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News From Far and Near.

GENERAL.

Congress will meet Monday the 3d of December.

The Baptists, in their late convention at Chattanooga declared in favor of prohibition.

Forty million dollars will be required for the payment of pensions during the fiscal year.

Louisiana has 213,000 illiterate voters, or nearly two-thirds of its voting population is unable to read or write. It has 297,300 inhabitants over ten years old who cannot read.

A dispatch from Kansas City says Elder Morgan a Mormon missionary passed through the city en route to Salt Lake, with seventy-eight recruits from the southern states. The proselytes are most ignorant, appearing to have no idea of Mormonism.

Dr. Mayo, a prominent educator, says: "Schools for artisans, to teach mechanical industries are greatly needed in the Southern States. The South wants more artisans and mechanics, but so far fails to educate persons to fill these positions."

About 200 stockmen assembled at Chicago recently for the purpose of organizing a National Stock association. The association pledged itself to make an effort to have the national government take action to prevent the spread of contagious diseases among cattle.

Several cases of a contagious disease, known as swell-head, have developed among the cattle in the yards at Chicago. The disease is the result of a lodgement of a microscopic plant in the teeth, so say the scientific men who have made examinations.

The Terrill asylum will accommodate 220 patients.

Cattle shipments still continue heavy from Wichita Falls, Kansas. Young county raised about 60,000 bushels of wheat this season.

Grass and water are reported abundant in Uvalde county.

The meat and ice company at Columbus has commenced work.

Nearly 200 students in attendance at the Texas University, at Austin.

Corsicana shipped 3000 bales of cotton in one week during October.

The Agricultural and Mechanical college has about 100 students in attendance.

The streets of Abilene have been almost impassable on account of recent rains.

On ploughed ground the frozen crust was about an eighth of an inch the 16th inst. at Waxahatchee.

Several wealthy Tarrant county farmers propose to make exhibits at the New Orleans exposition.

Ranchmen are pushing out from Fort Davis into hitherto wild and entirely uninhabited country.

San Antonio has formed a company to ship dressed beef and mutton refrigerators, and to tan the hides of the slaughtered cattle.

Five hundred and sixty white and sixty negro children are enrolled in the Terrill public schools.

The New Braunfels Woolen Mills manufactures 3000 yards of cloth and 200 pairs of blankets per week.

A horse hitled to a float was frightened to death by the passing of the chucks in the procession of Cole's circus at Waxahatchee.

Dallas, November 13.—The gambling prosecutions were begun in the county court today. A jury was secured and the first case placed on trial. The examination of witnesses was begun, and the counsel for the state and defense began fighting for positions, so to speak, the object being to see how far the law will shield the sporting jurisdiction with the county court, and receive a lighter penalty on the general plea of having gambled than would be received in the county court by trial on separate bills of indictment. Thus far it has been a sort of "dog-fall" as regards substantial advantages for either side by the courts ruling. There are upwards of 1,000 cases against about a dozen gamblers one of them having one hundred and twenty-five separate bills of indictment to his credit, and if convicted on all of them his fine, regardless of imprisonment costs, lawyer fees etc, will reach nearly \$10,000. If convictions are had the gamblers propose appealing their cases to the court of appeals. The general impression is that hung juries will generally be the result. The defense of the gamblers is based on former conviction and punishment for the offense charged.

## The Battle of Man vs. Money.

WENDELL PHILLIPS says that the contest is to be man against money, and he never uttered a truer sentiment. Man against money! What is the meaning of it? It means that the mind shall be recognized as superior to matter; that thought shall have greater weight in the councils of the nation than dollars and cents; that the living creature shall have government, education, commerce, society and all that pertains to civilization shaped exclusively for his benefit, and not in the interest of what beyond a certain limit is wholly meaningless and valueless. The necessity of the conflict in this country is apparent to every observer. Beginning with our late war, the man has received less and less attention while money has received more and more. In the hour of the nation's peril every man who was in proper physical condition and of right age, was compelled to stand ready to shoulder his musket and march to the front. No excuse would avail him, if he fell to him; and there was no question of the right of the government to make this demand of the citizen. But money was sacred. The government was denied the right to "draft" a dollar, and at times was utterly unable to get a dollar even though it bent on its knees and begged for it. Since then, as we have said, the difference between the man and the dollar has been growing greater and greater. Our government has been run almost entirely for the benefit of the dollar. The public money and the public lands have been given away to please the dollar. Monopolies have sprung up and been fostered by the government to satisfy the dollar. Personal rights have been getting less and less substantial and justice and liberty themselves have been officially insulted because the dollar demanded the outrage. Education is largely in the interest of money. Our colleges and higher schools are engaged in teaching the principles of political science which have been largely instrumental in destroying every nation that has gone before those now existing. The political economy taught in these places, is that which has been conceived under conditions that favored the few and discriminated against the many. And while this is true of our higher schools, our common school system is to a disheartening extent engaged in imparting comparatively useless, knowledge, because wealth demands it. Commerce is wholly for the benefit of the dollar. All our trouble with railroads is the result of the dollar demanding the whole loaf, leaving the welfare of the man out of consideration altogether. The producer is fleeced because of the unlimited greed of the capital. Society rests upon the dollar. Whoever has wealth is admitted to the charmed circle. Whoever has none is barred out, and the country is run in the interest of money.

The most valuable thing in this world is a man. This world was made for him or he was made for the world, it matters not which. All that the world is he has made it. He found it a rough world and beautified it; he found it over run with briars and thorns and he has covered it with beauty; he found that it contained in its bosom valuable treasure and he dug it out; he has adorned it with cities and paintings and statuary; he has founded beneficent governments in his own blood; organized society out of chaos, built school houses for the education of the children; built railroads and established commerce and has made it a grand old world. It is his world. This is his country; this is his government, and "by the Eternal" the government must be conducted in his interests, and not in the interest of gold and silver bullion coined into dollars. Man first and money second, is to be the rallying cry of the masses henceforth, until justice to mankind in all the spheres of life, is enthroned beyond the possibility of dethronement.—Western Rural.

## A Festival of Flowers.

Extract from "Indian Life," by Mrs. Sarah Winnemucca Hopkins. MANY years ago my people used to celebrate the festival of flowers in the spring of the year. I have been to three of them in the course of my life. Oh, with what delight we girls used to watch every spring for the time when we could meet with our heart's delight, the young men whom in civilized life you call beaux. We would all go in company to see if the flowers we were named for were yet in bloom, for almost all the girls were named for flowers. We talked about them in our wigwams, telling our family of them, thus: "Oh, I saw myself today in bloom!" We would talk of ourselves in this way all the evening with such delight and such beautiful thoughts of the happy day when we should meet with those who admired us, and helped us to sing the flower songs. But we were always sorry for those that were not named after some flower, because we knew they could not join in the flower songs like ourselves, who were named for flowers of all kinds. At last one evening came a beautiful voice which made every girl's heart throb with happiness. It was the chief, and every one hushed to hear what he said to-day. "My dear daughters, we are told that you have seen yourselves in the hills and in the valleys in full bloom. Five days from tonight your festival day will come. I know every young man's heart stops beating while I am talking. I know how it was with me long days ago. I used to wish the flower festival would come every day. Dear young men and young women, you are saying, "Why put it off five days?" You all know that it is our rule. It gives you time to think, and to show your secret heart your flower." All the girls who have flower names go together, and those who have not go together also. Our fathers and mothers and grandfathers make a place for them where they can dance. Each one gathers the flower she is named for, and scarfs, and dress them up. The girls who are not named for flowers go by themselves. Some are named for rocks, and are called rock-girls, and they find some pretty rocks, which they carry, each one such a rock as she is named for, or whatever she is named for. They can take a branch of sage brush, or of rye grass, which have no flower. They go marching along each girl singing of herself, and her sweetheart dancing along by her side and making up pretty songs about the flowers. I will repeat what we say of ourselves: "I, Sarah Winnemucca, am named for the Shell flower which is I wear on my dress. It is called som-toni. My flower is so beautiful! Who will come and dance with me while I am so beautiful! I shall be beautiful while the earth lasts; and who will come and be happy with me in the spirit land? I shall be beautiful forever there. Yes, yes, I shall be more beautiful than the shell-flower, my som-toni. Then come, oh come! and dance and be happy with me." The young men make up songs about our flowers as they dance outside of us as we march, and we sing them together. Our parents are waiting for us some where to welcome us home. And then we praise the sage brush and rye grass that have no flower, and the pretty rocks that some are named for, and then present our beautiful flowers to those companions all are happy, and that closes the beautiful day.

We no longer have this beautiful festival. We are not happy enough now. Our mothers do not wish to have any more daughters since we are driven from our homes, for they cannot be safe or happy even in their mothers' presence. O, good people of the United States, give us a home.

## Wool-Growing in Texas.

A CORRESPONDENT asks for information about Texas as a wool-growing State. The rapid development of the wool industry in Texas has been repeatedly noticed in our columns, and the advantages that State offers for this important branch of husbandry have been frequently set forth. We need not recapitulate these advantages, but give instead the experience of Mr. J. H. Chamberlain, which contains the information asked for by our correspondent. Having spent my childhood and early manhood on a sheep farm of the Green Mountain State, and from that soil embarking for the Lone Star State, twenty-two years ago, with a selected flock of Merinos, which with their descendants have been bred by me to this day and I can say since old enough to render service, much of it, each year, has been devoted to the fleecy kind. And hence, I ought not to be, and am not, at a loss for knowledge to conduct my vocation satisfactorily. The history of the wool-growing business of Texas during the past year has been marked as a grand progressive one. Thousands, yes, millions of acres of land, heretofore little more productive to the use of our State and nation than the sands of her sea-shores, have been secured and set apart for the production of meat and wool for the nation's use. A leading manufacturer wisely stated that the United States should so far as they can, produce what the demands of the United States require, and the policy of our Government should be such as to encourage and enable our citizens to accomplish this desired end. Not least among the encouragements to the unparalleled growth of sheep industry in Texas, is the sound policy of our Government in protecting the wool-growing interests from foreign competition, and the hope and expectancy that the same national policy course will be continued. The production of thirty million pounds of wool on Texas soil the past year shows not only accumulated wealth to the individual who had it clipped and marketed, but wealth to the State and nation. The wool-growing business of Texas last year has not only added to the public benefits mentioned above, but has been instrumental in doubling the market value of grazing lands, and thus adding enormously to the taxable property of the State. Manufacturers now look to Texas not only for the quantity of wool not heretofore found in the United States, to any considerable extent. It is the high grade wool, possessing length, strength, firmness, evenness, softness, and lustre, as grown by some of our most enterprising flock masters, and is used in the manufacture of the best Merino goods, as has been for some time in Australia. Several ranches of thoroughbred sheep have been established the past year by men of energy and experience, and some of the old breeders of this class of stock have had their flocks registered, thus showing a determination to supply the needed demand in the near future for this class of stock, from our own State. In another way the wool-growers of Texas have made a grand progressive stride in the business. The importance of origination is being appreciated, and heretofore unknown interest has been manifested in our State Wool-Growers' Association, and also county and district associations have been formed among our flock-masters all over the wool-growing portions of our State. We have among our brotherhood engaged with the flocks, a large class of men of princely means, and qualifications for filling the highest positions of trust, in State or nation; and we have the coming men, who now, without means, exper-

## ence, or influence, have laid hold of the bottom round of the ladder—and as sure as they turn not back, but ascend, step by step—the top round will be reached and success assured. If there are those who attempt to bound from the lower to the topmost round of the ladder of the wool growing business at one leap, they may expect a sure and grand failure. Of the 50,000,000 of sheep now in the United States, more than one-tenth of them are in Texas. While the percentage of increase last year is unprecedented and a generally healthy condition has been reported, the disease known as Lombriz among lambs has been reported from some sections. Whatever this disease may be, or its cause, I believe it is conceded that lambs kept upon short fresh grass, and on high and rolling prairie, with none but pure water to drink, and kept in a thriving condition, will not suffer with Lombriz. About the usual amount of scab has existed this year as formerly, but which if permitted to remain long in a flock, proves very damaging, but as this disease becomes better understood, and certain remedies known and used, less is said about it, and more labor done to eradicate it. As a specific, lime, sulphur, and tobacco, each have their advocates. Quite a considerable loss was experienced among their lamb herds during the latter part of the summer, caused in some cases, evidently, from the effect of mosquito beads. In others the cause is not clear, and attributed to results produced by the gadfly, and also to a diseased condition of the system, produced by eating bad grasses. I have not known an individual case of failure in wool-growing in Texas, when the manager has given his personal attention to his flock, and used a reasonable amount of energy and practical common sense. About the portion of the State to grow sheep, I will say any section where rolling lands and good water can be secured, is suited to the sheep. "Stewart's Shepherd's Manual" is the best work for reference. —Prairie Farmer.

## WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From Our Regular Correspondent.)

ONE of the most interesting Departments of the Government is the Treasury Department, that branch of the public service having the handling of the people's money. The revenues collected from the industries of fifty million prosperous people are paid into this Department, and the great sums expended for the maintenance of the public interests are paid out by it. Next to the Post Office Department it employs the greatest number of persons of any branch of the civil service, in all near twenty thousand. The Treasury Department Building is always a place of the first interest in the minds of visitors to the National Capital. Not a day passes but many parties may be seen walking along the marble corridors, and into the strong rooms of this building under the charge of guides, seven of whom are employed for the especial purpose of showing visitors around. The pleasure of handling a million dollars, in a lump, is a privilege allowed to visitors to vaults, and there is generally some one waiting for the chance to "heft" it. The million dollar package is made up of 1000 cancelled \$1000. bills. The employees call it "The visitor's Dummy," "Col. Seller's Fortune" etc, and pretend to watch the holders of it with suspicious anxiety. There are many millions of dollars, in gold and silver and currency behind the iron bars and within the stone walls of the Treasury Building. Very few visitors are permitted behind the enclosures where the money is kept, but all may look through the grated door and see the great pack-

## ages of bills, and stamps, and the golden harvest of coin. The system of watching employees is very perfect. The large vault doors open and close by combination time locks, which are set to open at 8:30 a. m., and close at 4 p. m. They cannot be opened in the meantime, that is between the afternoon and morning. Before the hour of four arrives a balance must be obtained of all the transactions of the day. Those who handle the money, not receipted back from them, are carefully searched from head to foot before leaving the building. In this way, and by keeping an army of guards, Uncle Sam preserves his treasures from molestation. In the transaction of the immense mass of business devolving upon the Treasury Department, it is necessarily divided up into Divisions, Bureaus, each of which is of great importance. The Secretary of the Treasury, now Hon. Chas. J. Folger of New York, has oversight of all. There are the first and second Assistant Secretaries; Mr. Jno. C. New, First Assistant Secretary has charge of appointments, Warrants, Estimates, Appropriations, Public Money, Printing, Loans and Currency, Bureau of Engraving and Printing, etc. Mr. H. F. French the second Assistant Secretary has supervision of Customs, Special Agents, Revenue Marine, Supervising Architect of office, Life Saving Service, Marine Hospital, Bureau of Statistics, Steamboat Inspection, etc. The Secretary himself deals with the larger relations of these affairs and offices. He digests and prepares plans for the improvement and management of the revenue, and the support of the public credit, acts under the direction of Congress as the fiscal agent of the Government. Prescribes the forms of keeping these public accounts; issues warrants for the payment of money, makes reports and gives information to the President and to Congress and submits at the commencement of each session of Congress, the estimates of the probable receipts and expenditures for the ensuing fiscal year. This enumerates in a general way most of the important branches of work of the Treasury Department. The general Divisions however have their separate organizations and branches. For instance there are six auditors of accounts, or general book-keepers of grand divisions. The First Auditor has charge of Treasury accounts proper. The Second and Third Auditors keep the army and accounts of Indian affairs. The Fourth Auditor supervises the Navy bills. The Fifth Auditor keeps the State Department books, and the Sixth Auditor is accountant in chief for the Postal Service. Then there is the Treasurer who has direct charge of the Treasury Cash; the Register who keeps the great account books, all of which are part and parcel of the great system which revolves about a Central Sun, the golden revenues of the United States.

## Cosmopolitan Texas.

People from every country come to Texas, and bring with them all the improvements, inventions and advantages in the world. We know how to cultivate and garden the harvests of the North, or the crops of the South. All of the inventions and progress of the United States, England, France, Germany and other countries, are now being brought into Texas. The handles of our plows come from England; the beams from Germany; the shares from France, and the points we make ourselves. The mule is a Tennessean and the plowman may be an Austrian. But the combination is a good one, and the result is a rapid and thorough development of our agriculture resources. Some of the railroads in Texas are the best, considering that they are new that were ever constructed. Yet portions of these roads were built

## at the rate of five miles per day. The skill and energy of the world have been combined in building some of the roads of this state. Texas is advancing more rapidly now than any other state in the Union. In many of the old States the people rest on their oars in some shady, quiet pool, close to shore; but there are no such nooks in Texas. We are now in the current and nothing but energetic and skillful swimming will win. But the surroundings here do much to qualify one for his task by presenting to him all the appliances and lessons of the world.—Bracon Pilot.

## The Address of Dr. Heygood of Georgia, at the North Texas Conference, at McKinney.

Dr. Heygood spoke on the general subject of christian education. He antagonized the idea that common schools, conducted by state authority leads to unbelief. Higher education without Christ, does breed a race of infidels. The history of education confirms the statement. It is not in the teaching of the "three R's," that there is opportunity for teaching either religion or unbelief; this opportunity comes when the student enters ethics, metaphysics and history. In Germany infidelity did not arise in the common schools, but in the gymnasium and university. At this time I am not discussing the state university, but the duty of the church to establish thoroughly a university of her own. For what ever may be true of subjects not discussed here to-night this is true beyond question: Higher education without Christ, does breed a race of infidels. The church should not oppose common schools supported by the state. For, first, the church has no substitute for the state system; second, the state system is the American system, and it has come to stay. We will not change facts by theories; the common school is here and the church should make the most of it. The speaker said that he had been charged with inconsistency in that ten years ago he had made a speech opposing the common school. Such criticisms are of small moment; many things he once believed to be true he does not now believe. A man who thinks and recognizes facts must modify many opinions. His platform now is: A system of public schools that provides opportunity for primary education for every child of every race in the republic, as to questions incidental, as the reading of the Bible in the public schools, let them be determined by local authorities. (There is more danger of centralization at the state capitals in their relation to municipalities than of centralization at Washington in relation to state governments.) Let the church provide college and university education and keep the state in better establishments of the common schools. The church wants colleges not to rear preachers, but preachers, teachers, lawyers, doctors, farmers, artisans. The speaker congratulated Texas on her opportunity to make a grand system of public schools, and the Texas conferences on their harmony of views as to the Southwestern University. He expressed his gratification that the system of co-education had been adopted at Georgetown, and expected the best results.

## The Marvelous Singing Doll.

This charming novelty is advertised in this issue, and certainly nothing will appeal more quickly to the children than a Doll that will sing a song. The price is very reasonable, the Doll is a beautiful affair, and the ingenious singing attachment will delight the young and amuse the old. The little girl who finds a Weber Doll "in her stocking" at Christmas will be the envy of all.

## We had the pleasure of a car ride from the Fort to Whitesboro last Saturday night, with four leading Kentucky capitalists who have invested in the cow business in Coleman county. They were on their return from Austin to their homes in central Kentucky. The parties were Ephiam Sayers, banker, and Mr. Hocker of Lexington, and Wm. Tarr and Geo. White, large distillers of Bourbon county. They expressed themselves well pleased with Texas and will make frequent visits to our state.—Stock Journal.

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Meat—Country \$0.80  
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Tea—Choice \$0.60  
Spices—Choice \$0.50  
Hides—Choice \$0.40  
Tallow—Choice \$0.30  
Wool—Choice \$0.25  
Cotton—Choice \$0.20  
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The morning was cold and by 10 o'clock the cotton fields showed the effects of the last night's frost, which was the first of the season.

At Elliot & Roe's lumber yard I met our genial friend Buskin, late of this place, who knows just how to treat his customers, and would be glad to see his many Jack county friends.

At Cameron & Co.'s yard I met both Mr. Bowie and John H. Brown. These gentlemen are also Jack county men and will be glad at any time for their many friends to call. They know just how to fit a man out in lumber and are ever ready to do you a favor.

Eddleman & Davis are in their new stone building, and are doing a heavy business which their promptness and fair dealing so much deserves.

If you want to buy furniture, or other furnishing goods go to Rider, Yantis & Co. They are the most extensive furniture dealers in Weatherford. See their card elsewhere.

Then there is Coon, Flanary & Co., Wholesale Grocers. This is the place for grocery merchants to buy their goods and save freight, as they sell as cheap as any Jobbing House in Texas. See their card in another column.

If you want a genuine Singer sewing machine go to Henry Miller. He has them, and he wants an agent in Jack county.

There are merchants too numerous to mention who are losing trade and money by not advertising in the CITIZEN.

We called at the Sun office and found its five editors dispensing sunshine in all directions.

We met Col. Smyth on the street, who is always on time—and is ever ready to give you a genial shake of the hand and a good word.

From the appearance of the farms and roads in Parker county, we judge the citizens are a wide awake enterprising people.

J. N. R.

A Stock Journal reporter from Victoria says: The grass is growing, no frost yet, and everything is as green as in May. Stock are in fine condition.

The charter of the Texas, Oklahoma & Kansas railway, \$500,000, capital has been filed, with the object to construct a road from Arkansas Pass through counties Nueces San Patricio, Bee, Refugio, Goliad, Karnes, Wilson, Bexar, Gaudalupe, Kendall, Comal, Hays, Blanco, Gillespie, Llano, San Saba, Brown, Lampasas, Comanche Eastland, Stephens, Threeforkton, Young, Archer, Wichita and Clay, to Red River.

Rev. Daniel Buckner, aged eighty-four, one of the oldest pioneers of Texas and the Indian Territory, was found dead in a small branch of the Trinity river in the suburbs of the city this morning. He has been very feeble for sometime, and it is thought that while out walking he stumbled into the stream by accident and was unable to rescue himself. He has been living with his son, Rev. R. C. Buckner, formerly publisher of the Texas Baptist at Dallas.

Political.

New York, Nov. 12.—Congressman Abram S. Hewitt arrived today from an extended tour through Europe. He had not learned of the great reduction in the democratic majority of New York, and the announcement gave him considerable surprise.

"What effect do you think the reduction will have upon the presidential election?" was asked.

"That is a question of minor significance. The future of the United States does not depend upon the election of a democratic or a republican president. The great issue of the day is: 'Shall the principles upon which our government is founded still be maintained, or shall they be subverted by the machine rule that exists from Massachusetts to Virginia?'"

He said that the democratic loss in New York will have the effect of weakening the power of the bosses in this state the loss will have been without its good effects. In fact I may say that it is a healthy indication that the people have asserted their prerogative of expressing themselves through the ballot-box as their convictions dictate, irrespective of the wishes of leaders, whom they had begun to distrust. The full time for the demolition of the great machine government is at hand. Its power must be broken, or unconsciously we will drift into a whirlpool of despotism as arbitrary as that of in Europe. Under the cloak of 'freedom' and constitutional liberty unprincipled politicians will hold the reins of power; the people will groan beneath unjust taxes, and their interests will be secondary to those of the men whom their votes have placed in office.

The United States is the greatest nation in the world, and it has achieved its greatness and position among nations by the very avenues that are being blocked by demagogues and political tricksters.

Let us run the gamut of the commercial greatness of the principal nations and we will find that where the fullest freedom exists national prosperity follows in proportion. First comes England, next France, then Germany, Austria, and Turkey. Under the vivifying effects of democratic rule Greece is coming to the front in the rank of nations, and her industries, her shipping, and her manufacturers are receiving a new impetus. In fact, I am too full of war against the growing power that is jeopardizing our nation to talk in detail on any other subject. We must overthrow the machine. The people must be awakened to a sense of their great danger, not as republicans or democrats, but as citizens of this great republic, and the political boss must go."

A western member of congress, a republican, called upon the president recently for the purpose of learning whether he intended to leave the country consider him as a candidate for re-nomination. He is a friend and admirer of the president, and said to him: "If you are a candidate, is it not about time that your friends know of it?" After a long talk he came away and said: "I am convinced that the president is not seeking the nomination. If it comes to him I assure you he will highly appreciate the honor, but he has not yet made up his mind to commit himself upon the subject. I think myself that the ticket will be Arthur and Lincoln. Certainly an eastern man is nominated Lincoln will be on the ticket."

Extracts from a letter from China. Written by Dr. Mary W. Miles to her brother, Rev. W. H. Miles of this place.

CANTON, China, Oct. 12, 1888. I am glad my box of Chinese curiosities came while you were at home. I had lots of fun telling the Chinese about you opening it. One of them said, "Why, you should have sent them a pillow that would open since they wanted that kind." Of course they could hardly realize that any one should fail to recognize a pillow when they saw it. But Pie Uk said that my pillows are just like that burden that Christian in Pilgrim's Progress had on his back, and then she laughed heartily. Some of the pillows are very fine, being arranged with little drawers for their jewelry and what not. They use China-ware pillows a great deal. They are smaller and the same width throughout, are hollow, and the hospital women I noticed keep them stuffed with all sorts of rubbish.

The pen you know is a camel's hair brush. I suppose you know that affairs in Canton are not running smoothly. Some very good photographs have been taken of the ruins. I got for a walk on "Shawson" every day now that I am at Dr. Harper's helping to nurse Mrs. Hearst who is very sick. [Mr. Hearst preached in Jacksboro at the Presbyterian church two years ago in September and is now a missionary in Canton, Ed.]

State Press Opinions.

Fairfield Recorder: But the people are going to be so well satisfied with Ireland, that he will be nominated next year, with little or no opposition. John Ireland is every inch a governor.

Meridian Blade: If Gov. Ireland will recommend to the legislature some measure of a more efficient system of road work by which the extra session may prove a blessing to the people.

Denton Chronicle: Dorsey stole thousands of dollars from the Post-office Department and was vindicated. A New Jersey mail agent lately stole six dollars in stamps and three silver dimes, and was sentenced to pay a fine of one thousand dollars or go to prison for a year. Moral—the more you steal the less you suffer. That is nineteenth century justice.

Gazette: Orange growing in Texas is not altogether a thing of fancy. We read of one man, living near Sabine Pass, who made a lumping trade for his crop—twenty dollars per thousand, on the trees. The orange grows luxuriantly in that section, almost rivaling in size and lusciousness, the best product of Florida.

I wrote how she was all one day in a Chinese house right in the midst of the rioters and could not get away as most of the others did to the steamship Ning Po. Now that affairs are in such a critical condition it seems as though fate was against foreigners as to putting them in a bad light. A few nights ago a Shanghai steamer going out ran against a Chinese boat and upset it. The Chinese boat contained Chinese officials. Of course it was the boat's fault, they are always running right across the track of the steamers. They were inclined to make a fuss, and said that lives were lost; but it could not be proved. The officials were obliged to acknowledge that they and the crew were safe, but refused to say how many soldiers they had with them, saying they did not know.

The Chinese are not at all satisfied with the sentence of Logan. To go to prison for seven years is nothing. Imprisonment is not a sentence among them. Their prisoners are those who are waiting their sentence. Miss Noyes tried to explain it to a Kwei. "Going to prison is not with us as with you," she said. "Oh, I know that very well," he said, "your prisons are nice comfortable dwellings, where each has plenty to eat and wear; they were very different." "The majority of the Chinese here have not as comfortable places to live by half, and what more can a man want than to have given him all the necessities of life." Nevertheless, there is not much talk about this affair.

Every one is concerned now for their safety in case the French bombard the city. Very many have rented houses in the country, into which to flee at a moment's warning.

M. W. NILES.

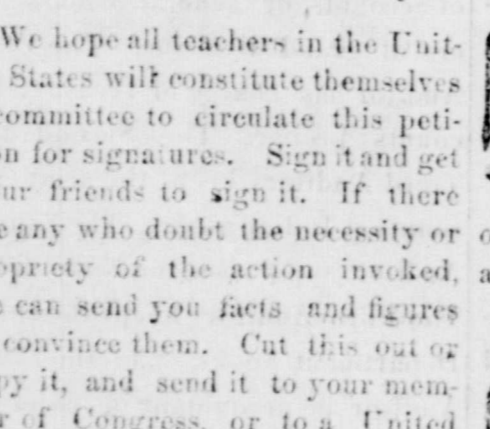
Form of Petition.

To the Congress of the United States of America: The undersigned, citizens of—, believe that the prosperity, happiness and perpetuity of the Republic, and of free institutions, both State and National, depend upon the intelligence and virtue of the people; that ignorance among the masses of the people now exists to such a degree as to threaten the early destruction of these institutions unless its progress can be arrested by the general establishment and liberal support of a system of Public Schools, which shall make the privileges of education in the common branches of knowledge free to all the whole country, without reference to race, color, or previous condition in life; that such a system of schools should be in part established and temporarily, at least supported by contributions from the overflowing treasury of the United States.

We therefore earnestly pray for the enactment of a law embracing in substance the provisions of the bill introduced in the Senate of the United States in the 47th Congress, known as the "Blair Bill," or some other bill making an appropriation of \$50,000,000 to be expended per capita in the several States and Territories of the whole country.

We hope all teachers in the United States will constitute themselves a committee to circulate this petition for signatures. Sign it and get your friends to sign it. If there are any who doubt the necessity or propriety of the action invoked, we can send you facts and figures to convince them. Cut this out or copy it, and send it to your member of Congress, or to a United States Senator from your State.

(Eds. American Journal of Education.)



READ THIS!

I wish to say to the people of Jack County that still have a first class drill and am prepared to do good work in my line of business guaranteeing satisfaction on my part as to strictness of well and quantity of water. Price, under 100 feet 75 cents per foot, under 200 feet, \$1.00 per foot, if each is paid, only 75 cents per foot through to first rock. But if stopped before reaching water, parties must pay me for what I have done. Soliciting your patronage. I am yours truly, T. F. Warden.

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Denton Chronicle: The fence cutting question has even reached Galveston Island, the western part having been cut off from the rest by a wire extending from the bay to the Gulf, but which the County Commissioners has adjudged unlawful, claiming that the owners had no right to fence beyond high water mark. Who said that fence cutting was confined to the 'rustlers'!

Cisco Round-Up: If Gov. Ireland had done nothing else to recommend him to the good opinion of the people, his prompt and positive action in requiring the Gould railroads to put separate coaches on their trains for negro passengers is sufficient to entitle him to the popularity he enjoys. There is no use for the Austin Statesman or 'any other man' to discuss who will be the next governor—Ireland is good enough for Texas.

Dallas Herald: The Chicago Press appreciates the Lone Star State's greatness. It remarks editorially: "With an assessed property valuation of \$520,000,000, Texas stands out as the wealthiest southern state. In 1879 Kentucky was the wealthiest, Virginia being second in order and Texas third. That was about four years ago. Mark the change. In that time Texas has added more to her taxable wealth by \$22,500,000 than the whole state of North Carolina is worth. The increase in that time would buy the state of South Carolina and leave a surplus of over \$100,000,000. As compared to herself she has gained 76.70%."

Notice.

To the Teachers of Jack, and all others interested in the cause of education. At request of some of our leading teachers, I respectfully announce to the public, that there will be a meeting of teachers and others interested in our Free School system at the Court House in Jacksboro, on Saturday Dec. 1, 1889, at 2 o'clock p.m. The object of the call being to prepare a Memorial to the Legislature to amend the School Law, in respect to the salary of teachers and for other necessary changes of the Free School system.

T. M. Jones, County Judge.

THE SICK, WORN AND DEBILITATED should read the advertisement of cod liver oil in this issue.

THE COMPAGNY OF 1884 demands that every voter should be fully posted on the issues of the day, and in order that all may have an opportunity to inform themselves, we offer the



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New Store! New Goods New Prices.

It affords me great pleasure to inform the people of Jack county that I am once more fully prepared to supply all their wants. I have been subjected to delays and have thereby been rather poorly prepared to meet the wants of the public. But having now moved into my new Building can assure you that I am in a very much better condition to sell goods than ever before.

General Merchandise

I have now in stock the largest and best assorted stock of goods ever shown in this market, and am fully determined to control a full share of the trade of the county, if low prices and fair dealings will do so.

It is needless for me to say that I am very grateful to the people of Jack county for their patronage in the past, for I feel that almost every one with whom I have had dealings feels assured that their trade is fully appreciated, and that I have ever been ready and willing to extend any favor in my power. For the future I will say that as I am well fitted for doing business, it shall be my constant aim and intention to see that my customers every want is supplied.

In conclusion I feel I am only doing myself justice in saying I now have the most convenient and best arranged business house in this portion of the country; and that after working long and hard in the old hotel I can but feel proud to be so well prepared to show and sell goods.

Hoping to see not only all my old but also new customers at the "same old corner" I am Yours very truly, JAMES W. KNOX.

J. J. OWENS, DEALER IN Confectionery and Groceries.

Old Red Store, West Side Square, JACKSBORO, TEXAS. Has a full line of Candies, Fruits, and a new stock of Groceries. He respectfully solicits a share of the public patronage because he actually needs it to carry on his trade. Call and see his goods and prices.

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