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EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

CONDUCTED BY PROF. E. A. PAGE.

After several weeks, the editor of this department of the COURIER is gratified to be able again to greet its readers.

The April number of that excellent periodical, the Texas Journal of Education, will be devoted largely to the subject of summer normals, one of which will be held at Galveston immediately following the meeting of the State Teachers' Association.

The editor of this department of the COURIER is endeavoring to secure the location of a summer normal for this senatorial district at Crockett, and is encouraged to think that he will succeed.

The March number of the Texas Journal of Education devotes considerable space to the subject of the State Teachers' Association, to meet in Galveston, June 25 to 27, at which such topics as uniformity of text books; district, county and state adoptions of same; corporal punishment; the uses and abuses of examinations, and other subjects of interest to all teachers will be discussed by the ablest educators.

Hon. O. H. Cooper, state superintendent of education, in a recent circular to teachers has this to say with reference to attendance on the teachers' institutes, held monthly in the various counties: "I wish to urge every teacher to unite in the county institute work.

The personal contact between teacher and pupil is closer in the small college than in the large, and wherever there is found in one of them a true teacher, a man of large soul, quick sympathies, and high ideals, who has the indescribable and invaluable gift of touching and opening the minds of youth—wherever there is a college with such a man, there is a great university in the highest sense of the word.

SAM JONES AT TYLER.

The Two-Legged Dog.

Dr. Jones this morning preached on salvation. "What shall I do to be saved?" He urged first no one could be saved who did not keep good company, that no angel in heaven could keep his place and keep bad company.

"My dog is the best one in the world and I want you, Brother Jones, to quit comparing dogs to these old soaks."

"Bad books will kill the soul. You had better nurse a viper in your house than have it cursed by this cheap literature of the day."

As it is my purpose to show the farmers in a practical shape and in detail the taxes they are oppressed with on account of our swindling tariff system, I shall give a detailed list as I have collected it.

Tax on lumber, \$2 per 100 feet. Tax on screws, 30 per cent. Tax on nails, 40 per cent.

But the real outrageous taxes that the farmer has to pay have not been touched as yet. All I can say to the farmers, and indeed to all the tax-ridden community, is that I intend to do this work through.

gave a lengthy and interesting account of his own life before he had any ambition and before he found himself a convert. This has been published already.

"The tadpole," he says, "has no ambition but to wiggle around, and you girls have no ambition but to dance and wiggle. The tadpole turns to a frog and then he can only hop. Maybe this is why you call your dance a hop. Leave all this. I hear that next Wednesday night all you tadpoles and frogs are invited to come out and wiggle and hop. I wish everybody in the world was better than I am."

"Salvation," he said, "is not singing, is not shouting, it is not feeling good. It is loving everything that God loves and hating everything that God hates, to love what is right because it is right and to hate what is wrong because it is wrong."

"Zach was in a tree, being of short stature, to see Christ, who was passing in a great crowd. Christ looked up and saw Zach's bright, believing eyes fastened upon him and said come down and go with me. He came down a converted man and went with the Saviour. It was a first-class case of conversion. Zach, holding to a limb was an unconverted sinner, but when he fell and hit the ground he was a converted christian."

As to the responsibility of men for not seeking and obtaining pardon, he put it this way: "I have never believed the old theory that God puts a man in a fire-box and shuts up the lid on him and lets him roast. The man goes into the fire himself." Mr. Jones here recounted his experience which has become well known, as a sinner, his reclamation and subsequent religious life as a pillar of the church.

Extract From Letter in St. Louis Republic.

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Tax on crockery, 56 per cent. Tax on common glassware, 40 per cent. Tax on table knives and forks, 35 per cent.

A polar bear in the Cincinnati Zoo gave birth to two cubs the other night. The cubs are believed to be the first of their species ever born in captivity in this country.

BLEW AND DIED.

A Tale of a Kentucky, With Ludicrous Accompaniments.

We were riding along a Kentucky highway when we came to a mule and cart backed up to a farm house gate, and one of the two men with it halted us and said:

"Strangers, I reckon you will be willing to stop and give us a lift on this thing in the cart."

"We expressed our willingness and were shocked to discover that 'the thing' was the dead body of a young man."

"It's my son Abe," explained the man, who was a typical Kentuckian about 60 years old.

"Do you mean a lung tester?" "Reckon it was. You blow into it and a pinter flies round a dial to tell how many pounds you blow."

"Well, Abe was gone on it and I was holding him back, when one of the Stevenses stepped up and blew. If was Bud Stevens, and Bud and Abe didn't hitch, you know. They was allers, like two dogs, ready to fight, but waitin' for the hat to drop. Bud made that pinter hump for dear life. Then Abe says to me: 'Dad, it won't never do to back down fur a Stevens. I've got to beat that blow or we'll lose our respectability.'"

"'Abe, you let it alone,' says I. 'We've got no doggoned respectability in five minutes than the Stevens have in a hull year.'"

"'But, gentlemen, that 'ere Abe felt sore to see that 'ere Budd struttin' around and he took advantage of my goin' into a saloon after a drink. He stepped up, laid down his nickel, and he told the boys he'd beat Budd all holler or bust. He sucked in enough wind to blow a barn over, got a purchase in the gravel with his feet and let her go.'"

"'Died! Why doggone him, he busted himself all apart in five or six places, and he couldn't help but die! There was a ripping and a tearing, and Abe cried out: 'Oh! Lord!' and fell back as dead as as a June bug in January. That's the story, gentlemen, and I'm much obliged for the lift. Good day to you.'—New York Sun.

The Texas Homestead Law.

The Texas Farm and Ranch is a staunch defender of the Texas homestead law. It says: "But for these wise and salutary provisions Texas might now be in a condition differing but little from that of Kansas, Iowa and other Western states, where the homes of the farmers are rapidly passing into the hands of the speculators."

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the substance of our best citizens may stay away—or go to gehenna, or to Kansas for all that Texas farmers care. But mind you, when interested parties, by an overt act, undertake to change the law for the protection of the homes or the people, 500,000 farmers will be there to see about it."

If 500,000 Texas farmers approve the homestead law "speculative combinations" are sadly lacking in judgment if they waste time warring upon it. If it has such a hold upon the hearts of the Texas people there is no occasion for Farm and Ranch to fly to its defense.

All capital "has for its object the swallowing up" of all the profits it can lay hold of, just as all labor has for its object the securing of the very highest possible wages. Much capital does "go to Kansas" and elsewhere that would come to Texas but for the homestead law which locks up millions of Texas securities, thereby forcing the interest rate above the normal.

The Texas homestead law handicaps the prudent man; it limits his enterprises by limiting his credit and raising the rate of interest, but it puts little or no check on the imprudent or the spendthrift. Its effect is also bad as it enables men to avoid honest debts. Cheaper land, greater exemption from drouth, "wet season" and other climate drawbacks have more to do with the superior condition of Texas farmers as compared to those of Iowa, Kansas and other Western States than have the homestead laws. Landlordism is making giant strides in Texas wherever land is valuable.

When You Read the Good Book. The Hebrew Standard explains the following biblical terms:

- A gerah was a cent. A cab was three pints. An omer was six pints. A shekel of gold was \$8. A firkin was seven pints. A farthing was seven cents. A talent of gold was \$13,800. A talent of silver was \$538.30. A cubit was nearly 22 inches. Ezekiel's reed was nearly 11 feet. A bin was one gallon and two pints. A shekel of silver was about 50 cents. A mite was less than a quarter of a glass. A piece of silver or a penny was 13 cents. A Sabbath day's journey was about an English mile. An ephah or bath contained 7 gallons and five pints. A day's journey was about 23 1-5 miles. A hand's breadth is equal to 3 1/2 inches. A finger's breadth is equal to 1 inch.

P. T. Barnum claims to own among other musical curiosities the biggest lyre ever made. We trust this is no reflection on his gentlemanly advertising agent—Yonkers Statesman.

An Automaton Man.

"The present condition of social affairs is deplorable, and girls are becoming more dependent upon the so-called 'lords of creation' than ever for attention," said a Memphis beauty a few days since, "and I am tired of such slavery and intend to rid myself of the yoke."

Inquiring of this independent dame what means she would adopt to affect that end, she unfolded her scheme, which is worthy of Bulwer in his "Coming Race," or Belamy in "Looking Backward," from its extreme originality. "Well you see," continued the bright little lady, "very often I desire to go out at night and unless I happen to have a beau, or my brother or father condescend to escort me, I am forced to stay at home. A girl can get around by herself very well during the day, but when the evening shades fall thick and fast, a man is indispensable, and every girl is forced to acknowledge this fact. Now my idea is to invent an automaton man, to go around with me after dark, to the theatre, shopping or anywhere else that I care to go, where the actual services are unnecessary, and only his presence needed as a protection. The man can be made true to life in appearance, as Madame Tussaud has proved, and by a little mechanism he can be wound up to move naturally, and the present perfection of the phonograph can make him a delightful conversationalist, for, of course, we can arrange the conversation before we start out, and then he will never say anything disagreeable. If I don't care to pay his way in the theatre, I can just have him checked and left in the care of the bell boy outside, just as I would my umbrella or wraps."

"Have you ever advanced your idea to any of your girl friends?" "Oh, yes, indeed, and I have already, a dozen or more automaton men engaged. All the girls are as enthusiastic as I am." And the dark eyes grew brighter, and danced merrily over the thought of perfecting her ingenious little scheme.

Vast Fortunes Piling Up, But the People are Not Prosperous.

Once more the Astor millions have descended from father to son. Through the hands of two John Jacob Astor and one William they have now reached a second William. At each stage their growth has been marvellous.

Succession to the Astor millions is a solemn thing. To inherit them is much like falling heir to the law of gravitation. Their centripetal force is irresistible. The original John Jacob scraped together \$20,000,000. William, the great grandson, inherits \$200,000,000. To what enormous proportions may not that great fortune grow as the generations of Astors follow one another, leaving it to work out its destiny!

There are many colossal fortunes in this nation and many more are building. That of the Astors is surpassed by few or none. The Astors are welcome to it. But in such vast accumulations of money there is danger. They are piling up in all parts of the United States. Taxed lumber, taxed iron and steel, railways, trusts, speculation in lands—on these and similar foundations great fortunes are being constructed with startling rapidity.

Yet the majority of the people are not prosperous. The farmers do not thrive. Satisfactory wages in the cities are offset by the high cost of living. A mere equitable system of taxation, the abolition of all unnecessary taxes, the utilization by the people for their own benefit of public rights and the denial to individuals of public grants—these reforms would relieve the pressure which has become intolerable on the shoulders of the many and would check the growth of great fortunes in the deft hands of the few.

The Astors, the Vanderbilts, the Goulds and the Rockefellers have done very well under the present arrangement. Now it is quite time for the people to have their inning.—Chicago News.

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FRIDAY, MARCH 21, 1890.

Bismarck, the chancellor of Germany, has resigned.

The Blair Educational Bill will be voted on to-day (Thursday.)

Judge Carrol of Denton declares himself in favor of anybody to beat Hogg.

The State Treasurer of Mississippi is short in his accounts \$324,612, and the Treasurer of Missouri \$32,745.

There is as much difference in the varieties of cotton as there is in the blood and breeding of hogs, horses or cattle.

It has been suggested that Scott Fields of Robertson is playing the role of "Brer Rabbit" in the Congressional contest.

All the counties of this district now have avowed candidates for Congress except Sabine, San Augustine and Robertson.

Congressman Sayers wires Governor Ross that he has been successful in getting the balance of \$140,000 claimed by Texas allowed and approved.

The Louisiana Lottery company has donated \$100,000 to the Parishes along the Mississippi river for levee purposes. Governor Nichols has accepted the gift.

The Louisiana Lottery Company having failed to secure a charter from the North Dakota Legislature is said to have succeeded with the Legislature of the Choctaw Nation.

The Palestine Advocate has been vastly improved under its new management. It is now a neat, all home print journal replete with town and county news. Its editorial page too shows a decided change for the better.

"Old Grandma" Blair threatens to leave the Republican party if they do not support his Educational Bill. "Defend us, ye ministers of grace!" That is the strongest argument yet advanced for the passage of the bill.

A South Carolina Grand Jury has an exalted idea of its jurisdiction. In a recent report it arraigned the Supreme Court of that state for delays and innovations, and had a sheriff and a deputy arrested for permitting prisoners to escape.

Brother Imboden of the Cherokee Herald should do one of two things—either renounce Hogg for Governor or Lane for Lieutenant-Governor. He can't throw up his hat for Hogg and at the same time hurrah for Lane. Their views on public questions and state policies are diametrically antagonistic.

We have reason to believe that the people of Eastern Texas would prefer any city in the state for the State Convention to San Antonio. A matter of commanding importance in the settlement of that question is to select a site as easily central and accessible as possible. There are several cities preferable in these respects to San Antonio.

The State Association of Sheriffs in assuming to permit no Hogg delegates to attend the State Convention have got a contract on their hands that they will have some difficulty in fulfilling. Such arrogance seems well-nigh incredible, and yet we have seen no denial of such instructions having been sent out by the Secretary of that association.

The Republican Election Committee of the House of Representatives have introduced their bill for federal control of Congressional elections. It provides for the Australian system of balloting, and on the petition of five hundred citizens of a district place the control of the election in the hands of the Federal Government. The Government appoints six judges for each polling precinct, three representing each political party. The United States Marshall appoints deputies for the preservation of peace.

Judge Gerald's Speech.

The Waco Plauder prints in full the recent speech by Judge Gerald of that city. The speech is untimely, unwise and uncalled for. The most notable feature of it is its cowardly and malignant attack on Senator Coke. Living so far from the political storm-center we fail to appreciate the forces at work that could cause or justify the utterance of such sentiments. The bitterness it breathes toward Mr. Coke has its origin doubtless in some fancied personal pique or grievance, and the ungenerous and unknighly manner in which he assails this distinguished patriot and statesman behind his back and in his absence should recoil on the author with telling effect. It is passing strange that a man of Judge Gerald's breadth of information and culture should be found publicly proclaiming himself in favor of what, under existing circumstances, the average school-boy of to-day knows to be impossible and absurd. We refer to his scheme of colonizing the negroes in Central America. However much, from a social and economic standpoint, such a policy may commend itself to the judgment of students of the race question, such a solution of the trouble in the present *statu quo* is impracticable because impossible, be the attainment thereof ever so desirable. Judge Gerald knows, and, if he doesn't, he should know, that a plan of forced colonization of any race, seized of the attributes of full and perfect citizenship, cannot be accomplished, because the Constitution of the United States would interpose to prevent it. The only way in which this plan could be made available would be by an affirmative vote of three-fourths of the State Legislatures in favor of an amendment to the Constitution stripping the negro of the habiliments of citizenship. Then discussion of such measures might be in order, but until then, the agitation of them by Judge Gerald or by anyone else is inopportune, unnecessary, and the height of folly.

The COURIER is in receipt of No. 1 of the Southwestern Iron and Lumber Record published at New Birmingham. It is a sixteen page monthly issued by the Record Publishing Co. and is devoted to the material and industrial resources of the Southwest. It shows enterprise and ability. Its pages are clean and full of excellent original and select reading matter. It is a credit to New Birmingham, to East Texas, to the Southwest and should receive the patronage it deserves. The lumber and saw mill men of east Texas will find much in it of interest to their business and it should be in the hands of every one of them.

Senator McDonald of Paris has given it out that he is a candidate for Governor. The entries now are Hogg, Throckmorton, Wheeler and McDonald. The three former are in favor of the Commission amendment and the latter opposed to it. McDonald will probably draw to his support the most of the anti-commission element, and when the break in the convention comes, his backing will be transferred largely to Throckmorton. The situation is becoming more and more complicated, and dangerous embarrassments threaten the outlook for the success of any of the pronounced aspirants.

The drift of popular sentiment just now is strongly in favor of Hogg for Governor, Pendleton for Lieutenant-Governor, and Culbertson for Attorney-General. Read the following from the Terrell Times-Star, not a great way from Throckmorton's home.

How is this for a state ticket? For Governor: J. S. Hogg. For Lieutenant-Governor: Geo. C. Pendleton.

For Attorney-General: C. A. Culbertson.—Commerce Record.

That ticket is alright and suits us to a dot. Kaufman county will go for that ticket.

The charter of the W. T. & S. R. R. has been forwarded to Austin and work on the road will begin soon. This looks like business. It looks now as if, before a great while, the echoes of the screaming locomotive will be disturbing the slumbers of our Nevel's Prairie friends.

That county is most prosperous that has the most public spirited men in it.

Enterprise and money can make a blossoming garden out of an alkaline desert.

The Alabama medical student who sent Senator Chandler the ear of a negro woman has a grim sense of humor.

It is well for some people to remember that motion is not progress, and that it is work and not talk that tells.

The Jewett Messenger is authorized for the statement that J. B. A. Folk of Freestone is a candidate for Congress from this district.

The County Alliance meets early in April and we hope to be able to record the fact that that body has given the question of improved cotton seed serious attention.

If East Texas had the push, the vim, the enterprise, the energy, the get-up-and-get-there spirit of the Panhandle; people wouldn't have their faces set towards the setting sun.

The surplus in the Federal Treasury will soon be a tradition. From eighty odd millions under Cleveland it has dwindled down to twenty-eight million under Harrison.

Says the Houston Post: "The Crockett COURIER is doing a good work for Crockett and Houston county, which they should reciprocate by giving The COURIER hearty support."

Ninety out of every hundred Democrats in Houston county are in favor of Hogg for Governor. They are speaking out now, and when the beat conventions are held there will come up from every precinct an almost unanimous acclaim to that effect.

The Daily Post, Galveston News, Dallas News, San Antonio Express, Waco Day and Austin Statesman are all opposing Hogg for Governor. The Fort Worth Gazette is a straddle of the fence with a leaning to Hogg. There is a lesson in this which the people will do well to ponder.

The people want roads and good ones, but are not ready for and will not sanction the methods proposed to raise money for this purpose. The daily press of the state are indulging in the sheerest nonsense when they advocate the policy of issuing county bonds to get money to macadamize the public roads of a county. It is all very well and easy for these doctrinaire gentlemen to sit in their sanctums and write out great long editorials in advocacy of a bonded debt scheme for getting revenue for such objects, but when you get down to the question and take a "hoss" sense view of their plan, it is visionary and impracticable. There is no provision of the present constitution that has subserved a wiser and better end than the one inhibiting counties from issuing bonds. The people of Kansas and other northwestern states are to-day loaded down with a debt incurred in this way, and it amounts to almost confiscation to raise revenue to meet the interest on such obligations and to create a sinking fund for their liquidation. The people will oppose any amendment to the Constitution or any legislation looking to the authorization of counties to fasten on them by vote or otherwise all such systems of gathering money. The present road law may be defective, and the means inadequate for putting the highways of the country in good condition. However it has the merit of economy, and may be amended in some respects so as to improve matters greatly. We have always been of the opinion that the Commissioners' court should furnish overseers with steel plows and road scrapers and where they can do so, purchase for use by the county, one grading machine. With such implements, in the hands of competent men as overseers, we should expect, in a very short time and at comparatively little expense a very materially improved condition of our thoroughfares. The courts in some counties have bought and have now in use the New Era Grading Machine and with it are putting annually from twenty to twenty-five miles of road bed in first-class shape. The machine is drawn by mules or oxen and, as it passes along, plows, grades, rolls, packs, and ditches all together one entire side of the road.

The Waco Day says: "The question now is the location of the Waco passenger and freight depots of the W. & T. R. R."

The want of public spirit in a county scotches every enterprise and brings about a dead-eyed state of affairs that drives off instead of inviting capital.

If East Texas wants capital, factories and immigration, she must let the world know that fact. To make no effort to get them is to say to them that you don't want them.

The Democrats in the Ohio Legislature have passed the bill redistricting the state. Under the new arrangement the Democrats will have sixteen and the Republicans five congressmen.

The Waco Day of the 14th has the following:

"The Waco, Trinity and Sabine Railway will be organized immediately with plenty of capital, a powerful directory and excellent officers."

The Groveton Graphic essays to be smart when it says "that many people would hate to see a Hogg Governor of Texas." If the Graphic is opposed to Hogg for Governor, why don't it come out in an open many way and so state it, disdaining as unworthy such wretched abortions at wit. A large majority of the people of Trinity county are for Hogg for Governor and will so declare themselves when the time comes. Mark ye that.

The Naacogdoches correspondent of the Houston Post with a confident and triumphant blast announces to the world that the next Congressional Convention will retire Howdy Martin and nominate Judge Perkins. Perhaps so and perhaps not. However, the country is placed under many obligations to this same correspondent for vouchsafing even that much information. In view of this revelation other candidates might as well withdraw.

Neither the News nor the Post can expect any sympathy from the public in their tirade against each other. They both stand incriminated of the dishonest and non-ethical practice of pilfering from each other. Both have been claiming to be journals of metropolitan pretensions, and to-day the country is called on to witness the humiliating spectacle of these two great dailies by their charges, counter-charges and confessions, standing pilloried before the public accused of doing that which, if done by an humble weekly journal, would cause it to lose respectability. Shame on both of them. The Weekly Press have been wont to look to them as models of journalistic ethics, shining exemplars to be imitated. Hereafter we shall be inclined to seek instructions in professional manners and morals elsewhere.

The Cherokee Herald is singularly inconsistent. It is supporting Hogg for Governor with exceeding great vigor and is boosting Lane for Lieutenant-Governor with a degree of enthusiasm equally intense and earnest. The public records, policies and professions of two men couldn't be more different than those of Hogg and Lane. The Herald-like the COURIER is a friend to Hogg because of his faithful, tireless and uncompromising opposition to the encroachments of railroads and other corporations; because as Attorney-General of this state he has in all his official acts approved himself the "protector and defender of the faith" placed in his hands, and given to the office he has filled a dignity and importance it never had before. All of which is sound and indisputable. Now let the Herald compare the record of Mr. Lane in these respects with that of Attorney-General Hogg. They are the very antipodes of each other. If Mr. Lane ever failed to show himself the friend of corporations, the writer would like to be informed of it, and when and wherein he has done so. In view of the facts which are undeniable, the Herald with its many protestations of honesty and sincerity, which we are loth to question, should betake itself to the task of reconciling in some way what must strike the discriminating and observant reader as a conspicuous inconsistency. The Herald may be coy and coquetting with Mr. Lane and his candidacy, hoping thereby to make friends for Attorney-General Hogg in that section of the state. If so, it is engaged in an undertaking that promises about as abundant a yield as the pleasing though fruitless diversion of "chasing rainbows."

Interviews Continued.

W. A. Jones; I am not prepared to say.
J. W. Gossett; I favor two.
W. H. Duren; I favor two.
John Turner; I favor two.
T. J. Cannon; I favor two.
P. J. Parker; I favor two.
E. E. Smith; I favor two.
J. B. Pfeifer; I favor one.
G. M. Thompson; I favor one.
G. B. Lundy; I favor two.
J. P. Gault; I favor two.
E. A. Williams; I favor two.
J. J. Hunt; I am not prepared to say.
L. A. Price; I favor two.
J. V. Collins; I am not particular.

S. C. Arledge; I favor one.
J. T. Cunningham; I favor two.
H. W. Rice; I favor one.
J. K. Jones; I favor two.
Aaron Speer; I favor two.
D. J. Cater; I favor one.

W. H. Kennedy; I favor one.
J. B. Stanton; I favor two.
John T. Sturges; I favor two.
Tom J. Lunceford; I favor two.
W. M. Patton; I favor one.
Dr. T. M. Sherman; I favor two.
W. A. R. French; I don't care which.

B. F. Chamberlain; I favor two.
A. A. Aldrich; I favor two.
A. LeGory; I favor two.
Sam Bitner; I favor one.
G. H. Bayne; I favor one.
D. M. Gantt; I favor one.
W. B. Worthington; I favor two.
Frank Labit; I favor one.

CREEK.

The farming interests have been at a stand still in this community on account of wet weather. A negro child was burnt up a few days since by falling in the fire.

Our school closes this week. Rev. Mr. Boynington preached here last Sunday night. Rev. Mr. Vaden preaches the first Sunday in every month.

Creek will have something for the Spring Palace. Our Sunday School is on the boom. We need a good blacksmith shop here. There was some uneasiness about the mail rider one day this week. Some thought he was drowned, but he is too much of a Methodist to take water by wholesale. The matrimonial market is dull on the Creek. Road working is now on hand. It looks like we can never have good roads. O'LEARY.

NEVEL'S PRAIRIE.

ED. COURIER:—It has rained till all is on a level—the high places have washed down and the low places filled up.

So far as learned the late freeze did not materially damage the oat crop. Corn will have to be planted over, thus we will all get an even start.

I have been told by those who have examined that a great deal of timber was killed to the ground by the freeze.

I never have known the people so quiet as they are in regard to politics. We like this sign and trust that they will remain cool and deliberate.

There has been such excitement and bad feeling engendered in Congress over partisan matters, that questions of importance seem to be entirely overlooked. The silver and tariff questions should receive attention at the hands of the present Congress, but if the present do-nothing plan continues they will have to go over. Surely the people are getting tired of this nonsense, and should demand that their representatives go to work.

I noticed in passing by Mr. Asa Speer's this morning that he was out on the fence, with hat in hand, fanning for life. On asking what was the matter, he said "It's a boy."

As I was not present at the meeting of citizens in your city that set forth a plan to get up exhibits for the Spring Palace, neither got a "pintment" on any committee I feel like "bolting," and will far enough to say, let every one who feels an interest in this matter go to work and assist the committee to get up an exhibit that will do honor to our county. The exhibit will be just what we make it. If we propose to take our county out on a visit, let us dress her up in her best suit, so that she will attract attention and be the rival of others. Let not one depend on another but let every one go to work and do what they can. FAD.

If you seek what is the quickest, best and safest Chill tonic, the answer will invariably be, "My friends, use Cheatham's," is pleasant, too, and guaranteed. Sold by French & Chamberlain, DeBerry & Clark, N. E. Albright, J. Q. Harling.

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The glaring embers of the late conflagration at Lovelady had severely 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

than ever before. We are determined to refute the idea that might originate in the minds of some that the lack of competition, resulting from the misfortune of our town in the way of failure and fire, would work a hardship on the people, in the way of a monopoly, for those left behind. In view of this fact, and actuated by a spirit of philanthropy, we are now prepared to offer to the public

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. P. 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.

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Lovelady, Texas.

The Crockett Millinery House,
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MRS. N. GATES,
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In fact anything in the printing line, at
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Our terms for announcing the names of candidates will be as follows: Congress, \$25; State Senate, \$10; Legislature and other County officers, \$5; Precinct officers, \$2.50. Each name sent in must invariably be accompanied with the cash.

COUNTY JUDGE.

We are authorized to announce the name of J. W. Madden as a candidate for county judge, subject to the action of the democratic party.

COUNTY ATTORNEY.

We are authorized to announce the name of Chester Hall as a candidate for county attorney, subject to the action of the democratic party in primary election.

SHERIFF.

We are authorized to announce the name of R. F. Holcomb as a candidate for sheriff, subject to the action of the democratic party.

We are authorized to announce the name of W. H. Kent as a candidate for sheriff, subject to the action of the democratic party in primary election.

TREASURER.

We are authorized to announce the name of J. B. Ellis as a candidate for office of county treasurer, subject to the action of the Democratic party in primary election.

We are authorized to announce the name of S. B. Hallmark as a candidate for the office of county treasurer, subject to the action of the democratic party in primary election.

TAX COLLECTOR.

We are authorized to announce the name of J. R. Sheridan as a candidate for Tax Collector subject to the action of the Democratic party in primary election.

JUSTICE OF THE PEACE.

We are authorized to announce the name of J. A. Strout as a candidate for justice of the peace for precinct No. 1, subject to the action of the democratic party in primary election.

We are authorized to announce the name of R. C. Hancock as a candidate for justice of the peace for precinct No. 1, subject to the action of the democratic party in primary election.

We are authorized to announce the name of W. J. Hill as a candidate for justice of the peace for precinct No. 1, subject to the action of the democratic party in primary election.

CONSTABLE.

We are authorized to announce the name of George Waller as a candidate for constable of beat No. 1, subject to the action of the Democratic party in primary election.

We are authorized to announce the name of John H. Hogue as a candidate for constable of precinct No. 1, subject to the action of the democratic party in primary election.

The Courier will publish without charge, a summary of church proceedings that may be of interest to the public. Ministers throughout the county will confer a favor by forwarding same.

LOCAL AND COUNTY NEWS.

French & Chamberlain for drugs. Boots at cost, at Bill McConnell's.

A new lot of watches at Spinks' at Chicago prices. Leather goods at wholesale prices at the saddle shop.

Men's and boy's summer coats, for 35 cents, at Bill McConnell's.

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

We are glad to see our friend J. T. Murphy up and about again.

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

Remember the supper to-night (Friday) given by the ladies of the Methodist church.

Remember that Houston county must not fall behind in her exhibit at the Spring Palace.

Do you need a machine? If you do see Spinks he will give you inducements in that line.

Court met Monday morning but no business was transacted and adjourned until Thursday.

Four brands of ladies' hand-made \$2.50 shoes sold with a guarantee, at BILL MCCONNELL'S.

Fine cutlery. Full line of Hawkes' celebrated spectacles, at HARING'S.

J. M. Torrence, house and sign painter and paper hanger. Work solicited. Satisfaction guaranteed.

The meeting at Lovelady Monday appointed a committee of ladies to co-operate with them in their labors.

J. S. Fluker, book-keeper for Mr. J. S. Shivers has been confined to the house with La Grippe for several days.

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

Miss Annie Brown, one of Pennington's charming young ladies, accompanied by her brother, were callers at The Courier office Monday.

We trust that the ladies' committee will have a meeting soon and proceed to display the taste and ingenuity which they only can display.

The Ft. Worth Gazette says: the St. Felix Sisters kept the audience in a state of meriment from the time the play opened until it closed. Go and see them.

The ladies of the Methodist church have spared neither time nor expense in getting up the supper to-night (Friday) and they should be patronized liberally by our citizens.

All of the South end of the county are moving in the Spring Palace matter. Holly, Lovelady and Nevel's Prairie were all represented in the Lovelady meeting last Monday, and all showed an earnest determination to go to work.

Ladies' button shoes from \$1.00 to \$5.00 per pair, at Bill McConnell's.

Miss Berdie Murchison, who has been attending school at Waco, is at home.

Pure drugs and chemicals at Haring's drug store, Lipscomb stand.

You can get a Gent's good, heavy spring suit, for \$5.00 at Bill McConnell's.

The St. Felix Sisters will appear at the opera house Wednesday night March 26.

The grand jury to date has found eighteen bills, five for felony and the rest for misdemeanors.

A great deal depends on the prompt efficient action of the Spring Palace finance committee.

You should see James T. Kelly in his topical songs at the opera House next Wednesday night.

Mrs. E. J. Cleveland, sister of Mrs. J. C. Wootters, has been very poorly some time with paralysis.

N. E. Albright has just received his spring stock of clothing. Call and get his prices before you buy.

Every section of the County should bestir itself in the Spring Palace exhibit. The time is short.

Our engine is now in good working order and The Courier is turned out at the rate of a thousand an hour.

The woods for the exhibit are beginning to come in already. T. F. Smith brought in a splendid specimen.

Miss Coma Fisher of Waverly, who has been visiting Judge Williams' family, returned home last Saturday.

The foreman of the grand jury regards it as a distressing sign to see the young men and boys of Crockett with such poor memories.

By buying your leather goods at the Saddle shop you not only save money in prices, but get a better grade of goods.

G. M. Thompson has bought the Westmoreland place on Trinity river. George thinks that the Waco and Trinity road will probably cross there.

Thomas Metcalf, of Davisboro, Georgia, paid The Courier a visit last Friday. He is looking around with the view of finding homes for several families of Georgians.

N. A. Hickey, of Grapeland, called on us Monday, and carried away with him a nice order of job work that we had just completed for the firm of Hickey & Hunt.

Houston county has the material to make a grand display at the Spring Palace and the citizens of every portion of the county should go to work and see that she has it there.

Mose Lemons, colored, well known to the citizens of Crockett and Houston county, died at Tyler last Tuesday. Mose was a staunch Democrat. His life was insured for \$1,500.

There will be a mass meeting of citizens of Nevel's Prairie at Reed's school house on Monday night next for the purpose of taking steps to get up an exhibit from that part of the county. Come out to the meeting.

J. R. Foster, made an assignment last Friday to J. E. Downes, for the benefit of accepted creditors, his stock of general merchandise. The liabilities amount to about \$7,700, most of which is owed to northern firms.

W. H. Threadgill has been stopping at the Pickwick for several days having his eye operated on. He has been suffering from an old wound for several years. Dr. J. L. Lipscomb made a successful removal of these, assisted by Drs. Beasley Hall, Smith and W. C. Lipscomb, and we are glad to state that Mr. Threadgill is getting along nicely.

J. R. Sheridan's announcement appears in this issue of The Courier. Mr. Sheridan is a candidate for tax collector and is in every respect well and thoroughly qualified for the duties of the position he seeks. He is a native of Houston county and has always been regarded as one of her most solid citizens and successful farmers, as well as a man devoted to the advancement in his neighborhood of every interest of school, church and society. His standing as a citizen has always been high, and his character for integrity unimpeachable. If elected, Mr. Sheridan will make an efficient and creditable collector and the state's cash will be in safe hands.

Mixed paints 85 cents at Haring's, Lipscomb stand.

Miss Jennie Patton, of Tadmor, was a caller at our office on Wednesday.

Seats for sale at French & Chamberlain's for the St. Felix Sisters. Secure seats at once.

Mixed paints, varnishes and window glass, below cost, at HARING'S.

Go to the opera house Wednesday night and enjoy yourself. The St. Felix Sisters will be there.

Mr. J. S. Shivers has been troubled for several days with something like the Grip, but still sticks to his post.

Prescriptions prepared at all hours. Only pure and fresh drugs, of best quality dispensed at Haring's drug store.

A long pull, a strong pull, and an all pull together will give Houston county a fine display at the Spring Palace.

The Spring Palace executive committee want specimens of ribbon cane from each section, and as fine as possible to get.

Mayes & Smith will ship about a thousand head of cattle from Crockett next Monday to their ranch in Archer county.

There is no telling the amount of wealth that a good display of our timber, ores, etc., at the Spring Palace may bring into Houston county.

The educational department has been resumed and will hereafter appear on the first page of the paper, and will contain the choicest educational matter.

The pulpit, the bench and the bar recommend Chestham's Chill Tonic as the finest antiperiodic in use, being free from poison and guaranteed.

Sold by French & Chamberlain, DeBerry & Clark, N. E. Albright, J. G. Haring.

Worth Nelms, of Pennington, has recently returned from Kentucky with four fine-blooded fillies, costing in the aggregate \$2,000. He bought them for his stock farm on Tyler Prairie, in Houston county, and proposes to go regularly into the fine stock business.

The Spring Palace executive committee will meet at Knights of Honor Hall at 3 p. m., Monday, March 24. The ladies of the committee are expected to attend and others interested are invited to be present. Matters of importance to be attended to. W. A. FRENCH, Secy.

J. T. Currie, Sr., reports to us that J. T. Currie and wife have a baby three months old that weighed, dressed in a thin slip, twenty-five pounds. The mother weighs 140 pounds and the father 170. Talk about your healthy communities, but Houston county beats all for hearty, robust healthy babies.

Go to the concert to night (Thursday) at the opera house. It is for the benefit of the Y. M. C. A. There will be choice music artistically rendered by pretty girls under attractive stage settings. The program includes also a side splitting farce by professional talent. A rare and recherche affair it will be. Don't miss it.

George Waller is a candidate, as will be seen, for bailiff for the Crockett beat. For industrious habits, good moral character and the esteem of those among whom he has lived, George Waller can show as good a record as any young man. When this is said, much has been said. George possesses many traits of character that recommend him for the office for which he strives—youthful energy, sobriety intelligence and courage. A candidate possessing all of these can appeal strongly to the support of all good citizens, and especially to the young men.

J. B. Ellis comes out this week for Treasurer. His announcement will be found elsewhere. There is no need for The Courier to undertake to introduce Mr. Ellis to the voters of Houston county as he has been long and well known to the most of them. For years he pursued the calling of farming, and was regarded as one of the most successful and substantial in this line of business in the county. No man in Houston county ranks higher in popular esteem for solid worth of character, and the substantial elements that enter into the make-up of a good citizen. The office he seeks is one involving the handling and safe keeping of thousands of dollars of the people's money. If chosen to fill it, the money will be in safe hands, and the other duties of the office too will be performed with fidelity.

Our merchants are receiving large invoices of goods every day.

Several communications will be found on the fourth page of this issue.

Hon. F. A. Williams has returned home from Marshall where he has been holding court.

If Houston county is not represented at the Spring Palace it will be no fault of The Courier.

Don't fail to have your specimens for the Spring Palace at Crockett by the 20th of April.

We wish to call the attention of our road commissioner to the dilapidated condition of the bridges in and about Crockett.

The streets and crossings of Crockett are in a terrible condition and we hope our road commissioner will put them in good shape at once.

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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, for spot cash, for sixty-five cents on the dollar, and I succeeded in making the purchase, and therefore thought best to let my friends and patrons know that I would give them the benefit of same. Call and see me before they are all gone. As to further particulars spoken of in last issue, I have bought 1500 buggy whips, one of which will be given away with every cash purchase of \$10. Come at once and secure one. They are worth from \$1 to \$1.75 each. M. BROMBERG.

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Bill McConnell Says.

Everything's lovely and the goose hangs very attitudinal. No hard times in our store. The only hard time we see is from fatigue and exhaustion from overwork; having to continually wait on an incessant, inexhaustible flow of customers, and was it not for that great stimulant, the ALMIGHTY DOLLAR, we would long since have been under complete prostration from overwork and close application. But come, yes continue to come—not for what little it may benefit us—but for your own good, and being exhilarated with the belief that subsequent ages will love to tell how completely we overthrew all competition in these eventful days of existence, we will still serve you as long as we have the life, and YOU HAVE THE MONEY. Our specialty—Irish potatoes as large as aligators.

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PHYSICIAN'S PRESCRIPTIONS PREPARED AT ALL HOURS, By a Competent Pharmacist.

LOVELADY.

I notice that some of the papers, among them The Courier, is opposing the selection of San Antonio by the State Executive committee as the most eligible place for holding the State convention. Now I am satisfied that the papers that are advocating such a selection are doing so in the interest of a few wire-pullers. The great mass of the people of Texas are far removed from San Antonio and it will not be convenient for delegates to go that distance, especially farmer delegates. It is to be hoped that the Executive committee will choose some more central location and give all a chance to go that feel a desire to do so. We are on to the racket of these schemers.

We are having too much rain. No corn planted yet and not likely to be any for some time.

Lovelady High School is flourishing with a large attendance.

Ed. COURIER:—I am with you again, and willing to do all I can towards helping on The Courier. I think it lays in the shade anything in the way of a newspaper that has been started in Houston county for years and think it very strange that everybody don't subscribe for it. Every thing dull here on account of the weather. The storm on the 4th blew down a great deal of timber. I fear we shall be late about our crops. General health good. We are rejoiced to see The Courier taking such interest in working up a display for the Spring Palace. Cochino Bayou can show as fine timber and as many varieties as any part of the state, and wait a little and we will prove it. We have walnut, ash, linn, sweet gum, black gum, white and black hickory, red elm, slippery elm, oak of all kinds, box elder, birch, curly and other varieties of pine. We can get specimens of some of these four feet in diameter and 125 feet high. Say to our sister counties we are coming. From now on we are going to take a hand in the dance—ourselves. And when we get Hogg for Governor, and he puts the state's machinery in good running order as he is capable of doing, we will show our sister states what Texas can do. The time is coming when we can make right here in Houston county many things that we now have to send off for. We want Hogg for Governor and are going to work for him. The young people are marrying off very fast and some of the old ones ought to and would, if they could. We wish them the greatest success. Hoping to hear from some of the other farmers, I am yours, SAM PATCH.

WELDON. EDITOR COURIER:—I wonder did it ever rain so much in the same length of time. Older heads say yes. Trinity river is rising rapidly and an overflow is expected. Some are driving their cattle from the low lands. Ye scribbled a portion of fence in the high waters of the creek. There is but very few cases of sickness in this locality at present. High Prairie school closed March 14th. Many good wishes to our little teacher who has taught a long but tedious session, and given, I think, general satisfaction. The early planted corn is germinating very slowly. I think it is an utter failure. Oats sowed in winter only one crop of them to my knowledge is exceedingly fine, and shows the effect of the late frost but very little. Farmers should raise their own hog and hominy; then give Mr. Hogg the governorship, plant your farms in corn, oats, potatoes, sugar cane, and goobers. An acre or two in sorghum and watermelons will be of much benefit to hogs in summer, and there is

nothing amiss about a small cotton crop. We are anxious for the new railroad, may it come at an early day, we will then perhaps find a market for our surplus corn, oats and other produce, while the work is in operation anyway. We learn that our friend Mr. Joseph James, who the latter part of last fall went west in search of a paradise, has decided he left paradise behind and is on the eve of returning. Houston county should be well represented at the Spring Palace. If you want a good county paper subscribe for The Courier. Z. S. A.

WELDON. Ed. COURIER:—Farmers are too somewhat behind owing to too much rain. Mr. Alex Stanley, of this place, has purchased him a large saw mill in Trinity county near Trinity station. I learn he anticipates moving soon. We all regret losing him very much as he was a good neighbor, but saw mill men can't stay always at one place and make their business a success. I suppose "Jane will be supplied with coffee and sugar" after the Grand Jury adjourns, judging from the amount of summonses for parties to appear before the Grand Jury. Nearly every one I see says he is on his way to Crockett, don't ask what for because we all know by this time anyway. If that railroad we hear so much of does come we expect a town out here that will equal Crockett in a short time. Now don't get discouraged till you see the truth of my prophecy. My main object now is to advance the value of property out here by blowing the railroad. Mr. W. D. Gimon says he will agree with any one for 150 bushels of corn of this year's crop at 40 cents a bushel, delivered in his crib. I hope some one will take his offer. If I could see this year's crop now, I perhaps would take the bargain. J. N. R.

TYLER. EDITOR COURIER:—Everything is passing off quietly in this part of the country. Farmers are all ready for planting corn. Our county seems to be improving in the way of saw and shingle mills. J. N. Tyler and John Dickey are in the business. We expect some improvement will be made this summer by our farmers as building material will be cheap. Our Sunday school is dead. The parents never come out and the children don't attend. There will be a larger acreage of corn and cotton planted in this section than ever before. Wonder what has become of the cannery man? He has got some of us in trouble with our grape vines and other berries. We hope some enterprising man will put one in motion soon, as we think it would pay and be of great benefit to the farmers of Houston county. J. L. A.

TRY Dickey's INDIAN BLOOD AND LIVER PILLS! HOUSTON COUNTY BANK. Exchange Bought and Sold on all parts of the United States. Special attention given to collections. W. E. MAVS, President. E. WINFREE, Cashier.

DICE MAXEY, Attorney at Law. (Now Located at Sherman, Texas,) will attend the terms of the District Court of Houston county, and will be pleased to give close personal attention to all cases, civil and criminal, entrusted to his care.

LOST, STRAYED, OR STOLEN. Advertisements under the above heading will be inserted free of charge to all subscribers of The Courier.

Lost a month since, a cow, spotted white and yellow, on body; nearly bald-faced; branded S. P. on hip; ears sawed short, revolving in left ear; range was from Dickey's to White Rock creek. A suitable reward will be paid for any information leading to her recovery. L. H. BEASLEY.

Strayed from my place, ten white pigs of Crockett, a scrawny black male, about five years old, branded with a heart on shoulder and Spanish brand on hip; had a short piece of rope around her neck. Will pay five dollars for her, delivered to me at Crockett. JOHN H. WOOTTERS.

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COURIER COMMENTS.

The Courier, published at Crockett, Texas, with Hon. W. B. Page as editor, is a new and handsome paper. It is beautifully printed and well edited.—Greenville Banner.

The first issue of the Crockett Courier has been received, and is a clean and handsome seven-column all-home print paper. It is under the management of Samuel Patton, an experienced newspaper man. May the new Courier live long and prosper.—Greenville Herald.

We are indebted to Prof. E. A. Pace, of Crockett, Texas, for Vol. 1, No. 1 of the Crockett Courier. It is a neat 7-column paper, all home print, and the editor says he will have an all-home print or "burst", and for this he deserves praise. We notice that Prof. Pace is editor of the "Educational Department" and the Courier is to be congratulated on securing one so well qualified to edit that department. We wish the enterprise success.—Macon (Miss.) Sun.

The Crockett Courier, volume one number two is on our table. It is typographically neat and editorially able. The Times welcomes it as one of its most esteemed contemporaries of the Second congressional district.—New Birmingham Times.

The Courier will labor for the interest of Houston county and the people of the county ought to appreciate our efforts.—Crockett Courier.

And if they don't appreciate them, they don't deserve as good a paper as the Courier.—N. B. Times.

The County Exhibits.

Fort Worth liberality has provided a means by which counties in Texas may advertise themselves to the very best possible advantage, and now it devolves upon each county to say whether it will avail itself of the opportunity. The Gazette now, as last year, urges upon all the counties to exhibit their products and advertise their advantages to the world. Seeing as believing and the people of other states will be here to see what Texas is, as shown by the products of Texas fields, mines, and forests. The railroads in and out of the state have made a rate to the Texas Spring Palace that will induce people to come to this grand and rare exhibit of Texas, and The Gazette, speaking for Fort Worth, would have every county participate in the benefits. In addition to the attractions of the Palace and the rates announced by the railroads, the Southern Baptist convention meets in this city on the day of the opening of the Karporama, and thousands of that denomination from all over the South will be here to see what Texas really is.—Fort Worth Gazette.

Didn't Call Him Mister.

Bill Sterrett, of the Galveston News, occupies the position of a sort of self-appointed guardian angel to the Texas delegation, says the Washington Post, and is always ready to nail with the spike of truth the calumnies that from time to time are circulated concerning the members of the Lone Star State. A day or two ago Sterrett was asked by a friend the name of a colored man with whom Congressman Kilgore was talking in the lobby.

"I did hear his name," said Sterrett's friend, "and I think Kilgore called him Mr. Jackson."

"What did Kilgore call him?" said Sterrett incredulously.

"He called him Mr. Jackson."

"You must be mistaken," said Sterrett, positively. "Buck Kilgore hasn't been this far north long enough to call a nigger Mister."—St. Louis Republic.

The first statue erected in this country to a working-man will soon be unveiled in Sacramento. It is in honor of E. J. Stevens, late master mechanic of the Southern Pacific, who had for years been in charge of immense railroad shops in Sacramento. The funds for the monument were contributed entirely by working-men.

COUNTY CORRESPONDENCE.

ENON.

ED. COURIER:—I have just read a copy of this paper, and like some of the rest, must praise the excellent print. It is exceedingly good, and the paper bids fair for success.

I will give a few dots from our industrious and fast improving community. The Messrs. Dunnam have a broom factory which keeps them very busy, and of course they make money, else they would quit in disgust. We also have a splendid mill, and gin owned by Harmon & Crenshaw, who are good honest men, and deal justly with all. I don't believe in bragging, but Enon has some of the best farms, and especially farmers, of any community in Houston county. We have good red and gray land, also another kind, which I will let the readers name. It produces splendidly; we have some bottom land used mainly for raising ribbon cane. In the fall when the boys are hunting, their hearts give a throb of joy when they see the sign boards, all around the cane. For they, "innocent creatures," imagine right straight they say, welcome! Welcome to all! help yourself. But they don't read that way, they say, "keep out! Keep out!" Now don't think our farmers stingy, for if they didn't do this way they would have no use for their cane mills.

Enon is noted for its singing, our leaders are lively and Dunnam. I didn't intend to include myself as a singer. Gracious! if I were to sing it would create a sensation equal to a monkey show. There are several young ladies at Enon who sing like nightingales. Last Sabbath I heard them sing Whippoorwill, it was indeed lovely! all listened enraptured, but we were greatly amazed when the piece closed, and a young man asked them to sing Screech Owl, which of course was not granted. We have preaching twice a month, sometimes oftener. This winter the noted preacher and author, Rev. Ezzell, held a few days meeting with us, which was well attended.

We have organized a debating society, and it is very interesting, especially when they get their speeches mixed up and are trying to straighten them. The next subject is: "Which has the greater influence over man, the love of woman, or the love of money?" Now I don't think that a suitable question, because money has so much more influence with some men than others.

We have a flourishing school under the able management of Mrs. Longmire. None of the pupils are very far advanced, but thoroughly understand as far as they have gone.

I am ashamed to tell it, but we haven't any Sabbath school. There are enough people, but they will not use their influence that way.

I must close, wishing The Courier, and its many readers the greatest of success.

LAW—RINNE.

ROKYS SPRINGS.

MR. EDITOR:—I wuz settin fo de fire las nite redin de KURIER, when mi ole oman whu wuz jis dun washin de dishes, let luse on me lak drappin pees on er beef hide. She loud dat i orter hab mi ole nek rung lak a fryin chicken fur ritin sich fule letters ter de papers. She sed-fokes wud fine out whut little since i did hab, an meny other things tu numrous to menshun. Mi ole oman is skusable now, as she is sorter cranky, bout dese sciety whuts kim eround uv late, De B. uv K. whutever dat is. I dunno, it may stan fer Band, uv Knolege or Band uv Kinfokes or Band uv Kickers, enny how mi oleoman dun jine em, an is allers arter me fer a nikle ur a dime en sumtimes a 4 tu pa de duse wid. An ebber time da meets shes all outer sorts er fixen & gitten reddy tu tend, an den i ketches it. Shes powful bothered kase i dont jine. You aint gwine ter git dis nigger in none uv dese strangified sciety's i dun bin here tu long fer dat. When i looks a wa yander in de distant sity, an sees er nigger dude wid his slik Beaver Hat on, and his kinky har komed strate, and his stanin kollar, an kid gloves on, an er gole heded wakin kane, en er big segyar in he mouf, er struttin up en down de street, i specs i done seed whar de dime en nikels dun gone whut mi ole oman been tribbitten. Now i aint said nuffin ergin de B. uv K. it mout be er monstus good thing

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Yourn in Er Hurry, ONELE DARRY.

AUGUSTA.

COURIER: As I have seen nothing from Augusta in your paper, I will write you briefly to keep the ball going.

The farmers are at work in earnest, when the sun shines, preparing for a big crop. Look out, farmers, or you will plant too much cotton this year. I think the late cold snap has killed all the mast. Make plenty of corn and then all the cotton you can.

Let us have Hogg for Governor and plenty of hog and hominy to eat. Then we want this heavy oil inspection law repealed as well as others of that kind that may be detrimental to the interest of the people. I am in favor of rotation in office as a rule, but it would be better to retain Buck Davis as county Judge. He has made the people a splendid officer. I think the place should be filled by a good lawyer, Jimmie Madden is a good boy and I like him very much and would willingly support him for any other place to which he might aspire.

How would W. H. Wall do for county assessor? FARMER.

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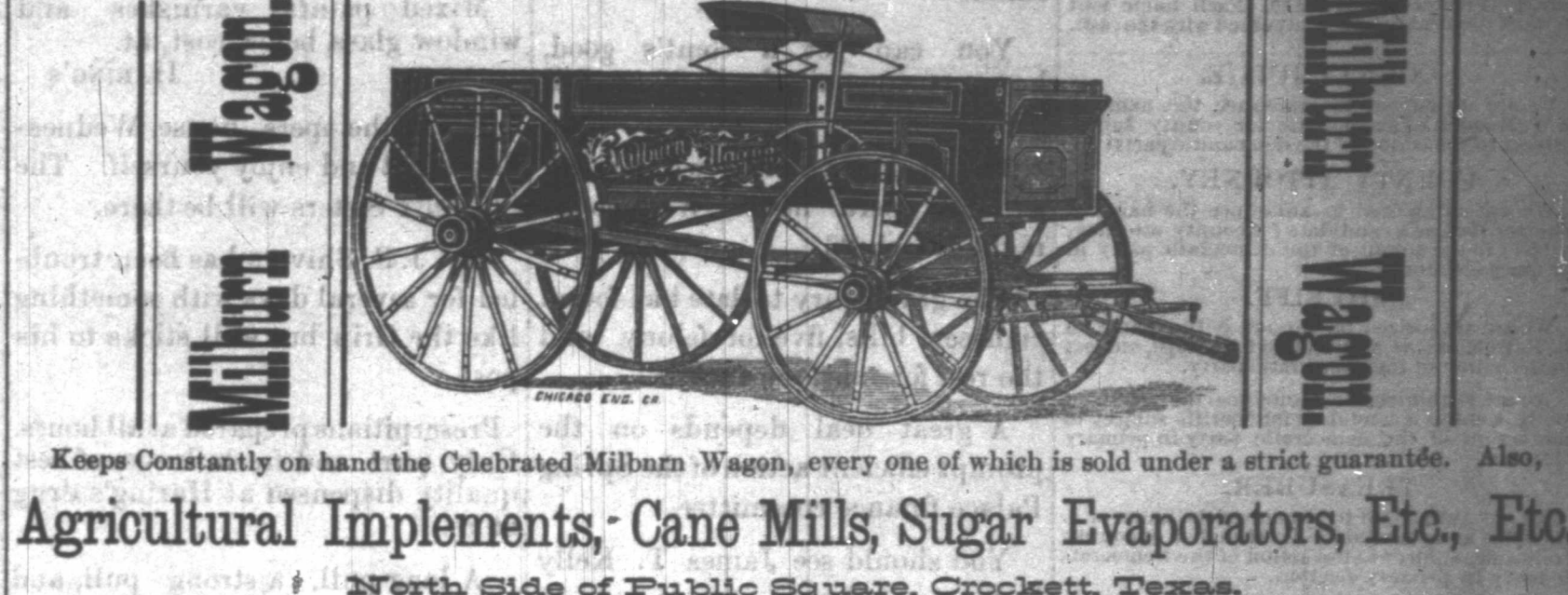
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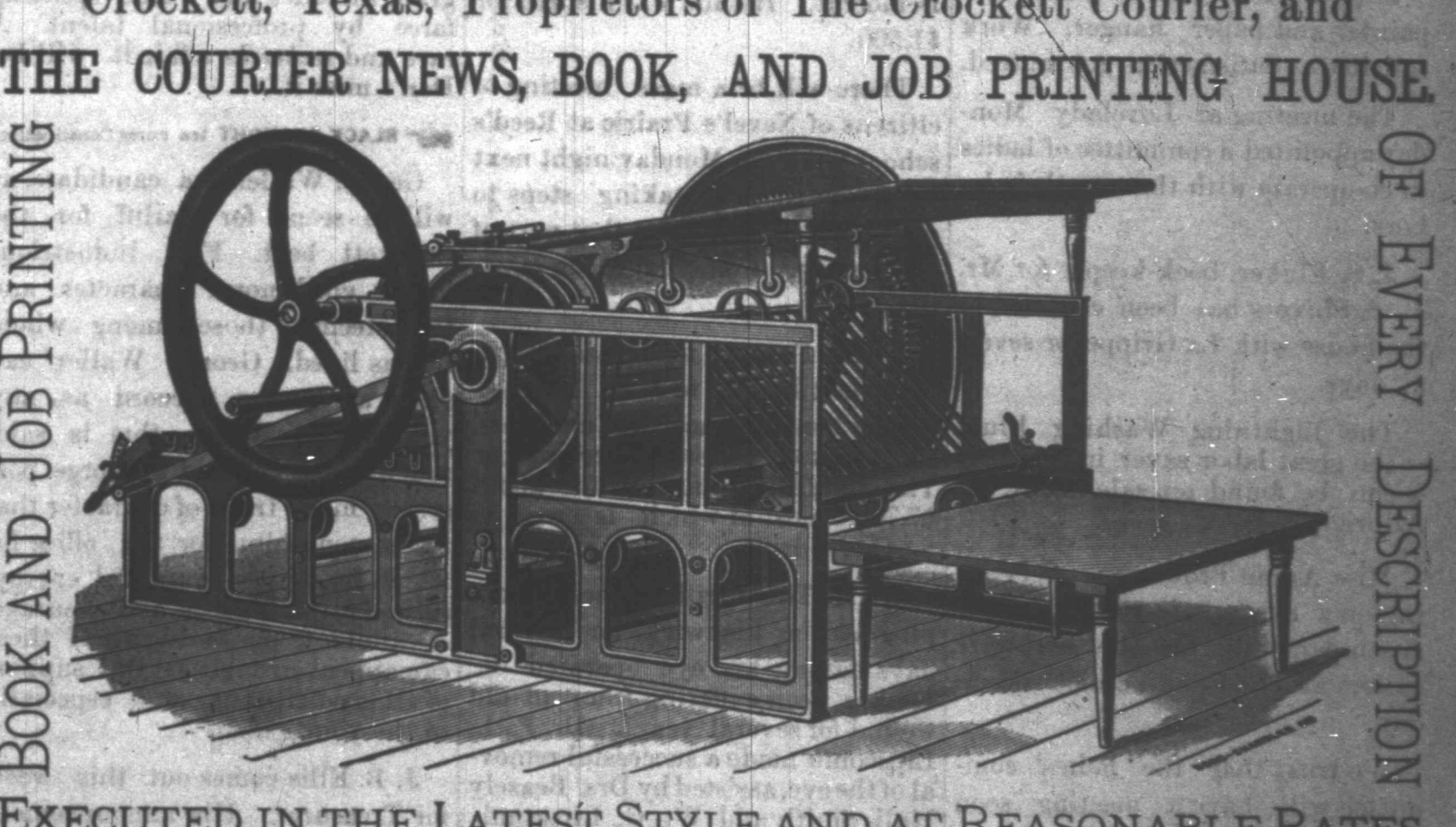
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