I will be gone to Colorado about a week, and if I get killed or die while I am gone, tell Tom Polk I want him to take and have all I have got." That at and before, the time of uttering the said testamentory words the said testator called upon L. E. Skinner, Charles Brown, W. S. Turner and S. L. Jones, then present, to take notice and bear testimony that what he was about to say was his will and said testator did then and there in the presence of said L. E. Skinner, Charles Brown, W. S. Turner and S. L. Jones, who reside in said county of Borden, and to others, the very testamentory words, in substance as the above cited; that afterwards, same words were written and reduced to writing by said L. E. Skinner, charles Brown, W. S. Turner and S. L. Jones as the very testamentory words spoken by the deceased; that during his last illness, on the 10th day of January 1896 said testator died without revoking, altering, or in the least changing or modifying said nuncupative will; that if said testator has, or had, at the date of his death, any heirs at law, their names and residence are not known to your petitioner. Wherefore your petioner prays that citation issue to all persons interested in said estate that said will be admitted to probate and that each other and further orders be made as the court may seem proper.

Herein fail not, but have then and there before said court this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and the seal of said court, in the town of Gail this 20th day of January A. D. 1896.

SEAL

Attest: W. D. NEVELS,
clerk county court Borden co., Texas.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

To all persons interested in the Persons and estate of Marcus L., Una A. and Leila Richards, Minors, Notice is hereby given that W. Q. Richards Guardian of said Minors has filed in the County Court of Scurry county a final account with said estate of said Minors together with an application for leave to resign his guardianship of said Minors Marcus L., Una A. and Leila Richards, which will be heard by said court on the 2nd day of March 1896 at the Court House in the town of Snyder at which time all persons interested in said Minors may appear and contest said account, if they see proper.

Herein, fail not, under penalty of the law, and of this writ make due return.

Issued the 21 day of January 1896.

ATTEST, H. B. Patterson Clerk of said Court and the [seal] thereof, at office, in the town of Snyder the 21st day of January 1896.

H. B. PATTERSON,
Clerk C. C., Scurry County.

New York World,

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Scurry county was formed from Bexar county in 1876 and contains 900 square miles.

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The Colorado river flows across the south-west corner of the county, while Deep, Bull, Ennis and a number of smaller streams furnish abundant water for stock.

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Churches and schools have not been neglected, but these instututions are ample, successful and harmonious.

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Snyder is the county seat; population 500.

This is a lovely village and situated on the banks of Deep Creek from which our boys and girls take the choicest fish with which to supply our tables.

Snyder boasts of the best schools in west Texas.

The Masons have a flourshing lodge of good working material.

The Baptists, Cumberland Presbyterians and Methodists, each have church organizations. There are three grocery stores, one drug store, one photograph gallery. one machine and smithing shop, two livery and feed stables, two hotels, three physicians, and three lawyers who have plenty of time in which to keep posted on the subject of free silver and un-free gold. One weekly newspaper with job office; one gin and mill; one iron bridge stretching across a flowing stream; one confectionery with news stand; three dry goods stores; two banks; hardware, vehicles, lumber etc. also on sale at Snyder.

Lands are cheap; and all classes of good citizens will be welcomed by our people. Why not throw off the shackles of your servitude to all cotton? Why enslave your children and keep them out of school to grow 5c cotton? Why not get a few cows or other stock and come to Scurry? Why will you longer chill? Health invites. Come and procure a cheap home and find health, prosperity and happiness.

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For County Treasurer.
T. D. MCMILLAN.
DAVE NATION.

For Tax Assessor.
T. H. CROWDER.

PERSONAL AND OTHERWISE

Sherig Wellborn went to Dickens City last Satuday to take an attached witness.

No services at the Baptist church Sunday night church on account of the rain.

Call on Wasson, Smith & Co., for Onion Sets and Garden Seeds of all varieties.

Gardening and transplanting fruit trees is the order of the outdoor industry around Snyder.

If you want Seed Potatoes Onion Sets and Garden Seed of all kind, call on F. Crist.

Prof. R. J. McNeil request us to say that he will, as is announced open school here on April first.

Wasson, Smith & Co have the Tennessee Triumph and Early Rose Seed Potatoes.

Mrs. J. S. Vaughan, of Colorado, was visiting her many friends in Snyder this and last week.

Rev. R. J. McNeil filled his regular appoint at the Baptist church last Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Ella Bean returned on last Monday from Kent where she had been visiting her sister Miss Rene.

Everybody who are owing us are requested to call and pay up by the 15th of March.
DODSON BROS.

T. J. Faught, eleven miles north of Snyder, reports cattle in a mending condition. indications good for an early spring.

Walter Whitehead, who is only thirteen years of age; now attending the Snyder High School, weighs 165 pounds.

Miss Irene Scarborough, who been teaching in Kent county, is expected home tomorrow, her school being out this week.

The rain on last Sunday and Sunday night, will, with a few warm days, cause spring time to burst into life.

Mr. D. Bibbee says that he would be much obliged to the party or parties who have his net wire borrowed if they would return it.

Mr. G. C. Buchanan who lives five miles east of Snyder, reports a good stand of winter oats, wheat looking fine and every indication of an early harvest.

Don't get excited if you see two new announcements in the next issue for the office of County and District Clerk, either of them can give good references.

Mr. J. A. Spires, of Roscoe, was a pleasant caller at the NEWS office last Tuesday. He reports things in good condition in that section of the country.

Mr. J. D. Mitchell, manager of the Square and Compass ranch, passed through Snyder last Friday on his way to Colorado and gave us a pleasant call.

Uncle Daniel to the Boys.

I love boys and want to talk to them through the columns of this paper.

Some old men claim that if they had not been knocked, cuffed and kicked about until they were 12 or 15 years of age, that they would have been hanged by the time they were 40, but if the fear of punishment is the only incentive to induce a boy do right, he is none the better nor wiser for keeping in the path of rectitude, they are none the better prepared to fill an important position than they were before taught to avoid, not abhor, that which was wrong.

Boys, you are the hope of our country. Soon upon your shoulders must rest this grand and glorious government. As the leaves of each successive spring supply the place of those that have been dislodged by the killing frost of the preceeding autumn, so you must soon fill the positions of those who have been disloged by the blighting hand of time. Soon, some boy of your age, must fill the county, state, and national offices; soon some boy of your age must fill positions of the lawyer, the doctor, the banker, and the merchant. Soon, you will be called upon to fill the writers, the teachers, and preachers desk, but your Uncle Daniel takes the position that kicking, cuffing, slaping, and whipping a boy is not the best method of preparing him to fill these important positions in life. We know that it is true, that some time it is necessary to resort to the rod rather than spoil the child, but after a boy has grown old enough to be thoughtful and investigating it is unnecessary to resort the rod, except in rare cases, of course, a great many boys need to be flogged occasionally to keep them straight until they are old enough to be taught right from wrong and the reason of it.

In the next issue I will give the boys some advice.

YOUR UNCLE DANIEL.

Carry the News to Mary!

Dodson Bros. will soon be in receipt of a nice line of Spring Millinery, including Fancy French Chips and all the latest Parisian novelties.

Notwithstanding the cold rain and northeast wind the school opened Monday morning with an attendance of 35 students. Your patronage is solicited.
E. C. DODSON.

Mr. Haywood Patterson, brother to Mr. H. B. Patterson, who for the past eleven years has resided in Pecos county, arrived here a few days since and will make this his future home

The NEWS continues to expand its circulation. There are a few, however, and we are sorry to say, in our county, who do not take it, and we do not think hard of them e ther.

The birth-day party, complimentary to Miss Maud Sims, given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. Robinson, last Saturday evening was well attended by Snyder's young people, and all report a most enjoyable time.

No child in Snyder, need be left to grow up without knowledge. There are four kindergarten schools each well conducted by the following teachers: Mrs. McNeil, Mrs. Nunn, Miss Lucy Grantham, and Miss Birdie Strayhorn.

Mr. W. T. Rankin, who recently moved into our county from the Territory, and now living the Bookout community, expresses himself as being well pleased with this county and inted to buy a home and become a permanent citizen.

Sheriff Wellborn, of this county, and Sheriff Hooper, of Fisher, on last Friday arrested and landed in the jail here one Henry McDonald and Ben Childers, they have been taken to the Fisher county jail at Roby to await trial. They are accused of cattle theft.

Did You Buy U. S. Bonds?

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Notice to the Public.

ALL parties having grain to thresh will bring it in on the 5th of March. As we will set in Snyder on that day.
GRANT & STOKELY.

School Lands Forfeited.

All school lands in Scurry county bought under the act of 1887 and amendatory acts and on which the interest was due August 1st, 1894 and has not been paid, have been declared forfeited and are now on the market.
H. B. PATTERSON,
County Clerk.

The following is a letter to County Clerk Patterson from the General Land Office at Austin, dated February 21:

"Replying to favor of the 17th inst., wherein you kindly acknowledge receipt of list of forfeitures of school lands in your county sold under act of 1887 and amendatory acts for interest for interest for the year ending August 1st 1894, and desire to know whether defaulting purchasers will have 90 days prio right to repurchase after the lands are again placed on the market, are advised they have. These lands will not be sold to others pending the said 90 days prior right, except upon consent of defaulting purchaser, during which time such purchaser is permitted to repurchase by paying up all back interest to date of forfeiture, provided he has occupied the land as by law required. These facts should be made known to all defaulting purchasers that they may take advantage given them under the law. Herewith I hand you a number of prior right blank application fo purchase
Very respectfully.
ANDREW J. BAKER,
Commissioner.

For Sheriff and Tax-Collector.

Mr. W. A. Anderson, whose name appears in this issue for the office of Sheriff and Tax-Collector is well known all over this county. He can give good references from the different portions of the state where he has lived, he has, perhaps during the five years of his life in this county never mistreated any person and has n v r been mistreated by any one. He is fully competent to fill the office. We leave him in your hands believing that if elected he will make us a competent officer.

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Colorado, Texas.

To the Public.

The County Clerk, H. B. Patterson, will wait on any person desiring information in the Surveyor's office in my absence.
F. M. GERMAN,
County Surveyor.

School, School.

The undersigned will begin a school at the Public Schoo building in Snyder, on the first of April next.

Advanced class recitations will be conducted on the Drill Lecture Method and under grades will be taught in compliance with improved Normal Methods. We will have published a syllabus for each succeeding week. Besides the Common School course a High mathematical course will be given, including the derivation and use of "naturals," Logarithms, Surveying, and Astromical calculations. Tuition fees, $1.50, $2.00 and $2.50.
R. J. MCNEIL.

STATE OF TEXAS } Taken up
COUNTY OF SCURRY } and estrayed by J. S. Farr before J. D. Harrington, Justice of the Peace in and for Precinct No. 4 of Scurry county, Texas, on the 20th day of January 1896, One dun pony mare about thirteen and one half hands high with a light crop off of right ear, and branded AX on left shoulder and ⌶ on left thigh, four years old.

The owner of said property is requested to come forward prove propety, pay charges and take said property away, or the same will be dealt with as the law directs.

Attest H. B. Patterson Clerk of the County Court of Scurry county.

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" " 4, J D Harrington

COURTS.

District courts are held 7 ondays after the first Monday in February and August of each year.

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CHURCH DIRECTORY.

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" 3rd. "		Night
Prayer-meeting Wed.		"
Bookout 2nd. Sun.		11 A. M.
Jumbo "	"	3.30. P.M.
Camp-Springs 3rd. Sun.		11 A.M.
Browning, 4th Sun.		3.30. P.M.

W. H. Harris P. O.

Snyder	2nd.	Sun.	11 A. M.
Jumbo	3rd.	"	11 A. M.
Bookout	"	"	4 P. M.

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Why He Did Not.

A son of Paul Verlaine, the late French poet, tells a strange story in explanation of his failure to attend his father's funeral. Some months ago he arrived in Brussels from Algeria and was about to start for Paris, when he suddenly fell into a lethargic sleep, which lasted four days. The same state has come upon him again, the last attack being at the time of his father's funeral. Dr. Van Vensel, of Brussels, has given young Verlaine a certificate, stating that these sleeping spells are due to the hypnotic influence of a man whom he met in Algeria.

A Masculine Woman.

Delna, the present star of the Opera Comique in Paris, is a very fat young woman who has a mustache and a very redundant figure. She is described as looking as if she never washed her face and almost never combed her hair. Her voice is bad and her dramatic knowledge limited, but she is a success. Four years ago she was singing in a cafe chantant of not particularly good character. She might be scrubbed up a little, put in very evening dress, and become a fad in New York.

Wanted to Ask Mamma.

An actress created quite a sensation at Racine, Wis., the other day by suddenly postponing her marriage. All the arrangements for the ceremony were complete and she was about to proceed to the church when she suddenly concluded that it would be necessary to ask mamma. A good deal of free advertising has resulted.

An Old Suit.

A case is now before the courts of Bavaria, which has been in litigation for 301 years. It is the suit of the town of Burginn against the lords of Thungen for 2,000,000 marks, value of a certain forest of oaks. It is hoped that the case will be finally settled on the 21st of next June.

Dog Fish Eggs.

The egg of the dog fish is provided with a system of spiral cables like the tendrils of climbing plants. These feelers reach out in every direction, and whenever they encounter an object which they can seize, twine themselves around it and hold the egg in position until it is hatched.

SHE ASTONISHES HER RACE.

Mississippi Negress Who Boasts a Profusion of Long Hair.

From the Memphis Scimitar: The Mississippians in Memphis tell of a strange negro character living near Holly Springs, forty miles southeast of this city. The negro, or rather negress, in question is named Nancy Garrison, and is said to be the only long-haired member of her race. Nancy is a genuine negress; black, with kinky hair. She is 48 years old. Until 1878, after the yellow fever epidemic, there was nothing remarkable about her, but during the scourge she had the fever and came near dying. It was months before she was able to leave her house. Immediately after her convalescence her short, kinky hair began to grow rapidly, and in a year's time it grew from three inches to three feet in length, thickening as it grew. A few years later the crisp mass of hair fell below her knees. About this time a wonderful change of color took place; the jetty locks turned white as snow and remained so until two years ago; since then the hair has turned gradually to its natural blackness. It continues to grow and now measures eleven feet. Prominent physicians of the Holly Springs neighborhood have examined the woman's head and are disposed to think that the spell of fever produced the unnatural growth. She is a living curiosity, visited by hundreds who handle her massive braids before they believe the truth. Like the majority of the negroes, Nancy is superstitious, and the story she tells about her hair is interesting. She claims that she had a vision while she lay sick of fever; that a black woman stood before her with three long braids of kinky hair that fell to the floor; the woman pointed to the hair and disappeared. When her hair began to grow Nancy often thought of the vision. A year later, when she was alone in her cabin, the vision appeared again, holding in her hands the massive braids. She said to Nancy: "Behold, this is your hair. Mark me, it is as black as night; it shall be as white as snow." This frightened the negress and she bound up her hair in a cloth and was afraid to loosen it or to look upon it for a month. When questioned about it she always says: "It's all the spirits' work."

CURSE OF OFFICE HOLDING.

Utterly Unfits a Man for Any Other Occupation.

Somebody must hold office, but the man who does submits to a sacrifice that is appalling, says the Farmer's Voice. Office holding, as a rule, is a blighting curse to the office holder. Once he tasted the "sweets" of office he is as much under the control of the office holding passion as the drunkard is under the control of his appetite. Nothing satisfies him but a permanent position at the public crib, though very often the man could earn ten times more outside of politics than in. Think of a business man or professional man straining every nerve and spending lots of money to go to the legislature at $5 per day. But hundreds do it, and regard defeat, which sensible men would regard as a blessing, as a serious and almost irreparable misfortune. If it is an appointive office and the man unfortunately succeeds in holding it for a series of years, but at last is discharged, he is as helpless as a babe, for he is utterly unfit for other occupations. This is especially true of old men who lose their positions at Washington. It is said that one of this class recently cried like a child over his misfortune. Better remain on the farm or in the workshop or in any private business than to embark on the troubled sea of politics. There is not much honor in it, and there is still less money than honor, if the fingers do not have wax on them; and it is better, far better, to be an honest pauper than a dishonest official. If a man maintains a clear conscience he can live and die with at least one priceless treasure.

The Trolley in Persia.

The first electric railroad in Persia will be built from Teheran to the summer resorts, about ten miles to the north of the city, where everybody lives during the hot season. The summer on the Persian plateau is very hot and dry, and it is only in the neighborhood of the mountains that Europeans can stand the great heat. Were it not for the resort they would have to leave Teheran for four months of the year. The new road is to be a trolley road, and a concession for ninety years has been granted to a German contractor, who will start the building of the road at once.

Purity.

On the question of divorces, the law of Moses was almost as lax as the law of Maine, while on the other hand the law of Christ is far less stringent than the law of South Carolina—for no divorce has ever been granted in that state. It would be a happy day for this nation if all civil law in all our states, touching this question of family purity, was brought into harmony with the law of Christ. The devil of divorce is a most impure, as well as a most industrious evil, and he cannot be sent too quickly to his own place.—Rev. Dr. McLeod, Presbyterian, Scranton, Pa.

Births in Holland.

In several towns in Holland a birth is announced by the exposing at the door of a silk pincushion, covered and edged by plaited lace, the sex of the infant being shown by the color—for a boy, red; for a girl, white. The house which shows in this manner that the number of its inhabitants has been increased enjoys, by an ancient law and custom, various immunities and privileges.

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