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The Beckham National Bank.

CAPITAL, \$100,000.

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EXPERIENCE.

Twenty years practical experience, under the tutorage of as good a smith and woodworkman as ever stood at the anvil or bench, is serving me well in keeping the resolution I formed at the beginning of this year.

When I came to Graham some two and a half years ago, you were paying the long price for plow work. To day I offer you

Six Cultivator Plows, Double End, for Two Dollars and Fifty Cents.

A liberal patronage for which I am thankful, has enabled me to make you these prices.

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Indicate that your liver is out of order. The best medicine to rouse the liver and cure all these ills, is found in

Hood's Pills

25 cents. Sold by all medicine dealers.

Indian Mound Items.

Indian Mound is not dead yet, nor even asleep.

A thriving Sunday school has been organized, which meets regularly every Sunday at 10 o'clock. A prayer meeting is also held in the afternoon and is well attended. The people are united, and a glorious revival of religion this summer is assured.

The young men have started a base ball club, with Chas. Grubbs as captain. Charlie makes a good captain and is very popular with the boys. The club meets every Saturday afternoon near Mr. Grubbs' farm.

Eld. Tefteller filled an appointment near Archer City Sunday. Eld. Foster preached at Goose Neck.

Crops look fine, especially corn and wheat. Seems like weeds do well this year, too.

Mr. Hammond and Henry Frye will receive their binders soon. Jason and Will Mayes have also ordered one.

We understand that Charley Johnson and Bob Martin have gone to Archer county to sell soap suds.

A young man in our community has quit whistling and commenced singing "do, ra, me," again.

Rev. Harmonson will preach here next Saturday and Sunday. U. & I.

I have been a sufferer from chronic diarrhoea ever since the war and have used all kinds of medicine for it. At last I found a remedy that has been a success as a cure, and that is Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy.—P. E. Grisham, Gaars Mills, La. For sale by Graham Drug Co.

A terrific storm of wind, rain and hail passed over portions of Rockwall, Grayson, Hunt, Denton, Kaufman, Collin, Fannin, Lamar, Red River, Wood and Dallas counties Monday night, which resulted in serious damage to crops and considerable destruction of buildings, fencing, etc. No lives lost.

Lacy Locals.

General health of our community is good.

Farmers are busy with their hoes and plows. They say they are trying to down General Green.

Charles Johnson and Uncle Bob Martin of Indian Mound passed through our community Saturday.

Aunt Sallie Hawkins of Lacy visited her daughter, Mrs. A. C. Casey, of Farmer Saturday and Sunday.

Bro. Jap Shepard of Graham preached quite an interesting sermon at Bethel Sunday.

Tommy Logan is reported quite sick with tonsillitis at this writing. J. A. Holt made a flying trip to Farmer Sunday.

Tom Pritchett of Farmer was in our community Saturday.

R. M. Summers went Monday and undertook to plow. He being unaccustomed to such work, became excited and drove his team through a barb-wire fence. He says a merchant has no business trying to farm.

Mr. and Mrs. Butler of Wise county are visiting their daughter, Mrs. Perry, of Lacy.

Prof. Groner of Jacksboro passed through our community Monday. LONE STAR.

Suicide by poison is not more censurable than by refusal to cure yourself of Female Troubles with Simmons Squaw Vine Wine or Tablets.

Cloudburst at Dickens, Dickens, Tex., May 21.—A waterspout fell at this place yesterday evening. It was accompanied by a terrible hailstorm, which did considerable damage to stock and garden vegetables.

The cloud came from the north and when it reached the hills one mile north of town it seemed to burst and its contents were emptied out on a space of ground less than two miles square.

Drs. Richard Hynes and W. F. T. Davison of Denver, Col., who were trying to get to town in a two-horse buggy, were caught in this terrible downpour and while trying to cross a small ravine were washed away. Dr. Davison was drowned and Dr. Hynes only saved himself by catching to some bushes along the bank, but not until he had been washed at least one-half mile. Dr. Davison's body was recovered. The team washed four hundred yards and drowned and when found was still hitched to the buggy.

Bearing-Down Pains indicate Displacement of the Womb. Curable quickly by using Simmons Squaw Vine Wine or Tablets.

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CREAM
BAKING
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Facts From Farmer.

WRITTEN FOR LAST WEEK.

Crops are looking well. The grass is fine and cattle are looking well. Some few cattle have been dying in the timber; cause not known.

Mr. and Mrs. S. M. J. Benson have returned from Vineyard, Jack county, where Mrs. B. had been for the benefit of her health. She is greatly improved.

Mr. Benson's fine saddle mare died last Sunday.

Eld J. H. Hill filled his regular appointment at the Baptist church here Saturday and Sunday. Owing to there being a couple of cases of measles in town the congregations were light.

George and Walter Benson have the measles and George was very sick on Monday. We think in nine or ten days others will take the measles.

Jim Wheat died at the residence of S. M. Wann Monday night. His mother is living in Parker county. The remains were interred in the cemetery here Tuesday evening.

Dr. J. D. Wilson and wife left Monday for Henrietta. Mrs. Wilson will go on to Gainesville to visit relatives and friends.

Our merchants are having a lively time waiting for trade nowadays. How about other places in the county? Correspondents please answer.

We have a new man carrying the mail now. He was over four hours late last evening, it being his first trip. Wonder if Uncle Sam knows how irregular our mail is and has been since the first of January.

Profs. Edley Pritchett and Tom Moss have returned from the West, where they have been prospecting for a school.

Profs. Hardgraves and Underwood are taking vacation, traveling over this broad land of ours, called Texas. DEW DROP.

Many so-called "bitters" are not medicines, but simply liquors disguised, so as to evade the law. PRICKLY ASH BITTERS is not one of this class. It is strictly a medicine, acting primarily on the Kidneys, Liver and bowels, and for the dangerous diseases that attack these organs it is a remedy of the first grade. There is nothing objectionable in its taste. It has a very agreeable flavor and is acceptable to the most delicate stomach. Sold by C. G. KIXO.

Bloody Shooting Affray.

Savannah, Ga., May 23.—information reached here to night of a bloody shooting affray at Cameron, Ga., in which a negro, Sam Perry, killed Frank Evans, brother of the railway agent, and fatally wounded another young white man named Proctor. Perry is thought to have been unhurt. He made his escape to the woods. A posse is in pursuit. Perry has heretofore borne a good reputation, which it is believed will save him from violence in the event of his capture.

The best medicine money can buy for impure blood, nervousness and all stomach and kidney troubles is Hood's Sarsaparilla.

W. J. Bryan spent Tuesday in Quincy, Ill., and addressed an audience of 10,000 people.

Clothing! Clothing!

People economically inclined will do well to inspect our line of

Spring Clothing.

We can save you at least 20 per cent on any thing in that line you wish to purchase. Call around and see for yourself what exceptional values we have to offer.

THE BEE HIVE.
THE NEW STORE.

The Graham Leader.

J. W. GRAVE, Publisher.

GRAHAM, TEXAS.

The "Sudd" in the Nile.

For the first time in fifteen years steamers manned by Europeans have penetrated the interior of the Mahdists. In the meantime the strange water weed called "sudd" has increased at its will, undisturbed by passing boats.

Some distance above Fashoda the sudd makes the river impassable, and it so remains for hundreds of miles along the Bahr-el-Ghazel and Bahr-el-Jebel, which unite to form the White Nile. Sometimes the weed is rooted in the bed of the river; sometimes it floats in patches upon the surface. The only way to get through it is to cut a passage from below with bill hooks and push the patches down stream.

The sudd is not a new thing. When Nero sent envoys to the Nile they were plagued by it. Gesi Pasha with 500 soldiers was caught in it in 1880 and it took him three months to get out by the aid of an Egyptian party that cut away the weeds from below.

Never too Late to Mend.

A rural schoolmaster had among his scholars three whose ages were, respectively, 72, 64 and 55 years.

"You don't mean to say," said an astonished visitor, "that those old men are going to school for the first time in their lives?"

"That's right," replied the schoolmaster; "they hadn't had time till now! An' they wouldn't be at it now, only they've made up their minds to git married; an' as the gals they air to marry air all good readers an' writers, they don't want to 'pear ignorant when they settles down fer life!"

Power Needed at Paris.

The total power estimated necessary for the Paris exposition is 20,000 horse power, of which 15,000 is allotted for lighting and 5000 for machinery. Upon this assumption there is allowed a consumption of 500,000 pounds of steam per hour. For 200 days of seven hours each more than 60,000,000 pounds of steam will be consumed. More than 200 tons of coal will be shoveled into boilers every day, or in all 80,000,000 pounds. More than 280 cubic feet of water will be utilized for recondensing the steam.

Jahart's Busy Pen.

Most of the California editors are disobeying the funny new law which requires newspaper articles to be signed, but Jerome A. Hart, of the Argonaut, is a law abiding citizen. He announces that he will sign all the articles which he has dictated, written, suggested, inspired, or whatever it may be called, and in fulfillment of this promise every item in the Argonaut is followed by the word "jahart" in the very smallest type in the font.

The Yankee in Paris.

"Yes, monsieur, these are the shoes worn by Louis XVI when led to execution."

"He must have limped painfully."

"On the contrary, monsieur, he walked boldly upright and with great dignity."

"He must have been a marvel of stoicism. Both these shoes are 'rights'—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

IN STATE AND OUT.

Matters of Interest Happening in Many Localities

COLLECTED AND WIRED OUT.

Numerous Items and General News that Will Find Favor With Readers of Newspaper Literature.

Passed Several.

Grubbs industrial school bill came up in senate Thursday. An effort to recommit it failed and it went over.

Galveston charter bill passed. Senate concurred in the house amendments to permanent school fund investment bill.

Chair appointed Dibrell, Patterson, James, Turney and Atlee as free conference committee on appropriation bill.

Free conference committee report allowing certificates of deposit to be accepted as cash by county commissioners in counting money in county treasuries passed.

Senate refused to concur in the house amendment to bill making mortgages, deeds of trust, etc., on land subject to taxation. Grinnan, Davidson, Patterson, Terrell and Yett were appointed conferees.

House passed bill authorizing counties to invest their permanent school fund in their own bonds and apply proceeds to general county purposes.

Bill to validate acknowledgements to all instruments constituting links in chain of title was killed.

Bill providing for distribution to medical schools of unclaimed dead bodies passed.

House non-concurred in the senate amendments to general appropriation bill and Henderson of Lamar, Stewart, Shropshire, Collins and Willacy appointed as conferees.

Texas Editors.

The twentieth annual convention of the Texas Press association met on the 18th at Dallas. Editor G. C. Rankin of the Texas Christian Advocate offered prayer. Mayor Traylor welcomed the delegates and President Rankin responded. The death of the wife of First Vice President W. H. Mayes of the Brownwood Bulletin was announced and a telegram of sympathy sent Mr. Mayes. Membership fee was reduced to \$5. President Rankin's address was listened to with great interest, as was also Rev. G. C. Rankin's oration and Editor Harris' essay. The poem by Editor M. J. Cox was loudly applauded. The Consolidated Street Railway company tendered the delegates 2000 street car tickets. At night a reception and musicale were held at the Oriental hotel.

Mesdames Mattox and Edwards and Miss Bragdon waylaid and beat Mrs. Covington with clubs at Union City, Tenn. Mrs. Covington retaliated by stabbing Mrs. Mattox through the heart and Mrs. Edwards in the lungs. Children caused the trouble.

Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen in session at New Orleans re-elected Grand Master Morrissey and chose Milwaukee for the next meeting place. Resolutions protesting against age limit and Sunday work were adopted.

Both the Dental and the Pharmaceutical associations meet next year at Dallas.

Wilson Visited Legislature.

Secretary of Agriculture Wilson visited both senate and house Friday, and in the house he made a brief address.

Senate concurred in the house amendments to bill authorizing issuance of patents to lands that under recent decisions belong to the public school fund, but have been sold as public domain.

Resolution to print and bind 250 volumes of the senate journal for distribution among members of both houses passed.

Prairie dog bill was killed. Bill was engrossed amending present anti-trust statute by prescribing penalties in new law.

Bill taxing incomes exceeding \$2000 passed in house, amended from 2 per cent to 1.

Senate bill allowing counties to invest their permanent school fund in their own bonds went over to June 3.

Burglary and illegal marriage bills passed.

Report of conference committee on anti-trust bill was adopted. Bill providing for creation of a sinking fund to retire state bonds maturing this year 1904 and 1909 passed.

Work of Editors.

At the second day's session of the Texas Editorial association the reports of the legislative and libel committees were adopted, the latter after a lively debate. A special libel committee, consisting of E. G. Senter, W. A. Shaw, F. P. Holland, C. W. Ousley and B. W. Martin, was appointed to draft a suitable libel law and report same to next year's convention, unless a special session of the legislature is held, when the committee is to act as it thinks best.

The Caliph's parade, given in honor of the editors, was greatly enjoyed.

At the fair grounds the editors were banqueted by the Fair association.

At night, at the opera house, they attended a performance of "The Rivals."

Gomez' Manifesto.

The long-expected manifesto of Gen. Maximo Gomez has been issued. It reviews his part in the negotiations with Gov. Gen. Brooke and speaks of his love for Cuba and his sufferings in her behalf. He says that it has been a hard matter to keep off speculators and also to spot those demanding pay who have not served in the Cuban army. The general is firm in the belief that Cuba should have a standing army.

Sent Up for Life.

F. A. Gafford was tried for the second time at Greenville, Ala., on the charge of killing F. B. Lloyd, a member of the Alabama legislature, known to the literary world as "Rufus Sanders." On the first trial Gafford was given the death penalty, but got a new trial. In August, 1897, the killing occurred. Gafford claimed Lloyd was criminally intimate with the former's widowed sister.

The general assembly of Southern Presbyterian church at its Richmond, Va., session elected Rev. Dr. Cannon of Missouri as moderator, while the northern assembly, at Minneapolis, chose Dr. Sample of New York.

The Cumberland Presbyterian general assembly at its Denver session elected Rev. Dr. Halsell of Houston, Tex., moderator.

San Isidro, the second insurgent capital, has been captured by Gen. Lawton's forces and the insurgents were driven to the northward.

Hard at Work.

Wednesday senate refused to concur in house amendments to anti-trust bill and asked free conference.

Both houses passed bill prohibiting sales of cigarettes and tobacco to persons under 16 years of age.

Joint resolution relative to irrigation districts passed senate.

Davidson, Dibrell, Turney, Atlee and Yantis were appointed as senate conferees on anti-trust bill. House appointed Schluter, Garner, Cecil Smith, Wooten and Murray. Schluter was chosen chairman.

Grubbs industrial school bill came up. Linn offered an amendment to locate school at Brazoria and Patterson offered a substitute locating it at Lampasas. The substitute carried, but did not get necessary two-thirds vote to amend a bill on third reading.

Pending consideration of a point of order on amendment by Terrell locating it as an adjunct to the agricultural and mechanical college, senate amended the appropriation bill and passed it.

Grubbs' industrial school bill came up again, the pending resolution being by Terrell to correct the journal so as to make the agricultural and mechanical college amendment effective. Adopted.

Bill relating to boards of examiners and teachers passed; also bill providing for purchase of 100 acres of land of the Habermehl homestead, on which is located the San Jacinto battle ground.

Bill making mortgages, deeds of trust, etc., situated in state and security for debt subject to taxes and sold when said taxes are delinquent passed.

Senate bill relative to irrigating canals, reservoirs, etc., passed.

Bill in regard to investment of school funds in county bonds was passed.

A Guthrie, Ok., special says the cattlemen of western Oklahoma are organizing a boycott on Kansas City and threaten to ship their cattle to Chicago and South Omaha because of the Kansas quarantine board requiring Oklahoma cattle to be inspected before entering that state. Missouri's board approves the rule, making shipment to Kansas City difficult and expensive.

"Mother St. Paul," mother superior of the Ursuline academy, Dallas, died in that city on the 17th, aged 59 years. She had resided in Dallas twenty-five years and is said to have been the first white child born at Galveston.

Some Chicago parties claim to have discovered an elixir, taken from young goats, which injected into the aged will cause them to feel like young people and prolong life indefinitely.

Earl of Stafford, who wedded Mrs. S. J. Colgate in New York City in December last, was run over and killed by a train in England. He was decapitated.

United States transport Logan with six troops of the tenth cavalry left Galveston for Cabanas, Cuba, on the 17th.

Hon. James Wilson, secretary of agriculture, visited Galveston on the 17th and was elegantly entertained. He expressed himself as delighted with his trip so far.

A brick schoolhouse near Alverton, O., was wrecked by a windstorm and several of the pupils hurt.

Louis Godchaux, a rich New Orleans citizen, is dead.

The beginning of a letter is harder to write than its ending.

A laborious entertainer makes any entertainment a burden.

The Power of Storm.

The Cayman Islands were nearly overwhelmed by the recent storm. Apparently secure things are not safe. Even if you have health be on your guard. Disease works stealthily. An occasional dose of Hostetter's Stomach Bitters will keep the bowels regular and disease at bay. If you have indigestion and constipation try it.

All work and no pay makes Jack a mad boy.

"Think of Ease But Work On."

If your blood is impure you may "work on" but you cannot even "think of ease." The blood is the greatest sustainer of the body and when you make it pure by taking Hood's Sarsaparilla you have the perfect health in which even hard work becomes ease.

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Hood's Pills cure liver ills; the non-irritating and only cathartic in use with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

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Find fault with yourself, but never with your wife.

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The front gate is now the rendezvous for youthful lovers.

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Moral courage is requisite to keep our troubles to ourself.

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Is a constitutional cure. Price, 75c.

Lilies of the valley are in high favor with brides and bridesmaids.

Faultless Starch.

Best and goes farthest, gives stiffness and elasticity. No sticking, blistering or breaking. Every grocer sells it, nearly everybody uses it. 10c a package.

A successful dentist must have an exceedingly strong pull.

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Shake into your shoes, Allen's Foot-Powder, a powder for the feet. It makes tight or New Shoes feel Easy. Cures Corns, Bunions, Swollen, Hot and Sweating Feet. At all Druggists and Shoe Stores, 25c. Sample sent FREE. Address Allen S. Olmsted, LeRoy, N. Y.

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LOUISVILLE, KY. NEW YORK, N. Y.
For sale by all Druggists.—Price 50c. per bottle.

CROP DIVERSIFICATION.

An Address Delivered on the Subject by J. H. Connell.

The following is a portion of an address by J. H. Connell, director of the Texas Experiment station, at Beeville, Tex.:

The first man was the first husbandman or farmer. In stretching forth his hand to supply his natural wants a diversity of products was ready for his use. But, not satisfied with the abundance of Eden, he craved to eat of the "tree of knowledge." He and the woman that was given him ate, but it is worthy of note that this pair and their children have ever since been busily employed in finding the wherewithal to supply the pangs of hunger that the fruits of the first garden were intended to satisfy. "The tree of knowledge" is now the staff upon which man leans while seeking his daily bread, and providing the place whereon to lay his head. No longer does a kind providence forestall and supply his needs before he realized their existence; no longer does the tree yield her fruit, or the herb its substance, without the application of knowledge through the medium of labor. Man works out his daily destiny in the sweat of his brow, and without the assistance of special knowledge secures only a living or bare subsistence while yearning for a competence. He succeeds in proportion to his wisdom and the opportunities granted him.

Hence men have organized themselves into associations to learn of each other and to increase the opportunities that each may enjoy. Such is the reason for the existence of this wide-reaching Truck Growers' association, and the same purposes are kept in view by the doctors of medicine, the lawyers of our courts, the bankers, merchants, railroads, colleges, universities and all those many clubs, societies and associations with which our people are so intimately connected. In the drive and rush of competitive conditions, the best knowledge of industrial and commercial feature is called to the front in support of its plan and to defend the very existence of the interest. Knowledge is the power that makes opportunities for the individual, and suggests and provides the means by which he may embrace them. So in all material affairs there is no help for us but self help.

It is to preach the gospel of "self help" in farming matters that I address you upon "Diversified Farming." Once begun the way is open to a continuous improvement in essentials. If rightly understood, it adds pleasure to our work and satisfies both the pecuniary and artistic sense. Unless we, as a people, are capable of diversified farming, we are doomed to the bondage and serfdom of ignorant peasantry. If a sale crop, such as cotton, fails to yield us the returns desired, we must be able to grow successfully something else or be ground under the wheels of the commercial juggernaut, competition. If we make cotton for a living, we must in the course of time be prepared to live on as little as the negro, Mexican or Indian coolie, who perform the bulk of this work. These are the hewers of wood and drawers of water for the world to-day. They constitute the mass of humanity, the apathetic, ignorant, blind workers in the treadmills of the nations. Their labors profit them nothing, and are brutalizing in many respects. See them as they toil, generation

after generation, the slaves of their fellows, of Superstition and Ignorance, and the worst of these is Ignorance. They largely compose the great throng of illiterates, the objects of the world's charity, the inmates of prisons and the dangerous element in government. To leaven this mass our American free school system was planned—was aimed at the ignorance of the masses. Only an enlightened citizenship can expect a free civil government, and certainly only enlightened and wise electors can wisely direct and control a government such as ours through the ballot.

To properly educate the farming element may by some be likened to "ventilating a millstone," but not so. The masses have made vast progress in education and culture since the Magna Charta was signed by England's king in 1215. Our American Declaration of Independence is another great mile stone upon the road to real mental and moral progress by the masses, and still the work of intellectual and moral regeneration proceeds among the people, despite the fact that children continue to be born in ignorance, and death limits the time of operation to less than forty years for the individual.

A country is prosperous so long as the value of exports exceeds that of imports, so of state, so of country, so of the individual. America, as a country, prospers as compared to other nations, because her people have a bountiful soil, good climate, and intelligence with which to employ these advantages. So Texas has done and individuals are now doing. The prosperity of the state, and any section, is the sum of the prosperity of its individuals. What have been the underlying causes of the increasing wealth of this state and that make Texas the rich field of capitalist and the safe homestead of the poor man? Unequalled soil and climate and intelligence. How can the most be made of soil and climate as vital factors? Study these and the world's markets while making sure that the farm yields food for wife and little ones. How to make money is certainly an absorbing problem, but how to meet the many wants of the household is much more urgent and the farmer is the only person so situated as to solve this problem without the aid or consent of other classes or the trusts—for he can supply his own wants. His position, if intelligently used, is a most powerful one.

What is diversification? A country may diversify its crops; a community may diversify; a farmer may diversify. To what extent may we safely go in this matter of diversification? We have heard enough of the farmer as the "backbone of the country," enough of this idea that "if the farmer does not succeed financially no other class will thrive." The tiller may produce far beyond his own wants and receive a meagre living only if he be not intelligent enough to hold the fruits of his labor and here is where "knowledge is power." To produce liberally of the fruits of the earth and retain a fair amount for his own uses is the part the progressive farmer must play.

A multiplicity of agricultural products constitutes a diversified ally. Although the chief products are now cotton and live stock, may she not, with profit, produce somewhat less of these and more of some others? She must, for cotton will no longer buy so much western pork, California or Colorado potatoes, Louisiana sugar, or Massachusetts cloth prints as it has done in recent years. We may

increase the Texas crop if we choose, but these items cannot be paid for with cotton as an only resource. It fails to pay the bills on our imports and forces retrenchment in expenses, a change of methods, and to new crops. It reduces the schooling of our children, cuts out the small home comforts of producing classes, and embitters the lives of thousands of those who have been engaged in this field of farm productions and who aspire to laudable planes of higher living than pinching poverty will permit. Oh, that we might inoculate these thousands with aspiration for special knowledge!

For a short while a single crop in a country or section may prove best, as in the opening of new countries, involving the utilization of new resources and the use of crude elements, but in a short while the pendulum swings back and an equilibrium is established. In early days before railroads and telegraph were introduced, it required a long while to equalize conditions and to settle into time-worn methods; now only a few years are needed to open, develop, settle and wear out the entire section; note the history of this matter in the eastern states and Europe.

A proper balanced diversification in Texas demands that as far as possible each section should produce its necessities, depend upon other states for its luxuries and condiments only. This is true, because Texas is an empire within her own boundaries, capable of producing, preserving, canning and manufacturing at least cost any or all of the important crops, and capital are here and we only need that special knowledge of these matters that will permit us to attain, in practical safety, this greatly desired industrial end.

How shall we study diversification? The slavery system has forced upon the people of the south cotton culture, because cotton was the only crop that might, with any safety, be left to the cultivation of the negro tenant. Thus, the illiteracy of this people has produced the plantation system and this has caused the one crop method, resulting in a crop of eleven million bales. But many intelligent people desire to quit the service of "King Cotton" and declare that they cannot. They say "we cannot raise other crops," or "we cannot market," or "lack capital," or "lack transportation." These are all essentials. How can they be assured to the man who has the will to diversify by raising largely some of these products—horses, mules, oxen, milk cattle, sheep, swine, bees, barley, buckwheat, corn, oats, rye, wheat, cotton, flax, hemp, sugar cane, sorghum, hay, rice, tobacco, broom corn, hops, Irish and sweet potatoes, peas, beans, cabbage, cauliflower, orchard fruits, onions, asparagus, celery, etc., etc., not forgetting the sturdy men and women who are nurtured as children under the liberal conditions of the diversified farm—all of which south Texas and the coast country can produce in quantity upon some of their varied soils?

For one, I do not question that within the past few decades the desire for education among the people and the pecuniary ability to secure such education, have progressed hand in hand, proving mutually helpful. In some instances, the form of education sought and acquired has in no way increased the earning capacity of the man or woman, or assured greater usefulness as parent or citizen. But, in the main, the education secured has been of

great value and education itself has continued to develop and has progressed toward ends of greater utility and higher merit. For many years learning was confined to the churches, the monasteries, and a few fortunates who received instructions under these influences. Very naturally, the languages and mathematics constituted the higher portions of the courses of study offered by the schools of that day. But more recently the field of education has broadened and our schools and colleges now recognize the necessity of proper study of the surroundings of man, as well as man historically considered. This has introduced the natural sciences, the study of things and how to influence man's environment for his own betterment. The industries and professions have been systematically studied and their fundamentals reduced to pedagogic form for the sake of economizing time and labor in acquiring useful information bearing upon the practice of law, medicine, the profession of the ministry and of teaching, and but recently the practice of agriculture in its varied form. To those farmers who have not had an introduction to the study of botany, chemistry, or geology, it is difficult for them to understand just how farming may be reasonably studied and fairly understood without serving a lifelong apprenticeship behind the plow handles or with the hoe in hand.

Let me briefly state and show how the ordinary farm operations may be thoroughly understood, and practiced with greater profit, with the help of a knowledge of chemistry, botany, geology, and physics: Let us see how such information will not only give us light upon a particular crop, but will, in a general way, inform us upon the life and habits of plants and animals, the methods of growth of each and every botanical form of plant life, the physiology and functions of all classes of domestic animals. We have a plant (for example, corn). In order to understand it in a general way, we must study, first, its structure; second, its composition; third, its physiology, and fourth, its climatic and soil environment. Each of these features of any plant may be systematically studied by following the outline indicated, which is applicable to a great variety of plants.

1. Farm crops (studied as to following points):

- 01—Classification:
 - 01—Cereals—corn, wheat, oats.
 - 02—Grasses—Timothy, Bermuda, Johnson, etc.
 - 03—Legumes—Alfalfa, field peas, beans, etc.
 - 04—Tubers—Potatoes, etc.
 - 05—Roots—Beets, turnips, radishes, etc.
 - 06—Fibers—Cotton, flax, hemp, jute, etc.
 - 07—Stimulants—Tobacco, tea, coffee, etc.
 - 08—Medicinal—Aromatic plants, mint, etc.
 - 09—Miscellaneous—Cassava, peanuts, castor, hops, etc.
- 02—Methods of improvement:
 - 01—Breeding.
 - 02—Selection.

2. Individual farm crops (studied as to following points):

- 01—Name.
- 02—Structure.
- 03—Composition.
- 04—Physiology.
- 05—Varieties.
- 06—Classification.
- 07—Improvement.
- 08—Distribution.
- 09—Culture:
 - 01—Choice and preparation of soil.
 - 02—Manuring.
 - 03—Seeds—Selection, amount, treatment.
 - 04—Planting.
 - 05—Cultivating.
 - 06—Place in rotation.
 - 07—Harvesting.
 - 08—Preservation.
 - 09—Uses.
- 10—Preparations for use.
- 11—Obstructions to growth, preservation, or use:
 - 01—Bad drainage.
 - 02—Drouth.
 - 03—Weeds.
 - 04—Fungi.
 - 05—Bac.eria.
 - 06—Insects.
 - 07—Birds.
 - 08—Quadrupeds.
 - 09—Winds.
 - 10—Production.
 - 11—Marketing.
 - 12—History.

Many of these final topics here mentioned may be further subdivided upon occasion when we desire to study them carefully, as in the use of manures.

3. Manures, (studied according to the following outline):

1. According to constituents:
 - 01—Nitrogenous.
 - 02—Phosphoric.
 - 03—Potassic.
 - 04—Other amendments.

2. According to form:
 - 01—Green manures.
 - 02—Animal manures.
 - 03—Commercial manures.
 - 04—Name—Chemical and physical properties.
 - 05—Sources.
 - 06—Uses.
 - 07—Preparation and care in handling.
 - 08—Application.
 - 09—Effects.
 - 001—Chemical.
 - 002—Physical.
 - 003—Biological.
 - 007—Economy.
 - 10—Effect of use on product.
 - 11—Pecuniary value.
3. Waste due to exposure and use:
 - 01—Removed by crop.
 - 02—By leaching.
 - 03—By washing.
 - 04—By oxidation.

Every home should have its collection of books and every farmer's home should contain some standard works on agriculture and a few special treatises upon that line of industry in which he is chiefly employed. The books of general value, and those that should be owned in every farm household are here suggested.

They require study as well as reading:

"First Lessons in Agriculture," Gully, \$1.00; "Agriculture," two volumes, Storer, \$5.00; "Soil Physics," King, \$1.00; "The Fertility of the Land," Roberts, \$1.25; "Farm Drainage," Trench, \$1.50; "Irrigation Engineering," Wilson, \$2.50; "Corn Culture," Morrow & Hunt, \$1.00; "Feeds and Feeding," Henry, \$2.00; "California Fruits," Wickson, \$3.00; "The New Horticulture," Stringfellow, \$1.00; "Profitable Poultry Keeping," \$1.50; "California Vegetables," Wickson, \$2.00.

Texas Boy in China.

Mr. W. McDaniels of Milford is in receipt of a letter from B. A. Berry, a Milford boy, who is in the service of the imperial maritime customs at Peking, China. Mr. Milford was principal of the Milford public schools in 1888 and 1889. He writes that about nine months ago he left America for the Philippines, but finding everything in an unsettled condition there he went to Hong Kong, China. He had no letters or recommendations, but the United States consul, without having known him, endorsed him for a position in the custom house, which he succeeded in securing at a fair salary. He says: "I fully intend to make a career of this service—spend at least fifteen years in it, at the end of which time, under favorable conditions, I will be able to retire with a snug little fortune. I have figured out that in six or seven years I will be an examiner with a salary of \$315 a month. There are higher grades, a tide surveyor getting \$630 a month. There is a premium on learning the Chinese language and I am devoting some time to that branch of knowledge. When I return to America I hope to be able to speak the Chinese language like a mandarin."

Fine Crops.

W. B. Freeman, a traveling man, who travels out of Denison in several different directions, in speaking of the crops said there was never finer wheat in that section of Texas. "The crop," he says, "is very promising. In some places the oats are inclined to be affected by rust and that may prove detrimental to them. Corn is as fine as a man could wish to see. In the country west and south of Denison there is a fine crop of alfalfa—something that is very valuable to the farmers in this country—and fattens stock until they look like butter balls. As a rule farmers say it is a very profitable crop and are raising much more of it this year than usual."

B. F. Fitzgerald, a lumberman was shot and killed by Ed Strahlem, his brother-in-law, at Hammond, La. Fitzgerald threatened to kill his wife, who was Strahlem's sister, when the latter took a gun and killed him.

The Leader.

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The new Carnegie Steel com-
pany begins with a capital of
\$625,000,000.

A cake walk at Enid, Ok., led
to a pitched battle in which fifty
shots were fired.

Methods adopted to kill competi-
tion and secure a monopoly are
no more commendable at home
than abroad.

Pimples, boils and other Humors
appear when the blood gets impure.
The best remedy is Dr. M. A. Sim-
mons Liver Medicine.

Admiral Dewey has sailed for
home and when he arrives his
reception will be such as right-
fully belongs to a hero.

The ex-confederates in reunion
at Charleston re-elected all the
old officers and voted to meet
next year in Louisville.

If "Out of Sorts," Cross and Pee-
vish, take Dr. M. A. Simmons Liver
Medicine. Cheerfulness will re-
turn and life acquire new zest.

Secretary of Agriculture Wil-
son, member of President Mc-
Kinley's cabinet, is in Texas on
an agricultural inspection, with
headquarters at College Station.

Health, Strength and Nerve Force
follow the use of Dr. M. A. Sim-
mons Liver Medicine, which insures
good Digestion and Assimilation.

The populist executive com-
mittee in Texas refuse to let the
dead and beautiful rest and are
still trying to galvanize the
corpse, says the Houston Post.

Purify the sewers of the body and stimu-
late the digestive organs to maintain health
strength and energy. PRICKLY ASH BITTERS
is a tonic for the kidneys, liver, stomach and
bowels. For sale by C. G. King.

The newly appointed land com-
missioner, Rogan, has tendered
the widow of the late Land Com-
missioner Finger a clerkship in
the land office and she has ac-
cepted it.

Simmons Squaw Vine Wine or
Tablets soften, relax and expand
muscles involved, decreasing labor
Pains and Shortening Labor.

A law has recently been passed
in Wisconsin which provides that
any official or delegate to a polit-
ical convention who shall use a
railroad pass or frank shall be
liable to imprisonment from one
to five years, or to a fine of \$1000.

Sour stomach, fullness after eating, flatu-
lence are all caused by imperfect digestion.
PRICKLY ASH BITTERS corrects the disorder
at once, drives out badly digested food and
tones the stomach, liver and bowels. For
sale by C. G. King.

From the number of judicial
hangings in Texas, the country
is to be congratulated that the
juries have at last decided that
murder is a greater crime than
horse theft, or even violations of
the local option law.

You cannot accomplish any work
or business unless you feel well. If
you feel "Used up, Tired out," take
Dr. M. A. Simmons Liver Medicine

As the Jersey City Journal says,
"a local government which keeps
in touch with the wishes and rea-
sonable demands of those who are
public spirited can not go far
wrong and such authorities al-
ways work through the various
heads of the department."

**Another Case of Rheumatism Cured
by Chamberlain's Pain Balm.**

My son was afflicted with rheu-
matism which contracted his right
limb until he was unable to walk.
After using one and a half bottles
of Chamberlain's Pain Balm he was
able to be about again. I can heart-
ily recommend it to persons suffer-
ing from rheumatism.—John Snider,
Freed, W. Va. For sale by
Graham Drug Co.

The New Orleans Picayune
notes that hostility to trusts is not
peculiar to the south, but is felt
in an even greater extent in the
west and northwest. There is,
in fact, a national demand for
anti-trust legislation which is
sure to figure in the next presi-
dential campaign and before the
next congress. The arraignment
of the trusts in universal, because
their baneful influence is felt all
over the country. The small mer-
chant, the small manufacturer,
the laboring man and even the
farmer, are the victims of the
trust's system of obliterating
competition in trade. The mer-
chant and manufacturer are
crushed; the laborer is forced to
accept lower wages, because there
is no longer the same competition
for his services and the farmer
finds that he has for his product
but a single buyer, who dictates
the price to suit himself. The
entire mass of the population is
oppressed, because forced to pay
higher prices for the necessities
of life.

It Saves the Children.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy
has saved the lives of thousands of
croupy children. It is also without
an equal for colds and whooping
cough. Graham Drug Co.

The people can, by reading the
county papers know the men of
enterprise who are working for
the town. Every successful man
who works to bring a large trade
to the town is its benefactor, and
should receive the patronage of
the people who are interested in
its prosperity and growth.—
Jacksboro Gazette.

The people who work for a town
make the town, and the size,
neatness and prosperity of a town
are an index to the character of
the people. In Texas, away from
the gulf, very few towns have
natural advantages over others.
Therefore the big ones have been
made big, and in many instances
the small ones have been kept
small, by the people. The rail-
roads have made the most of
them, but the people went down
in their pockets to get the roads.
—Dallas News.

Keep Quiet

and use Chamberlain's Colic, Chol-
era and Diarrhoea Remedy for all
pains in the stomach and all unnat-
ural looseness of the bowels. "It
always cures. Graham Drug Co.

It is well to keep a watch on
irrigation schemes. In Arizona
all the water has been acquired
by corporations and no man can
farm without their permission
and otherwise than on their terms.
Hundreds of small farms on the
Gila river have been abandoned
because the water has all been
taken out to irrigate the lands of
the irrigation companies. Inde-
pendent farming has almost ceas-
ed to exist in that territory, and
whoever would till even their own
soil must pay from \$3.50 to \$5
per acre for the privilege, for there
farming cannot be done without
water, and the water is the ac-
quired property of corporations.

Many old soldiers now feel the
effects of the hard service they en-
dured during the war. Mr. Geo.
S. Anderson, of Rossville, York
county, Penn., who saw the hardest
kind of service at the front, is now
frequently troubled with rheuma-
tism. "I had a severe attack late-
ly," he says, "and procured a bot-
tle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm. It
did so much good that I would like
to know what you would charge me
for one dozen bottles." Mr. An-
derson wanted it both for his own use
and to supply it to his friends and
neighbors, as every family should
have a bottle of it in their home,
not only for rheumatism, but lame
back, sprains, swellings, cuts, bruise
and burns, for which it is un-
equalled. For sale by Graham
Drug Co.

It is really useless to say any-
thing more about the army beef
than to say it was packed by re-
publican packers, bought by re-
publican officers, inspected by re-
publican inspectors and de-
fended by a republican adminis-
tration. The fact that it was
thrown up by democratic soldiers
is the last nail in the coffin.—
Clarksville Times.

"Every Well Man Hath His Ill Day."

A doctor's examination
might show that kidneys,
liver and stomach are normal,
but the doctor cannot analyze
the blood upon which these
organs depend.

Hood's Sarsaparilla purifies, vitalizes
and enriches the blood. It cures you
when "a bit off" or when seriously
afflicted. It never disappoints.

Dyspepsia.—"My husband had dyspep-
sia and Hood's Sarsaparilla cured him.
Our little boy was nervous and the baby
had ulcerous sores. It cured both." Mrs.
EMMA BEBE, Portage, Pa.

Indigestion.—"I could not eat for some
months on account of distress and indiges-
tion. Hood's Sarsaparilla cured me so that
I can eat and sleep well." Mrs. G. A. GUSTY,
Taylor and Walnut Sts., Wilmington, Del.

Hood's Sarsaparilla
Never Disappoints

Hood's Pills cure liver ills; the non-irritating and
only cathartic to take with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

HOW TO FIND OUT.

Fill a bottle or common glass with
your water and let it stand twenty-
four hours; a sediment or settling
indicates an unhealthy condition of
the kidneys; if it stains your linen
it is evidence of kidney trouble; too
frequent desire to pass it or pain in
the back is also convincing proof
that the kidneys and bladder are
out of order.

WHAT TO DO.

There is comfort in the knowl-
edge often expressed, that Dr. Kilmer's
Swamp-Root, the great kidney rem-
edy fulfills every wish in curing
rheumatism, pain in the back, kid-
neys, liver, bladder and every part
of the urinary passage. It corrects
inability to hold water and scalding
pain in passing it, or bad effects fol-
lowing use of liquor, wine or beer,
and overcomes that unpleasant ne-
cessity of being compelled to go of-
ten 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 ab-
solutely free by mail; address Dr.
Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y.
When writing mention that you read
this generous offer in THE GRAHAM
LEADER.

Volunteer Homeward Movement.

Washington, May 22.—The war
department is proceeding on the
theory that by the end of July not
a volunteer soldier will be left in
Manila, and Gen. Otis' report to-
day that the transport Warren
has arrived advances the time
when the homeward movement of
the volunteer troops will begin.
Already notice has been issued
that mail for the first California
and second Oregon volunteer
regiments should not be sent to
Manila, but to San Francisco.

"What's in a name?" The word "bit-
ters" does not always indicate something
harsh and disagreeable. PRICKLY ASH BIT-
TERS is proof of this. It cleanses, strength-
ens and regulates the system thoroughly,
yet it is so pleasant the most delicate stom-
ach will not object to it. Sold by C. G. King.

Dot was very fond of Bible sto-
ries, and one day, after her moth-
er had read the story of Lot's
wife, she asked, "Mamma, what
did Mr. Lot do when his wife
turned into a pillar of salt?"
"What do you think he did?"
asked mamma.

"Why," replied the practical
little miss, "I s'pose he went out
and hunted up a fresh one."—
Religious Herald.

A late estimate of the winter
wheat crop of Kansas puts it at
25,000,000 bushels, providing it
suffers no further serious damage
before harvest. This is less than
half what the crop was last year.

Don't live in hope with your
arms folded. As the negro
preacher said: "Bredren, de
Lawd will provide, but you got
to hustle."

John D. Claws, aged 102 years,
was married recently at Franklin,
Pa., to Sarah Jennings, 100 years
old.

Three Times as Much.

"I was troubled with loss of appetite and
was generally run down. I bought three
bottles of Hood's Sarsaparilla and when I
had taken two I was able to eat three times
as much as before. I always keep Hood's
in the house and cheerfully recommend it."
M. T. SIEVERS, 283 Lonaca St., San An-
tonio, Texas.

That distress after eating is prevented by
one or two of Hood's Pills. They don't gripe.

Mr. A. Curry, (aged 31) Pike, Tex.
writes: Since my first recollection,
father had no doctor in his family
except Dr. M. A. Simmons Liver
Medicine, which cured our Indi-
positions from Disordered Liver.
I think it at least 50 per cent strong-
er than the Black Draught I used.

A Texas Wonder! Hall's Great Discovery.

One small bottle of Hall's Great Discov-
ery cures all kidney and bladder troubles,
removes gravel, cures diabetes, seminal re-
missions, weak and lame back, rheumatism
and all irregularities of the kidneys and blad-
der in both men and women. Regulates
bladder trouble in children. If not sold by
your druggist, will be sent by mail on re-
ceipt of \$1. One small bottle is two months
treatment and will cure any case above men-
tioned.
E. W. HALL, Sole
Manufacturer, P. O. box 218, Waco, Tex.
For sale by all druggists of Texas.

READ THIS.

Dallas, Tex., Oct. 14, 1898.—This is to
certify that I have been considered incurable
by two good physicians, both saying I had
Bright's Kidney Disease. After using one
and one-half bottle of Hall's Great Discov-
ery, of Waco, I think my troubles are at an
end. H. W. BROWN, St. George Hotel.

ARRIVED THIS WEEK !!

1 Car (25) of the NEW CANTON WAGONS,
1 Car Cultivators, Corn and Cotton, and Check
Row Planters, Chilled Plows.

We have the largest, most complete and best line of

IMPLEMENTS

Ever brought to this country, consisting of

Bain and Canton Wagons and Buggies, all styles of Cul-
tivators, Corn and Cotton Planters, Walking and Sulky
Listers, Disc and Sulky Plows, Wheat Drills, Stalk
Cutters. All styles of Turning Plows, Disc Har-
rows, Seeders, etc. Binders and Binder Twine
have been and are a specialty with us.

We have the Goods, want your trade and will
make prices and terms to get it.

Yours to Serve,

DENMAN & SONS.

Graham and Jacksboro, Texas.

A Good Druggist to fill your Prescriptions is as neces-
sary as a good Doctor to write them.

POISONOUS

Drugs you must take because your Physician prescribes
them. Your

PRESCRIPTIONS

Calling for poisons like Strychnine, Arsenic, &c., and all
other prescriptions as well, will receive the utmost
care in our hands, and will be

ACCURATELY FILLED

With the purest DRUGS obtainable. We take a pride in
our PRESCRIPTIONS and ask that you give us a
trial, and be convinced of the superi-
ority of our work.

AKIN & MATTHEWS.

No trouble to fill night prescriptions as Edgar Matthews
rooms in rear of store.

The Star Drug Store.

Jno. T. Robinson, Proprietor.

North Side Square, Jacksboro, Tex.

Everything Kept That Can Be Found in a First-Class
Drug Store.

Prescriptions Carefully Compounded.

Widmayer & Lauster,

Blacksmith & Woodshop.

If you want your Buggy, Wagon, Plow, in fact anything you have re-
built or repaired, don't forget to call on us before going elsewhere. All work
guaranteed to be first class. We also sell Buggy and Wagon material.

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LOCAL NEWS NOTES.

Fine weather for pic nics.

Vegetables of all kinds are becoming plentiful.

Mrs. Lasater is visiting her children in the country.

Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Crawford are visiting in New Orleans.

John Hunt and family were down from Farmer on Monday.

H. Todd, of Weatherford, was in Graham Tuesday and Wednesday.

Mrs. G. W. Ellis has been on the sick list, but has almost recovered.

Attend the Graham Normal and obtain a state certificate for four years.

Eld. G. W. Black and family have been visiting friends in the Northwest corner of the county.

The river was bank full on Tuesday—a big volume of water coming down from the upper country.

The past week or so of pleasant weather has enabled the farmers to get their crops in good condition.

Any one having a fair knowledge of arithmetic, grammar, etc., should attend the Graham Normal.

Uncle Bush Lawrence is still suffering some from the effects of a fall sustained last week, but is recovering.

Wheat is reported looking well and many farmers are getting ready for harvesting, which will begin soon.

A contagion of measles exists in several communities in the county, but no serious results are reported.

Wm. Rheders is at home from Jacksboro this week, but will return soon to finish up his work in that town.

Cotton Hoes, all shapes and sizes, at lowest figures.
HOLLINGSWORTH & DOWDLE.

Mrs. J. Y. Leavell of Pecos was here a few days ago to attend the funeral of her father, the late Judge A. G. Woods.

Miss Lyen, the popular milliner, has been quite sick at the residence of Mrs. Jewell, but is now reported convalescent.

A lamp exploded at the residence of E. W. Johnson Friday night, which caused some excitement until the fire was extinguished. Damage light.

Every one desiring to teach school or to do much work in a short time should attend the Normal at Graham.

Several cases of sickness, confined principally to derangement of the stomach, are reported in town; but there seems to be no sickness of a serious nature.

Robt. Fowler, of the third regiment, United States engineers, arrived in Graham Monday evening and received a warm welcome from many old friends. His regiment was mustered out recently at Atlanta, Ga.

The best material and most artistic workmanship in monuments, tombstones, etc., at prices as low as can be obtained anywhere. Photographic designs can be seen and full information had by calling at THE LEADER office.

Editor J. W. Graves was confined to his home by illness for several days this week. His daughter, Jessie, has also been quite sick, but they are now almost well again.

Cut the weeds down and clean up your premises. Graham has the reputation of being the prettiest and cleanest town in the state and we must sustain our reputation, so let's go to work and clean up.

W. H. Logan has let the contract to Jno. H. Wood for the erection of a one-story brick business house on the west side of the square, work upon which will begin next Monday and pushed rapidly to completion.

We meet any and all competition in the Hardware or Implement line, whether cash or time.
HOLLINGSWORTH & DOWDLE.

Four brave fishermen stayed all night down on Salt creek Friday night and came home Saturday morning with the usual "fisherman's luck." They could not bring any fish home with them, but "had all they wanted to eat."

Mr. Roger Denman and bride, who were married at Jacksboro last week, are expected here today, where they will reside in future. Mr. Justin Denman of Bowie and Miss May Sewell of Jacksboro were also married at the same time and place.

Assessor W. P. Beckham has finished the tax assessments for this year and will commence making out the tax rolls as soon as his inventories are passed upon by the commissioners' court, which will meet for that purpose on the second Monday in June.

Mr. T. M. Sitton, one of the oldest and most respected citizens of the county, died of paralysis at his home west of town last Friday and the remains were laid to rest at Medlan's Chapel on Saturday. Deceased leaves a large family and hosts of friends to deplore his death.

For Sale.

Thirteen hundred head of sheep. Apply to T. F. KINDLEY, Graham, Texas.

We notice in an exchange where a man last April gave his wife a counterfeit ten dollar bill to fool her, and the next thing he heard from it, was a message informing him that she was arrested for passing the bill, and he had to pay her fine, one hundred dollars. Moral—don't give your wife any money.

One of the largest funeral processions ever witnessed here followed the remains of the late Col. E. S. Graham to Oak Grove cemetery on Thursday afternoon. The business houses were closed and nearly every citizen of the town as well as many from the country joined in paying the last sad tribute to one whom they admired and respected in life.

Judge A. G. Woods died at the residence of W. V. Bigham on Dillingham prairie last Saturday, after a painful illness of some two or three weeks. The body was brought to Graham on Sunday and laid to rest in Oak Grove cemetery. Judge Woods was in the 78th year of age and was a remarkably brightly and vigorous man until stricken with his last illness. He leaves four sons and four daughters, with numerous grand-children and hosts of other relatives and friends to regret his death. Deceased was one of our oldest citizens and was well known throughout the country.

An Illicit Still Destroyed.

Deputy Revenue Collector Andrew McCampbell, with Deputy Marshal Rector and Deputy Collector Sharp, arrived in Graham Saturday evening for the purpose of destroying an illicit still in this county and capturing the manufacturers of "moonshine" whiskey. They were joined here by Sheriff H. C. Williams, Mr. G. L. Aynsworth and Constable John Blair of the Goose Neck precinct and proceeded to the Cove creek neighborhood, where the still had been located.

The officers secreted themselves near the still and waited for daylight and further developments. About ten o'clock Sunday morning they were rewarded for their patience by the appearance upon the scene of Frank Ribble and G. W. Underwood, who were put under arrest and disarmed before they had time to make any effectual resistance.

A forty-gallon still and several gallons of mash were found and destroyed. The prisoners were lodged in jail here Sunday night and were taken to Fort Worth on Monday, where they will answer in the federal court to the charge of illicit distilling.

It has been suspected for some time that "white mule" whiskey was being made somewhere in Young or Palo Pinto counties, and the revenue officers have evidently been waiting for a "dead cinch" before making a raid.

The closing exercises of the Graham Public school were held in the Methodist church on Friday evening. Appropriate addresses were delivered by Prof. J. N. Johnston and Eld. M. L. McDowell, after which the graduates of the session just closed, about twenty in number, were presented with teachers' certificates, there being three receiving first grade and the remainder second grade certificates. Our public school is turning out teachers in a hurry, many of them quite youthful, but thanks to the thorough instruction received in this school, they are enabled to meet the rigid requirements of the state examining board and their papers when graded and approved show as high an average of perfection as is obtained in any school.

The executive committee of Young County Camp, United Confederate Veterans will meet at Eliasville to-morrow to determine the matter of holding a reunion this year. It is said that a majority of the committee are in favor of having a reunion this year, but they desire to turn the matter over to the Sons of Veterans. The veterans claim, and very reasonably, too, that they are too old to take upon themselves the burden of managing another reunion, but are willing to be succeeded by the younger men. It is believed the "boys" will take hold of the business at once and will get up such a big thing in the reunion line that the veterans will be sorry they turned it loose.

Mrs. Nancy Gaylor died at Gertrude last Saturday, aged 69 years. Mrs. Gaylor had been sick but a short time when she was called hence. Her brother, Mr. P. L. Gibson, was with her in her last hours and returned from Gertrude on Monday. Deceased leaves two sons, Messrs. W. T. and John Gaylor, together with numerous other relatives and a large circle of friends to mourn her death.

The Sunday school picnic was pulled off Wednesday, as per schedule, at the bridge on Salt creek. The various schools united and made the occasion a picnic in every sense of the term. There was no music nor big speeches to interfere with blissful and uninterrupted tete-a-tetes, and it was evident that many sweet things were said to the many sweet girls. The older folks, too, had an opportunity to enjoy themselves in quiet conversation and to relish the news, past, present and prospective. The little folks were in their element, as they always are upon occasions of this kind, and enjoyed a gala day indeed. The dinner was an important feature and contributed more than anything else to the solid enjoyment of the day. Taking it all in all the picnic was a grand success and the occasion will be remembered with pleasure by all who attended.

Notice.

The Deering Binders have arrived, and those who have placed orders with us for machines will please call and get them. Also, those who have not secured a machine yet, we have a few extra.
HOLLINGSWORTH & DOWDLE.

The third quarterly conference for Graham circuit will be held at Salem, Friday, June 2nd. Preaching at 11 a. m., dinner on ground, quarterly conference at 3 p. m. Preaching at night by presiding elder. Everybody invited. T. S. BARCUS, P. C.

City Marshal John Taylor is making some wonderful improvements on Oak street. The thoroughfare is being made level, which not only adds to its appearance, but to the comfort and convenience of the public.

The Misses Eaves opened an ice cream parlor in Mrs. Stewart's millinery house last Saturday evening. Ice cream was dispensed free of charge at the opening.

Railroad news is scarce and almost "noncomeatable." Work on the Circle Belt is progressing favorably, however, and we will hear something "drap" pretty soon.

T. J. Hicks has leased the wagon yard on Fourth street and will move his barbecue business there. Go and see him in his new quarters.

No rain of any consequence this week, but the prospect for more moisture is encouraging.

The ice men are beginning to get in their work since the hot weather commenced.

Graduated at Galveston.

Mr. H. L. Wilder returned Monday from Galveston, where he had just completed a four year's course in the medical department of the State university, taking his diploma at this session. Lawler is a Weatherford boy and has many friends here who are glad to see him graduate, and wish him success and prosperity in his chosen profession. He has not decided as to where he will at first hang out his shingle, but will probably go to Fort Worth. He has always been a studious young man and bears the best character among those who know him, and not only deserves success in this life, but is made of the kind of material which takes men to the top of the ladder in a professional or business career in spite of adversity.—Weatherford Democrat.

THE LEADER has always felt an interest in Lawler's welfare, as he was perhaps the first child born in Graham, and he and THE LEADER were born on the same day, viz: August 16th, 1876. He and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Wilder, have many old friends in Graham who are pleased to learn of his success.

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S. A. BARNES, Pastor.

Movers and prospectors are passing through Graham every day and many of them are inquiring for homes in this county.

Marriage license was issued this week to Mr. James Bloodworth and Miss Mary E. Dallas.

Some of the fishing crowd, who went west last week, returned Wednesday.

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BASS' LAST FIGHT.
Noted Highwayman Met His Fate at Round Rock.

A DESPERATE TRAIN ROBBER.

He Died With His Boots On and During His Career as a Bandit Led the Officers Several Chases.

Bass the Bandit.

At Round Rock in Williamson county repose the remains of one the most desperate train robbers and all-around highwaymen that ever operated in the Lone Star state.

It was in the spring of 1878 that Sam Bass met his fate in this town, and when he died with his boots on the southwest was rid of a criminal, who coming to Texas from Indiana got together a band and proceeded to lead the officers a lively chase.

The gang held up two Texas and Pacific and two Houston and Texas Central trains near Dallas and then planned to loot a bank at Round Rock, after which they proposed invading Mexico.

On lovely May morning the Bass gang rode into Round Rock. Over the town they scattered, the understanding being that they were to meet at a certain spot and from there proceed to attack the bank.

Meanwhile, unknown to the bandits, a squad of mounted Texas rangers had been pressing hard upon the trail of the gang and within an hour after they entered Sergt. Dick Ware with ten rangers arrived. He was not aware the robbers were so near and they did not know of the rangers' proximity.

The climax came by accident. One of the ruffians who had entered a store to make some purchases, in reaching for his purse to make payment, displayed a big Colt's revolver. An officer saw the weapon and said: "I will have to relieve you of that six-shooter." Drawing his weapon the desperado shot the officer, who was city marshal, dead.

Upon this the robber rushed out of the store and immediately his comrades came running to the scene, but no faster than did the rangers, ready for action. In a second it seemed as if both sides had the situation revealed, and the robbers turned to run to the place their horses were tied, one block from where the marshal was murdered. Before he had run fifty yards Dick Ware had sent a bullet in the head of Barnes, the lieutenant of Bass, which laid the highwayman low. Bass, mortally wounded, managed to get on his horse, which he urged at break-neck speed. The animal ran for three miles and stopped to graze and Bass fell off, faint from loss of blood. He was found in a dying condition a few hours later and taken to Round Rock, where he died. Ware he recognized as his slayer and gave him his horse. Bass said if he had known the rangers were so near they would have robbed the bank at once.

The 5-year-old son of Mr. Ellis of the Bee creek community in Ellis county died of hydrophobia a few days ago. He was bitten about a month since and an application was made of a madstone, which adhered for several hours, but the terrible results could not be averted. Several other people in the community and a number of animals were bitten by the same dog.

Several Bills Passed.

Yett's joint resolution exempting manufactories from taxation for ten years was killed in senate Tuesday.

Bill passed for reorganization of state militia under army regulations.

Bill providing for irrigation districts and levying and collection of taxes for reservoirs, dams, etc., passed to third reading.

Wooten's concurrent resolution indorsing Trans-Mississippi exposition at St. Louis was adopted.

Resolution petitioning Texas members of congress to secure an appropriation to provide deep water in Brazos river passed.

Bill prohibiting pawnbrokers, etc., from purchasing articles from children without [written consent passed.

In house action on game protection law was postponed.

Bill making it a felony to bribe a school trustee or for a school trustee to accept a bribe came up. Senate bill extending law to judicial and legislative officials was substituted and passed.

Bill preventing and punishing unlawful marriages passed.

Bill passed punishing mutilation, etc., of public records or documents.

Bill changing name of state orphan home to orphan home or asylum and fixing salary of superintendent at \$1000, to conform to existing statute, passed.

Bill permitting railroad commission to fix emergency freight rates passed.

Governor signed Katy railway and anti-rebate bills.

Blood Spilled.

At Huntington, Ark., the coal miners' trouble reached a crisis and strikers, armed with guns and dynamite, attacked two boarding houses at Huntington and mine No. 53, a mile and a half out of town. John Wright, a striker, who leaves a wife and three children, was shot dead, and Kinney Campbell, a guard for the Kansas and Texas Coal company, was twice wounded. A sack containing thirty masks and a quantity of dynamite was found near the body of Wright. A bomb exploded under a window of one of the boarding houses, blowing out one side of the building. A posse was sent by the sheriff to scene of trouble.

The Filipino junta at London ridicule the statement that Aguinaldo is a fugitive. They say he is in the Carballos mountains; that he is inaccessible; that the inhabitants use poisoned arrows and that it is impossible for the Americans to follow him there.

Rear Admiral Watson departed from San Francisco for Manila on the 16th. Before leaving the admiral shook hands with numerous friends, but on the rosy cheeks of a dozen lovely lassies he imprinted kisses so artistically as to prove himself in the same oscillatory class as Hobson.

Supreme court of the United States has declared the Curtis act constitutional. One hundred and fifteen cases were involved in the decision, covering contentions in citizenship contests from Cherokee, Chickasaw, Creek and Seminole nations. Appeals in citizenship cases from the Dawes commission, the court declares, can only be taken to the territorial courts.

Mrs. L. A. Wilkinson and her son were badly beaten by an unknown man at San Antonio while returning from church.

Awful Crime Charges.

Winnie Roach, a mulatto woman, was only saved from lynching at Atlanta, Ga., at the hands of colored people by the opportune arrival of the police, who took her to a station house. She and her husband are charged with burning their four little children nearly to death by igniting paper saturated with kerosene with which their bodies had been enveloped. The husband left when he discovered the deeds had been found out. The woman had just returned home and was preparing to torture the children again when the crowd broke in. One child had the flesh burned off her legs in several places and the remaining three are also burned in a terrible manner. The children said their father and mother beat them and then wrapped paper saturated with kerosene around their bodies, afterward setting it on fire; that while the paper was burning they were held to keep them from running, and when they screamed they were beaten.

The House.

An effort made by Childs in the house Monday to reconsider the vote by which senate bill punishing unjust discriminations by railroad officers and employes passed to third reading failed and bill passed.

Bill increasing occupation tax on ten-pin alleys from \$100 to \$250 passed.

Bill imposing a tax of 2 per cent on incomes was engrossed.

Conference committee report imposing an occupation tax on physicians was adopted.

House bill relative to changing lines between school districts was passed to engrossment.

Dewey Testimonial.

Assistant Secretary of Treasury Vanderslip; Assistant Secretary of Navy Allen; Assistant Postmaster General Heath; Gen. Corbin and United States Treasurer Roberts are a national committee to raise funds to be used for the purchase at Washington of a home for Admiral Dewey. Gen. Angus, editor of the Baltimore American made the first contribution, \$250. A handsomely engraved receipt will be sent each contributor. All remittances are to be sent Mr. Roberts. A formal address to the public has been issued.

Wilson at Houston.

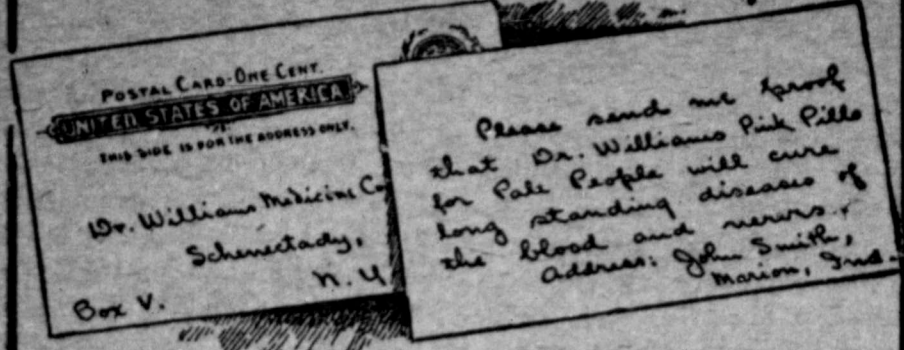
Secretary of Agriculture Wilson arrived at Houston on the 16th and was cordially welcomed. In an interview the secretary said in a plain, agricultural way that he came to Texas to find out the desires of the farmers and discussed agricultural matters at some length. James W. Wilson, his son, accompanied him.

The tin-clad gunboats Laguna de Bay and Cavadonga and also a launch ran into a nest of insurgents concealed in the brush on both sides of the Rio Grande river three miles above Calumpit and were received with heavy volleys at short range. A sergeant belonging to the Utah battery was killed and a private wounded. The Americans killed twenty-two and wounded several.

President Diaz of Mexico and Governor General Minto of Canada and their cabinets have been invited to be present at Chicago Oct. 9 at the laying of the cornerstone of the government building. Assurances have been received that all parties will attend.

Fifteen guests were poisoned at a Hot Springs, Ark., hotel by eating canned lobster. It required three physicians to save them.

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To a Lawrence Journal reporter Mr. G. H. Snyder, a well known citizen of Lawrence, Kan., related a wonderful story. He said: "I am now seventy years of age. About three years ago I experienced a coldness or numbness in the feet, then creeping up my legs, until it reached my body. I grew thin, appetite poor and did not relish my food. I became unable to move about. Consulted several distinguished physicians, one telling me I had locomotor ataxia, another, creeping paralysis. I took their medicines but continued to grow worse. A friend advised me to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. Before I had finished my first box I found that they were benefiting me. I used twelve boxes and was perfectly cured. Although over six months since I used my last pill there has been no return of the disease. My appetite is good and general health better than for many years."

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It may be interesting to note the following statement of mileage of the New York Central, leased and operated lines, which shows the total miles of track east of Buffalo as 6,114.81.

It is, of course, generally known that some of the western lines have a greater mileage, but their tracks run through a number of sparsely settled states, while the trackage of the New York Central and leased lines is all in the densely populated States of New York and Pennsylvania, accommodating, by its numerous trains, millions of passengers each year.

Here is the mileage of the New York Central leased and operated lines:

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Spuyten Duyvil & Port Morris.....	6.94
New York & Putnam.....	61.21
Troy & Greenbush.....	5.00
Mohawk & Malone and branches.....	181.80
Rome, Watertown & Ogdensburg and branches.....	624.85
Carthage & Adirondack.....	45.10
Gouverneur & Oswego.....	12.05
New Jersey Junction.....	4.85
West Shore and branches.....	496.20
Essex Creek and branches.....	157.23
Walkill Valley.....	23.95
Syracuse, Geneva & Corning and branches.....	64.52
Fall Brook and branches.....	109.70
Pine Creek.....	14.90
Troy Hollow.....	1.23
St. Lawrence & Adirondack.....	54.40
Terminal Railway of Buffalo.....	11.00
Total.....	2,899.85
Miles of track.....	4,452.53
Miles of siding.....	1,609.95

Total number of miles of track and siding..... 6,114.81
—Buffalo Express, April 6, 1899.

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In the east end of London a lucrative trade is followed by some score or so of women. The pawnbrokers there are very numerous and never lack for clients. Among the latter, however, are some who do not relish the idea of being brought into personal contact with "uncle."

It is for the special benefit of these that the pawnbroker's agent exists. She goes several times a day to the pawnbrokers with articles belonging to the bashful ones, for whom she gets the highest sums procurable on the items pledged.

For her services she receives a percentage on the amount obtained. Another enterprising London woman has hit on a capital although probably painful business. She earns a profitable living by "breaking in" boots for leaders of society. She wears them for a few days until they become easy and comfortable to their owners.

Street organs and monkeys always amuse children and grown folks.

The path of duty, like a hair line, is very narrow, and it is extremely difficult to unvaryingly follow.

Treat a dog decent and he will never forsake you.

Labor Home.

The Episcopal Church army will establish a labor home in Pittsburg, for the reclamation of degraded and homeless men. It will have a large dormitory with 100 cots, a large bathroom, a laundry, a library and reading room, a dining room, a kitchen and office and a workroom, where kindling wood and boxes will be prepared for sale. As soon as the business will warrant it, a horse and wagon will be purchased for the purpose of delivering wood and boxes to purchasers, and for the purpose of collecting donations for the kitchen. It is hoped in this way to make the home almost, if not quite, self-sustaining after the first year. No man will be admitted to the home until he has done at least two hours' work in advance. Four hours' work entitles a man to lodging and meals. Two hours' work will be allowed for himself, the daily profit of these two hours to be paid to the man at the end of stated periods. After a man has proved himself to be true and industrious, other employment will be sought for him.

Did Not Wait.

At a military bazaar an officer thought he fancied a certain article exposed for sale at one of the stalls, and he was certain he fancied the lady who presided at the stall.

He remarked, therefore, that he thought that particular article very pretty. The lady said: "Yes, it is very pretty. My mother sent it."

"Ah, weally," pursued the officer, determined to discover the name of the owner of the eyes that had bewitched him—really, let me see—I think I have met your mother. Her name is—"

"The Queen of England," answered the lady.

The officer did not wait for the fan-
article.

Queer Compact.

There are three manufacturers of upholstery goods who have immense factories in Philadelphia who are partners, and who are also bachelors. The latter circumstance is due to a queer compact made when they were young. The three partners started in a little mill with but three looms. When they began they made an agreement that one of them could not get married without the consent of the other two. The firm grew immensely wealthy and the compact was faithfully kept. The years passed and the time limitations expired, but the three are yet unmarried. Marriageable young ladies refer to the trio as the "golden geese."

Compound Locomotives.

A dozen or more of the 45 consolidation compound freight locomotives, recently ordered for use on the southwestern division of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad, are in service and are giving splendid satisfaction. On the Mississippi division they have increased the train haul 40 per cent over the old line. When the grade reductions are completed the improvement will be even more noticeable. The compound ten wheel passenger engines have developed unexpected pulling power and unusual speed.

The trolley party will soon be much in evidence.

Great Collection.

The owner of probably the greatest private collection of autographs in the world, Alexander Polony, has died in Vienna. His collection was so large that it filled the entire upper story of his house. Polony possessed the autographs of over 30,000 persons, not only of moderns, but of mediaeval and renaissance persons as well. He was not particular as to age, religion, profession. All he stood out for was that the autograph was to be that of a person of certain historical importance. He possessed original writings which have not yet been printed of Michael Angelo and Marie Antoinette, letters by Calvin and Luther, Schiller and Goethe, pages of music by Wagner and Beethoven, original documents from the eleventh century, private letters of Canova, old Hebrew scrolls, and sermons by famous Hussites. It was Polony's greatest pleasure to show his treasures to scholars and to bewilder them with the wealth and variety of the materials which he placed before them in the calculated disorder we have attempted to describe. He began life as an apprentice to a Leipzig bookseller. His greatest success was with a magnificent collection of Durer's drawings, which he happened on quite accidentally and sold to the Royal gallery in Berlin for a prodigious sum of money. Polony had no scientific or historical knowledge, but he had a genius for collecting, and it was as a collector he was known throughout the world.

Delicate Present.

A girl who for nine years has worked in a certain Norristown mill was married recently, and from the carding, spinning and weaving overseers, because she had worked so faithfully she received a present as delicate and rare and beautiful as ever graced the nuptials of a princess. The men gave her three handkerchiefs, each of them so light that with a breath they could be blown to the ceiling, for they were woven of thistle-down. This stuff is common on the Norristown meadows, and on the plant.

HOME duties to many women seem more important than health.

No matter how ill they feel, they drag themselves through the daily tasks and pile up trouble.

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both hind feet, white streak in face and on
nose. This March 31, 1899.
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The Trusts.
There was much discussion and
some excitement in the state a few
weeks since when the anti-trust
bill was introduced in the Texas
legislature. The bill was an ex-
act copy of a recent statute en-
acted by the legislature of Arkan-
sas. From one cause and another
action in both the house and senate
was deferred. In the mean-
time the lawmakers at Austin
heard from home and they learned
that a large majority of the peo-
ple were heartily in favor of any
measure calculated to head off
the trusts. The result of this
delay has been that a new bill
was introduced in the senate, and
which passed both houses with
very little opposition. The new
bill was carefully prepared and
has a much wider scope than the
original Arkansas bill. It has a
drag-net appearance and is sup-
posed to be a measure which will
catch all forms of trusts and com-
binations of both a large and
small nature.

The recent activity in the for-
mation of trusts and combinations
with large capital has aroused the
people to a realization that they
must at once do something for
self protection, or sooner or later
be so much at the mercy of these
monsters they will find themselves
practically helpless.
In some quarters there is found
an occasional defender of the
trusts, but it is a hard matter to
convince the people that they are
not organized for the purpose of
buying up and shutting off com-
petition, the restriction of pro-
duction, thereby throwing thou-
sands of people out of employ-
ment and ultimately the plundering of
the people.
It is not too early at this date
for the people and the legislatures
of the various states to begin a
fight for the suppression of this
growing evil, and the evil is of
such a nature that drastic meas-
ures are necessary. It will take
a strong, hard fight to get the
best of them, and the sooner the
fight is begun the better it will
be for the people.
As suggested by Gov. Sayers,
a conference of all the governors
and attorney generals of the
southern and western states look-
ing to concerted action on the
part of the various states relative
to trust legislation will be a step
in the right direction. Gov. Sayers
has received numerous and
satisfactory replies from nearly
all the states already.—Weather-
ford Democrat.

An Alaskan Terminus.
On the White Pass and Yukon
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at the summit of the mountains
near White Pass City freight is
transferred to sleds for transpor-
tation to Lake Bennett, forty
miles away, whence it is carried
by boat to the Klondike. The
road is now in operation from
Skaguay north through the White
pass, twenty-two miles, to a point
two miles beyond the interna-
tional line, and is doing a good
business, four trains being run
daily. The passenger rate is 25
cents per mile and the freight rate
from 2 to 3 cents per pound to
the present terminus. The receipts
for April were \$17,000. The road
was kept in operation throughout
the winter, with the exception of
ten days in February, when the
running of trains had to be sus-
pended on account of a strike of
the laborers who were employed
to keep the track clear. Next
winter it is the intention to
put on a rotary snow plow. Just
beyond the present terminus there
is some heavy work and, owing
to the accumulation of snow, it
has been impossible thus far to
put in the necessary bridges be-
fore the track can be laid, but
further on toward Lake Bennett
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miles have been graded ready
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