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PROF. R. M. CUMNOCK.

AN HONORED INSTRUCTOR IN "OLD NORTHWESTERN."

He Is Universally Popular Both with Town and Gown—Holds an Enviable Place as an Author of Educational Works.

PROFESSOR Robert McLean Cumnock is one of the most honored instructors of Northwestern university. Tributes of praise which often lack the ring of sincerity are not the kind bestowed upon him by the admiring students of Evanston. He is universally popular, both with town and gown. Professor Cumnock is "very Scotch" and proud of his lineage. And he has reason to be, since the glorious Scotch traits of true manliness and wholeheartedness have brought him honors and untarnished reputation through the years of his "work-a-day" life. One can easily fancy the free days of the boy's life in that land of ballad and romance, whose songs and stories are yet so dear to the son of her "banks and braes."

Old students of Wesleyan in Middletown, Conn., still remember him in these wide-awake college days when he acted as "first tenor," "finest fellow" and "most popular boy" on the campus. The Wesleyan elmtree walk, the president's garden and old North Hall must still hold echoes of that cheery, strong, commanding voice that said so many goodly words and shouted so many enthusiastic greetings. The elocutionary advantages of Middletown aroused his aspirations. The kindly words of advice from Professor Hibbard, a master in voice culture, and also from his president, Dr. Joseph Cummings, brought the decision that his voice was his calling. During his college course he was a member of the Psi Upsilon fraternity, and at the close of the course his high rank in scolarship gave him an election into Phi Beta Kappa. With the first prize for oratory and the prize for "second honors" as being next to the handsomest man in college, he graduated in 1868. In forsaking college halls he was leaving only friends.

In the fall of 1868, by the introduction of his former teacher, Dr. Miner Raymond, he came as tutor of elocution to Northwestern university. Since then

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his home has been in Evanston, with the university. His election to the professorship of rhetoric and elocution took place in 1873, while in 1881 he also accepted the same professorship in Garrett Biblical institute.

Professor Cumnock's work is not of the past, but of the present. The hours of every day are filled with the duties that come to him as director of the magnificent college of oratory he has built up. The oratory building at Northwestern is a monument to his unflagging industry and genius. It is the only building of its kind on the American continent. As a reader Professor Cumnock is equally at home with the powerful Shakespearean tragedy, the rippling love ditty and the grand poetry and beauty of the Bible. When he renders Dickens the listener is at loss whom to admire most, the author or the reader.

Professor Cumnock holds an enviable place as an author, since his "Choice Readings" have passed through many editions and his "School Speaker" is widely known. His words, so often repeated in the class-room, "Cultivate the soul," have been embodied in his own nature, for he is a man of sturdy heart and sympathetic nature. His professional career has always been characterized by an indomitable spirit and a hearty good will.

The Bohemian's Comment.

"I owe my life to a miracle," said one of the combatants to Murger, the author of "La Vie des Bohemes." "I had left in my pocket a five-franc piece and the ball struck flat on the spot where it was."

"In your place I should have been a dead man," was Murger's reply.—Le Petit Parisien.

THE LATE H. O. HOUGHTON.

Biographical Sketch of a Representative American Citizen.

Henry Oscar Houghton, who was born at Sutton, Vermont, April 30, 1823, died at South Andover recently. Mr. Houghton was the founder of the publishing house of Houghton, Mifflin & Co., of Boston, and his career, an important one, having much to do with the education of the American people, was due to his singular honesty and energy. Mr. Houghton began life as a printer on the Burlington Free Press, but while at work applied himself to his education. Through dint of a careful economy he fitted himself for college, and graduated from the University of Vermont, working hard all the time, so as to find means for his instruction. Going to Boston, and thoroughly proficient, he found employment on a newspaper, not only doing the work of a compositor, but writing for it. In 1849 he purchased an interest in the firm of Freeman & Bolles, who were printers. Shortly after the firm of Bolles & Houghton was established at Cam-

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bridge. In time publishing was added to the business of printing. Many editions of Bacon, Carlyle, Macaulay, Cooper, Dickens, were issued by the firm. In 1864 Mr. Houghton became associated with M. M. Hurd, and under the name of Hurd & Houghton a large and lucrative business was carried on. In 1878 the house of James R. Osgood & Co., the successors of Ticknor & Fields, was amalgamated with the firm of Hurd & Houghton. The firm then became Houghton, Osgood & Co., and later Houghton, Mifflin & Co. To the mechanical appliances of the Riverside Press were added many valuable literary franchises. There were published the productions of Longfellow, Hawthorne, Emerson, Whittier, Lowell, Holmes, Thoreau, Whipple, Agassiz. In 1873 the firm of Hurd & Houghton purchased the Atlantic Monthly, and from the Riverside Press were issued the Journal of American Folk Lore and the Andover Review. Mr. Houghton was Councilman, Alderman and Mayor of Cambridge, and though directing with all his energies his business of publishing, he paid great attention to his civic requirements. Mr. Houghton took great interest in the passage of the International Copyright Law. During his long career of activity, his relationships with the many men of letters were of the most cordial character.

A Carpenter's Luck.

The most interesting of the men made newly rich by the Cripple Creek mines is W. S. Stratton, who owns the Independence mine outright and has an interest in other mining properties. He is a carpenter, and three years ago he walked from Colorado Springs to the new camp, a distance of thirty miles, in order to save the fare, which amounted to $4. Success has not spoiled him, and with his income of $1,200,000 a year

W. S. STRATTON.

he is a modest, small-sized man, with iron-gray hair and mustache, dressed in a plain business suit, and wholly inconspicuous.

The woman suffrage societies throughout the country will celebrate the birthday of Mrs. Elizabeth Cady Stanton Nov. 12.

The web of an ordinary spider will bear the weight of three grains.

ALL CONFUSION YET.

JIM AND BOB MAY FIGHT, AND THEY MAY NOT.

Gov. Clark Says "The Fight Will Never Be Pulled Off in Arkansas"—What Julian Says—Talk of Tar and Feathers for a District Judge.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Oct. 21.—Gov. Clarke was seen by a reporter at his home at 6:30 yesterday evening, and the governor stated substantially this to the interrogation, "What do you think of the fight now, governor?"

"As I have always thought, and as I told you when you first broached the subject to me. The fight will never be pulled off in Arkansas, and the idea is preposterous for 200 or 300 men at Hot Springs to declare that it will take place against the constituted authority of the state, as I construe it."

"In view of Judge Leatherman's decision, what measures do you propose to adopt to prevent it?"

"I am unable to say yet. Attorney General Kinsworthy went over to Hot Springs this morning to get a transcript of Corbett's case, and as soon as he returns I will decide upon measures for bringing the farce to a speedy close. No, sir, the fight will not take place in Arkansas, and the more I think of the fever the people of the country have worked themselves into, thinking that it would, the more surprised I am."

HOT SPRINGS, Ark., Oct. 21.—Unless the supreme court of the state reverses the decision rendered Saturday afternoon by Chancery Judge Leatherman there will be no legal bar to the proposed meeting between Corbett and Fitzsimmons in the arena of the Florida Athletic club in this city on whatever day the officers of the club may elect. The decision of Chancellor Leatherman in brief is that there is no law against prize fighting or glove contests now on the statute books of Arkansas. The law of 1891 making prize fighting a felony was not legally enacted and the amendment of 1893 is now null and void. The chancellor granted the writ of habeas corpus prayed for and Corbett was liberated from the custody of the sheriff, and has returned to his training quarters at Spring lake. The evidence adduced went to show that there was no prize fight contemplated in the articles of agreement as signed by Corbett and the Florida Athletic club, but a twenty-five-round contest for scientific points with five-ounce gloves; also that there is no imminent danger likely to result from such a contest.

The very best of feeling does not seem to exist between Julian and the officers of the Florida Athletic club at present. The latter claims that Julian had no forfeit upon Fitzsimmons, and that if he does not put in an appearance he will forfeit nothing but his time. Julian claims that neither he nor Fitzsimmons have been treated right; that they have not been consulted as to any of the proposed changes; and that they have been accused of having nothing up on the fight, etc. He said that Fitzsimmons is in splendid condition, and owing to the difference in the weather between here and Corpus Christi that he does not think it best to bring him here before the day of the fight.

"What do you think of the revised articles of the agreement?"

"I do not like them at all. We agreed to fight to a finish to see who is entitled to the championship, and these articles provide for a soft glove contest for a limited number of rounds. I do not intend to sign the new articles of agreement at all. It will be a fight to a finish or no fight at all. I make this statement most positively."

"What about postponing the contest to some later day?"

"I object to this also. We agreed to fight on Oct. 31. I will have Fitzsimmons here on that day ready to go into the ring and fight. If the other parties are not ready, we will claim the forfeit, according to contract. Then, if they want to make other arrangements, we will accommodate them. But this fight must be brought off according to agreement or not at all."

"It is claimed by some that you have no forfeit money up. How is that?"

"The money was placed in the hands of the stakeholder all right. Just how the stakeholder allowed it to disappear I do not know, but that cuts no figure, as we have another $10,000 to put up as a side bet, where it can not be attached by anybody. As for postponing the fight, I see no necessity of that. As I understand it, all that has to be done is to build the fence around the park twelve feet higher than it is now and throw up the seats, which can be done within twenty-four hours with a large force of men. We consider that we have been unfairly treated in this matter, and we do not intend to give the other side a single point the advantage over us in the preliminary arrangements. We propose to stick by the original articles of agreement entered into more than a year ago. Fitzsimmons will come whenever I say to him to do so, and if the other side convince me that he should come at once I will send for him, but I doubt very much if they can convince me that it is necessary."

In the meantime Corbett has resumed training at Spring lake and expresses himself as very anxious to try conclusions with Fitzsimmons, with or without stake money up, a purse of $41,000 or for fun, and if Fitzsimmons comes here the two men will almost certainly meet.

Mr. Vendig says the contest will come off. If Fitz fails to show up he will match Maher against Corbett and Choynski against O'Donnell.

Sheriff Reb. Houpt of Hot Springs says that the people of that city are seriously thinking of administering a coat of tar and feathers to Judge Duffie for calling on Gov. Clarke to help Garland county out of trouble, when there was no trouble on hand.

A Great Drouth.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 21.—Reports received at the weather bureau indicate that the present drouth is of one of the severest, most prolonged and general known in the United States since the bureau's organization. There are a few places which show an exception to the general condition, but no large section of the country, unless, perhaps in the northwest and far west, does there appear to have been a soaking rain for the past two months or more. Where there has been exceptional precipitation it has been confined to small areas. In some parts of the country the drouth began in the latter part of July, but in most of the sections it had not become markedly pronounced until in August.

The entire Atlantic coast with some exceptions, such as Charleston, S. C., and Augusta, Ga., shows a deficiency below the normal rainfall since the 1st of August amounting in some instances to almost half of the average precipitation. The Ohio and Mississippi valley report similar conditions, as does a part of the Pacific coast. The great region upon the whole has fared better than other sections of the country east of the Mississippi.

In some parts of the Rocky mountain region, as in Colorado, Wyoming, Utah and Nevada, there have been excessive rainfalls during this period, and along the Pacific coast, from Apia to San Francisco, there were good days in September as there have been in places since then in that section.

Farther east Fort Scott, Kan., Indianapolis, Ind., and St. Paul, Minn., are the centers of districts where the drouth was broken in September. There have been good rains also in parts of Iowa, Nebraska, Missouri and Kansas. The worst complaints come from West Virginia, Kentucky and western Pennsylvania.

A Chicago Mad Man.

CHICAGO, Ill., Oct. 21.—Armed with a Winchester rifle and a revolver, a madman defied the police for hours yesterday at No. 35 Woodland park, in one of the most aristocratic resident districts of the city. Barricaded and locked in a second story room, commanding a complete view of the park, the lunatic splintered doors, shattered window panes and tore holes in the plaster of the house with bullets from his rifle, while he shouted defiance to the police and others attracted to the scene. The man was G. S. Merwin of Rogers, Brown & Co., pig iron dealers. After seventeen hours of effort the police, by strategy, surprised and overcame the madman. Although he had fired 140 shots from his rifle and revolver, Merwin injured no one, but a number of people had narrow escapes. After every other attempt to enter the room had failed, sulphur was burned in the furnace. All the registers were closed, excepting the one in the room occupied by Merwin. In an hour after the sulphur fire was started Merwin, partly overcome by the fumes, laid down on his bed and was secured with but feeble resistance.

Killed His Wife.

ONTARVILLE, Minn., Oct. 19.—A brutal murder occurred Thursday three miles south of here, in Grant county, South Dakota. Frank Kaapitz left here for home about 4 p. m. in an intoxicated condition. On reaching home he quarreled with his wife and kicked her to death. Kaapitz married the woman under peculiar circumstances ten years ago. He attended her wedding when she became the wife of a young neighbor, who, enraged at the apparent preference of his bride for Kaapitz, deserted her then and there went out and shot himself. The bride immediately married Kaapitz, the man who has so brutally murdered her. The sheriff of Grant county has the murderer in custody.

Insuring Consumptives.

CINCINNATI, Oct. 21.—Special.—Reports say that a leading life insurance company is accepting risks to the amount of $300,000 on lives of consumptives taking the Amick Chemical Treatment for lung disease. The Amick Chemical Co. of Cincinnati is actually paying the premiums on this insurance and presenting policies to their patients. This company claims to have the most complete statistics on consumption in the world, and that these risks are good, providing the patients take a course of the Amick treatment.

TEXAS NEWS BRIEFS.

Items of General Interest Carefully Selected From Many Sources.

Between 8000 and 10,000 people witnessed the hanging of J. Q. A. Crews at Denton on the 14th. The drop fell at 2 p. m. and his neck was broken by the fall, and he was pronounced dead in 8 minutes. The crime for which Crews paid the penalty of the law was the premeditated murder of the Morrell family near Calfsburg, in Cooke county, on April 12, 1894. Crews had been employed by Thomas Morrell near Gainesville, but having been discharged went to the home of Morrell and secreted himself in the haymow of the barn. As Morrell entered the barn door to feed the cows Crews fired two shots into his body, instantly killing him. Mrs. Morrell, hearing the gun reports, ran to the barn and as she entered Crews deliberately shot her down. Crews rifled the pockets of the dead man and left in the direction of Red river for the farm of Morgan Morrell, a son of Thomas Morrell. Young Crews was in the field plowing and as he came near the end of his row Crews arose from his hiding place and sent a ballet crashing through his brain. He then started for the Indian Territory and killed a man named Miller on the road, thinking he was about to be arrested. He was arrested at Thackerville. He was tried once and given a life sentence, but on a new trial was sentenced to hang.

At Sulphur Springs the other night while John Drake was sitting in the corridor of the Garrison hotel, a stranger came in and at once opened fire on him. Two shots were fired, one taking effect, from the effects of which he died two hours later. The party doing the shooting turned out at the front door and escaped. John Drake is said to live in Chicago and has a wife and children there. The body has been embalmed, preparatory to forwarding to his home. They went there looking for employment with Barnum. Fletcher was stopping at the Garrison hotel and registered from Hearne. Drake was stopping elsewhere in the city. The cause leading up to the trouble is said to be of long standing. The only witness says not a word was spoken by either party.

In the case of the state vs. Hutchins, the court of civil appeals held that article 3992, revised statutes, which requires the contractor for state printing to be a resident of the state, does not prohibit the contractor from having the printing or binding done out of the state, and that if the contractor be a resident of the state and complies with his contract it is immaterial under the law whom he employs to do it, how or where he does it or where he obtains material.

The probabilities are that an interstate game of foot ball for the championship will be played at Paris in the near future between the teams of the state university of Texas and the state university of Arkansas. The Arkansas team has challenged the Texas boys and the challenge has been accepted and two teams are now trying to agree upon some midway point with a decided preference for Paris. The expenses are estimated at $500, which Paris has guaranteed.

Professor F. R. Fields, principal of the colored school at Olive, Hardin county, was killed the other day at the residence of Bob McKinney, about fifteen miles from that place. He was placing two guns in a gig, when the hammer of one of them, a 44-caliber Winchester, caught, causing the discharge of the gun, the ball passing clear through the body. His death ensued in about twenty minutes. The deceased was very popular among both white and colored.

At Fort Worth recently Judge Greene created a mild sensation by his charge to the grand jury of the forty-eigth district court. He laid special stress on the duty of the jury to inquire into violations of the laws against Sunday selling of liquor, gambling and prostitution. He also ordered inquiry to be made into actions of county and city officials in connection with these offenses.

At Waco, W. Ray has sued A. M. Robinson. In his petition he states that the defendant caused his arrest on the charge of disposing of mortgaged property, which charge he disproved in court. This arrest, the plaintiff claims, caused him mental suffering and loss of the confidence of his friends. He asks for damages in the sum of $10,185.

At Bastrop, recently, Virgie Deal Maynard, the little 9-year-old daughter of District Attorney Maynard, left the school yard with her classmates. She stopped under a street bridge that had been taken up and propped against a post and sat down to fix her books. The bridge fell over, killing her instantly.

The entire force of the International and Great Northern shops has been called off at Taylor, reducing the railway mechanical force one-half or shorter, and closing the shops at that place indefinitely. The whole force is laid off with the exception of a few of the yard force and the yard gang.

The exact figures of the assets and liabilities of the Luling Co-operative association, which, through it agent, T. W. Pierce, filed a deed of trust recently, are as follows: Total liabilities are $16,000; $3500 borrowed cash and $12,500 due on notes and accounts. The assets amount to $23,000; $13,000 of which is notes and accounts and a stock of goods valued at $10,000.

At Denison, recently, Dudley Stewart of Medina county, had his pocket picked of $27 while the circus parade was passing on Main street. His pocket was cut and the money abstracted. Stewart had a roll of bills in his vest pocket which was not disturbed.

At Bonham, the other night, Judge E. L. Givens, who is 84 years of age, arose from his bed to get a drink of water. Suddenly he became blind, fell to the floor, striking his head and injuring himself so badly that he is confined to his bed, but is able to see again.

At Denison L. Bernheim, dry goods, has filed a chattel mortgage for the benefit of his creditors, with W. S. Nevins as trustee. The liabilities will reach $28,000 with assets about the same amount. Local creditors are preferred to the amount of $11,400.

The governor has pardoned George Franklin on recommendation of Gen. Openheimer of the penitentiary board. Franklin was sent up for thirty-four years for cattle theft from Grayson county. He had served seven years.

Rev. J. D. Rush, a well-known Presbyterian preacher, met with a serious and perhaps fatal, accident the other day in Fannin county. His horse ran away, throwing him from his buggy, fracturing his skull.

In a difficulty at the depot at Sartartia, Fort Bend county, recently, J. A. Fisher was shot and dangerously but not necessarily fatally wounded. The men engaged are both employed as convict guards.

Uncle Red Allen, colored, one of the oldest citizens of Milam county, was killed by the north bound San Antonio & Aransas Pass train the other night while attempting to cross the track near Cameron.

Zulika Beckwith, colored, aged 4 years, was probably fatally burned at Van Alstyne, Grayson county, one evening recently. She was playing near a fire in the yard when her clothing became ignited.

George Jackson, an employe of the Waco and Northwestern railway, was struck by a piece of timber at Marlin the other day. He was put on the train and carried to Waco where he died.

The other night burglars broke into the store of the Atlantic and Pacific Tea company at Fort Worth, and carried off a sack of coffee and other goods. No clew to the perpetrators.

In DeWitt county, recently, a child was playing around a fire while its mother was washing, when its clothing caught fire and it was so badly burned that it died in a few hours.

The 7 ranch in Collingsworth county have sold out their cattle to a Kansas City firm, consisting of all steers 3 to 5 years old, about 6000, price and terms not known.

Rosenburg Junction in Fort Bend county, about two miles from Richmond, is growing rapidly. It has three railroads and expects another.

Jim Burris alias Jim Toots has been sentenced to be hanged at Fort Worth on December 13. He was convicted of the murder of Officer Waller.

The city council of Greenville is investigating the police force. It is charged that they do not enforce the Sunday and gambling laws.

The county commissioners of Galveston county have adopted a resolution to erect a fireproof courthouse which may cost $600,000.

J. M. Daugherty of Abilene has bought 4,000 head of cattle with range privileges at $11.25 per head from the Midland Cattle company.

The governor has pardoned A. M. Crow, sentenced to two years in the penitentiary from Grayson county for cattle theft in 1893.

G. T. Assiter recently shot and killed, John Perkins, colored, near Thorndale, Williamson county. Assiter surrendered.

Chairman Blake requests the members of the Democratic bimetallic executive committee to meet him at Dallas November 1.

At Denison, the other night, Louis Nassoy, aged 21, shot himself in the abdomen. The wound is not considered fatal.

The schoolhouse at Gainsville, a village in Llano county, has been burned. It was the work of an incendiary.

The contract for apparatus with which to heat the new courthouse at Fort Worth has been let at $6000.

The comptroller says that the cotton buyer's tax is a personal tax and must be paid by each buyer.

The cotton crop of Fayette county, will not be much over a half crop, as compared with last year.

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THURSDAY, OCT., 24, 1895.

The Texas & Pacific Teachers Association meets at Sweetwater to-morrow. It is understood that the teachers of the Snyder High School will attend.

The killing of Dr. J. J. Wray, of Dallas, by Mr. M. Hardcastle a few days since caused extreme excitement, and was the result of an altercation which took place the day previous.

A fire at Algiers, La. (opposite New Orleans,) on the 20th, destroying about 100 small buildings and twenty large structures including the court house and some fine residences.

A distructive fire occurred at Goliad, Texas, last Sunday morning. A dozen or more business buildings. besides merchandise, were consumed. In most cases there was no insurance. Losses aggregate between ten nnd fifteen thousand dollaas.

The News is much pleased to record the marked improvement in prices of cotton, cattle, iron, sugar, etc. in this state and elsewhere. With good prices for cotton and cattle, (our staple products) better times are in near prospect for Texas and along with it, Scurry County.

Governor Culbeason and heads of State Departments attended the Dallas Fair this week. The young Gov. delivered an address. The News quotes freely from it, showing itself pleased. It could not really afford to be otherwise, for Dallas and its interests are involved.

Reports at the Weather Bureau, Washington, shows that the present drouth is one of the severest and most prolonged and general known in the United States for many years. A few localities present exceptions to the general dry condition; but in no large section of country -unless possibly in the northwest and far west, does there appear to have been a soaking rain for two months or more.

Corbett-Fitzsimmons.

The question whether these noted puglists will do their knocking at Hot Springs, Ark., has not yet been solved. The result of the habeas corpus hearing before Judge Leatherman, to test the validity of the law. on the subject, was a decision that no valiid law existed in Arkansaw against prize fighting. An appeal has been taken to the supreme court, and will be passed upon shortly. It is thought that should the higher court affirm Judge Leatherman's decision, the governor will resort to some legal resource to prevent the fight which he holds in reserve—perhaps a called session of the legislature. Verily Corbett and Fitz are having rough sailing. Thanks to a growing moral sentiment, the period of pugillism is fast drawing to a close in progressive and enlightened America.

WHEAT ITEMS.

As the former writer of the Wheat Items is going to leave I will try as near as I can to fill his place.

Farmers are busy sowing wheat gathering milomaize and picking cotton.

C. E. Leslie's baby, three weeks old, died last Friday.

Mrs. Brooks has come out to spend the winter with her daughter, Mrs. R. B. Pyron.

The Sweetwater flour mill seems to be doing fine work. Messrs. Kimzey, Harlin, Ammons Fickas and Nation, took wheat down last week and brought back flour for the winter.

As this is my first attempt and items not very plentiful, I will close by saying I will try to write more next time.

APPLE BLOSSOM.

The Baptist Meeting.

The series of meetings commenced at the Baptist church on the 10th closed last Tuesday night, Rev. J. J. F. Lockhart, of Walnut Springs, did the preaching. The long cherished principles of Baptist were clearly set forth and ably defended. There were thirteen additions to the church, ten by letter and statement and three by experience and baptism. But, probably, the greater good consist in the spirit of persistent work, which he left in the church. No one who heard Bro. Lockhart can doubt for a moment whether he is a Baptist. Citizens from all parts of the county were in frequent attendance; and, although there was preaching on Sunday at the Methodist church by the Presiding Elder, Rev. Little, the Baptist church, though a commodious building, was filled to near its seating capacity. Bro. Lockhart has left an impression for lasting good among the ministry of the North Colorado Association. Every true Baptist will remember in feelings of love and greatfulness his visit here, and it is to be hoped they will remember his last admonition, to keep for God a clean house, all speaking the same thing.

The Methodist Quarterly Conference.

The fourth and last Quarterly Conference of the Methodist church, Snyder Mission, for the conference year, 1894—1895, convened here Saturday night last, Rev. M. K. Little, Presiding Elder, presiding. All the churches within this charge (emboacing Scurry county) were well represented. The reports of pastor and stewards were good and quite satisfactory to Presididg Elder Little. Finances were not quiete made up but the stewards of the various churches in the charge gave assurances that the full amounts of assessments would be forthcoming before Pastor Harris leaves for the Annual Conference. The Presiding Elder complimented this charge by stating that the churches composing it has the best reports of any in the district. Rev. Little preaceed Saturday morning also Sunday morning and night to good audiences.

EDITOR NEWS:—

Many warm friends in Brown county asked me to write them about the advantages and disadvantages of this county. I will now give my ideas and impressions for their benefit, and as it is impossible for me to write to each separately, I beg that you will allow space in the columns of the News for this communication.

I am actually surprised to find the country and the people in such fine shape. There seems to be feed enough, if cared for, to serve the people for two or three years. Corn, cotton, potatoes and all kinds of vegetables and vine crops are good this year. Cotton is yielding from 1-3 to 2-3 bale per acre. Grass is unexcelled and all kinds of stock are fat. There is no cry of "hard times" here. Health and plenty abound on every hand. The best people to be met anywhere are here. Schools are abreast with the times. Homes are now cheap and every day lessens ones chances for procuring one. The eyes of the east are upon this country. Stock farming is the key to success and happsness. All who wish homes in this delightful, heathful, beautiful country should act at once.

P. M. WELLBORN.

Dental Notice.

Dr. S. A. King, Dentist, who can give good references, will be in Snyder on Friday, Novemder first to meet any who may need dental work done.

You can earn $5 each day "giving" our absolutely indispensible household article away. New plan of work, making experience unnecessary and success certain for either sex in any section. Sample dozen free. Credit given. Freight paid. Address,

MELROSE M'F'G CO.,
21 Melrose Park, Ill.

Our School Column.

MR. EDITOR:—

The Snyder High School is progressing nicely. There were two new pupils Monday morning.

Every one seems interested in the labor for an education, and under the instruction of our three patient and diligent teachers, are rapidly marching onward and upward in the work which is to prepare them for life's duties.

We hope that all will realize the importance of improving well the time spent at school and gain much useful knowledge and develop purer and nobler characters. Knowledge is not all that we strive for, but in the study of the works of great men, who explain to us the manners and customs of other nations, the workings of the laws of nature, whose beauty no product of human hands can excel, our minds are developed and higher aspirations and purer motives stimulated. We have several new and revised editions of books which give us the largest events of importance. One of our new books is a United States History, by O. H. Cooper, a Texas author. This book is presented in a neat and attractive style; and will likely be universalty liked. We are glad to see our Texas authors encouraged by the use of their books in the public schools.

The trustees have purchased a nice supply of charts. Prof. Tyler gave his Physical Geography class an instructive talk, Monday evening, on the relief forms of the U. S., from our geographical chart. Prof. Dodson has two interesting physiology classes, a knowledge of which study all should have, for the preservation of health. The school is so full that Prof. Dodson has two classes to recite at the same time, at several times in a day.

Miss Mattie Patterson's little pupils are learning real fast and taking great pride in their work. Miss Mattie takes graet interest in helping her pupils and they all love her. She has several attractive devices for interesting little children, such as number cards, drawing outlines etc.

A traveling photographer came over Monday evening and took the picture of the school. If any one is intererted they may buy a picture and view the intelligent faces and think how good it is to be wise.

UNORA.

MR. EDITOR:—

The spine or back bone serves as a support for the whole body. It is made up of twenty-four separate bones which are called vertebral, between which are placed pads of cartilage. These pads are elastic or spring. They serve to break the force or shock which one might receive in running or jumping. These pads also prevent any grating or friction of one bone against another. They are also yielding, that is they are readily pressed together, else the back bone could not bend. The elasticity of these plates of cartilage is so great that we are actually about half an inch shorter when we go to bed than we were when we got up in the morning, by reason of their flattening out under the weight of the erect position. The perfection of the spine surpasses all human contrivances. Its various uses seem a bundle of contradictions, a chain of twenty-four bones is made so stiff that it will bear a heavy burden, and so flexible that it will bend like rubber; yet, all the while, transmits no shock, and even hides within it a delicate nerve that would thrill with slightest touch. Resting upon it, the brain is borne without a tremor; and clinging to it, the vital organs are carried without fear of harm. When the spine is bent the packing between the vetebræ becomes compressed on one side into a wedge like shape. After a time it will loose into elasticity and the spine become distorted. This occurs frequently in the case of students who bend forward to bring their eyes nearer to their books, instead of lifting their books nearer their eyes, or who raise their right shoulder above their left when writing at a desk which is too high. Round shoulders, small weak lungs, and, often times, diseases of the spine are the consequences. An erect posture, in reading or writing, conduces, not only to beauty of form, but also to health of the body.

SCHOOL GIRL.

EDITOR NEWS:—

As Prof. Dodson has kindly asked us to write for the News we will do the best we can, but this being our first attempt we will make some fearful mistakes.

We like our teacher very much. He seems to take a great interest in trying to instruct us.

We take much pleasure in going to school, are learning very fast.

As we have to study our lessons we will close.

B. & C.

EDITOR NEWS:—

We boys study Frye's Geography. It tells us where different animals live. The reindeer lives in the Frigid zone; he is used for a horse; he lives on moss.

The Eskimox eat tallow candles like we eat candy; he works dogs to sleds and hunts seals; he lives on raw meot.

The lion lives in the Torrid zone; he is a very fierce animal; he can kill a horse.

THREE LITTLE BOYS.

Scurry County

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

Scurry was organized in 1884 and in 1890 contained a population of 1,415. It lies in the west center of the state and is noted for the purity of her climate, the palatability of her waters, the variety of her grasses and the richness of her soil.

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.

Wells abound on every hand and can be easily had at every point.

Stock-farming is just beginning to obtain and promises to prov most satisfactory. Cotton, wheat, oats sorghum milo maize, potatoes, melons and all kinds of vegetables have been successfully grown.

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

Society is good.

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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PERSONAL AND OTHERWISE

School Shoes at Nelson's.

The streets of our town were a busy scene last Saturday.

E. Marable left last week on a visit to McLennan county.

W. A. Jones left last week on an extended business trip to Ellis county.

Call on F. Crist and examine his Large Stock of Fresh Groceries.

Miss Lucy Grantham left last Saturday for Kent county where she took charge of a school last Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Bibbee left last Friday on a visit to relatives and friends in Ellis county. They will also visit the state fair.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Wilks, who have been on a visit to their daughter, Mrs. Jenkins in Manard county, returned last Sunday.

Mr. Sears, who moved in from the county lately is reported quite sick, but improving, attended by Dr. Culberson.

Nelson will Give You Reductions on Blankets next week,

Cotton seemed to have been as plentiful on our streets a few days ago as in some of the eastern towns.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. V. C. Wasson on last Thursday night, a girl. Mother ann child doing well.

Carry your produce to F. Crist and buy your groceries where you can get them the cheapest.

The recent norther was an indication that winter is nigh and it caught many a fellow with his—well, with his stove pipe down.

J. E. Bishop, of Hill county, who is now prospecting in Scurry expresses himself as being well pleased.

The Hamilton Thompson saddle, noted for durability and Hetzel as well of fit. Sold by

DODSON BROS.

☞ We are standing in great need of a load of wood. Will not some one bring us a load and get credit on the News.

Miss Mae Nichols, who has been visiting relatives and friends in Colorado, returned home yesterday.

Do You Want a Guaranteed School Shoe? If so call at Nelson's.

Bring on your wood. The time of year is here when we need it and our devil says he must have wood in order to keep up the needed temprature.

Call on Wasson, Smith & Co., for lumber, wire and all kinds of hardware.

Mrs. A. C. Bibbee, who has been visiting the family of her father-in-law, Mr. D. Bibbee, the past three months, returned to her home in Hillsboro, last week, accompanind by her little son Mell.

Elders. J. W. Garrard, J. W. Barnett and C. H. Kelly came in to the meeting last week and brought their families. These old soldiers were much encouraged by the kindly treatment of their Snyder brethren.

Go to F. Crist's for Honey in the Comb.

Mr. O. P. Wolf says he has a calf that can pick the combination of any gate latch. Mr. Sawyers stayed over night with Mr. Wolf not long since and next morning to his consternation the calf had picked the latch and his team was gone.

At Cost! At Cost!

As we have decided to leave Snyder we will sell Dry Goods at cost rather than haul them away. So now is your time to buy cheap goods.

LACKEY BROS.

What has become of Sea Weed?

Wasson, Smith & Co., have groceries of all kinds cheap as can be found in West Texas.

J. B Enderly of this county will make fifteen bales of cotton on twenty-five acres. How does that compare with your Missisip?

For all kinds of Hardware, Tinware, Stoves, Stove pipe, call on or send to John B. Slaughter, (C. C. Blanford Manager) Colorado, Texas.

J. D. Oliver says the cane that Scurry county farmers feed to their stock will make as good sorghum as the cane of any country.

Send for anything in the Music Line to A. J. Payne's Book and Music Store, Colorado, Tex.

Up to date the Snyder cotton gin has turned out 110 bales and the crop is not more than half gathered.

Mr. P. M. Wellborn who has been absent from here nearly a year returned last week and will make this his future home. See what he has to say for Scurry and West Texas in an other column.

Mrs. Gene Gardener, accompanied by Mr. E. A. Herndon, left Tuesday morning for Colorado where Mrs. Gardener joins other friends and goes on to Dallas to attend the fair.

We have a new line of crockey, best English ware.

WASSON, SMITH & CO.

Mr. Lamar McNeil the former compositor and general rustler of the News, took his departure last Tuesday saying he was going to Mississippi. He carries with him the best wishes of his many friends of this county.

W. L. Hestand, who came into our town the other day has taken the photograph of our school and his work is decidedly good. He goes from here to Roby. If the Roby-ites wish good work done let them call on him.

Mr. A. J. Cook, who resides four miles west, says there is a miller or bug of some species, that in his opinion deposits an egg on the stalk or limb of cotton, and that it hatches and bores into the stalk or limb and dwarfs its growth and injures its production. He suggest that after the cotton is gathered to cut and burn the stalks will get rid of the worm that will grow into an egg.

Parents and patrons of the High School and the public generally: Let us get into the habit of visiting the school—say once a month. We will thereby better appreciate our educational interests and facilities, and will thus show our appreciation to teachers and students. This is due ourselves, as well as the school. Of course we feel interested, but let us manifest this interest by occasionally visiting the school. Encourage by this course both teacher and students.

Students of the High School: By all means avail yourselves of the opportunity afforded you by the News to contribute to its columns; and by doing so benefit yourselves greatly in the very important matters of spelling, punctuation, writing and composition. This exercise of writing something often for the school column (your department) of the News, will prove a substantial benefit in after years and you will then realize fully its worth to you.

J. W. Shaw, a man whose good judgment is acknowledged and varacity is not questioned, says he would rather undertake to make a living in Scurry county without capital than in the eastern counties where men without capital are compelled to rent. He has tried both the East and the West and knows whereof he speaks Here you can raise your own calves, you can raise your own hogs, you can raise your own horses, and you can raise them on your own land and no boss to dictate how, and what for you to cultivate.

Save money by buying your School Books at Payne's Book and Music Store Colorado, Tex.

M. P. Nation a former citizen of this county, but now a resident of Johnson is on a visit to his brother M. D. Nation of our town. Like many others who have left the West, Mr. Nation thinks he will have to come back.

Wasson, Smith & Co., have just received a car load of Mitchell Wagons. Come early and get your choice.

W. T. Manry and George Eppley returned from El Paso last Sunday night whither they had been as jurors in the Federal court. Will says he could tell lots on the boys but is afraid they would turn the cards when they get home.

John B. Slaughter keeps a full line of Farming Tools, Saddles, and Harness, Colorado, Texas.

Topics for Epworth League:

"Look up," "Lift up," "Read up," "Brush up." Secretary's talk—"Write up." The treasurers' "Pay up," the junior superintendent, "Grow up," and the president concludes with a brief address entitled, "sumed up."

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Harness Grain Co. Colorado city are in the market for all the hides, pelts and furs that are offered. They will handle your wool and cotton to the best advantage

Those indebted to me are requested to call and settle, as I have sold my stable and wagon yard, and by so doing you will much oblige him who obliged you.

W. A. JONES.

Go or send for your School Books and Supplies to A. J. Payne's Book and Music Store, Colorado, Texas.

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Camp-Springs 3rd. Sun. 11 A.M.
Browning, 4th Sun. 3.30. P.M.
W. H. Harris P. C.

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STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF SCURRY. } Know all men by these presents: That by virtue of authority vested in me by order of the Hon. Commissioners' court of Scurry, entered on the minutes of said court on September 30, 1895, at a called session of siad court, I, R. J. Strayhorn, will proceed to sell to the highest bidder for cash at the court house door in the town of Snyder on Tuesday the 5th day of November, 1895, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m. of said day, the following real property belonging to Scurry county, to wit: Lots two and three (2 and 3) in block twenty-eight (28) situated in the town of Snyder, Tex., together with all improvements thereon. This is the property known as the S. G. Singletary place and is very desirable property. Right reserved to reject any or all bids. Oct. 1st, 1895.

R. J. STRAYHORN,
Commissioner.

Prohibition Proclimation.

Snyder, Tex., Sept. 30, 1895.

On this the 30th day of September 1895, R. J. Strayhorn County Judge and the commissioners being present, came on to be considered the results of an election held by order of this court upon the petition of fifty legal voters of precinct No. 1, of Scurry county, said election having been held in the town of Snyder in said Justices precinct No. 1 on the 18th day of September 1895 to determine whether or not the sale of intoxicating liquors should be prohibited within the limits of said Justices precinct No. 1, and the court having ascertained that in all respects said election was held and returns thereof made as required by law, and that said election returns being opened and canvassed by this court the result is hereby declared to be as follows: There was seventy-six votes polled, fifty-three of which were for prohibitian and twenty-three against prohibition. It is therefore ordered by this court that the sale of intoxicating liquors within the lines of said Justices precinct No. 1 is hereby prohibited, except for the purposes anp under the regulations specified in chapter 45 of the general laws of the state of Texas passed at the regular session of the 23d legislature.

R. J. STRAYHORN,
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THIS FROG HAD SENSE.

Fixed Himself So That the Snake Couldn't Swallow Him.

Milton Lake is a good-sized body of water at the extreme northwestern section of Rahway, N. J. It is famous for its black bass, turtles and water pilots; and its wooded, picturesque shores are a great resort for fishing and picnic parties. At the eastern extremity of the lake is a large dam over which superfluous water empties into the Robinson branch of the Rahway River. Thousands of huge rocks and bowlders support this dam, and during a dry spell, when very little or no water is running over the dam, scores of huge ugly looking, brown-colored water snakes use the rocks for sun baths. It was at this point that Nick White witnessed a singular scene Monday. He was watching the snakes, and had his eye on an old fellow, who, he declares "had scales on him like a salamander," when his attention was drawn from the pilot to a frog that was hoping along on the bare ground between the rocks and the river. The frog was nearing the snake, apparently unmindful of his peril, for snakes love frogs and toads. But this frog had evidently "been to school," as subsequent events proved. "I guess the old snake had one eye open," said Nick, "for as soon as the frog came in reach he sprung for him. The frog, seeing him, essayed to get away, making a high leap toward the water. But the snake was too quick for him, and got between him and the water. It was then that the frog manifested his schooling. He picked up a twig about four inches long and held it in his mouth like a bit. I wondered what for, and when I ascertained, said I to myself: 'Nick, that is the smartest frog in the United States.' The snake seized the frog by the fore leg, and, lengthening out, opened his jaws and wriggled forward. In went the frog's leg and then, after many efforts, the snake got the frog's nose and part of his head in until he came to the twig, which, extending an inch beyond his own jaws, queered him and saved the frog. The snake writhed and wriggled frantically. He relaxed the muscles of his jaws, as does a darky just after he cuts a watermelon, but all in vain. I laughed so loud and so long that I became weak in my knees and had to sit down and rest before I looked for a club to help the frog out of his difficulty. Then I got a big stick and moved quickly down upon the snake, who was too busy to hear me. With one strong, well-delivered blow I broke his spine and paralyzed him, and as his jaws relaxed the frog backed out, dropped the twig, looked up at me and gave a croak of thanks. Before I could reach him he gave two leaps, and was in his element."

WORKING IN FINLAND.

Miss Trygg Has Established a People's Kitchen There.

Away off in Finland—and how very far away it does seem—a woman is doing her best to elevate her fellow-beings. She is a Miss Allie Trygg, and she lives in the workingmen's section of Helsingfors, where she has established a people's kitchen and has invented a new fermented beverage containing a very minute per cent of alcohol, in order to keep them from drinking strong beer and brandy. But her efforts are not confined to the physical needs of the laborer. She has seen the palaces and buildings erected in England and America for the benefit of the workingmen and longed to found a similar institution in Finland. Undaunted by the pecuniary demands of the scheme, she visited the members of the Finnish Senate and induced them to make her a grant of 60,000 marks for her purpose. A year from that time the workingmen's home was ready for use. It contains, among other things, a free reading hall, with papers and periodicals, a leading library, a large hall, where the men can meet for Sunday and evening lectures and also can practice their music and gymnastics. There is also a kindergarten and nursery in the building. Miss Trygg makes her home in this palace of her own creation and is the soul of the whole undertaking.

PERSONALS.

Sir Arthur Sullivan realized $50,000 by his song, "The Lost Chord."

Professor Huxley's widow has received a civil list pension of $1,000.

One half the week Sir Isaac Holden is a vegetarian. The other half he is carnivorous.

When in the best of health Lord Rosebery seldom sleeps more than five hours out of the twenty-four.

Dr. Buggraene, professor of medicine in the University of Ghent, is 90, but feels pretty well. He drinks and smokes.

John Bigham, Ph. D., of the University of Michigan, has been elected professor of Philosophy in De Pauw university.

Calvin Wilcox of Jewett City, Conn., is said to be the largest landholder in eastern Connecticut. His holdings aggregate 2,500 acres.

Lord Sholto Douglass, who recently married Loretta Mooney, concert hall singer, has decided to locate in Los Angeles, Cal., where he will engage in business.

Father John Bannon, formerly known as the fighting chaplain of Guitar's Missouri confederate battery, is now priest of St. Francis Xavier's church, Dublin, Ireland.

In private life Mr. Asquith is said to be impartially disagreeable to everyone he meets, while Mr. Chamberlain's manners are charming and he is the most pleasant of hosts.

General Armstrong, when talking about the business profits connected with missionary work, said: "The first sign of grace in a penitent savage is a request for a shirt."

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Building Up Jerusalem.

Flour milling has become an important industry in Jerusalem. The product is disposed of entirely for inland consumption, none being exported. During 1884 between 28,000 and 30,000 sacks, of 191 pounds each, were produced. The wheat is obtained from the Jordan valley and Samaria. There are also in Jerusalem eleven mills driven by horse-power. In Jaffa are ten steam mills, but only a very small quantity of flour is imported into Palestine, and that only of the finest sort. The restoration and upbuilding of Jerusalem will be done strictly on business principles.

Plenty of Teeth.

Miss Maud Evans, a 19-year-old girl of Beaver Falls, Pa., has her third set of natural teeth, it is said, though the third set can hardly be called natural.

Old but Active.

Senator Morrill of Vermont, "the father of the senate," is now 85 years of age, and has always eschewed stimulants, worry and late hours when possible.

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About a Stand Off.

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Corbin, Ky., has gone dry, after a sharp contest. Things begin to look gloomy for the liquor interests when Kentucky goes back on rye.

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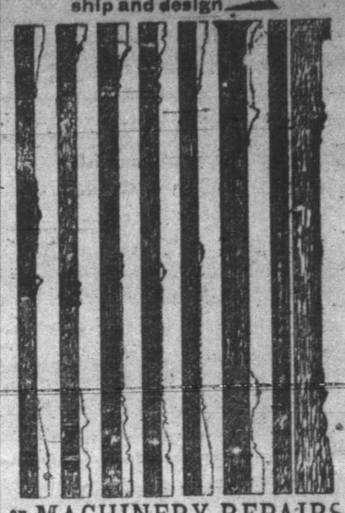

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