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CHURCH DIRECTORY.

METHODIST.—J. T. Smith, Pastor. Services the 2d, 3d and 4th Sundays in each month, morning and evening. Sunday school every Sunday. Prayer meeting every Tuesday night. First Sunday at Lovelady.

BAPTIST.—J. B. Armstrong, Pastor. Services the 1st, 2d and 3d Sundays in each month, morning and evening. Sunday school every Sunday. Prayer meeting every Wednesday night. Fourth Sunday at Lovelady.

PRESBYTERIAN.—S. F. Tenney, Pastor. Services every Sunday morning. Sunday school every Sunday. Prayer meeting every Thursday night. Lovelady Third Sunday night in each month.

Young Men's Christian Association. Free Library and Reading Room second floor Opera House Building. Rooms open at all hours. Prayer meeting for men only, every Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock. A. A. ALDRICH, Sec'y.

COURT DIRECTORY.

DISTRICT.
District Judge, Hon. F. A. Williams.
District Attorney, Hon. W. H. Gill.
District Clerk, Hon. W. A. Champion.

COUNTY.
County Judge, Hon. W. A. Davis.
County Attorney, Hon. S. A. Denny.
County Clerk, A. J. C. Dunham.
Sheriff, F. H. Bayne. Treasurer, M. M. Baker.
Tax Assessor, Charles Stokes.
Tax Collector, Charles Long. Surveyor, Enoch Broxson.

COURT CALENDAR.

DISTRICT.
Court convenes the first Monday after the 4th Monday in February, and first Monday after fourth Monday in September.

COUNTY.
Court convenes the first Monday's in February, May, August and November.

COMMISSIONERS.
Court in session the second Mondays in February, May, August and November.

JUSTICES'.
Precinct No. 1, Crockett, last Monday in each month.
W. D. Pritchard, J. P.

Precinct No. 2, Augusta, 3d Saturday in each month.
John T. Cunningham, J. P.

Precinct No. 3, Colliarp, 4th Saturday in each month.
J. S. Gilbert, J. P.

Precinct No. 4, Lovelady, 4th Thursday in each month.
C. Sheffield, J. P.

Precinct No. 5, Grapeland, 2d Saturday in each month.
John A. Davis, J. P.

Precinct No. 6, Porter Springs, 1st Saturday in each month.
T. B. Henderson, J. P.

Precinct No. 7, Weches, 4th Saturday in each month.
W. L. Vaught, J. P.

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PRESIDENT OF COUNTY ALLIANCE.
J. F. Garrett, Grapeland, Texas.
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John W. Saxton, Secretary, Crockett, Texas.

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Red Hill.—H. W. Allen, President; L. W. Driskill, Secretary, San Pedro, Tex.
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GRANGE DIRECTORY.

COUNTY GRANGE.
Promona.—J. W. Barrie, master; J. B. Stanton, secretary; meets first Wednesday in December, March, June and September.

SUB-ORDINATE GRANGES.
Castro, No. 7285—C. B. Isbell, master; Miss Nellie Webb, secretary; meets first Saturday.
Lovelady.—D. C. F. Snell, master; W. H. Hartgrove, secretary; meets first Saturday.
Nevill's Prairie.—J. W. Barrie, master; Emmett Landy, secretary; meets second and fourth Saturdays.
Porter Springs.—J. F. Henderson, master; T. B. Henderson, secretary; meets second Saturday.
Beulah.—S. H. Platt, master; J. B. Stanton, secretary.

Houston County Central Co-Operative Association, P. O. H., meets annually first Tuesday in September.—J. B. Henderson, president; J. B. Stanton, secretary.

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Physicians and Surgeons,
CROCKETT, TEXAS.

RAILROAD REGULATION.

The Opinions of a Great Lawyer, a Sound Statesman and an Unflinching Patriot.
Hon. Jeremiah S. Black once declared the following sound principles concerning railroad regulations in an argument before the Judiciary Committee of the Senate of Pennsylvania:

"In the first place, it will, I think be admitted by all impartial persons of average intelligence that the companies are not the owners of the railroads. The notion that they are as silly as it is pernicious. It is the duty of every commercial, manufacturing, or agricultural State to open thoroughfares of trade and travel through her territory. For that purpose she may take the property of citizens and pay for the work out of her treasury. When it is done she may make it free to all comers or she may reimburse the cost by levying a special tax upon those who use it; or she may get the road built and opened by a corporation or an individual, and pay for it by permitting the builder to collect tolls or taxes from those who carry or travel on it. * * * But in all those cases the proprietary right remained in the State, and was held by her in trust for the use of the people. Those who run the railroads and canals are always public agents. It is impossible to look at them in any other light, or to conceive how a different relation could exist; because a railroad, which is not managed by public agents, cannot be a highway. * * * It being settled that the rail-roads and canals belong of right to the State for the use of the people, and that the corporators who have them in charge are mere agents to run them for their owners, it will surely not be denied that all proper regulations should be made to prevent those agents from betraying their trust. The wisdom is very plain of those provisions in our Constitution which put them on a level with other public servants and forbid them to prostitute their functions to purpose merely mercenary or to engage in any business which necessarily brings their private interests into conflict with their public duty. Seeing the vast magnitude of the affairs intrusted to them and the terrible temptation to which their cupidity is exposed it is certainly necessary that you hold them to their responsibilities, and hold them hard. But on the other hand, the corporations, a deny that they owe any responsibility to the State, more than individuals engaged in private business. They assert that the management of the railroads being a mere speculation of their own, these thoroughfares of trade and travel must be run for their interest without regard to public rights. If they take advantage of their power to oppress labor and overtax the land of the State; if they crush the industry of one man or place to build up the prosperity of another; if they plunder the rich by extortion, or deepen the distress of the poor by discriminating against them, justify themselves by showing that all this was in the way of business; that their interest required them to do it; that if they had done otherwise their fortunes would not have been so great as they are; that it was the prudent, proper and successful method of managing their affairs. This is their universal answer to all complaints. Their protests against legislative intervention to protect the public always take this shape, with more or less distinctness of outline. In whatever language they clothe their argument it is the same in substance as that which Demetrius, the silversmith defended the sanctity of the temples for which he made shrines, 'Sirs ye know that by this craft we have our wealth.' * * * But it is amazing to find that this odious and demoralizing theory has made a strong lodgment in the minds of disinterested, upright and high-placed men. Two members of the Senate Judiciary Committee—I do not say the ablest because comparisons are odious, but they are both of them among the foremost men of the country for talents and integrity—these gentlemen emphatically dissented from me when I asserted that the management of railroads were not a matter of business to be conducted like a private enterprise merely for the profit of the directors and stockholders. A heresy so supported is entitled to serious refutation, however absurd it may seem on its face."

Judge Black then enumerates the various lapses of duty of which a judge, sheriff and the officers of a city corporation may be guilty and for which they should be condemned, and continuing says:

"A railroad corporation is a part of the civil government as much as a city corporation. The officers of the former as much as the latter are agents and trustees of the public and the public has an interest precisely similar in the fidelity of both. * * * The functions of railroad corporations are as clearly defined and ought to be as universally understood as those of any servant which the State or general Government enjoys. * * * Perhaps the most remarkable, certainly the boldest thing about the discriminations we complain of is that they are always avowedly made against those who are least able to endure. A heavy grain dealer in the West who ships his millions may get his rates ninety per cent, below those extorted from a Pennsylvania (or Virginia) farmer with only a thousand bushels to carry. Between all resorts of unequal fortune the railway king is ever strong upon the stronger side and never fails to make his discrimination against the weaker concern whose business is conducted on a smaller scale. * * * Indeed if the tariff of railway charges be founded on any rule at all, it is this: That all rates shall be high in inverse proportion to the magnitude of the cargo and distance it is carried; the practical effect of which is to grind the face of the small trader that the great one may increase in fatness. The only argument they make against the equality of rates commended in the Constitution is that they cannot afford it; is that they must charge higher for short hauls and light loads or else their compensation will be less than for the greater service. If this were true, it would be no ground of justification. But, in point of fact, it is wholly untrue. It is not more difficult or costly to carry a hundred tons for fifty shippers than it would be to carry the same goods for one. The expenses incident to the reception and discharge of a cargo may be greater in proportion for short hauls than for long ones, but you can make all that even by allowing them to charge in addition to their mileage, for loading and unloading, whether the haul be short or long. These terminal expenses, which they make so much ado about, are nothing as an excuse for the enormous excesses of their local rates, and they know that very well. Their real reason is that they find it easier, safer and more profitable to cheat a thousand poor men than one who is powerful enough to resist them. * * * Neither does their practice of discrimination find the slightest countenance in any of their charters. When did you ever see an incorporation expressly declaring that the company shall have power to make a difference between two citizens whose legal and natural rights to the 'use of the highway are precisely the same.' * * * What are the remedies? The police authority of which the [State] cannot disarm herself if she would enables her to regulate the use even of private property, in such manner that neither the general public nor particular individuals can be made to suffer by it unjustly. * * * The State can abolish a monopoly or bring it to terms of justice at any time by virtue of her right of eminent domain. * * * Yet we are often told that in this struggle for honest government against the power of the railroad corporations the just cause has no chance for success. * * * The little finger of monopoly is thicker than the loins of the law."

I am more afraid of inconsistent Christians than of clamorous opponents.—[Joseph Parker.]

THE TARIFF REFORM.

A Letter from Ex-President Cleveland to the Indiana League.

Indianapolis, Ind., March 4.—The State Tariff Reform League met in Masonic Hall to-night with 300 delegates present. The meeting will continue through to-morrow. Judge D. D. Balwin of Logansport, a leading Republican, presided. Speeches were made by J. Boyd Winchester, of Kentucky, Thomas G. Sherman, of New York, C. S. Darrow of Chicago and others. The following letter from ex-President Cleveland was read:

New York, Feb. 18, 1890.—Edgar A. Brown, Esq., President, Etc. My dear sir—Through my letters to Democratic and Tariff Reform assemblies have lately been very frequent I cannot deny your request to say a word of encouragement to the tariff reformers who will meet at the first annual convention of the Indiana Tariff Reform League on the 4th of March. I am very much pleased with the plan upon which your league seems to be organized. It conveys a suggestion of practical work in the field of information and enlightenment. This if persistently carried out, cannot fail of success. Of course we do not approach the American people, assuming that they are ignorant or unpatriotic. But we know that they are busy people and apt to neglect the study of public questions. In the engrossment of their daily vocations, they are too ready to rely upon the judgment and avowed principles of the party, with which they have affiliated, as guides to their political actions. In this way they have become slow to examine for themselves the question of tariff reform. If, in the light of reasonable and simple arguments and of such object lessons as are being constantly placed before them, our people can be induced to engenderate the subjects, there need be no fear as to their conclusion. The Democratic party, as the party of the people, opposed to the selfish schemes which ignore the public good, and pledged to the interests of all their countrymen instead of the furtherance of the interests of the few who seek to pervert government powers for their enrichment, was never nearer to its fundamental principles than was it in its contests for tariff reform. It certainly adds to the satisfaction with which we labor in this cause to be assured that in their efforts we not only serve our party, but all the people of the land. Yours, very truly,
GROVER CLEVELAND.

A NEGRO GOVERNOR.

The Scheme to Colonize the New Section with Colored Voters.

The sudden departure of E. H. McCabe for Oklahoma means that he has assurances from Harrison that he will be made Governor of that region, or that Harrison has told him positively that he could not get the office. Up to this time McCabe has not been in Oklahoma, but is now on his way there. He fully expects to be the future ruler of the country, whether he is appointed Governor by Harrison or not. Machinery is now in motion that will land 40,000 or 50,000 voters, all negroes, into Oklahoma before June 1. They intend to capture the territory and have enough population there to demand the admission of Oklahoma to the Union of States at the second session of this Congress. McCabe, like all smart negro politicians, feels reasonably confident that the next House of Representatives will have an overwhelming majority of Democrats, and that a negro Oklahoma will stand a poor chance of being admitted to statehood by the Democratic House. The plan therefore, is to rush in 80,000 or 70,000 negroes during the next six months and demand the admission of Oklahoma to statehood at the second session of this Congress. The negro bosses think that they can put a sufficient number of people into Oklahoma, the Republicans being in control of both branches of Congress, to secure their admission to the Union. McCabe has been directing operations from here ever since the in-

A ROMANCE OF THE WAR.

Twenty-Seven Years of Faithful Waiting Rewarded at Last by a Wedding.

All the world loves a lover; and every woman enjoys reading a real romance. One that is worth mentioning culminated in Washington just a week or two ago. Way back in the days when the Yanks and the Jonnies fought for a precedent in the Shenandoah Valley, about the time the gallant Sheridan took his famous ride, there lived in Winchester town a hospitable family of good, royal rebels by name of Chapman. The Chapman house during the season of comparative peace, entertained the boys from both sides of the divided house. Among those who were received and cared for was a dangerous sick boy, a Yankee, and it so chanced that the maiden landlady took upon herself the entire weight of the nursing. Though the sick soldier was a mere lad, and handsome Julia Chapman was even then beyond the early bloom of her girlhood, the old story was repeated, and the invalid fell madly in love with his charming nurse.

SEEN IN THE HEAVENS.

A Phenomenon the Like of Which Has Not Been Seen Before.

Hot Springs, Ark., March 3.—The people of this city were yesterday treated to a most singular astronomical sight. No one had ever witnessed the like or read of such a phenomenon in this latitude before. The morning was clear but cold and frosty. As the sun rose the heavens were overspread with a thin, hazy cloud, not sufficiently dense, however, to darken the sun's rays in any considerable extent. About 10 o'clock a well defined rainbow appeared to the south of the sun. The full bow was not visible, but the central portion was very clear. By 10:30 a large clear circle appeared to the north of the sun. The circle was of snowy whiteness, and appeared to be in the higher atmosphere or sky, as the thin clouds could be plainly seen floating across its lines. It was large and quite distinct, as much so as a race course upon an open area appears to the eye. From 10:30 to 11 a second rainbow similar to the first was visible east of the sun, at apparently not quite as great distance from the sun as the first. At the same time a small but very dense and bright section of a third rainbow appeared immediately beneath the sun to the south. Thus the phenomenon appeared in its clearest and strongest aspect till 11:45, after which the circle gradually faded away, followed by the rainbows.

Many were the theories advanced as to what produced it, but all are puzzled, as they never saw anything like it before.

A Dog That Prints a Paper.

Printing presses are usually run in this country by steam power, water power, electric motors and by main strength and awkwardness, but the machine that grinds out the Plain City Dealer is run by dog power. A large wheel about ten feet in diameter and about two feet in width and connected with the drive wheel of the press by means of a belt. Cleats are placed about a foot apart on the inside of the wheel, where "Joe," the journalistic dog, walks his weary round, and thus causes the wheel to revolve. Joe has run the press about five years, and has faithfully earned his hash every week. It is now about time for him to die and go where all good dogs go, and the proprietor of the Dealer is casting around for another canine. Part of Joe is shepherd and the rest is just common, everyday dog.—Columbus (O.) Post.

Iowa Democratic Gains.

Chicago, March 4.—In municipal elections held in several Iowa cities yesterday the Democrats cleaned up everything in Burlington. In Cedar Rapids they elected a mayor and enough aldermen to make the council's tie. At Clinton the Democratic candidate for mayor defeated the Republican's and citizen's candidates. The Creston Democrats have secured a majority of the council. At Ottumwa the Republicans secured a majority of the aldermen. The Republicans at Conesville elected their candidate for mayor, the first Republican ever elected to that office there. The Democrats captured the remainder of the ticket. Fort Dodge elected the entire Democratic ticket. At Des Moines and Sioux City the both parties claim the mayoralty. An official count will be necessary to decide, but indications are that the Republican candidates will be successful.

EXCHANGE CHAT.

Hogg has the united support of his home people, and that means a great deal. There is more political power in Tyler than in any other city in Texas.—Henderson Times.

It isn't much credit to be enteringprising when one is forced to be in order to keep from being dropped entirely from the procession. Those who take the lead and put the ball to rolling are the people we call enterprising.—Nachodoches Chronicle.

Now that Gen. John M. Claiborne has become joint-editor of the Busk Herald it is suggested in all kindness that his partner, Brother Imboden, should have him placed under a peace bond as a measure of protection for the King's English.—Hillsboro Reflector.

Let every citizen of Cherokee county who has the development of his county at heart attend the Spring Palace meeting at the court house in Rusk next Saturday. We must send an exhibit to Fort Worth which will "do us proud."—New Birmingham Times.

It is to be hoped that Attorney-General Hogg will embrace the very first suitable opportunity to explain what he meant by the term "suit fizzle in a cyclone," so that the lord-like ambition of the New Birmingham Times will be for once in history thoroughly gratified.—[Cherokee Herald.]

The Democrats in Congress will try to amend any additional appropriation for pensions by providing that the money shall be equal to the issue of treasury notes equal to the amount called for in the pension bill. This would increase the volume of circulating medium, and put it into the hands of the people. It is too practical, however, to meet the views of Wall street.

Ex-Congressman Taulbee is recovering from the effect of pulling the ear of a Kentucky newspaperman. Taulbee is a man of considerable ability and by no means a bad man, even though he did trifle with the sacred journalistic accretion; and we shall be glad to see him get well and do better in the future. The ears of New Hampshire Senators are pleasant playthings, but it is wiser to extract nails with the teeth from the hind-hoof of a mule than to have fun with the journalistic ear which has grown on Kentucky soil.—Nashville American.

The New Orleans Times-Democrat says of Henry W. Blair and his educational scheme, that he "is as arrant a hypocrite as ever sat in the United States Senate." With much unfeigned charity, he professes with this bill of his to be simply and solely anxious for the moral and intellectual improvement of the young South. The hypocritical mask torn off, his real purpose is none other than the subjection of these States to the dominating and dragon-grading of the cold, puritanic, brutal element at the North, of which he himself is a bright specimen.

An entire week has passed since the following remarkable confession appeared in a leading editorial article of the New York Tribune: "Many people fancy, because Gov. Hill carried New York when President Cleveland was defeated, that a plurality of the voters in the State would support him again. But in that contest, as people here well know, Hill succeeded only because he was able to sell a Presidency for a Governorship. If he ever puts himself where the other people have a chance to do the selling, he will get a measure of his popularity." Such a statement from such a source naturally attracted national attention. It was nothing less than a confession that the Republicans had bought the Presidency for Hill. The language is so explicit as to leave no doubt of the writer's meaning.—N. Y. Times.

We see sometimes farther and clearer through a tear drop than through the lens of the most powerful telescope.

A man in St. Paul, quite feeble and worn, having lost all his gait, could not pummel his wife. Now, through "Secretary's" aid, he has and he better. And sometimes 'tixer. Within an inch of her life. —[Kansas City Globe.]

We hear men often enough speak of seeing God in the stars and the flowers, but they will never be truly religious until they learn to behold him in each other also, where he is most easily, yet most rarely, discovered.—[Lowell.]

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Sam Jones took the starch out of Tyler. We imagine Tyler feels as if a cyclone had struck it.

George Clark's Italian hand shows up in that San Antonio movement.

Let every section of the county be getting up something to send to the exhibit.

It will take some money to prepare the exhibit, but then it can and will be raised.

Two men at Pittsburg undertook to thaw out some dynamite cartridges. Result: a widow or two and several orphans.

There is public spirit and money enough here to put on exhibition at Fort Worth and Dallas the truly splendid resources of the county.

Houston county can offer the capitalist as great inducements as any county in East Texas. The way to do it is to show what we have got here.

The Subordinate Alliances and Granges should give this matter of improved cotton seed attention. They can do great good in this direction, if they will.

We can think of no agency that can accomplish more in the direction of introducing improved cotton seed than the Alliance and Grange. They should give their attention to the question.

If the merchants of Houston county would club in and order enough of the improved varieties of cotton seed for a start, in a year or so it would prove to be money to them and the farmers too.

Sam Jones has been thundering at the trembling, conscience-stricken sinners of Tyler, as if he had pretty much the same opinion of that town, as the stranger had of Hot Springs who chanced to camp there over night.

If the Directors of the Texas Agricultural and Mechanical College will pardon the suggestion, we would remark that they might study with profit and advantage the doings of their official co-workers over in Mississippi.

The republicans in Congress bounced Pendleton, Democrat, and gave his seat to Atkinson, Republican. Atkinson now declares his intention of acting with the democrats and the republicans are kicking one another vigorously.

George Clark thinks he has got the wool pulled over the eyes of some of Hogg's friends and no doubt has. Over in this part of the vineyard, however, are some whose vision is still clear and who know what the astute gentleman is up to.

Tyler's Tencha Club by this time has probably pulled itself together, and is doubtless seeking comfort, some in one and some in the other alternative, of Prentices' not inapt line: "Nothing so consoles a man as rum and true religion."

To Cherokee and Smith: Houston will be with you at the Spring Palace and the Dallas Fair from now on. Look to your laurels, for she is coming with a display that will make the home-seeker and the man of capital look on with admiration and surprise.

We want for the exhibit specimens of walnut, white oak, sweet gum, curly pine, ash, lichen, maple, birch, beach, pecan, scaly bark hickory, white hickory, magnolia, sugar cane, syrops, grains, soils, vines, minerals, fruits, and a thousand and one other things. Be looking around for them!

With the able and enterprising men composing the Spring Palace Executive and Finance committee, aided, as they will be, by the committee of ladies and the local committees throughout the county, no one need doubt that Houston county will have such a showing at the Spring Palace as will do credit to the county and those getting it up.

An enterprising man advertises; an enterprising county does the same. It is needless to say that it pays both.

To say that the subscriptions to THE COURIER continue to pour in is both a figure and a fact. Forty odd since the last issue and still they come.

Those papers and wire pullers favoring San Antonio for the State Convention think the farmers, with whom Attorney-General Hogg is especially strong, will not feel inclined or able to go that distance.

Now that an organization has been perfected to get up an exhibit for Houston county at the Spring Palace, everybody in every section of the county should go to work with a vim. All can and should do something.

The next Legislature ought to repeal the oil inspection law. It is a cheat all around.—Nacogdoches News.

If the next Legislature heeds the wishes of the people, they will do that very thing.

The best water, the best climate, the most valuable minerals and the healthiest country of all is here in Cherokee. Come to Cherokee.—Cherokee Herald.

Good enough. But better still to come to Houston county. Houston has all of those and more.

Jim Hogg is the man the people of Texas need for Governor next year.—Fairfield Recorder.

His prospects are growing brighter and brighter. There is no question about his nomination, if the people can have a voice in the matter.

George Clark is pulling the wires in favor of San Antonio for the State Convention. George Clark assumes that if the Convention meets there that the chances for Throckmorton's nomination and Hogg's defeat are vastly improved. George Clark, as usual, is pretty correct in his calculation.

The sections of Houston county through which lines of railroad are projected should be particularly diligent in setting forth their natural advantages of wood, soils, minerals and other products. We refer to the western and southwestern, to the northern, northeastern and the eastern portions of the county.

From reports the Engineering corps will soon begin a survey of the projected line of the D. P. & S. E. from Lr.wndale to Palestine. This is the road heading for the South East and, unless diverted from its contemplated course by New Birmingham, will in all probability pass through Houston county on this side of the Neches.

The farmers of Houston county know that there is such an institution as the Agricultural and Mechanical College established for and dedicated to the advancement of agricultural interests. They would also like to know why this institution, like its sister institution in Mississippi, is not devoting a part at least of its time and revenues to testing the best varieties of cotton seed and furnishing the same to planters.

The Legislature of Mississippi passed a law requiring railroad companies to furnish separate accommodations for white and colored passengers. The act was attacked, and on appeal its validity affirmed by the State Supreme court. On a writ of error the case went to the U. S. Supreme court, where it was contended that the law was an infringement of the interstate commerce clause of the Constitution. Recently that court has given an opinion sustaining the validity of the Mississippi state law.

The recent inauguration of a Democratic Governor in Iowa and the election of Democratic mayors in several cities and towns in that state, is the occasion for some buoyant, gushing, democratic journals to remark that that state, for years a stronghold of republicanism, is about to take its position in the democratic column. Nothing is more preposterous. Just wait till the next presidential election and we will see Iowa piling up the usual brutal majority for the party of high taxes and trusts. Iowa is just as reliably republican as Kansas, and Kansas is just as reliably so, as a certain other place, which shall be nameless here for fear of shocking the pious and refined instincts of our readers.

The Mississippi is several feet higher than ever before known. At Cairo it is a hundred miles wide.

Hogg for Governor and Pendleton for Lieutenant-Governor are gaining strength rapidly. Southwest Texas seems to be solidly against both these gentlemen. The first because he believes in enforcing the laws against railroads and other corporations, and the last because, as speaker of the 20th Legislature, he wouldn't be a party to a raid on the State Treasury.

Sam Jones thinks Tyler is a place of wealth and wickedness. Listen at him: "You haven't got a liberal man in this town. Some of you will have to unload your money or you will go straight to hell." This is strong English; but all the same, we don't expect to hear of any of them unloading. They will hold on to the money and take chances on Sam's being mistaken about t'other place.

Sam Jones, having shelled Tyler until the frightened inhabitants thereof have concluded that it was a modern Sodom or Gomorrah, now bears down on Fort Worth with terror on his wings. Perhaps he will be able to extort, to the intense delight of Galveston and Dallas, some explanation about the amazing increase in those Clearing House statements at the Fort.

A first rate place, to hold the state convention—San Antonio.—Waco Day.

Indeed! We have been thinking it was in you, all the time, and now it has come out at last. We hit the nail pamp on the head in our last issue. Why don't the Day enter Waco for the Convention? Will the Day kindly tell the public why it thinks San Antonio a first-rate place? We think we know, but would like to have it from the Day's own lips.

As THE COURIER is a debutante and this is her first season, the following from that most excellent paper, the Fairfield Recorder, causes us to blush all over:

We are glad to receive as an exchange THE CROCKETT COURIER, a very euphoniously named paper started about a month ago. It is one of the best printed and best edited papers in Eastern Texas, and is the best paper its town has had for many years. It is an all home print, industrious paper, but nowhere in its columns is found the name of its modest editor.

Mr. D. J. Cater, of Lovelady, Tex., has been mentioned as a probable candidate for state treasurer. He is a gentleman of splendid attainments, and a democrat beyond the peradventure of a doubt. If he enters the field he will doubtless have a strong following.

The above is from the Henderson Times and we endorse every word of it. Mr. Cater is a gentleman of first-rate business qualifications and no man stands higher in the esteem of the good people of Houston county in point of personal integrity, honor and capacity than he. He would make a most excellent and efficient state official, and the chivalric Frank Lubbock himself couldn't excel him in affability of address, something so pleasing to those having business relations with this official. Besides he possesses the solid parts essential in the make up of a man aspiring for this position.

One hundred and fifty thousand farmers in Kansas have petitioned the Governor to call an extra session of the Legislature with the view to passing a law to stay the execution of the mortgages held on their farms by eastern capitalists. This is truly a deplorable state of affairs, and yet it is the logical sequel of their adhesion and devotion to the principles of the Republican party. For the past twenty-five years these same farmers have been so busy hating and abusing the South, that they have been blind to the consequences of the policy advocated by such men as Ingalls. Heretofore a Kansas Republican farmer would much prefer to burn his corn for fuel, pay enormous taxes to protection, mortgage his farm and at the same time despise and defame the South and its people, than to be the owner of a home whereon the sunshine of peace and fraternal love rested, free from incumbrances and abounding with the necessaries and even luxuries of life. It is just possible that they may yet turn from the party and the policy which are responsible for their stricken condition; we hope so; still when we see it, we shall cease to doubt it, not before.

Very Respectfully, W. B. PAGE, Committee.

The News caught the Post stealing its court decisions and the Post replies by saying "you are another." That will do. Now give the people a rest.

The Waco Day says: "When the Waco and Trinity division is finished Texas and Louisiana, instead of California, will furnish that city with red-wood shingles.

The man, who contributes to the expense of displaying the county's resources at the Spring Palace, is not making a donation, but an investment and one that will return a handsome dividend.

The Senate Committee on Privileges and Elections by a strict party vote have decided to seat the Republican Senators from Montana. They might have done this at the start without the spectacle of a formal farce. In this case they contend that they couldn't go behind the returns of the State Canvassing Board. But in the Tilden election they insisted that they had a right to go behind the returns in the Louisiana and Florida cases.

Gainesville had an exciting event a few days since. The husband of Margaret Lane had been fined by the mayor. Margaret concluded she would go down and "wallop" the court and officers herself. The first one to challenge her was a policeman and she floored him in grand style. The city attorney came to the rescue of the policeman and one blow from her arm prostrated him. The mayor thought he would take a hand and he was laid out flat with a neatness and despatch that Sullivan might have admired. No one else putting in an appearance to contest honors with her, she proceeded to pummel the prostrate policeman, attorney and mayor and drove them from the court room. She opened court for three hours was ready and anxious to dispense justice, but not a man during that time put in his appearance. Pass her the belt.

There is quite a deal of complaint coming up about the condition of bridges. We would suggest to the Commissioners' court that matters in this direction might be mended very considerably by adopting and promulgating plans and specifications for bridges and require that all bridges should be constructed in strict conformity thereto. We are free to say further that we think the Commissioners' court should require all bridges to be built of white oak or heart pine plank, two inches thick, spiked to hewed post oak stringers three feet apart. The present practice of constructing bridges out of the common run of pine lumber, generally sap, gives neither safe and durable bridges, nor is it economy to do so. A bridge built as at present, will hardly go through more than three years service, if that; whereas, if built of white oak or heart pine and properly buttressed, it would be not unreasonable to expect it to last ten years.

A CARD.

A mass-meeting of citizens held in the interest of a county exhibit at the approaching Fort Worth Spring Palace appointed the undersigned to prepare a write-up of Houston county, to be published in some form and placed with the exhibit from this county for distribution on that occasion. The object and scope of this write-up will be to present, in as attractive and tangible a form as possible, the manifold advantages of Houston county to the capitalist and the home seeker in respect of soil, climate, woods, minerals, building stone, streams, agricultural products, stocks, schools, society, churches, etc., etc. While this will be a task of pleasure in many respects, in some at least, it will entail painstaking care, the undertaking cannot be complete unless the writer can have the free and willing co-operation of friends in all sections of the county. This I bespeak, and feel assured will be forthcoming. We wish to know and write of the resources of all sections of the county and trust that parties will inform themselves thereon and call and give the writer the benefit of their information. The several portions to be heard from are Augusta, Grapeland, Sheridan, Daly, Porter Springs, Chandler, Shiloh, Creek, Weldon, Nevel's Prairie, Lovelady, Holly, Pennington, Dodson, Pleasant Grove, Daniel, Julian, New Energy, Tadmor, Ratliff, Weches, San Pedro, Udson, and others. Very Respectfully, W. B. PAGE, Committee.

The Waco Day of recent date has the following:

"The Waco and Trinity branch of the M. K. & T. will get another lift-up next Saturday. Messrs. Cross and Eddy will return to Waco and there will be a conference.

We are opposed to San Antonio for the State Convention, because it is not central, because it is not accessible, and because those who are manipulating the movement in favor of that city are doing so for a purpose.

A Houston county farmer, just east of us, planted corn in January, and the Crockett Courier of last week said it was then knee-high. The editor wrote, of course, before the late cold snap, and we expect his next paper to contain about a quarter of a column sample of said farmer's "cussing."—Fairfield Recorder.

Yes, we did write the above before the freeze, but we will have to disappoint the Recorder in regard to the sample of the farmer's "cussing." In the first place the corn we spoke about was in Leon county and in the second place Houston county farmers don't cuss when Providence sees fit, to freeze out their crops, but go ahead with renewed vigor and try again.

Interviews Continued. More to Come.

J. A. Brasher; I favor one primary. W. T. Conner; I favor two primaries. Collin Aldrich; I favor two primaries.

I. W. Murchison; It is immaterial with me. R. S. Hooks; I favor two primaries. N. B. Marsh; I favor two primaries.

O. T. Sims; I favor two primaries. W. H. Threadgill; I favor two primaries. Pat O'Connell; I favor two primaries.

J. T. Murray; I favor one primary. A. B. Mullegan; I favor two primaries. W. A. Albright; I favor two primaries.

J. F. H. Turner; I favor two primaries. E. R. Cook; I favor two primaries. George Turner; I favor two primaries.

W. H. Campbell; I favor two primaries. G. W. Waller; I favor two primaries. O. M. Robinson; I favor two primaries.

D. C. Webb; I favor two primaries. Green Carter; I favor two primaries. J. H. Burton; I favor two primaries.

J. R. Howard; I favor two primaries. J. S. Flucher; I am not prepared to say. J. F. Creath; I favor two primaries.

John Sheridan; I favor two primaries. D. H. Bayne; I favor one primary. K. D. Lawrence; I favor two primaries.

John Lunceford; I favor two primaries. J. W. Hooks; I favor two primaries. R. K. Smith; I favor two primaries.

G. R. Murchison; I favor two primaries. Archie Adams; I favor one primary. G. W. Albright; I favor two primaries.

Charley Tittle; I favor two primaries. S. Hollingsworth; I favor two primaries. Wade Sims; I favor one primary.

John Hague; I favor two primaries. J. R. Ritchie; I favor two primaries. Ed Barlow; I favor two primaries.

Will Mathews; I don't care which. M. M. Bradley; I don't care which. J. K. Chandler; I favor two primaries.

E. H. Calloway; I favor one primary. J. T. Collier; I favor one primary. J. J. Brooks; whatever the people want. S. Brownlee; don't know which would be best.

J. C. WOOLTERS, Dealer in General Merchandise, Dry Goods, Notions, Boots, Shoes, READY-MADE CLOTHING, HATS, CAPS, SADDLERY, HARNESS, STOVES, CROCKERY, Tinware, Cane Mills and Evaporators. All Kinds of Agricultural Implements and Hardware. Also Constantly on hand a large ASSORTMENT OF GROCERIES. ALWAYS ON HAND A SUPPLY OF THE CELEBRATED MILBURN WAGONS AND HACKS. I TAKE ORDERS FOR ALL Kinds of Machinery. Which I will lay down here for less money than it can be bought for FROM MANUFACTURERS. CALL AND SEE ME.

J. L. LUNCEFORD, CITY BLACKSMITH AND WHEELWRIGHT, All Work Done With Neatness and Despatch. Work Solicited and Satisfaction Guaranteed. REPAIRING MACHINERY A SPECIALTY. Will go to any Part of the County to Work on Engines, Boilers, Etc. J. L. LUNCEFORD, CROCKETT, TEXAS.

John Murchison & Son, SOUTH SIDE PUBLIC SQUARE, Crockett, Texas. General Merchandise.

ANOTHER FIRE IN LOVELADY. The glaring embers of the late conflagration at Lovelady had scarcely smoldered into ashes before another great flame had kindled in the hearts of NELMS & MAINER, to come to the rescue of the people by offering them Lower Prices. The Largest Stock of Goods and the best assorted of any house in the county and at Prices that Defy Competition. Having recently bought the entire general stock of the late firm of L. F. Hemphill & Co., At a Fraction Over 50 per cent. of the WHOLESALE INVOICE COST, we assure you we are now able to give you some toothsome bargains. All we ask is a chance. Those who come are convinced. Come and we will convince you. VERY RESPECTFULLY, NELMS & MAINER, Lovelady, Texas.

The Crockett Millinery House, Northwest of Public Square, by MRS. N. GATES, Fashionable Milliner, is Headquarters for Late Style Hats and Bonnets for Ladies. Also Notions, Kid Gloves, Zephyrs, Velvets and Plushes, VEILING, PLUMES, ETC. Give me a call before making purchases. B. F. DUREN, Notary Public, Surveyor and Real Estate Agent, CROCKETT, TEXAS. JOHN L. HALL, M. D., PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON. Can be found at French & Chamberlain's Drug Store or at home. CROCKETT, TEXAS.

DENTISTRY. J. N. GOOLSBEE, D. D. S. Crockett, Texas. Office over DeBerry & Clark's store, South side of Public square. Porter Springs Leading Low Price House. ROSS MURCHISON, Dealer in Dry Goods, Notions, Boots, SHOES, READY-MADE CLOTHING, AND A GENERAL LINE OF MERCHANDISE. Also a Full Line of Groceries, Hardware, Agricultural Implements, and everything a farmer needs. Please call and get prices before trading elsewhere. ROSS MURCHISON. We will Print For You Letter Heads, Note Heads, Bill Heads, Statements, Circulars, Notes, Cards, Envelopes, Invitations, In fact anything in the printing line, at City Prices. Give us a Call.

THE COURIER.

FRIDAY, MARCH 14, 1890.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Our terms for advertising are as follows:...

COUNTY JUDGE. We are authorized to announce the name of J. W. Madden...

COUNTY ATTORNEY. We are authorized to announce the name of Chester Hall...

SHERIFF. We are authorized to announce the name of R. F. Holcomb...

TREASURER. We are authorized to announce the name of S. R. Hallmark...

JUSTICE OF THE PEACE. We are authorized to announce the name of J. A. Strozier...

CONSTITUTION. We are authorized to announce the name of J. A. Strozier...

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Earle Adams has been quite sick for several days.

Mrs. Legory has been quite ill from pneumonia.

Don't fail to have your specimens on hand by April 20th.

BLACK-DRAUGHT tea cures Constipation.

Don't fail to see the Seth Thomas clocks at Spinks' before you buy.

Fresh flour, highest grades, lowest prices.

Latest novels, cloth and paper binding, very cheap at Haring's store.

M. Bromberg has returned from Galveston where he has been on business.

If you would help build up your county go to work on the Spring Palace exhibit.

Mrs. W. J. Murchison of Lovelady spent last week in Crockett visiting friends.

Whoop up Houston county at the Spring Palace. Don't be behind but strive to be ahead.

Twelve or fifteen of Crockett's citizens went to Tyler last Sunday to hear the Rev. Sam Jones.

We have several communications in type that we are compelled to leave over until next week.

In stock and to arrive, the handsome line of ladies' and misses' shoes in Crockett.

Four brands of ladies' hand-made \$2.50 shoes sold with a guarantee.

Patent medicines, perfumes, soaps, tooth, nail and hair brushes, at HARING'S.

W. A. R. French left Wednesday night on a visit to his father at Memphis.

If Houston county has an exhibit at the Spring Palace, all sections must go to work and get up their specimens.

McLure's Wine of Cardui for Weak Nerves.

The Lightning Washing Fluid—the great labor saver in washing—can be found on sale at N. E. Albright's.

Physicians' prescriptions prepared from fresh and pure drugs, of best quality, at Haring's store, Lipscomb stand.

Smithy Wooters, who has been attending a medical course at Louisville, is at home, and we are sorry to learn, has been ill with measles.

W. H. Kennedy and J. H. Ratliff say that the eastern part of the county should and will hold a convention and make arrangements to send up specimens for the exhibit.

Some parts of the county have already gone to work getting up their specimens of different kinds for the Spring Palace exhibit and we hope all other sections will do likewise.

We regret to learn that nearly all of Mr. Shivers' family have been quite sick. His son Charley has had a serious attack of pneumonia, but is now rallying from the effects of it.

McLure's Wine of Cardui for female diseases.

On account of the bad weather the ladies of the Methodist church have been compelled to postpone the supper they intended giving to-night. It will take place Friday night, the 21st, no preventing Providence.

The more new citizens we can get in our county the more prosperous we shall be, and unless we advertise our products to the world our county will never be settled up, so let all go to work and help with a willing hand to advertise our county at the Spring Palace.

James Baker, living on Piney creek near Dodson, in digging a well seventy feet deep struck what he supposed to be a rock, but on investigation it proved to be coal according to reports. The vein is six feet thick, and on trial the formation burnt exceedingly well.

To My Friends and Patrons of Houston County.

While on my way to Galveston I met a gentleman who was short of money and he proposed to me that he would sell me a stock of merchandise on bordered chambrays, bed gingham, side bands, and rickets suitings.

good display of the products, timber, ores, etc., from Houston county at the Spring Palace giving many good citizens to the Spring Palace.

Shop. buying your leather goods at middle shop you not only save in prices, but get a better of goods.

the people of the old states that can be produced in Houston county and they will come to us and locate. The best of this is to send a fine display to the Spring Palace.

M. BROMBERG.

J. J. W. Murphy is quite sick.

Family recipes put up at Haring's drug store, at reasonable prices.

All talk and no work will never get up an exhibit for the Spring Palace.

Save trouble and expense by subscribing at Haring's store for papers and magazines.

Buy your white goods, lawns, challois and persians mulls, at BILL MCCONNELL'S.

Mrs. Mark Miller, of Vernon, who has been visiting relatives in Crockett, has returned to her home.

Everybody should go to work with a will and make the exhibit from Houston county one of the grandest of any county in the State.

McLure's Wine of Cardui for Weak Nerves.

The freezing weather of last week did considerable more damage to fruit trees than was first thought.

Several parties have told us that the fig trees were killed and that a great deal of the other fruits. Early peaches are not damaged so much.

This is indeed hard on the citizens, for our county as a whole is quite an item.

We have twenty odd head of mules and horses in first-class condition; young horses well broken to the harness and some of the mules broken—all above average size—which we recommend as being fine work stock for farm and which we sell for cash or on time at reasonable terms.

LONG & WOOLTERS. Crockett, Texas.

The commissioners' court met in called session Monday for the purpose of considering a bid from D. Hood for 2560 acres of the county's school lands.

Mr. Hood represents Allan & Williams of Corrigan. The court decided not to take the first bid made by the parties but afterward sold them the tract for 4 dollars per acre—cash and the balance in 1-2-3 years with 8 per cent interest.

Go From Home to Hear the News.

The congressional candidates in this district are now numbered as follows: One from Henderson county, two from Cherokee, one from Anderson, two from Houston, one from Leon, one from Robertson and one from Freestone, making only nine in all.

The next convention is going to be quite an interesting one.—Fairfield Recorder.

We know of but one from this County, Brother Lillard.

W. E. Waite, representing the international committee, of the Young Men's Christian Association, and at present acting as State Secretary of Texas, addressed the organization here at the opera hall, Tuesday night.

He is from Baltimore and devotes all his time to the work of the Y. M. C. A. He gave a brief account of the origin, and present condition of the organization and in his public lecture, as well as in private conversation, suggested many things likely to be of service to the young association at this place.

McLure's Wine of Cardui for female diseases.

The announcement of Chester Hall for county attorney appears in this issue of The Courier.

Chester was born and raised in Houston county and is a young man of character and parts. He has devoted a good deal of time to the study of law and, since obtaining his license has applied himself to the practice with assiduity and zeal.

He seems to be possessed of an ambition to make a success as a lawyer, and, if elected to the position he seeks, we have reason to believe that he will strive earnestly to discharge the duties thereof efficiently and faithfully.

Bill McConnell Says.

Ladies! Do you want the most durable, perfect fitting and prettiest shoe that is made? If so, we have them from 4 of the finest manufacturers. Ladies' heavy and light weight ribbon vests 25c. Corsets, 25c. Calico, 25 yards for a dollar.

All the ladies are not only overwhelmingly delighted with our spring and summer dress goods, but are buying rapidly.

Our Rayon de Satin, French gingham, Parisian suitings, French satinge, figured linen, Chambrays, challois, DeBose, white goods of every imaginable figure, batiste, Persian mull, and laws of every conceivable shade and lower are attracting the attention of the most fastidious. 12 pounds of sugar for \$1.00; 5 pounds of coffee \$1.00. Tobacco, 25c per pound. A full line of groceries always on hand, away down below anybody. BOLOGNA SAUSAGE A SPECIALTY.

J. B. A.

What about that County fair?

John Brown, living near Dodson a worthy and most excellent citizen, died a few days since of rheumatism of the heart.

The executive committee, through its chairman J. H. Wooters, have made application for space for the Houston county exhibit at the Spring Palace.

Now let everybody go to work and get it up.

John Hague comes out this week as a candidate for constable for Beat No. 1.

Mr. Hague sustains among those with whom he has lived and who know him, the character of a straightforward, industrious citizen.

The position Mr. Hague seeks calls for energy, alertness and firmness.

If the choice of the people, we believe that he will endeavor to measure up to the requirements of the office and give the people satisfaction.

A subscriber writes as follows: "I have just finished reading The Courier. I assure you that it was a welcome visitor to us, for we longed to hear from home."

You know I am not given to flattery, but after first having finished reading the paper, I can't refrain from frank expressions of timely sentiment, and must say that I have had the opportunity since I came here to read numerous papers of various counties in the State, and particularly with the view of comparing them with The Courier, and have found no superior and but few equal to it for neatness of get up, and for county and State news.

May it have the earnest support of the citizens of Houston county, which it so richly deserves."

Readers of The Courier will find in the usual column the announcement of B. F. Holcomb for Sheriff.

Mr. Holcomb is a native of Houston county and has borne the character of an energetic, upright and hardworking citizen, true and loyal to his friends and devoted to the interests of his county.

The office he aspires to fill, is one involving the greatest responsibilities and duties, in the proper and faithful discharge of which all law-abiding citizens feel the keenest interest and concern.

This office Mr. Holcomb has once filled, and filled to the satisfaction of the great mass of people.

If again their choice, we doubt not, that it will be his constant endeavor to administer the affairs of the same in a manner that will evoke the approbation of all good citizens.

The Houston County Auxiliary Bible society met at the Presbyterian church Sunday night, P. W. Archer presided, with A. A. Aldrich secretary.

The report of the depository agent was adopted showing as follows:

Bibles on hand \$65.50 Invoice \$1.40 Freight 21.10 Books donated \$3.25 Books on hand 60.00 Cash on hand 21.89

Total \$86.60 \$86.60

The meeting was addressed by Rev. S. F. Tenney, J. T. Smith and Dr. Archer, after which a collection was taken amounting to \$14.25.

The election of officers for the next year resulted as follows: Prof. E. A. Paec, President. Rev. S. F. Tenney, vice president; A. A. Aldrich, secretary; J. E. Downes, Depository agent.

S. C. ARLEDGE, J. N. GOOLBEER, Directors. COLL. ALDRICH.

IN MEMORY OF LITTLE BESSIE PACE.

"Safe in the arms of Jesus, Safe on His gentle breast, There by His love overshadowed, Sweetly her soul shall rest."

Little Bessie, daughter of Prof. and Mrs. E. A. Paec, was born in Brookville, Miss., July 15th, 1885.

Like a bright ray of sunshine she lit up and gladdened the home for four short years. Little Bessie was the light, the pet of the family. Feb. 18th, 1890, at noon, the Angel came with the summons, "Come, ye blessed," and removed the pure, "white rosebud" from the home, and transplanted it into the green fields of Eden.

It is hard to say "Thy will be done," but, dear sorrowing ones, it is better the brief loan with all its hallowed memories, than the prolonged life, with its possible sorrows; better the lamb early taken from the fold than left in this world of sin and sorrow.

Now Bessie is safe in the arms of Jesus—safe from temptation, safe from the world's temptations. Down here, while you are sad and lonely, up there the redeemed are saying rejoice, another to bliss has come. The Savior's heart is glad—a younger sister hath reached the Father's home.

J. B. A.

Houston County at the Spring Palace.

At a meeting of citizens at the opera house last Saturday, addressed by W. J. Crow, in the interest of the Spring Palace at Fort Worth, it was determined, after remarks by Hon. W. W. Davis, N. B. Barbee, W. B. Page and Prof. E. A. Paec, to have Houston county represented.

J. H. Wooters, N. B. Barbee, R. C. Spinks, S. C. Arledge, J. E. Downes, W. A. R. French, J. W. Madden and H. Wilson were appointed an executive committee, with power to appoint local committees over the county, and to recommend what shall be sent as exhibits from the county.

A financial committee was appointed as follows: A. H. Wooters, D. A. Nunn, W. V. Berry, I. W. Murehison, M. Bromberg, E. A. Paec, I. W. Smith, J. R. Howard, J. W. Hail, J. C. Wooters, S. D. Thompson, W. V. McConnell, W. H. Denny. W. B. Bage was appointed a committee of one to write up the county for publication and distribution at the Palace.

Seven ladies, Mrs. Mary C. Douglas, Mrs. H. A. Wynne, Mrs. N. H. Stuart, Mrs. F. J. Arledge, Mrs. A. E. Webb, Mrs. S. E. Spinks and Mrs. Bertha Atkinson were added to the executive committee and all ladies were earnestly invited to cooperate with them.

The executive committee was directed to apply for space for the county at the Spring Palace.

S. T. BEAZLEY, Chairman. J. H. WOOTERS, Secretary.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING.

At a meeting of Houston county executive committee, for obtaining exhibits for the Fort Worth Spring Palace, and to have our county and its products well represented thereat, the following sub-committees were appointed and requested to have their specimens sent to Crockett by the 20th of April next:

CHANDLER'S SPRING.

The following committee was appointed: John K. Chang, Chairman. H. C. Sessions, W. M. Allee, W. F. Ervin, F. B. Henderson, A. B. Nail, J. B. Ash and R. H. Nelson, and are requested to furnish specimens of soils with description of its productiveness etc., corn in ear, also specimens of timber, especially sweet gum, also any peculiar rocks or ore.

CREEK.

R. H. Furlow, Chairman. Jno. Strozier, A. Hester, H. W. Bolthrop, J. W. Thompson. Specimens of walnut, ribbon cane, large "red" ears of corn, Indian relics from J. W. Thompson, samples of soil with full descriptions are expected from this committee.

WELDON.

E. H. Calaway, Chairman. S. C. Cobiness, Archie Adams, L. C. Hutchins, W. D. Gimon. This committee is requested to furnish specimens of soil with descriptions of same; also syrup, potatoes, goobers, cedar and birch woods, red ears of corn, and any peculiar rock or ore found in their vicinity.

LOVELADY.

N. J. Mainer, Chairman. Mr. McNeil, J. H. Busell, Doc. Gant, Bill Whittington, Dr. R. W. Skipper, Bud Brannon, W. J. Murchison, J. R. B. Barbee. Specimens expected of this committee as follows: Sugar cane, syrup, oats in sheaf, corn in ear, preferably red, soils in glass jars with description written thereon, soft, yellow pine, also any rocks or minerals which may be found in their part of the county.

FREEMAN.

Albert Holley, Chairman. J. S. Langston, M. H. Mills, W. J. Davis. This committee is expected to furnish the following timber specimens: White and blue ash, hickory, yellow and curly pine, walnut, sample of soils with description of same.

COLTHARP.

T. M. Sherman, Chairman. A. J. Selman, Z. B. John, A. M. McLenore, J. B. Bennett, Bill Kennedy, M. C. Dppuy, Jno. M. Smith, Henry Hagar, J. H. Ratcliff, R. R. Harvin, W. H. Creasy, J. A. Brasher. This committee will please furnish specimens of the following timbers: Curly pine, walnut, white oak, sugar maple, ash, linn, pin oak, hickory and "over cup," minerals, coal, sheaf oats, sugar cane and syrup, corn in ear, samples of soils with descriptions.

AUGUSTA.

William McLain, Chairman. W. W. Davis, Jno. Kennedy, J. S. Newman, J. C. Alexander, G. T. Harrison, Hon. W. F. Murchison, Sam S. Elliot, W. B. Bodenheimer, Dan McKinnie, J. B. Cunningham.

ham. This committee are to furnish specimens of iron ore, grape vine, linn, holly, birch, walnut, sugar maple, hickory, sugar cane, corn in ears, sample of soils with description.

GRAPELAND.

J. E. Hollingsworth, Chairman. Dr. L. Merriwether, J. M. Tyler, W. J. Chaffin, W. N. Sheridan, Jas. A. Hill, Jas. H. Beasley, C. H. Beasley, J. C. Moore, J. F. Garrett, J. J. Brooks. Specimens of soil and products with description of same, sand, pecan wood, corn in ear, oaks, and other woods.

PORTER SPRINGS.

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DANIELS AND PLEASANT GROVE.

I. A. Daniels, Chairman. J. A. Brashe, G. W. Julian, G. W. Smith, T. F. Smith, and C. B. Isbell. Samples of walnut, white oak, hickory, ash, linn, and other woods, soils, corn, oats, sugar cane, syrups, are expected from this committee.

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Court Proceedings.

The following is the business transacted in court since it convened.

CIVIL DOCKET.

J. H. Kennedy and wife vs. W. W. Davis; dismissed.

Jan. Rice, plaintiff, Geo. F. Moore intervenor, vs. H. W. Moore; decided by supreme court, and stricken from docket. This case has been in court for about twenty years.

D. M. Coleman vs. J. A. Wright; continued.

I. G. N. R. R. vs. W. H. Cundiff; passed for settlement.

J. A. Christman vs. Mo. P. R. R.; dismissed.

Mrs. C. A. Hall vs. J. C. Wooters; still pending.

W. D. Taylor vs. Dr. Bostwick; dismissed by plaintiff.

H. W. Moore vs. F. H. Bayne et al, two cases; stricken from docket.

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Sunday Thoughts on Morals and Manners.
 BY A CLERGYMAN.

Put sunshine into your religion, and plenty of it. It is a good thing to have a southern exposure to your house. Health and happiness are found on that side. So in the Christian life, growth and grace face towards the sun. Don't live in the cellar. Subterranean believers dishonor their faith. If God is your father; if your interests are in the hands of divine Providence, so that all things work together for your good; if he has promised to take care of you here and to crown you hereafter, why borrow trouble? It is foolish to borrow trouble when there is always so much of it in the house?

Remember that you have not one care too many; not one sorrow too many, not one cross too many. Early perplexities are the architects of character. There never was a strong character that was not compacted out of tribulations. These things are all parts of the discipline that makes manhood and womanhood. Accept them, therefore, as helps, not hindrances. Be more studious to profit by them than to escape from them. Watch God's dealings with you. "He who watches for Providence," says an old writer, "will have providences to watch."

Are you an heir of God? Is immortality at hand in your soul? Is your career ruled and overruled for good? Why, then, laugh, don't frown. Hold up your head, don't hang it. Sing, don't cry. Carry peace in your nature. Diffuse joy. Ray out sympathy. Surround yourself with the atmosphere of good will. Prove the helpfulness of religion by showing that it is your consolation.

The best recommendation Christianity can have is a happy, buoyant Christian. Stand, therefore, like the angel mentioned in the Scriptures, "in the sun."—St. Louis Republic.

Sam Jones at Tyler.
 Tyler, Texas, March 5.—To-day Mr. Jones renewed the subject of drinking whiskey in his morning discourse, and also attacked Tyler Methodists for their avarice.

Tyler's social club, the Teneha, to which all the principal citizens belong was roundly denounced. Speaking of the young gentlemen of the club he said: "I may make little dudes and young bloods mad but I ain't afraid of any of them tackling me. I would just spit on him and drown him. He wouldn't be safe unless he could swim."

Of the Tyler Methodists he said: "Here you have a church and the members of it are rich, worth hundreds of thousands, and not one of you have ever done a noble and liberal deed. Avarice is eating the hearts out of the members of all the churches of this town."

"This is the avarice that tore the garment from the suffering Christ and gambled over it. You haven't got a liberal man in this town. Some of you will have to unload your money or you will go straight to hell. Hell is nothing but avarice and selfishness on fire and I wonder some of you Methodists don't take fire and burn up."

These are samples of Jonesisms which do not seem to give umbrage to the people of Tyler.
 The leading and more wealthy Methodists looked very serious when anatomized, but generally joined heartily in the amen at the close of the most pointed remarks. There seem to be better church buildings here than usual in a city of the size of Tyler, but the Methodists, the most numerous sect and probably the richest, seem to have an uphill time getting the money to build a church and parsonage such as is required. Sam Jones promised to-day to take up the subject again and call for immediate action.

Whoever, in face of the religious fashions and prejudices of the day, has the heart to advocate the pure, simple, uncompromising religion of Jesus Christ, as the Lord Himself preached it, is a hero.—[Stacken-burg.]

HYPOCRITE TOM REED.

He Says He Cannot Visit Kentucky Because He Feared He Will Be Killed.

Washington, March 1.—Just before the shooting affair at the capitol yesterday Speaker Reed showed to Representative Stewart, of Vermont, a letter which he was to keep private, but who gave its contents to several colleagues, through whom it in turn reached the press to the discomfiture of the Speaker. The letter reads as follows:

Office Sergeant-at-arms, House of Representatives, Washington, Feb. 28.—Dear Mr. Caruth: I shall not accept the invitation tendered me by the Blue Grass Club. The reason why is very simple. I notice that J. F. Durham is President. Now J. F. Durham assured me during the late "disturbances" that if they had me in Kentucky they would kill me. Knowing the said Durham to be a journalist his declarations to me import absolute verity. I do not wish to be killed and especially in Kentucky, where such an event is too common to attract attention. For a good man to die anywhere is, of course, gain, but I think I can make more by dying later and elsewhere.

Very Truly,
 T. B. REED.

Rhode Island Democrats.

Providence, R. I., March 5.—At the Democratic State convention this morning, "Honest!" John W. Davis of Pawtucket, was nominated for Governor; Wm. P. C. Waddell of Bristol for Lieutenant-Governor with the rest of the 1887 ticket.

In their platform the Democrats declare their adhesion to all wholesome forms leading to purity of elections, economy in administration and abolition of oppressive monopolies, condemning the latest form of monopoly—the trusts—under which vast aggregations of capital continue to strangle individual enterprise and to suppress healthful competition.

They affirm devotion to principles of tariff reform as enumerated by ex-President Cleveland in his official utterances and demand the abolition of customs taxes on raw material.

Our diversified industries, they say, should no longer be compelled to languish under the oppression of war tax to enrich an overflowing treasury and gratify the cupidity of unscrupulous legislators.

They condemn the wholesale traffic in public offices carried on by the chief executive of the nation as a gross violation of his pledges. They heartily commend the Democratic members of the national House of Representatives in their stand against the partisan conduct of the Speaker.

They congratulate the people upon the adoption of ballot reform and pledge themselves to strengthen the system.

They demand a revision of the Constitution of the State, doing away with the requisition that the Governor must receive an absolute majority of all votes cast or the election goes to the Legislature.

Why We Are Right-Handed.

Primitive man, being by nature a fighting animal, fought for the most part with his teeth, nails and fists; until in process of time he added to these early and natural weapons the club or shillalah. He also fought, as Darwin has shown, in the maid for the possession of the females of his kind against other members of his own sex and species. If you fight you soon learn to protect the most exposed and vulnerable parts of the body. Or, if you don't, natural selection manages it for you by seeing that you are killed off as an immediate consequence.

To the boxer, wrestler, or hand-to-hand combatant the heart and the pit of the stomach are, without doubt, the most vulnerable parts of the body. A hard blow on the left breast will stun the strongest man, and sometimes even kill. Hence from an early time in his history man has used his right hand to fight with, employing the left in protecting the heart and stomach from stunning blows, and, when weapons of defence were invented it was the right hand that was used to grasp the club, spear or sword, while the left was employed in holding a shield over the heart and other exposed parts.

From this simple origin, then, the whole vast difference in right and left hand in civilized life takes its beginning. At first, no doubt, the superiority of the right hand was only felt in fighting. But that

alone gave it advantage, and paved the way for supremacy elsewhere. When weapons came into general use, the habitual employment of the right hand to grasp club, spear, knife or sword, made the muscle of the right hand more obedient to the control of the will than those of the left. The dexterity thus acquired by the right hand made it quite handy for the savage to employ it preferentially in all the manifold activities of life.

Sorghum.

Topeka, Kan., Feb. 24.—State Sugar-Inspector Kellogg has presented to the State Agricultural Department his annual report regarding the sugar industry, which has developed so rapidly during the last two years. His reports is the most encouraging nature as to the future of the industry. He says that there can be no longer any doubt as to the practicability of the manufacture of sugar from Kansas sorghum. "In the dry and undeveloped parts of the State, where corn and other cereals are a partial or total failure sorghum will always flourish," he says. "The southern tier of counties in the State as far west as the west line of the Barbour County is at present the cream of the sugar district. Sorghum has been cultivated for ten consecutive years without a single failure in Rice, though some miles west of this it has frequently been seriously damaged and of but little value for making sugar. The possibilities for the successful culture of the sugar beet have opened a new field of inquiry, and it will take at least one or two seasons before the sugar district can be clearly defined. Vast tracts of land in the western part of the State are lying idle, which in time may produce the richest cane; but for the present, in the light of past experience, it is a hazardous undertaking to establish a plant west of the ninety-ninth meridian unless supplied with a never-failing system of irrigation."

England's Exports of Horses.

It appears that the value of the horses which have been exported from England during 1880 was £532,508, against £793,731 during 1888. The number of horses was 13,255, there having been exported 5,357, mares, 4,919 geldings and 2,979 stallions. During 1888 the total number was 12,045. Of the mares 1,188 were sent to Canada, some of these, however, being really destined for the United States; 884 went to Belgium, 700 to Holland, 434 to France, 418 to the United States direct and 1,733 to other countries. Of the stallions 3,008 were sent to Canada and the United States.

States, 78 to France, 31 to Holland, 15 to Belgium and 8,466 to other countries.—Montreal Star.

Witness and Judge.

An amusing scene was recently enacted in a county court-room in Maine. The trial justice, a big official, with a voice like a trombone, took it upon himself to examine a witness, a little, withered old man, whose face was as red and wrinkled as a smoked herring.

"What is your name?" asked the Justice.
 "W'y, 'Squire," said the astonished witness, "you know my name as well as I know yourn."
 "Never you mind what I know, or what I don't know," was the caution, given with magisterial severity. "I ask the question in my official capacity, and you're bound to answer it under oath."

With a contemptuous snort the witness gave his name, and the questioning proceeded.

"Where do you live?"
 "Wal, I shum!" ejaculated the old man. "Why," he continued, appealing to the laughing listeners, "I've lived in this town all my life, and so's he," pointing to the Justice, "an' b' gosh to hear him go on you'd think—"
 "Silence!" thundred the irate magistrate. "Answer my questions, or I'll fine you for contempt of court."

Alarmed by the threat, the witness named his place of residence.
 "What is your occupation?"
 "Hub?"

"What do you do for a living?"
 "Oh git out, 'Squire! Jest if you don't know that I tend gardens in the Summer season and saw wood winters!"

"As a private citizen I do know it, but as the Court I know nothing about you," explained the perspiring justice.

"Wal, 'Squire," remarked the puzzled witness, "if you know something 'outside the court-room an' don't know nothin in it, you'd better get out an' let somebody try this case that's got hoss sense."

The advice may have been well meant, but it cost the witness \$10.—Texas Sittings.

Not in the present alone do men live; they want also to be assured of the future.—[Rankin.]

Women are extreme. They are either better or worse than men.—[Franklin.]

Things unhopd for happen oftener than things we desire.—[Plautus.]

Life is given to none for a lasting possession, to all for use.—[Lucretius.]

To live is not a blessing, but to live well is.—[Seneca.]

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