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**Facts From Farmer.**

A minute shower of rain fell here last Friday, accompanied by a little sleet, followed by a brisk norther.

We have quite a lot of sickness in and around Farmer now—mostly lagrippe; some have pneumonia.

Jasper Spencer and family have returned home. Mrs. Spencer's health is no better at this writing. Mrs. A. D. Keen of Archer county was here shopping last Thursday.

Jas. Bryan, who has been on the sick list for the past few days, is out on the streets again.

Eld. W. P. Harmonson of Archer county was in town a few days ago. He will preach in the Baptist church on the first Sunday in each month at 11 o'clock a. m. and at night.

Willie Oneal and wife were shopping here Thursday.

M. W. Cook, a prominent cattle man of Archer county, was transacting business here Wednesday.

Will Rutherford was on the streets one day last week.

Tom Moss is the happiest man in town, except Charlie Graham. Tom has a new girl at his house and Charlie has a new boy at his (Mr. Keen's) house. All are doing well, except the respective fathers, and they will recover.

J. A. Holt of Lacy was here Wednesday buying garden seed.

Miss Dora Seals was the guest of the Misses Owens last Sunday.

Mrs. S. M. J. Benson visited Mrs. J. D. Wilson Saturday.

Buck Hawkins and wife attended church at Hawkins' Chapel Sunday.

Owing to Bro. Rushing being sick there was no preaching at the Presbyterian church Sunday.

George Benson attended divine service at True last Sunday.

A. L. Donnell and son, Howard, of the Oak Grove community were doing business in town this week.

J. T. Slade, living near Gertrude, was here Monday after medicine for his family. He said lagrippe was raging in his community.

J. E. Courtney was in town Tuesday after an illness of several days.

S. M. J. Benson has gone to the Falls after freight for Benson & Sons.

John Garvey and wife were in town trading Tuesday.

E. L. Clayton passed through Farmer Tuesday en route to Jacksboro to test the cotton market.

Mr. Slaughter and wife of Olney were here Monday.

J. W. Walker, J. C. Sensibaugh and R. D. Andrews were in our midst Monday.

Prof. R. E. Underwood went to Graham Friday. DEW DROP.

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**Prospect for Circle Belt Road.**

Gainesville, Tex., Feb. 21.—Col. Donaldson, the prime mover in the building of the Circle Belt, left here in January for New York for the purpose of finally consummating his plans and beginning work on the road early this spring. He states that he is meeting with easy success and that he will soon return to Gainesville, when a force of men would be put to work on the road. It is said the work of construction will begin on or before April 1.

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**South Bend Budget.**

It is very pretty weather just now, but before we finish this sentence the zero may have fallen twenty-eight feet below Fahrenheit's thermometer in the shade of a live oak.

Elder Parker and family returned last week from an extended visit in Jack county.

J. M. McCluskey is still sick and is not improving much.

Lee Mitchell is very sick with lagrippe at the present writing.

Eugene Barnett of East Texas is visiting relatives here. Mr. B. is an excellent violinist.

West Parker of Elisaville was with some of us Sunday.

Most all of the farmers have concluded that their wheat is yet alive, and in tolerably good shape for a crop.

It is reported that Preacher Milam of the Peach Creek country was run over by a stalk cutter a few days ago and very badly cut up. It is said that he came near bleeding to death before the flow was checked.

Wils Copeland has had some very serious sickness in his family the last week or two, but they are improving now, we understand. Q X. SMITH.

**Markley Matters.**

The sick people are too numerous to mention, but all are convalescing.

The school has commenced again, after having been suspended for nearly two weeks on account of sickness among the pupils.

Quite a number of the Markley folks attended the Literary at West Fork school house Saturday night and all report an enjoyable time.

J. L. McDaniel's family attended church at Bethel Sunday.

C. W. Rasure went to Jacksboro Saturday to meet Mrs. Rasure's niece, Miss Lillie White, who will visit them for a few months.

It is too dry for the farmers to plow much and they would be glad to see a good rain.

We are informed that Mr. Hyatt has moved from this community to some point on the West Fork. A. GUMP.

A mortgage for \$20,000,000 given to the Central Trust Co. of New York city by the Colorado and Southern Railway was filed in Denver Saturday. The revenue stamps used aggregated \$35,250.

The Vernon Call, misled on account of its prejudice, has made a statement about Congressman Stephens that it cannot substantiate. It states that Congressman Stephens has not succeeded in passing his bill to open up the Comanche and Kiowa country and that it was introduced to catch votes. This is a very sorry charge to bring against a home man, especially as it can be shown by the congressional record that Mr. Stephens has worked with untiring energy and the house, as a result of this work, has passed the bill up to the senate. Senator Chilton has taken up the good work and it is very likely the bill will become a law. The trouble with the Call seems to be that it wants a congressman from this district who can exercise the functions of congress, senate and president at one lick and pass any kind of a bill—from a prairie dog exterminator resolution to a war tax—and at the same time provide postoffices for the Call's republican kinfolks.—Quanah Observer.

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Hard Wood.

A good story is told of the Rev. Ottiwell Wood, a celebrated English preacher. Mr. Wood had to appear as a witness in a North Country Assize Court, and was asked and gave his name in due course. "What?" asked the judge peevishly, being rather deaf. Mr. Wood repeated his answer. "Can't hear you; spell it out," snapped the judge. "O, double T, I, double U, E, double L, double U, double O, D." The judge threw down his pen in despair. This is even a more remarkable name than that of the late Admiral W. W. Wood, which the cadets at the Annapolis Naval academy, when he was an instructor in mathematics there, always wrote, "W, cube, O, square D."

Sale of Horseflesh in Paris.

The annual statistics published by the French ministry of agriculture indicate that the consumption of the flesh of horses, mules and donkeys is steadily increasing in Paris. The number of stalls at which it is offered for sale now reaches 193. The number of horses brought to the shambles for slaughter was 21,667, of mules 52 and of donkeys 310, but 734 horses, a mule and 7 donkeys were condemned, as unfit for human food, so that the total killed and consumed was 20,933 horses, 61 mules and 303 donkeys. The prime cuts fetched about a franc a pound, some of the inferior parts making little more than ten cents a pound.—London Times.

Certainly Sacred Music.

Don Lorenzo Perosi, the priest-composer, whose sacred music has made a sensation in Italy, is only 22 years of age, and for four years has been director of the choir at St. Mark's in Venice. His oratorio, "The Resurrection of Christ," has just been performed in the Church Dei Santi Apostoli at Rome, under his own direction, with a large choir and orchestra, with brilliant success. Most of the cardinals and ambassadors to the Vatican were present.

Something Wrong Somewhere.

There was a Scotch professor who was advocating the advantages of athletic exercise. "The Roman youth," he cried, "used to swim three times across the Tiber before breakfast." Then he exclaimed: Mr. McAllister, why do you smile? We shall be glad to share your amusement." The canny McAllister replied: "I was just thinking, sir, that the Roman youths must have left their clothes on the wrong bank at the end of their swim."

Invidious.

During the musical festival at Gloucester a fee was charged for admission to the cathedral. A Frank turned up at the cathedral one day and was told he could not be admitted without a ticket. "Do you mean to tell me," he excitedly argued, "that I shall require a ticket to enter the kingdom of heaven?" "Well, no," explained the polite steward, "but you won't hear Mme. Albani in heaven." Which was surely an invidious remark.

Pickled Spanish Onions.

Cut the Spanish onions in thin slices, and fill a deep pickling jar with layers of these slices sprinkled with salt and cayenne pepper. Leave sufficient room at the top to take a quantity of vinegar to cover the whole, then cork the jar, and the preparation will be ready for use in a month's time.

DEATH OF FAURE.

French President Passes Away in the Elysee Palace.

WAS ILL BUT A FEW HOURS.

President McKinley and Several Members of His Cabinet Attend the Home Market Club Banquet.

Death of President Faure.

M. Felix Faure, president of the republic of France, died at 10 o'clock on the night of the 16th after an illness of a little over three hours. The cause of death was apoplexy. The president knocked at the door of M. Le Gall, his private secretary, in the Elysee palace, and informed him he was ill. A physician who was in the palace at the time was summoned and other doctors soon arrived. President Faure rapidly grew worse and at 10 o'clock he breathed his last. He died reclining on a sofa.

It was not until 11 o'clock that the news began to become known to the general public in Paris, and from that time began a continuous arrival of public men. Strict orders were issued and only members of the cabinet were admitted to the palace.

Home Market Club Banquet.

Exactly 1914 persons were seated at the tables of the banquet tendered President McKinley by the Home Market club of Boston at Merchants' hall in that city and 3800 spectators were in the balconies. Several cabinet members also attended. Portraits of Washington, Lincoln and McKinley were on the walls. Dewey's picture was also displayed, with the motto beneath: "To the captain of a German ship—You must not sail by the United States flag without seeing it," and his famous command at Manila: "You may fire, Gridley, when ready." There was great enthusiasm when President McKinley was introduced. He reviewed the late war, saying that we were facing great problems and must meet them resolutely.

Officers Elected.

The Woodmen of the World at their Dallas meeting elected the following officers: Head consul, Morris Sheppard, Texarkana; adviser lieutenant of jurisdiction, C. W. H. Matherly, Gainesville; head clerk, W. A. Fraser, Dallas; head escort, J. L. Slatten, Hillsboro; head watchman, J. D. Alexander, Garland; head sentry, W. R. Mills, Denison; head managers, C. C. Chaffe, Victoria; J. W. Ledbetter, Round Rock; S. S. Stahl, Yoakum; H. W. Wiseman, Cleburne, and Edward Garrett, Galveston; delegates to sovereign camp at Memphis, C. C. Weaver, Itasca; E. H. Love, Honey Grove, and H. A. Mayo, San Antonio. The next meeting is to be held at Fort Worth the second Tuesday in February, 1901.

Edwin Chamberlain's residence at San Antonio with its contents, valued at \$6200, was destroyed by fire.

Rev. George Stuart is to hold revival services at Gainesville.

Health of the American troops at Manila is reported as fast improving.

United States jurisdiction will be rapidly extended over Philippine islands.

Prairie Dog Bill.

In the house at Austin Peery's bill providing a method for exterminating prairie dogs passed. The house refused to concur in senate amendments to house bill providing for a commission to examine condition of public lands and a conference committee asked for. Subsequently, as it was learned the senate had not acted, the motion was withdrawn. McAnally offered a humorous resolution to adjourn from March 6 to 9 to attend the Monterey bull fights. Referred to committee on stock and stock raising. A resolution by Sutherland extending sympathy to French nation over the death of its president was adopted.

President's Condolence.

Secretary of State Hay sent the following message to Ambassador Porter: "The president of the United States desires you to convey to the family of the late president of the French republic the expression of his heartfelt sympathy in their irreparable bereavement. The whole world mourns the loss of one of its greatest statesmen, and this country has an especial share in the sorrow of her sister republic."

In the national house of representatives the speaker's ruling to recommit the civil appropriation bill with instructions to incorporate in it the Nicaraguan canal amendment was sustained. The naval appropriation bill, carrying \$44,000,000, the largest sum by \$8,000,000 ever before congress, passed.

From Austin comes a report that the commission and representatives of the railroads have agreed on rates and that new tariff sheets will soon be issued. Commissioner Mayfield, it is further stated, dissented.

An omnibus at Gainesville with one occupant, a lady, collided with a telephone pole, torn up and overturned. The lady was not seriously injured, though considerably bruised.

R. E. L. Sauer has been appointed by Chairman Bell secretary of the state Democratic executive committee. He is a Dallasite and succeeds Mr. Jamean.

On learning of the death of President Faure the pope said: "Poor France suffers one misfortune after another. What terrible consequences may follow!"

The body of Mr. R. H. Woodworth, the Chicago capitalist who died at Beaumont, was shipped to Jamestown, N. Y.

In announcing in the reichstag at Berlin the demise of President Faure, Prince Hohenlohe, Germany's chancellor, paid a high tribute to the deceased.

Two business houses and eight residences were destroyed by fire at Pratt City, Ala., near Birmingham. The fire was started by little children playing with matches.

B. M. Vanderhurst, for years connected with the press of Texas, died at his mother's residence in Austin. He was reporting the house proceedings for a state paper previous to his demise.

Thomas A. Edison, Jr., son of the inventor, and Miss Tuohy, a member of the Casino Opera company, have married.

Soldiers in Philippines are suffering from heat.

Philip Presentation.

Harmony hall, Galveston, held over 2000 persons on the 15th; including hundreds of children, who gathered to witness the presentation to Commodore J. W. Philip by the Sunday school children of Texas of a Bible and sword. W. B. Paddock of Fort Worth made the address preceding the presentation of the Bible and little Louise Jordan of Victoria presented the sacred book. Mr. E. Boynton of Waco delivered the address for the sword and Willie Embrey, 8 years old, of Brenham, tendered the beautiful blade. All four were enthusiastically applauded. When the commodore expressed his thanks he made several allusions to "our ship," causing great demonstrations, but on unfurling the flag which floated from the Texas off Santiago and presenting it to the children of the Lone Star state the climax was reached.

Capt. Sigsbee of the Texas addressed some interesting remarks to the audience, during which he complimented the state of Texas and the good ship named after her.

There was a desire to see the other officers of the battleship, so they stood up.

The legislative party arrived too late to witness the ceremonies.

Rain prevented the exercises from being held in the open air and this kept hundreds of others from seeing the exercises.

There is astonishment at the findings of the investigation commission—first, that Gen. Miles did not inform the war department of his discovery of bad beef before Dec. 21; second, that the general indorsed tinned beef as an army ration.

Billy O'Donnell of Memphis, Tenn., and "Kid" Goulette of Rochester, N. Y., fought a twenty-round draw at Memphis with no result.

As the lower house of the Texas legislature only had eighty members on hand on the 15th and eighty-six constitute a quorum, no business was done.

A small fight came off at Gualoupe, near Manila, on the 14th, between Filipinos and Americans, in which four of the latter were wounded.

The senate bill authorizing the construction of a railroad bridge across Corpus Christi channel was called up and passed in the national house.

Two children were burned to death with a house fifteen miles north of Edgewood, La.

Ice is piled high in Niagara river near Niagara Falls.

At Stephenville the Erath hotel and a meat market adjoining were destroyed by fire. Loss \$3500, insurance \$1000.

Snow was eleven inches deep at Lynchburg, Va.

Radford, Va., had an earthquake shock.

The National Council of Women met at Washington.

During the recent cold snap Charleston, S. C., had the most frigid weather since 1738.

The Border National bank has been organized at Eagle Pass.

Waco wants to widen her corporate boundaries.

Death of Col. Ennis.

Col. Cornelius Ennis, one of Houston's oldest and best known citizens, passed away at that city in the 86th year of his age. Col. Ennis was a native of New Jersey. He landed at Galveston in 1839 and proceeded to Houston, where he formed a copartnership with G. W. Kimball in the general merchandise business. He also bought considerable cotton. Col. Ennis was one of the incorporators of the Houston and Texas Central Railway company and the Great Northern before it was merged into the International. The city of Ennis was named after him. During the civil war Col. Ennis remained in Texas importing supplies and exporting cotton. He also visited Havana during that period. While there he sent Capt. Jack Moore to New York to purchase the Jeannette, an ironclad steamer, paying \$40,000 in gold. She was loaded with 1200 English Enfield rifles, ten tons of gunpowder, 3,000,000 percussion caps, a large lot of shoes, blankets, etc., and presented to the Confederacy. He was mayor of Houston in 1857.

Passed Senate.

The following bills have passed the state senate:

Lloyd's, prohibiting sale of tobacco and cigarettes to minors.

Amending law regarding disposal of mortgaged property as to venue.

Pensioning Harding Price, San Jacinto veteran.

A new charter for Austin.

Relating to preference lien of landlords.

Relating to mileage of sheriffs.

Providing for land redemption of property in cities and towns sold for taxes after two years.

Requiring county and city assessors to impose oaths on those rendering property and providing penalty for failure.

House concurrent resolution requesting Texas congressional delegation to favor election of senators by the people was adopted.

Governor's message that the government had placed revenue cutter at Galveston at disposal of legislature when that body visits the Island city was received with applause.

Woodmen of the World.

The biennial session of district head camp, Woodmen of the World, comprising Texas, New Mexico and Arizona, convened at Dallas with a large attendance. Important business was transacted. The meetings were held in the city hall auditorium, which was beautifully decorated. A banquet was given at the Oriental hotel.

Miners are on strike at Wilburton, Hartshorne, Alderson and other points in the Indian Territory. It is from the mines at those points that Texas obtains much of her coal supply and a fuel famine is feared.

At Charleston, S. C., business was suspended and the merchants and clerks fought snowball battles and paraded through three inches of the "beautiful" on the ground.

New Orleans, Mobile and Little Rock had their Mardi Gras celebrations despite the cold.

Twelve degrees lower than for twenty-nine years was the weather condition at Mobile, Ala., on the 12th.

Commodore Philip was guest of honor at a luncheon in the Y. M. C. A. building, Galveston, given by leading citizens.

## AT THE STATE CAPITAL.

### Poll Tax Resolution.

Austin, Tex.—Senator Davidson introduced the following in the senate:

Section 1. That article 6, section 2, of the constitution of the state of Texas be amended so as to hereafter read as follows:

Sec. 2. Every male person subject to none of the foregoing disqualifications, who shall have attained the age of 21 years, and who shall be a citizen of the United States, and who shall have resided in this state one year next preceding an election, and the last six months within the district or county in which he offers to vote, shall be a qualified elector. And every male person of foreign birth subject to none of the foregoing disqualifications who, not less than six months before any election at which he offers to vote, shall have declared his intention to become a citizen of the United States in accordance with the federal naturalization laws, and shall have resided in this state one year next preceding such election, and the last six months in the county in which he offers to vote, shall also be deemed a qualified elector; and all electors shall vote in the election precinct of their residence; provided that electors living in any unorganized county may vote at any election precinct in the county to which such county is attached for judicial purposes; and provided further that any voter who is subject to pay a poll tax under the laws of the state of Texas shall exhibit to the judges of the election where he offers to vote, in any election, his poll tax receipt, such receipt showing his poll tax paid before the 1st day of February next preceding such election.

Sec. 3. The governor of this state is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation submitting this amendment to the qualified voters of Texas at the next general election.

### Bonds Approved.

Austin, Tex.—The attorney general approved for registration \$40,000 city of Jefferson refunding bonds.

### To Look Into Records.

Austin, Tex.—Railroad Commissioner Mayfield and Auditor Askew have gone to Laredo to look into the records of the Texas Mexican railway relative to the suit to forfeit the charter of the same for not keeping its general offices in Texas.

### Chartered.

Austin, Tex.—The following charters were filed for record in the secretary of state's office:

Keystone Mill company of Conroe, Montgomery county, capital stock \$30,000. Purpose, to manufacture and sell all kinds of lumber, etc. Incorporators, T. H. Garrett, W. H. Starr and J. F. Floyd.

H. A. Mercer Drug Company of Pearsall, capital stock \$5000. Incorporators, H. A. Mercer, S. C. Roberts and J. M. Windrow.

West Texas Supply company of Seymour, Baylor county, capital stock \$60,000. Purpose, to transact a general merchandise business. Incorporators, W. T. Finn, W. R. Lee, D. I. Branham and others.

Among the senate amendments to the rivers and harbors bill was one that increased the appropriation for Sabine Pass from \$50,000 to \$100,000. The paragraph extended the time for the construction of Corpus Christi and Padre harbor is omitted.

### Boy's Sad Fate.

News was received that a child had frozen to death in the Territory, ten miles east of Denison. Nothing definite could be heard from it until late in the evening, when a family came to Pawpaw hill, near Denison, to camp for the night. The family was named Ayers, and the man, who gave his name as Will Ayers, stated that he was en route from Camp county to the Indian Territory, looking for a home, and he told the story of the death of a little boy freezing:

"I camped the other side of Red river, and near me was camped a man who said his name was D. L. Martin. He stated he was moving from a point in McLennan county to the Choctaw nation, where his brother had secured a place for him for the coming crop year. We crossed the river east of town and started in the Territory, camping on a little creek for the night. Our camps were only a few yards apart. Martin, his wife and four children, the eldest being about 12 years old, a boy. There was a boy about 5 years old, one about 4 and a little girl about 2 years old. He had two wagons loaded with plunder, and when he went to retire for the night, he slept in one wagon with his wife and little girl, and the three boys slept in the other wagon, where they were supposed to be comfortable. The weather was colder than any of us thought, however, and about 5 o'clock the next morning I was awakened by Mrs. Martin's screams.

It seems that at about that time of the morning she was awakened by hearing moans from her little 5-year-old boy in the wagon near them, and when she went to him he was uncovered, and so badly frozen that he could not move or speak. When I went to him he was gasping for breath. We were all strangers in that part of the country and did not know where to send for a doctor. Mr. Martin's oldest son was put on a horse and started to find a physician. He returned after awhile with his nose and ears frost bitten, and said he had found an old darkey who told him that the nearest physician was in Denison, and that was ten miles away.

"While the boy was gone for the doctor we did all we could for the frozen boy, but he never spoke or regained consciousness, and died an hour or so after he was found to be frozen. The mother called the little frozen fellow Danny, and remarked two three times that Sunday would have been his fifth birthday.

"I tried to get the family to come to Denison with me, where we could stop until the blizzard had spent its force and they could be protected, and then we could resume our journey. He steadfastly refused, and he went on his way, saying he would take his dead boy to his brother's place in the Territory, and would bury him there.

"I have never witnessed grief like the mother's. There was a smile on the lips of the boy that had settled over his countenance after the last agonies before the numbness of death came to him, and she believed when I left her that the little fellow would awaken when he got warm, and would not believe that life was extinct, even two hours after he had quit breathing and his form was perfectly stiff in the wagon where he had met death.

"I was frightened by this experience, recrossed the river and started to Denison. The weather had moderated when I reached Pawpaw hill and I decided to stop.

Mr. Ayers and family went on to Denison and put up at a wagon yard.

### In Memory of Maine Martyrs.

On the 15th at Havana the first anniversary of the blowing up of the battleship Maine and the 266 sailors and marines who went down with her was observed. A high mass was celebrated at Mercedes church, which Gen. Ludlow and several of his staff attended. An immense rope of evergreens was festooned about the fighting top of the sunken Maine, each loop hung with laurel wreaths four feet in diameter and hung with red, white and blue ribbons. The Cuban club of Havana placed an artificial wreath on the boat crane and this was transferred to the peak of the gaff. The graves in Colon cemetery were decorated in the presence of American officials by military and naval details.

Nearly all the vessels entering New York harbor and all public buildings had their flags at half mast.

Philadelphia commemorated it by laying at Cramps' ship yard in the presence of a vast throng the keel of the new battleship Maine, which the builders hope to launch Feb. 15, 1900.

Some of the citizens of Denison, Tex., signaled the anniversary by decorating graves.

President Zelaya has issued a decree declaring the republic of Nicaragua to be in a state of siege. An uprising was recently discovered at Matagalpa. It was organized by a Catholic priest. He was captured and taken to the penitentiary.

Over \$1,000,000 worth of government property was destroyed by a fire which originated in the largest machine shop of Brooklyn navy yard. Several fine models and patterns of battleships were destroyed and the steam engineering department practically wiped out.

The penitentiary board has appointed Dr. W. E. Fowler of Bastrop physician at Huntsville and Rev. S. H. Morgan of Madisonville chaplain; Dr. E. G. Guinn of Jacksonville physician at Rusk and Rev. F. T. Mitchell of Tyler chaplain. The burned portion of Huntsville penitentiary is to be rebuilt at once, there being ample funds on hand.

Henry Jones, a noted English authority on whist, died at London. His nom de plume was "Cavendish," and he edited the card department of the London Field.

Commodore Phillip and Capt. Sigsbee were unable to visit Austin. The former on his way north stopped over a few hours at Houston and was the guest of honor at an elegant luncheon.

The transport Valencia has arrived at San Francisco with sixty-five soldiers from Manila. Thirteen are sick.

Graduating exercises of the West Point military academy were held on the 15th.

The British barkentine Brazil went ashore on the Long Island coast and is a total wreck.

Incessant rains have caused a flood in Jamaica and much damage has resulted.

Silas Jones and his six children burned to death near Corner Stone, Ark.

L. M. Chipley, a noted financier of St. Louis, is dead.

### Iloilo Captured.

On the 11th the United States forces under Brig. Gen. Miller captured Iloilo, capital of Panay island, the second largest city in the Philippines and the seat of government of the Visayas federations after a bombardment of the city on fire before evacuating, but the Americans checked the flames. The Petrel and Baltimore bombarded the town after warning shots had been fired by the Petrel and which caused the rebels to fire at the Petrel. Considerable property was damaged by the incendiary fires. It is believed the enemy lost heavily.

### Fire at Penitentiary.

A fire broke out in the school room connected with the east cell buildings at the Huntsville penitentiary at 5 o'clock on the morning of the 13th and burned all of the east and west cell buildings and also the general offices, including those of the superintendent and assistant. The water mains being frozen hard prevented a stream of water being procured until the pipes were entirely thawed. The fire is thought to have caught from a defective flue. The prisoners were marched to the south yards and shops until the fire was extinguished. Many of the guards lost their trunks and also articles of apparel. At 1 minute to 7 o'clock the clock fell with a great crash. Work in the shops began about half an hour after the regular time.

Tom Parrish, a farmer, residing near Nacogdoches, while carrying in some wood fell and his neck was broken.

Wm. Pieper, driver of a delivery wagon, was frozen to death at San Antonio.

At Science Hall, near Kyle, the two children of J. I. Wallace were burned to death. The family residence caught fire and was burned, the children were alone and were cremated.

In a snowslide at Silver Plume, Col.; at least twenty-four Italians lost their lives. The avalanche as snow came with fearful force and immense boulders and trees were swept before it.

At Anniston, Ala., Col. D. C. Colson and Lieut. E. D. Scott of the fourth Kentucky had a pistol fight in which the former was hit in the hip.

A statement has been issued by the Filipino junta at Hong Kong in which the Americans are accused of treachery and barbarity.

Around Granbury wolves have been bold, killing calves with impunity. One large one whipped half a dozen dogs and had to be ridden down with horses.

The Texas senate passed the bill appropriating \$13,500 to pay special counsel in the Katy junction case.

At Blooming Grove, Navarro county, the 2-year-old child of John Friday was burned to death.

A Texas and Pacific railway brakeman named Bridges was cut in two by a train at Denton.

The severest weather for fifteen years prevailed last week at Vicksburg, Miss.

The 10-year-old daughter of Judge Hardy was burned to death at Cozscauca

### Exercises Dogs.

"Haven't you some one on your books I can get to exercise my dog for me?" a woman asked, going into the Woman's exchange, in New York, the other day. The exchange is ready to furnish almost everything on demand, but it did not have a professional dog exerciser on its books a minute before that question was asked, but it did a minute after. A young woman who had just registered for something in that line of work overheard the request and volunteered her services, and forthwith a nice little dachshund had an attendant. Now the young woman's mornings are all taken up in wandering up and down Fifth avenue "exercising" society pets for \$10 a month for an hour a day, and \$6 for half an hour a day.

### Performed His Own Ceremony.

The Toronto courts are about to be called upon to decide whether a man may legally perform his own wedding ceremony. The case in point is that of the Rev. Mr. J. W. Pfohler, who, on Oct. 12, 1898, married himself to Lois Markle. This is the first time that a man has performed the rite for himself in Canada, and both Pfohler and his wife now want the validity of their marriage established. It would have been much cheaper for the divine to have enlisted the services of another clergyman in the first place.

### Of the First Rank.

Prof. J. B. Johnson of Washington university, St. Louis, who has just been elected dean of the faculty of the university of Wisconsin, is an engineer of the first rank, and is president of the Society for the Promotion of Engineering Education. He was graduated from the university of Michigan in 1878, and up to 1883, he was engaged as engineer on the United States lake survey.

### Russia Will Lead Probably.

From the present outlook Prof. Woodward thinks that Russia will be the largest foreign exhibitor at the Paris exposition, with the United States second. No other country, except Russia, has so much space as the United States.

Christmas troubles sometimes form an endless chain.

### CRESCENT HOTEL.

EUREKA SPRINGS, ARKANSAS. Opens February 23rd. In the Ozark Mountains. Delightful climate. Beautiful scenery. Unequaled medicinal waters. Cheap excursion rates. Through sleepers via Frisco Line. Address J. O. Plank, Manager, Room H, Arcade, Century Building, or Frisco Ticket Office, No. 102 N. Broadway, St. Louis.

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I believe my prompt use of Pico's Cure prevented quick consumption.—Mrs. Lucy Wallace, Marquette, Kan., Dec. 13, '96.

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Just so evil in the blood comes out in shape of scrofula, pimples, etc., in children and young people. Taken in time it can be eradicated by using Hood's Sarsaparilla. In older people, the aftermath of irregular living shows itself in bilious conditions, a heavy head, a foul mouth, disordered kidneys, yellow eyes and skin, with a general bad feeling.

It is the blood, the impure blood, friends, which is the real cause. Purify that with Hood's Sarsaparilla and happiness will reign in your family.

**Blood Poison**—"I lived in a bed of fire for years owing to blood poisoning that followed small pox. It broke out all over my body, itching intensely. Tried doctors and hospitals in vain. I tried Hood's Sarsaparilla. It helped. I kept at it and was entirely cured. I could go on the house-tops and shout about it." Mrs. J. T. WILLIAMS, Carbondale, Pa.

**Scrofula Sores**—"My baby at two months had scrofula sores on cheek and arm. Local applications and physicians' medicine did little or no good. Hood's Sarsaparilla cured him permanently. He is now four, with smooth fair skin." Mrs. B. S. WOOTEN, Farmington, Del.

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Greater New York spends in salaries alone over \$20,000,000. It is charged that Tammany has increased the salaries of the men and reduced the pay of all women in the public service.

General Boynton says over half a million gallons of beer alone were sold at the volunteers' canteen in Chickamauga Park. He attributed the soldiers' illness to unripe beer.

The Life Preserver which has carried many ladies safely over the dangerous sea "Change of Life" is Simmons Squaw Vine Wine or Tablets.

A bill has been introduced in congress to form a new state out of part of New Mexico and part of Western Texas with El Paso as the capital. The legislature of New Mexico has agreed to it and the Texas legislature is taking steps to prevent it.

A two or three weeks course of Dr. M. A. Simmons Liver Medicine will so Regulate the Excretory Functions that they will operate without any aid whatever.

A newspaper that deceives its readers hurts its friends most, for they are quickest to accept as truth, what others would at least consider doubtful. People do not like to be misled in the direction of their inclinations. A newspaper that is not reliable and honest can neither be useful nor influential.—Ex.

Don't wreck a Life! From Girlhood to Womanhood the monthly courses should be regulated with Simmons Squaw Vine Wine or Tablets.

A bill has been introduced in both houses of the Texas legislature intended to effect the extermination of prairie dogs. It provides that any land owner permitting prairie dogs to remain on his land after August 1, 1900, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be fined not more than \$100 for every section of land or part of section on which the prairie dogs are permitted to remain. After August 1, 1900, the owner or lessee of land adjacent to land on which prairie dogs remain, may kill off the dogs and have a lien on the land to secure payment of his expenses in so doing. After January 1, 1901, the commissioners' court is authorized to have the dogs killed and hold lien on the land to secure payment of amounts paid thereon.

So much depends upon the purity of the blood that by taking Hood's Sarsaparilla many different diseases are cured.

Here is another remedy for la-grippe: A level teaspoonful of common cooking soda dissolved in two-thirds of a glass of water. Repeat every two hours until soreness and headache are gone; then one extra dose for good measure. It is not best to take a dose just before or just after meals. It is seldom necessary to take more than three or four doses. The above is the dose for grown persons. Lessen the dose for children.

### Remedy for Malaria.

"I was troubled with malaria and my friends advised me to take Hood's Sarsaparilla, which I did, together with Hood's Pills, and these medicines did me more good than any others I had tried. Hood's Sarsaparilla is about the only medicine I have taken since I was small." Mrs. ANNIE GRIM, Harvey, Oklahoma.

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### HOW TO FIND OUT.

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### WHAT TO DO.

There is comfort in the knowledge so often expressed, that Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney remedy fulfills every wish in curing rheumatism, pain in the back, kidneys, liver, bladder and every part of the urinary passage. It corrects inability to hold water and scalding pain in passing it, or bad effects following use of liquor, wine or beer, and overcomes that unpleasant necessity of being compelled to go often during the day, and to get up many times during the night. The mild and the extraordinary effect of Swamp Root is realized. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases. If you need a medicine you should have the best. Sold by druggists in fifty cent and one dollar sizes.

You may have a sample bottle of this wonderful discovery and a book that tells more about it, both sent absolutely free by mail; address Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. When writing mention that you read this generous offer in THE GRAHAM LEADER.

A German specialist declares matrimony the secret of longevity. To prove it he gives the names of fifty centenarians, all of whom are widowers. Mr. Edgar Saltus holds that these witnesses do not prove that matrimony is conducive to longevity, but rather that the man who survives matrimony can survive anything.

### Cure A Cold In One Day.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund money if it fails to cure. 25c. The genuine has L. B. Q. on each tablet.

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Geo. W. Wait of South Gardner, Me., says: "I have had the worst cough, cold, chills and grip and have taken lots of trash of no account but profit to the vendor. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is the only thing that has done any good whatever. I have used one 50 cent bottle and the chills, cold and grip have left me. I congratulate the manufacturer of an honest medicine." For sale by Graham Drug Co.

### Dangers of the Grip.

The greatest danger from La Grippe is of its resulting in pneumonia. If reasonable care is used, however, and Chamberlain's Cough Remedy taken, all danger will be avoided. Among the tens of thousands who have used this remedy for la grippe we have yet to learn of a single case having resulted in pneumonia, which shows conclusively that this remedy is a certain preventive of that dangerous disease. It will cure la grippe in less time than any other treatment. It is pleasant and safe to take. For sale by Graham Drug Co.

## A GOOD ONE.

Only one resolution for the New Year, but a good one: That is BETTER WORK for the same money than has ever been given the patrons of a Blacksmith Shop in Young county.

Experience, coupled with a willingness to do so, makes this an assured fact.

I am now building another forge in my shop that will be used by an experienced workman, thus insuring my customers quick service as well as good work. Wishing you a prosperous year,

I am, very respectfully,  
**HENEGAR the Blacksmith.**

Shop East Side Square.

Governor Robert L. Taylor of Tennessee says when he retires from office next Monday he will forever retire from politics, and henceforth from loftier heights look down on the struggling politicians below. He is preparing a new lecture which he will commence to deliver in the spring, and it will be a gem of poesy, humor and pathos. It will stir up the twin fountains of laughter and tears in the breasts of his auditors, and at the same time extract the money of the constitution from their pockets. The every day world is so full of hard, grinding reality, and there is so much of the tragic in it that the people are always hungry for something light, bright and mirthful, and to this hunger Bob Taylor proposes to minister in the future.—Louisville Dispatch.

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At present the "culture" and not the destruction of the deadly bacteria seems to absorb their attention.

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While the doctors are in this state of uncertainty, and even longer, would it not be well for the patient to have recourse to well tried Compound Oxygen, which is both germicide and vitalizer?

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### ESTRAYS.

REPORTED by W. H. Ardis, Com'r Proc. No. 2 and left with H. M. Jones, one brown horse 9 or 10 years old, branded DW on left shoulder and hip, 14 hands high. This Jan. 23, 1899.  
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## LOCAL NEWS NOTES.

H. L. Morrison left Monday for the eastern markets.

John Cole, a prominent citizen of Finis, died last Thursday.

Rev. W. H. Wycough of Ellasville was visiting his friends in Graham this week.

There will be several estrayed horses sold here on the first Monday of next month.

The newgather has but little to report this week, outside of sickness and the weather.

Corn planting is now in order. Some farmers are planting and all are preparing to plant.

Stoves, Wire Netting, Corrugated Iron, Hardware and Tinware at Hollingsworth & Dowdle's

Elmo Aynesworth and Miss Lottie Burns were granted a license to marry, on the 20th inst.

Van Hayes, an old-time and well-known cow boy, was mingling with his friends in Graham this week.

V. F. Gorrissen has been nursing a huge aruncule on the neck for two or three weeks, but is now about well.

For Sale—25 yards of new, rag carpet, 42 inches wide, at 40 cents per yard. Apply at this office for particulars.

The weather has been pleasant for the past week and farmers are beginning to realize that it is about planting time.

Lyons & Matthews, of Jacksboro, will sell you Lumber as cheap as you can get it. They keep the best quality

Mrs. Henry has been quite sick with lagrippe at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Jas. Porter, but is now convalescent.

The Graham Concert band enlivened the town Wednesday afternoon by playing several nice selections of music in the park.

Judge O. E. Finlay continues to regain strength slowly and is now in a fair way to recover from his protracted siege of pneumonia.

A. P. Stewart of Lacy, Farmer, Graham, and most anywhere in Young county, was a pleasant caller at this office on Tuesday.

If you want Lumber, Shingles, etc., call on Lyons & Matthews, at Jacksboro, and you can get just what you want at the lowest figures.

Johnnie Norman is at home from the A. & M. college on sick leave. He had been away for several months and was glad to get home.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Norris are the happy parents of a new girl baby, which made its appearance just after THE LEADER went to press last week.

Mrs. McCoy, of Grayson county, left on Wednesday's stage for her home, after an extended visit to her parents, Mayor and Mrs. J. S. Starratt.

A temperance lecturer was in town Friday and Saturday nights and entertained fair sized audiences at the Baptist church. He also lectured in the court house Sunday afternoon.

If you want good Bread try Electric Loaf Patent, manufactured by Jacksboro Mill and Elevator Co. Sold by Matthews, Tidwell & Norman, Graham.

Business is rather quiet in Graham at present, but a good crop year and the arrival of the Rock Island railroad from Jacksboro will put the town upon an unprecedented boom.

Dandy, all Steel Wind Mills, Deering, all Steel Binders, Tanks, Pumps, Stock Troughs and Gut-tering.

HOLLINGSWORTH & DOWDLE.

Grandma Jones, of Tonk Valley, died quite suddenly on Wednesday night. Mrs. Jones was eighty-odd years of age and was one of the oldest residents of the county. She leaves several children who are prominent citizens and to whom THE LEADER extends sincere condolence.

Commissioners' court convenes next Monday in adjourned session from the 15th inst. This is a regular session of the court and one of the most important terms of the year, as all matters pertaining to public roads as well as the usual routine business of the county is to be transacted at this term.

J. W. Akin bought a Dandy Wind Mill from Hollingsworth & Dowdle this week and Mr. Hollingsworth was putting it up on Tuesday. Mr. Akin is proud of his purchase, as the "Dandy" does not belie its name. It is a dandy, indeed, and does all that is claimed for it.

Mr. J. H. B. Jones died at the residence of his nephew, Wat Jones, near Belknap Saturday evening. Deceased was 79 years of age and had been a respected citizen of this county for many years. The interment occurred at the Belknap cemetery on Sunday, under the auspices of the masonic fraternity, of which order Mr. Jones was an old and prominent member.

Denman & Sons, Jacksboro, have just received two car loads of wagons, buggies and all kinds of agricultural implements, which will be found enumerated in their advertisement in another column. They are clever people and will sell you anything in their line at the lowest prices and on terms to suit yourself.

The Graham Auxiliary of the American Bible Society held its annual meeting in the Methodist church last Sunday evening. Reports of officers were received and approved. The following named officers were elected for the ensuing year: R. E. Mabry, president; Jno. E. Morrison, vice president; B. S. Doty, secretary; Virgil Tidwell, treasurer.

My new goods are beginning to arrive and will continue to come in until my stock is complete. I have novelties of various kinds, such as fancy Tucking Combs, Elastics, Rubber Gloves, Rubber Hairpins, Waste Embroidery Silk, Infans' Vests, Ladies' Dress Distenders and Busties, Ladies' and Childrens' Plaid Hose, and many other catchy novelties too numerous to mention. MRS. J. H. STEWART.

A town without a newspaper would be like a cemetery without a headstone. Its inhabitants would be virtually dead to the outside world, and a residence there would be almost equal to a burial. The small, unpretentious paper by its weekly issues, brings its town and people in close touch with the outside world, and its value is recognized and is better appreciated, it expands and grows brighter, and it is true that many a little article in its columns attracts attention and brings to the town and by that it adds value to all of its interests.

The local option cases of E. W. Johnson, R. W. Rattiff, Jacob Schlittler and J. D. Short (five cases) have been affirmed by the court of appeals and these parties are now only waiting for the mandate from the court to begin serving their jail sentences. Mr. Schlittler has circulated a petition asking the governor to pardon him from serving his jail sentence. The petition was signed by a large number of our citizens who hope to see the old gentleman relieved of the jail penalty in his case.

**Mill Notice.**  
All who want corn ground will be accommodated at South Bend every Saturday from date.  
O. A. McBRAYER.  
February 22, 1899.

The following persons have paid their subscriptions since last issue:  
M. Briscoe, Sam H. Harris, G. R. Kuykendall, R. Lindsey, B. F. Harman.

Geo. McComas moved back to his farm Wednesday after a residence of a few months in town.

Garden Seeds, Onion Setts, Early Rose and Triumph Seed Potatoes at O. A. McBRAYER'S, South Bend.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Lawrence, who have been occupying the J. D. Short residence for a few months, have moved back into their own dwelling.

Our boss left Wednesday morning for Jacksboro, Fort Worth and other points, which fact will account for any apparent improvement in THE LEADER this week.

A greater number of strangers have been in Graham this week than for some time past. They all seem to know a good thing when they see it and are looking for business locations.

Prof. T. H. Bowran, a successful music teacher, has been in the city this week and it is likely that he may become associated with the Graham Concert band in the capacity of leader.

Wednesday was a legal holiday from the fact that it was the birthday of George Washington and THE LEADER scribe. The bank and postoffice were closed to commemorate the occasion.

J. M. and A. J. Bryan have leased the old Wadley building on the west side of the square and will open a blacksmith shop as soon as their tools and materials, which have been ordered, arrive.

Paul, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. Hollingsworth, aged five years, died last Thursday with membranous croup. The remains were interred in Oak Grove cemetery Friday morning in the presence of a number of sympathizing friends of the family.

Cattlemen are suffering some losses from black leg. Mr. S. R. Jeffery has lost recently about thirty head of fat cattle from this disease. He is "on the combination" now, however, and is giving his cattle scientific treatment and hopes to prevent any further losses.

THE LEADER is glad to know that all who may desire to plant out this spring any fruit trees or vines that the following named sorts can be obtained at the Young County Nursery: Apples, peaches, plums, apricots and grapes at 10 cents each or \$8 per hundred. A limited supply of corn, seed oats, wheat or flour will be taken in exchange for this stock, which is all young and healthy.  
GEO. S. CLARK, Manager.

When Johnnie comes marching home with a Rock Island Plow or a Good Luck Cultivator, there will be contentment in the barnyard; no more broken down horses by pulling an inferior grade and hard pulling machine hereafter. See Hollingsworth & Dowdle.

The second quarterly conference of Vernon district, Graham circuit, will convene at Center Ridge on Saturday and Sunday, March 4th and 5th; preaching by the presiding elder. There will be dinner on the ground Saturday for all. We extend a cordial invitation to the people of the town and county to come and meet with us. Remember Friday, March 3rd, as a day of fasting and prayer. Let there be earnest spiritual preparation for this occasion. Fraternally,  
T. S. BARCUS, Pastor.

An elders' and deacons' meeting will be held at Farmer on Saturday, March 18, at 9 o'clock a. m. Topics for discussion: 1. "How can we get our people to give more freely to the support of the church and its demands?" E. S. Pritchett and J. A. Norton. 2. "What are the duties of the members of the church, and what can be done to get them to know and do their duty." T. E. Williamson and C. M. Proffitt. 3. "What are the duties of the deacons and what shall we do to get them to more fully understand and perform their duty." W. T. Rogers and W. S. Bailey. J. W. Groves, T. E. Williamson, committee; A. C. Neelley, secretary.

# ROYAL BAKING POWDER

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ROYAL BAKING POWDER CO., NEW YORK.

Another norther Wednesday night, and the temperature is much lower than for several days.

The baby of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Black has been quite sick for the past week but is now reported some better.

Tax Assessor W. P. Beckham was called to his home at Spring Creek this week on account of sickness in his family.

Miss Hattie Wallace has been quite sick, but her numerous friends will be pleased to know that she is now improving.

Mr. Mittenthal's family arrived last Monday and are now happily domiciled at the Jesse Rickman place in the east part of town.

The Graham Printing Company is putting electric lights in their building. The light fixtures are already in place and the dynamo is expected next week.

The baby boy of Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Martin, who has been seriously ill for the past ten days, is somewhat improved in health as THE LEADER goes to press.

The pupils and teachers in the public school enjoyed a holiday Wednesday and celebrated the anniversary of the birth of Geo. Washington, Esq., the gentleman who was so constituted that he could not lie about a cherry tree.

We have no agents to travel through the country. We sell you goods with these agents salaries off, and no war time prices.  
HOLLINGSWORTH & DOWDLE.

Deak Cunningham, eldest son of Postmaster and Mrs. J. T. Cunningham, was stricken with paralysis on Wednesday and has been in quite a critical condition since. He is said to be unconscious and cannot be aroused from his helpless condition, although everything possible is being done for his relief. "Deak" is one of the favorite boys of the town and THE LEADER hopes that he may recover speedily.

Eld. Geo. T. Thomas, a prominent minister of the Christian church, and Miss Annie Hamilton were united in marriage at the Christian church on Wednesday, Eld. Williams, pastor of the church, officiating. Eld. Thomas, or "Brother George" has lived in this county since boyhood and has hosts of friends all over this section of Texas who will be pleased to learn of his good fortune. The bride is a daughter of Mr. J. W. Hamilton, one of the leading citizens of the Lacy community. THE LEADER is pleased to congratulate the happy couple.

**Look Out.**  
Here comes the Circle Belt, loaded with a bran new set of blacksmith tools, unloaded next door to Denman & Sons, where they will be in place for the purpose of accommodating our old customers. Our Mr. J. M. Bryan is now east buying tools and materials and we will make it to your interest to call on us. We will make six-point plow shovels for \$2.75 per set. We have everything in our line and are prepared to guarantee satisfaction in every particular. We have selected the best horse-shoes to be found in the market.  
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## Olney Oracles.

We suppose spring has opened up since the cold spell and everybody have gone to work with renewed energy.

The farmers are sowing oats; but some think there is not sufficient moisture in the ground to bring them up. Hence we would like to see a good-rain.

Hoyt Brown is doing business in Wichita Falls this week.

Capt. Brown and W. Hughes were out on a trip to the Falls during those coldest days. Mr. Hughes had his feet, fingers and one ear frozen, from the effects of which he has been in bed a week, but is recovering.

J. C. Hazlewood was in Olney Saturday.

Miss Sadie Hunt has been visiting Miss Laura Hill since Saturday.

Miss Grace Brown is spending the week with friends at Seymour.

Dr. J. G. Vandever of Antelope spent Saturday night with his his cousin, Dr. J. M. Johnson, of Olney.

Mrs. Josie Terrell of Midway visited Mrs. H. S. Groves last Tuesday and Wednesday.

Miss Sallie Griffith is going to Graham this week, where we are told she will work in the telephone office.

Mr. Carter of Seymour was the guest of J. H. Brown and family Saturday night.

Rev. J. H. Hill, Prof. J. W. Pruett and Luther McCuiston spent Sunday at Proffitt, where Rev. Hill preached. Prof. Pruett says it was quite a profitable trip, but we don't know what he means by it.

Rev. G. W. Rushing and most of his family have been sick the past week.

Elder C. G. Tefteller of Indian Mound preached to the Olney people Sunday and will continue to preach here the third Sunday in each month for awhile

L. S. Paschall had charge of R. E. Myers' barber shop Saturday.

Our school has a good attendance and is progressing nicely. Mrs. Averitt, the associate teacher, has a good music class.

Walter Keen and wife of Archer county spent one day last week with the family of W. H. Keen.  
PINDER.

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J. Fairleigh, Platte Cannon, Col.  
**Tutt's Liver Pills**

**Obituary.**  
At 8 o'clock a. m., February 11th, Sister Fannie Woolfolk passed from earthly trials and confided to her only peace and rest. She was taken with typhoid fever and was sick but a few days. She had been married only two weeks and had not gone to house-keeping.  
Sister Fannie was born in Ellis county, Texas, Sept. 25th, 1879. Her mother died when she was an infant. She joined the Presbyterian church in 1896 and lived a devoted Christian life. With a host of friends can testify that her life was a living sacrifice for the cause she so earnestly advocated.  
We grieve that she was called from our midst, but we truly believe she has received the fadeless crown which we all should strive to gain.  
The funeral services were conducted in the Belknap school house by Eld. R. Lindsey. He read the XIV chapter of Revelations, selecting the XIII verse for his text. His remarks were very appropriate and well pressed upon the minds of all present how beautiful it was to die in the Lord as our sister had died.  
We all sympathize and freely mingle our tears with her young husband and family.  
WILLIE LOGAN.

## TUMOR EXPELLED.

Unqualified Success of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

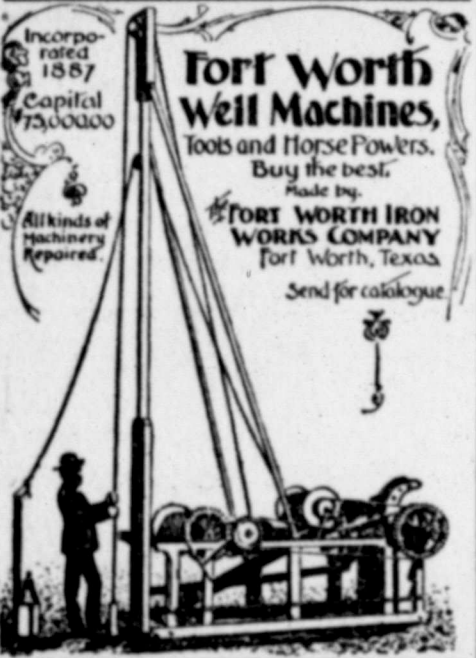
Mrs. ELIZABETH WHEELLOCK, Magnolia, Iowa, in the following letter describes her recovery from a very critical condition:

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Talked With Him.  
Rev. Mr. John R. Hyres, a missionary who was sent to Manila by the American Bible Society, writes to the society that he had an interview with Aguinaldo, who declares he is a Protestant.

Our Policy of Territorial Expansion.  
Annexationists are advocating the addition of Canada to this country, and think it can be accomplished in a peaceful manner without exciting a quarrel with England. Such questions call for the wisest statesmanship, just as dyspepsia, constipation, liver and kidney diseases call for a reliable remedy like Hostetter's Stomach Bitters.

Dollars won by gambling are obtained at a risk.

Beware of Ointments for Catarrh that contain Mercury.  
as mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used, except on prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is ten fold to the good you can possibly derive from them. Hall's Catarrh Cure manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O., contains no mercury, and is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure you get the genuine. It is taken internally, and made in Toledo, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney & Co. Testimonials free. Sold by Druggists, price 75c per bottle. Hall's Family Pills are the best.

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Suggestions for Women as to the Care of Delicate Underwear.

It is one thing to have pretty belongings, and another to keep them so. Of nothing can this be more truly said than of woman's underwear, so generally ruined in washing with strong impure soap, and by hard rubbing. Silk and woolen underwear should never be washed on a cloudy day. When ready to do the work, half fill a tub with warm water, in which dissolve a fourth of a bar of Ivory soap, and wash the articles through it with the hands, rinse in warm water, and squeeze, but do not wring. Hang on the line and press with a hot iron while damp.

ELIZA R. PARKER.

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West Texas Hunter Slays Numerous Wolves.

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Description of the Beautiful Presents Presented the Former Commander of the Battleship Texas.

Wolf Hunter.

Vencente Comensky, who is the most famous wolf hunter and successful slayer of all kinds of wild animals that ever galloped over the prairies of Western Texas is a very valuable man, and those who are best informed say that he has saved the stockmen of the frontier ranches \$1,000,000 in the past few years by protecting their calves and feeble cattle from the wolves and panthers. Last year he killed 449 wolves, and of these sixty four were teobos. They are the largest and most ferocious species of the wolf family. A pack of these hungry yelping prowlers have been known to drag a full-grown steer to earth and cut its throat. He slew twenty-seven panthers during the year. Some of these were trapped and others were trailed to their lairs and shot.

Mr. Comensky is employed by cattle and sheep ranchers of the Devil's river country, and at the same time they are paying him \$150 per month. They say that he has saved them many times that amount of money. The wolf hunter also gets a bounty on scalps, which increases his earnings. Last year he saved nearly \$4000. He has ten or twelve fine saddle ponies and two camps that are over 100 miles apart. He keeps a pack of about 100 dogs. They appear to be a mixed breed, and I judge most of them to be a cross between a deerhound and a mastiff. He has about 400 traps, which he keeps set all the time. He is always in the saddle, and uses a fluid which makes them execute a regular dance. They will howl and snort and tear the bushes to fragments until one gets caught in a trap, and then frequently they will jump on their unfortunate comrade and eat him alive. For this reason Mr. Comensky seldom ever fastens his traps, and that gives the captured wolf a chance to escape from his cruel companions, and enables the hunter to secure his scalp, and his carcass for food for his dogs, and when he finds a trap missing the dogs at once strike the trail and soon overtake the captured wolf. They lose no time in tearing the beast to fragments, and never stop until they have licked his bones clean.

"I sit on my horse and enjoy this part of my work as a boy does a circus," says Mr. Comensky, "for I hate a wolf."

Mr. Comensky is a Bohemian and he was raised in a mountainous region of the old country, where wolves are as abundant as they are in West Texas. His ancestors have been hunters for generations, and it was from his father that he obtained the secret of the fluid which is making his fortune. He says if the people will keep him employed a few years longer he will rid the western country of wolves and panthers.

Philip Sword and Bible.

The sword was made by Tiffany & Co. of New York. While not so richly embellished with precious stones as the Dewey sword, it is

the product of the same artist who designed the former, and in richness of execution compares favorably with the gift of the nation to the hero of Manila. In the top and end of the hilt of the Philip sword are the arms of the state of Texas, the shield in blue enamel, the star of the state represented by pure water diamonds, surrounded by a gold wreath of laurel leaves. Below this on the front are the arms of the United States, with shield enameled in colors. At the top of the scabbard on the front the letters are gracefully entwined, forming a monogram, and finished in blue enamel, surrounded by a raised oak wreath.

The hilt is of white sharkskin, bound with fine gold wire. The guard surrounding the hand is delicately chased with oak leaves, broadening out at the scabbard, and terminating in a double dolphin's head. Upon the broad portion is a large oak leaf, indicative of the rank of commodore, the present title of the recipient. The scabbard is of polished black sharkskin; and the decorations for attaching the belt, trappings, etc., are all rich gold finished simulating ropes in full relief. At the lower end of the scabbard is an entwined dolphin. Upon the blade are thirteen stars with other emblematic devices and the inscription noted in the report of the presentation.

The ornamentation of the sword is richly gold finished, and the enameling is the best example of this delicate art. The sword and the belt accompanying it are fitted into a substantial oak chest with gold plated mountings and lock and key.

The Bible is in two volumes, each finely bound in flexible leather covers, and fitted by Tiffany & Co. into a rich dark mahogany case lined with purple velvet, with solid gold mountings. On the top of the case is a gold shield with appropriate inscription.

The general committee which had these two testimonials and their presentation in charge consists of W. L. Armstrong, chairman; Rev. Judson Palmer, Tom Finty, Jr.

The Rev. Judson Palmer is the Texas state secretary of the Young Men's Christian association, in which connection it is interesting to add that Commodore Philip is a member of the Young Men's Christian association. He was converted by that organization at Brooklyn. Recently he was made a member of the international committee of the Young Men's Christian association, with special reference to supervising the association work in the navy.

The Bible was made by Thomas Nelson & Sons of New York. There are two volumes, the Bible itself and the "helps." The books are bound in flexible leather covers, lined, hand sewed and of the very best workmanship throughout.

Harper's Bazar, in addition to the fashion columns and the regular departments, gives a personal account of the queen of Holland and her future husband that is of more than ordinary interest. Margaret Hamilton Welch discusses the Women's Clubs of Brooklyn in her department. Another valuable article is "The Federation of Day Nurseries," and of special interest is an article on "The Toilet—How to Keep Young."

Mrs. E. A. Hamblin, on trial at Belton for the murder of Miss Sallie Raney, was adjudged guilty and her punishment fixed at forty years in the penitentiary.

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W. F. McCreary, Govt. Immigration Commissioner, Winnipeg. Dear Sir:—I like the country very much so far; have seen a great number of farmers from the states and every one seen so far says they have done well and like it here far better than where they came from, and all claim it to be the best country for a poor man that they were ever in, and with good crops this season I predict a great rush. There are some nice claims to be had yet, but will not last the summer through. I do not find it any colder than in Iowa and am feeling much better than when I left there March 1st. I think this a great country for those who are suffering with throat and lung troubles. I have seen men that had as high as 51½ bushels wheat per acre and near 100 bushels oats, but they weigh from 45 to 51 pounds per bushel, but the general run is 25 to 50 wheat, 50 to 75 oats, and stock looking fine; some cattle running out were nearly in market flesh. I expect to return to the states late this fall for stock, etc.; will write you when I want to go. Thanking you all for past favors, I remain, most respectfully yours,  
(Signed) Dr. D. E. Strevell.

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## Death.

Death steals in upon us and often carries away those who, as it seems to us, are least likely to receive the summons. Who, we may ask would suppose that this one, that one or another in less than a month would be called away from earth? And yet before the time has passed around just such a one falls asleep. The one is taken and the other, the feeble invalid, is left behind. Thus death makes a much deeper impression on communities and the living takes it so much more to heart. If we could see all things as God sees them from the beginning, and as we shall hereafter see them, it would then be clear to us that every individual, man, woman or child, has a work of some particular kind to perform in his day and generation, and then when it is finished he is removed from his present stage of action in order to occupy another beyond our natural vision. So it is the case no doubt, when men, ministers and others, who seemed to be struck down before their time. It is all right that he should be so. Infinite wisdom directs all human affairs, from the fall of empires to the fall of a sparrow to the ground. - Selected.

To Sweeten the Breath, Brighten the Eye, Clear the Complexion and Insure the natural Bloom of Health, use Dr. Simmons Liver Medicine

A recent statement from Austin indicates that the state treasury is receiving money in large quantities. The cash in the vaults amounts to more than \$3,000,000, and it is predicted that \$3,500,000 will be reached by the latter part of the month.

## For La Grippe.

Thomas Whitfield & Co., 240 Wabash-av., corner Jackson-st., one of Chicago's oldest and most prominent druggists, recommend Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for la grippe as it not only gives a prompt and complete relief, but also counteracts any tendency of la grippe to result in pneumonia. Sold by Graham Drug Co.

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The Boston Herald finds it difficult to understand "under what rule the judges of our courts fix their sentences for crime." It instances a case in which a man came home at midnight and found his wife in bed. He had brought some fish with him, and ordered her to get up, build a fire and cook them. She most reasonably remonstrated and endeavored to persuade him that it would be better to wait till morning, whereupon the wretch became infuriated and caught up a lamp and threw it at her. It inflicted a fatal wound, from the effects of which she died, after two days of intense suffering. "It strikes us," continues the Herald, "that here was a most brutal murder, without the slightest extenuating circumstances; yet the inhuman monster who committed it receives only the sentence of five years in the state prison." The most discouraging thing about such cases is that they are not exceptional. The courthouse in which the murderer found hope and safety, like many other costly temples of trickery, failure and crime, should be painted red. The blind goddess should have her hands bound behind her, a rope tied about her snowy neck and should then be hanged out in front of the magnificent marble entrance.

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The regular price is about five thousand dollars to bury a dead congressman. Those in congress who are such sticklers for the constitution should see that it is not violated in robbing the people when a congressman dies. There is no more justification for this expense on a congressman than there would be on the humblest citizen of the land. The people should rise up and rebel against this open handed robbery.—Lockhart Register.

The above is certainly to the point, and should be echoed from every house top in the land.—Greenville Banner.

Mrs. M. J. Simmons, Canton, Texas, writes: I have used Dr. M. A. Simmons Liver Medicine for many years. Also used two boxes Black Draught. I would not give one package of Dr. M. A. S. L. M. for a dozen Black Draught.

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