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THE LEADER.

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LITTLE LOCAL LEADERS.

Babbitt Metal
In any quantity for sale at this office.

Tom Long had his ankle dislocated last Thursday and has been on crutches since.

We don't make a leader out of a few things and sell the rest for two prices. Something for nothing is unreasonable.

John L. Payne and wife, of Mineral Wells, came in last Friday on a visit to friends in Graham.

Wild Goose Oil possesses the most wonderful healing properties for Cuts, Burns, Sprains and Sores of any Medicine on the market.

Prof. Gray of South Bend, was circulating among his friends here last Saturday.

Mrs. E. W. Johnson will resume her lessons in music Monday, Sep. 13th. Two lessons a week—\$2.50 per month. Patronage solicited.

Prof. Fairly of Farmer, has had to quit teaching, temporarily, on account of his eyes. He is now in Graham under treatment of Dr. Gallaher. His eyes are improving and we hope he will soon be able to resume his labors in the school room.

It Don't Make
Any difference what any one tells. Don't buy any dry good until you see our stock and get our prices. We know our prices are right.

TAKE NOTICE.
All parties knowing themselves to be indebted to us will please come and settle at once as we are in need of the money.

The following persons have paid their subscriptions to THE LEADER since our last issue:

J. P. Hyden, I. H. Cunningham, Henry Jones, A. E. Foster, G. W. Reeves, Mrs. L. Stringer, J. A. Wade, C. E. Auberg, R. S. Turner, S. B. Keeter, C. R. Rutherford, B. F. Kutch, R. A. Kutch.

Buy Your Books.
I am informed that the Graham public school will make no change in text books this year, therefore I will handle all old books that can or will be used in the school.

Mrs. E. S. Sharp and Mrs. Lib Rutherford, of Groesbeck, are visiting friends and relatives in Graham.

Wanted.
500 frying chickens.
5000 dozen eggs.
For cash or trade at BIGHAM & CRAIG'S.

John H. Rubenkoenig left on Monday's stage to attend the Dallas Fair. Will Rothwell is holding down the barber shop during John's absence.

Table Board.
Or Board and Lodging. Apply to Mrs. B. B. GARRETT.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Robinson and daughter, Miss Ada, have returned from their visit to Fort Worth and Dallas.

I am headquarters for Paints and Oils. Mineral paints for fences, barns and roofs. Standard brands of paints for all kinds of outside and decorative purposes. You will serve your own interests by calling on me before buying.

C. R. Rutherford, formerly of this county, now of Groesbeck is on a visit to friends and relatives here. He called on THE LEADER and left a silver wheel.

We lead in superior quality and low prices. Our motto is: "Quick sales and small profits."

The little daughter of Mr. Jno. E. Morrison has been quite sick for some days, but is now said to be improving.

We say and can establish the fact that we handle the best and freshest groceries in Graham.

The Sheriff's office has received a great many calls during the past few weeks from the back tax payers.

A Double Wedding.
On Wednesday morning the 20th, at 4 o'clock, a double wedding occurred at the residence of Judge Woods at this place.

The contracting parties were Jno. Y. Leavill, Sheriff of Reeves county, Texas, and Mrs. Alice M. Williams of Graham, and Mr. Alfred Obitz and Miss Clyde Woods, both of Graham.

The wedding was private, only a few of the immediate friends and relatives of the parties being present.

Mr. and Mrs. Leavill left immediately for Dallas, from which place they will go to Pecos City.

Rev. W. H. Wyeough, of Ellaville, performed the ceremony which united the happy couples.

The parties are well and favorably known to the people of Young County, and many will join THE LEADER in extending congratulations.

Best Stock
Of men's underwear in the west, at prices never before equalled. See our stock before you buy.

S. B. STREET & CO.
Cheapest House in Town.

Judge Finlay is having some good work done in the court house yard by Boss Sheehy who is working out a fine and cost.

Judge R. F. Arnold went to Abilene this week to attend the Federal Court.

The True Brothers are busy putting in the winter's supply of coal to the coal users of Graham.

M. A. Wallace and family have been visiting their relatives in Graham the past few days.

The court house has been recently connected with the Telephone system and people at Ellaville, South Bend, Farmer and Lacy can consult the county officers over the phone.

The new law which was passed by the last legislature making it a fine offense for any person gathering pecans upon land not his own without the consent of the owner should be carried out to the strictest letter.

People have no more right to go into a farmer's pecan grove and gather pecans than they have to go into his cotton patch or corn field and appropriate his corn and cotton.

Notice to Tax-Payers.
Will meet you at the following places and dates for the purpose of collecting taxes:

At Ellaville, Nov. 12th & 13th.
At Groesbeck, " 15th & 16th.
At Belknap, " 17th & 18th.
At Farmer, " 19th & 20th.
H. C. WILLIAMS,
Collector.

S. R. Jeffery left Wednesday morning on a business trip to Louisiana.

C. W. Johnson returned Wednesday from a trip to Dallas and other points.

Our Business
is far better than we anticipated. Step in to our big store any day and see the crowd of happy people, all well pleased with the bargains we are offering. We wish to than one and all for their patronage in the past and hope to merit a continuance of same.

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A Splendid Offer.

To add to THE LEADER'S already large subscription list, we offer the following extraordinary inducement: For the first 100 new cash subscribers for one year, or old subscribers who pay up and one year in advance, we will send free of charge, the YOUTH'S ADVOCATE, a splendid Journal for girls and boys, published twice a month at Nashville, Tenn. This is one of the best offers ever made. We can only hold it open for a short time. The Youth's Advocate is the best of young people's papers. It is similar in tone, character and matter to the Youth's Companion. Call and see sample copy at this office.

Stands at the Head.
Aug. J. Bogel, the leading druggist of Shreveport, La., says: "Dr. King's New Discovery is the only thing that cures my cough, and it is the best seller here." J. F. Campbell, merchant of Safford, Ariz., writes: "Dr. King's New Discovery is all that is claimed for it; it never fails and is a sure cure for Consumption, Coughs and Colds. I cannot say enough for its merits." Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds is not an experimenter. It has been tried for a quarter of a century, and today stands at the head. It never disappoints. Free trial bottles at D. R. Akin & Co's Drug Store.

Relished Locals.

From the Graham Leader, Nov. 1878. A couple of Nimrods emerged from this office Monday evening for a little stroll up Salt Creek and to have some sport. Changing upon a bird they gave it four shots and then called the dog, who caught it, and by ringing its head off, they succeeded in killing it. Next time they propose to trap first and then tie.

Tin Roof Band.

This is a live institution in our midst now, among the members we find, one painter, one tinner, two blacksmiths, two editors, one nurseryman and Peter the Great. Variety of instruments: French-harpes large and small, tin pans, stoves, etc. If you want to hear the sweet strains, call Wednesday evenings at Norris' shop.

Score three more for the range, Geo. Wilder, J. E. Wamble and T. L. Patterson. This smacks of good time and health to boot, go where buffalo, deer and antelope are so plentiful as to dim your eyes by day and wolves so thick as to crowd the camp-fire at night and discourse sweet strains for the gentle dreamer.

Why is a candidate like an ant trying to get into a sugar barrel? Because its victory or starvation.

Kaye, while out with his Yaacob staff this week, observed a spotted bird of rare species, and concluded to secure it as a pet for his dulecena, that they might amuse themselves with it while rounding up Twin Mountain on Sunday afternoons. Kaye made for his prize with his accustomed agility, but no sooner had he closed in on it than he began to sigh, weep and sing.

"Oh! that we die'er had met."

After three or four days rolling on the prairie he came to town, tried Salt creek for cleansing and made his appearance. Can any one tell us what was the matter with Kaye?

Oh, for a church bell, a good, clear toned bell. A Methodist, Baptist, Presbyterian or any church bell, just so we have the good old familiar sound once more. Parson, if we can't do any better you might give us a good old fashioned tavern bell.

Graves Farmer and W. M. Hayter have gone to Bowie with cotton this week.

J. W. Walker of Archer county was doing business in our town Monday.

A. A. Soward and S. B. Heron, of Archer county were doing business here Tuesday.

SKIPPED.
Disease often lurks in the blood before they openly manifest the malady. To reform keep the blood pure with Hood's Serrapilla.

"Have you observed," said a merchant to a customer, "the handsome advertisement I have just pointed on a fence?" "No," replied the customer, "but if you will send the fence to my house I will try to read the announcement. I read the papers and do not have time to run around reading bill boards." And the merchant scratched his head.

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Sucklen's Arnica Salve.
THE BEST SALVE IN THE WORLD for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions, and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by D. R. Akin & Co.

COMMERCIAL MEN WILL FIND THIS A CONVENIENT HOTEL.

BELMONT HOTEL,
WILL OPEN OCTOBER 25, 1897.

New Owners, New Management, Newly Finished and Furnished THROUGHOUT.
East Side Public Square, GRAHAM, TEXAS.
Your Patronage most respectfully solicited.
MRS. M. E. SLOAN, Manager.

AND NOW FOR Steady Price Cutting!

If low prices have any charms for you read this:
Good yard wide Bleached Domestic, 4 cents.
Round Thread Cotton Checks, 3 " "
Both Dress Plaid and Apron Check Gingham, 4 " "
Clark's O. N. T. Thread, (not Chadwick) 8 for 25 " "
Twilled all wood Plannel, best in town for price, 15 " "
Children's Ribbed Black Hose, good quality, 5 " "

See our new STOCK OF CLOTHING. We have some gains in this line. We will sell you a boy's suit from \$1.00 up. In men's hats we have anything from a 50 cent to a good \$2.00 hat.

Get our prices on Shoes. We have from the cheap to the best, and will save you money on this line.

Yours for Bargains,
Shumaker & Timmons,
The Bargain Store.

Royal makes the food pure, wholesome and delicious.



ROYAL BAKING POWDER CO., NEW YORK.

Farmer Cleanings.

Business is quite dull in Farmer.

F. P. Brazleton is on the sick list this week.

Bert and Will Farmer went up into Archer county Thursday to gutter Rev. Perry Harmonson's house.

Prof. J. A. Fairly went to Graham Thursday.

Rev. L. M. Midyett of Lacy was here Thursday looking after the interest of the telephone.

A. H. Wilson was rustling down in Jack county a few days last week.

J. D. Spencer and family left Thursday for Gertrude, after spending a week in Farmer visiting friends and relatives.

Chas. Graham and wife, of Archer City, was visiting in Farmer Saturday and Sunday.

Herbert Bell went to Archer City Friday.

J. M. Keen and wife, received a message on the telephone Thursday that Andrew Spiller, Mrs. Keen's brother, had gotten kicked near Garland Tex. They left at once for that place.

The young people had a good singing at the Methodist Church Sunday evening.

Rev. J. F. Kilman will begin a protracted meeting at Markley on Saturday before the second Sunday in November, at 11 o'clock. Everybody are requested to attend, especially the Farmer Church, New Hope Church, Antelope Church and the Lynn Creek Church are invited to fall in line.

Mrs. M. W. Cook and daughter, Miss Ida were shopping in Farmer Monday.

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South Bend.

THE LEADER representative from this place has sadly neglected his business for sometime. But he has been so busy with his "farm work" that he is doubtless excusable to some extent. This is an exceedingly busy time, you know, with the farmer. It may be that after the rush is over that he can give more time to other matters.

Dear Sir: Yours of recent date is at hand and contents of same is carefully noted. You call my attention to the fact that the account you have against me is now due, and—Hello! you will excuse us Mr. LEADER man. We have such a habit of beginning our business letters with the above introduction that it has become almost reflex action. It is not true that we often receive "duns" but is very frequently the case that we receive a "statement of the business relation between us" and some business firm in some neighboring town. We think it to forward us an occasional statement of standing with them, especially, during this season of the year when we are too busy to refer to our books, for it is very likely that the entries of these accounts are found in the ledgers used in the early '90's, and, while we have not taken the pains to carry the entries forward from year to year these "other fellows" have seen cause to do so, and as a consequence of this, we have a very peculiar feeling away down in the southwest corner of our heart towards these gentlemen—a feeling very much unlike that towards anything else.

The gin at this place, operated by McBrayer & Britton has done good work this year, having turned out about 200 bales thus far.

L. D. Powers decidedly says this country will hold him no longer, that he intends to migrate to "the nation" this fall.

Wink and Ford Parker will farm the Morris place this year.

School will open here about the first Monday in November—that is if the teacher can possibly wind up his farm work in time. He is so far behind with his work that he has some fears of being ready to open up school at all this year.

W. A. Morris of Henrietta made us a short business visit this week.

Pecan harvest is just about with us.

Billie Harrell left last week for Henrietta where he will attend school this year.

Ben and John Scott who have been gone on a business trip to Limestone county for several weeks are expected home this week.

Elder Wyatt is announced to preach here on the fourth Sunday of this month.

Mrs. Lucas of Los Angeles, Cal. is visiting her relatives, the Messrs. Kellar and Farris.

Electric Bitters.
Electric Bitters is a medicine suited for any season, but perhaps more generally needed when the largest, exhausted feeling prevails, when the liver is torpid and sluggish and the need of a tonic and alterative is felt. A prompt use of this medicine has often averted long and perhaps fatal bilious fevers. No medicate will act more surely in counteracting and freeing the system from the malarial poison. Headache, indigestion, constipation, Dizziness yield to Electric Bitters. 50c and \$1.00 per bottle at D. R. Akin & Co's Drug Store.

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Constipation

Causes fully 1/4 of the sickness in the world. It retains the digested food too long in the bowels and produces biliousness, torpid liver, indigestion, bad taste, coated tongue, sick headache, insomnia, etc. Hood's Pills cure constipation and all its results, easily and thoroughly. See All Druggists. Prepared by C. L. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass. The only Pills to take with Hood's Serrapilla.

Withers' Magnetic Liniment.

The greatest Liniment ever invented for internal and external use. Contains no opiates. Pleasant to take and to apply. Will not blister when applied with a flannel cloth. Thousands are now using this great family liniment, all praising it. Don't suffer, but get a bottle of this wonderful liniment. It has proven to be a quick relief and sure cure for Dizziness, Headache, Colic, Cramping, Stomach Troubles, Heartburns, Kidney Trouble, Toothache, Earache, Asthma, Rheumatism, Sore Throat, Cuts, Sprains and Bruises, Punctures, Poisoning and Liver Trouble, Heat Stroke, Tetanus, Post and Rheumatism of all kinds. A sure and harmless cure for Female Diseases, Leucorrhoea or Whites, Inflammation of the Vagina, Ulceration of the Womb, Ovarian Troubles, Falling of the Womb, Piles, Backache, Inflammation of the Stomach and Bowels.

For sale at King's Drug Store.

Don't Neglect Your Liver.
Liver troubles quickly result in serious complications, and the man who neglects his liver has little fear of death. A bottle of "Hood's" Iron Bitters now and then will keep the liver in perfect health. If the disease has developed, "Hood's" Iron Bitters will cure it permanently. Strength and vitality will be restored. For sale by All Dealers.

A Texas Wonder.

Hall's Great Discovery.
One small bottle of Hall's Great Discovery cures all kinds of kidney and bladder troubles, removes gravel, cures diabetes, seminal emissions, weak and lame backs, rheumatism and all irregularities of the kidneys and bladder, in both men and women, regulates bladder trouble in children. If not sold by your druggist, will be sent by mail on receipt of \$1. One small bottle is two months treatment, and we will cure any case above mentioned. E. W. HALL, Sales Mgr., P. O. Box 215, Waco, Tex. Sold by the Graham Drug Co.

READ THIS.
Weatherford, April 8, 1896.—We the undersigned have used Hall's great discovery for kidney and bladder trouble and cheerfully recommend it.

E. M. Woodward, N. B. Johnson, W. C. McFall, H. S. White, J. C. McConnell.

How to Find Out

If a bottle or common glass with urine and let it stand forty-four hours, a sediment or settling indicates an unhealthy condition of the kidney trouble. When urine solidifies then it is evidence of kidney trouble. Too frequent desire to urinate or pain in the back, is also convincing proof that the kidneys and bladder are out of order.

There is comfort in the knowledge so often expressed, that Dr. King's Swamp-root, the great kidney remedy, fully cures such a ruling pain in the back, kidneys, liver, bladder and every part of the urinary passage. It corrects inability to hold urine and enables you to pass it, or had effects following use of liquor, wine or beer, and overcomes that unpleasant necessity of being compelled to get up many times during the night to urinate. The mild and extraordinary effect of Swamp-root is soon realized. It is the highest praise for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases. If you need a medicine you should have the best. Sold by druggists, price fifty cents and one dollar. You may have sample bottle and pamphlet both sent free by mail. Mention The Graham Leader and send your address to Dr. King & Co., Boston, Mass. The proprietors of this paper guarantee the genuineness of this offer.

Dr. I. E. SMITH,

Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat Specialist.
Weatherford, Texas.
Spectacles accurately adjusted to any abnormal eye.
Office: Northwest Corner Square, over Stewart's Drug Store.
Office Hours: 9 to 12 A. M.; 1 to 4 P. M.

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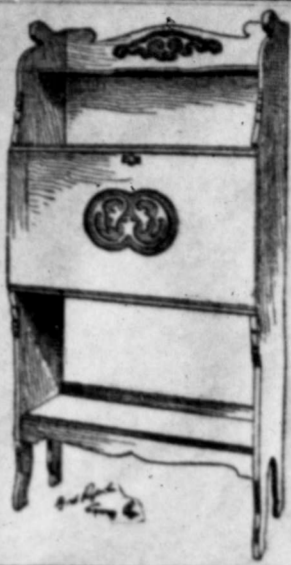
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For this Secretary and Book Case combined; holds a large Library of Books; desk has drawer, Pigeon Holes and Lock; a beauty.

All other goods in proportion, at the

Furniture, Crockery and

Undertaking House of

W. S. McJinsey,
Graham, Texas.

To Texas City or Bust! Back in Graham and Busted!



J. C. SHORT

Would respectfully say to his old friends and customers, as well as to all new ones, that he is to be found on the South side of the square, at the old stand, with a full line of Hardware, Cutlery, Tinware, and everything from a paper of Tacks to a Steam Engine. A full line of

Guns and Ammunition.
And what you want leave your order and you shall have it if it takes the hides of

Repairing Guns and Sewing Machines.
as well as many other tedious and difficult jobs done, and all work warranted to be done as well as any other one-eyed man can do it. Call and see the whether you want to trade or not.

J. C. Short.

PRICE BROS.
Manufacturers of and Dealers in SADDLES AND HARNESS.

We Carry a Full and Complete Stock. FINE HAND WORK A SPECIALTY. All Repairing Done Promptly at Low Prices.

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The Beckham National Bank.
Capital, \$100,000. Surplus, 25,000.

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Of Mineral Wells, Texas, Carries the Largest

and Best Assorted Stock of

Dry Goods, Groceries, Millinery, Etc.

In This Section of the Country.

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The oil mill at Taylor burned last Thursday night.

The Dallas Fair opened last Saturday with a good attendance and the prospects are flattering for a very successful Fair.

Miss Annie, daughter of W. A. (Farmer) Shaw of the Texas Farmer, died Thursday last, at El Paso.

Eleven men near Newport, Ky., assaulted a white woman last week. Ten of them were arrested and it is presumed they will all be hanged. It was a most horrible crime.

The republican party of Texas can always be depended on to act the blame fool when federal pie is to be distributed.

The Masonic Grand Lodge of Texas some years ago decided to establish a Masonic Home for the widows and orphans of deceased Masons. The Grand Lodge has about \$100,000 as a fund to commence with and the next meeting of the Grand Lodge will decide on the location of the Home. Several towns have offered business in land and money.

Stephen J. Field, Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States has sent his resignation to President McKinley, and it has been accepted to take effect Dec. 1st. He has served the longest term on record. He was appointed by President Lincoln and took the oath of office on May 20, 1863. He will be 81 years old on Nov. 4th, next.

The L. & G. N. Railway train was held up and robbed 12 miles north of Austin, in broad day light, by four highwaymen. They failed to open the safe, but robbed the passengers of about \$200.

Never make a mistake in your calling. If you have brains go into business; if you haven't go into society.

The English papers are beginning to discover what has been well known in America for a long time, that Cuba is lost to Spain.

Silver has gone up 9 1/4 cents in the last two weeks, and wheat has gone down 10 cents. Will some of our Republican "gold-bug" friends cipher out how long it will take them to get together at that rate?

McKinley prosperity and five cent cotton don't make the people feel "sorter" good, even.

There are two classes of farmers who should curtail their cotton acreage and try diversifying their crops—those who are out of debt and those who are in debt.

State Health Officer Swearingen says there is no cause for alarm, and that the season is too far advanced for an epidemic of yellow fever.

It rained Sunday, in Hoxie, Arkansas, for the first time since June 17. And yet Arkansas editors warn their people not to immigrate to Texas because of the drought.

It is true now and always has been, that the merchant or dealer who advertises is the one who succeeds in business. The chief result of advertising is to keep the people thinking of you as a merchant wanting to sell goods, and if possible to get them talking about you.

The chronic kicker is a terrible hard fellow to down. One of them passing through north Texas last Saturday complained because the enormous crops this year would exhaust the vitality of the soul and ruin the farms.

Between the Klondike discoveries and the importations of gold from Europe and the workings of other natural causes the Treasury of the United States is gradually settling itself on a gold basis. Treasury officials confidently expect that within a year the gold reserve will reach \$200,000,000, regardless of the feelings of the advocates of silver.

The Chicago horse show will offer a cash prize for the best female cross-ride—that is, "one who rides astride instead of in the cramped, ungraceful position heretofore declared to be the only proper way for a woman to ride," says the Record. This a hobby of the new woman is about to move a peg beyond a long continued fight to a stand-still.

Growth in Southern States.

Memphis, Tenn., Oct. 7.—Reports from all sections of Tennessee, Arkansas, Louisiana, and Kentucky indicate a state of affairs as a result of the long continued want of rain as generally deplorable. The drouth has been general throughout this state.

The protracted drouth has injured cotton materially, destroying all hopes of a top crop and causing the plant to open prematurely.

Reports tell of the Irish potato crop being a total failure. The fall crop, it is estimated, will not produce the seed potatoes were planted. The sweet potato crop has been similarly affected, but not so generally as Irish potatoes. The yield will be smaller than in many years.

In many sections water has become a precious article, and those who have only a moderate supply use it very sparingly.

Former United States Senator Charles W. Jones of Florida died in Detroit the other day. He was one of the finest orators in the senate. His mental infirmities came upon him suddenly and for five years he has been an inmate of a private asylum. Florida has had no man in the senate since the war who approached Jones in any of the graces of a public speaker.

W. M. O'Leary, Eddie Green's political secretary, wants to be postmaster at Dallas. And "there are others."

Another instance of the length to which government by injunction has gone in this country, is the perpetual enjoining by the United States Court of the State of Kansas from enforcing its laws against an insurance company. If a United States Judge is greater than a sovereign State of this Union then there is no limit to his powers, and we need no longer call a State a sovereign commonwealth.

The farmer's wife who takes ten dozen eggs to market and gets less sugar for them than she got for eight dozen three months ago, will not study a long time before she understands how a tariff bill increases the price of sugar and depreciates the price of eggs.

The dying out of the "silver craze," and the snowing under of Bryan, so much harped upon by our republican friends, is not indicated by people that flock by the tens of thousands to hear him wherever he speaks.

A Farmer Speaks to Farmers. *Morgan News.*

I have often wondered why so few farmers write for the press; indeed very few attempt it. It is not because of ignorance, but because they do not sit down and think a little for themselves. There are no doubt hundreds of good, practical thoughts kept back that would do great good if they were only advanced. I am a farmer and I would like to hear from my brother farmers. Sit down and write a few thoughts on practical subjects, brothers, and hand to some newspaper man, who will gladly give them space. Help some other farmer if you can, and by so doing you will be benefited. Try to make the world better and wiser by your having lived in it.

There is an idea abroad in the land that it is not necessary for the farmer to be a man of education. It is a broad mistake. If any class of people is entitled to the blessing of education it is the men who till the soil. I have nothing to say against other classes being educated—they should be—but I'm after the farmer to do some of his own thinking, and not rely upon his neighbor to do it for him. The country is full of advantages, and while our country schools are being usurped by other studies, why not have a course in agriculture. The time is coming—has already come in the north—when this will be a leading branch of study in country schools.

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I have been afflicted with Inflammatory Rheumatism for two years so that I had to go on crutches, and my feet were broken out in sores. I took three bottles of S. J. S. (St. Joseph's Sarsaparilla) and am now enjoying good health, and feel grateful to you for sending such a great preparation to our country. T. J. D. MOSE, Greenville, S. C.

The best of just all Hood's Pills is for sale at Graham Drug Store.

Buying Powder.

Washington, D. C., Oct. 11.—Special Correspondence.—A week in Washington without launching of a new war scare would seem quite strange, it has been so long since there was one. The war scare of last week was based upon the action of the cabinet in discussing the placing of orders for a million dollars worth of smokeless powder for the navy, as soon as the money could be made available to pay for it. This is really about the most war-like step yet taken by the administration, and it is not surprising that it should have created a sensation. It may be a bluff, and there may be no intention to purchase such a large quantity of smokeless powder. There would certainly be no use for it, except for fighting purposes. It is the belief of some very cool headed men that unless the administration can bluff the new Spanish ministry it will be in a position where it must choose between fighting and backing down, and the strongest opponents of the administration do not believe it will back down, simply because to do so would be to arouse such public indignation that every member of the administration would be driven in disgrace to private life. Americans can stand a lot, but they wouldn't stand a backdown from Spain on the part of McKinley's administration.

Mr. J. C. Stewart of Shiloh, on last Saturday, while speaking to us of readers of newspapers, said that it was deplorable how little interest farmers took in providing papers for themselves and families. He said he knew many farmers who were raising families without a single newspaper of any kind coming to their homes. These farmers' wives toil from early morn till late at eve without a single thought of what is going on in the world except as some chance neighbor speaks of it. "I have, and I expect you have noticed with what avidity these wives seize upon every such little bit of information, and with what pleasure they tell it to their household. They feel the want of something new to think about aside from the neighborhood gossip and tales of slander. They know there is health and pleasure in new food for the mind, but the men who have undertaken to provide for them seem to think that food and shelter, in many instances made possible by their wives' frugality, is all that he should provide, and neglect one of the chief sources of pleasure to their wives and children." Such men are usually destitute of thought or feeling and look upon their wives and children pretty much as they do upon their work stock. Their usual plea is that times are too hard to indulge in such luxuries. A man who would offer such a plea when good papers can be gotten as easily as now, should be driven from home by his wife and children as unfit to stay around where human beings reside.—Kaufman Sun.

The appointment of negro postmasters in the south is no doubt very gratifying to Mr. McKinley's goldbug democratic allies.—Houston Post.

Yes, and the great and only John M. Palmer, who walked around the ring as the gold standard democratic candidate for president, has tendered his services free to the negroes up in an Illinois town, where the negroes have gone into court attempting to force their children into the white schools. Verily, it is a sweet smelling combination to a man up a tree.—Van Alstyne News.

They have moved our choir to the other end of the church. What's that for?

Our clergyman is delicate, and he couldn't stand having twelve girls fanning his bald spot all at once.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

The peacorp of Texas is the largest for years. Here's another evidence of the salutary effects of McKinleyism, on a par with the failure of the wheat crop in Europe and India, or the finding of pearl bearing muscles in the Arkansas swamps.—Cleveland Review.

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An Iowa man, aged 51 years, is cutting his third set of teeth, and the probabilities are they will last as long as he does.

Bring Pear Trees into Bearing.

Fruit trees of any kind frequently grow with great luxuriance. In this they are usually unfruitful. No tree commences to flower and fruit until its vegetative exuberance has been somewhat checked. Those who understand the art of fruit culture thoroughly, can bring these wayward trees into a straighter line of duty by root-pruning them. It is effected by digging a trench around the tree and then filling it up again with the earth that has been thrown out. This cutting off the ends of the roots causes check to the extreme vigor and the result is, the production of flowers instead of branches. The distance from the trunk that the trench should be dug will of course depend upon the age and size of the tree, as also on its ratio of luxuriance; the aim should be to dig so as to cut off about one-third of its roots. The pear, as well as other fruit trees, is particularly benefited by root-pruning. It can be carried out at any time during the fall or winter season.—Meehan's Monthly.

In the death of Chas. A. Dana of the New York Sun, American journalism loses its most conspicuous figure and the country one of its most eminent citizens. He was a great editor in every particular for many years his genius gave to the Sun the distinctive features which have made that journal pre-eminent. His entire career has been marked by brilliant achievements and each year brought rich honors won by a remarkably resourceful intellect and an industry which never waned until age and disease brought to him the wakeful slumbers of eternity. Under his editorship the Sun became not only a power in New York, but its influence was well diffused throughout the entire country and its editorial page for more than a generation has been regarded by the profession as the strongest of American journals. The intelligence of his death will be received with sorrow throughout the nation.—Dallas News.

It is said that a man who won't take a paper because he can borrow one, has invented a machine with which he can cook dinner by the smoke from his neighbor's chimney.

The pangs of remorse are such that it is singular that intelligent men will continually follow conduct that can bring nothing but pain, humiliation and regret.

This year should convince the Texas farmers that they cannot depend upon the cotton crop for a living. The farmer who has neglected to raise hogs and corn for breadstuffs, but depends upon the proceeds of his cotton crop to pay for all supplies will find that his debts this year amount to more than his income. Every farmer should make it his aim to have his cotton crop clear of all expenses. Raise enough poultry, cattle, hogs, etc., to pay household expenses.

Political life rarely pays the honest man who works for his country. An instance of this is Thomas L. Clingman, of North Carolina, ex-United States senator, whose name thirty-five years ago was on every tongue. He was admitted last week to the South Carolina State Asylum for the insane in Morgantown. He does not become an inmate of this institution because of acute derangement of his mind, but because of mere senility. It is against the policy of the institution to receive such inmates as this, but in the case of a man, who, as a representative in congress and as a United States and confederate general, rendered the state conspicuous service, it is felt that an exception might be made. Aged, poor, infirm mentally and physically, the state offered to care for the once noted man, and during the remaining years of his life it will give him a home and a protecting hand.—Dallas Times-Herald.

The Best Way to get back the health that is gradually slipping away, is to use Parker's Ginger Tonic in time. Read what Mr. H. Bogert, Brooklyn, N. Y., writes: "For a long time I was troubled with pains in my chest, back and limbs, and with distress in my stomach. I could eat nothing but toast in tea without great suffering and my doctors could not help me. I was so weak and in such pain I had to take my bed where I spent days and nights of misery. When I tried Parker's Ginger Tonic it proved a great relief, and from its use I soon found I could eat and enjoy any food. I continued to gain as I used it, and now, after taking only a few bottles I feel entirely well."

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Stop My Paper.

After you get angry and stop my paper, just poke your finger into water and pull it out, and look at the hole. Then you will know how sadly you are misled. A man who thinks a paper cannot thrive without his support, ought to go off and stay awhile. When he comes back, half his friends will not know he has gone and the other half not care, while the world at large kept no account of his movements. You will find things you cannot endorse in every paper. The "Book of Books" is often very plain and hits some hard taps but if you were to get mad and burn your Bible, the hundreds of presses would go on printing it. So when you stop your paper and call the editor names, the paper will still be published, and what is more, you will read it on the sly.—Ex.

The business men who have been in the habit using government stamped envelopes will note the fact that soon as the present contract for printing runs out you can get envelopes printed at your home office only, as the government will no longer compete with the printer in printing the return cards. Also by a recent ruling your letters will be held thirty days unless you have printed on the envelope the time you wish it held.

Congressman Stephens of the thirteenth district has put himself on record for locating the government armor plate plant at Rusik, Jefferson or New Birmingham, and has letters from the navy department stating that the locating board have taken those cities under advisement. Congressman Cooper and Stephens have put their shoulders to the wheel, and this does not imply that the balance of the Texas delegation have not, though the proof of it would sound better to the whole of Texas just now than something about issues not so near us, and which have plenty of other statesmen to see that they are not neglected.—Dallas News.

Don't wait to hear what people say about you, but keep in the middle of the road, do right, be honest, advertise your business, send some poor widow a sack of flour, love your wife—but be careful how you love some other fellow's wife—read the newspapers, attend church, send your children to Sunday School. Do these things and you will be all right.

The stories of suffering and crime in the Klondike grow worse with each arrival at Juneau. Hundreds are making their way homeward. Along the road men going to Dawson City are held up and robbed of their supplies of provisions. Typhoid fever and pneumonia are raging at Dawson. Hundreds are sick and the mortality is very large. Many along the road, both among those making their way to and those fleeing from Dawson, are stricken with these diseases, and away from care and shelter, exposed to the terrors of an Arctic winter, few can recover. With famine threatening the land and pestilence already upon it and crime rampant, the Klondike is preparing for history a story of mingled horrors such as have seldom darkened its pages.

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