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## SHORT CHAPTER ON PISTOL TOTTING.

Wants the 'Brave' Young Men of the Country Protected By Law.

Looneyville, Texas.  
Editor Sentinel:

After considering and re-considering, I have decided to make the race for the Legislature at the urgent solicitation of friends, both populist and democratic.

It shall be a part of my policy and my main hobby to use all my efforts, if elected, to pass a law requiring everybody to be searched by the officers of the law to ascertain if he owns and carries a pistol. If it is found that he does not possess one, said authorities shall enjoin upon him the duty of performing manual labor a sufficient length of time at 25 cents a day to buy him a pistol. He shall be forced to carry said pistol wherever he goes, and it shall be of the double-action 32-caliber, that will not give his neighbor's dog the colic, if he shot the dog a dozen times, as is the case with the kind usually carried by the brave belligerent smart (?) boy of some localities. He shall never fail to shoot at a dog as he passes a house in the dead hours of night, and he shall fire off his pistol along the road as he passes churches, school houses and private residences, so as to create as much disturbance as possible, and upon his failure to do this, he shall be fined fifty dollars. This display of his bravery and wanton fusillades upon the signboards along the road is evidence of his brilliancy of mind and self-respect, to say nothing of his high esteem for his good and civil neighbors. Furthermore, said law shall provide that the boy who can show himself the most industrious in the use of firearms, and who can disturb the most people, shall be presented with a pair of fine green eyeglasses, framed in pewter, as a medal for his proficiency, as it is very beautiful and ornamental to wear those things, and is strictly in style.

I earnestly solicit the report of all well-wishers to the proposed bill.

JACK THE RIPPER.

From Huntsville.

Editor Sentinel:

Sunday night, B. H. Carroll lectured at the Baptist church on Christian education, and collection taken for educational fund amounting to \$330.

Monday morning, several normals and visiting ex-normals visited the Oakwood cemetery, in which rest the remains of Gen. Sam Houston, Col. Yoakum and a number of prominent characters in Texas history. The "Boat-House," so-called from its resemblance to a steamboat, the

house in which Gen. Houston died, is now occupied by I. N. Smith, a merchant.

Mr. J. W. Mullens, one of Nacogdoches county's representatives, has completed the junior work with honor, and has an important part in furnishing vocal music for commencement. He informs me that Miss Beulah Gaston has made quite an enviable reputation in the junior class.

I met W. H. Rushing smiling as pleasantly as ever. Having completed the course, he will now take his "sheep-skin," and, worthily, too.

F. O. Fuller is on double-duty, taking boarders and attending the normal. He reports a pleasant year's work.

Rusk county is entitled to commendation for the success of her representatives—Phillips and Smallgrove. Also compliments to Cherokee for W. W. Dover, who graduates this year. XNORMAL.

Huntsville, May 28.

### False Alarm.

F. M. Smith, the man who killed Mrs. Mina Vawters, is not in the Nacogdoches, jail nor is he liable to be any more soon. He may be at Rusk, or somewhere else, but he is not here.

The report was circulated here Monday that a mob was made up and would break into the jail at night for the purpose of lynching Smith. Not knowing but that there might be some truth in the report, Sheriff Campbell was prevailed upon to remove Smith to a place of safety. The Stone Fort Rifles were called out and held in readiness to oppose any unlawful demonstration, but the night passed without any sign of a mob.

### The Weather.

People who seem to know whereof they speak declare that the present spring has broken the record in the way of continuous and heavy rainfall. It seems from accounts in the papers that the rain has extended not only over Texas but nearly, if not quite all, the Southern states as well. In some places immense damage has been done to farmers in the way of overflows and washouts and from some sections the reports go on to say that little more than half a crop of corn or cotton can be raised this year. The seed after being planted was not only washed off, but the soil was carried away as well. Such damage as this is serious and lasting, and it takes a long time to repair it. With the coming of June, however, we may expect a reasonable amount of fair and favorable weather.

The telephone line now runs out to Joe P. Clevenger's residence about three miles from town, and we learn also that a line is to be run to the railroad camp between Nacogdoches and Doir creek.

## RUMOR OF ANOTHER RAILROAD DEAL.

The Southern Pacific is About to Absorb the Kirby Railroad.

There is a rumor current to the effect that the Southern Pacific interests have bought the Gulf, Beaumont and Kansas City. Authentic confirmation of the rumor is lacking, but those who give it credence point to the fact that present traffic relations between the Kay See and the Texas, and New Orleans are very close. Strings of empty Southern Pacific cars go to the Kay See daily for loads, and there is no secret made of the fact that the bulk of the Kay See lumber goes out over Southern Pacific lines. It is also pointed out that the Southern Pacific goes after everything it needs in a traffic sense, as witness the purchase by Huntington interests of the Galveston, Houston and Northern, and the Houston East and West Texas, as well as the extension from Rockland to Dallas, and the acquisition of valuable terminals at Sabine Pass and Galveston. With the Kay See in their hands they would have everything in East Texas, which means the ownership of a lumber tonnage of incalculable value. Take Kay See territory alone—conservative lumbermen estimate the lumber tributary to that line between here and San Augustine at 2,000,000 cars. The road will be completed to San Augustine, it is said, within a year. It would be but a small job for Mr. Huntington to extend it to a connection with his Houston, East and West Texas at Timpon or Teneha. The lumber alone would give the Southern Pacific tremendous revenue and at the same time close up competition in rates. It is safe to estimate the revenue to Southern Pacific and Kay See lines on this lumber at \$100 a car, which would figure out the astounding sum of \$200,000,000 in gross earnings, or \$10,000,000 per year, allowing twenty years in which to move it.

Kay See officials here deny positively any deal or any negotiations looking to a deal. They say the Texas and New Orleans submitted a division sheet covering the interchange of lumber between the two lines which was submitted to the Kay See's board of directors and approved and that a sale of the property has not even been talked of.

In the meantime it is remembered that denials of any deals were made by the sellers of the other lines purchased by Mr. Huntington. Attention is also called to the fact that Mr. Kirby very unexpectedly stepped out of the Gulf and interstate and surrendered his contract for the

purchase of that line, over which he had been moving Kay See lumber under very satisfactory divisions with Galveston lines. All this gives color to the rumored sale of his line.—Beaumont Journal.

### Mad Dog.

Some excitement and fun was created late Tuesday evening by a dog on the side walk in front of G. H. Davidson's store. Parties who happened to be looking at the dog say he took a fit and fell, at the same time gnawing at the pavement and frothing at the mouth. As long as the dog remained down those who were looking on were wondering what the matter could be, but when he got up and began to stagger in various and sundry directions the idea that he was mad took hold of the crowd and a general stampede took place. Several ran into the stores while a few tried to climb the iron posts. The dog staggered into Mayer & Schmidt's store and everybody took to the counters and other places of safety. Chas. Shindler succeeded in slipping a noose over the dog's head and Tom Crawford dragged him into the street. Mat Spradley took the dog in charge and put him in a position of hors du combat, which is said to be the proper place for mad dogs.

### A Full Train.

The Sabine and East Texas now possesses a full train of cars for their Fast Texas run. Up to a few months ago they only had a combination mail and baggage car and two baggage coaches. On account of the extra large amount of travel towards Rockland they put on an extra coach, making a train of four cars. Today they sent out a car to be used exclusively for baggage and express, which gives them a train of five cars.—Beaumont Enterprise.

### Letter List.

List of letters and other mail matter remaining uncalled for in the Nacogdoches post office for the week ending May 28.

H Allen, S W Brigman, T F Bess, J E Fetter, Jeff Gasoway, Wm Gardner, H E Gillen, Jack Jones, Sunnie Mayfield, Sam Moren, F M Nelson, Allie Norman, S A Oliver, Jno Patterson, Clark Ryles, Jake Thomas, Calvin Wheeler, Lige Wade, C L Yarbrough.

Ladies:—Lillie Byers, Emma Beard, Mrs M A Bitters, Jennie Broyles, Lela Fall, Mrs. J. M. Johnson, Mrs. Lowery, Mary Loftus, E Moore, E S Neial, Sophie Reader, Fitzallen Rhodes, Effie Smith, Rebecca Williams.

In calling for above letters say "advertised."

Hon. T. C. Davis returned to Center this morning.

## THE FLOOD OF TUESDAY NIGHT.

Serious Damage Reported from Various Points Near Nacogdoches.

News comes from various portions of the country of heavy and destructive rains last night. The cloud that came up from the south and southwest seems to have swung around in a westerly direction, as little or no rain at all is reported from Melrose, Chireno or San Augustine. At Douglass the down-pour was tremendous, fences, bridges and everything else movable being washed away. Tubs that were empty in the yard before the rain showed six inches of water this morning. All the bridges in the neighborhood of Douglass so far as heard from are reported washed away. Sheriff Campbell's farm is a total ruin while the damage to other farms is very heavy.

The report was current here early this morning that the big mill dam or pond near Lufkin broke last night and the town was greatly damaged by the immense volume of water rushing through it. A later report said that it was a cloud burst or water-spout instead of the dam.

Careful inquiry showed that the dam had not broken nor had a cloud burst occurred. In fact nothing really had occurred to damage anybody in particular. When the people who look after the dam saw that it might break they cut it and let the water escape.

The relative situation of Lufkin and the dam or dams renders it quite impossible for Lufkin to be overflowed if all the water could escape at once, because Lufkin is higher than the dams.

LATER.—Since the above was put in type a telephone message from Lufkin states that the dam was broken by the flood, and not cut as first reported. The water was two feet deep on the streets and one foot over the railroad track. Two bad washouts on the railroad are reported between Lutkin and Nacogdoches and one between Lufkin and Burke.

At the Frost mill on the tram road about one mile east of Lufkin, 100 feet of railroad track was washed out and two cars of lumber derailed. It is impossible at present to estimate the loss.

H. B. Short of Center is in the city on legal business.

S. H. Watkins and W. A. Barry of Linn Flat were in town today.

Clebe Meador of Appleby was in the city for a short time today.

Jerry Fonville of San Au-

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gustine county was in town this morning.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Wright of Shady Grove paid The Sentinel a pleasant call this morning.

John Cox is working steadily on his new brick building on Pecan street. The walls are already well under way above ground.

It is quite probable that several condemnation suits will have to be filed before the entire right of way can be secured through the town and county.

Pearson Hale received another letter from Beeman Strong this morning, saying, "He is doing well at present; is up in his room and shedding. He will be turned loose Sunday and will return to Nacogdoches at once."

The ladies who are endeavoring to organize a cemetery association will meet again tomorrow evening at the Methodist church. Every lady in town who feels an interest in this matter should by all means lay aside other duties for awhile and attend. This is a laudable enterprise and deserves to succeed.

Walter Gunning of Chireno was in the city today.

The Arnold residence on East Main street containing 1 1/3 acres, is for sale. Will receive a cheaper, desirable place in part payment. Balance on easy terms.

The colored school patrons living within the bounds of the independent district seem to be of the opinion that if a local tax was voted it would knock them out of their dues so far as the length of term is concerned, and would not be as good in the long run as the old fashion and out of date community system. In all this they are entirely mistaken. Their term of school would be as long as the other schools, and would be managed with more and better care. Every colored person, as well as white, who feels an interest in the educational welfare of the town should not fail to at once take up the question and talk to others about it.

In spite of extreme preventive measures the bubonic plague is found its way to Buenos Ayres, South America.

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FOUR American war vessels will sail for European waters in a few days.

THE Boer envoys have been invited to come to Texas by the Dallas commercial club.

BALL, Wells, Pendleton and Blake are mentioned as delegates to the Kansas City convention.

The House in Washington has adopted a resolution providing for adjournment on June 6th.

In the Dallas county primaries to be held Saturday, the names of 81 candidates appear on the official ballot.

THE New York Herald expresses grave fears that the Bryanites will run away with the state convention.

THE people of Pueblo, Colorado, have just lynched a negro who had outraged and murdered two white girls.

THE great pianist, Paderewski, sailed for Liverpool May 17. His profits while here amounted to \$170,000.

A NEW Associated Press has been organized in New York. The Galveston News is one of the charter members.

THE bubonic plague is said to be spreading in Brazil, and the authorities are taking stringent measures to check it.

THE Texas quarantine against San Francisco because of the bubonic plague is raising considerable fuss in certain quarters.

DR. BLUNT, the state health officer, and the South Texas Medical Association, are at outs over some recent quarantine matters.

THE Carnegie bridge works of Pittsburg, Pa., have sold out to a trust and has a contract to supply steel for ten years for \$300,000,000.

MCKINLEY is about to change front on the army canteen question at last. It seems that the temperance folks were too many for him.

THE gold democrats of Indiana cannot support Bryan and they abhor McKinleyism, so they say. They occupy a peculiar position, to say the least.

IT begins to look like the United States was going to have serious trouble with Turkey about that \$100,000 debt incurred in the Armenian trouble.

THE famous artist, Francis S. Carpenter, is dead. His most famous painting is that of Lincoln reading the Emancipation Proclamation to his cabinet.

THE failure of Price, McCormick & Co., the great New York cotton firm, is quite a surprise to the public generally. They have been in the cotton business a long time.

## THE VICE-PRESIDENCY.

The large number of state conventions held during the past week indicates that the people in every part of the United States are taking a lively interest in politics. In every democratic convention without the exception of one the delegates have been elected by the people at the primaries, thus proving that the people as a whole are sufficiently intelligent to vote properly in the selection of men who shall carry out what they conceive to be the correct ideas of justice and right.

The conventions have in each and every instance instructed for Bryan, and thereby strengthening the belief that he will be nominated by acclamation. In view of these facts the time is therefore at hand when the question of the vice-presidency should engage the attention of the people, and in this matter it is important that the people should select as their candidate for second place on the ticket the man whom they would want for president if Mr. Bryan was not in the field. The fact which should not be lost sight of is that the candidate for the vice-presidency should have the confidence of the people to an equal extent with the candidate for the presidency. In fact he should measure up to the demands for a president in every particular.

If the democratic convention at Kansas City makes the blunder of selecting a man for second place with reference merely to geographical advantage or political influence, the party starts a good chance of being beaten in November. A strong man for second place will add strength to the ticket not because he happens to live here or there, but because he could serve with efficiency as president should it become necessary.

If it were simply a matter of dividing honors or spoils the question of locality would at once become a question of vital interest to the party. But such ideas in the coming campaign should not be permitted to account for anything against the qualifications of the candidate to meet every requirement that is required of him who is placed first on the ticket.

The people are going to nominate their candidate for the presidency, and the politicians have already begun to demand that one of their number be placed second on the ticket, and we already hear it said that such a candidate is too far East, West, North or South. This is the idea of politicians and not statesmen. There are plenty of democrats in each section of the country who possess all the qualifications requisite to fill the office of vice-president and the presidency also should it become necessary to the entire satisfaction of the people, but the difficulty is that many of these have not yet distinguished themselves as champions of the advance movement that is now being made through the democratic party to redeem the government from the control and influence of the money

kings and great monopolies of the country.

Therefore the work of nominating the right man for second place will be a very important task of the Kansas City convention. Much depends upon it, and to nominate a candidate who is out in full accord in every particular with the platform would be a blunder and a crime from which the party would never recover, because the people would lose all confidence in it.

FOUR cases of small-pox are reported at Orange.

HUNT, of Montana, has been appointed Secretary of State for Porto Rico.

THE bubonic plague has developed among the British soldiers in the Transvaal.

THE democrats and populists of Kentucky are fusing on congressional nominees.

DR. BLOUNT, State Health officer, has gone to San Francisco to see about the bubonic plague.

THE Southern Presbyterians propose to raise a fund of \$1,000,000 for educational purposes.

BURKE and Gossett are having an exciting time in their congressional race in the Dallas district.

THE recent failure of Price, McCormick & Co. has caused a decline in the cotton market all along the line.

THE United States postal business in the Philippines paid expenses for the year just ended and had \$16,000 left.

T. S. HENDERSON has withdrawn from the race for congress in the Seventh district, thus leaving the field clear to R. L. Henry, the present incumbent.

IN the meantime let's think about the prospects for a good school for the coming year. We should work fast and be ready by the first of September to start and maintain a nine months term of school.

THE Waters-Pierce Oil Company has been finally and firmly notified by the attorney general that it must move out of Texas by the last day of May. So in the long run it is the best policy to obey the law.

THE papers announce that H. J. B. Lee, of Mansfield, La., has qualified as district judge of that district including the parishes of DeSoto, Sabine and Red River. Judge Lee is a brother of R. H. Lee, of Appleby.

OF the 450 delegates to the New York state convention soon to be held, 162 are pledged to insist on Bryan delegates being chosen to the national convention, and 126 from New York city are uninstructed.

LONG, secretary of the navy, has been selected by the republicans as McKinley's running mate. Of course this is the work of politicians and is done for the purpose of carrying the eastern vote for republicanism.

## MAY COME BACK.

The result of the presidential election this year may be decided by the votes of those democrats who refused to support Bryan in 1896. Four years has brought change of thought and opinion anyway with regard to the principles as promulgated by the Chicago platform.

The principles and ideas of the platform of 1896 were so radically different from what people had been used to, and from what the platform of the party had hitherto been, that many democrats refused to support it. They either voted for the independent democratic ticket or didn't vote at all. It may be true that in some states, especially in the north and east, many democrats supported McKinley.

In view of these things and the change wrought by new questions, it is interesting to inquire what course this large class of men will probably take in the campaign soon to open. The number of democrats who left their former party associations in 1896 for various reasons but mainly on the free silver issue, is by no means represented by the 132,728 votes cast for Palmer and Buckner. In nearly every one of the doubtful states it is safe to say that the bulk of bolting democrats voted direct for McKinley and the number of those who did this is probably at least five times as great as the number who supported the independent democratic ticket.

If the bolting democrats had supported Mr. Bryan he would have been easily elected. For instance in California a change of 962 would have given that state to Bryan. In Oregon a change of 1059 votes would have given the electoral vote of that state to the democrats and in Kentucky McKinley's majority was only 142.

It is not unreasonable in view of present conditions, to believe that the democrats who left their regular party organization in 1896, will hold the balance of power in the great contest this year. A great majority of the Southern democrats who bolted Bryan's nomination four years ago will vote for him this year. Many of the Northern and Western democrats who refused to vote for Bryan in 1896 will do so in 1900, but not so large a proportion as will be found among the gold democrats of the South. It is very certain that whatever course bolting democrats may take this year very few of them will vote for Mr. Kinley, because imperialism and the protective tariff are quite as hateful to the great majority of these men as free silverism.

Bryan will receive this year the votes of hundreds of thousands of democrats which were cast for other candidates in 1896. There is a strong probability that there will be no independent democratic ticket this year, so that the gold democrats will have to choose openly between Bryan and McKinley.

THE primaries will soon be a thing of the past in this campaign at least and the people will be heartily glad. In

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spite of the fact that we try to keep down as much excitement as possible there is always a certain amount that somehow or other manages to get in.

THE St. Louis strikers have been enjoined from interfering with cars carrying the United States mail.

THE commission of Blackburn as United States senator from Kentucky was signed by Governor Beckham and forwarded to Washington. Taylor had refused to sign it.

THE Democrat regrets to hear that Nacogdoches county is displeased with us, but as Cherokee county has instructed her delegates to vote for Davis, and Judge Ingraham has withdrawn from the race, we presume that the objections to the action of our convention have been removed. —Shelby Democrat.

Oh! it's all right. Nacogdoches is patient, gentle and forgiving. She's used to being traded out of her birthright.

In an interview in the New York World, Judge Towne, the populist nominee for vice-president, says:

"I am not a populist, and neither is Mr. Bryan. That party, in the interest of reform, went outside of itself to get candidates. I am essentially a democrat. I consider any man who voted for Bryan and the Chicago platform in 1896 a democrat. We know that there is a great spirit of unrest in the republican party. That party has abandoned the constitution and carried the country into an imperialistic form of government in the colonies. The issues of the campaign will be, first, imperialism, then the trusts and then the silver question. If Mr. Bryan reversed that order in speaking here he probably kept his best subject for the last." Mr. Towne said that he certainly was working for the democratic nomination for vice-president, but his personal interest was second to the cause. He claims the support of both Michigan and Minnesota.

IT is not probable that an aggressive campaign will be inaugurated by either democrats or populists of Nacogdoches county this year. Both sides are on the alert, however, and there will be hard work done on the quiet. At least that is the way the straw leans at present.

PEOPLE from all parts of the world, scientists especially, visited the zone affected by today's eclipse, to witness the unusual sight. The path of totality was about 52 miles wide, and entering the United States at Norfolk, Va., thence extending across Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, part of Louisiana and Texas and Mexico, crossed the Pacific ocean. In Georgia special

trains were run to points where the eclipse was total. At this place the eclipse commenced at 6:30 a. m., and reached its best at 7:30 a. m.

## Picnic at Greenwood.

Mr. J. T. Watson has just returned from a trip to the northern portion of the county, and among the good things he has to report he says he attended a picnic at Greenwood bridge on the Attoyac. The affair was a regular community picnic headed by Messrs S. L. Harris and B. R. Griffith and families. A good crowd was in attendance and everybody brought something good to eat along. The day was spent most pleasantly to all present.

## An Interesting Family.

Capt. John S. Doughtie, right-of-way agent in this county for the T. & N. O., has just returned from up in the Indian creek country and among other things has this to say about the family of Josh Nichols, deceased.

"Mr. Nichols left a wife and eleven children, and with the exception of two married daughters, Mesdames Mary and Emily Mason, they all live at home with their mother, Mrs. Mary C. Nichols. The girls are named as follows: Frances, Sarah, Ethel, Linda, Arabella, Laura V., Martha and two little boys, Geo. W. and Nugent J. Nichols.

"As the boys are small the girls take the lead in everything. Besides attending to all the duties of the household, kitchen, garden and dairy, they manage the farm work. All the rails are made and hauled by the girls who also make the fences, gates and water gates. They have a large farm in a high state of cultivation. They have a pair of fine mules, and do their own plowing, hauling, etc. Their crop of corn and cotton is in splendid fix, and if seasons are good, the harvest will be heavy. The small children are sent to school in the summer and winter, and on Sunday the girls hitch up the wagon and carry the entire family to church."

Take it all in all, this is a remarkable family, and its counterpart is probably not to be found in this or any other country.

## Delayed Thanks.

Mr. Ephraim Muckleroy, the engineer of the Sentinel gang, desires very much to express his thanks to the pretty young ladies who were so thoughtful as to present him a nice box of flowers a day or two ago. He says words utterly fail him when he attempts to write his thanks on paper. The flowers were so nice, so fragrant and so pretty that Eaf hasn't been at himself since they arrived.



THE national democratic executive committee has been called to meet in Kansas City July 2.

GOOD roads and good schools are two good things which should be possessed by all intelligent communities.

LINCOLN'S idea of republicanism was as different from the creed now practiced by Hanna as Christianity from paganism.

THE indications are now that the New York delegation to the democratic national convention will be instructed for Bryan.

THE Boer commissioners say Pretoria can hold out against a siege till November, and if Bryan is elected the war will terminate in favor of the Boers.

WE work against our children's welfare if we neglect to make sacrifices for their moral and intellectual advantage. Such neglect is nothing less than a crime.

NOW that the election difficulty in Kentucky is settled Governor Beckham turns to thoughts of matrimony. He will be married to Miss Jean Fuqua of Owensboro in that state.

THE time for an educational renaissance is at hand. If we ever expect Nacogdoches to become important intellectually as well as commercially, we must secure a permanent system of schools.

THE future is safe so long as we are anxious about it. When we fail to qualify those upon whose shoulders the responsibilities of this great government rests, we have no assurance of what the future will be.

AFTER the census is taken and Texas is redistricted, her congressional representation will probably amount to 17 or 18 instead of 13 as at present. This supposition is based upon the increase of population within the last decade. The second district will be smaller than what it now is by the loss of perhaps Harrison, Jefferson and Orange counties.

THE campaign for various offices waxes warm in many parts of Texas, but after awhile the people in primaries and conventions will arbitrate all differences, and a solid democracy will march on to victory in November. Every true democrat is always ready and willing to submit to a decision of a majority, because this is democracy.

THE republican party in the South seems to be busted wide open. Nearly every Southern state has elected two sets of delegates, to the national republican convention, and already the national executive committee is burdened with matters of contesting delegations. The prospects are for stormy times when the national convention meets.

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We have the goods, you have the money. If prices can induce you to part with your coin we will get it. All our goods are new and fresh; we have no shoddy or second hand stock, compare prices below with any competition.

### Wash Goods Department.

The 15c organdy we advertised last week for 7 1-2c is going now for 6c, just for a flyer.

Our 8c quality dimity, beautiful assorted patterns, going at 4c.

1 piece white P. K., original price 15c, now 10c

1 piece white corded piquet, worth 25c, for 16 2-3c

The beautiful heavy corded piece we sold for 40c, now 30c

Our white goods go as advertised before, at prices no one can compete with.

We have reduced all our lawns, percales, madras and other summer goods, and only ask you to examine before buying anywhere and at any price as we can save you money.

### Ladies' Ready Made Department.

We have still on the counter a full line of samples in ladies' underwear and shirt waists, only one of a kind; they are selling at

wholesale cost, or as cheap as any merchant can buy regular.

All ladies' belts have been reduced.

The 20c kind for 10c

The 25c kind for 15c

The 40 and 50c dog collar and chain belts for 25c

A big line of ladies' bleached ribbed vests going for 3c

Another lot nice ribbed with ribbon in yoke and sleeves, worth 10c, going for 4c

Lot No 7768, 10 dozen silk and lisle under vests, worth 35c, for 21c

1 lot ladies' plain white and black stitched kid gloves, worth \$1.00, going for 60c

20 per cent reduction on ladies' trimmed and ready to wear hats.

### Linen Department.

Our 25c linen huck towel going now at 8c each

Our extra size linen huck towel 22x45, worth 75c a pair, now for a drive at 30c a pair

Our 75c table linen going at 42 1-2c, 1 piece only.

Our 33 1-3c kind for 22 1-2c  
Our 30c kind for 20c  
Our \$2.00 grade for \$1.48  
Our \$5.00 per set napkins now \$3.98, and all others reduced in proportion.

### Boy's Furnishing Department.

A splendid quality boy's percale waists, 6 to 12, worth 30c, for 15c

1 lot boy's drill drawers, worth 25c, going now for 12 1-2c

1 lot boy's linen crash sailor suits, worth 75c, all sizes, for 40c

1 lot boy's heavy ribbed hose, 8 to 10, worth 20c, for 10c

Boy's percale and madras shirts with 2 collars, worth 65c, for 30c

Boy's suspenders, worth 10c, for 5c

A big lot boy's knee pants, fancy striped and checked linen, size 4 to 15, worth 40c, as a flyer for 15c

### Men's Furnishing Department.

We have a sample line of gent's

half hose, handkerchiefs, suspenders, underwear, neck ties, in string, bows and puffs, men's and boy's shirts, we are selling at wholesale cost. We mean the original St. Louis cost, as they were delivered here, and no merchant can buy these goods regular at the prices we are selling. Our men's shirts range in price from 13c to \$1.00.

All sizes men's best bleached drill drawers, worth 75c, for 38c

1 lot men's blue serge coats, single and double breast, worth \$3.50, for \$2.75

1 lot blue serge coats and vests, worth \$5.00, all sizes, now \$3.50

9 dozen men's light grey, striped and blue casimere pants, waistband made on pants same as tailor made goods, worth \$2.00, our price now \$1.19. A big lot to select from.

1 lot men's imitation Guyot suspenders, worth 25c, for 15c

We have reduced the price on our men's and ladies' shoes, and will save you money by examining our line before buying.

The above prices we submit for the purpose of reducing our stock, Compare prices and learn how much you can save by buying of us.

# Chapman & Burton

Advertisers of Facts

### THE CHURCH FAIR.

At the great ecumenical conference recently held in New York, which was composed of eminent representatives of protestant churches in all parts of the world and effort was made to place a formal condemnation upon all kinds of church fairs held for the purpose of raising any kind of fund.

The proposition was not acted upon but it was evident that it met the general approval of the assembly. From what has been said first and last on the subject by religious conventions and convocations, it is very clear that the church

fair has had its day and will be thrown into the waste pile with the played out fads and fakes of the past. Such fairs have long since ceased to be profitable and the opposition on moral grounds has grown so strong and well defined that some other method will have to be adopted by the churches of raising debts and filling the missionary box. The main trouble with the church fair plan is that it was overworked. Like a good horse that could go at an easy pace—it was ridden till it couldn't pace. From a standpoint of right and wrong it is extremely doubtful whether they had any legitimate ex-

cuse for existence or not. The trend of Christian opinion generally, say they did not.

### Thumb Amputated.

Mr. J. M. McCuiston, as was reported in this paper Tuesday, had his thumb badly lacerated by a circular saw, had to have the injured member amputated yesterday. He is now getting on nicely, and is suffering as little pain as could be expected.

Prof. W. H. Rushing, formerly of this place but now of Joaquin, Shelby county, passed up the road this morning. He graduated at the recent session of the normal.

# 99999<sup>9</sup> Big Numbers

We'll admit, but we have one of the latest automatic numbering machines and are therefore prepared to handle all kinds of Scale Books, Cotton Yard Tickets, Coupon Books, and in fact any class of Printing where consecutive numbering is required; the extra expense is very small.

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## AND COMPANY

### GRAND SLAUGHTERING SALE

Of Dry Goods, Clothing, Shoes, Gents' Furnishing Goods, etc.

Our Entire Stock Without Reserve Now on Sale; Regardless of Value. A Harvest for Bargain Seekers.

Note the Following Unprecedented Offers.

#### Ready to Wear Goods.

Our 35c Ladies' fancy percale shirt waists, laundered detachable new style standing collars, 18c  
 Our 50c Ladies' fancy percale shirt waists, laundered detachable collars, 29c  
 75c Ladies' fancy percale, and also white lawn shirt waists, now 35c  
 85c Ladies' fancy printed dimity shirt waists, now 49c  
 \$1.25 Ladies' extra quality white lawn waists, very fine—nicely trimmed, now 75c  
 \$1.50 Ladies' extra quality white lawn waists, very fine—nicely trimmed, now 98c  
 \$2 Ladies' extra quality white lawn waists, very fine—nicely trimmed, now \$1.25  
 50c Ladies' brown linen crash skirts, now 19c  
 75c Ladies' brown linen crash skirts, nicely trimmed, now 44c  
 \$1.25 Ladies' fancy navy and cadet blue duck skirts; handsomely trimmed, now 69c  
 \$1.75 Ladies' fine white corded P. K. skirts embroidered trimmed, \$1.10  
 5c Ladies' ribbed vests, now 31-3c  
 10c Ladies' bleached ribbed vests, now 5c  
 15c Ladies' bleached Ribbed vests, taped neck and sleeves, now 8c  
 25c Ladies' bleached Lisle vests, silk taped neck and sleeves, now 11c

#### Wash Fabrics.

6c White India linen, now 4c  
 7 1-2c White India linen, now 5c  
 10c White India linen, 36 inches wide now 7c  
 12 1-2c White India linen, now 8 1-2c  
 10c White corded P. K., now 7c  
 8c Fancy printed Dimity, now 5c  
 10c Fancy printed organdies and batistes, now 6 1-2c  
 12 1-2c High class fancy printed lawns, organdies, etc., now 7 1-2c

#### House Furnishings.

15c Fine linen huck towels, now 10c  
 20c Fine linen huck towels, now 11c  
 35c 54-inch half bleached linen damask, now 25c  
 48c 64-inch half bleached linen damask, now 32c  
 50c 58-inch full bleached linen damask, now 39c  
 75c 66-inch full bleached linen damask, now 49c  
 85c 72-inch full bleached linen damask, now 55c

#### Gent's Furnishing Goods.

12 1-2c Men's half hose, fast black and tan, now 7 1-2c  
 25c Men's fast black French lisle half hose, now 12 1-2c  
 10c Men's plain white and colored bordered, hemstitched handkerchief, now 5c

5c Men's white lawn bows, now 1 1-2c.  
 10c Men's light ground printed P. K. scarfs, now 2 1-2

15c Men's fancy printed wash lawn bows, now 5c  
 15c Men's white lawn bows, none better at 25c, now 5c  
 25 and 50c Men's fine silk club ties, four-in-hand, tecks and bows, choice 15c  
 25c Men's negligee fancy percale shirts, now 15c  
 35c Men's negligee fancy percale shirts, collars attached, now 23c  
 50c Men's negligee fancy percale shirts, collars attached, now 33c  
 75c Men's negligee fancy percale shirts, collars attached, now 55c

Our finer ones all reduced in same proportion. Men's elastic seam drawers, the world's standard, new improved, none better, regular price 75c, now 45c  
 75c Men's fancy wash duck pants, now 35c  
 50c Men's striped office coats, now 33c  
 \$1.50 Men's brown linen crash suits, now \$1.10  
 \$1.00 Boys' brown linen crash suits, age 8 to 16 years, now 69c  
 25c Boys' wash duck pants, now 12c  
 \$6.50 Men's Navy blue, all wool, serge suits, now \$4.25  
 \$10.00 Men's Navy blue all wool serge suits, now \$7.49

One counter of men's odd casimere pants, comprising our \$2.00, \$2.25 and \$2.50 lines, choice for \$1.59  
 Finer ones, were \$3.50 to \$4.50, are now \$2.68 and \$2.98  
 Mother's Friend fancy percale, laundered shirt waists, 75c ones for 45c  
 Mother's Friend white linen and fancy percale waists, 85c and \$1.00 ones, now choice 59c  
 Choice of our 10c men's and boys' linen collars 5c  
 Choice of our 12 1-2c men's and boy's linen collars 8c  
 5c Men's waterproof collars, now 3c  
 Our 20c Men's white linen cuffs, now 10c  
 20c Men's balbrigan gauze undershirts, now 12 1-2c

25c Men's brown balbrigan gauze undershirts French neck, now 19c  
 35c Men's brown balbrigan gauze undershirts, French neck, now 21c  
 50c Men's brown balbrigan gauze undershirts, fancy silk trimmed, silk taped French neck, now 38c  
 75c Men's fine domestic lisle undershirts, fancy silk fronts, now 50c  
 Our 25c boy's fancy percale waists, now 12c

25c Men's vicid kid, Bellevue cap toe, Helmers Bettman & Co's make, now \$3.30  
 \$4.50 Men's vicid kid Yale, plain box toe, Helmers Bettman & Co's make, now \$2.73  
 \$1.50 John C. Gaitber's veal calf, all solid leather now 82c  
 \$1.75 Boys' genuine satin calf bals. Sizes 2 to 5, now \$1.05  
 \$1.50 Boys' willow calf bals. Sizes 13 to 2 \$1.18  
 \$1.25 Boys' satin calf bals. Sizes 13 to 2 \$1.95  
 \$1.00 Boys' satin calf bals. Sizes 2 to 5 \$2c

#### Shoe Department.

\$1.98 Ladies' genuine dongola kid, southern button, vesting top, coin toe, D. S. & Co's make; now \$1.65

\$2.98 Ladies' French kid oxfords, Drew, Selby & Co's make, now \$2.10

\$3.98 Ladies' French kid oxfords, self tip, coin toe, Drew, Selby & Co's make, now \$2.68

\$1.50 Ladies' Dongola kid oxfords, vesting top, self tip, all solid leather now \$1.18

\$1.45 Ladies' dongola kid oxfords, patent tip, coin toe, all sizes, \$1.05

\$1.25 Ladies' dongola kid oxfords, patent tip, coin toe, all sizes, \$2c

\$1.25 Ladies' dongola kid strap sandfls with bow and buckle, now 82c

85 Men's willow calf, english cap toe, Helmers Bettman & Co's make, now \$3.30

85 Men's vicid kid, Bellevue cap toe, Helmers Bettman & Co's make, now \$2.73

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Bear in mind that this sale will continue for the next 30 days. \* That we are not offering a few leaders for the purpose of inducing trade. \* But each and every article in our house has been SO GREATLY REDUCED IN PRICE that no one will have the slightest occasion to regret a visit to our store where a courteous set of sales people will welcome you and show their appreciation for you visit, whether you feel inclined to purchase or not.

# MISTROT BROS. & CO.

#### ARE THE PEOPLE BLIND? Do They Know a Good Thing When They See It?

After reading the advertisements in today's Sentinel a person must indeed be stupid if he or she cannot readily see that some of the big mercantile houses of this city are just now almost giving goods away. Such opportunities as this have been offered the people before, but have never been utilized as they should have been. Why people should fail to take advantage of such opportunities to save substantial sums of money cannot be explained on any theory at all complimentary to

their wide-awake or up-to-date qualities. Thrifty people nowadays read the big ads. in the newspapers with as much, if not more, interest as the other parts of the paper, for in that way they are at once informed when and where those extraordinary drops in prices occur which now constitute one of the important features of modern mercantile life; and this information promptly acted on by those who have to buy goods, means, of course, a material saving of money. Smart, wide-awake men and women are always eager to save money in this way, and the big ads. in the papers, with their classified price-lists,

find in them regular and intelligent readers. There could be enough money saved to Sentinel readers who intend to buy goods by reading the extraordinary price reductions set forth in today's paper, to pay them a hundred times over for the few minutes consumed in the reading. All of our readers, recognizing the fact that these big ads. in the Sentinel are carefully prepared, practical business propositions addressed to the intelligent self interest of the reader by the solid business men of Nacogdoches, should make it a rule to glance over them as a matter of business whenever they appear. Un-

doubtedly, they will in this way discover such frequent advantages in making purchases that the little investment of time and trouble in reading the ad. will prove a source of steady profit, for every dollar saved is a dollar made.

E. Frankfort of New York, a merchant of Henderson and quite well known in Texas, has been in the city a day or two on a visit to his old friends. He makes an occasional trip to Texas and most always favors Nacogdoches with a visit while in the state.

The calaboose has an occupant occasionally.

#### Take This In.

For sale—Lot 100 feet on South Fredonia street, 200 feet deep; good dwelling, six rooms, four fire-places, hall, 54 feet gallery; fine well of water, good barn, fine shade trees—in fact, a very pretty and desirable place. \$1,500.

Also, lot on corner Fredonia and Scott streets; about 200 feet on Fredonia and 200 feet on Scott; good 5-room dwelling, good well of water, good barn. \$1,000. If interested, call at this office.

Mr. G. L. Bright and family left this morning for Longview to spend several weeks on a visit to relatives and on business.

#### LOCAL-PERSONAL.

C. B. Short of Center is in the city today.

J. H. Thomason of Melrose was in the city today.

I. M. Shepherd went to Garrison this morning.

John Richardson of Melrose was in the city this morning.

Homer Hardeman, the telephone message boy, is sick today.

Geo. Cunningham, the shoe drummer, went up the road this morning.

W. L. Roney returned from Huntsville this morning and reports a fine time.

D. M. Pate, after spending several days with friends, returned to Melrose this morning.

Miss Beulah Gaston came in from Huntsville this morning and went out to her home at Melrose.

F. A. Dotson and his mother went to Center this morning on a few days' visit to friends and relatives.

Jim Rice of Alazan community was in town today and reports everything washed away by yesterday's rain.

Sheriff Campbell went out to Douglass this morning to see how much his farm was damaged by the washouts.

J. N. Wilson of Melrose was in town this morning. He will commence taking the census of Melrose beat tomorrow.

Fate Woodland of Flower Mountain was in town today; he reports health good and people all busy in that section of the country.

Rev. Ellis Smith returned this morning from Georgetown and reports a nice time and interesting program at the commencement.

A. Baggett of Linn Flat was in the city today on a short business trip. He says the heavy rain a few nights ago tore up the country a good deal in his section.

J. W. Mullens, who has been attending the normal at Huntsville returned this morning. He made good progress in his studies and will probably return next session.

R. C. Gramling has moved his shop to Pecan street near the Catholic church, where he is now nicely fitted up and ready to serve his customers with first class work and best material.

The east-bound passenger train did not get in till 8:30 this morning. On account of a bad washout it was delayed at Burke. The rains delayed both freight and passenger traffic considerably.

The scholastic population of Nacogdoches independent school district is 604. Of this number 204 are colored and the remainder 399 white. At \$9 per capita figure and see what a nice little sum we would have for school purposes.

C. L. Beason of Branchville, Milan county, who has just completed the junior course in the Sam Houston normal, sends his regards to Nacogdoches friends. He expects to complete the senior work for graduation next year.

# The Weekly Sentinel.

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R. W. HALTOM, Editor.

RUSSIA continues her aggressions in Corea, in the way of obtaining concessions, etc.

THE Methodist conference didn't fail to touch McKinley up on the army canteen business.

THE report that Tammany intends to oppose Bryan in the Kansas City convention, turns out to be a fake.

UNCLE SAM has sent a note to the Chinese government informing it that the "boxer" society must be suppressed.

THE statement is made that Price, McCormick & Co. will be able to pay seventy-five cents on the dollar of their liabilities.

MARCONI, the wireless telegraphy expert, has embarked for America for the purpose of carrying out some experiments.

THE recent general assembly of Presbyterians, at Atlanta, Ga., refused to hear a paper read on the subject of woman suffrage.

THE approaching nuptials of Hon. Clark Howell, editor of the Atlanta Constitution and Miss Annie Comer of Savannah is announced.

ENGLAND declares that the Transvaal must be thoroughly subdued by Lord Roberts' army before proposals for peace will be entertained.

COOGAN, one of Tammany's leaders, has donated \$100,000 to the democratic national committee with the stipulation that it be returned if Bryan is not renominated.

THE candidate who has no opponent can well afford to enjoy the rustle and tussle of those who have, but he should remember that "he laughs best who laughs last," and his time will come after awhile.

IN a recent interview in London with W. T. Stead, Richard Croker declared that he was for Bryan and that the latter would defeat McKinley in the coming election.

THERE never was more harmony existing in the ranks of the democracy of Nacogdoches county than at present. This of itself is a bright foreboding of success in the general election.

IN the Dallas county democratic primaries Saturday, over 10,000 votes were polled. Love and Curtis carried the county for their respective offices. Bexar county also instructed for Love and Curtis.

A BILL has been introduced by Senator Morgan to the effect that all violations of the United States postal laws in the colonial possessions be placed under the jurisdiction of the United States district court of the District of Columbia.

## SOME SCHOOL TALK.

The beginning of another school year draws on apace, in fact it will soon be here, yet we see little done or hear little said in the way of bettering the condition of affairs from an educational standpoint. It will take some time after we conclude to adopt a better system of schools to organize and get in working order, and it is therefore necessary to get down to study about the matter right away. It will not do to wait too long.

Seven trustees have been elected for this district, all men of energy and qualifications necessary to carry to a successful issue the school question if the people who are interested will co-operate in the matter. That's all that is necessary and it is the duty of every person within this independent district who has children to educate, to not only feel interested but take the matter up in a serious way and get others interested. The idea of having good schools and long terms seems to be the very last thing a large number of our people think about, if indeed, it is thought about at all. From an unofficial source we learn that an effort will be made by the new trustees to have a tax of 25 cents on the \$100 valuation of property levied and when collected turned into the district school fund. With what is paid by the state this small rate of taxation would produce not less than \$9 or perhaps \$10 per capita for the scholastic population. This would run the schools, white and colored, for a term of not less than nine months every year, and instead of finding the small boys on the streets, in mulberry trees and on the creek we would find them one and all in school.

No one could object seriously to the beggarly rate of 25 cents on the \$100 property valuation. There are few of us perhaps who do not spend that much every day foolishly one way or another. So far as the tax idea is concerned it forms no excuse whatever, because every expense is a tax, it matters not what. The mere matter of tax should not be permitted to come between us and the question of a permanent system of first class schools.

There is hardly a town in Texas or anywhere else for that matter that is not far ahead of Nacogdoches in an educational way. And it's a shame, as little as we think about it, and should not be permitted to continue. Some folks fall back on the threadbare excuse that if we had an abundance of funds to run the schools nine months every year, that said schools will be taught in a perfunctory and don't-care sort of way just to get the money. This excuse is out of date, and one thing is dead sure and this is that every teacher will be obliged to do his or her full duty on pain of instant dismissal.

First, raise the means, and the manner of conducting the school will be attended to in due time and in a proper way.

## Fern Lake Fishing Club.

At a call meeting of the citizens in Perkins, Matthews & Harris' office, on May 23rd, 1900, a movement was put on foot to organize a fishing and recreation club.

On motion, B. S. Wettermark was elected chairman, and Bob Lindsey, secretary.

The object of this meeting, as suggested by Mr. Wettermark, was to discuss probable cost and suitable location.

On motion of J. C. Harris, a committee was appointed to look for and select a suitable place for club house and lake.

The chairman then appointed the following committee:—J. C. Harris, S. W. Blount, I. L. Sturdevant, J. T. Garrison, Chas. Perkins and H. D. Garrison.

On motion, it was decided to go into permanent organization with a membership of twenty-five, to be extended by a two-thirds vote, and new members to be elected by ballot.

The following names were enrolled as charter members: John Schmidt, F. H. Tucker, E. C. Branch, Chas. Perkins, J. C. Harris, R. C. Shindler, B. S. Wettermark, S. W. Blount, E. A. Blount, Dr. F. C. Ford, H. D. Garrison, J. T. Garrison, Robt. Lindsey, Chas. Hotchkiss, I. L. Sturdevant, G. H. Matthews, A. Seale, W. F. Price, W. U. Perkins, J. G. Smith, B. F. Hardeman.

The meeting then adjourned to meet at 3:30 o'clock May 25th at Perkins, Matthews & Harris' office to hear report of committee.

May 25th.—Meeting called to order by chairman to hear report of committee on location of lake. After discussing the several different places visited, Black Branch was considered the most desirable locality. The matter was left open for further discussion.

On motion of Mr. Wettermark, the seven following directors were elected:—P. M. Sanders, S. W. Blount, H. D. Garrison, I. L. Sturdevant, E. A. Blount, Jno. T. Garrison and R. C. Shindler.

On a motion, it was decided to incorporate said club and put the shares at one hundred dollars each.

On a ballot, the following new members were added:—W. S. Patton, C. D. Stinson, J. D. McKnight, V. E. Middlebrook, J. N. Jackson, G. W. Partin, Sr., P. M. Sanders, J. H. Barham.

S. W. Blount and Jno. T. Garrison were appointed a committee to secure charter, by-laws, etc.

On a vote, it was decided to name the club "Fern Lake Fishing Club."

Directors' meeting called to order and E. A. Blount was elected chairman. S. W. Blount was elected President; R. C. Shindler, Vice-President; I. L. Sturdevant, Secretary; B. S. Wettermark, Treasurer.

## Fern Lake.

Messrs. R. C. Shindler and P. M. Sanders have figured in the dimensions of the proposed Fern Lake and say it will cover about 40 acres. The water source comprises about five spring branches and is everlasting. The dam will be built below the confluence of

all these branches and will be about 500 feet long, and from 15 to 20 feet high. It will be made in a substantial and permanent manner so as to withstand any sudden overflow and the intention is to maintain a depth of 15 feet water in the lake all the time. Work on the dam will commence as soon as the contract can be let, and when water reaches a sufficient depth the lake will be stocked with all kinds of fish. It may be that ducks will be attracted thither, and if so the sport and pleasure will be increased.

## From Other Counties.

J. T. Billingsly of Silas, Shelby county, accompanied by his neighbors, Messrs Stephenson and Rhodes was in the city on a trading tour yesterday. They say the small-pox reports from this place has had much to do with keeping trade away from here. Before leaving Mr. Billingsly made a bill of \$25 with Dotson Bros. J. T. Jones and J. W. Daniels, two more of Shelby county's good citizens from Aiken, were also in town yesterday. So also were J. D. Hicks and B. B. and Sam Preston from Cherokee county. These men are all customers of Dotson Bros and informed him that the trade of their respective localities would continue to come to Nacogdoches.

## Parthena Humphreys.

Mrs. Parthena Ann Humphreys died at the residence of her son, William Humphreys, Friday evening. She has been quite ill for some time and her death was not unexpected. Mrs. Humphreys was born in DeSoto county, Mississippi, March 11, 1812, and was therefore 88 years old at the time of her death. At the age of 25 she was married to Bryant Humphreys, in 1837, and moved to Texas, settling in Nacogdoches county. The Humphreys old place near Garrison is still an evidence of the labors of this pioneer family. In 1840 Mrs. Humphreys joined the Cumberland church at old Briley Town. She remained with that church till its membership disorganized several years afterwards. In 1879 she joined the Missionary Baptist church at Cold Springs, and has since been an humble, useful and devout member of the same. Mrs. Humphreys was the mother of ten children and they all survive her with the exception of one son, Mike, who died at Mooringsport, La., in 1899.

Mrs. Mary Smith, Tom J. Humphreys, of Garrison, Mrs. Mattie Manning, of Mt. Moriah neighborhood, Mrs. Adaline Williams, of Garrison, Mrs. Kid Pixley, of Trinity county, Lemuel Humphreys, Jack Humphreys, of Fort Bend county, Wm. Humphreys and Mrs. Pamela Edgings, of this place.

Mrs. Humphreys will be buried by the side of her husband at Cold Springs this evening.

## Changed to Huntington.

McNeil Chapman went down to New Homer Saturday night and returned Monday. He reports New

## Old and Mellow

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J. D. MCKNIGHT, PROP.

Homer gone from the map forever. The postal authorities objected to the name on the ground that the name and place was too near Homer which is also a postoffice. Mr. Chapman states that the name of the new town is Huntington, named in honor of C. P. Huntington, of the Southern Pacific system, and is about one mile this side of the site of New Homer. Two saloons are already on the ground and also two large dry goods establishments. The saloons are in tents as yet, but are having houses built. Huntington is between the Frost Road and the T. & N. O. at their junction, and Mr. Chapman predicts that a large town will be built there before long. The passenger train with three coaches comes up daily at 3 o'clock p. m. and Mr. Chapman says the Galveston news and other daily papers will reach Nacogdoches 12 hours earlier than over the H. E. & W. T. unless the present schedule is changed. This will be an important item within itself to all the people of this town and county. The run from Beaumont to Dallas will perhaps be changed so as to make the entire run in the daylight.

## Farmers' Congress.

Houston, Tex., May 26.—Sam H. Dixon, a member of the executive committee of the Farmer's congress, is in the city. He says everything points to a successful meeting of the congress in July. The railroads have indicated they would give favorable rates. They are also assisting materially in getting up an exhibit. The executive committee will hold a meeting in Houston next week, when a program will be outlined and promulgated for information of those interested.

## The Eclipse.

The eclipse of the sun Monday held the undivided attention of the city for about an hour. It was an interesting sight—one never witnessed before by many people, and one that a great many will never see again. This was an eclipse of the sun and was caused by the moon passing between the earth and sun and shutting off its light. When the earth passes between the sun and moon the light is shut off from the moon and night is dark. This phenomenon proves that the moon has no light of its own. If a globe be suspended in the sunshine a long tapering shadow will project into space opposite the sun. The moon, which is a huge globe likewise has a long shadow which finally tapers to a point. This shadow if near enough falls upon the earth as it revolves toward the sun. The length of this shadow varies slightly with the distance



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of the moon from the sun, but its average length is about 232,000 miles, but owing to the eccentricity of its orbit this distance varies from 221,614 to 252,972 miles. If the moon is close to the earth when it passes between the earth and the sun the width of the shadow on the earth will be wider, of course, than when the moon further away. The moon at its closest point, however, could not make a shadow more than 167 miles wide, while it could be so far away as not to touch the earth at all. The shadow of the eclipse this morning was 52 miles wide, and to all places in the path of that shadow the eclipse was total, while to all places east or west of it the eclipse was partial. In New Orleans it was total. Fifty miles beyond Galveston in the Gulf of Mexico it was also total.

During the next twenty years several total eclipses of the sun will occur, but only one will be visible in the United States. It will occur on June 8, 1918, and extend across the United States from Oregon to Florida, which is a direction exactly opposite as that taken by today's eclipse. The least possible number of eclipses that can occur in a year is two, and they will both be central eclipses of the sun. The greatest possible number is seven—five of the sun and two of the moon. A careful investigation of the recurrence of eclipses will show that they are repeated at a regular interval of eighteen years eleven and one-third days.

After the lapse of this time, therefore, we shall have another total eclipse of the sun like the one today. Each recurring eclipse falls about 120 degrees to the west. The phenomenon this morning will not be forgotten soon. The skies were clear, and the thoughts suggested by this silent and awe-inspiring wonder should lead us all to realize more fully the majesty of that Power who guides with such precision the infinite hosts of heaven through all eternity "along that broad and ample way whose dust is gold and pavement stars."



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For State Senator,

J. T. BEATTY.

Subject to the action of the democracy of this the 14th Senatorial District.

For Representative 32nd District

R. W. HALTOM.

For District Judge:

GEO. F. INGRAHAM.

TOM C. DAVIS.

Subject to the action of the democracy of the 2nd Judicial District.

For County Judge:

V. E. MIDDLEBROOK.

For District Clerk:

CLIFTON WELLS.

For County Tax Assessor:

R. A. HALL.

For County Tax Collector:

H. L. TURNER.

For County Treasurer:

ZENO COX.

For Sheriff:

W. J. CAMPBELL.

For County Attorney:

GEO. S. KING.

For County Clerk:

E. M. WEEKS.

For County Commissioner:

JNO. W. LEWIS.

For Justice of the Peace:

W. D. PEEVEY.

For Constable:

BOB TAYLOR.

## TUESDAY.

Sam Hunt of Appleby was in the city this morning.

P. H. Lambert of Swift came up to town today.

Joe M. Blackshear has moved from Fairview to Appleby.

Three cases of measles are reported at Mr. Burkhalter's home.

Several drummers are in town today rustling their customers.

Rev. Castleberry, of Dorr creek community, was in the city this morning.

Henry Sealbach of Garrison gave The Sentinel an agreeable call this morning.

A. E. Linthicum, of Sterne, is in the city today, and reports his little child quite sick.

A. W. Eddings is having his new residence painted and R. E. Mims has charge of the job.

W. H. Overall and daughter, Miss Lilly, paid The Sentinel a pleasant call this morning.

John Dickerson of Cove Springs was in town this morning with a load of chickens.

R. C. Gramling moved his shop several days ago to Pecan street near the Catholic church.

Hon John B. Stripling of Melrose was in town today. No news of interest is reported from Melrose.

Amos Rawlinson of Flower Mountain was in the city today. Health good and farmers all very busy up there.

Fishing is the order of the day, and various parties have hied themselves away to the cooling shades of lakes and creeks.

Fern lake is six miles from Nacogdoches in a south west direction and about one fourth of a mile west of the Procella public road.

Mr. J. M. McCuiston had some fortune to get a thumb nail by the circular saw

at his mill northeast of town this morning.

George Muckleroy, of Martinsville, was in town this morning.

B. B. Haltom, of Swift, paid his regular Tuesday visit to this city to-day. He is about as prompt as Uncle Buck Lacey.

Lloyd Bowers, Jr. and Geo. Partin went out to Durst lake Monday evening on a fishing excursion and expect to remain several days.

Mr. Mills and family, Mrs. Barron and children, Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Hill and Miss Bessie Graham spent the day at Taylor's mill pond.

Dr. Swaggerty of Emporia and Mr. Scott, bookkeeper of Emporia Lumber Co., are in the city prospecting for business and residence location.

Rumors of a big business deal in town are rife today. Nacogdoches is building so fast that it takes a good sized transaction to attract much attention.

The grading outfit of Williams & Miles moved up from 19 miles this side of Rockland this morning, and will grade the first mile north from the crossing on Pillar street.

S. W. Hunt, of Appleby, was in the city this morning and paid The Sentinel a short visit. Mr. Hunt says crops are now growing off nicely, and there is promise of a good corn crop.

Prof. G. B. Layton of Trinity was in town this morning. He is ready to commence the job of enumerating the census on the first of June. On the first of July he will go to Minden to help in the summer normal to be taught there.

Judge Middlebrook on the 1st of June will commence on the county school rolls. After all the rolls are consolidated they will be compared with the list as shown by the assessor's roll. It is a three months job, but two extra hands will be employed and the work finished in June.

## WEDNESDAY.

Hon Tom C. Davis is in town today.

Dr. Shippey, of Etoile, was in the city today.

Charlie Flannagan, of Henderson, is in town today.

Jean Williamson and Louis Dillard, of Toliver, were in town today.

The frame work of Will Pearson's new residence is completed.

D. C. Mast, of Melrose, is in the city today on a short business visit.

Walter and Bub Thurston, of Pilgrim Rest community, were in the city this morning.

Mrs. Alice Spradley and Miss Gracie Linthicum have gone to Lawsonville on a visit to relatives.

Ellis Hall returned this morning from a visit to his brother, Prof. O. P. Hall at Livingston.

R. A. Hudman, of Melrose, came to town today and reports that very little rain fell out that way last night.

The young folks on north street defied the elements last

night and engaged the hospitalities of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Bowers till after midnight.

Cal Eddings and Ben Nations of the Harmony hill neighborhood were in town this morning and reports the Moral creek out of its bank and still rising.

Dr. A. B. McCurdy, pastor of the First Baptist church at Longview, will occupy the Baptist pulpit next Sunday at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. He is an able preacher and no one should fail to hear him.

Major Chandler, of Pisgah community, was in the city to-day and reports a good deal of sickness in his neighborhood, especially in the families of John Simpson and Jim Blacksher.

C. A. Hodge sold his 39 acre piece of land over on South Fredonia Hill to Mr. Townsend, of Angelina county, for \$1,000 cash. Mr. Townsend has recently invested quite heavily in Nacogdoches real estate.

The Sentinel was in error yesterday in stating that the Stone Fort Rifles were called out on account of mob rumors. Such was not the case. The Rifles were called together to attend to some routine of business and did not know of the mob rumors.

We have to take it all back. The reason The Weekly Sentinel failed to reach Melrose week before last was because the mailing clerk addressed the packages to Chireno instead of Melrose. The aforesaid m. c. has been killed and skinned, and his hide stretched on a pole. He'll never make another such a blunder.

## Taking the Census.

The count of the people of the United States will begin in all parts of the country June 1, and end in the cities two weeks later and in the rest of the country before the close of the month. The people are to be counted at their places of residence, but as many persons and families will be away from their homes during June there is some danger that such persons will not be counted. If they are not counted, the locality in which they live will be misrepresented to that extent, and in some cases this misrepresentation may be enough to affect the representation in congress of the state from which they come. Local pride and state pride, therefore, should influence all such absentees to take reasonable precautions against being omitted from enumeration in their places of residence. Such omissions are most likely to occur in the large cities where families close their homes and go elsewhere for the summer. The occurrence of the Paris exposition this year is likely to increase the number absent from the country.

In all cases of contemplated absence the head of the family is requested by the Census Office to communicate with the supervisor of the district in which he lives. He is also requested to leave information regarding his answers to the questions which are to be asked with some responsible

neighbor who will agree to see that it reaches the enumerator on his rounds. Such information might better be left as a memorandum in writing, as in that case it is less likely to be overlooked. The questions to which answers are desired apply primarily to the population, but also to all farms and manufacturing establishments. They are being published from time to time in the press of the country.

By taking this trouble the absent citizen will do justice to his locality and his state, and materially aid the Census Office in the performance of its duties.

## TERRIFIC WATERSPOUT AT DOUGLASS

### Doings of the Day.—Wants to Encourage the Brave Boys.

Editor, Sentinel:

Douglass, Tex., May 30.—This locality was visited last night by a perfect waterspout, causing the creeks and branches to overflow their banks, sweeping fences, crops and everything else movable before it. The damage cannot be estimated yet. Fences on some of the farms are so badly washed away that it will cause the people to run fences across the public roads and put in gates for the present. It is especially so on Mr. Campbell's farm. It will be from 5 to 10 days before any farm work can be done, owing to the nature of the land. At this time the chance of making a full crop looks to be impossible. On many bottom farms the corn is drowned out. Some are going to plow up and plant again in June corn. Mr. B. K. King has ordered seed corn. Many farmers had to plant cotton the second time, and some have just finished planting. Others have left off planting as much as they would under favorable weather conditions. But few, if any, are done hoeing the first time. Grass and weeds are growing rapidly. The crop prospect is very gloomy. People, as usual, are well. No sickness worth mentioning.

A goodly number of people responded to a call to clean off the Douglass grave yard last Thursday, the 24th inst. We cut most of the undergrowth. There'll be another date fixed soon to meet and finish up the work that is so badly needed.

Quite a crowd was in Douglass on the 24th to witness the examining trial of J. A. Carnes. Examination was waived and Carnes gave bond to await the action of the grand jury.

Messrs Reed and Rushing, the singing men, entertained quite a crowd at the church Sunday night with vocal music.

Sheriff Campbell spent several days last week in and around Douglass. Willie Campbell was here Sunday.

Hurrah for "Jack the Ripper!" Would vote for him, "shore," if Will Haltom was not in the race. Come again, Jack. Boost up the "boys." They need some encouragement.

R. W. M.

RUSSIA is preparing to land troops at Taku from Port Arthur.

## THE NEW DEMOCRACY.

In 1896 the democracy wrested their organization from the hands of old leaders and brought the party back to its old time principles and ideals. And its mast head was nailed a pledge to bring about such legitimate reforms in the government as would correct the abuses that had for years born unevenly on the people and constituted a just cause of complaint.

In the adoption of the Chicago platform by the democrats an opportunity was presented to test the sincerity of all genuine reformers throughout the country without reference to party. If those who had cried loud and spared not at the present condition of governmental affairs, actually desired a change in favor of right and justice, the opportunity was at hand.

Especially was the opportunity propitious to the professions of the populist leaders and the patriotism and loyalty to principles of those who had joined that movement. It was found when their national convention met at St. Louis in 1896 that the party was seriously divided upon the most vital principles of its existence. It was rent with internal disagreements and harassed by the ambitions of self-seeking and time-serving politicians whose lives had been spent in the ranks of the republican and democratic parties. The honest and genuine populist element of the convention had therefore to contend against the schemes and machinations of dishonest and unscrupulous shysters, many of whom represented states where the populist party had no voting strength or influence.

Under such circumstances it was with difficulty that the honest and conscientious element was able to control the convention. Indisputable evidence was at hand attesting the sincerity of the party leaders in all the states where the party had grown strong and had become a political factor. We mean the reform leaders and not the middle of the road disorganizers. The convention—or that is, the reform element of it, endorsed the democratic candidate for president, and while not agreeing with the democrats upon a candidate for the vice-presidency, an agreeable adjustment was finally reached between the various committees in charge of the campaign so that the majority strength of the party was given the democratic candidate for the presidency.

The total number of votes cast for the Bryan and Watson ticket was 222,207. Of this number Alabama gave 24,089, California 2,123, Colorado 2,589, Florida 2,053, Illinois 1,090, Kansas 46,194, Maine 2,487, Massachusetts 15,181, Mississippi 7,517, Nevada 575, New Hampshire 379, Ohio 2,615, Pennsylvania 11,174, Tennessee 4,525, Texas 75,572, Vermont 458, Wyoming 286. Fusion electors were agreed upon between the democrats, populists and silver republicans in Arkansas, Colorado, Idaho, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana,

Nebraska, New Jersey, North Carolina, North Dakota, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, South Dakota, Utah, Washington, West Virginia, Wisconsin, Wyoming.

AN epidemic of diphtheria is playing havoc among the horses in Travis county.

THE Marquis of Salisbury has decided to retire from politics at the next general election.

THE finance of Germany are reported to be in very bad condition.

GOOD schools are what we need a little worse than nearly anything else.

THE anniversary of the Commune is being celebrated in all parts of France.

THE open door policy in the Philippines is against the commerce of the United States.

NEARLY every nation in Europe is making gigantic preparations for war, one way or another.

THE republicans are liable to lose Ohio this year sure. This assertion is based on facts and figures, and not guess work.

IN a few more years, unless something is done to educate the boys that daily loiter on the streets, Nacogdoches will have no use for a school-house of any kind.

THE Transvaal Republic is about to pass from the map of the world, and the Boers, refusing to become subjects of Great Britain, are preparing to evacuate the country and seek other climes.

RIGHT on the heels of the fact that the temperance people were about to run McKinley in on the canteen question, comes the news that Columbia college students had inaugurated a beer drinking contest.

THE tenth annual reunion of Confederate veterans will commence at Louisville, Ky., tomorrow. Everything has been done to make the reunion a success in every particular and it is estimated that at least 15,000 veterans will be in attendance.

WITH the bubonic plague in San Francisco, tariff in Porto Rico, postoffice scandals in Cuba, contract labor in Hawaii, corruption in the Philippines and a national campaign at the door, the people will have enough to interest them for awhile at least.

## Notice.

Bids wanted for clearing 40 acres of land. The undersigned will receive sealed bids until 12 m. June 10, 1900, for clearing 40 acres of land, the proposed "Fern Lake," about 6 miles southwest from Nacogdoches on the Procella road. Work to be completed by July 20th.

Right reserved to reject any and all bids. For President Fern Lake Club.