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MARTIN IS DEAD.

THE ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL PASSED AWAY AT FORT WORTH.

His Illness a Sudden One and Operation Was Performed Wednesday.

Forth Worth, Texas, April 1.—Hon. Howard Martin, assistant attorney general of Texas, died at St. Joseph's Infirmary in this city at 10 o'clock this morning. His relatives and close friends were at his bedside when the end came. They had been informed in advance that the condition of the sick man was very serious and the physicians announced, several hours previous to the moment when the last spark of life flickered and finally went out, that their distinguished patient could not possibly recover.

The remains were taken in charge by undertaker L. P. Robertson and were shipped to Weatherford tonight. The funeral will be held in that city at 3 o'clock tomorrow afternoon. Deceased was a member of the Knights of Pythias, under the auspices of which order the funeral will be conducted.

Judge Martin, who represented the state in all criminal matters, attended the last session of the court of criminal appeals which closed March 24. He left that city for Weatherford intending to go from that point to Austin a short time later. Tuesday he was taken suddenly ill and brought to this city. It was discovered by the physicians that an operation was necessary. The operation was performed Wednesday after which his condition remained very critical until the moment of his death.

At the bedside of Judge Martin when death came were his wife, his father and mother, J. A. Martin and wife, his sister Mrs. Wm. Massie of Floydada and her husband, his brother Creston Martin of Dalhart, his son, E. H. Martin, and Mrs. E. H. Martin.

Judge Martin was appointed assistant attorney general of Texas by Governor Lanham during his first term and was reappointed by the governor during his second term of office. He acted as the state's attorney in all criminal proceedings and his principal work was in the court of criminal appeals.

He was forty years of age at the time of his death and was a native of Mississippi, having resided in Texas nearly thirty years. He studied law at Weatherford in the office of Richards & Kutman and was admitted to the bar in 1888. He served as the county attorney of Parker county for two terms.

He was a man of magnetic personality and made many close friends during the span of his public career. He was always ready and willing to lend a helping hand to those in need of his assistance and a cry of distress never fell upon his ears unless answered.

The court of criminal appeals, before which Judge Martin practiced, would have met tomorrow morn-

ing at Austin. This will probably cause a postponement.

Judge Patterson of Decatur was in the city tonight en route to Weatherford to commence the April term of the Forty-third district court. He will adjourn at once out of respect to the member of the Weatherford bar.

Augusta Letter.

EDITOR CROCKETT:

The predilections of fruit experts in regard to the damage done the fruit crop in this section by the late freeze has been to some extent greatly exaggerated. We have made a careful examination in the premises and have found every tree that has come under our observation loaded with fruit, and unless some unforeseen calamity comes in the future there will be an abundance for all purposes. Corn that is up has a fine healthy color and is doing nicely, although the cool nights we are having will be a little drawback to it. Garden truck is fine and by today week many of our more industrious citizens will enjoy several varieties in their menu for breakfast.

The funeral obsequies of the late Dr. Hall Wilson were held on last Sunday evening at his late residence, conducted by the masonic fraternity of which he was a worthy member, and the remains laid away in that great receptacle where dust returns unto dust and the spirit unto the God who gave it.

Many of our citizens have been subpoenaed to appear at the district court the coming week, and for a while our little burg will be almost deserted.

Capt. H. Gregg and Maj. Cooke, two of our prominent citizens, will leave this evening for Crockett in order to respect the mandates of the court and be on time. We would ask the COURIER's "devil" to keep an eye on these two, for it is rarely they both leave home together, and then the sights they will see in Crockett might, in some way, distract their equilibrium. They are very docile and affable gentlemen, but need watching.

When the picnic season opens and the candidates prepare to make their usual rounds among the "dear people" they love so well to serve, we hope to see some of the COURIER's force in attendance, and will endeavor to make their visit pleasant. We extend to all the candidates a most cordial invitation in advance and guarantee them plenty to eat, an abundance of buttermilk and pure, sparkling water to drink. One thing we are lacking, and that is babies to kiss. That is what a majority of them do, whether they enjoy the exhilarating pleasure in a kiss or not.

Mr. John Lovelady spent the night here last Monday on his way in attendance on court at Crockett.

The beautiful sunshine, the cooing of a distant dove and warblings of many woodland songsters make this lovely Sabbath a typical spring day.

We are waiting for the chimes of the church bell, so we may attend services and ease our conscience of being negligent in our duties in the past. Ever thine,

DONNELLA.

SECTION 120 RESTORED.

Text of the Provision Concerning Estimating the Vote, as the Legislature Has Corrected It.

Austin, Texas, April 3.—Following is the text of section 120 as it passed at the First Called Session of the Twenty-Ninth Legislature in last May, and as it has now been corrected to read:

Section 120. The candidate for any county office who received either a plurality or majority vote of all the votes cast in his county, as provided for in section 111 of this act, shall be entitled to be placed upon the official ballot as a candidate of his party for the office for which he was nominated. Candidates for all state and district offices shall, in the nominating convention, have pro rated among them the convention vote of each county in proportion to the vote cast for each candidate in the primary election in such county. In district and state conventions at the end of each ballot cast, the candidate receiving the smallest vote shall be dropped from the list of candidates to be voted for on the next ballot. Each county delegation upon each ballot cast for candidates being voted for shall cast for each of such candidates the vote of the county or his pro rata part of the county vote so long as the name of such candidate is before the convention. Whenever the name of any candidate is withdrawn or dropped from the convention, then the delegation of each county may cast the instructed vote or any part thereof of such county for such dropped or withdrawn candidate for any other candidate whose name is then before the convention, as the delegation may decide. The convention shall continue to ballot until some one of the candidates balloted for shall receive a majority of all the votes of the convention, when he shall be declared the nominee of the party for the office for which he is nominated. Each county in the state or district convention shall be entitled to one vote for each 300 votes or major fraction thereof cast for the candidate for governor of the political party holding the convention at the last preceding general election. In case at such general election there were cast for such candidate for governor less than 300 votes in any county, then all such counties shall have one vote. The result of a nominating convention of a district shall be certified by the chairman thereof to the county clerks of the counties composing such districts, and of a state convention to the secretary of state, who shall in turn certify the same to all county clerks.

A Beauty's Trial.

Mlle. Zinadia Smolainoff, a beautiful young Russian lady, writes the Leipzig correspondent of the London Express, will appear in the dock at Leipzig very soon to answer the charge of perpetrating espionage in Germany on behalf of the Russian government.

She has been a most prominent figure in the most prominent so-

ciety of the German capital for several years, and came here with warm letters of introduction from prominent Russians, describing her as a lady of noble family, with great literary accomplishments.

Mlle. Smolainoff passed as a lady of independent means, who dabbled in literature for her own pleasure. She is of distinguished appearance, gay, fascinating manners, and was a great social success. She made many friends of officers and high state dignitaries.

Real Estate Transfers.

Wm. C. Roberts to E. C. Cranford of Houston, Texas, 320 acres, the south half of the W. A. Irvin survey; price \$650 and cancellation of six \$100 notes.

Mrs. H. B. Collins to Geo. Waller, 1 lot in cemetery; price \$20.

W. V. Berry to J. C. Hippel, 102 acres of land, more or less, out of the J. B. Langham survey, and 20 acres out of the J. Porter survey; price \$550.

H. W. McCelvey and wife to G. M. Waller, 10 acres of land about one mile northwest of Crockett; price \$50.

Mrs. S. A. Tryon to Mrs. Mollie D. Tryon, 114 acres of land, part of the Elijah Gossett survey; a free transfer.

Albert Tryon to Mrs. S. A. Tryon, 132 acres, part of the Elijah Gossett survey; a free transfer.

Mrs. Kate Davis to Maggie Sullivan, 40 acres of land out of the W. L. Porter 320 acres survey, and all her interest in other land; a free transfer.

Chinese Irishism.

Chan Chun Man, the head of a Cantonese firm employing over 16,000 hands, has been studying American industries, according to the Washington Post. In Philadelphia, apropos of the Chinese awakening, he said:

"China has for thousands of years been highly enough civilized to despise war. Her newborn respect for war is not an unmixed good. There is, perhaps, a little degeneration of barbarism in it."

"But, at least, China will no longer be the laughing stock of nations more warlike than herself. It will be longer possible to say of her, as the Japanese once said, that a Chinese general explained a defeat with such a report as this:

"The ignorant enemy, unaware that guns could not be fired at an object behind them, came upon us from the rear, and thus rendered all our cannon useless."

A magnificent steel engraving of Hagerman Pass, the most famous mountain pass in Colorado, has been issued by the Colorado Midland Railway. This engraving is 26x40 inches and suitable for framing. It will be sent to any address on receipt of 15 cents in stamps by Morell Law, traveling passenger agent, 566 Sheidley building, Kansas City, Mo., or C. H. Speers, G. P. A., Denver, Colo.

A Chattanooga Druggist's Statement.

Robt. J. Miller, proprietor of the Read House Drug Store of Chattanooga, Tenn., writes: "There is more merit in Foley's Honey and Tar than in any other cough syrup. The calls for it multiply wonderfully and we sell more of it than all other cough syrups combined."

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District Court News.

Jim Johnson, perjury; case continued by consent.

M. C. Johnson, swindling; dismissed on written motion of district attorney.

Pascall Manson, perjury; dismissed on written motion of district attorney.

John Terry, murder; jury verdict for manslaughter and punishment assessed at 2 years in penitentiary.

Alex. Sanders, Jr., murder; jury verdict, murder in the second degree and punishment assessed at 5 years in the penitentiary.

Dave Franklin, incest, 2 cases; dismissed on written motion of district attorney.

Mac Edens, Dan Mitchell, Ike Howard and Ed Nelms, theft of hogs; dismissed on written motion of district attorney.

Dan Mitchell, receiving and concealing stolen hogs; dismissed on written motion of district attorney.

Wes. Johnson, fraudulent disposition of mortgaged property; verdict of jury not guilty.

Freeman Tyler, assault on murder; verdict of jury not guilty.

Al. Woolley, seduction; verdict of jury 2 years in penitentiary.

John Jenkins, assault with intent to rape; verdict of jury 2 years in penitentiary.

F. E. Dublin, theft of hogs; dismissed on written motion of district attorney.

Divorces have been granted in the following suits since court convened for the present term:

Martha Price vs. Shep Price.
Mattie Cayton vs. G. M. T. Cayton.

Amelia Hammond vs. Charles Hammond; divorce granted and name restored.

DOING THEIR DUTY.

Scores of Crockett Readers are Learning the Duty of the Kidneys.

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An unusually attractive and interesting program was enjoyed by the D. A. Nunn Chapter, Daughters of the Confederacy, at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Edgar Stokes, Saturday, March 31st.

Little Miss Stokes stood on the front porch to receive the guests as they arrived,—extending her little hand she gave the first greeting of welcome. In the hall we found Mrs. Stokes, Mrs. Jno. Ellis and Miss Bettie Davis ready to do the honors of the home.

The meeting was promptly called to order by the president and the usual routine of business followed. The program as rendered follows:

Music, "Old Black Joe"—Miss Mary McLean.

Sketch of Florida, "Land of Flowers," and its heroes, ably discussed by Mrs. J. P. Hall.

Character sketch, Stonewall Jackson, the great Christian soldier—Mrs. E. N. Smith.

Biographical sketch, Albert Sydney Johnson—An able and interesting paper by Mrs. Wm. B. Page, for which a rising vote of thanks was given Mrs. Page by the Chapter.

Sacred solo, "Pass Me Not, Oh Gentle Savior"—Miss Zerah Gainey.

Lorenza De Zavalla—Miss Beecher Tunstall.

The Blue and the Gray—Mrs. Gail King.

Juanita—Mrs. J. P. Hall.

The guests for the afternoon were Mrs. Huffman, Ohio, Mrs. May, Miss Bettie Davis, Misses Mary McLean, Zerah Gainey and Mary Langston.

Delicious cake and chocolate were served. While enjoying this and the social feature the strains of Dixie, by Miss Mary Langston, gave a fitting close to a most delightful afternoon.

There was a good attendance. The next meeting will be held with the president, Mrs. Wootters, April 14th, at 3 p. m. All members are requested to attend.

Mrs. C. N. Corry,
Cor. Sec. D. A. Nunn Chapter.

An Editor's Appeal.

If the editor of every paper in the central west will republish these lines there is no question but what Dr. S. L. Byers of Seeleyville, Ind., will recover his little son who was stolen from his home one year ago last May. Dr. Byers has spent his entire resources in search for his child and unless the big hearted members of the press come to his assistance his son will grow up an outlaw and an outcast among the lowest people of the earth. It is a cause that should appeal to every one and no father reading these lines can do so without a quickening of the heart and a sympathetic throb. It is believed that if this article is reprinted in the newspapers it will form an endless chain that will uncover the lost boy's concealment and return him to his distracted parents. In doing this the profession of journalism will be fulfilling one its highest destinies.

Publishers whose circulations touch the Wabash, Ohio and Mississippi valleys are especially requested to reproduce this story of the lost child, as Dr. Byers believes his boy is now on some

houseboat waiting to take the road in the spring. There is a reward of \$500 awaiting any information that will lead to the boy's recovery. No question will be asked and if the abductor himself would deliver the boy to his parents he would not be molested. The bereaved parents are heartbroken with grief and want only their child. If each journal will reprint these lines, they will travel to every exchange table in the United States and bring to a wretched home a child who is now no doubt suffering with cold, unfeeling and wretched to a degree. Think of what your own feelings would be under similar circumstances! This appeal is indited originally by a publisher who saw Dr. Byers only once, has no personal interest in his quest other than the bond of sympathy that makes the world akin, and is inspired from the belief that the lost boy can only be found through the united effort of the country press of which he is proud to be a member. His recovery will be a triumph in advertising and no editor whose heart is placed right will refuse this appeal. Remember it may be you child next!

The following is a description of the lost boy:

Richmond Byers, if alive, was 6 years old last July, is of light complexion, has gray eyes, left eye noticeably crossed, has a small V shaped nick in the edge of the left ear, has sharp chin and a narrow projecting forehead. He is rather small for his age and is unusually bright and intelligent, taking after the manner of a boy much older.

Dr. Byers has searched among the roving bands that frequent the United States and believes that his son can be found among traveling junk dealers, so-called horse traders or movers. He does not think the boy was stolen by genuine gipseys. He thinks he was taken by a wandering band that used him for the purpose of begging in the towns along the route.
(Exchanges please copy.)

The Sultan's Habits.

No monarch in Europe works harder than the sultan of Turkey, states the Detroit Free Press, for he rises at 4 in the morning, winter and summer, and goes to his white-tiled bath-room for his bath, after which he sips a cup of coffee, brewed by the cafedjibachi, or chief coffee maker, and then with a cigarette between his lips he goes straight to his desk. He works till midday, when he adjourns for prayers; then more coffee and an entree, an hour's siesta, and work again till dinner, which is served at 4 in the afternoon. During these hours he signs some hundreds of documents, for in addition to governing affairs at home he is practically his own foreign minister.

The sultan is chiefly afraid of the darkness, and it costs him nearly \$1,000 per night to have his bedroom guarded. This sum is split up between the eight generals intrusted with the work and their supernumeraries. Two generals take the long watch every night outside his door, and receive \$200 apiece for it; beneath them is a colonel who is paid \$150 a night, and a guard receiving smaller amounts. All they have to do to earn their princely salaries is to tramp up and down the corridor with their eyes on the beautiful satinwood door inlaid with mother-of-pearl which took an expert two years to inlay.

The sultan is not a great eater, for he kills his appetite with the number of cigarettes he smokes. He takes his meals wherever he happens to be, and they are prepared in the imperial kitchen, situated to the right of the main en-

trance to the palace. This kitchen might also be called a fortress, for it has an armor plated door and is fitted with locks which can only be opened by one man. As each course is prepared it is placed on a silver dish, which is sealed with red wax by the kelardjhi, the official responsible for his sovereign's food, and then a black velvet cover is placed over the dish to keep it warm. Scores of people from the kitchen follow the meal in procession into the imperial chamber, the seals being broken in the sultan's presence, and often the kelardjhi is requested to taste some particular dish.

Absent Minded.

Dr. Edward Everett Hale says that at one time when there was a vacancy in the Massachusetts bishopric, Dr. Phillip Brooks was the most likely candidate, states the Woman's Home Companion. The dean of the theological school in Cambridge, Doctor Lawrence, during the course of a walk with Doctor Eliot of Harvard began a discussion of the situation.

"Don't you think Brooks will be elected?" asked he.
"Well, no," said Doctor Eliot, "a second or third rate man would do just as well. We need Brooks right here in Boston."

Phillip Brooks was elected, and Eliot and Doctor Lawrence were again talking of the matter.

"Aren't you glad Brooks was elected," said the dean.

"Yes, I suppose so," replied the absent-minded Eliot, "if he wanted it; but to tell the truth, Lawrence, you were my man."

Dreadful Attack of Whooping Cough

Mrs. Ellen Harlison, of 300 Park Ave., Kansas City, Mo., writes as follows: "Our two children had a severe attack of whooping cough; one of them in the paroxysm of coughing would often faint and bleed at the nose. We tried everything we heard of without getting relief. We then called in our family doctor who prescribed Foley's Honey and Tar. With the very first dose they began to improve and we feel that it has saved their lives." Refuse substitutes. Smith & French Drug Co.

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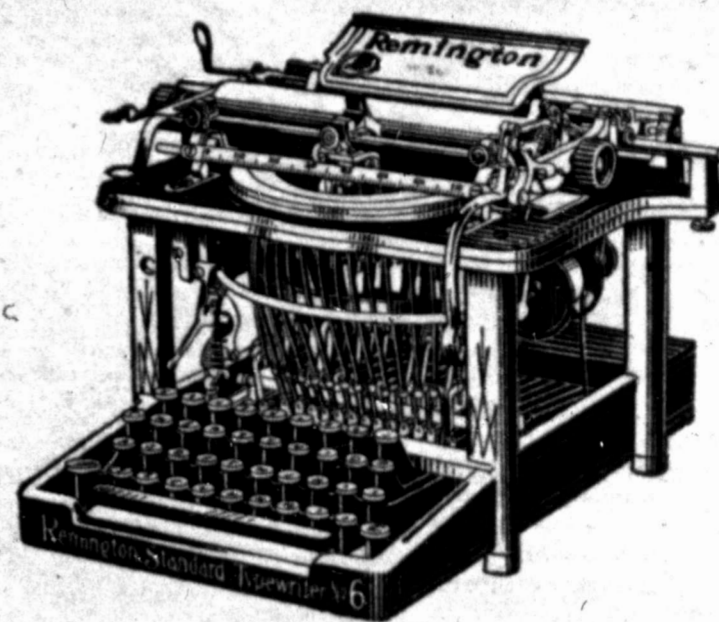
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EDITOR COURIER:
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There is a great deal of sickness around this neighborhood and some few deaths.

We were all sorry to hear of the death of Dr. Hall Wilson.
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Burning of a "Lay Out."
Two hundred citizens of Champaign, Ill., gathered near the city building recently to witness the burning of an apparatus, taken recently in a raid on the gambling dens of the city. Chief of Police Keller gave the stuff a liberal sprinkling with coal oil, and Mayor Blaine acted as official torch bearer. Three faro layouts, three roulette wheels, three poker tables and a number of chips and small articles, valued at between \$1000 and \$12000, were destroyed.

Scotchman's Answer.
On board one of the Scotch steamers, which have to be built with exceeding light draft to get over the frequent shallows of one of the rivers in Scotland, a Yankee tourist remarked to the captain, a shrewd old Scotchman: "I guess, skipper, that you think nothing of steaming across a meadow when there has been a heavy fall of dew." "That's so," replied the captain, "occasionally we have to send a man ahead w' a watering can."—Rehoboth Sunday Herald.

A Spring Suggestion!
Take Garfield Tea in the morning or before retiring; its use insures pure blood and a natural action of the liver, kidneys, stomach and bowels. It has a beneficial effect on the entire system. It is made of Herbs.

Postponing the Day.
Widow (with marriageable girls)—Julia has a most lovely voice, major—so powerful, you know, but for ringing silvery tone, give me my second daughter's. Would you like to hear her sing "Some Day?"
Major (awfully bored)—Certainly! Delighted, I'm sure! Let's say some day next month; that is—or—unless I'm unexpectedly ordered away anywhere.—Stray Stories.

Sale of Asses' Milk in London.
This has been a good year for the sale of asses' milk, the consumption of which varies according to the amount of illness prevailing. Two or three asses' dairies still hold their own in London, one being within a couple of hundred yards of the Marble Arch, where "milch asses" are kept on the premises. From this establishment the milk is sent all over the country in sealed bottles, the price being 6s. per quart.—London News.

The best thing to give your enemy is forgiveness; to an opponent, tolerance; to a friend, your heart; to your child, a good example; to a father, deference; to a mother, conduct that will make her proud of you; to yourself, respect; to all men, charity.

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Dr. Pierce's medicines are made from harmless but efficient medical roots found growing in our American forests. The Indians knew of the marvelous curative value of some of these roots and imparted that knowledge to some of the friendlier whites, and gradually some of the more progressive physicians came to test and use them, and ever since they have grown in favor by reason of their superior curative virtues and their safe and harmless qualities.
Your druggists sell the "FAVORITE PRESCRIPTION" and also that famous alterative, blood purifier and stomach tonic, the "GOLDEN MEDICAL DISCOVERY." Write to Dr. Pierce about your case. He is an experienced physician and will treat your case as confidential and without charge for correspondence. Address him at the Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute, Buffalo, N. Y., of which he is chief consulting physician.

God of joy and grief, do with me what Thou wilt; grief is good, and joy is good also. Thou art leading me now through joy. I take it from Thy hands, and I give Thee thanks for it.—Amiel.

Peruna is Exempt.
The internal revenue commissioner has decided that Peruna is now manufactured is exempt from internal revenue license.

The highest medical and pharmaceutical authorities in the United States have passed upon the product. It must be highly gratifying to the many friends of Peruna and the local commercial world that the product which has carried Columbus' name into all continents, again enjoys the same fixed status as any other recognized medicine.—Columbus Dispatch.

One must not always endure the bad temper of others with unadulterated patience; patience irritates wickedness almost as much as anger, for it humiliates more.—Duchess d'Alarante.

For Thirty Years.
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Not Otherwise.
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Yours very truly,
T. J. Brownlow,
Livingston, Tenn.

Flowers Are in Fashion.
Flowers, as garniture on the head-wear under present review, are of more frequent appearance than they promised to be, as by indication on the imported models in the second series of openings in the wholesale houses; and jewelry is discoverable where there seem a requirement for its use in the completion of design in a model.
The most magnificent sign of wisdom is a continual cheerfulness.—Montaigne.

Courage consists not in blindly overlooking danger, but in meeting it with the eyes open.—Richter.

Cures Cancer, Blood Poison and Rheumatism.
If you have blood poison producing eruptions, pimples, ulcers, swollen glands, bumps and risings, burning, itching skin, copper-colored spots or rash on the skin, mucous patches in mouth or throat, falling hair, bone pains, old rheumatism or foul catarrh, take Botanic Blood Balm (B. B. B.) It kills the poison in the blood; soon all sores, eruptions heal, hard swellings subside, acne and pains stop and a perfect cure is made of the worst cases of Blood Poison.
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The mere lapse of years is not life; knowledge, truth, love, beauty, goodness, faith alone can give vitality to the mechanism of existence.—Marcus Aurelius.

The Old Man Did.
Wife—Say, old man, what makes you scratch so all night long?
Old Man—Well, wife, I guess I got that new disease I hear them talking so much about; they call it eczema, or something like that.
Wife—Eczema the mischief; it's the old-fashioned itch you got and nothing else. Go right now and get a box of Hunt's Cure, it will cure you in a day or two. It never fails.

Half the sorrows of women would be averted if they could repress the speech they know to be useless—nay, the speech they have resolved not to utter.—George Elliot.

TROUBLE IN TEXAS.
There are a vast number of Texas people suffering with skin diseases. Some have old sores, others have tetter, itch, ulcers, ringworm, carbuncles, pimples, scurfula, eczema, frost-bite and various others. Many of our people have already learned that there is a Texas remedy which will cure any of these. This medicine is Imperial Remedy; made in Houston, Texas, by Imperial Med. Co. Sold by all good druggists at \$1.00 per bottle.

Every person has two educations; one which he receives from others and one, more important, which he gives himself.—Gibbon.

Men who are willing to go alone can always go with God.

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EVENTS OF EVERYWHERE.

The Santa Fe Railroad Company has commenced drilling on its fifth well in the Wheeler oil field, west of Ardmore.

There are as good fish in the sea as have ever been caught—provided you have the right sort of bait.

"Just make yourself to hum," remarked the hospitable top as a neighbor dropped in for a visit.

When the father is on the wrong track he finds it hard to flag his boys behind him.

Mrs. A. C. Moore has gone to Eskota and Abilene to visit her daughter and grandchildren, also with a view of buying land in that section of country.

The State meeting of Catholics will be held at Muenster in Cooke County, in July. The meeting will open on the 2d day of the month and is scheduled to continue for four days.

Mrs. I. T. Duncan, a well-to-do farmer, living near Corsicana, was presented with triplets a few days since—two girls and one boy. All are said to be doing well.

Eld. B. B. Sanders, Christian evangelist, began a meeting at the opera house in Mineral Wells Sunday, April 1. The meeting will probably continue five or six weeks.

J. W. Short, a former prosperous business man of Colgate, I. T., who left here a few months ago, returned to his home and shot himself through the head with a pistol, dying instantly.

Concerning building projects of the Missouri, Kansas and Texas is from New York, and is that the road will build from Palestine to Dallas via Athens.

Gen. Luke E. Wright, newly appointed Ambassador to Japan, will sail from Seattle for his new post on April 29, accompanied by Mrs. Wright. He is due at Yokohama May 15.

Lacking just one month of being 106 years old, Mrs. Bridget Coleman died at her home in Albany, N. Y. She was born in Ireland in 1800 and came to America in 1849.

In a fire of unknown origin which destroyed the Blasingame Hotel at Atlanta, La., a guest named Black, from Sherman, Texas, was burned to death. The latest of several dozen rumors

Representative Smith has introduced in the house a bill appropriating a quarter of a million dollars for an additional site and addition to the federal building at El Paso.

The whaler Orion, operating on the west coast of Vancouver island landed a hundred ton sperm whale which is said to be the first caught in the Pacific ocean.

The gas field around Ardmore is proving to be a very extensive one, and the Santa Fe people evidently feel confident of their holdings, as they continue extensive preparations for the further development of the field.

William Welch, who is said to be the oldest surviving member of the Union Army in the Civil War, and the oldest members of the Masonic order in America, celebrated his 106th birthday at Lempster, N. H., Thursday.

Two men lost their lives in a New York factory fire Monday, and several others were injured.

Senator Bailey spent a few days in Texas this week, coming direct from Crystal Springs, Miss., where he attended the burial of his father.

It is announced that about \$50,000 already has been raised for the new professorship of lumbering in the Yale Forestry School out of the \$150,000 which is sought as an endowment.

John B. Schmitz has received notice of his appointment as postmaster of Denton. He will take up the duties of the office about May 1.

The Texas Telephone Company has commenced the construction of a telephone system at Ryan, I. T.

Monday, April 2, which is the anniversary of the taking of Puebla by Gen. Diaz in 1867, where he won a notable victory over the French troops, was celebrated with zest.

BIGGEST FIGHTER

50,000-TON MONSTER VOTED BY HOUSE COMMITTEE.

WILL SURPASS DREADNOUGHT

The Big Ship Will Be Second to None in Armor, Gun Fire and Fighting Ability.

Washington, April 3.—By a unanimous vote the House Naval Committee yesterday voted for the authorization of one battleship, to be the most powerful in the world. Although the exact limit of displacement is left to the discretion of the Navy Department, the intent of the committee and the liberality of the contemplated appropriation is for a craft of 20,000 tons displacement, second to none in armor, power of gun fire and general fighting ability. It is hoped it will prove the superior of the new British Dreadnought. The committee's action is in line with the views of Admiral Dewey in favor of larger ships and larger batteries, as expressed in the Herald last September, and before the committee a few days ago.

In addition to the battleship the committee voted for the authorization of three torpedo boat destroyers, one graving dock for the Puget Sound navy yard, at Bremerton, Wash., while authority is given the secretary to expend \$1,000,000 for the purchase of subsurface, submersible or submarine torpedo boats, after competitive trials of various types. The committee also approved an item of \$100,000 to be used in repairing and refitting the famous old frigate Constitution so that it will be in approximately the same condition as Admiral Nelson's flagship, the Victory, at Portsmouth, England. This does not mean that the frigate will be fitted for cruising. It will simply serve as a show ship.

By the action of the committee, if approved by the House, the Navy Department will have an opportunity to build a battleship in no manner inferior to the Dreadnought. The exact limit of displacement is left to the discretion of the Secretary of the Navy, with the sole restriction that the craft shall cost not more than \$6,000,000, exclusive of armor and armament. It is further stipulated that the Secretary shall consider not only the plans drawn by the Board of Construction of the Navy Department, but shall invite designs from private builders as well.

The 16,000-ton battleships hitherto authorized have cost \$4,400,000, exclusive of armor and armament. A limit of \$6,000,000 is high enough to permit the building of a 20,000-ton battleship if desired. No restriction as to speed or battery will be found in the bill as reported. The Navy Department will be unhampered by any legislative directions as to details. The naval committee expects this action to result in the construction of the finest fighting ship in the world. Its name will be the Constitution, if the spirit which animates the naval committee is equally strong in the House.

Representative Cousins, who drafted the paragraph authorizing the battleship, said yesterday that the question of naming this splendid craft the Constitution will be later presented to the House. The Republic is another name suggested. Chairman Foss of the naval committee said the action of the committee was along the lines of advice given by Secretary Bonaparte, who said that if we authorized only one new battleship it should be a very large one.

Iron Mountain Wreck.

Annapolis, Mo.: A northbound passenger train on the Iron Mountain Railroad, while standing at the station yesterday afternoon was run into by a southbound passenger train, which was slowing down, and twenty-nine persons were injured, four seriously.

Hadley Very Ill.

Jefferson City, Mo.: Attorney General Herbert S. Hadley's condition remains practically unchanged. Although the danger of pneumonia has passed, it is stated that he will not be able to leave his room for several days yet.

A Mysterious Fire.

Marion, Ind.: There is much mystery as to the origin of a fire which almost destroyed the National Sweeper Works here today. The loss will amount to about \$100,000, with about 60 per cent of it covered by insurance.

DOWIE'S DOWNFALL.

Prophet Elijah II. Shorn of His Sacredotal Robes.

Chicago, Ill., April 3.—John Alexander Dowie, head of the Christian Catholic Church in Zion, was yesterday deposed as a religious leader, suspended from membership in the church he has founded, shorn of his temporal possessions as far as they are located in Zion City, the home of the church, and warned to accept the situation quietly lest worse things befall him.

The active revolt against the leadership of Dowie was foreshadowed Sunday when Overseer Voliva, who had been placed by Dowie in charge of the church while he sought health in Jamaica and Mexico, announced that he would no longer accept the orders of Dowie, who had, he declared, grossly mismanaged the affairs of the church. The members of the church, including the wife and son of Dowie, agreed to stand with him.

The first move looking to his overthrow was made early yesterday when Overseer Voliva, who holds the power of attorney from Dowie, in connection with several of the officers of the church, filed for record a warranty deed transferring to Deacon Alexander Granger all the real estate held by Dowie in Zion City. He also executed a bill of sale to Deacon Granger putting him in possession of all the personal property of Dowie, including his horses and carriages, books and even his bed. Later in the day Granger conveyed these to Voliva and at nightfall the overseer appointed by Dowie had not only succeeded as the head of the church, but was the holder of all his property as well.

Cotton Backward.

New Orleans, La.: Carl Geller, statistician for the bull leader, Theodore Price, is here en route to Texas, where he will gather cotton figures, leaving today. He has already completed tours of Georgia, Alabama, the two Carolinas, Mississippi and Louisiana. In an interview last night he said that cotton preparations are backward; that there is very little increase in acreage, and what increase there is on new land. He has found a great scarcity of labor all through the cotton belt.

Reunion Will Take Place.

New Orleans, La.: Reports in circulation in various parts of the country that the annual reunion of United Confederate Veterans, scheduled to take place in New Orleans April 25, 26 and 27, might be declared off for the want of sufficient funds, were announced today by Adj. Gen. William E. Mickle to be absolutely without foundation. To the Associated Press Gen. Mickle said:

"The reunion will positively take place on the dates already named."

Stray Bullet Killed a Babe.

Chisholm, Minn.: The 9-months-old infant of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bovet was shot dead yesterday morning as the mother held it in her arms in a kitchen at Bovet at the Glenn mining locality. A stray bullet fired by boys who were indulging in target practice half a mile away entered the window and penetrated the child's skull, scattering the brains all over the mother and killing the child instantly.

In the Pittsburg District.

Pittsburg, Pa.: Up to 7 o'clock last night the 1903 wage scale, which is an advance of 5.55 per cent, has been signed by representatives of eleven bituminous coal operators in the Pittsburg district. These represent 30,000 tons, or over three-quarters of the coal mined in the district.

Thumb Jerked Off.

Alvin, Texas: Mr. Arthur Ward, while roping some steers, got his thumb of the right hand entangled with the rope, and it was entirely severed from the hand, drawing the leader from the arm as far as the elbow. The wound is very painful, but not serious.

Father Gapon's Appeal.

St. Petersburg: Father Gapon, in a letter to the Procurator, says he is only living in St. Petersburg by tolerance and demands to be put on trial in order to defend his honor and legalize his status, or, if guilty, to be condemned.

Railway Commissioners Meet.

Washington: The eighteenth annual convention of the National Association of Railway Commissioners was called to order yesterday by President W. G. Smith of South Dakota, who delivered his annual address.

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Politics in Laredo.

Laredo, Tex.: Both local parties held rousing meetings last night in support of their ticket for city officers at the election Tuesday. The opinion seems general that the ticket put out by the party in power will be elected.

Mrs. Roosevelt in Havana.

Havana: Mrs. Roosevelt, accompanied by her children, Ethel, Archie and Quentin, arrived here yesterday on board the Mayflower.

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Alger Has a Weak Heart.

Atlantic City, N. J.: United States Senator Russell A. Alger of Michigan, who has been ill at the Hotel Brighton here, was somewhat improved last night. His condition for a brief period is said to have been serious. His sons Russell and Fred arrived here yesterday.

Orangites Visit Port Arthur.

Orange, Tex.: The launch Mississippi took a big excursion party to Port Arthur this morning.

TO MEET IN DIXIE

A MOVEMENT FOR THE G. A. R. ENCAMPMENT.

TO ASSEMBLE DOWN IN TEXAS

One Grand Rally of the Blue and the Gray to Wipe Out All Sectional Differences.

Houston, April 2.—For some time past Col. James H. Agen of Houston, Texas, has been conjuring up a scheme to cement forever perfectly amicable relations between the North and South. Mr. Agen came to Texas from Wisconsin four years ago, and intends to pass the balance of his days in the Lone Star State. During the late unpleasantness the Colonel "fit and fit" for what he then thought was right.

Like all those who really fought in that great struggle, he cherishes an abiding respect for his adversary. "It is all over, and what is the use of threshing the straw over again? I think the last vestige of sectionalism and prejudice would be removed between North and South if pressure enough could be brought to bear to hold the next encampment of the G. A. R. in the South." For instance, some city in Texas.

Col. Agen is now busy promoting the Houston, Sabine & Red River Railroad. The following from the Madison (Wis.) Democrat gives an outline of Col. Agen's project to hold the next annual encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic in Dixie land, a similar article on which has appeared in the Milwaukee Free Press, and various papers.

Col. James H. Agen, formerly of Superior, Wis., but now a resident of Houston, Texas, is the organizer of a movement to have the national encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic held in the Lone Star State next year. He was prominent in Grand Army circles in Wisconsin, and a few years ago was commander of the department in this state. He proposes that the gathering be a great love feast of the blue and the gray. For many years, he says in a letter, the encampments have been held in the large cities of the South, where can gather the veterans of both armies who opposed each other nearly forty-five years ago.

"Why not have all the boys get together once?" he asks. "The war is over and we ought to have one big rally altogether in Dixie land."

"I think it would be a good advertisement," said the Colonel. "The members of the army have had meetings at Louisville, St. Louis and Memphis, but as I understand it never any further south. Why should not the gray and the blue have an opportunity of meeting down here in Dixie land. The war is over—in fact, I quit fighting over forty years ago. I had four years of it and got a sufficiency. I have got enough sense to know when I get enough of a good thing. I have my family to Texas and intend that we shall all be here. The other fellow has quit fighting, and why shouldn't I?"

"Twenty-five years ago I bought a thousand acres of Texas soil and thought I would come down here and look it over. 'Don't do it,' said one of my Wisconsin friends. 'Why not?' said I. 'You were in the Northern army and if you go to Texas the boys down there will even up old scores.' Well, I disregarded all this advice, came down here and mingled with the boys, and a finer set I never met. I told them how we got licked at Bull Run, what a case of the nerves I got at Cold Harbor, how the first day at Shiloh court house looked like another Waterloo, and that the Red River expedition and attack on Sabine Pass should be mentioned with bated breath. If Houston can get the next Grand Army encampment, which will mean a mingling of the gray and blue again, it will do more to obliterate sectional feeling—to make us all feel that we belong to one common brotherhood, than any other event."

In Mahanoy Region.

Mahanoy City, Pa.: Every colliery in the Mahanoy region will be in readiness for operation today. The company will guarantee protection to all who desire to work. Extra engines and crews were pressed into service on the Mahanoy-Shamokin division of the Reading Railway yesterday hurrying coal from the mines to tidewater and storage points.

RAILWAYS IN TEXAS.

Annual Income in This State Compared With Illinois Roads.

Texas and Illinois being the states that lead in railway mileage, it is proposed in this communication to contrast the operation of their railways during the year ending June 30, 1905, as shown by the annual reports of their respective commissions.

Texas, with an area of 265,780 square miles, had a railway mileage on the date mentioned of 11,744 miles, or one mile of railway to every 22.6 square miles; Illinois, with an area of 56,650 square miles, had a mileage of 11,636 miles, or one mile of railway to every 4.9 square miles.

The capitalization, including stock and bonds, of the Texas railways amounted to \$389,736,927, or \$33,418 per mile; that of the Illinois railways to \$701,313,356, or \$60,271 per mile.

The income of the railways in Texas from operation was \$15,733,384, or \$1,329 per mile, out of which were to be paid interest on bonds, taxes and expenditures for betterments and rents, which left a deficit to the roads, for the year of \$1,615,771; on the other hand, the income of the railways in Illinois from operation—after deducting operating expenses, salaries and maintenance of organization, interest on funded debt, interest on interest-bearing current liabilities, rents for lease of roads, taxes and permanent improvements—amounted to \$21,819,478, or \$1,875 per mile, to be applied to the payment of dividends on stock.

The number of paying passengers carried during the year on the Texas roads aggregated 12,276,484; on the Illinois road, 53,547,290. The freight transported on the Texas roads amounted to 30,653,070 tons; on the Illinois roads, 123,584,987 tons—the increase in tonnage during the period named over the preceding year on the Texas roads being 160,126 tons and on the Illinois roads, 6,832,288 tons.

The comparison above drawn well illustrates the disadvantage under which the Texas roads labor as compared with conditions affecting railway operation in the more densely populated states.

Nor should it be overlooked that the capitalization per mile of the Texas roads is much less than the average capitalization per mile of the roads in the states in any group, as shown in the report of the Interstate Commerce Commission for 1904. It should also be borne in mind that it was upon the stock of only seven of the Texas roads, aggregating 446 miles in length, that dividends, amounting to \$381,927, were paid during last year; and that the current revenues of the roads were not sufficient by \$1,615,771 to pay expenditures for current operation, interest, taxes, betterments and rents.

Much has been said about the bonded indebtedness of the Texas roads, which is \$22,433 per mile. An examination of the Interstate Commerce Commission report for 1904, however, will show that the average bonded indebtedness per mile of the roads in Texas is much less than the average bonded indebtedness per mile of the roads embraced in any other of the groups as defined by the Interstate Commerce Commission. The question is pertinent—Can a good and sufficient reason be given why the Texas roads should not be allowed to earn revenue sufficient to enable them to pay current operating expenses, taxes, rents, and interest and, also, to satisfactorily respond to "the cry that is coming up from all parts of the state for better roads, better and faster service, better depot facilities, and more freight cars"? It may be also pertinent to ask: "Is it to the interest of the people of Texas to so reduce their revenues that they cannot improve their roads and render better service to the people"? These are practical questions and should receive the consideration their importance demands. No other question more directly affects the material welfare and prosperity of the people.

JOSEPH D. SAYERS.

Mitchell's Telegram.

New York: John Mitchell, president of the United Mine Workers of America, telegraphed to friends in this city yesterday that he would arrive in New York late today. He will go at once to the Ashland House, where the members of the scale committee will meet him. Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock the conference of the joint committee of the anthracite miners and the operators will begin.

A CURE FOR DEBILITY

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills A Reliable Remedy for the Weak, Ailing and Bloodless.

When the body is weak and the blood thin it is sometimes difficult to find the cause unless a wasting illness has preceded, or the sufferer happens to be a girl on the verge of womanhood.

Obscure influences, something unhealthy in one's surroundings or work, may lead to a slow impoverishment of the blood and an enfeeblement of the whole body. When a serious stage has been reached there seems to be nothing that will account for it.

Mr. C. E. Legg, of Tipton, W. Va., has found a successful method of treating weakness and bloodlessness. He says:

"I used Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for weakness caused by a lingering malarial fever that began in the spring of 1896. The worst effects of this were indigestion and a bad state of my blood. I was anemic, as the doctors say. People generally would say that I didn't have blood enough, or that I didn't have the right kind of blood; mine was too thin. My kidneys and liver were out of order. I was badly annoyed by sour risings from my stomach. There was a good deal of pain, too, in my back and under my right shoulder blade."

"How long did these troubles last?" "For over two years. For four months of that time I was under the care of a physician, but his medicine did me no good. Meanwhile I learned of the cures that had been wrought by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills."

"You owe your cure to these pills?" "I certainly do, and I also know that they are helping others to whom I have recommended them. They have real merit and I know of nothing that would take their place."

For further information and valuable booklet address the Dr. Williams Medical Co., Schenectady, N. Y.

He Scared Away the Ghost.

A zealous young curate went to stay with some friends at a country house. On descending to breakfast each morning he noticed his hostess inquired particularly how he had slept, and seemed relieved when he said he had passed a very good night. On the last morning his hostess said: "Mr. — you perhaps noticed how very particular we were in our inquiries every morning as to how you had slept, but the truth is that the room you occupied is said to be haunted, and we were anxious to know if you had seen the ghost."

"The ghost?" repeated the curate, thoughtfully. "Oh, yes, I do remember the first night I was there some fellow came and stood by my bedside."

"Oh!" said the company with great interest, "and what did you do?" "I said, 'Please, will you give me a subscription for my Sunday school?' He instantly disappeared and I never saw him again."

TERRIBLE SCALP HUMOR.

Badly Affected With Sores and Crusts—Extended Down Behind the Ears—Another Cure by Cuticura.

"About ten years ago my scalp became badly affected with sore and itching humors, crusts, etc., and extended down behind the ears. My hair came out in places also. I was greatly troubled; understood it was eczema. Tried various remedies so called, without effect. Saw your Cuticura advertisement, and got the Cuticura Remedies at once. Applied them as to directions, etc., and after two weeks I think, of use, was clear as a whistle. I have to state also that late last fall, October and November, 1904, I was suddenly afflicted with a bad eruption, painful and itching pustules over the lower part of the body. I suffered dreadfully. In two months, under the skillful treatment of my doctor, conjoined with Cuticura Soap and Cuticura Ointment, I found myself cured. H. M. F. Weiss, Rosemond, Christian Co., Ill., Aug. 31, 1905."

Christmas Aftermath.

"Noticed these fellows that are going around with a kind of sickly grin on their faces?" Inquired the homegrown philosopher.

"Yes. What is it? The grip?" "No; it's the realization that the installment collector will be a constant caller for about 42 consecutive weeks."—Chicago Sun.

Flying Squirrel Came Down Chimney.

A flying squirrel recently came down the chimney, a la Santa Claus, at William C. Leavitt's home, in Norway. He got into the soot on his passage down and got out through the fire into the room. He looked black, and at first was called a black squirrel. He was a rare looking animal. He did not appear to be much frightened and was easily caught.—Kennebec Journal.

Beet Roots a Valuable Remedy.

Beet roots have valuable diuretic qualities. One lady suffering from a disease of that nature paid a very high fee to a famous doctor, besides journeying far to see him, merely to be told to take regularly the juice of beets. These should be trimmed as little as possible before boiling, great care being taken not to cut off the little rootlets or fibers, in order that they may not "bleed" and so lose a great deal of their juice and brilliant coloring matter, which vinegar, by the way, intensifies, though when used for medicinal purposes it would be better omitted.

ALL OVER TEXAS.

By a vote of 95 for and 85 against, Brady was incorporated as a city at a special election held Monday.

At 12:32 Friday afternoon Albert Johnson, a negro, was executed for the murder of J. H. Taylor, a farmer, who was fatally assaulted and robbed by a negro near Waxahachie last July.

It is announced that street car improvements in El Paso will be made, costing \$250,000, including double tracks for San Antonio and Oregon streets.

Policeman H. A. White, of Dallas, is a minister, and a few nights since removed his official badge for a few minutes, during which he officiated in a marriage.

Information has been received from Denver to the effect that the extension of the Mineral Wells and North-western railroad is to be pushed on to a connection with the Denver and Rio grade.

Much mail is being held at the post-office in Houston on suspicion that it is being used for stuffing the mail contract. It is claimed that many books and magazines of ancient date are being shipped.

Miss Susie Abernathy, who lives near Stiles, was bitten by a rattlesnake and is lying at the point of death. The young lady was riding and had dismounted to open a gate, when the rattler struck her.

The House passed a bill Thursday making an appropriation of \$35,000 to pay for remedying the election law. The 108 members who agreed to serve free of charge were included in the payroll.

John Mitchell's order to suspend mining in the anthracite region pending a conference with the operators caused surprise to operators and miners alike. It was expected that work would continue during the negotiations for a settlement.

H. B. Cabanis, formerly of Mexia, Texas, a clerk in a store at Chickasha, I. T., committed suicide by taking carbolic acid. Deceased was 35 years of age. He left a note requesting that his body be sent to Mexia.

It was thought after the recent heavy March freezes that the peach buds in the Ringgold section were all killed, but this is not the case. Probably one-third of the buds were injured and will drop off.

Representative Bowers of Mississippi, has been appointed chairman of the Democratic campaign sub-committee and Representative Gaines of Tennessee was appointed chairman of the sub-committee on literature.

The Bank of Victor, at Victor, Colo., in the Cripple Creek district, was robbed of \$10,000 a few nights since. The police authorities in Denver have been notified to assist in the capture of the burglars.

Mrs. W. H. Hart, one of Upshur County's oldest inhabitants, died at Gilmer Thursday. She and her husband settled in this county at an early date two miles north of the present site of Gilmer. The first court ever held in the county was held in one room of their residence.

Terrell skaters played a game of laseball on roller skates Friday night and onlookers pronounced the sport very lively.

A find of oil on a farm south of Denton has created something of a sensation.

Lightning struck and set fire to the barn of Charles Yarbrough, two miles west of Cumbly, entirely destroying it and also burning two mules and one horse. A large quantity of hay and corn was lost. Loss about \$1,500.

The opinion is general that fruit in Texas, on the whole, was more benefited than harmed by the recent cold snap.

The Hardin Grain Company commenced work last Monday on the new elevator at Iowa Park.

Mrs. Mary Groves Landreth died Wednesday at Milford, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. W. Beck. She was eighty years old and is survived by her husband and three children.

At Houston Ben Wall plead guilty to carrying a pistol and was given a jail sentence. His lawyers asked a new trial on the grounds that the indictment was dated "nineteen sex" instead of nineteen six," and in spite of the plea of guilty, the application was granted.

A COLD BROUGHT IT ON.

Severe Congestion of the Kidneys Soon Cured by Doan's Kidney Pills.

Richard M. Pearce, a prominent business man of 231 So. Orange St., Newark, N. J., says: "Working nights during bad weather brought on a heavy cold, aching of the limbs and pain in the back and kidneys. Severe congestion of the kidneys followed. Besides the terrific aching there were whirling headaches, and I became exceedingly weak. My doctor could not help me, and I turned to Doan's Kidney Pills, with the result that the kidney congestion disappeared and, with it, all the other symptoms. What is more, the cure has lasted for eight years."

Sold by all dealers. 50 cents a box. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

The Pretty French Curly.

The favorite joke in regard to the pretty girl losing her French curls, as the coquettish beau catches are now called, is with us again. Even very young women make no pretense as to the bunch of bobby little curls being natural. The man who believes they are rooted in a woman's head must be an innocent indeed. Surely he must notice that they are movable decorations. Even the bashful bride has no hesitancy about pulling out her bunch of curls and standing them up in the hat pin holder on her dresser. A Philadelphia girl has an amusing tale appropos of a naughty brother and a bunch of curls. There was a dance at the house that evening, and during a lull there stood brother in the doorway with a posy of curls in his hand. Holding them up in full view, he exclaimed, "Say, what girl lost these?" And instantly almost every maiden in the room started and clapped her hand to her head.—Brooklyn Life.

When Coal Was Not Popular.

Sir Oliver Lodge's denunciation of coal fires as the chief cause of London fog was anticipated more than 200 years ago by Evelyn. He attributed the great fog of 1684 to the "foulness of the sea-coal." Twenty-three years earlier he had spoken even more severely of the "hellish and dismal burning of sea-coal" in his "Fumigation; or, The Inconveniences of the Aer and Smoke of London Dissipated, Together with Some Remedies." Among the remedies for London's atmosphere advocated by Evelyn were the expulsion of noxious trades, the removal of burials from towns and the planting of the suburbs with sweet flowers.

New Kind of Peat.

Osmon is the new peat success. It is manufactured in Switzerland. The peat is dried under the influence of the electric current and then further treated so that under the action of electric osmose a new compound is formed. Recent tests indicate that it burns as well as coal, without giving off odor or smoke. The percentage of ash is said to be slight and no trace of sulphur is found in the fuel. It is said to be free from all corrosive ingredients on the bottom and furnace in which it is burned.

"COFFEE JAGS."

The Doctor Named Them Correctly. Some one said "Coffee never hurts any one." Enquire of your friends and note their experiences.

A Phila. woman says "During the last 2 or 3 years I became subject to what the doctor called 'coffee jags' and felt like I have heard men say they feel who have drank too much rum. It nauseated me, and I felt as though there was nothing but coffee flowing through my veins.

"Coffee agreed well enough for a time, but for a number of years I have known that it was doing me great harm, but, like the rum toper, I thought I could not get along without it. It made me nervous, disordered my digestion, destroyed my sleep and brought on frequent and very distressing headaches.

"When I got what the doctor called a 'coffee jag' on, I would give up drinking it for a few days till my stomach regained a little strength, but I was always fretful and worried and nervous till I was able to resume the use of the drug.

"About a year ago I was persuaded to try Postum, but as I got it in restaurants it was nothing but a sloppy mess, sometimes cold, and always weak, and of course I didn't like it. Finally I prepared some myself, at home, following the directions carefully, and found it delicious. I persevered in its use, quitting the old coffee entirely, and feeling better and better each day, till I found at last, to my great joy, that my ailments had all disappeared and my longing for coffee had come to an end.

"I have heretofore suffered intensely from utter exhaustion, besides the other ailments and troubles, but this summer, using Postum, I have felt fine." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

There's a reason. Restaurant cooks rarely prepare Postum Coffee properly. They do not let it boil long enough.

PAINS

AMERICAN WOMEN FIND RELIEF

The Case of Miss Irene Crosby Is One of Thousands of Cures made by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

How many women realize that it is not the plan of nature that women should suffer so severely.



Miss Irene Crosby

Thousands of American women, however, have found relief from all monthly suffering by taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, as it is the most thorough female regulator known to medical science. It cures the condition which causes so much discomfort and robs these periods of their terrors.

Miss Irene Crosby, of 313 Charlton Street, East Savannah, Ga., writes:

"Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound is a true friend to woman. It has been of great benefit to me, curing me of irregular and painful periods when everything else had failed, and I gladly recommend it to other suffering women."

Women who are troubled with painful or irregular periods, backache, bloating (or flatulence), displacement of organs, inflammation or ulceration, that "bearing-down" feeling, dizziness, faintness, indigestion, nervous prostration or the blues, should take immediate action to ward off the serious consequences, and be restored to perfect health and strength by taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and then write to Mrs. Pinkham, Lynn, Mass., for further free advice. She is daughter-in-law of Lydia E. Pinkham and for twenty-five years has been advising women free of charge. Thousands have been cured by so doing.

Permanent Indian Exhibition.

H. E. Huntington is preparing to establish a permanent Indian exhibition in Southern California. It will have a group of every tribe of Indians in North America permanently quartered there, besides an art gallery containing Indian photographs. The Indians will live in their primitive habitations, clothed in various handicrafts.

The "Silence Club's" membership is limited to ten, all of whom are season ticket-holders on a London suburban railway, and the subscription is sixpence weekly. It was established solely to enable the members to read the paper on the way to town. The revenue derived from subscriptions is handed to the guard every Saturday morning, and he reserves a carriage for the members.

Long Walks for His Health.

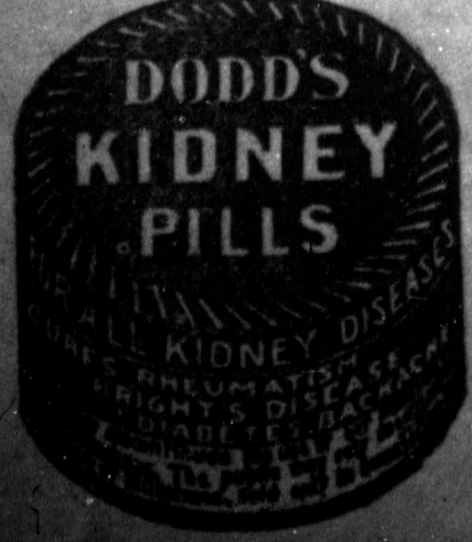
Wishing to take a little walk for the benefit of his health, James Marvin, a farmer, of Ohio, walked from his home in the northwestern section of that State to Richmond, Va., a distance of 700 miles. He says outdoor athletics are necessary to his life, and he intends to tramp on to the Atlantic Coast. He is a good swimmer, but will make no attempt to go further east.

Self Evident.

"This newspaper has an editorial on 'General Control of Trusts.'"
"Entirely superfluous, it seems to me."
"Why so?"
"The trusts are already in general control. Everybody knows that."—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

Anxious About the Judge.

The once noted Judge Livermore of Plymouth, N. H., for whom the beautiful Livermore Falls of Campton, N. H., were named, when lying, as friends supposed, on his death bed, awoke in the middle of the night and asked, "Who's in the room?" Upon receiving the answer of the nurse, "No one but me," he thundered forth in a tone of disgust, "Where in h—'s Judge Livermore?"



Years of Work for Nothing.

This being the time of year when agents canvass for the sale of fruit trees, I would like to say a few words in regard to the selecting and buying of the same. I think it best to buy of your home nursery, because then you get the trees freshly dug, and they are more likely to thrive and grow. When I say home nursery I mean in your own county or state. The man that sells to a man living near him is not so likely to misrepresent the variety wanted, and this is what every farmer and fruit grower should beware of. I have trees in my orchard that are six or seven years old and have never borne anything. I know by the looks of the trees that they are not what I purchased them for. I have had my expense of care and work for nothing. I advise not to buy many trees of new varieties. They may be good and may not be. Buy mostly old standard varieties that will bear and do well in your part of the state. Select those that you know the name of, and when they begin to fruit you will not have to hunt around to find what the fruit is. A man near me some four years ago put out an orchard on the installment plan and he is not satisfied. His fruit turns out not to be what he bought, and of some of it he has never been able to discover the name. —A. T. Evans, Knox Co., Ill.

Standard Milk.

By standard milk and cream is meant that which has a certain known composition, thus establishing a true basis for valuation.

Let it be clearly understood by producers, consumers, city councils and everybody, that in these days the dealer can furnish the customer with milk of any desired richness, without regard to the quality ordinarily yielded by the cow, and all milk should be either so standardized or else bought and sold according to its natural composition.

Selling milk by measure alone is unjust to the producer as well as to the consumer. While the fallacy of the system is apparent to a few, the majority of people seem to think that milk is milk, that one quart is worth as much as another, so long as it is still sweet. The reason for this is partly a lack of knowledge as to what constitutes good milk, and partly because milk is an opaque liquid, and it is difficult to judge of its composition or food value simply by appearance. For this reason many unscrupulous milk dealers dilute their milk with water or remove a portion of the cream. —W. J. Fraser, University of Illinois.

Sheep as Manure Spreaders.

Speaking of manure spreaders, there is nothing so cheap and effectual as a flock of sheep as handled at "Millerton," where they come into the barns adjoining the pasture at will to eat of the hay thrown off the mow in the racks each side the inner walls of the barn. I have just walked out over the pasture where one flock of 140 have the run, and it would seem they have remained but a few nights in the barn this winter, as the more elevated places are sprinkled over with their droppings, just as it should be to maintain the fertility of the soil and a heavy growth of grass during summer. Some of these fields have been in pasture twenty years and are improving or maintaining more grass than formerly. The sheep are not "running down" either, as is often said to be the case by those who probably overstocked their pastures. —I. M. Miller, Grant Co., Ind.

Farm Accounts Difficult.

I am sorry to say that the farmers do not pay much attention to the matter of keeping farm accounts. When accounts are kept they comprise chiefly the buying or selling of crops, buying or selling of stock, payment of hired help and the like. The above is the extent of my own bookkeeping, except on January first of each year I take an invoice. It is a difficult matter to keep an account of each crop separately, yet great benefits can be derived from it. However, it is not generally done. I do not know that I could make any suggestions as to the improvement in this matter. —C. D. Smith, Edgar County, Ill.

Salt for Stock.

Common salt is essential to nearly all domestic animals, and it should be given to them frequently. If animals are allowed free access to salt they eat only what Nature requires; but to animals not accustomed to salt it must be supplied very gradually or they will eat too much at first and are likely to be overtaken with indigestion or even death. Sheep are sometimes poisoned by eating too much salt when they are not accustomed to it. —Prof. Nelson S. Mayo.

JUDGE'S KEEN SENSE OF SMELL.

Had Suspicion He Could Locate the Missing Pig.

In a recent case before Judge Feely of the twelfth judicial court of Rhode Island, at Woonsocket, a great deal of fun was created by the defendant's descriptions of a pig that the defendant was charged with stealing, but which he claimed to have bought and placed in a pen with other pigs.

There were such varied descriptions of the pig that finally the counsel for the defendant announced that the pig in question was within reach and could readily be produced in court. The air in the court room, which was pretty well crowded, had become rather foul by this time. As the lawyer made this announcement, Judge Feely leaned forward and whispered to the clerk: "Say, Charlie, I think I smell that pig."

Jefferson's Cheerful Philosophy.

We spoke of happiness, writes Francis Wilson, in Scribner. "Joy," I said, "was the God of our household. No one was permitted to hang crepe on the door of our feelings." "That's the proper way," he made answer. "Happiness is the religion of our family. To begin with, we take all the comic papers. No one is permitted to read aloud, and he is begged not to read, even to himself, about the mangled corpse of the father and the roasted bodies of the babies—subjects with which the daily papers disgustingly team."

Waste-Paper Profits.

The Salvation Army industry in waste paper provides some astonishing figures. Every morning horse vans, men with hand trucks and men with bags go the round of the London business premises and collect the accumulation of paper and rubbish of all sorts. It is taken to the army's settlement, where the unskilled workers are set to sorting it. The waste paper so collected is sorted into no fewer than fifty-two different classes. Last year the army collected 7,935 tons of waste paper, obtaining for it a sum well over \$50,000.

I stand by my kind, and I thank God for the temptations that have brought me into sympathy with them, as I do for the love that urges me to efforts for their good. —J. G. Holland.

Fashions Slow to Change.

Four generations ago it was customary for professional men to wear muffs, so that it was almost a proverb that "a muff is more than half in the making of a doctor." The umbrella is an invention of a comparatively recent date. A satirical writer in a women's paper in 1756 remarked that Jonas Hanway, who had been seen abroad under the shade of a cotton umbrella, would be well advised, in order to keep himself dry from head to foot, to wear the maid's pattens. Until the nineteenth century had almost dawned the umbrella was practically unknown. In 1797 there was only one umbrella in all Cambridge, and that was kept at a shop and let out like a sedan chair by the hour. In London women carried umbrellas before men had taken to them; but the first umbrellas were heavy, awkward machines, made of oilskin or taffeta.

Hard to Find Woodcock Nest.

There are few more difficult things to detect in Nature than a woodcock sitting on her nest. So well does the dappled plumage of the bird harmonize with the dead leaves of which the nest is composed, or, it may be, with the withered bracken that overhangs it, that it is hard to make out much more than the sitting bird's darkly barred head and bright black eyes; to trace the outline of the body is impossible. Nor is it easy to find the nest when the bird is absent, for the cream colored eggs speckled with brown are so like in color to the nest in which they lie that an untrained eye would wander over them without detecting them. —London Daily Graphic.

One at a Time There!

A green grocer's boy hailed a vessel in dock at Cardiff, says the New York Tribune. The surly mate responded gruffly and asked what he wanted. "I've got some vegetables for the ship," was the reply.

"All right, you needn't come aboard; throw 'em up one at a time," said the mate, as he stood in readiness to receive the expected vegetable.

"Aho, there—look out!" shouted the lad, as he threw a single green pea toward the mate. "I've got a sack of them for the captain."

The world is given as a prize to a man in earnest. —Robertson.

Queen Bees Protected.

Modern beekeepers do not leave the rearing of queens to their bee colonies. Left to themselves bees rear queens only when they want to swarm, when their queen is accidentally killed or when, on account of her age or from some other reason, she does not lay enough eggs. In nature, when the young queens come out of their cells there is a battle royal among them, the final survivor being accepted as queen of the colony. But this is a waste of good material which the modern beekeeper can not permit. So his artificially-reared queens emerge into little wire cages, or nurseries, where they can neither kill their neighbors nor be themselves killed.

Who was the first whistler, and what did he whistle?—The wind, and he whistled "Over the Hills and Far Away."

"Portem today showed conclusively patient did not have yellow fever."

CATS PREFERRED TO HUSBANDS.

Chicago School Teacher Gives Reasons for Her Theories.

We forget who it was that coined the phrase, "all big things come from Chicago," but we would like to add that occasionally some big thoughts are also born in that metropolis of the West.

A Chicago teacher, who we may add is at yet heart and husband free, evolved the interesting theory that as a life companion a cat is far more preferable than a man.

After enumerating the faults of an average husband, she proceeded to tell of the high qualities of a cat, and when she came to that part in her oration when comparisons became necessary, poor husbands had not a leg to stand on.

The three strongest points that she made were that cats trim their own whiskers, never complain, and, if they happen to come home late in the wee small hours, they do not invent excuses, and though guilty of misbehavior, they never walk diagonally across the room, chewing a secondary cigar and vainly endeavoring to make themselves understood.

Well, it seems as if the cats had the better of it, and so far no defender of poor downtrodden man has appeared on the scene. —Exchange.

The Coffee Debate.

The published statements of a number of coffee importers and roasters indicate a "waspy" feeling towards us for daring to say that coffee is harmful to a percentage of the people.

A frank public discussion of the subject is quite agreeable to us and can certainly do no harm; on the contrary when all the facts on both sides of any question are spread before the people they can thereupon decide and act intelligently.

Give the people plain facts and they will take care of themselves.

We demand facts in this coffee discussion and propose to see that the facts are brought clearly before the people.

A number of coffee importers and roasters have joined a movement to boom coffee and stop the use of Postum Food Coffee and in their newspaper statements undertake to deceive by false assertions.

Their first is that coffee is not harmful.

We assert that one in every three coffee users has some form of incipient or chronic disease; realize for one moment what a terrible menace to a nation of civilized people, when one kind of beverage cripples the energies and health of one-third the people who use it.

We make the assertion advisedly and suggest that the reader secure his own proof by personal inquiry among coffee users.

Ask your coffee drinking friends if they keep free from any sort of aches and ails. You will be startled at the percentage and will very naturally seek to place the cause of disorder on something aside from coffee, whether food, inherited tendencies or something else.

Go deeper in your search for facts. If your friend admits occasional neuralgia, rheumatism, heart weakness, stomach or bowel trouble, kidney complaint, weak eyes or approaching nervous prostration induce him or her to make the experiment of leaving off coffee for 10 days and using Postum Food Coffee, and observe the result. It will startle you and give your friend something to think of. Of course, if the person is one of the weak ones

and says "I can't quit" you will have discovered one of the slaves of the coffee importer. Treat such kindly, for they seem absolutely powerless to stop the gradual but sure destruction of body and health.

Nature has a way of destroying a part of the people to make room for the stronger. It is the old law of "the survival of the fittest" at work, and the victims are many.

We repeat the assertion that coffee does harm many people, not all, but an army large enough to appal the investigator and searcher for facts.

The next prevarication of the coffee importers and roasters is their statement that Postum Food Coffee is made of roasted peas, beans or corn, and mixed with a low grade of coffee and that it contains no nourishment.

We have previously offered to wager \$100,000.00 with them that their statements are absolutely false.

They have not accepted our wager and they will not.

We will gladly make a present of \$25,000.00 to any roaster or importer of old-fashioned coffee who will accept that wager.

Free inspection of our factories and methods is made by thousands of people each month and the coffee importers themselves are cordially invited. Both Postum and Grape-Nuts are absolutely pure and made exactly as stated.

The formula of Postum and the analysis made by one of the foremost chemists of Boston has been printed on every package for many years and is absolutely accurate.

Now as to the food value of Postum. It contains the parts of the wheat berry which carry the elemental salts, such as lime, iron, potash, silica, etc., etc., used by the life forces to rebuild the cellular tissue, and this is particularly true of the phosphate of potash, also found in Grape-Nuts, which combines in the human body with albumen and this combination, together with water, rebuilds the worn-out gray matter in the delicate nerve centers all over the body and throughout the brain and solar plexus.

Ordinary coffee stimulates in an unnatural way, but with many people it slowly and surely destroys and does not rebuild this gray substance so vitally important to the well being of every human being.

These are eternal facts, proven, well authenticated and known to every properly educated physician, chemist and food expert.

Please remember we never say ordinary coffee hurts everyone.

Some people use it regularly and seem strong enough to withstand its attacks, but there is misery and disease in store for the man or woman who persists in its use when nature protests, by heart weakness, stomach and bowel troubles, kidney disease, weak eyes or general nervous prostration. The remedy is obvious. The drug caffeine, contained in all ordinary coffee, must be discontinued absolutely or the disease will continue in spite of any medicine and will grow worse.

It is easy to leave off the old-fashioned coffee by adopting Postum Food Coffee, for in it one finds a pleasing hot breakfast or dinner beverage that has the deep seal brown color, changing to a rich golden brown when good cream is added. When boiled long enough (15 minutes) the flavor is not that of rank Rio coffee but very like the milder, smooth and high-grade Java, but entirely lacking the drug effect of ordinary coffee.

Anyone suffering from disorders set up by coffee drinking (and there is an extensive variety) can absolutely depend upon some measure of relief by quitting coffee and using Postum Food Coffee.

If the disease has not become too strongly rooted, one can with good reason expect it to disappear entirely in a reasonable time after the active cause of the trouble is removed and the cellular tissue has time to naturally rebuild with the elements furnished by Postum and good food.

It's only just plain old common sense.

Now, with the exact facts before the reader, he or she can decide the wise course, looking to health and the power to do things.

If you have any doubt as to the cause of any ache or ail you may have, remember the far-reaching telegrams of a hurt nervous system travel from heel to head, and it may be well worth your while to make the experiment of leaving off coffee entirely for ten days and using Postum in its place.

You will probably gather some good solid facts, worth more than a gold mine, for health can make gold and sickness lose it. Besides there's all the fun, for it's like a continuous internal frolic to be perfectly well.

There's a reason for

POSTUM

Postum Cereal Co., Ltd., Battle Creek, Mich.

Don't Forget.

WE HAVE 'EM

Pure Drugs, Patent Medicines, Exquisite Perfumes, Toilet Powders, Combs, Brushes, Writing Papers, Tablets.

Live and let live prices

DON'T FORGET.

Your Friends,
Smith & French
Drug Company.

Local Items.

Notice to Advertisers.

Copy for advertisements must be in this office not later than Tuesday morning to insure insertion. No deviation will be made from this rule in the future, because to do so delays publication, causes the paper to miss outgoing mails and works an all-round hardship on all concerned.

Car of chops just received by F. P. Parker.

Hon. C. C. Stokes has returned from Austin.

Screen your house early. F. P. Parker sells the wire cheap.

C. L. Edmiston was at Texarkana the first of the week.

See F. P. Parker's fancy cakes display this week in his show window.

Mrs. Ed. Foster is visiting her sister, Mrs. Bob Tilley, at Huntsville.

R. S. Hooks of Pennington was a visitor to the COURIER office Friday.

Jas. S. Shivers & Co. has the prettiest line of ladies' belts in Crockett.

Gunther's candy—a new shipment every two weeks at Crysups' Drug Store.

W. H. Wall of Augusta was in town Tuesday and called at the COURIER office.

Come everybody to the great sale at the Big Store April 12th, 13th and 14th.

Crysups' Drug Store has Gunther's Candies. "Not how cheap, but how good."

F. P. Parker gets the goods to you as soon as ordered. Try him. Try him next month.

We fill your neighbors' prescriptions. Do we fill yours? Crysups' Drug Store.

Hon. I. A. Daniel arrived Wednesday afternoon from Austin on his way home to Kennard.

Mrs. R. C. McDowell and Miss Jessie McDowell of Kennard were visitors to Crockett this week.

S. C. Bitner of Lovelady and J. H. Gregg of Augusta were callers at the COURIER office Monday.

The COURIER wants to print candidate cards for every candidate in Houston county. Give us your order.

A summer normal is one of the things in prospect for Crockett. Some of the teachers have the matter in hand.

How to make hens lay—Feed them Dr. Hess' Poultry Panacea. We guarantee it.

MURCHISON & BEASLEY.

FOLEY'S HONEY AND TAR
Cures Colds Prevents Pneumonia

We fill your neighbors' prescriptions. Do we fill yours? Crysups' Drug Store.

It's money to you to use Hess' Stock Food. It keeps your stock in good condition. We sell it.
MURCHISON & BEASLEY.

We guarantee Dr. Hess' Stock Food to be the best. Your money back if you are not satisfied.
MURCHISON & BEASLEY.

Cows for Sale.

I have cows for sale. All good milkers. Apply to
BEN BERRY, Crockett, Texas.

50,000

Nut Cracker Tobacco tags at 50c per hundred, in merchandise, wanted at DANIEL & BURTON'S.

Mr. W. D. Small is the authorized representative of the COURIER at Augusta. Any favors shown him will be appreciated by the management.

Rev. H. W. Moore went to Carmona last week to accompany his son, Dr. H. C. Moore, home. Dr. Moore has been quite ill, but is now much improved.

G. M. Thompson of Weldon and B. E. Goodrum of the same place were among those in town this week attending court who remembered the COURIER.

Services at the Methodist church begin promptly at 11 A. M. and at 7:15 P. M. The public cordially invited.
IRVIN B. MANLY, Pastor.

A Missouri tax collector runs in the local paper the following notice: "All persons are hereby notified to pay their dog tax by April 1, otherwise they will be killed."

Mr. H. F. Moore and Prof. J. B. Smith are at Mineral Wells for the benefit of the former's health. Mr. Moore has been in bad health for the past two months.

For Sale or Rent.

In Crockett, a pasture of 8 acres, well supplied with water. Will rent the whole to one individual, or will pasture horses or cows by the month. S. F. TENNEY.

Notice, Trespassers.

Any one trespassing upon the inclosure of J. G. Haring will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law by the undersigned.
T. J. ALEXANDER.

Miss Ethel Wootters of this city, Miss Verne Monday of Lovelady and Messrs. D. A. Nunn, J. S. Arrington and J. W. Young attended the Bernhardt engagement at Houston Friday and Saturday evenings.

FOLEY'S HONEY AND TAR
for children; safe, sure. No opiates

MAKING PROMISES and MAKING GOOD

Are two different things. Some stores do one first rate. We do both.

OUR PROMISE.

Our careful and personal attention to your wants when it comes to drugs, toilet articles, stationery, etc. Our drugs are fresh and our stationery and toilet articles represent the highest attainment in their production and manufacture.

You'll know we've made good when you have tried us. We fill prescriptions.

G. L. MOORE,
THE DRUGGIST.
Successor to Moore & Harrison.

Marriage Licenses.

J. J. Johnson and Ida Manning, Robt. Scott and Callie Abram, Louis Randles and Edna Brown.

Miss Ada Haile has returned from St. Louis and is now ready to welcome all her friends and show them the many new style spring hats at the Big Store.

The COURIER wants an agent in every community in Houston county and will pay the usual commission. This is a chance for industrious persons to earn a few extra dollars.

Your horses will look better and your cows give more milk if given Dr. Hess' Stock Food. Try a package. We give you your money back if you are not satisfied.
MURCHISON & BEASLEY.

The county finance committee, composed of W. B. Page, G. M. Waller and C. W. Moore, is in session this week, holding in the sheriff's office. State Revenue Commissioner Bell was expected during the week.

The criminal docket of district court was taken up Monday morning and an unusual number of people were brought to town as witnesses and jurors. The grand jury was also reconvened and had many witnesses before them.

Mr. J. B. Sawtell, state commander of the Maccabees, was in Crockett Wednesday night of last week and delivered a lecture before the Crockett lodge. The lodge held a banquet in his honor, and special music was engaged for the occasion.

Burglary at Kennard.

The store of Daniel & Burton at Kennard was burglarized on Wednesday night of last week and a number of articles stolen. A reward of \$25 has been offered by Sheriff Phillips for the arrest of the burglars. Among the articles stolen were several pairs of shoes, several hats, a lot of cheap jewelry, two Colt's six-shooters, cartridges and a lot of pocket knives.

Ellis Nelson on Trial.

The case of the State against Ellis Nelson, charged with murder, was taken up in the district court Monday morning, bringing many witnesses to town. This is an old case, having been in the court for about five years, and once went to Trinity county on a change of venue. The Nelsons and Crowsons are charged with killing Alexander and his wife.

The COURIER has a new announcement this week in the person of Mr. C. E. Lively, who is a candidate for sheriff. Mr. Lively is a Houston county boy, was born and raised at Augusta, and is a brother of T. C. Lively. He comes of democratic stock and his candidacy is, of course, subject to the democratic primary. Mr. Lively has good material in him for a sheriff and he respectfully solicits your support.

A case in the district court that attracted a great deal of attention last week was that of the State against Al Woolley, wherein the defendant was charged with seduction. The case consumed half of the week and resulted in a verdict of two years in the penitentiary for the defendant. It was the general opinion of those who watched the case from beginning to end that the verdict was light. Al Woolley is a white man and a widower.

Pneumonia is Robbed of Its Terrors

By Foley's Honey and Tar. It stops the racking cough and heals and strengthens the lungs. If taken in time it will prevent an attack of pneumonia. Refuse substitutes. Smith & French Drug Co.

Money to Loan.

We Buy and Sell Real Estate.
List Your Land With Us.
Fire Insurance Written in Best Companies.

WARFIELD BROTHERS,

Office North Side Public Square,
Crockett, Texas.

Broke into Drug Store.

G. L. Moore's drug store was broken into Monday night by his negro porter, Robert Burrell. The porter had secured a key during the day while at work in the drug store, and between 9 and 10 o'clock at night went in through the door. A light was seen in the back of the store by people passing and an investigation made. The negro, on seeing that he was discovered, surrendered and was locked up by Sheriff Phillips.

Mr. Edward Foster, who was buried last Thursday, had endeared himself to many of our citizens while living among them, and he had lived among them all his life. His generous impulses and charitable inclinations were always commented on by them. He had served as special night officer in Crockett for many years, during which time many favors were asked at his hands by our people and few of them were ever turned down. He was always ready to help those in distress, and his passing away has removed from Crockett one of the town's most faithful citizens. He leaves a widow and children.

Strayed or Stolen.

Disappeared from my house at Porter Springs, Texas, on the 15th day of March, one black dog, about one year and three months old, has small white streak in face, end of tail white, has some white feet, do not remember how many, has a little longer hair than the ordinary short-haired hog, tolerably long legs, small slim body, has small scar in thin part of belly opposite flank, while traveling frequently paces. I will give \$3 for his return to me at Porter Springs, or information leading to his recovery, drop me postal card. This dog is named Big Dog. Will come to you by calling that name.
J. G. WEBB, Porter Springs.

Mr. Sam H. Dixon, secretary of the Texas State Horticultural Society, with headquarters at Houston, was in Crockett Wednesday and paid the COURIER office a visit. Mr. Dixon was superintendent of the Texas horticultural exhibit at the St. Louis world's fair and previous to that time was industrial agent for the Houston, East and West Texas railroad. He is authority on the fruit question, having written many valuable articles on that subject. He gives it as his opinion that Texas will not ship over 200 cars of peaches this year, whereas it shipped 600 last year. He gives this as his opinion in the face of the fact that there is a large increase in the number of trees. He says that he finds on examination that the loss in the various orchards varies from 50 to 90 per cent according to elevation and that on low lands the fruit will be almost a total loss. He said orchards that were plowed before the freeze fared worse than those that were not.

The surest and safest remedy for kidney and bladder diseases is Foley's Kidney Cure. If taken in time it affords security from all kidney and bladder diseases. It makes them right. Don't delay taking. Smith & French Drug Co.

FOLEY'S KIDNEY CURE
Makes Kidneys and Bladder Right

Much local interest is being manifested in the Houston Chronicle's voting contest. Miss Ethel Wootters is ahead at Crockett, but has less votes than the Lufkin contestant. Grapeland has an active candidate in the person of Miss Caldwell and Palestine has a candidate who is well out in the field. Miss Wootters' friends are interesting themselves in her behalf, and her popularity is not confined to Houston county. Many votes are being cast for her in adjoining towns and counties, and it is hoped by her friends here that she will secure one of the prize trips offered by the Chronicle.

Played Deaf and Dumb.

On Thursday night of last week Deputy City Marshal John Brooks arrested a man claiming to be a mute and who was selling cheap jewelry on the streets and begging. City Marshal Waller had information that there were two of the men working together, the second and older man mending umbrellas. The two were seen in conversation by some of our citizens, and the city marshal was so informed. The arrest by Deputy Marshal Brooks followed, the deputy finding the men together and arresting both of them. They were placed in jail, but later the umbrella-mender was released. The man pretending to be a mute gave his name as Walter Harold, and is being held by the city officers to answer to the charge of swindling.

Attention, Comrades.

Camp Crockett No. 141, U. C. V., is hereby called to meet at Lovelady Thursday, April 26th, at 10 a. m. Annual business of the camp will be laid before you, also memorial services will be held. This being national decoration day we will decorate with flowers and love the graves of our comrades buried in the cemetery there. The Daughters of the Confederacy, D. A. Nunn Chapter, are cordially invited to meet with us. There will be an excursion on the railroad to accommodate all who wish to attend, and the good citizens of Lovelady will provide for the comfort of all during the day.

N. B. BARBEE,

Commander Camp Crockett, U. C. V.

C. J. HASSELL, Adjutant.

Letter to J. T. Dawes,
Crockett, Texas.

Dear Sir: The cheapest thing in the way of sending anything over the world is a postage stamp; and the cheapest way to shed water is paint.

Not whitewash; paint. Do you happen to know—if it don't belong to your business to know about paint, you know—do you happen to know that most of the makers of paint stuff it out with lime and clay and sand and water and air?

They do stuff it out in the can; but not on the house. They make more gallons to sell or to buy; more money to pay for paint; more money to pay for putting it on; a good deal more money to pay for putting it on; but no more beauty; more rust; decay; disappointment; loss.

Devos is your paint, because it's all paint, no sham, and full measure. Yours truly,
F. W. DEVOS & Co.
S. L. Murchison sells our paint.

The Crockett Courier

W. W. AIKEN, Editor and Proprietor

PUBLISHER'S NOTICE.

Obituaries, resolutions, cards of thanks and other matter not "news" will be charged for at the rate of 5c per line. Parties ordering advertising or printing for societies, churches, committees or organizations of any kind will, in all cases, be held personally responsible for the payment of the bill.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

We are authorized to make the following announcements, subject to the action of the democratic party:

- For District Attorney
Tom J. Harris
Porter Newman
- For Representative
John B. Smith
I. A. Daniel
- For District Clerk
Joe Brown Stanton
Nat Patton
- For County Judge
John Spence
J. W. Madden
- For County Attorney
Earl Adams, Jr
- For County Clerk
Nat E. Allbright
C. G. (Gershom) Lansford
J. J. Collier
- For Sheriff
A. W. Phillips
C. E. Lively
John C. Lacy
- For Tax Collector
A. L. (Gus) Goolsby
Oscar C. Goodwin
J. W. Brightman
- For Tax Assessor
John H. Ellis
- For County Treasurer
D. J. Cater
J. J. Cooper
- For Commissioner Precinct No. 3
C. H. (Cal) Barbee
S. M. Hallmark
J. J. Hammond
- For Justice of Peace, Prec. No. 1
C. R. Stephenson
C. J. Hassell
E. M. Callier
J. W. Saxon
- For Constable Prec. No. 1
J. N. Wellborn
O. B. (Deb) Hale

SOUTH TO TAKE THE LEAD.

At Charlotte, North Carolina, Judge Parker, recent candidate for the presidency, lately made a speech urging the South to take the lead in party management and further said:

"But the time has come when new duties and responsibilities must be undertaken by the democrats of the south. It is more than two score years since the war closed and your people find themselves upon the threshold of what promises to be the most remarkable business development the world has ever known within the same time and space. Some of your men have gone forth to command the highest success, in the most honorable way, in the greatest financial and commercial movements of the time; others have become managers of great railway interests; you have developed great manufacturing enterprises, and, most difficult of all, your people, as a whole, have so maintained and increased their own position and the dominance of the country in one of the greatest products of the soil as to make them the wonder and admiration of the world.

"In spite of your devotion to principle and consistency, in the face of a numerical importance that was preponderant, in politics only have you stepped aside. From the earliest day you have sent your best men into public life. They have been at once modest, able, devoted, patriotic and honest. No jail or penitentiary has opened its hospitable doors to admit your senators, representatives or governors, nor have the officers of the law, from detectives to attorney general,

been compelled to hale them into the criminal courts. In the face of this record you have not only permitted us of the North to present to you candidates for president and vice-president, but you have insisted upon our doing so, and have voted for them, too, when sometimes no other states did so."

After plainly presenting to the minds of his audience the democratic disasters of the past ten years, Judge Parker continued:

"When such conditions confront you why should you hesitate any longer? You have borne the heat and burden of the day. Your statesmen have demonstrated their ability not only to take care of the interests of their states and their section, but they have been the only dam against aggression at home and the threat of discredit abroad. Among them are men with the knowledge, experience, honesty and courage to represent their fellow-partisans without the surrender of principle and their fellow-countrymen with safety and honor.

"The time has come when the really effective democrats of the country should be recognized and when they themselves should no longer hesitate, decline or refuse to seek, or to accept, those honors which are their just due for work well done. I believe firmly that it will be better, because it will at once eliminate the factions which are inevitable, so long as their leaders feel that they have only to capture a few state organizations in the North, nominate their candidate and then depend upon the South to support and elect him if possible.

"But if this course should give Southern democrats the recognition they deserve, it will also put them upon their mettle. It will make it necessary for them to insist upon devotion to ideas and principles; to avoid, as their character and traditions assure, extreme policies; to keep themselves thoroughly in touch with all the elements to be found in a national and progressive party, and to be ready and willing to anticipate and promote all the needs of a great country.

If we are honest with ourselves, earnest and vigilant in the recognition of those popular needs which are both safe and democratic and regardful of our own ideas and traditions, we shall again be entrusted with power and we shall be ready for it. When this time comes the South ought to be, and, indeed, it must be, the one great effective force in bringing about such a happy consummation—sorely needed if our institutions are to endure inviolate."

MEXICAN WAR VETERANS.

The COURIER is in receipt of a letter from Congressman A. W. Gregg that will be of absorbing interest to Mexican war veterans and their widows. There is a chance for them to get their pensions increased from \$12 to \$20 and from \$8 to \$12 respectively. The letter, addressed to the COURIER, explains itself and is as follows:

No doubt there are in your county some Mexican war veterans now receiving only \$12.00 per month pension, for whom I can secure \$20.00 per month, and widows of such veterans who are receiving only \$8.00 per month, for whom I can secure \$12.00.

I am anxious to do for these old soldiers and their widows everything in my power, and feel that they should have every cent that the government will give them.

Please publish this letter so

that if there be any such in your county they will communicate with me.

I suggest that they send me affidavits of two of their neighbors, showing their financial condition and physical condition if infirm. By doing this they will save considerable time, as I will have to have these affidavits before doing anything.

I will also need the number of their present pension certificate and the company and regiment in which the soldiers served.

[Signed] A. W. GREGG.

The rank injustice of the republican statehood bill as passed by the house has been remedied by the democratic senators joining with a few republicans voting to amend the bill so as to give statehood to Oklahoma and Indian Territories, and leaving to the future the question of admitting New Mexico and Arizona. The republican partisan plan of forcing the two last named territories into the union as one state when their people are bitterly opposed to such a partnership, because it is expected that the democrats will carry Oklahoma and thus increase their vote in the United States senate, but cannot carry New Mexico and Arizona combined, was thus fortunately defeated. It now remains for the republican partisans of the house to back down in accordance with common sense and fair play, or take the responsibility of defeating the bill.

The Augusta Tragedy.

In an effort to be brief and to give in as condensed a form as possible the particulars of the Augusta tragedy last week, the COURIER unintentionally made some omissions of testimony that were important. But it gave the facts as they happened in the main. It said witnesses at "Cook's store" when it should have been "Moore's store." As to whether Dr. Wilson sat down at Tims' store door, there was conflicting testimony. Witnesses said that Tims said that he was not "beholden" to the deceased because the deceased was Dr. Wilson and that he could not stay at his store all night because the deceased was drunk, or language to that effect. Where the COURIER's report read, "I will kill you," as coming from Tims, Tims really said, "If you get out your knife I will blow your head off," as appears in the testimony. There was testimony to the effect that Dr. Wilson did not start to leave until Tims had got his gun; that he then started and Tims fired. It is not the intention of the COURIER to do any one an injustice and the testimony was too lengthy to be published verbatim, and could not have been obtained from an official source for verbatim publication. The grand jury went to work on the case Monday and in the meantime Mr. Tims is out under a bond of \$3000. He and Dr. Wilson were both Masons.

Mr. John C. Lacy comes out this week as a candidate for sheriff, subject to the action of the primary. Mr. Lacy is well qualified for the position. He served as city marshal of Crockett for a number of years and since that time has served as peace officer at the Kennard mill. While serving in these capacities he has become well acquainted with the people, whom he asks to consider his candidacy.

Foley's Honey and Tar contains no opiates, and will not constipate like nearly all other cough medicines. Refuse substitutes. Smith & French Drug Co.

FOLEY'S HONEY AND TAR
stops the cough and heals lungs

To Those Who Want Quality,

To those who do not want gifts or schemes, to the discriminating smokers, to the business man who wants to leave a pleasant recollection of himself at home in the aroma of a fine cigar, we commend the

Bill Nye Five Cent Cigar,

As good as many 10 cent cigars.

For sale by

Murchison & Beasley,

Dealers in Drugs, Druggist's Sundries, School Supplies.

Shoes and Clothing.

I have as good a stock of Shoes and Clothing as can be found in any town. My Shoes were bought largely from the Tennent Shoe Co., a bankrupted firm,

And I Saved Big Money in the Purchase.

I can save you half of what you have been paying for Shoes. I also have a large stock of Clothing that was bought cheap and will be sold as cheaply as bought.

LET ME SAVE YOU MONEY

on your spring purchases of Shoes and Clothing.

Yours for an Honest Deal,

H. ASHER.

If You Wish to Raise a Better Grade of Horses, You Now Have the Opportunity

He is a genuine registered horse foaled at Highland, Ohio, in the spring of 1899. He is a large, handsome, dark bay horse, with left hind foot white, stands 16 hands 1 inch; weighs 1200 pounds. In confirmation he is a grand, big horse with a beautiful head and neck and the very best feet and legs, short back, deep body and very fine knee and hock action. His blood lines are the very best of Northern horses. That he will beget speed and grand road qualities there is no doubt as he not only inherits, but possesses, those qualities. Even common mares bred to a horse of this class can not fail to produce high-class horses—ones that will sell readily for high-class roadsters, carriage and general all-purpose horses. If you wish to improve your grade of horses, never breed to a cold-blood horse. If necessary, sacrifice a little to the individual to get the blood. In J. W. T., No. 35496, you get the individual as well as the blood. I can say without fear of contradiction, that there is not a better blooded or better individual in East Texas than J. W. T., No. 35496. As this is his last season in Houston county, better avail yourself of the opportunity and get a colt from this grand horse.



J. W. T. No. 35496.

He is at my barn just north of the residence of John Monk. Mares from a distance will be taken care of without charge, except for feed. Will not be responsible for any accidents while in my care.

My terms are as follows, from which I will not deviate: A season fee of \$5.00 for each mare, same to be paid at time of service. This gives fourth return privilege. For every mare that gets in foal an additional fee of \$15.00 will be charged. One owner getting two or more mares in foal, fee will be \$20.00 for two, \$30.00 for three, and so on. Same to be paid from 3 to 6 months after service.

J. C. HIPPEL, Crockett, Tex.

Free Scholarship.

We will teach any one with an ordinary common school education, who will do good average work, to write legibly 150 words of shorthand to the minute, unfamiliar matter, court reporting, in three months, or make no charge for the course. We will make any one a present of a scholarship who will find any other school using any other system of shorthand that will do this. We offer a free scholarship to any one who will find a single student who ever finished the Byrne Simplified Shorthand, then laid it aside and became a successful writer of any other system in preference to the Byrne.

We control the exclusive right to teach the Famous Byrne Simplified Shorthand and Practical Bookkeeping in the southwest. More than 1000 students from 20 different states were with us the past year to get the advantage of

A Teacher's Review Course

Has just opened at Kennard Mills High School and will continue through May.

Write J. R. Nichols, Principal, Ratcliff, Texas.

these modern systems. Many of those students are now earning from \$75 to \$150 per month.

If interested in a course of Shorthand, Bookkeeping or Telegraphy, write for our large illustrated free catalogue. Tyler Commercial College, Tyler, Texas.

It is better to be happy than rich, but lots of us are neither.

Some people imagine that cunning and wisdom are synonymous, but cunning is as plentiful as wisdom is scarce.