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From Over the Country

News Notes, Gossip and other Items of Interest by Our Regular Correspondents.

PIGUEON.

Communicated.

March 30.—The late freeze caused most most all to plant their corn over. It is still dry and oats are beginning to need rain.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Leensow, on the 29th inst., a ten pound girl.

Our school is getting along nicely under the care of Prof. Will Tudor.

LIBERTY.

Regular Correspondence.

March 27.—We expected some candidates at the club meeting last night, but they failed to come.

The school at Ex-Ray is out and some of the students of that community will enter the Liberty school.

Misses Ida and Oza Hale the teachers at this place, combined business with pleasure and attended the institute and visited the old folks at home.

People are discussing the Spain and Cuba affair with considerable freedom, some men seem like they would be glad to see the country bathed in blood. War nor indemnity would restore the lives of the dead, and anything would be better than war.

HUCKABAY.

Regular Correspondence.

Maach 28.—Jim Winters and W. A. Winn are both cripples of late, one claimed to have been kicked by an obstupeous cow, the other to have rheumatism.

"Dad" Wiley has been very sick the past two weeks with an attack of la grippe.

The recent and present cold spell has made it necessary for farmers to plant their corn over and it seems to be having some effect on the candidates too, they are not quite so thick hereabouts since the freeze. Besides I think some of them have begun to tremble, because they think it will all be up with them soon. The voters you know can't vote for but one for each office, no matter how much he might wish too.

When the opposition can't bring anything against a condidate except that he is "too young," and must conceed that he is otherwise eminently qualified, then that's the man we want. Must we "set down" on a man of superior energy, experience and brains, just because he has proven himself energetic enough to acquire or cultivate these attainments by hard and constant labor before he has reached old age. I think we should encourage honest and industrious young Americans and believe that we should put the young and vigorous men in the front.

LINGLEVILLE.

Regular Correspondence.

March 26.—One of our blacksmiths is erecting a new residence.

There is considerable additions being made on some of the stores here.

Rev. Fisher of Ft. Worth, preached at the Christian church last night.

We learn that there will be a singing school convention at Lingleville, embracing the fifth Sunday in May. Everybody invited.

Prof. Gardner has dismissed his school at this place, and a lady from Hackberry, is teaching in the house that has just been vacated.

We learn that Prof. Tummins is aiming to retire from the college and that Prof. Cook will perhaps teach a subscription scnool here.

Our friend Mr. Daley will in a short time visit our little town and talk on the political issues of the past and present and may be some in the future, but any way all come out and hear him, as you will likely learn something.

STEPHENVILLE.

Regular Correspondence.

March 30.—Work is being retarded on the three brick buildings under constrction in Stephenville on account of cold weather.

On the 23rd inst., cases were tried in Justice Young's court against Arthur Parnell, Frank Hebett, W. A. Richardson and L. A. Burres by L. P. Butler. Butler says the boys and him were not having "a good time" and they all strolled off to the creek and the boys threw him in and had it not been for a line to which he cought, he wonld have drowned. Buttler was drunk at the time and lost his hat as he came from the creek. The boys then shut him up in the barbecue pit and left him till morning. He also says that the boys robbed him of a few dollars while out. The boys did not deny throwing him in the creek and shutting him in the pit but they did deny robbing him. A case of robbery was filed against Artur Parnell for "theft from person". The boys were tried before a jury on their assault cases and were released. There does not appear to be any evidence against Parnell for theft and the case will probably be dismissed.

There were several cases disposed of in the justice court Monday, among which was a case against Mat Crews for killing a hog of J. F. Scott's; the case was acquitted, and the parties it seems, could not content their pent of anger and soon after they reached the street a general combat took place and the "ring rules" were frequently violated. Scott plead guilty to beating Crews up, and Ed Crews, son of Mat Crews, plead guilty to throwing rocks at Scott. Mat Crews gave an appearance bond. There would have been an aggrevated assault case filed against Scott for approaching Mat Crews with a wagon spoke in hand, had it not necessarily have called for an aggravated assault case against Mrs. Crews for hitting Scott in the bach with a rock during "show hours."

Thos. McAdams has purchased the Chastain drug store which is now in the hands of the district court, with Bennett as receiver.

The district clerk and others have been quite busy yesterday and to-day taking answers to dispositions in some claims which are filed at Washington in court of claims against the government for Indian depredations committed just before and after the war, on citizens of this county. There is a number of claims and they range in importance from the theft of one head to a whole herd of cattle.

PALMER.

Regular Correspondence.

March 29.—The freeze last week killed nearly all the garden truck. A great many farmers in this community have planted their corn over. Fruit is bably damaged.

The news of war still comes in, but we think there is more speculation in it than anything else. As soon as all the war ships are disposed of that the ship syndicates have for sale we believe that the war prospect will vanish like a fog.

We would like for some of the old time speakers to come down this way and see if they can't get a move on the boys. Call around Mr. Editor and make us a speech.

What is the matter with Uncle Jack Morton? He has not shown up at all in these parts. Come along N. J. Shands and talk to the boys down here just like you was a candidate.

THENY.

Regular Correspondence.

March 30.—We are having some very cold weather at present. The recent frost killed nearly all of the corn and a great deal of it will have to be planted over. Some would have planted cotton this week if the weather had of been favorable.

The steel gang left here Monday for DeLeon; they have new steel laid about three miles west of this place. The new switch here will hold a train of twenty-five cars.

Mr. W. S. Woods and children of Gorman, visited relatives and friends here Saturday.

Mrs. Johnson, of Walnut Springs, visited the family of S. C. Reid last week.

The candidates are nearly as thick as heel flies in the summer time. C. M. Edmonson is in the race for tax collector on the Populist ticket. There is talk of C. T. Nichols entering the race on the democratic ticket.

CHALK MOUNTAIN.

Regular Correspondence.

March 27.—Our old friend Mr. David Barton who lived on Bough creek in Somerville county, was found dead on last Wednesday morning in about two hundred yards of his house. He had been to Glen Rose on the day before in a two-horse wagon and failing to come home that night his family started out to hunt him the next morning and found him on the roadside, and his team was near by hung up in the brush, and his skull was broken near the temple. It is supposed he fell out of his wagon and was run over by the wheel.

Our part of the country is coming to the front in way of buggies. W. L. Shoffner brought out one from Hico the first of the week, and Earl and Charley Stigler each brought one from Stepnenville yesterday.

Elder Lane, president of the Methodist Episcopal conference, delivered a very interesting sermon at this place last night.

The Baptists of the Cottonwood voting box in Somerville county, met yesterday and elected a delegate to their county convention which will meet next Saturday, the 2nd inst.

We intend to have a grand time at our next club meeting. We have the promise of several speakers.

Miss Bettie Harlo has been suffering for several days with dyspepsia but we are glad to say that she is improving now.

The war is all the talk here. Some are ready for the fatal hour, and imagine they will slay thousands of Spaniards with a bull dog pistol and butcher knife.

John Thomas is up, after a spell of sickness, and we are informed is working near DeLeon.

Mr. Morris Loney who has just returned from Armstrong county, is working for W. C. McCommons.

Nat. H. Black spent three or four days in Dublin this week.

We hardly thought there was a democrat in Frath county who would defend Culberson's administration, but we were sadly mistaken. We run into a bunch at the post-office, who thought C. A. Culberson was one of the finest men and best governors that Texas ever had. Yes, he was a second Jesus, and we thought it was time he should be crucified and nailed to the cross and buried, never to rise or be resurrected until the the Great Commander of the skies sees fit to call him from the tomb and make him confess how he robbed the dear people of Texas.

The democrats we referred to above, liked him in the first place, because he was a Missionary Baptist minister, and in the second place, because he stopped a bull fight in some of the teritories and paid J. S. Hogg $2,500 for fighting the Corbett and Fitzsimmons case, etc., and that was all they knew of him and all they wanted to know about him. They will have a job when they try to defend Culberson, Crane and the corporations. One of them said he would rather vote for Fred Douglas for governor than Jerome Kearby. We are glad Fred is dead as they might want him to run if he was to come down this way. That is as much reason as they ever have about anything.

Prof. Reaves school will close April 15th.

A singing at Mr. William Shipman's Sunday night was largely attended and enjoyed by our young people.

WESLEY CHAPEL.

Regular Correspondence.

March 29.—The farmers are busy planting corn again, the freeze having been too severe for the young and tender buds. With Ella Wheeler Wilcox, we can now lament that "we forced our roses before their season," and now we wonder and ask the reason why perfect buds are so few and rare.

We are being wofully neglected in this community by the candidates. One man reports only seven democratic pie hunters in his field in one day.

Mr. W. J. Tiddlie and son, James, went out fishing one day last week and caught about ten pounds. They use neither seine or bait, but catch them by letting down hooks fastened to a long line into clear water and jerk the hook through the fish as they pass by. Next?

Rev. A. R. Dover is on the sick list.

Messrs. W. M. Read and J. K. Watson attended church at Bluff Dale last Sunday.

The family of Mr. Jno. D. Cassle visited relatives at Granbury last Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. E. Dennis returned this week from a trip east, where he had been with a car of mules.

Grandma Ashlock, mother of Mrs. J. W. Collier, was buried at the cemetery on the 18th. inst. Mrs. Collier's many friends sympathize with her in her affliction.

DEMAND TO EVACUATE CUBA.

The latest telegraphic reports from Washington say that President McKinley has sent a note to Spain demanding the immediate evacuation of Cuba by the Spanish troops and the admission of Cuban independance. This is construed to portend an immediate declaration of war, for Spain has heretofore declared she would not withdraw her troops from Cuba or release her claims to the island.

ALEXANDER.

Regular Correspondence.

March 26.—We may have a similar spell to this between the 8th and 10th of April, as we all remember on the 8th of day of February, it thundered very heavy, which indicates cold, stormy weather at that date in April. Watch this prediction, as it is an old time sign and a very true one.

Wiley Watson and wife, Thomas Pack and Mrs. Abby Smith, my grand children from near Huckabay, visited us last week. Mrs. Abby Smith had the misfortune to loose her five month old boy baby. It was my great-grandson.

Joe. J. Smith the popular candidate for assessor, spent the night with us on last Wednesday. Mr. Smith says he thinks his chances is reasonably good.

J. V. Stephen has been enjoying home the past week, after three months work on the rock quarry at Alexander.

Mrs. Viola Stephens is teaching a music class on Green's creek near the Baptist church, in the Kiker neighborhood.

A. M. Maloney and family from Dublin, visited this scribe Sunday.

Saturday night was the time for the populists to meet and organize a club, but owing to the bad weather I could not attend, and consequently we are not able to give the Progress the result of the meeting.

Health is good except colds.

LOWELL.

Regular Correspondence.

March 28.—A. H. Graham visited the county capital yesterday.

W. W. Martin is building a residence.

W. F. Creger visited Dublin Wednesday.

Mrs. S. E. Hunt and family are visiting relatives in Comanche county.

Mrs. J. T. Cook is improving.

The people's party club will meet at 2 p. m. on the third Saturday in April. We especially invite candidates and speakers to be with us.

Rev. Fisher of the Primitive Baptist faith, preached here last Saturday and Sunday.

The democratic club met here on the third Saturday, received five new members and adjourned.

Miss Della Price and Mrs Georgia Carnes are on the improve.

W. M. Fair is working for Mr. Matthews at Lingleville.

Will Jones of Travis county, is visiting his uncle, Z. T. Jones of this place.

WILSON.

Regular Correspondence.

March 29.—Complaining has been the order of the day since the freeze last week. From a careful examination we believe all fruit is killed. It is misting rain here today and from indications we will have a good rain before it is over with, which will be very acceptable just now.

Alvin Quirl has been out of school several days on account of an attact of the "grip."

We learn that Wilson Hughes, formerly constable of this precinct, has been brought from Baylor county and jailed at Comanche for embezzlement of county funds during his term of office.

Mr. Alf Moore, a kinsman of our friend, J. N. Quirl, left for the Indian Territory Monday.

S. E. Dunnam is at home, his school in Hamilton county being out Friday.

HEAVENLY BRANCH.

Special Correspondence.

March 29.—Tnis vicinity has organized a Sunday school, with J. A. Shipman, superintendent, A. Peavihouse, secretary. There were fifty pupils enrolled at the first meeting.

Rev. John Riley will preach here every second Sunday in each month.

J. A. Hancock secured fifty members for a Populist club at this place last Saturday night.

F. B Faulkner has rented some new land to his son Bob who has just returned from the Indian Territory.

Most every one is planting corn over this week.

Luck Massey, who has been attending school at Alexander, has returned home. Wedding bells are expected to ring here soon.

Coon Fuller was elected to lead our singing at this place every Sunday evening.

J. M. Suelson has planted a large crop of water melons.

Miss Mirtie Mesnet, of this community, is attending school at Dublin.

Mr. Andy Babers, of Comanche county, visited his father-in-law, F. B. Faulkney, at this place last Sunday.

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Gibb's Sarcasm.

In an interview with a reporter of the Ft. Worth Register last Monday Hon. Barnett Gibbs said regarding a former interview with Mr. Ramsey of Dallas:

"It is Campaign rot. I am still on speaking terms with my democratic neighbors and don't mind loaning them a typewriter or a peck of meal, but never more than a peck. I am in no way to blame for Mr. Crane not having a war record and am not responsible for democratic interviews but they don't hurt the typewriter. It was not "my fine Italian hand" that did this, for I can't run a typewriter, and I had nothing to do with arranging to squander seventy-two thousand dollars on that special election this fall just one week in advance of the general election when it would have cost nothing.

"I loaned my Durham bull last week to a democratic neighbor, and I suppose this will be made an issue instead of free silver records. I am for a Texas relief railroad, a Texas maratime college, and a vote by the people on all bond issues before they are valid. I am not for anybody for governor unless on this platform. I don't want any nomination or office, but would like to see Texas escape corporation donomination.

"If the law partner of the attorney general construes the test to forfeit my Durham bull or my typewriter because loaned to a farmer democrat, of course I will have no more neighboring with them.

"If Dick Wynne was not a gallant soldier, as stated by Mr. Witt then it would be a Democratic lie off a Populist typewriter wholly passive. If my Democratic neighbor don't profit by the loan of my Populist bull it may be a matter of arbitration, but not political excommunication for the Democratic bull or myself."

Who is Responsible?

Before anything more is said as to the guilt of Spain in causing the Maine disaster, would it not be well to let all the people of the United States know why 260 of our citizens were placed in jeopardy by those in authority over them.

It was said there was no menacing purpose in sending the warship to Cuba. Then why not hold the powers that be to account for the wanton destruction of life and property?

There can be no question but that the chief responsiblity rests upon President McKinley. Had he followed the lead of Congress on coming into office, and recognized Cuby as a belligerent power, the present humiliating position of the United States would soon be avoided. Cuba ere this would won her independence, and that, too, without involving us in a war with Spain, which is now imminent. The Maine with her precious cargo of human lives, would never have been foolishly sent forth to wanton destruction. A fearful responsibility faces the president in this matter.—San Marcos New Era.

Tragedy at Brownwood.

A fatal shooting occurred in Brownwood Thursday evening of last week. Sheriff Bell went to the Singer Hotel to arrest a blacksmith by the name of Yarbrough. As the sheriff was about to enter the door, Yarbrough opened fire with a winchester, shooting Bell through the body just above the heart. The fire was returned by the sheriff and his deputy and Yarbrough fell dead with a bullet through the heart. Bell died Friday evening. He was a brave officer.

Only a Man.

No one is entitled to rights or priviieges because he is a working man; but all are entitled to right and justice because they are men and citizens. Petitioning for anything in the name of workingmen saviors too much of "fake" business—which, indeed, it usually is. Not because they are workingmen, but because they are men. Let them stand up erect, scorning special consideration on accunt of vocation. A man is a man before he is a blacksmith; and even though he become a Rockefeller or a Hanna, he is still only a man.—Cinninnati Common Cause.

Nuggests.

The more people know the less they talk about it.

Admit the right, though you are obliged to say "I was mistaken."

Be the kind of man that you would like to have your boys be.

The man who attends strictly to his own business has a good steady job.

The best reputation an individual or a newspaper can acquire is a reputation for telling the truth.

He who provides for his life, but takes no care for eternity, is wise for a moment, but a fool forever.

Fear of what people will say has a more religious effect on the world than the fear of what the Lord will think.

The more serious the difficulty that confronts you the more is the reason why you should show yourse f a man.

A man who must be excessively stupid, as well as uncharitable, who believes there is no virtue but on his own side.

A man who has nothing to boast of but his noble ancestry is like a potato—the only good belonging to him is underground.—Selected.

Gold Bug Machine In 1900.

"If there is anything in evidence, the gold bug machine is still bossing the democratic party, In the campaigns of 1897, where they were held, the record was something like this:

"In Massachusetts for free silver.

"In New York for nothing; but the nominee was a gold bug.

"In the city campaign of Greater New York, the Chicago platform was absolutely ignored, but so-called free silver machine democrats helped Tammany hall to win.

"In Maryland, for gold.

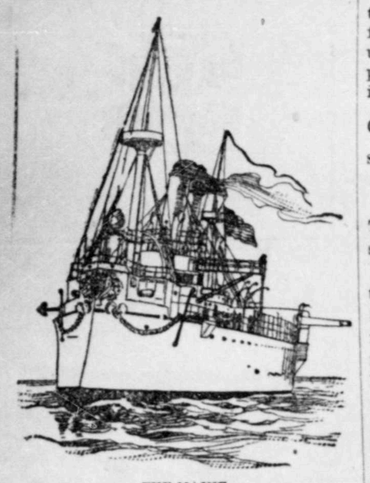
"In Pennsylvania, for free silver, though gold bugs were nominated everywhere.

"And so it will be this year.

"And in 1900 the gold bug machine will have full control of the democratic party. Watch the prediction"—From Chairman Butler's paper, "The Caucasian."

Havana, Cuba, being at that time moored to the same buoy to which she had been taken upon arrival. There were two explosions of a distinctly different character, with a very short but distinct interval between them and the forward part of the ship was lifted to a marked degree at the time of the explosion. The first explosion was more in the nature of a report, like that of a gun, while the second explosion was more open, prolonged and of greater volume. This second explosion was, in the opinion of the court, caused by a partial explosion of two or more of the forward magazines of the Maine.

4. Evidence bearing on this, being principally obtained from divers, did not enable the court to form any definite conclusion as to the condition of the wreck, although it established the after part of the ship was practically intact and sank in that condition a very few



THE MAINE.

minutes after the destruction of the forward part. The following facts in regard to the forward part of the ship are, however, established by the testimony.

A portion of the port side of the protective deck, which extends from about frame 30 to about frame 41, was blown up aft and over to port. The main deck from about frame 30 to about frame 41 was blown up aft and slightly over to starboard, folding the forward part of the middle superstructure over and the top of the after part. This was, in the opinion of the court, caused by the partial explosion of two or more of the forward magazines of the Maine

At frame 17, the outer shell of the ship, from a point 11½ feet from the middle line of the ship, and 6 feet above the keel, when in its normal position, has been forced up so as to be now about four feet above the surface of the water; therefore, about 34 feet above where it would be had the ship sunk uninjured. The outside plating is bent into a reversed "V" shape, after wing of which is about 15 feet broad and 32 feet in length, (from frame 17 to frame 25) is doubled back upon itself against the continuation of the same plating extending forward.

5. At frame 18 the vertical keel is broken in two and the flat keel bent into an angle similar to the angle formed by the outside bottom plating. This break is now about six feet below the surface of the water and about 30 feet above its normal position. In the opinion of the court this effect could have been produced only by the explosion of a mine situated under the bottom of the ship at about frame 18, and somewhat to the port side of the ship.

6. The court finds that the loss of the Maine, on occasion named, was not in any respect due to fault or negligence on part of any officers or members of the crew of said vessel.

7. In the opinion of the court the Maine was destroyd by explosion of submarine mine, which caused the partial explosion of two or more of her forward magazines.

8. The court has been unable to obtain evidence fixing the responsibility for the destruction of the Maine upon any person or persons.

The report was signed by the board of the court of inquiry, which was composed of Captain W. T. Sampson, president; Lieutenant A. Marix, judge advocate; Captain Chadwick and Lieutenant Potter and approved by Rear Admiral Sicard, commander-in-chief of the North Atlantic squadron.

CROWDS AT THE CAPITOL.

The Galleries of Both Houses Packed to Their Utmost Capacity.

Washington, March 29.—Except on the occasion of an inauguration of a president no such crowds as surged through the corridors and stormed the galleriers for admission have been seen at the capitol in a quarter of a century as yesterday.

Public interest in the findings of the board of inquiry was at white heat. At daylight people were already seeking entrance to the capitol and hours before noon, when the house convened, the marble stairways were choked with people pressing toward the galleries. Not an inch of space remained in the public galleries at 9 o'clock, though long lines of people stretching down the stairways to the lower corridors continued to press forward. Within a few minutes the reserved galleries were thrown open and they were completely filled with the exception of those reserved for the diplomatic corps and the families of the president and the cabinet. Admission to these galleries was strictly by card, and many distinguished personages were there.

On the floor there was almost as much excitement as in the galleries, although the full synopsis of the report, which was printed by newspapers taking the Associated Press, had taken the keen edge off the anxiety with which the members were awaiting the reading of the official finding of the board.

THERE FOR A PURPOSE.

Mangrove at Havana So Americans Can Take Refuge.

New York, March 29.—It is now said on good authority that the Mangrove, which sailed for Havana on Friday, ostensibly went there to bring away materials recovered from the Maine, but in reality to be on hand in case of an outbreak in Havana so that Americans could take refuge on the vessel, avers the Key West correspondent of The Herald. Twenty Americans arrived there on the Olivette from Havana. Among these were Captain Sigsbee and other officers of the Maine, ordered home by the Washington authorities. Captain Chadwick will remain at Key West temporarily, although the other officers continued north via Tampa.

The concensus of opinion among all the passengers was that a general exodus from Havana would shortly be inaugurated, as the excitement attending the published report of the Maine board of inquiry is increasing.

ORDERED TO MAKE HASTE.

Spain's Crippled Torpedoboat Instructed to Make For Spain.

New York, March 29.—A dispatch to The World from Waterford, Ireland, says:

The torpedoboat destroyer Audaz, although crippled by a gale, is ordered to Spain with all possible haste. She put in here Friday with both bows smashed in, her stern twisted several feet out of line and other serious damage, sustained while trying to cross the Bay of Biscay on the way from her builders at Clydesbank, Scotland, to Ferrol, Spain. Her collision burst, but the second bulkhead stopped the water, preventing her from foundering. Her captain intended to take the vessel to the Clyde for repairs, but the government at Madrid deemed it important that the Audaz should reach Spain at the earliest moment. Therefore, the captain was ordered to take her to Queenstown for temporary repairs to enable her to make Lisbon or Cadiz as soon as the weather moderates.

The captain said he was extremely anxious concerning the fate of the Osado, a sister boat which left the Clyde with Audaz and encountered the same violent storm. He hoped she had obtained shelter in some other port, but there is no report yet of her arrival anywhere. The two new torpedo boat destroyers parted company in a hurricane. The captain of the Audaz says he and his crew had a frightful experience, being battened for 18 hours in a terrific sea, in which the Audaz was completely buried half the time. The men have not been permitted to come ashore. The captain is afraid that they may desert rather than face the remainder of the voyage to Spain. It is quite possible too that they might be subjected to hostile demonstrations from the people of Waterford.

ANOTHER NEW PLAN.

Spain Will Give to Cuba Home Rule Under the Spanish Flag.

New York, March 29.—Spain, although apparently defiant, has asked for further delay in case the United States does anything more about Cuba, says the Washington correspondent of The Herald.

This request was made by Senor Polo y Bernabe, the Spanish minister at Washington. He said that Spain would lay before the state department at the earliest day possible a plan for a more liberal government of Cuba

This plan, the minister declared, would be so fair and liberal that it would be satisfactory to the United States and the Cubans, and it would bring about peace on the island. Spain's proposal is generally believed in Washington to have come too late. President McKinley and the Spanish diplomats have given up hope of averting war and with characteristic patience are ready to consider anything that might lead to a peaceful solution of the question. Details of Spain's new plan were not made known by Minister Polo, but he explained to Assistant Secretary Day that Spain would not yield her sovereignty over Cuba. She would give the island home rule, withdraw her troops and exercise the most limited authority, but her flag must remain over Cuba.

It was also plainly stated by the minister that the independence of Cuba could not be bought with money.

While President McKinley is disposed to look with favor upon Spains's proposition, it is not doubted that as a result of his consultations with cabinet members and other leaders the minister will be told that no pledge can be given to indorse any policy Spain may adopt short of Cuban independence.

THE SPANISH PRESS.

What Madrid Papers Have to Say of the Situation.

Madrid, March 29.—Imparcial and Liberal agree in saying that mediation of the European powers will be difficult in view of the crisis in the far east, adding: "Anyway, Spain is able herself to resent insult and repudiate unjust pretension."

The Liberal also says:

"If the United States desires to succor the Cubans the simplest means is to confide the mission to the Spanish Red Cross society, which is well organized in Cuba, and, besides, many members are ready to go there from Spain if necessary. However, if the United States wants war let her say so frankly and not seek charitable or humanitarian excuses."

The Diaro quotes the minister for the colonies, Senor Moret, as replying to question of the minister of marine, Admiral Bermejo, with the remark:

"The storm continues, but the barometer is rising."

This is regarded as meaning that the situation is not so unfavorable to Spain as it was.

Opinions of French Papers.

Paris, March 28.—The Figaro commenting upon the Cuban situation says:

"There is more reason now than yesterday to suppose that the ostentatious policy of the United States will be transformed into a ready, active policy. The sole danger of war lies in the new cortes allowing themselves to be drawn into replying to impertinences addressed to Spain."

The Journal approves M. Hanotaux's adoption of neutrality, "the moral standpoint of which permits him to assist in solving the difficulty."

Result at Barcelona.

Barcelona, Spain, March 29.—As a result of the election here Sunday to fill six vacancies in the cortes, three monarchists and three republicans have been returned. The Liberals obtained all the seats in the province except one, for which a Catalan home ruler was returned.

Sagasta Denies That a Note Was Sent.

Madrid, March 29.—Senor Sagasta, premier, declares that the Spanish government has not sent a note to the government of the United States on the subject of relief for Cubans.

War Looks Unavoidable.

Berlin, March 29.—The Madrid correspondent of the Berliner Tageblatt says:

"Spain will not only refuse to allow American interference in assisting the suffering Cubans, but will decline to pay (indemnity) unless it is shown unmistakably that the Spanish authorities were responsible for the Maine explosion. If President McKinley demands these two things war is unavidable."

Rupture Seems Inevitable.

Berlin, March 29.—The Madrid correspondent of the Frankfort Zeitung says:

"Senor Gullen, the minister of foreign affairs, has informed me an extremely threatening note has arrived from Washington regarding the cessation of the war in Cuba. He added:

"'No matter how one regards the affair a rupture can now hardly be avoided.'"

Election at Havana.

Havana, March 29.—Election day in Havana was quiet. The government took precautions in the nature of a police guard, which proved effective.

It is too soon to give the result of the elections, but claims are made that the governmental ticket, including 20 autonomists and 10 Conservatives, has been elected. The vote in this city has been very light.

Elections In Spain.

Madrid, March 29.—The elections in the capital yesterday were without especial incident.

Despite great precautions at Bilboa there was much disorder. A body of 100 miners tried to commit acts of violence. It is reported that a Socialist has beaten a Conservative candidate there. All the other provinces are reported calm. The indications are that the Sagasta faction will have a safe majority.

Schley Takes Command.

Fortress Monroe, Va., March 29.—Commodore W. S Schley today took command of the flying squadron at Hampton Roads, running up his flag on the Brooklyn, which will be his flagship. He was received with great enthusiasm by his men and with a salute.

RUSSIANS TAKE CHARGE.

Chinese Troops Withdraw From Port Arthur and Ta Lien Wan.

Pekin, March 29.—The Chinese garrisons have withdrawn from Port Arthur and Ta Lien Wan. The Russians landed and the Russian flag was hoisted at both places.

Horribly Mutilated Bodies.

Atlanta, March 29.—Fireman responding to an alarm early Sunday morning found the bodies of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Briley, white, and Robert Wilkerson, colored, in a store at 75 Humphries street which was being rapidly destroyed by fire. The bodies were taken out without being marred by the flames. All were horribly mutilated, the instruments of death, two heavy hatchets and a meat knife, being found on the floor. Mr. Rriley was the proprieter of the store, and it is believed that robbery was the motive. The police have made a number of arrests.

John Hearon Acquitted.

Texarkana, Tex., March 29.—The case against John Hearon for killing the negro Fate Hilson in the former's saloon in this city about two months ago, was tried in the Bowie county district court and Hearon was aquitted in 10 minutes. Dave Edwards' case as accessory in the shooting of Hilson was continued.

Tornado In the Territory.

South McAlester, March 29.—A fierce windstorm swept over the country between this place and Lehigh and Colgate Saturday night. Four farm houses were demolished and the occupants of three of them are reported to have been killed. Others are reported further south, but none of the reports have been verified.

Brakeman Killed.

Princeton, Ind., March 29.—Tennes Taylor, a brakeman on the Louisville and St. Louis Air line, was killed by falling between the cars east of here. The train had broken in two and Taylor walked off the end of the car and fell beneath the wheels. His body was horribly mangled.

Consistency of Democratic Ridicule.

READ THIS.

The Exponent asks the following question: "Will some democrat tell us why the counties having the most negroes give the greatest democratic majority?" Why, certainly, we take great pleasure in informing you, windy. The negro has too much sense to vote the populist ticket. It shows that the average negro has more common sense than the average pop.—Comanche Chief.

THEN THIS.

This year the populist party of Texas can afford to fight on a broad state issue platform.—Exponent.

For instance, one broad enough to include George Clark and the republican; a platform that will cover lots of territory and admit of lots of standing room. Behold, how pleasant it will be for Clark, Gibbs, Tracy, Green and his negroes, and all the little poppies to dwell together in unity. Won't it be a glorious mess! How delightful will be the sop this mongrel crowd will throw out to voters of Texas! Well, it is all right; they might as well all be laid together in the same grave.—Comanche Chief.

There are three little things which do more work than any other three little things created—they are the ant, the bee and DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the last being the famous little pills for stomach and liver troubles. S. S. Davis.

Wail of the New Woman.

Onward, roll onward, oh, time in thy flight; make me a woman that's clear out of sight; give me the bloomers and breeches and shirts; let me get out of these horrible skirts. A whisker producer if you can, give me a head that grows bald like a man, grow tobacco that won't make me sick and learn me to chew *a la* man very quick; let me, oh, let me drink whiskey and swear, bet on the chickens and back the fleet mare, stay out of nights and hold office, and vote, take in the town and a six-shooter tote, sit in the buzzard roost row if I choose, play baseball and football and wear the spike shoes. Onward, roll onward, oh, time quickly fly, make me a man or help me to die; this world as it is fairly fills me with woe, but were I a man 'twould be heaven below.

Whooping cough is the most distressing malady, but its duration can be cut short by the use of One Minute Cough Cure, which is also the best known remedy for croup and all lung and bronchial troubles. S. S. Davis,

The two-year-old son of W. L. Furgason of Bolton, Miss., had whooping cough. "After several physicians had prescribed for him, without giving relief," writes Mr. Furgason, "I pursuaded my wife to try a twenty-five cent bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. The first dose had the desired effect, and in forty-eight hours he was entirely free from all cough. I consider your remedy the best in the market, especially for children and recommend it at all times." The twenty-five and fifty cent sizes are sold by all druggists.

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Minister Woodford Boycotted.

The Woodfords are being subjected to a boycott at Madrid, not merely by society, but even by the ladies people, so much so that the United States envoy has been obliged to procure his daily supplies of meat, vegetables, bread and milk through the Hotel de Paris, the proprietor of which declines to be a party to any such petty manner of venting national hatred upon an official who is stationed there with his family by his government to fulfill his very difficult duty toward his country.

It will scarcely be believed that the bankers of Madrid have refused to supply the American legation with even a loaf of bread, no butcher will consent to furnish any meat, the dry goods stores will not even sell a piece of ribbon to the ladies of the legation, who are forced to get everything from Paris, while the boycott is carried so far that all their linen has to be laundried on the premises of the embassy, since no laundry will undertake to do any "Yankee" washing.

One of the most detestable characters with which we have to contend is the insinuating, soft, mealy-mouthed person that you never know where to place. Policy may be a good thing in its way, and at best so, politeness and kindness should be used towards all, no matter how different are the opinions. But that is not like the person who is this way to-day, that may to-morrow, some other way next week, according to the crowd he or she is in. For such persons we almost have a contempt. Give us the open. frank and friendly opposition, with enough true politeness—real refinement—to make them agreeable, and yet with enough force of character to establish their standing or to give expression to their real opinions. We, rather "give me the bold brigand who thunders along the highway with flashing weapons that cut the sunshine as well as the shade; give me the pirate who unfurls the black flag, emblems of his terrible trade, and shows the plank which your doomed feet must tread; but save me from the obey stavers' of society, whose knives are hidden in a velvet sheath: whose bridge of death is woven with flowers, and who spread with invisible poison the whiteness of the winding sheet." There should be a happy medium if we could but reach it, but for my part I prefer truth in every instance, rather that detestion and falsehood.—Enquire.

Ironical Its.

If a man is down with the smallpox he is to be pittied.

If a man isn't sober he should never attempt to walk a tight rope.

If you would successfully argue with a woman just keep silent.

If fish is good brain food, it seems a pity in some cases to waste so much fish.

If one-half the world doesn't know how the other half lives, the other half is just as ignorant.

If a man is too proud to beg and too honest to steal, the only thing left for him is to get trusted.

If G. Washington was never asked by a fond mother what he thought of her cute baby, then it may be true that he never told a lie.—Chicago News.



Fifty Years Ago.

President Polk in the White House chair,
While in Lowell was Doctor Ayer;
Both were busy for human weal
One to govern and one to heal.
And, as a president's power of will
Sometimes depends on a liver-pill,
Mr. Polk took Ayer's Pills I trow
For his liver, 50 years ago.

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were designed to supply a model purgative to people who had so long injured themselves with griping medicines. Being carefully prepared and their ingredients adjusted to the exact necessities of the bowels and liver, their popularity was instantaneous. That this popularity has been maintained is well marked in the medal awarded these pills at the World's Fair 1893.

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of the Mother shapes the course of unborn generations—goes sounding through all the ages and enters the confines of Eternity. With what care, therefore, should the Expectant Mother be guarded, and how great the effort be to ward off danger and make her life joyous and happy.

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The unusually heavy surplus of the Prussian railroads this year has attracted attention. The railroads of Prussia, as is well known, are owned and operated by the state. The rate of transportation is about one-third the rate in this country for both passenger traffic and freight, but the annual profits have been very large notwithstanding the great sums expended on the road bed and the rolling stock. It is customary to disparage the service in Prussia, but every traveler knows that the service is far superior to the service in this country. Class for class, the advantage is decidedly on the side of the state-owned railroads of Prussia. This is a matter that can be very easily demonstrated for there are in this country thousands of Germans who pay regular visits to the fatherland. The testimony of these men on the subject, wherever available, would show that the last five or ten years have resulted in epoch-making strides in Prussian railroading until to-day the service stands second to none. In spite of steady reductions in rates and lavish expenditures in improvements, the surplus has steadily risen. These surplus earnings have gone for military purposes but this year there is an excess over the needs of the army.—Twentieth Century.

Recently the Standard Oil Company levied a tax approximating $12,000,000 a year on the American people, and it only took the directors four minutes to do it. To them the process was simple and easy—only the adding of five cents to the selling price of every case of coal oil; and they are at no expense for assessing and collecting this tax. The victims must walk up to "Coal-Oil John's" and settle. Leiter, the great wheat speculator, is performing a similar feat with the bread of the people. Even now we can't eat bread without his permission and without paying him his price. The time will surely come when the people will be compelled to protect themselves from these financial vultures by laws which will reach the case; and if such laws are declared unconstitutional they will have to make a constitution to fit the case. Neither congress nor the courts can take away the right of self-defense and that is the law the people will have to assert.—Farm and Ranch.

A Wonderful Discovery.

The last quarter of a century records many wonderful discoveries in medicine, but none that have accomplished more for humanity than that sterling old remedy, Browns' Iron Bitters. It seems to contain the very elements of good health, and neither man, woman or child can take it without deriving the greatest benefit. For sale by Dublin Drug Co., Sole Agents.

Don't forget Eddleman's barber shop. You will be pleased with work you get there.

After years of untold suffering from piles B. W. Pursell of Knttnersville, Pa., was cured by using a single box of DeWitts' Witch Hazel Salve. Skin diseases such as eczema, rash, pimples and obstinate sores are readily cured by this famous remedy S. S. Davis.

The leader of a certain political sect remarked to a Journal representative last Saturday: "If the primaries that are to be held in Erath county soon fail to show up a goodly number of votes, there will be an independent ticket in the field; that's flat," and he stroked his flowing whiskers and looked exceeding wise.—Thurber Mining Journal.

Stolen Gems.

It is a lonely day in a yellow dog's life when nobody kicks him.

Business covers a multitude of transactions just out of reach of the law.

Trouble is about the only thing some people can borrow without security.

Never forget to remember that there are some things that should be forgotten.

The bonds of matrimony would be more popular if they paid cash dividends.

The paving material of hell consists of good intentions and unpaid election debts.

Man is always wanting something he can't get, and is always getting something that he don't want.

Some men would rather be right than president, but there are others who are not so particular.

Man was made to mourn, but he has fixed things so that the woman has taken most of the job off his hands.

We are often told of the tremendous burden the poor Germans are forced to bear in the expense of the huge standing army. The burden of army expenditures, in Prussia at least, is borne by the railway system. Now the railway system of Prussia costs the Prussians much less than the New York Central Railroad costs the people of New York. The profits of the Prussian railroads support the army and the profits of the Vanderbilt railroad support the Vanderbilts. But the Vanderbilts exact a great deal more from the New Yorkers than the Prussian army exacts from the Prussians. That is to say, it would be money in the pockets of the people of New York to take the Prussian army and the Prussian railroads and give away the Vanderbilts and the Vanderbilt railroads. The Statistics on the subject may be studied at length in the Prussian Jahresberichte and the reports of the New York Railroad Commission. It is facts like these which make the conventional talk about the "freedom" and "opportunities" of the American people so discouraging in its humbug. One does not wonder at the talk because the corporations pay the newspapers to purvey it, but one does wonder that even the guileless and simple minded American countryman can swallow it.—Twentieth Century.

Sick headache sufferers bless the day they try Maltbys Headache Powders. Not a failure to cure, reported in 30 years. 25c all Druggists. 27-6m.

The great insurance companies are determined to resist all efforts to bring them within the operation of state laws. They are fighting furiously in every part of the country, and the tendency of the courts to side with corporations has stood them in good stead. The latest scheme of these concerns, however, is to have congress pass a general law, taking control of insurance matters out of the hands of the state authorities altogether and vesting it in a national body. We do not know if such a law would be constitutional or not. At any rate, the plan is to be tried. The war excitement shelved the matter for a time, but it willl be brought up again. There can be little doubt that these great insurance corporations will have to be brought under some measure of public control. They have now perfected a combination among themselves for purposes of offense and defense. Their officials are constantly issuing political manifestoes and resisting the operation of the laws. The fact that the rates of insurance are extortionately high and that the officials of these coporations are paid exceedingly high salaries are matters of common observation. The subject of insurance in this country calls for special investigation.—Twentieth Century.

Not very many members of the late grogogogical seance, generally known as the twenty-fifth Texas legislature wants the "dear people" to send them back to the scene of their late shameful orgies, where they demonstrated the utter inability of their class of politicians to cope with questions in which the people are interested.—Texas Populist.

A Grateful Tribute.

We do not agree with Col. Bob Ingerson on his religious or irreligious views, but sometimes he says what we can endorse and the following tribute to woman is one:

"It takes a hundred men to make an encampment, but one woman to make a home. I not only admire woman as the most beautiful object creature, but I reverence her as the redeeming glory of humanity, the sanctuary of all virtues, the pledge of all perfect qualities of the heart and head. It is not just or right to lay sin of men at the feet of women. It is because women are much better than men that their faults are considered greater. The one thing in the world that is constant, the one peak that rises above all clouds, one window in which the light forever burns, the one star—that star which darkness cannot quench—it is woman's love. It rises to the greatest heights, it sinks to the lowest depths, forgives the most cruel injuries. It is the perennial of life, and grows in every climate. Neither coldness nor neglect, harshness nor cruelty, can extinguish it. A woman's love is the perfume of the heart. This is the real love that subdues the earth—the love that has wrought all miracles all the way from the cradle song to the grand closing symphony that bears the soul away on wings of fire. A love that is greater than power, sweeter than life, and stronger than death."

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All appointments are for the usual hour at night, except where specified at 2 p. m.

Other People's Party candidates who may be present will be given, as far as practicable, time to announce.

Very Truly,
A. Q. JORDAN, County Chairman.
J. D. MARTIN, County Secretary.

WEEK OF APRIL 4 TO 9.

Duffau, Monday, April 4th.
Chalk Mountain, Tuesday, April 5th.
Box School House, Wednesday, April 6th.
Cedar Point, Thursday, April 7th.
Bluff Dale, Friday, April 8th.
Morgan's Mill, Saturday 2 p. m., April 9th.
Halsell School ouse, Saturday night, April 9th.

WEEK OF APRIL 11 TO 16.

Double Mountain, Tuesday, April 12th.
Russell's Chapel, Wednesday, April 13th
Liberty, Thursday, April 14th.
annibal, Friday, April 15th.
Huckabay, Saturday, 2 p. m., April 16th.
Center Grove, Saturday, April 16th.

WEEK OF APRIL 18 TO 23.

Evergreen, Monday, April 18th.
Miller School House, Tuesday, April 19th.
Prairie View, Wednesday, April 20th.
Clairette, Thursday, April 21st.
Alexander, Friday, April 22nd.
Gilmore, Saturday, 2 p. m., April 23rd.
Union, Saturday, April 23rd.

Remember Primaries to be Held Saturday, April 30th.

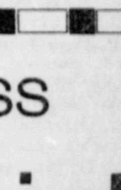
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J. C. Caperton,	"	J. D. Martin,	Carlton.
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ANNOUNCEMENTS.

ELECTION, NOV. 1, 1898.

We have been authorized to announce the following gentlemen for the offices named. People's party primaries Saturday, April 30. Democratic primaries, Saturday, May 28.

For Representative.
J. S. Daley, populist.
U. J. Morton, populist.

The friends of
J. S. Watson, populist,
announce him for re-election to the office of district clerk.

For County Judge.
W. E. Lowe, democrat.
W. T. Carlton, democrat.
L. N. Frank, democrat.

For Assessor.
J. A. Roberson, democrat.
Jeff R. Bell, democrat.
M. L. Ashworth, democrat.
J. E Pemberton, populist.
J. T. Smith, populist.
M. W. Birdwell, populist.
J. B. Keller, populist.
M. E. Morton, populist.
J. D. Biggs, populist.

For Treasurer.
G. E. Toliver, democrat.
G. C. Hamilton, populist.

For Collector.
N. N. Johnson, democrat.
Walter (Kern) Barbee, dem.
W. Chamberlin, populist.

For Attorney.
B. E. Cook, democrat.
B. H. (Dick) Oxford, democrat.
J. M. Carter, populist.

For County Clerk.
T. G. Geren, democrat.
J. I. Minter, populist.
F. M. Brown, populist.
L. D. Moore, populist.
J. D. Martin, populist.

For Sheriff.
Robert E. Keith, populist.
Frank W. Freeman, populist.
R. T. (Riggs) Roberts democrat

Commissioner.
Precinct No. 2, Dublin.
L. R. Mayfield, democrat.
John M. Kiker, democrat.
J. B. (Brad) White, populist.
E. P. Purvis, populist.

Justice of the Peace.
Precinct No. 2, Dublin.
R. A. Crocker, democrat.
S. A. Hill, independent.
Precinct No. 3, Alexander.
Jesse G. Conner, independent.
Precinct No. 8, Lingleville.
D. H. Bowen, populist.
J. T. Christian, populist.

For Constable.
Precinct No. 2, Dublin.
Jno. P. Hamilton, independent
Precinct No. 8, Lingleville.
D. S. Hendrix, independent.

CITY ANOUNCEMENTS.

ELECTION, APRIL, 1898.

For Assessor and Collector.
Wm. O'Briant.
G. W. Hamblett.
W. H. Neel.
W. T. Leggett.
W. J. Davies.

City Treasurer.
The friends of
M. C. Witcher
announce him as a candidate for re-election to the office of City Treasurer.
J. H. Latham.

An egotist is a man who believes the world thinks as much of him as he does himself.

In the city election at Mexia the color line has been drawn and will decide the contest for city officers.

Hume truthfully said: "He is happy whose circumstances suit his temper; but he is more excellent, who can suit his temper to any circumstances."

Many good and trne men are not considered by the world at their true worth, while many farcial hypocrites are the recipient of honors entirely beyond their deserts.

The San Angelo Standard has recently put on a new dress, a new head and made many other improvements, all of which add to the general excellence of that wide-awake paper.

The democrats are everywhere asking the populists to come back to the democratic party, but when asked to give any sensible reason why they should do so, they are utterly at loss to give any. The democratic party has pretended to have reformed at every election, state or national, as far back as the writer can reccollect, but they have invariably proven unworthy of trust and recreant to all campaign promises. We can only judge the future by the past.

The farce called international diplomacy is no more than international hypocracy. Why not let a spade be called a spade and treachery be called treachery?

If the reported hay trust has the effect on the long-eared descendents of Balaams pet animal that other trusts do on the people, his kicking propensities will at once be doubled, and then woe to the man in his rear.

The populists in Hamiltoln county, have recently thrown off what little lethargy that was among them and have gone to work in earnest. The county officers in old Hamilton will be filled entirely by true-blue populists this campaign, we predict.

The Comanche Exponent comes out with a bran new engraved heading, bearing in the centre a rignette of Thos. Gaines the deceased founder of the paper. The head is becoming and the memory of such a grand and good man as Thos. Gaines should lend an inspiration to its readers and its editor.

It is apparent in McKinley attitude regarding the Spanish-Cuban question and the Maine disaster that the almighty dollar has power to heal the wounded honor of America and recompense for the lives of her slaughtered seamen. The patriotic American people are unanimously opposed to such a condition.

The present congress and president will be held responsible by the American people for the death of the martyrs of the Maine and the loss of that magnificient vessel. Their pretended diplomatic conservatism should and will be held responsible for the possibility of Spanish treachery having caused the great disaster.

The populist who would return to either of the old parties at the present time is indeed in a bad plight and never had any reason of his own to leave them. They are both the same to-day they have been for thirty years and each are doing their utmost to hinder the success of any reform party. It's pie and that only they are after.

Be not deceived. The democracy of J. K. Jones is the democracy which offered us the half-billion bond bill; the democracy which declared that our greenback money is no longer needed; the democracy which enacted our present silver law; and disfranchised the poor in South Carolina. —Ozark (Ark.) Rustler.

True populists—those who believe in the principles of the party —should remember that it is the very men who betrayed them and the party at St. Louis in 1896, who are now appealing for another "fusion," ostensibly in the interest of silver, but really in the interest of the democratic party and the men who are making this appeal.

Populist will doubtless remember that the very men who are now most anxious for their co-operation—southern democrats--were the ones who, in the earlier days of the party derided, abused and ostracised them, and who have made the most bitter attacks upon them wherever there seemed a possibility or probability of their success.

We utterly fail to see where it is the business of any populist paper to express it's choice of the democratic candidates for gouernor or to in any way mix up in the democratic gubernational pie-counter row. Let them trot out the man they want and we'll "give the best we've got in the shop," and if we don't beat then it won't be for lack of reasons for the people to repudiate the democratic administration.

Editor Daley, of the Progress at Dublin, will be a candidate for the legislature. No one doubts his ability, but the thing that is puzzling the newspaper gang of this section is, why he would leave a good newspaper office to go to the legislature.—Brownwood Bulletin.

We don't expect to desert the newspaper business brother Mayes, could not afford too nor have not the inclination to do so if we could afford it, but we are rather inclined to the opinion that in so much as newspaper work is to a considerable extent in line with politics, we can satisfactory fill both requirements, without in any way shirking either.

It was more because of the desire to recoup the democratic strength and influence in the south than with the expectation of national success that the democrats fought for a combination with the populists and obtained it. And it is with this in mind that they are again asking co-operation. By consenting to this co-operation the populists are not only destroying their own organization but building up again the one which has so bitterly fought them in this section and whose power to fight longer was only restored by the renewed vitality which the populists themselves gave by a consent to the fusion of 1896, and which they will further strengthen by consenting to fusion in 1898.

A great amount of deserved complaint is being made in different parts of the state about some democratic state officials who are using pound after pound of the stationary paid for by the state in writing letters to their adherents and in sending out campaign literature in the interest of their candidacy the present year. Even in some cases legislative candidates have carried off arm loads of letter heads and pockets full of stamps and are now using them, not in pursuance of official business as they were intended to be used, but purely in the interest of their candicacy for another term, while the tax payers of the state of Texas are paying the bill for their postage and their stationary. It was never intended that when a man gets into office he should carry off everything that was loose belonging to it when he retired, nor that he should stock himself up with stationary and postage enough to last him for the next ten years at the expense of the state, yet it is told that a great many democrats have done this and are now industriously seeking re-election and sending out letters written and printed on stationary paid for by the man whose vote he solicits.

Franz Joseph Dohmen of Austin, Texas, ranks above any of his fellow students of the present senior class of the University of Texas. At the next commencement he will receive the degree of Bachelor of Literature. The fact that Mr. Dowmen is the first honor man of his class is only remarkable because since his tenth year he has been totally blind. He is twenty-four years old and was born at New Braunfels, Texas, of German parents. His father, Dr. Dohmen, was at the time of his death the state occulist, and one of the most distinguished men of his profession in the state. When young Dohmen was ten years old he was seized with an attack of the typhoid fever which settled in his eyes, and when his strength was restored it was found that he had completely lost his sight. His fondness for study and his natural musical taste have apparently afforded him ample recompense for the loss of his sight. He was placed in the blind asylum and there had his talents for music developed and at the same time received splendid preparatory training for his university career. While he was studying in the blind asylum he received training in a system of writing that has been invaluable to him while a student in the university. This system consists of piercing full of small holes a stiff waxed paper by means of a sharp instrument, the position of the hole being determined by a small metal frame held on the opposite side of the paper; this furnishes projections which the blind learn to read as rapidly as they do raised letters. Mr. Dohmen is a perfect master of this system and writes it as rapidly as an ordinary writer does long hand. He comes to the University daily with his note book, attends classes, takes notes, and goes about the building so easily and naturally that the loss of his sight is scarcely noticed. When a term examination occurs he writes his answers to the question according to his short-hand system for the blind, and then takes his replies home and makes a neat copy himself upon his typewriter. He does his typewritten work rapidly and neatly and presents to his professors manuscript faultless in its appearance and almost flawless as to its scholarly grasp of the subject under consideration.

Mr. Dohmen graduated from the blind asylum in 1893 with the highest honors and has now been a student of the University of Texas for five years.

If it is to become the established custom in Texas to elect the attorney-general each time to the position of governor why not change the laws so that the attorney-general after four years of service will become governor without an election? By such a change the attorney-general could devote the best six months of his term as attorney-general to the duties of his office, instead of spending the time campaigning for the office of governor, while he draws his salary from the people for services not performed, as is now the practice.—Tyler Democrat Reporter.

The Reporter need not bother itself about Crane being governor. He will be nominated, but will just as surely be turned down by the people.

We understand from a correspondent that Mr. Arch Grinnan of Brownwood, candidate for state senator, spoke at Bluff Dale on the night of March 22nd. It is said that he became "wild and wooly" in discussing the tariff question as a live issue. It might be well for Mr. Grinnan to try his oratory on the revolutionary war, or the battle of Waterloo. We presume however that when Mr. Grinnan gets to the state Senate he will devote his energies to national affairs and fix up the tariff question to suit himself.

A high moral standard should be the guide to every man's actions in business, in politics and in the realm of social life. The distance from the cradle to the grave is too short and the pathway to uncertain to entertain selfish and contracted views.

Geo. L. Clark, of Huckabay, is being mentioned as a probable candidate for State Senator in this district. George is a man of considerable ability and a true reformer. We hope to see him enter the race and be elected over the democratic nominee.

The populist platform declares that private monopoly in, and as well alien ownership, should be prohibited by law; the democratic platform is found to contain no such declarations.—Tribune.

A man who intends to keep his promises can't afford to make many. The same can be said of his debts if he expects to pay them.

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Notice.

haeton, harness and three sad-
for sale. Phaeton is about as
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little. GEO. BUCKINGHAM, at
Rio Grande Depot. 42-4t

he dry goods firm of Jordon &
er has been this week mutual-
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rch next Sunday on account of
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our regular preaching service
1 a. m. and 7:30 p. m., that all
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Baptist church. Come to Sun-
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good house of ten rooms, two
, back and front gallery, con-
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The Boston Bloomers, Champion
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sday, April 5th, inside the
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County Alliance.

Huckabay, Tex., March 13.—
Erath County Alliance will
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e notice and lets have a good
resentation.
M. W. BIRDWELL,
Secretary.

The musical entertainment last
ht at the opera house under the
nagement of Mr. C. B. Patton,
h Talliafero and Miss Cecil
uston as performers, proved to
the best treat the Dublin people
e enjoyed for quite a while.
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kes a deep impression on his
dience, while Miss Houston is a
ger of unequelled talent. The
blin Orchestra rendered some of
ir excellent music for the occa-
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PERSONAL MENTION.

Miss Jessie Hudson is very sick this week.

F. M. Brown of Lingleville, was in town Monday.

Jim Ashenhurst spent last Tuesday night in Comanche.

Deputy Sheriff J. W. Fulkerson was over yesterday on official business.

John G. Hamilton expects shortly to move to Paul's Valley, I. T. and locate.

Mrs. C. G. Foust of Grandbury, was here several days last week visiting with relatives.

Miss Agnie Harris, of Winnsboro, Texas, will enter Dublin Commercial School April 3rd.

Candidates J. E. Pemberton for assessor, and T. D. Moore for clerk, were in Dublin yesterday becoming acquainted with the people.

Joe Caperton returned home Monday from a trip to Wolf City, Dallas and Cleburne. He had been absent about two weeks.

Hon. Lee Riddle, of Granbury, democratic candidate for district attorney, was billed to speak at Moccasin Rock last night.

Capt. A. H. Graham, of the Moccasin Rock country, a firm unswavering believer in the principles of the Peoples' party was in town yesterday evening.

R. R. Daffern returned Tuesday from Cisco, where he has been working on the new water works dam. He will leave Monday with his family to Cisco to reside.

Rev. N. D. Strong of the Lingleville country, passed through Dublin Monday facing the rain, sleet and norther en route home from Comanche, where he had been preaching for several days.

Ed. M. Rutledge of Hamilton, who has been employed with the Progress for a short time past, left Saturday for home, from which place he will shortly leave on a collecting tour for the Christian Courier at Dallas.

Dr. W. E. Deffenbaugh expects to leave next Monday for St. Joseph, Mo., where he will hereafter reside. The Progress regrets to learn of the removal of himself and family from the business and social circle of Dublin.

R. V. Brannum, one of the most progressive and substantial farmers who resides near Dublin, was in yesterday and paid his respects to the Progress. He is a staunch and unwavering Populist, with whom democratic or republican maneuvers "cuts no ice."

Will Troxwell, who has for some time been engaged at the Rio Grande depot as freight agent, has been called up by the road officials and given a place in the auditor's office at Ft. Worth, where he will hereafter pursue the duties of assistant auditor. Will is a pleasant and agreeable young man, full of energy, attentive at all times to business and heartily deserves the promotion given him by the Rio Grande officials. He left Dublin yesterday, after having made numberless friends here, who, though regretting his departure, are proud of his success and commend the Rio Grande officials in their selection of a sutitable young man for promotion.

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with LOCAL APPLICATIONS, as they cannot reach the seat of the disease. Catarrh is a blood or constitutional disease, and in order to cure it you must take internal remedies. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces. Hall's Catarrh Cure is not a quack medicine. It was prescribed by one of the best physicians in this country for years, and is a regular prescription. It is composed of the best tonics known, combined with the best blood purifiers, acting directly on the mucous surfaces. The perfect combination of the two ingredients is what produces such wonderful results in curing Catarrh. Send for testimonials, free.
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Hall's Family Pills are the best.

Erath County Medical Association.

The Erath County Medical Association will hold its next regular monthly meeting at Dublin next Tuesday, the first in April. A full attendance of the members are requested and the public invited.

All work guaranteed at the Dublin Dental parlors. Dr. Morgan invites you to his new office, over Maloney's store. 45-2t.

It is easy to catch a cold and just as easy to get rid of it if you commence early to use One Minute Cough Cure. It cures coughs, colds, bronchitis, pneumonia and all throat and lung troubles. It is pleasant to take, safe to use and sure to cure. Dublin Drug Co.

Don't forget Eddleman's barber shop. You will be pleased with work you get there.

CLUB MEETINGS.

JOHNSON SCHOOL HOUSE

Meets first and third Saturday in each month. G. S. Watson, chairman; Robt. Keith, secretary.

PEOPLE'S PARTY CLUBS.

A. Q. JORDAN, County Chairman, Carlton.
J. D. MARTIN, County Secretary, Carlton.

MOCCASIN ROCK.

Meets third Saturday night in each month, J. T. Christian, Chairman, R. T. Browning, permanent secretary, Willie Fair, corresponding secretary.

City Candidates.

The Progress will print city election tickets Monday April 4th, and a charge of $1.00 will be made for the name of each candidate appearing thereon, which amount candidates will please call and pay before that time to insure the appearance of their name on the ticket. No charge will be made for those who have announced in the Progress, but the announcement must be settled for.

Second hand buggies and harness for sale at E. A. Powell's Livery Stable. 44-2t

N. J. Shands and lawyer Jno. Carter will speak at Moccasin Rock on the night of April 16th.

Dublin Dental Parlors moved over Maloney's store. See Dr. Morgan if you need dental work. 45-2t.

"Noxacold" positively cures a Cold or La Grippe in a day. Guaranteed in every case. Sold by all Druggists. 27-6m

Hon. Lee Riddle, of Hood county, has entered the race for district attorney, subject to democratic action.

H. E. Brown of Dublin, was one of the jury commissioners appointed to select jurors for the county court.

A free lecture was delivered at the opera house Tuesday night in the interest of education, the speaker was Dr. Ellis of North Carolina.

The Dublin merchants have large stocks of goods, probably the best that have ever been carried at any time of year, and they are selling them at the most reasonable prices.

The W. C. T. U. will have prayer service April 8 h, 4 p. m., at Mrs. A. C. King's. Every one invited who is interested in the temperance cause.

The two-year-old son of W. L. Furgason of Bolton, Miss., had whooping cough. "After several physicians had prescribed for him, without giving relief," writes Mr. Furgason, "I pursuaded my wife to try a twenty-five cent bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. The first dose had the desired effect, and in forty-eight hours he was entirely free from all cough. I consider your remedy the best in the market, especially for children and recommend it at all times." The twenty-five and fifty cent sizes are sold by all druggists.

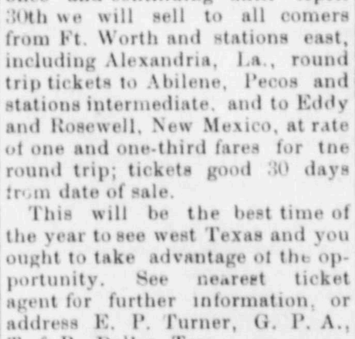
Eddleman's barber shop has a few razors that are sharp and a hone to keep that way. Let him or his assistants try one on you.

We are anxious to build up western Texas and commencing at once and continuing until April 30th we will sell to all comers from Ft. Worth and stations east, including Alexandria, La., round trip tickets to Abilene, Pecos and stations intermediate, and to Eddy and Rosewell, New Mexico, at rate of one and one-third fares for the round trip; tickets good 30 days from date of sale.

This will be the best time of the year to see west Texas and you ought to take advantage of the opportunity. See nearest ticket agent for further information, or address E. P. Turner, G. P. A., T. & P., Dallas, Tex.

Fresh meats cut by a first-class butcher in a first-class manner at Lee's market, opposite the Progress printing office. 19tf

"I feel it my duty to give you a truthful statement of what Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy did," writes J. S. Collins, of Moore, S. C., "I had a child about two years old that had the diarrhoea for two months. I tried all the best known remedies, but none gave the least relief. When this remedy came to hand I gave it as directed and in two days the child was completely cured." Sold by all druggists.



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Go to R. B. Spencer for screens, doors, etc. Largest stock in town; well assorted. 44-4t

In a close state where the republicans keep the democrats on pins for fear of defeat, even a democratic legislature might be relied upon to put an end to the outrage against teachers who have to discount their vouchers. Whether it will all go up in talk in Texas remains to be seen.—San Angelo Enterprise. (dem)

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The best liniment.—"Chamberlain's Pain Balm is the finest on earth," write Edwards & Parker of Plains, Ga. This is the verdict of all who use it. For rheumatism, lame back, sprains, swellings and the numerous slight ailments and accidents common to every household, this liniment has no equal. With it in the house a great deal of pain and suffering may be avoided. Sold by all druggists.

See Green Harrison for surveying. Office with W. J. Wasson, next door to the Progress. 34-tf

Texas is proud of her law makers. They actually had a law placed on the statute books authorizing an election on an amendment on the first Tuesday in November, thinking they were making the dates synonimous with the regular fall election, and now we must vote twice. A few thousand extra dollars in taxes for grand old economic Texas.—San Angelo Enterprise. (dem.)

Where can you invest money more profitably than by buying a bottle of Prickly Ash Bitters, you can get four for one. A kidney medicine, a liver tonic, stomach strengthener and bowel cleanser. Four medicines for one dollar. Sold by druggists.

"Labor cannot consume its due proportion; capital has an oversupply." Our government has allowed the condition of life to become so hard for the people that 320 men and women commit suicide every twelve days, besides who die of starvation and the unsanitary condition of their homes. —San Marcos Peoples' Era.

A Texas Wonder.

Hall's Great Discovery:—One small bottle of Hall's Great Discovery cures all kidney and bladder troubles, removes gravel, cures diabetes, seminal emission, weak and lame back, rheumatism and all irregularities of the kidneys and bladder in both men and women. Regulates bladder trouble in children. If not sold by your druggist, will be sent by mail on receipt of $1. One small bottle is two month's treatment, and will cure any case above mentioned.
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Cisco, Tex., Feb. 25, 1896.—E. W. Hall, Waco, Texas: Dear Sir—I have used your Great Discovery for Kidney and Bladder troubles, and have been very greatly benefitted by it, and I can fully recommend it to any one suffering in the same manner. Respectfully, COL. J. H. HOLCOMB,
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To Cure a Cold in One Day

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The Dublin Quartette composed of "Deckie" Davis, Elbert St. Clair, Lum Guest and Prof. W. C. West were to have entertained Comanche people with vocal music Tuesday night but inclement weather prevented.

A STRAIGHT
TIP

When you want mental stimulation to permit you to grasp those great questions of economy and comfortable living, don't take to the bottle of which this is so good a counterfeit, but come to our store. Only there can the real "elixir of life" be found, the exemplification of that condensed Golden Rule—"Live and let live," at Harris Grocer Co's. store goods are offered subject to these three important qualiffcations: quality, which must be good; quantity, which must be more for the same money than else where given; and price must at all times reflect the lowest market quotations. Now let us get right down to business and have a real good understanding of this business of buying and selling. We are here to sell goods. It is our business and we enjoy ourselves best when we are doing most of it. You must have the necessaries of life, and would like a few of the luxuries thrown in if you can afford it. There is one way you can accomplish what you desire: Do all your trading possible at our store. Harris is the great pioneer in prices which permits the cranberry sauce to go with the turkey at the price of the turkey alone. If you want to endow your Dollars with double their usual purchasing powers, an examination of our prices will show that they are rock * * * * * * * * *

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Glasses accurately fitted by F. E. Dumas.

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48 sheets of good note paper	5c
125 needles	5c
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36 safety pins, best quality	5c
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MAINE BLOWN UP BY A MINE.

The Finding of the Court of Inquiry Investigating Explosion.

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Responsibility Could Not Be Placed Upon Anyone.

SENT TO CONGRESS BY THE PRESIDENT.

No Recommendation Is Made of the Matter, the President Relying Upon the Honor of Spain to Do What Is Justice In Affairs of This Kind.

Washington, March 29.—The president yesterdad sent the following message to congress:

To the congress of the United States:

For some time prior to the visit of the Maine to Havana harbor our consular representative pointed out the advantages to flow from the visit of national ships to Cuban waters, in accustoming the people to the presence of our flag as a symbol of good will and our ships in fulfillment of the mission of the protection to American interests even though no immediate need thereof might exist.

Accordingly on the 24th day of January last, after a conference with the Spanish minister in which renewal visits of our warships to Spanish waters was discussed and accepted, the peninsular authorities at Madrid and Havana were advised of the purpose of this government to resume friendly naval visits at Cuban ports and that in that view the Maine would forthwith call at the port of Havana. This announcement was received by the Spanish government by appreciating the friendly character of the visit of the Maine and with the notification of the intention to return the courtesy by sending Spanish ships to the principal ports of the United States. In the meanwhile the Maine entered the port of Havana on the 25th day of January, her arrival being marked with no special incident, besides the



CAPTAIN W. T. SAMPSON.

exchange of the customary salutes and renewal visits.

The Maine continued in the harbor of Havana during the three weeks following her arrival. No appreciable excitement attended her stay; on the contrary, a feeling of relief and confidence followed the resumption of a long interrupted friendly intercourse. So noticeable was this immediate effect of her visit that the consul general strongly urged that the presence of our ships in Cuban waters should be kept up by retaining them at Havana, or, in the event of her recall, by sending another vessel there to take her place.

At 40 minutes past nine in the evening of Feb. 15th, the Maine was destroyed by an explosion by which the entire forward part of the ship was utterly wrecked. In this catastrophe two officers and 260 of her crew perished, those who were not killed outright by her explosion being penned between decks by tangled wreckage and drowned by the immediate sinking of the hull. Prompt assistance rendered by neigboring vessels anchored in the harbor, aid being especially given by the boats of the Spanish Alphonse XII and the Ward line steamer City of Washington, which lay not far distant. The wounded were generously cared for by the authorities of Havana, the hospitals being freely opened to them, while the earliest recovered bodies of the dead were interred by the municipality in the public cemetery of the city. Tributes of grief and sympathy were offered from officials of all quarters of the island.

The appalling calamity fell upon our people with crushing force and for a brief time intense excitement prevailed, which in a community less just and self controlled than ours might have led to hasty acts of blind resentment. This spirit, however, soon gave way to calmer reason, to resolve to investigate facts and await material proof before forming a judgment as to the cause and responsibility, and, if facts warranted, the remedy due. This course necessarily recommended itself from the outset to the executive, for only in the light of dispssionately ascertained certainty could it determine the nature and measure of its full duty in the matter.

The usual procedure was followed, as in all cases of casualty or disaster to national vessels of any maritime state. A naval court of inquiry was at once organized, composed of officers well qualified by rank and practical experience to discharge the onerous duties imposed upon them. Aided by a strong force of wreckers and divers the court proceeded to make a thorough investigation on the spot, employing every



LIEUTENANT COMMANDER POTTER.

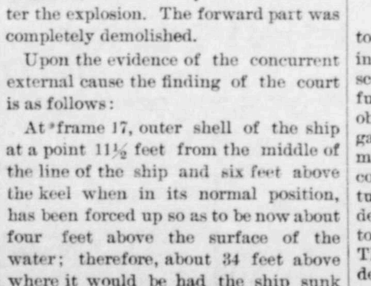
available means for an impartial and exact determination of the cause of the explosion. Its operations have been conducted with the utmost deliberation and judgment, and while independently pursued, no source of information was neglected, and the fullest opportunity was allowed for a simultaneous investigation by the Spanish authorities.

The finding of the court of inquiry was reached, after 23 days of continuous labor, on the 21st of March, instant: and having been approved on the 22d by the commander-in-chief of the United States naval force on the North Atlantic station was transmitted to the executive. It is herewith laid before congress today with the voluminous testimony taken before the court. Its purport, in brief, is as follows:

When the Maine arrived at Havana she was conducted by the regular government pilot to buoy No. 4, to which she was moored, in from five and one-half to six fathoms of water; the state of discipline on board and the condition of her magazines, boilers, coal bunkers and storage compartments passed in review, with the conclusion that excellent order prevailed, and that no indication of any cause for internal explosion existed in any quarter. At 8 o'clock in the evening of Feb. 15, everything had been reported secure and all was quiet. At 40 minutes past 9 o'clock the vessel was suddenly destroyed. There were two distinct explosions, with brief interval between them. The first lifted the forward part of the ship very perceptibly, the second, which was more prolonged, attributed by the court to the partial explosion of two or more of her forward magazines. The evidence of divers establish that the after part of the ship is practically intact and sank in that condition a very few minutes after the explosion. The forward part was completely demolished.

Upon the evidence of the concurrent external cause the finding of the court is as follows:

At frame 17, outer shell of the ship at a point 11½ feet from the middle of the line of the ship and six feet above the keel when in its normal position, has been forced up so as to be now about four feet above the surface of the water; therefore, about 34 feet above where it would be had the ship sunk uninjured. Outside, the bottom plating is bent into a reversed "V" shape, the after wing of which is about 15 feet broad and 32 feet in length (from frame 17 to frame 25) is doubled back upon itself against a continuation of the same plating extending forward. At frame 18 the vertical keel is broken in two and the keel bent into an angle similar to the angle formed for outside plates. This break is about six feet below the surface of the water and about 30 feet above its normal position. In the opinion of the court this effect could have been produced only by the explosion of



LIEUTENANT COMMANDER MARIX.

a mine situated under the bottom of the ship at about frame 18 and somewhat on the port side of the ship."

The conclusions of the court are:

That the loss of the Maine was not in any respect due to fault or negligence on part of any officers or members of her crew. That the ship was destroyed by an explosion of a submarine mine, which caused the partial explosion of two or more of her forward magazines; and that no evidence has been obtainable fixing responsibility for the destruction of the Maine upon any person or persons.

I have directed that the finding of the court of inquiry and the views of this government thereon be communicated to the government of her majesty, the queen, and I do not permit myself to doubt that the sense of justice of the Spanish nation will dictate the course of action suggested by honor and the friendly relations of the two governments. It was the duty of the executive to advise congress of the result, and in the meantime deliberate on the consideration that is to be invoked.

WILLIAM MCKINLEY.

Executive Mansion, March 28, 1898.

THE BOARD'S REPORT.

Finding of the Court In the Investigation of the Wreck.

Washington, March 29.—The following is the full text of the report of the court of inquiry:

United States ship Iowa, first rate. Key West, Fla., Monday, March 21, 1898: After a full and mature consideration of all the testimony before it, the court finds as follows:

1. That the United States battleship Maine arrived in the harbor of Havana, Cuba, on the twenty-fifth day of January, 1898, and was taken to buoy No. 4, in from five and one-half to six fathoms of water, by the regular government pilot. The United States consul general at Havana had notified the authorities at that place the previous evening, of the intended arrival of the Maine.

2. State of discipline on board the Maine was excellent; and all orders and regulations in regard to care and safety of the ship were strictly carried out. All ammunition was stowed away in accordance with instructions, and proper care was taken whenever ammunition was handled. Nothing was stowed in any one of the magazines and shell rooms which was not permitted to be stowed there. Magazines and shell rooms were always locked after having been opened; and after destruction of the Maine the keys were found in their proper place in the captain's cabin, everything having been reported secure that evening at 8 p. m. The temperature of magazines and shell rooms were taken daily and reported. Only the magazine, which had an undue amount of heat, was the aft 10-inch magazine, and that did not explode at the time the Maine was destroyed. The torpedo warheads were all stowed in the after part of the ship under the ward room and neither caused nor participated in the destruction of the Maine. Dry gun cot-



CAPTAIN CHADWICK.

ton primers and detonaters were stowed in the cabin aft and remote from the scene of the explosion. Waste was carefully looked after on board the Maine to obviate danger. Special orders in regard to this had been given by the commanding officer. Varnishes, dryers, alcohol and other combustibles of this nature were stowed on or above the main deck and could not have had anything to do with the destruction of the Maine. The medical stores were stowed aft under the ward room and remote from the scene of the explosion. No dangerous stores of any kind were stowed away in any of the other store rooms. The coal bunkers were inspected. Of those bunkers adjoining the forward magazines and shell rooms four were empty, namely: B 3, B 4, B 5, B 6.

"A 15" had been in use that day, and "A 16" was full of New River coal. This coal had been carefully inspected before receiving it on board. The bunker in which it was stowed was accessible on three sides at all times, and the fourth side at this time, on account of bunkers B 4 and B 6 being empty. This bunker, "A 16," had been inspected that day by the engineer officer on duty.

Fire alarm in bunkers were in working order, and there had never been a case of spontaneous combustion of coal on board the Maine. The two after boilers of the ship were in use at the time of the disaster, but for auxiliary purposes only with comparatively low pressure of steam, and being tended by a reliable watch.

These boilers could not have caused the explosion of the ship. Four forward boilers have since been found by divers, and are in fair condition.

On the night of the destruction of the Maine everything had been reported secure for the night at 8 p. m., by reliable persons, through the proper authorities to the commanding officer. At the time the Maine was destroyed the ship was quiet, and therefore, the least liable to accident caused by movements from those on board.

3. The destruction of the Maine occurred at 9:40 p. m. on the fifteenth day of January, 1898, in the harbor of

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MEN AND NATIONS.

Thoughts About the Present Crisis in America.

How thrilling it is to gaze on the face of a man who is aroused either in denunciation of evil or defense of that which is right. His very face will appear transformed; out of it will have disappeared all traces of pettiness, and as his head is thrown back and his eyes flash, the best that is in him will shine forth. These supreme moments are to be cherished. They throw things into their right proportions; when it seems to the aroused one that even life itself is a small matter in comparison with the truth that must be spoken. Personal ease and comfort are dispised until the tongue has uttered the words that are inspired by a released nature. The important thing at such moments is seen to be, that the thing to be done, must be done; no matter who the individual may be who does it; but that the one who is aroused to do, must do or be false to the greatest that is in him. And to that aroused life the truth comes home that failure to do and to dare, may mean that the deed and the daring will never be done, for no two human beings follow exactly the same lines of life or meet the same opportunities. A call to a task is therefore found to be a solemn thing that tests and sifts down to small limits those whose tasks are done in the dread fear of their never returning if left undone. Thrilling to see a nature on fire. The members of the body must suffer if needs be till the work is finished. The feet must run and not be weary, the body labor and not rebel, the brain act and not falter; yet neither feet, nor body, nor brain have any interest in the duty; they are merely servants who must suffer till all is done by the individual who sits in control of brain and all lesser organs.

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Multiply all this by many million times and then yield yourself to the wonder that fills the soul when a whole nation thrills and rises in infinite majesty. The onward sweep of the tempest, the resistless power of the tide, the stupendous motion of an earthquake are trifles beside it; for this is a motion that is alive, that has brain, that has purpose. A whole people aroused to action is a spectacle of awe. When by a species of revelation a million minds think alike, and move forward to discharge the task that is before them, individually and collectively, the sublimity of the sight transcends infinitely the sublimest that inanimate nature ever set before human eyes. Where there have been trifling or even important differences before, they will be one vast unity. In the presence of the national duty, a leveling down of pettiness will be accompanied by a leveling up of purpose. Strangely like a man in this body of men and minds. Deep in the national consciousness it is understood that men of ease and the getting of gain in untrammeled peace are mere dust in the balance when weighed against a national duty. Like the man, a nation awake is forced onward by its inner conviction of what is right and just; and the consequences it must leave to the Arbiter of national fates, from whom cometh national inspiration and from whose heart of mercy comes the direct feeling of mercy and consideration that possesses the breast of men, women and children at the moment of national uprising. And in our thousand times ten thousand hearts we feel that

"Once to every time and nation comes the moment to decide,
In the strife of Truth with Falsehood, for the good or evil side;
Some great cause, God's new Messiah, offering each the bloom or blight,
Parts the goats upon the left, and the sheep upon the right.
And the choice GOEL BY FOREVER, twixt that darkness and that light."

We know deep in our national heart that now is the moment to show to the distreessed that justice is our meat and our drink and mercy to the weak our daily thank offering to God, who has brought us out of our own weakness into strength. We know that opportunities and calls come to nations as they do to men, and that wise is the nation that knoweth the day of its visitation. And much as innocent members suffer when a man is aroused, we know that many who now live must die for an idea, and inspiration, a national purpose, yet the cost is cheap in comparison with the deep national shame of remaining silent when utterance would save, and indolent when action would bless the bodies of starved pacificos, cry by hundreds of thousands for retribution. The call is to you, America. To whom else should they turn?

In days of idle peace when time glides by
As still as swallows' wings in sunny sky,
Then all men seem alike, and fool and wise
Unsifted pass beneath their bright disguise.
But when great deeds are stirring such as claim
Strong souls that gladly choose or death or fame;
And high endeavor, self-denial stern,
Unflinching purpose, hearts that hotly burn
For truth and honor, counting not the cost,
But holding life itself thus spent well lost,
Then the true man is clearly manifest
And evil looks its worst and good its best,
And shams and poor pretence untimely die,
Withered 'nearth rays of pure reality;
So will unfalt'ring feet the higher climb,
Knowing that crisis is God's testing time.

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IN MEMORY OF A. D. GLENN.

DIED OCTOBER 28TH, 1897.

This brief announcement furnishes thought and challenges the serious consideration of us all. It reminds us that another loved fellow mortal has quit the the walks of life, and succumbed to the great adverse destiny with which every child of humanity must sooner or later grapple. Our frail bark may be now gliding over a smooth sea unmindful of the hidden rock or the coming tempest to claim us as its wreck. Life's green tree has received its death blight and its faded leaves are bickering in the blast. The graves of friendship and affection are thickening around us, and everywhere may be seen at rest, our mother earth with her dead children in her arms. There is no home where the grim shadow of death can be shut out, no pathway of life where the destroyer may not be met. The bloom of youth, the strength of manhood, the glory of age are withered in its icy breath. All this has our dear departed brother realized. Amid the clouds and storms of life he learned the noblest lessons of Christian virtue, and found that the loviest flowers which bloom in the paradise of God, are watered by tears upon earth, and as we sow in the field of time and trial, so we will reap in the grand harvest of eternal recompense. But, oh, how can we realize that our own dear Auther is dead? Everybody loved him because they were drawn to him irresistibly. His bright sunny nature won our hearts, and we felt that his sweet companionship made us truer and better and the world more attractive by his presence. A home so bright with sunshine and happiness but yesterday, to-day is clouded with the desolation of grief.

A large concourse gathered at his grave and the sobbing hearts of his grief stricken pupils attest their sorrow and loss. Thus lived and died one of God's noblest and best. He was so young, so full of hope and promise, tender, careful, thoughtful, modest as a woman, meek, lovingly obedient to father and mother, and all in all to his sisters. But how can we pay a fitting tribute or other words worthy of his memory? Language cannot reveal the bitterness of our grief, and the scenes of the past in which he participated, have fled with all their loveliness, and left but memories of the dead. Never was the signet of death placed upon a loftier brow, never did human heart contain a purer shrine for friendship's truth. But, with him, earth's sorrows are past and the happy spirit has folded its weary wings in the home of God.

"So fades a summer's cloud away,
So sinks the waifer when storms are o'er.
Life's duty done as sinks the clay,
Light from its load, the spirit flies,
While earth and heaven combine to say,
How blest the righteous when he dies."

—Adopted by Huckabay Alliance, March, 1898, and ordered published in the Progress, Dublin, Texas

The democratic party has always been a friend of free silver when out of power, but as soon as she gets in power she repudiates that which she professed to advocate. As instanced in 1892, twenty-nine states declared for free silver, yet in the face of this fact the democratic party in 1893 destroyed the last vestage of the silver law, by repeal of the law allowing the purchase of silver by the government. Thirteen times has the democratic party killed bills in congress looking to the free coinage of silver, and now the same leaders that were in congress then profess to be friends of silver. It is madness to believe it.—Exponent.

Another cold spell Monday evening with a little rain slightly mixed with sleet.

The New Standard Bale.

J. D. Seiders, Superintendent of the National Compress Company's compress at this point, showed us a bale of compressed cotton which he has placed in the show window of Utterback & Harris' grocery store, that for neatness and compactness, small space it occupies it would be hard to beat. It is almost inconceivable that a bale weighing five hundred and thirty pounds could be compressed to such a small size and upon being questioned as to how it was accomplished, Mr. Seiders called our attention to a placard on the bale which read "gin box 24x54 inches" and that accounted for it. He says that it was a notorious fact that the American bale presents a ungainly and ragged appearance in the foreign ports in comparison with the Egyptian or Indian bale, owing largely to lack of uniformity in size, some being as high as 36 inches wide and 65 inches long, and that much has been done in the past few years in an effort to improve upon its appearance and value.

The Cotton Growers Association, the Marintime Associations, the compress people and in fact every body in any way interested, have advocated various remedies, prominent among which was a proper attention to packing in the gin so as to prevent "rolling bales," heavier bagging in order to withstand the rough hauling, better protection of cotton by the farmer to prevent "country damage" and reduce the size of the gin box, and while much good has been accomplished there is room yet for improvement.

It is to this latter suggested remedy that Mr. Seiders desires to call the attention of the farmer and ginner and by an object lesson show what can be done by compresses if the gin box is reduced to 24x54 inches.

It has been demonstrated by extensive experiments that by reducing the size to these measurements that much better results be secured and maintaining an average weight of about five hundred and forty pounds and a much heavy density obtained, the cubic Mr. Seiders has on exhibition having a density of 42 pounds to the cubic foot. The farmer can readily see that this would give him more desirable and merchantable package and should see to it that his ginner meets the demand made upon him, which can be done at a very nominal cost by using inch boards inside the gin box until reduced to the required size and cutting the follow block to suit. Mr. Seiders invites the attention of the ginner and farmer alike to the bale on exhibition, and will be pleased to answer any and all questions.

We are anxious to do a little good in the world and can think of no pleasanter or better way to do it than by recommending Chamberlain's Cough Cure as a preventative of pneumonia, constipation and other serious lung troubles that follow neglected colds. S. S. Davis.

Compromise Crane of the state house ring, is out for governor in dead earnest. He opened the campaign at Temple, and if the public press reports are to be believed, there were fewer visitors in Temple on the day of his opening barring his own crowd from Cleburne, than is usual, but may be he applied "the test."—San Angelo Enterprise, dem.

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...he Dublin Dry Good Co's ...g opening last Friday and ...rday was largely attended.

...iss Bertha Lattimore returned ... week from a visit of two ...ks with relatives at Grandbury.

...be Higginbotham arrived home ... week via St. Louis from an ...nded trip to his old home at ...ord, Miss.

...iss Lizzie Russell of Sulphur ...ings, sister of Mrs. S. H. Prim, ...iting relatives in this city.

...ly Herndon expects to leave in ...t a week for Arkansas to drive ...rd of horses through to the ...aveller" state.

...arnett Jackson returned Mon... from Nashville, Tenn., where ...as been attending lectures in ... dental department of the Van...bilt University for the past ...n.

...W. S. Fuller, for a long time ...ployed with and who had his ...t printing experience with the ...gress several years ago, is now ...h the Cisco New West, J. J. ...ger's paper.

...Miss Clara Jackson, who has ...en visiting with relatives at Oa... d, Miss., since last November, ...urned as far as Sulphur Springs ...wards home last week. She ...ll remain there a short time and ... expected home in a week or ...o.

...The genial E. G. Myers, travel...g representative for Barnhardt ...os. & Spindler of Chicago, was ... Dublin Monday and sold the ...ogress a folding machine and ...ot of other up-to-date machinery ...d material, including new body ...pe, new and latest faces of job ...pe, ornaments, borders, etc.

...A man's wife doesn't have time ... be forever sewing buttons on his ...nts or sewing up pockets and ...s. She won't have to take ...me either, if you wear the Buck...in Breeches. We don't ask any ...od wife to make good our neg...ct. If you get a pair of these ...nts and they rip, take them back ... the dealer and get another pair. ...hat's what the guarantee in the ...ocket means.

...Messrs. Seth Johnson, Otis Griz...ll, Leslie Gillett and Norwood ...amblett expect to leave to-mor...ow for Roswell, New Mexico. ...hey are anxious that no questions ...e asked as to how they are to get ...here. LATER: We are informed ...hat Seth Johnson has decided to ...elinquish his berth en route to ...— and himself to remain at ...ome.

...An education and mission rally ...as to have begun last night at the ...aptist church to continue until ...unday, when it was intended to ...egin a protracted meeting, but ...he organization of the protracted ...eeting has been postponed until ...pril 15th. The meeting that ...egan last night will be participa...ed in by such noted lacturers as ...rs. Carroll and Gamble of Waco ...nd others of equal note. Every...ne is invited to the meetings ...hich are free.



The American working man, while he works shorter hours, works harder than the working man of any other nation. He works not only with his hands but with his head. He is an intelligent worker and produces more in a given length of time than the worker of any other nation. He not only exhausts himself physically, but mentally; not only muscularly, but nervously. The consequence is that while he is better fed and better housed, he is not, as a rule, as healthy a man as his brother working-man of European countries. Moreover, like all Americans, the American working-man is prone to disregard his health and frequently even takes pride in abusing it. It rests with American wives to protect their husbands in this respect. A little watchfulness on the part of the wife will frequently save her husband from a long spell of ill-health and possibly from some fatal illness. When a man feels "out of sorts" it is because his digestion is disordered or his liver is torpid. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery will promptly correct these disorders. It is the great blood-maker and flesh-builder. It restores the appetite, makes digestion perfect and the liver active. It purifies the blood and tones the nerves. It cures 98 per cent. of all cases of consumption, bronchitis, asthma, weak lungs, lingering cough, spitting of blood and disease of the throat and nasal cavities. Thousands have told the story of its wonderful merits in letters to Dr. Pierce. It may be had at any medicine dealer's.

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CLUB MEETINGS.

LOWELL.

Mar. 29.--The people's party met here last Saturday night with the expectation of hearing Hon. N. J. Shands speak, but owing to previous appointment, he failed to come. We enrolled twenty new members. We will meet again on the third Saturday in April at 2 p. m. sharp. Hon. N. J. Shands will address the club on the political issues of the day. We especially invite all candidates to be with us and take a part, and would like for Ed. J. S. Daley to speak for us on that night, but we see he has other appointments for that time.

To People's Party Clubs.

The chairmen and secretaries of people's party clubs throughout the county, are requested to send us the dates of meeting of their respective clubs and the names and address of chairman and secretary, also to report the meetings, enrollment and other information. We will be obliged and it will help the cause.

Subject to Democratic Primaries.

Some few weeks ago R. A. Crocker, candidate for Justice of the Peace in the Dublin precinct, called and ordered his announcement changed from independent to subject to the democratic primaries. Through an oversight the change has not been made until this week.

Withdrawn From the Race.

On account of business demands J. B. Bostic of Lingleville, has withdrawn from the race for Justice of the Peace in precinct 8. He requests us to thank his many kind friends for their proffer of support in the race.

Election Notice.

By authority vested in me as mayor of the city of Dublin, I hereby order an election to be held in said city onthe 5th day of April next, same being the first Tuesday in said month, for the purpose of electing the following officers: One alderman from each ward to serve for two years, one alderman from the first ward to serve out the unexpired term of C. A. Garner resigned, a city tax assessor and collector to serve for two years, a city treasurer to serve for two years, and a city attorney to serve for two years.

All of said officers to be voted for by the qualified voters of the corporation at large. Polling place at Bratton's hall, H. E. Brown presiding officer.

Given under my hand this the 14th day of March, A. D, 1898.

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This will be the best time of the year to see west Texas and you ought to take advantage of the opportunity. See nearest ticket agent for further information, or address E. P. Turner, G. P. A., T. & P., Dallas, Tex.

While on our rounds about the county last week we stopped at Bunyan where we were surprised at the rapid studes being made by the public school there. The enrollment, we were informed, is 110 and the school is expected to close about the 8th of May, after one of its most prosperous terms. The clever principal, Prof. C. T. Wakefield, and his assistant Miss Minnie Jackson, deserve much credit for the manner in which they have conducted the school.

"Uncle" Billy Davenport, one of the pioneer settlers of Erath county who resides near Bunyan, is as hale, hearty and energetic as a youth of eighteen when it comes to putting in hard licks on the farm. Notwithstanding he is now 78 years of age, he has put in the entire winter clearing land and taking out grubs.

The people's party club at Moccasin Rock, enrolled twenty new members at its meeting last Saturday night.

Willie Fair of the Lowell country, with Mr. Ira Millican were pleasant callers last Monday.

Dr. S. C. Morgan has moved his dental office from the Utterback building to convenient rooms over Maloney's store.

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L. Klamrath, a canvasser for the Coming Nation, a socialist publication printed at Ruskin, Tenn, was in Dublin Monday in the interest of his paper. He is traveling through the country on a bicycle.

Is the populist party dead? The muzzle-loading democrats have proclaimed it even from the house tops that it's a sure thing that the populist party has returned to its mother earth. We are rather inclined to the opinion that their actions now repudiates all their former assertions. If they believe that the populist party is dead, why did they adopt that test?—Gatesville Forum.

An Arkansas editor explains his position as follows: "Our aim—Tell the truth tho' the heavens take a tumble. Our paper—Of the people, for the people, to be paid for by the people. Our religion—Orthodox, with a belief in hell for delinquent subscribers. Our motto—Take all in sight and rustle for more. Our policy—To love our friends and brimstone our enemies. If thine enemy smite the on the cheek, swipe him with haste and dexterity at the butt of the most convenient ear. What we advocate—One country, one flag, and one wife—at a time. Our object—To live in pomp and oriental splendor."—Clarendon Industrial West.

There are only two classes of democrats who denounce populism. One class denounce it because they have an axe to grind, the other class, which outnumbers the former a hundred to one, have never read the Omaha platform and know just about as much as to what populists contend for as a hog knows of Sunday. This class are, as a rule, honest in their convictions and their adhesion to the crumbling ruins of the old party is proof of their staying qualities. The only resort now to win these people over to our cause is to appeal directly to their reason and good sense, educate them in the principles set forth in our platform and when this is accomplished they will be found in line with the great reform movement.—Mason Herald.

Rheumatism

Is a blood disease and only a blood remedy can cure it. So many people make the mistake of taking remedies which at best are only tonics and cannot possibly reach their trouble. Mr. Asa Smith, Greencastle, Indiana, says: "For years I have suffered with Sciatic Rheumatism, which the best physicians were unable to relieve. I took many patent medicines but they did not seem to reach my trouble. I gradually grew worse until I was unable to take my food or handle myself in any way; I was absolutely helpless. Three bottles of S.S.S. relieved me so that I was soon able to move my right arm; before long I could walk across the room, and when I had finished one dozen bottles was cured completely and am as well as ever. I now weigh 170."



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Jim Daley of the Dublin Progress, has announced for representative of Erath county. Jim is a fine fellow, but he has always run with the wrong crowd.—DeLeon Free Press. (dem.)

J. S. Daley, editor of the Dublin Progress and a young man of ability, quick perception, an able champion of reform and whose energy is equaled by few, has announced for representative of Erath county. We hope to see Jim get there, knowing he would faithfully discharge his duty and make his mark.—Industrial West, Clarendon, Texas.

J. S. Daley, editor and proprietor of the Dublin Progress, has announced as a candidate for representative of Erath county, subject to the action of the people's party primaries Mr. Daley established the Progress about ten years ago, since which time he has advocated the principles of the people's party and in the face of the bitterest opposition has pushed the Progress forward and to-day it ranks among the best journals in the state. He is a man of firm convictions and has the courage to express and defend them. We need such men as Brother Daley at Austin and we hope he will receive a large majority both in the primary and in the general election.-Gatesville Forum.

LOST=FOUND.

This column is at the disposal of our friends and patrons and the public generally free of charge for the purpose of advertising articles lost or found or stock strayed or stolen. We invite every one to use it in such instances without cost.

Strayed or stolen:—Red heifer yearling branded 13 on left hip, small white spot in breast. Reward of $2.50 for delivery to J. E. Sutton, nine miles south of Dublin on Carlton road.

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Stray.—Dark bay horse, four years old, been crippled in right fore foot, 14½ hands high. Came to my place about Jan. 20th. Owner can get same by calling at my house on Cow creek, six miles west of Dublin, W. T. Bailey.

Strayed or stolen.—Two black mare mules, both about 14 hands high, one three year old, unbranded; one two year old, branded V A N on left side, both are gentle, but never have been worked. Was taken or escaped from my pasture five miles south of Dublin on Fleming road, January 29th. Will pay liberal reward for information or delivery to me. Address or call on W. M. Van, Dublin. 37

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" Treas....Condy Toliver, "
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" " Asses'r, B F Allison, "
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County court convenes 1st Monday in March, June, September and December.

Erath County Justice's Courts.

Precinct No. 1—F. R. Young, J. P.; R. M. Barham, C; court fourth Monday in each month at Stephenville.

Precinct No. 2—W. E. Lowe, J. P.; court first Monday in each month, at Dublin.

Precinct No. 3—J. D. St. Clair, J. P.; J. M Head, C.; court Wednesday after first Monday in each month at Alexander.

Precinct No. 4.—C. C. Wood, J. P.; D. W Lackey, C.; court Wednesday before fourth Saturday in each month at Duffau.

Precinct No. 5—R. H. Austin, J. P.; A. Duckett, C.; court third Saturday in each month at Bluff Dale.

Precinct No. 6—B. F. Laughlin, J. P.; F. A. Williams, C.; court second Friday in each month at Morgan's Mill.

Precinct No. 7—G. C. Hamilton, J. P.; Lit Williams, C.; court fourth Saturday in each month at Thurber.

Precinct No. 8—J. T. Christian, J. P.; R. T. Browning, constable; court second Saturday in each month at Lowell.

29th Judicial District Court.

District Judge, J. S. Straughan, Stephenville
" Attorney, J. W. Parker, "
" Clerk, (Erath county) J. S. Watson, Stephenville.

DISTRICT COURT CONVENES

Palo Pinto, 1st Monday in March and September;
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Dublin Railway Time Table.

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" " " freight leaves.....12:42 p. m.
" west bound pass. leaves.....10:15 a. m.
" " " freight leaves.....8:15 p. m.
R. G. east bound pass. leaves....10:30 a. m.
" " " freight leaves....10:45 a. m.
" west bound pass. leaves....4:27 p. m.
" " " freight leaves....2:45 p. m.

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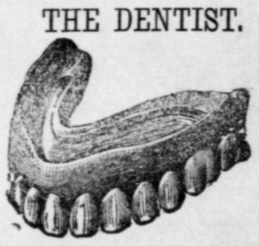
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FINDING OF THE COURT

Synopsis of the Investigation Into the Wrecking of the Maine.

A MINE DID THE WORK.

The Court Says the Explosion of the Mine Set Off Two of the Ship's Magazines—No Evidence Found to Fix the Responsibility.

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Washington, March 28.—The following is a complete abstract of the report of the court of inquiry, which investigated the wrecking of the Maine. This abstract is from the report itself, access to which was obtained Sunday by the Associated Press, despite official secrecy unparalleled in the handling of official papers. The report is made up of eight parts, as follows:

1. The court finds that at the time of the explosion the battleship Maine was lying in five and one-half to six fathoms of water.

2. The discipline aboard the ship was excellent; everything stored according to orders—ammunition, guns, stores, etc. The temperature of the magazines at 8 p. m. was normal except in the after 10-inch magazine that did not explode.

3. The explosion occurred at 9:40 o'clock on the evening of Feb. 15—there were two explosions with a very short interval between them, the ship lifted on the first explosion.

4. The court can form no definite opinion of the condition of the wreck from the divers' evidence.

5. Technical details of wreckage from which the court deduces that a mine was exploded under the ship on the port side.

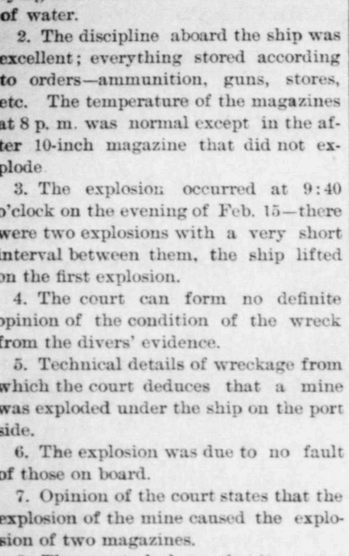
6. The explosion was due to no fault of those on board.

7. Opinion of the court states that the explosion of the mine caused the explosion of two magazines.

8. The court declares that it cannot findevidence to fix the responsibility.

The report is unanimous and is signed by all the members of the court. It does not refer to the existence or nonexistence of mines in the harbor of Havana except in the specific finding that a mine was exploded under the ship and the opinion that the explosion of the two magazines was caused by the explosion of a mine.

The report as a whole is a formal, dispassionate recital of facts and bears the



BOARD OF INQUIRY.

stamp of that strict officialism which marks naval procedure. It is brief, not exceeding 1800 words, and among the eight parts goes to the greatest length under the second heading, which deals with the discipline and order of the ship. This is specified with extreme minuteness, the least detail of the satisfactory condition of everything on board being given. The normal temperature of the large forward magazines at 8 o'clock—only 1 hour and 40 minutes before the explosion—disposes of the question of accidental combustion within these magazines.

While the court holds that these magazines did not explode from internal causes, they nevertheless are of the opinion that the explosion of the mine under the port side of the ship caused the explosion of the two magazines. This will explain the remarkable destruction wrought, the explosion thus being shown to have combined the force of a mine without and two magazines within. The two explosions which the court finds to have occurred, with a very short interval between them, is an additional detail showing that two forces operated in causing the destruction. The finding that the ship lifted on the first explosion indicates an external source, and one of tremendous power to be able to lift a battleship of thousands of tons. The character of the wreckage, technically described in the fifth part of the report from which the court deduces that a mine was exploded under the ship on the port side, sustains the view taken by some experts shortly after the disaster that the force of the explosion was exerted from port to starboard.

The feature of the report of deepest interest to the navy is the complete exoneration of Captain Sigsbee, and all on board contained in the second finding, setting forth the perfect order and discipline prevailing on the saip, and more directly stated in the sixth finding, which declares the disaster to be due to no fault of those on board. The inability of the court to find evidince to fix the responsibility, as stated in the eighth part, makes the report so guarded in expression of blame that neither Spain nor the Spanish are mentioned throughout.

CROWDS AT THE CAPITOL.

The Galleries of Both Houses Packed to Their Utmost Capacity.

Washington, March 29.—Except on the occasion of an inauguration of a president no such crowds as surged through the corridors and stormed the galleriers for admission have been seen at the capitol in a quarter of a century as yesterday.

Public interest in the findings of the board of inquiry was at white heat. At daylight people were already seeking entrance to the capitol and hours before noon, when the house convened, the marble stairways were choked with people pressing toward the galleries. Not an inch of space remained in the public galleries at 9 o'clock, though long lines of people stretching down the stairways to the lower corridors continued to press forward. Within a few minutes the reserved galleries were thrown open and they were completely filled with the exception of those reserved for the diplomatic corps and the families of the president and the cabinet. Admission to these galleries was strictly by card, and many distinguished personages were there.

On the floor there was almost as much excitement as in the galleries, although the full synopsis of the report, which was printed by newspapers taking the Associated Press, had taken the keen edge off the anxiety with which the members were awaiting the reading of the official finding of the board.

The message and report of the board was referred to the foreign relations committees of both branches of congress.

The president did not make any recommendation to congress, but the last paragraph of his message indicates much. It reads:

"I have directed that the finding of the court of inquiry and the views of this government thereon be communicated to the government of her majesty, the queen, and I do not permit myself to doubt that the sense of justice of the Spanish nation will dictate the course of action suggested by honor and the friendly relations of the two governments. It was the duty of the executive to advise congress of the result, and in the meantime deliberate on the consideration that is to be invoked."

Negro Troops Ordered South.

Washington, March 30.—By direction of General Miles, commanding the army of the east, orders were issued for the transfer of the Twenty-fifth regiment of infantry to Dry Tortugas. The fact that this regiment is made up of colored troops is regarded as significant in showing the purpose of the war department to concentrate colored troops in the vicinity of Cuba, inasmuch as it is recognized that the negro is better able to withstand the Cuban climate than the white man.

No Cause For Alarm.

Washington, March 30.—Assistant Secretary Day said there was no basis for the reports of riots and disturbances in Havana. The state department posted the following statement:

"A telegram from General Lee shows there is no occasion for the alarming reports as to the situation in Havana.

Election at Havana.

Havana, March 29.—Election day in Havana was quiet. The government took precautions in the nature of a police guard, which proved effective.

It is too soon to give the result of the elections, but claims are made that the governmental ticket, including 20 autonomists and 10 Conservatives, has been elected. The vote in this city has been very light.

Elections In Spain.

Madrid, March 29.—The elections in the capital yesterday were without especial incident.

Despite great precautions at Bilboa there was much disorder. A body of 100 miners tried to commit acts of violence. It is reported that a Socialist has beaten a Conservative candidate there. All the other provinces are reported calm. The indications are that the Sagasta faction will have a safe majority.

Secretary Gage Has Not Resigned.

Washington, March 30.—There is no truth in the report that Secretary Gage has resigned or has any intention of resigning.

Death of Mrs. Tudor Parnell.

London, March 28.—Mrs. Della Tudor Parnell, daughter of the celebrated American naval officer, Commodore Charles Stewart, and mother of the late Charles Stewart Parnell, died yesterday at Avondale Rathdrum, County Wycklow, Ireland, as the result of burns received from the igniting of her clothing while she was sitting before a fire.

Found Dead In Bed.

Neches, Tex., March 30.—J. R. Sammons, who lived with his son-in-law, J. L. Jones, at Neches, was found dead in his bed. He was 87 years old and had been quite feeble for several months. The doctors attribute his death to heart failure.

Stock Law Carried.

Waxahachie, Tex., March 30.—The returns of the stock law election held last Saturday were opened by Judge J. C. Smith in due form. The law carried by a majority of 1589 votes.

CONGRESS AND CUBA.

Three Resolutions Introduced In Senate For Cuban Freedom.

PLENTY OF WAR TALK.

Senator Mason Makes Another Speech In Which He Declares War Should Come—Some Members of House Favor Speedy Action.

Washington, March 30.—The discussion of the Cuban question in any of its phases is evidently an irresistable attraction. The prospective consideration of the critical problem in the senate yesterday drew another tremendous crowd to the galleries, und, as on previous days, when Cuba was the foremost topic, hundreds of people jammed the corridors, disappointed because they could not gain admission.

Senator Foraker offered a resolution for intervention. Mr. Foraker spoke of the delays caused by the De Lome incident and the Maine incident, but he declared that the Cuban question would come up whatever was done with the Maine.

Mr. Foraker said his resolution had been long delayed. He had intended, he said, to present it at the opening of the session last December, but he withheld it at that time because of the tenor of the president's message. That message, he said, gave promise within a reasonable time that definite and decisive action would be taken by the administration as soon as autonomy should be given a fair trial. A reasonable time seems to have elapsed.

Senator Frye introduced resolutions reciting the conditions in Cuba and directing the president in his discretion to take steps to drive the naval and military forces from the island.

Senator Rawlins of Utah introduced a joint resolution recognizing the independence of Cuba and declaring war against Spain.

The Foraker, Frye and Rawlins' resolutions went to the senate committee on foreign relations.

Mr. Mason followed the introduction of the resolutions with a vigorous war speech. He described vividly the disaster to the Maine. He said that if 90 of the victims had been senators or sons of senators, we would not have been 40 days declaring war. Yet the lives of all Americans were sacred alike under our law and equally entitled to consideration. Mr. Mason said the catastrophe should be repelled vigorously. He could not speak for others, but for himself he was for war. This declaration brought out a vigorous outburst of applause from the galleries. Mason declared there could be no peace so long as the European nations owns and butchers its slaves in this hemisphere. He said it was not necessary for the Maine court to fix the responsibility. Law did that. If it was a torpedo or a mine it was a Spanish torpedo or Spanish mine. Hence Spain must auswer. He would oppose any proposition looking to indemnity as he would oppose making a diplomatic incident of the catastrophe. He would oppose any kind of autonomy or any plan to assist Spain, but his demand was that the Spanish flag should be driven from the western hemisphere. Neither did he believe Cuba should be required to pay an indemnity to Spain. "Let us awake," said Mason in conclusion, "to a glorious war as did our fathers, war that shall insure the honor and respect of our flag all over the world."

Mr. Morrill of Vermont, from the finance committee, reported a joint resolution providing for the importation free of duty of military supplies secured arboad into the United States, and it passed.

The resolution by Mr. Allen of Nebraska was presented, but at his request it was laid on the table.

HOUSE NOT FAR BEHIND.

Some Members In Favor of Immediate and Aggressive Action.

Washington, March 30.—Members of the house who are in favor of immediate and aggressive action are discussing all sorts of methods by which the house can be brought to the expression of an opinion. There is even some talk of overruling the chair during the consideration of the naval appropriation bill and attaching a resolution recognizing the independence of Cuba as a rider, but most of this talk seems to be in the air. The main thing the conservatives have to contend with is the overwhelming protest which is going up against the delay.

The foreign affairs committee of the house is in a peculiar condition Chairman Hill is ill and the regular meeting of the committee will not occur until Thursday. If a way can be found to secure a meeting of the committee before Thursday it will be done. If not, the Republican members of the committee will probably caucus on the question.

There is strong sentiment in the house and in the committee against the proposition to vote money for supplies to relieve the starving Cubans, unless it is accompanied by some action which will stop the war. At least, three republican members of the committee declared they would oppose such a proposition with their votes and their voices on the floor.

All of One Accord.

Washington, March 30.—At the close of the cabinet meeting today Secretary Alger said:

"So far as there being any difference of opinion among members of the cabinet, they are all in hearty accord with the president."

HARD TO HOLD DOWN.

The War Spirit Is Spreading Among Members of Congress.

QUICK ACTION DEMANDED.

If the President Cannot See His Way Clear to Act at Once It Is Believed Congress Will Force Him to Take Action.

Washington, March 30.—Congress and the cabinet divided attention yesterday on the Spanish situation. In congress the feeling which began to take form after the president's conservative and pacific message report was submitted on Monday found open expression yesterday in resolutions proposing a declaration of war, recognition of the independence of Cuba, armed intervention and other decisive and warlike steps against Spain, and in conferences of Republicans having for their object the overruling of the speaker, if such a thing becomes necessary, to get prompt action. Both on the floor, in the cloak rooms, in the lobbies and in the corridors there was little else discussed than the Cuban situation and marine situation. Every senator was furnished with a copy of the testimony sent to congress Monday, and every person who could procure a copy of it read the printed pages. Every group of senators in the cloak room talked of Cuba. Constant and continual conferences were held and all recognized the seriousness of the situation.

On the house side it was apparent that the Republican majority could no longer be controlled by what is known as the element led by the speaker.

Groups of members in a state of excitement were to be seen on every hand. In each cloak room there were members listening eagerly while portions of the Maine testimony were read. Members of the committee on foreign affairs grouped together and discussed plans and possible future proceedings. It was generally acknowledged that a serious condition had arisen; that a crisis was soon at hand. It was the opinion of some conservatives that in a day or two the feeling would subside and members would not be so agitated.

Much depends upon the next few days. That congress will not long remain inactive if some decided action is not taken by the administration is certain. It is also true that the talk of an armistice caused a great deal of ill feeling.

The day closed with a prospect that the committees to whom were referred the Maine correspondence will act soon, possibly before the end of the week.

As a preliminary step toward peace it has been proposed to Spain, though this last proposition has not taken the shape of a demand as yet, at least, that the Spanish government withdraw its troops from the island, and that the Cubans be given their independence on a basis of indemnity that would be regarded as just in amount by the United States and other nations of the world, and fair to both contending parties.

WATCHED WITH INTEREST.

Action Which the Senate Committee Will Take on Cuban Resolution.

Washington, March 30.—Much interest is felt in the meeting of the senate committee on foreign relations today to consider the various resolutions introduced in the senate yesterday. The only question of doubt is whether the committee will take action at once. In view of the records of the members of the committee on the Cuban question and their present attitude, there is no uncertainty that their action will be pronouncedly favorable to the Cubans. It is too early to say what form as to the phraseology the resolution to be reported will take, but the members of the committee individually spoken express the opinion that it will declare for forcible intervention. Such is the purpose of all the resolutions introduced in the senate, and the general feeling is that any less radical action would be of no avail and devoid of meaning in view of the former action of the senate. The committee may accept the form of one of the resolutions presented or formulate a new one.

Mr. Marsh Declares War.

Washington, March 30.—Representative Marsh of Illinois, chairman of the house committee on militia, introduced the following resolution in the house:

"That war be and the same is hereby declared to exist between the government of Spain and her dependencies and the United States and her territories, and that the president of the United States is hereby authorized to use the whole land and naval force of the United States including militia and naval militia thereof, to carry same into effect."

House Republicans Caucus.

Washington, March 30.—The revolt in the house against further delay of action on the Cuban issue culminated late yesterday in a conference of the Republican members who wish an early course. About 50 attended a meeting, representing all sections. Representative Hopkins of Illinois, a member of the ways and means committee, presided. The meeting was called to take steps to secure immediate intervention in some form and the recognition of Cuban independence.

Stabbing at Kopperl.

Kopperl, Tex., March 30.—In a row here A. N. Landon was stabbed and cut 36 times. He is in a very critical condition.

TRAGEDY AT BROWNWOOD.

Sheriff Bell Is Mortally Wounded and George Yarber Dead.

Brownwood, Tex., March 26.—Sheriff Chales Bell went to the Singer Hotel Thursday evening to arrest George Yarber, on a petty offense, when Yarber drew a Winchester and opened fire on Chas. Bell and his deputy, George Batton, shooting Sheriff Bell twice, both shots passing entirely through the body, one near his heart.

After having been shot twice Sheriff Bell, opened fire on Yarber, shooting him once through the side, once through the heart and once through the head, killing him instantly.

Sheriff Bell is not expected to live.

The Sheriff Is Dead.

Brownwood, Tex, March 28.—As a result of the the terrible shooting affray Thursday Sheriff Charles Bell is dead, and Brown county and west Texas mourn the loss of as brave a sheriff as west Texas ever had.

RUSSIANS TAKE CHARGE.

Chinese Troops Withdraw From Port Arthur and Ta Lien Wan.

Pekin, March 29.—The Chinese garrisons have withdrawn from Port Arthur and Ta Lien Wan. The Russians landed and the Russian flag was hoisted at both places.

Japan's Policy Unknown.

Yokohama, March 30.—There is still no indication of what the policy of the Japanese government is with reference to Russia's action. The presumption is that the government is waiting until China shall have paid the indemnity.

Alaskan Mail Contract.

Washington, March 30.—The postmaster general has awarded the contract for carrying the mails from Juneau to Weare, Alaska, to B. C. Richardson of Seattle, Wash., at an annual compensation of $56,000. Weare is at the junction of the Yukon and Tanuna rivers and the route is 1618 miles long. The contract provides for two round trips a month for a period of four years, beginning July 1, 1898.

Two More Bodies Recovered.

Chicago, March 30.—The body of Frederick L. Robinson and that of a woman, supposed to be Miss Hattie Davidson, have been taken from the ruins of the Ayer building. Robinson's body was identified by papers in his pocket, but the woman's corpse was so badly burned as to be unrecognizable. Twelve bodies have been found and five persons are still missing.

Flood Causes a Wreck.

Indianapolis, March 30.—Train No. 12, eastbound, on the Peoria and Eastern road, was wrecked three miles east of Bloomington, Ills. The wreck was one of the worst the system has known, though fortunately there was no loss of life. However, there were 27 persons injured, four of them severely. The flood caused the wreck.

Earthquake In Kentucky.

Louisville, March 30.—Specials to The Evening Post state that earthquake shocks were felt all through Kentucky yesterday. At Adairville the shock was severe and lasted several minutes, the vibrations being from south to north. At Elkton the shock was not so great, but many big buildings were felt to shake and quiver.

Married Besides a Dying Mother.

Galveston, March 30.—Ernest F. Green formely of Nacogdoches, but now of this city, was married here to Miss Kate Hardie, Rev. Dr. Scott of the First Presbyterian church officiating. The wedding took place by the bedside of the bride's dying mother, whose wish it was that they be united before she passed away.

Gored by a Bull.

Hillsboro, Tex., March 30.—While feeding stock A. Battaille was gored in the neck by a vicious bull. The bull attacked him without warning, inflicting a wound with one of its horns three inches long, missing the juglar vain about an inch. The wound was sewed up and he is considered doing well.

Editor Edmonds Dead.

Baltimore, March 30.—William H. Edmonds, founder and editor of The Southern States Magazine, died at his home in Roland Park. He was one of the founders of The Manufacturers' Record, and at one time proprietor of the Anniston, Ala., Hot Blast.

McCoy-Bonner Fight Suppressed.

New Orleans, March 29.—The McCoy-Bonner prize fight was suppressed. Bonner was arrested and is now confined in Sheriff Nunez's house in St. Bernard parish. McCoy skipped out of the city followed by officers.

Explosion In Powdermills.

Clarksville, Tenn., March 30.—Three terrific explosions occurred at the Sycamore powdermills here, fatally injuring four employes. The explosion was felt for a radius of 50 miles.

Young County Goes Dry.

Graham, Tex., March 30.—At the recent election Young county went dry by 150 majority. Local option has been in force in this county two years and has been vigorously inforced.

Killed Over a Claim Contest.

Guthrie, O. T., March 30.—A. C. Kennedy was shot and killed in Lincoln county in a quarrel over a claim contest.

Stabbing at Marshall.

Marshall, Tex., March 30.—Sam Adkins was seriously stabbed here. William Beneke is under $300 bond.

Overdose of Morphine.

McGregor, Tex., March 30.—W. F. Yates, Jr., about 24 years old, died here from an overdose of morphine.

THE FAMILY KILL

Father, Mother and One Child dered Near Paint Rock.

THE FIEND USED AN

The Affair Is Somewhat a Myste though the Man Who First Vis the House Is Reported to Hav Cut His Own Throat.

Ballinger, Tex., March 30.— five miles west of Paint Rock late day night a man named Lee, his and baby were murdered and a girl 4 years old was badly hurt. murders are supposed to have been by two men about middle age. murders were committed with and club.

It appears that late Sunday two men riding bay horses called residence of a Mr. Lee and asked permitted to remain all night and refused. Some one during the murdered Mr. and Mrs. Lee and child about 10 months old and other small child for dead, which stituted the whole family.

A man living near the house of Lee heard a noise at the Lee and went over to ascertain the when two men were seen to leave place. He then went into the struck a match and found that bodies had been horribly mutilated an ax, and all were dead except the children, which at last account still alive. Sixteen dollars is missing from the house.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee recently Concho county from Coleman Texas. No motive has been for the deed. Sheriff Kirk of and Sheriff Shields of San Angelo gone to the scene of the crime.

Late yesterday a telephone message from Paint Rock says man who reported the murders own throat. The child is still alive.

Horribly Mutilated Bodies.

Atlanta, March 29.—Fireman ing to an alarm early Sunday found the bodies of Mr. and Mrs. Briley, white, and Robert Wilk colored, in a store at 75 Humphries which was being rapidly destroyed fire. The bodies were taken out being marred by the flames. horribly mutilated, the instrument death, two heavy hatchets and a knife, being found on the floor. Rriley was the proprieter of the and it is believed that robbery motive. The police have made a of arrests.

John Hearon Acquitted.

Texarkana, Tex., March 29.— case against John Hearon for killing negro Fate Hilson in the former loon in this city about two months was tried in the Bowie county court and Hearon was acquitted minutes. Dave Edwards' case as sory in the shooting of Hilson was tinued.

Offers One Thousand Men.

Terrell, Tex., March 30.—W McGraw of this place has notice from the war department at Washington that his application to enlist 1000 men cavalry service in case of war Spain had been received, and that event of war his services would be cepted.

Tornado In the Territory.

South McAlester, March 29.—A windstorm swept over the country tween this place and Lehigh and gate Saturday night. Four farm were demolished and the occupants three of them are reported to have killed. Others are reported hurt south, but none of the reports have verified.

Brakeman Killed.

Princeton, Ind., March 29.— Taylor, a brakeman on the Louis and St. Louis Air line, was killed falling between the cars east of The train had broken in two Taylor walked off the end of the fell beneath the wheels. His body horribly mangled.

Shot to Death by a Mob.

Moultrie, Ga., March 28.—James len, a notorious negro of this town taken from Sheriff Fisher in the some little distance from here by his body riddled with bullets and balls and sunk in Okpalio creek. offense was an attempted assault R. C. Ingalls.

A One Cent Draft.

Perry, Mo., March 28.—M. P. the late postmaster at Perry, received few days since a draft for 1 cent same being the balance due him account as postmaster at this place. Myers intends keeping this paper curiosity.

Eighteen Years in the Pe

Bonham, Tex., March 30.—The in the case against Jim Biby, who tried for the murder of Taylor rendered a verdict assessing his ment at eighteen years in the tiary for murder in the second de

Given Five Years.

Texarkana, Tex., March 26.— son Collins, the negro saloonkeeper was convicted of buying goods to have been stolen at the time of purchase, got five years in the tiary.

Whole Family Perished.

Abercrombie, N. D., March 29. house of Edward Hansman at Minn., burned Friday night and family perished, including Hansman wife and five children.