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The St. Paul Pioneer Press notes that the accumulated filth of 400 years has disappeared from one side of Havana harbor before the operation of American engineers with their dredge boats. Before another year shall have passed probably the water of the whole harbor will be as clean as that of any American seaport, and the danger which has lurked there for centuries, threatening all visitors with a deadly fever whenever the water was stirred by a passing keel, will be a thing of the past.

Found a Cure For Chronic Diarrhoea. After Having Spent a Good Farm Doctoring.

Mr. A. Noell, of Asherville, Kansas, says he spent a good farm doctoring himself for chronic diarrhoea but got no relief and was afraid he must die. He chanced to get hold of a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy and was much surprised at the relief which it gave him. He continued its use for a short time and was permanently cured. For sale by Graham Drug Co.

When the "great commoner" of Missouri, Richard P. Bland, died on the 15th day of June one of the strongest friends of bimetalism passed away. Well may the friends of silver weep at his decease. He was always true as steel to that cause and his statesmanship was of the kind that never can be questioned. He could have had the nomination in 1896 that went to Bryan, if he had wanted it, but he felt that his health was not equal to the occasion and he courageously put aside the tempting morsel. He was a great man in more ways than one.

How to Cure Bloody Flux.

Never Known to Fail.

As a druggist I have handled various remedies for bowel complaints for the past five years, but have never found anything so beneficial or certain to effect a cure as Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. It is an absolute specific for bloody flux, diarrhoea and summer complaints in general. I have never known it to fail. John X. Taylor, Druggist, Cromwell, Kentucky. For sale by Graham Drug Co.

Benjamin, Knox Co., June 24.

Quite a sensation resulted here yesterday from the finding in the eastern part of this county of the body of a dead man. His skull was crushed in. He had been put in a deep hole in a branch and some dirt thrown over the body to conceal it. No papers of any kind were found by which he could be identified. The whole thing is a mystery, and no one is missing in the county. The officers are at work trying to get some clew by which the perpetrator of the deed can be brought to justice.

A Cure For Cholera Infantum.

Never Known to Fail.

During last May an infant child of our neighbors was suffering from cholera infantum. The doctor had given up all hopes of recovery. I took a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy to the house, telling them I felt sure it would do good if used according to directions. In two days the child had fully recovered. The child is now vigorous and healthy. I have recommended the remedy frequently and have never known it to fail.—Mrs. Burtis Baker, Bookwalter, Ohio. For sale by Graham Drug Co.

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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 first census was taken in 1790. The population of about 3,000,000 centered at a point twenty-three miles east of Baltimore. The center of population was still near Baltimore, but east of that city, in 1800. It was near Washington ten years later; at Woodstock, Va., in 1820, and for thirty or forty years thereafter was in West Virginia. The center of population moved westward in 1860, and was found near Chillicothe, O. Since that time Ohio has held on to it, and to everything else in sight. The governments estimate of population is 75,000,000. The New York Sun thinks that "there has been a substantial increase in population, larger, probably, than in any period since the close of the civil war, in the southern and south bordered states, and a much larger increase in those of the southwest, most notably in Texas, the total vote of which increased from 230,000 in 1880 to 340,000 in 1890 and 500,000 in 1896. The population of Texas (2,200,000 in 1890) is probably near 3,600,000." It is predicted that the center of population will be found near the bank of the Wabash in the state of Indiana, at a point northwest of the present center and nearer the Illinois than the Ohio state line. —Dallas News.

In the old Calton burial ground, Edinburgh, Scotland, stands a monument to Abraham Lincoln, erected in honor of the Scottish-American soldiers who fell in the Civil war. On Memorial Day, this year, according to the Scottish newspapers, the ceremonies at the monument were peculiarly impressive. Scotland's sons were to be found in the ranks both of the Union and the Confederacy; and, wherever they fought, they proved themselves worthy descendants of the victors of Annockburn.—Success.

Happy Results.

During the past summer the writer had an occasion to use Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy for himself and in his family. He had used it before and always satisfactorily. He says with especially happy results this time. This confirms me in the purpose to keep it in the house all the time and recommend it to others.—A. R. McCollum, Manager. The Tribune Co., Waco, Texas. For sale by Graham Drug Co.

Smash the trusts. With all the political parties pledged to take up the fight against the great industrial combinations which are arrogating to themselves the right to run the whole country, regardless of the rights of others, it would seem that rough and troublesome times were in store for the trusts.

A Mosquito Receipt.

In this season of fishing and mosquitoes, a remedy to get rid of the perky creatures might prove interesting. And the following handed in by a local sport is given as a dead sure destroyer: "Throw a bit of alum, about the size of a marble, into a bowl of water and wet the hands and face and any exposed parts lightly with it. Not a mosquito will approach you. They will hum about a little and disappear. I never have to use a mosquito curtain, and I'm glad to think that I can perhaps benefit others by this bit of information."—Terrell Index.

John Youngman, of Shelbyville, Ind., brained his 17-year-old son with a club because the boy begged him to stop punishing a horse.

A late Florida law: "Whoever sells any intoxicating liquors, wines or beer to any husband or parent after notice to the contrary from any wife or child, or to a minor, or an intoxicated person, shall be punished as if he had sold without a license."

The total receipts from all sources at the ports of Manila and Iloilo during the first four months of 1899 were \$1,414,636.

A number of Klondikers who arrived at port Townsend June 20th say Dawson is crowded with idle men who are willing to work for most any wages, and hundreds have nothing but beans and bacon to eat, and the only way they will be able to get out of the country will be through government assistance.

Concerning the Fight.

At great expense and after much trouble we have succeeded in obtaining the following opinions:

George Dewey — Jeffries won without losing a man, but I still claim that I am the only one who ever refused \$5000 for a magazine article.

W. S. Schley—I have nothing to say concerning the name of the person who actually did it. There ought to be glory enough for all who didn't bet on Fitz.

F. Funston—They say Fitz fairly swam in blood, but I notice that none of the state fair associations are trying to get him to do it again for a purse.

W. R. Shafter—I would like to know the name of the man who rubbed Jim's head.

Albert Edward—Fitz was monarch of the ring for a long time, but everyone's reign must come to an end sooner or later. It is this thought that enables me to contemplate the defeat of my countryman with complacency.

R. P. Hobson—Fitz went down, but I did it first. Now perhaps he will be able to realize that republics are ungrateful.

Joseph Wheeler—Oh, I don't know. Jeffries is not so numerous. They haven't got him engaged to any man's widow as yet.

Russell Sage—If I had only known!

Hoch der Kaiser—They say Jeffries is the greatest man on earth. But I have not appeared in the ring already.

True to His Instructions.

The captain of an American regiment stationed near Santiago was a great crank on the subject of microbes. He had a raw Cuban cook and gave him the most explicit orders to boil all the water used in the mess, no matter where he got it. "Boil everything we drink," said the captain, "or I'll kick your backbone through the top of your hat." A week afterward the captain, while foraging about town, was presented with a quart bottle of champagne from one of the ships. He managed also to pick up a piece of ice, and he hustled back to camp with his prizes. "I want you to get up something extra good today," he said to the Cuban chef. "for I am going to ask a few friends to dinner to help drink this wine." At the appointed hour the guests assembled, and, after serving a repast of stewed beef and sweet potatoes, the cook stalked in, carrying a steaming saucepan half full of a muddy-yellow liquid. "What in thunder is that?" asked the captain. "That's th' wine, senor," replied the Cuban gravely. "I boil 'in good deal, an' e' mos' all go 'way."

It Sometimes Fails.

He—Do you think there is anything in the old theory that a bad beginning insures a good ending?

She—No. You began by mumblyng your words dreadfully when you proposed to me, and, you remember, don't you, that papa came in and flung you through the door just as you were beginning to be intelligible?

Conditional.

Little Edgar—Pa, is the a in Colorado pronounced as in maiden or as in gladden?

Pa—It all depends on whether you want to make Colorado rhyme with dado or shadow.

"D" MIS. NO. 2699.—HOUSTON, this city.

RAGING STREAMS.

Tremendous Damage by the Rampant Rivers.

SOME LOSS OF LIFE REPORTED.

Washouts on Several of the Railway Lines and Travel on Some Seriously Interfered With.

The Floods.

The most disastrous rain for a number of years in and around Calvert fell last week. All the streams rose and great damage resulted. Five colored bodies were found and twelve houses damaged. Railroad bridges at both ends of the city were deone of them built of stone and cement. The damage to property is large.

At Waco the Brazos river, after reaching a point within six inches of its highest mark, began falling. In East Waco nearly 100 blocks were flooded and boys traveled the streets in boats.

In the city of Waco Barron's branch and Waco creek flooded about twenty blocks.

The damage to bridges in city and county will reach \$75,000, and farmers along the streams have suffered great losses.

Around Brenham miles of fencing have been swept away and other damage done. Nearly every house in Brenham was more or less flooded and many streets likewise.

Railroad travel was in many instances abandoned. International trains could not run, and between Waco and Hillsboro Cotton Belt trains ran into Waco over the Katy line. Trains on the Central from the north made Mexia their southern terminus.

Three bridges across the Navasota river were washed away.

While leaving Pane, Ill., to go to Bevier, Mo., and other western points where miners are on strike, 230 colored miners fired on the works of the Pana Coal company, doing much damage to the office and mine buildings.

Mayor Balbiernie was assassinated at Muskegon, Mich., by J. W. Tayer, a former official. The latter then swallowed some carbolic acid and then shot himself fatally. Failure to secure a mayoralty appointment is the alleged cause.

A Marshall, Timpson and Sabine Pass train broke through a bridge near Timpson. A lady was slightly hurt and two freight cars wrecked. One of them was torn to pieces. The accident happened on a twenty-foot embankment.

Dreyfus landed at Quiberon, France, and was at once taken by train to Bruz, near Rennes. He there entered a landau, accompanied by detectives, and driven to Rennes, where twenty-five gendarmes awaited his arrival. Ten of the gendarmes entered a wagon and followed the carriage and the rest went on foot. The party arrived at the prison safely.

At Sherman the jury in the case of Bob Smith, colored, on trial for the murder of a white woman named Arria Smith, got the death penalty.

Whitewright people offer \$500 reward for the arrest and conviction of the party who murdered Jones Reinhardt.

Flood Situation.

The excitement at Calvert over the disastrous flood is intense. The meeting of the Brazos and Little Brazos rivers caused an awful overflow and it is feared that many persons were drowned. From reports every bridge within a radius of ten miles of Calvert has been swept away. Nine bodies have been recovered. The coming together of the two rivers was so sudden that many colored farmers living between the two water courses had no opportunity to escape. Both Calvert and Bryan were cut off from communication with the outer world Sunday.

The Brazos river commenced falling at Waco Saturday night. In the wheat belt south of Waco less than half the grain was threshed and the rest is spoiling in the shock.

Carcasses of hogs, cows and horses floated down the river.

Advices from Austin are that the sea of water extended 300 miles from north central Texas to the gulf, with a radius of seventy-five miles.

Dreyfus in Prison.

Dreyfus arrived at Rennes at 6 o'clock on the morning of the 1st and was at once taken to prison. No special incident marked the journey from the sea shore.

Mrs. Dreyfus, accompanied by a lady friend, having obtained permission, called at the prison. The meeting between the long separated husband and wife was a most affecting one. Both were deeply affected. For some time they remained clasped in each other's arms, tears and smiles intermingling with tender endearments. She found him much aged in appearance, with his hair turning gray. Dreyfus knew nothing of the past two years. On leaving the prison Mrs. Dreyfus was greatly agitated.

For Philippines.

It is the present intention to organize three brigades of volunteers in the United States for the Philippines. They will be fully equipped and officered and sent as rapidly as possible. This will give Gen. Otis a reinforcement of 14,130 men.

In addition, Gen. Otis is to have the three regiments he is to organize in the Philippines, making altogether a total addition of 19,840 volunteers.

Within the next few days 4500 men will sail from San Francisco and by the close of the rainy season Gen. Otis will have at least 50,000 men.

The administration will also have authority, under the act of congress, to send 15,000 besides these.

The jury in the Alexander case at Dallas failed to agree and was discharged.

James Thompson, a young man, was shot and instantly killed at Dawes' sawmill, sixteen miles from Huntsville, while sawing down a tree. The weapon used was a shotgun. A colored man was charged with the killing and taken to Huntsville.

In a difficulty at Dallas about shoe strings E. T. Storer was killed by Will Henderson, colored.

Shetiff McClure of Wise county has received from Bob and Dan Campbell, life convicts, a hat rack made of horns and tipped with silver. It is said to be an excellent piece of work.

The Morrill and McDaniel farms near Milford averaged seventy bushels of oats per acre and twenty-one of wheat this year.

Rivers Up.

The Colorado river has been up again and near Columbus many crops have been destroyed and stock drowned.

The Cotton Belt road in many places between Dawson and Corsicana was under water on the 29th.

George Schwabe, a German farmer, was drowned in Brushy creek, near Yoakum.

Reports received at Galveston and Houston indicated that the railroads had the worst time with washouts they had in many years. The Katy had several washouts north and south of Smithville and the bridge near that place washed away.

Several washouts were also reported on the Central above and below Navasota.

The Santa Fe had to temporarily discontinue trains between Galveston and Temple, as it could not send them out either on its own line, the Houston and Texas Central nor the Katy.

At Waco, the creek of that name, which runs through a portion of the city, overflowed and forced about fifty families to vacate. The firemen, police and many citizens went to their relief.

The International and Great Northern track was under water for ten miles.

Ordered Opened.

Gen. Otis has ordered the opening to trade of many important Philippine ports that had been closed since the outbreak. These include San Fernando, on the west coast of Luzon; Aparri, on the north coast; Curimon and all ports on the islands of Samar and Leyte.

There will be a great boom in the hemp business and ships will race to bring the first cargoes before the demand weakens.

A rumor was in circulation at Manila that Gen. Pio del Pilar had accused Aguinaldo of being responsible for Gen. Luna's death and had killed the chief.

Bail Refused.

After introducing two or three witnesses who testified that the Humphries' widows said they did not know who composed the mob that took their husbands away, the defense asked that the witnesses who testified at the inquest be examined. The state contended that the inquest was not finished. Motion of defense was overruled and defendants remanded to jail without bail.

A shoe factory that will employ seventy persons will begin operations at Dallas about July 15. The factory is to be removed from New Orleans.

In a fight between white and colored miners near Cardiff, in Jefferson county, Alabama, three of the latter were killed and two seriously wounded.

Six prisoners broke jail at Denton, but one of them voluntarily returned.

The next meeting of the Texas state teachers will be held at El Paso.

The colored girl who was so badly burned at Bonham, died of her injuries.

Charles F. Collins, six times mayor of Petersburg, Va., and a member of the Confederate congress, suicided in that city.

E. F. Croker, nephew of Richard Croker, has been made permanent fire chief of New York.

A yellow fever patient landed at Swinburne island, N. Y.

Killed for His Crime.

Wednesday morning one mile from Waskom a colored man named Allie Thomas assaulted A. Fuller, aged 58 years. When Mr. Fuller, who had been away from the house, returned, he discovered his wife prostrate and bleeding.

Mrs. Fuller said Thomas made an insulting proposition, threatening to kill her if she refused. She picked up a stick of wood to defend herself. He wrenched it from her, kicked and beat her and then dragged her into the house. She was taken to Waskom for medical treatment. In the meantime Thomas was captured and also taken to Waskom and after being identified by Mrs. Fuller he confessed.

He was tied to a post. The sheriff and posse attempted to take him, but the crowd prevented them. A woman favored the lynching of Thomas and offered to pull the rope. Finally the posse got the prisoner on a horse and started for Marshall, the county seat, sixteen miles distant, with him. While going through a dense woods some men rode up and shot Thomas off his horse, literally riddling him with bullets and killing him.

Widows Testify.

Mrs. John Greenhaw in the Humphries lynching case claimed one of the attorneys took undue advantage of her by inducing her to sign an affidavit that her husband was away from home the night of the lynching.

Justice Garrett of the Aley precinct testified as to the inquest. Objections by the state to introduction of inquest record were sustained.

W. A. Henry testified that Joe Wilkerson told him he understood the Humphries hired him (Henry) to whip Dies at Athens; that if it was true he would fix them.

W. G. Maddox, a brother-in-law of Rhodes, the murdered constable, testified to having seen eleven men on horseback pass his house the night of the lynching.

Mrs. James Humphries testified at length. Told of the men coming after her husband. Her daughter lighted the lamp and some of them searched the house. They took her husband, saying they were going to John Humphries'. Went out on the porch and saw two men, who left about twenty minutes later. Mattie and Will, two of her children, also testified.

Mrs. John Humphries detailed the visit to her house and Mrs. John Humphries (said her husband was taken away from a sick child.

W. G. Benson was killed near San Angelo. Capt. Fowlkes and son were placed under bond.

Ticket Completed.

Kentucky Democrats completed their ticket by nominating the following: For lieutenant governor, J. C. W. Beckham; attorney general, Breckinridge; auditor, Gus Coulter; treasurer, S. W. Haeger; secretary of state, Breck Hill; superintendent of public instruction, H. V. McChesney; commissioner of agriculture, J. M. Frazee.

Tuesday night while John Oliver and Horace Walker were escorting a party of young ladies to church at Tyler they were met by two colored men on a narrow sidewalk. One of the latter pushed one of the ladies into a ditch. The colored man was hit by one of the young men and the other one shot young Walker in the stomach.

TOPICS OF TEXAS.

Some Interesting Matters of Interest to Her People.

SOLDIER TALKS ABOUT MANILLA

And the Prospects of Those Contemplating a Journey to that Far-Off Place to Seek for Wealth.

The Fee Matter.

The bill regulating the fees of county officers, passed at the special session of the twenty-fifth legislature, is to be tested before the supreme court of the state on the plea that it is unconstitutional and invalid.

It will be remembered that this measure was the result of a long and heated controversy in both the regular and called sessions of the legislature. The regular session failed to pass a regular fee bill law and Gov. Cuiberson at once convened the body in special session for this purpose without waiting for the members to return to their homes. One element favored a measure regulating fees, basing their argument on the claim that this was the idea of the demand in the Democratic platform. The other element, which had a slight majority in the lower house of the legislature, advocated a measure leaving the fees of litigation unchanged, but providing that the salaries of the county officers should be limited to fixed sums, and that the excess of such sums received by such officers should be turned over to the county treasuries of their respective counties.

The outcome of the protracted struggle between these two elements, the first of which controlled the senate and the other the house, was the compromise measure now on the statute books under which the fees of office in counties with a voting population of 3000 and over were reduced from 25 to 40 per cent, and maximum salaries were fixed for all officers except sheriffs, with the provision that any excess of fees received by any officer should be turned over to the treasury of his county.

The operations of the new law, felt in about sixty-four counties, that being the number with voting populations exceeding 3000, taking the last presidential election as a basis, which the law did. The fees of sheriffs in criminal cases are paid by the state, and the effect of the law was to require the sheriffs of such counties as Dallas and Tarrant to perform official services for much less than the state paid for the same services when rendered by the sheriffs of smaller counties. After the new law had been tested in its actual operations for several months it was claimed by the sheriffs of the counties to which it applied that it compelled them to so reduce the number of deputies as to materially interfere with the efficiency of their administration. They ceased to do detective work and all other work of a police nature wherein their pay was conditioned upon the conviction of offenders because it was found that the salaries of deputies amounted to more than the average fees received from such services, and hence they were rendered at an actual loss to the sheriffs. Under this state of affairs the sheriff's office in the larger counties was being converted into a police department, looking after the protection of life and property, and generally

charged with responsibility for the enforcement of law and order to a mere clerical bureau for the service of writs and enforcement of court decrees.

In a number of counties affected by the law the grand juries have in their official reports disapproved of the law, claiming it had materially decreased the efficiency of the sheriff's office and lessened the protection to life and property in counties where, because of the density of population and the variety and value of interests, it is claimed, that protection is most needed.

Several weeks ago Judge Watts and Mr. E. G. Senter, Dallas attorneys, were employed to investigate the constitutionality of the fee bill measure, as it affected the sheriffs of the state. They made application on behalf of Sheriff Clark of Tarrant county to Judge Harris of the seventeenth district court, at Fort Worth, for the purpose of testing the validity of the new fee bill law. Judge Harris, after hearing a discussion of the matter and taking the subject under advisement, approved the account. It was presented to the state comptroller, who declined payment. These attorneys are preparing a writ of mandamus against the comptroller, which will be filed with the supreme court during its present vacation and will come up for hearing as a matter entitled to precedence over private cases as soon as the court convenes in the fall.

The contention on behalf of the sheriffs is that the constitution prohibits the passage of local or special laws; that the fee bill is both local and special in its application, and that the legislature has no power to discriminate between the sheriffs of different counties in fixing fees to be paid by the state.

Soldier From Manila.

"There goes a soldier from the Philippines," said a gentleman at Waxahachie as a man in United States uniform passed up the street. When seen the soldier said that he was Sergt. W. T. Keplinger, third United States Artillery, and was just from the Philippines.

Sergt. Keplinger had some interesting stories to tell. He said he had been in the Philippines exactly one year, and now that he is out of it understood that he is not looking for any Philippine soldiers or any loose islands in the Pacific. It took him just a month to get back home, and he was happier every day that passed, drawing the journey to an end. He was five days in Japan and five days in Honolulu coming back. He said the stop in Japan was pleasant and the Japs took great interest in the people from the United States, and nearly all of them wanted to come to this country.

"Why, I was walking down the street in Japan and, what do you reckon?" asked the sergeant. He went on. "A good matron on the porch of a residence offered me her daughter for a wife if I would bring her over. No, I did not accept her offer."

Then Sergt. Keplinger explained that Uncle Sam had only just begun in the Philippines. We have troops on three of the islands, namely, Luzon, Panai, and Negros. The main body of the troops is on Luzon, but the first California regiment is on the island of Negros at present. The eighteenth infantry and a Tennessee regiment are on the island of Panai. It is his opinion that it will take 100,000 men to subjugate the islands. The troops, notwithstanding the heat, are in good health, but the

men are overworked. Some of the troops have been there a year. The death rate from natural causes is small.

Now, when it comes to a poor man going to that country to get rich it is out of the question. The Filipinos do the work in all lines for from 25 to 40 cents per day. The United States has about 600 Chinamen employed to repair the railroads, which are continually being damaged by the natives. A railroad engineer gets \$35 a month in Mexican money. The Filipinos live on rice and fish at a cost of a few cents per day. They eat minnows and sell the larger fish.

To men with money there is a field for making money in raising rice and sugar, the latter paying best.

He says the matter of people wearing cloths in the Philippines is largely written about, when in fact one seldom sees a character dressed in this simple way. There are mountain tribes who wear cloths, but they are seldom seen.

The English language is being rapidly learned. When the sergeant first arrived at Manila he wanted to buy a book and had the greatest difficulty in being understood. Now every store has a clerk who can speak English.

The soldiers have lots of fun with street vendors who sell ice cold soda water and red hot peanuts. A soldier will teach a native vendor English by telling him to yell: "Red hot ice cream and ice cold peanuts!" The native will proceed to spout these few English words at the top of his voice, never knowing how ludicrous they sound to the English-speaking public.

Miss Driscoll's Portrait.

It is a unique distinction that Miss Driscoll, daughter of Mr. Robert Driscoll and a prominent young lady of San Antonio, is now enjoying in London, Eng.

A beautiful painting of her portrait is hanging in an art academy in that city and a murmur of comment is running through art circles of London over the painting.

An additional feature of interest to San Antonians and Texans generally is that this painting is the work of Francis Howard, son of Mrs. T. P. O'Connor of San Antonio, and a grandson of Judge George Paschal of Austin. The picture has attracted as much favorable attention as any of the portraits of the year. The red purples of the wall and curtains peculiarly fit into the light of a late English twilight. The figure is lighted by a lamp within its room and beautifully reflected on the glass window against the increasing darkness. As a portrait it is wholly successful. At the same time it is what all good portraits should be—a picture which gives pleasure by its beauty and its art.

Insects Eating Cotton.

T. F. Smith, who lives southwest of Denton on Hickory creek, says that the grasshoppers are playing havoc with his cotton. He says the pests are in swarms and devastated a ten-acre field of fine cotton on bottom land, leaving in their wake nothing but the bare, naked stalks. He is afraid the insects will eat everything else green he has on the place, including another field of cotton.

Several localities in the state were visited last week by copious rainfalls. Corn was benefited to a considerable extent.

Mrs. Edwin C. Campbell, one of the oldest settlers of Johnson county, died at her home near Alvarado.

Galveston's Fortifications.

Capt. F. Oppikoffer of the government engineering force, to survey the Trinity river, says Galveston will soon be well fortified. He says that Capt. Rich, in charge of the work, is pushing the construction.

The fortifications are at Fort Point, near the mouth of the jetties and on the eastern side of the island. There are already six ten-inch disappearing guns in position and there are to be six more. These guns are operated entirely by machinery, even to being sighted and shoot with perfect accuracy a distance of ten miles.

In addition to these disappearing guns are sixteen twelve-inch rifled mortars and six heaviest caliber rifle guns and six more to go in battery.

An enemy's fleet, says the captain, would have a lively time bombarding Galveston, for these guns sweep the gulf approaches to the city for a distance of ten miles, and for an enemy's shot or shells to reach the city with the vessels standing out of range of these guns they would have to be forced from ordnance reaching about fourteen to sixteen miles.

Silver Vein Struck.

Silver has been found in a stratum of rock on land near Lorena, McLennan county, belonging to Mrs. Jennie Westbrook. Those discovering the lode say the silver is apparent to the eye on a casual glance at the rock in which the vein is contained. The silver-bearing rock extends half way across McLennan county and crops out at several points, one place being near South Bosque, where C. C. Lastinger and his associates took out a small quantity two years ago, an account of which was published at the time. The discovery of silver on Mrs. Westbrook's farm revived interest in the lode near South Bosque and several young men went there and began preparations for renewing mining operations discontinued in 1897, the parties at that time, after spending considerable money, getting discouraged because the ore yielded so lightly of the metal.

A large lump of rock taken taken out of a quarry near the Cotton Belt track, a few miles south of Waco, sparkles with particles of silver.

There is no particular excitement in consequence of the report getting out of the discovery of silver on Mrs. Westbrook's farm, but several experts express the belief that at some point along the ledge of rock silver can be found in paying quantities.

Chautauqua Contest.

The six-weeks' scholarship contest at McKinney for the Texas-Colorado Chautauqua has closed after an animated campaign. The race was inaugurated on the coupon plan, and latterly the business men of the city joined in making the contest interesting by offering various kinds of prizes to the winner.

Miss Sallie Stiff won the sweepstakes, her votes running into the thousands. The close of the contest was marked by the greatest of interest on the part of the friends of the several competitors.

The prize consisted of a round trip ticket to Boulder, Col., and expenses. The other prizes were a folding silver drinking cup, silk umbrella, sterling silver comb, brush and tray, stylish traveling hat, purse, stationery, perfumery, photographs, etc.

The second highest candidate in the race was Miss Daisy Gerish, who was awarded a \$50 bicycle.

Young County Reunion.

The young men and women of northwest Texas are invited to a reunion in Young county at Graham Aug. 23, 24 and 25, to be given under the auspices of the Confederate Veterans, the Sons of Veterans and the Daughters of the Confederacy.

To encourage a study of the "history and traditions of our people" the committee has arranged to award two gold medals for the two best addresses or recitations on the following terms: One to the young woman between the ages of 12 and 21 years and one to the young man between the same ages. The subjects selected must be something bearing upon southern history, tradition, literature, the Confederate soldier and his people and kindred topics. Fifteen hundred words will be the limit to the addresses and original efforts will be encouraged from the older ones.

Proved Fatal.

At an early hour several mornings ago Leslie Huling, 18 years old, took the contents of a 25-cent box of strychnine at the Buckhorn saloon, Temple. He had told a friend who was with him that he expected to take it and swallowed a part of it. The friend went after a policeman and while he was absent Huling emptied the contents of the box into a glass of soda water and drank it. He remarked to the barkeeper that he had taken a box of strychnine. The barkeeper asked why he had done so and was answered that it was to show people that strychnine would not kill him. No one took him seriously at first except his friend. A doctor was called in, but it was of no avail, and he shortly after passed away.

Plenty of Raspberries.

J. M. Funk, living two and a half miles west of Denison, took to that city a few days ago a limb from a black raspberry bush that is bearing for the first time this year. There were ten clusters of berries on the limb and every berry was ripe. Mr. Funk has had a successful year with his fruit this season. He has about five acres of berries. His raspberries were nearly all killed down by the frosts in the spring. Despite this fact he has cleared something like \$350 from his berries and still has a good many blackberries to dispose of. Many of Mr. Funk's berry bushes are bearing for the first time this season, so that it is reasonable to suppose that he will do better in the future.

Staking Off the Lots.

The township commissioners of the Choctaw nation have served notice, that no more building need be begun in the town of Sterrett until the work of platting and surveying the town can be finished. All buildings already under construction may be completed, but "shacks" shall not be considered permanent improvements and no lots can be held by them. A large number of lots have been staked off on the west side by the surveyors for the township commission and there are still more to be staked off. Little work outside of that of a preliminary nature has been done.

Supt. Avord of the Sherman, Shreveport and Southern railway has sent Secretary Anderson of the Greenville Young Men's Christian association a check for \$200 in appreciation of the association's work among railroad men.

Many marriages are occurring in the Lone Star state.

The Leader.

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Young county has the lowest taxes of any county in the state—92 1-2 cents on the \$100 valuation—state and county.

Southern and central Texas has had the worst flood known to Texas. The loss of life is fearful and the destruction of property is beyond calculation.

Wichita Falls has had a most remarkable law suit last week, perhaps the most remarkable one ever tried in Texas. It was one in which a music teacher named Koch was suing a fellow named Ballow for damage for raping his wife. The jury awarded Koch \$300 damages. Remarkable.—Memphis Herald.

Why didn't he sue him with a shot gun, that would have been better than \$300.

Chancellor McClean of Nebraska University has resigned to accept the presidency of the University of Iowa.

Arthur T. Hadley, the new president of Yale College, made a speech to the graduating class of that institution, in which he attacked the trusts, praised the navy, criticised the army and denounced imperialism.

A railroad engineer died in Terre Haute, Ind., recently, who served forty-five years. During that time he traveled 1,000,918 miles, during it all never met with the slightest personal accident.

Richard Coles of New Jersey testified that farms in that state had depreciated in value 50 per cent in past five years.

A negro newspaper man at Tampa, Florida, was killed last week by an officer whom he had criticised for forcibly vaccinating a woman.

The move to buy a home for Admiral Dewey seems to have died aborning. The Boston Herald says that a number of people were anxious for the purchase till they were brought face to face with the unpleasant fact that it would cost money.

A spring poet talks about Uncle Sam and the Philippines as follows: "Spain she had a little lamb, the slickest lamb around. She sold the lamb to Uncle Sam for twenty million down; then Sam he took it by the tail to lead it home you know, the mutton rare turned out a bear, and Sam can't let it go."

Dr. M. A. Simmons Liver Medicine creates a good Appetite, Tones and Strengthens the Stomach, and builds up the Health. For sale by Akin & Matthews.

Dr. Alvah P. Doty, health officer at the port of New York, claims to have discovered a serum that will prevent yellow fever.

Mrs. L. Rankins, Paris, Texas, writes: Have used Dr. M. A. Simmons Liver Medicine 4 years for constipation and Dyspepsia; it helps me more than anything I have taken. I think it as far beyond Black Draught and Zeilin's Regulator, I have used, as diamond is superior to glass. Sold by Akin & Matthews.

The Texas State Journal, Dr. John Grant's republican paper at Dallas is no more.

DEAD LIST GROWS.

Calvert is Isolated and Rumors are Great Calamity has Befallen.

All Records Broken.

Vast Expanse of Water Miles in Width Divide North from Southern Texas.

Ruin Visible Everywhere

The Property Losses Have Already Reached a Figure Difficult for Human Comprehension.

Austin, Tex., July 2.—There is no improvement in the distressing situation in the extensive flooded districts of central and south Texas. On the contrary, the inundation is growing worse.

There has been another twenty four hours of heavy, continuous rain which have added to the already unprecedented volumes of water in the rivers and creeks in the richest agricultural region of the state.

There seem to be no end of the rainfall. The sea of water now extends from the north central part of the state to the gulf, a distance of 300 miles or more and with an average width of probably seventy-five miles.

The great flood began nearly a week ago and the suffering of the people in the inaccessible localities that are surrounded and completely cut off from communication with the outside world must be severe.

Every possible effort is being made to rescue the unfortunate men, women and children thus situated and all day to-day rescuers plied the turbulent waters in improvised boats and rafts picking up the stranded, water-bound people and conveying them to higher land.

Arrivals from Chappell Hill today state that scores of houses have passed down the Brazos river near there during the past twenty-four hours.

The dead bodies of hundreds of cattle, horses and other live stock have passed there. Judging from the number of residences in the river there must have been much destruction of property at points above there. It is still impossible to verify at this time the numerous reports of the loss of life in the bottoms of the Brazos and its tributaries.

The earlier reports of heavy loss of life in Roberson county

caused by a meeting of the waters of Brazos and Little Brazos rivers have been confirmed. The information received here to-day from Calvert, which is in the midst of the scene of destruction, is meager, but it is to the effect that over seventy people are missing.

Nine bodies have been recovered.

The floods of the two rivers came up so rapidly that the negroes living in between the water courses had no opportunity of escape.

They were caught in a trap and drowned.

Do you want a sound liver, vigorous digestion, strong, healthy kidneys, regularity in the bowels? Take Prickly Ash Bitters. It has the medical properties that will produce this result. Sold by C. G. King.

The Terrell Evening Index takes things philosophically, and laconically remarks: "We sometimes put on a long face and look as if we didn't have a friend, just because some person has found fault with our paper. But why feel badly over trifles? The merchant doesn't please all of his customers; the postmaster, too, is kicked and cussed because he makes mistakes; the railroad agent is frequently chased back in the corner by some old woman and given to understand this and that and numerous other things; the barber is censured for his dull razor; the butcher is forever reminded of his tough meat, and even the peacher finds it hard work to please his congregation with the best sermon. And thus the world wags on."

The United States treasury will show a deficit on the 30th of June not far from \$100,000,000. And this is what makes the Republican leaders wish that Aginaldo would surrender.

If your brain don't work right and you miss the snap, vim and energy that was once yours, you should take Prickly Ash Bitters. It cleanses the system and invigorates both body and brain. Sold by C. G. King.

Rock Island Excursion.

Effective June 1st, 1899, and expiring Sept. 30th, the following tourist rates are authorized from Jacksboro, Texas, to Boulder, Denver, Pueblo and Colorado Springs, Colo. Tickets on sale June 1st, at \$30.00 for the round trip from Jacksboro to any of the above named points, final limit Oct. 31st, 1899, transit limit three days in each direction. For further information call on or address T. F. SHORT, Agent, Jacksboro, Texas.

A Great Battle Fought



BY THOSE SUFFERING WITH CHRONIC DISEASES.

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LOCAL NEWS NOTES.

Rev. Frances Moore, Episcopal Minister, will preach here next Sunday at 11 o'clock.

Claude Hollingsworth went to Weatherford last Monday on business.

The splendid rains of last week and again this week insure a corn and oat crop.

Hogs are said to be scarce in this county. The Leader wants a pig but has been unable to get one.

BOX RENT.

A limit of ten days is allowed a Postmaster to collect all box rents. Box holders not having their box rent paid by July 10th subjects them to rent to any one applying for them.

J. T. CUNNINGHAM, P. M.

Lost.—Between Bryan's blacksmith shop and the residence of Prof. Johnston, a single buggy line. Finder will please leave at this office.

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.

Dr. George LeGrand and wife returned Monday from Chicago, where the doctor has been attending medical lectures for the past month.

Belt Buckles, Beauty Pins, Neck Ties, etc., just received at J. E. MORRISON & Co.

The Brazos has been up again this week.

The corn crop in this county is immense.

Deering Twine is the best, runs farther and is smoothest. See HOLLINGSWORTH & DOWDLE.

Logan's new business house is about completed. He will move into it next Monday.

Last Tuesday was the Fourth of July, and the dullest Fourth in the history of Graham.

Deering Twine.

The smoothest, runs farthest and is the best Binder Twine on the market. When in need of anything of the kind see Hollingsworth & Dowdle.

Babbitt Metal.

In any quantity, for sale at this office at 10 cents per pound.

C. W. Johnson left for Jacksboro on the stage Wednesday on a business trip.

J. J. Foulks and son were in town yesterday on business.

Judge R. F. Arnold made a short trip to Wichita Falls this week on legal business.

Dr. W. A. Morris and wife of Austin, are visiting their son, Dr. Morris jr., and other relatives at this place.

J. E. Simpson and R. Hollingsworth went out on Fish Creek on business on the 4th.

The "glorious fourth" was a quiet day in Graham. Nothing but the closing of the bank and postoffice indicated a holiday.

STRAYED.

About two weeks ago, one dark Iron Grey horse, 3 years old, heavy built, has been burnt on shoulder for fistaleau. Any information as to his whereabouts will be thankfully received.

E. B. NORMAN,

The Christian Camp Meeting.

From the present indications the meeting of the Christians or Disciples, four miles north of Graham, is going to be the largest religious gathering ever held in this country.

Mr. Mabry of this place, with the assistance of several other prominent members of the church have spared no pains or expense to make the meeting a grand success.

A beautiful camp ground on Flint Creek has been secured. An immense pavillion is being erected to accommodate the churchgoers. Two windmills will pump water into huge tanks for the use of the people.

Ice, meat and bread will be on the grounds for sale at popular prices.

A telephone station will connect the camp with the outside world.

Barbecued meats, and bakers bread from Fort Worth, will be daily provided.

A large pasture, well watered, has been secured for the use of those who come to camp and spend a few days.

Last, but not least, the Christian brotherhood promises the best talent in the state in the way of both preachers and singers.

It is expected that a picked choir of over 100 voices will join with two organs and several cornets in making music, and this feature of the meeting will be a most charming one.

The meeting begins on Thursday the 13th of July, and is expected to last ten days.

Keep Quiet

and use Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy for all pains in the stomach and all unnatural looseness of the bowels. It always cures. Graham Drug Co.

There is on exhibition at Morrison's store a No. 23 shoe made for Miss Ella Ewing, of Fairmont, Mo., who is 20 years old, weighs 256 pounds and is 8 feet 2 inches high.

B. F. Shumaker and wife returned from Mineral Wells last Monday, where they have been for two weeks for the benefit of Mrs. Shumaker's health.

Bob Henry, tax assessor of Moore county is visiting relatives and his many old friends in Graham.

Rev. R. L. Dale commenced a protracted meeting at the Presbyterian Church Wednesday night and will continue several days.

Miss Helen Beckham of Spring Creek is visiting relatives in Graham.

R. E. Mabry is building an addition to his residence.

Sheriff Williams returned yesterday from King county, bringing with him A. T. Bass, an old resident of this county, who was charged by indictment at the last term of our district court with the offense of selling some mortgage cotton of value more than fifty dollars. Mr. Bass was committed to jail in default of bail and his case will help to swell our dockets at the August term of court.

Lee, the eight year old son of B. F. Yearwood, fell out of a wagon Wednesday and broke his leg below the knee. He was taken into Drs. LeGrand's office and the broken limb set. He was resting easy at last account.

THE LEADER is under obligations to Mrs. T. J. Hicks for a nice ripe watermelon, the first we have seen this season.

FARMER LOCALS.

[WITTEN FOR LAST WEEK.]

The weather is very warm. Wheat harvest is about over, and the thresher will soon start up.

S. M. Wann is up in Archer and Wichita counties engaging wheat.

Mr. S. M. J. Benson says he has the "cracker jack" dogs in Young and adjoining counties. They caught four wolves last Friday, and had caught four cats during the week. Mr. Benson says he don't claim his to be wolf dogs, but will run them against any dogs.

W. A. Pritchett is stacking wheat for Walter Steen this week. Jas. Bryan is harvesting for M. N. Cook.

Andrew Bryan and family were visiting relatives here Sunday.

Rev. Rogers filled his regular appointment at the M. E. Church Sunday.

Owing to some cause the protracted meeting did not begin at the M. E. Church, Sunday.

Dr. J. D. Wilson has been on the sick list, but is now convalescing.

S. M. J. Benson, Dr. Wilson, Will Farmer, John Hunt and J. H. Loyd went to Graham, Monday.

Mrs. Della Walker and Miss Nora Daniels were here last week.

The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Steen, died, and was buried in the Farmer Cemetery last Saturday.

Zerrel Steen was here Sunday.

The Baptist brethren have been informed by Bro. G. W. Black of Graham that they can get the tent for their protracted meeting, which begins on Sunday before the 2nd Sunday in July. Every body invited to come, bring their song books, take part and help to make the meeting beneficial to all.

Corn is looking fine; with another rain there will be a large yield.

There was a musical and pound supper at the residence of S. M. Wann, Monday night. The young people seemed to have a nice time.

Dr. J. D. Pickens of Markley was here on business, last Monday.

Dr. W. M. Terrell left last week for several days outing.

Dr. Johnson passed through here Sunday, enroute home.

Edwin and Willie Benson have been buying cattle this week.

DEW DROP.

Notice to Sunday Schools.

Schools in Young and adjoining counties, who use the International Sunday School Lessons, you are respectfully invited to attend the Sunday School at the Christian camp meeting, 4 miles north of Graham, on Sunday, July 16th, 1899. Bro. Randolph Clarke, President of Randolph College, will act as Superintendent. Come little ones, Juniors, Intermediates and Bible students with your Superintendents, Teachers and Lesson leaves. Let us have a grand school and a happy time.

Done by order of Executive Committee.

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Lacy Locals.

A nice rain fell here Friday. Crops are fine and farmers are jubilant.

Harvesting is about over. Bro. Rogers failed to preach here Sunday, the cause we never learned.

Several of our young folks attended singing at Farmer Sunday; all report a pleasant time.

B. A. Gatling went fishing Friday and returned home with "fisher-man's luck."

Mrs. Drum went down to Graham Sunday after her daughter, Miss Jennie, who had been attending the Normal. We are glad to welcome Miss Jennie home again.

Bro. Turner came up Saturday from Graham "to see the folks."

LONE STAY.

RED TOP ITEMS.

The farmers are very busy with their grain this week.

Sunday School is progressing nicely under the new management of W. F. McBee as superintendent and Miss Slater as secretary.

Prof. Lindsey of Graham, spent Saturday night and Sunday with his brother, C. L. Lindsey of Ren Top.

Mr. C. L. Lindsey is having a nice residence put up on the west side of the Graham and Farmer road near Red Top.

Mrs. Ida Lou Whited of Cleburne, is spending a week or two with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Graves.

Mr. W. A. McBee and family and Mr. B. L. Slater and wife, spent the day with Mr. John Slater, near Graham last Sunday.

A large crowd attended a singing at the residence of Mr. A. J. Graves, Sunday evening.

Mr. Wilkins and son passed through the community, Tuesday.

Mr. Frank Knight has a new comer at his house. Mother and son are doing fine.

Mrs. Lou Harman is on the sick list this week.

THE VIOLET.

If every man who has the money to do so would pay what he owes, nearly every other man who does not have the money would be provided with means to pay his debts. A single careless debtor who could as well pay as not may cause serious loss and inconvenience to a score of others who can't pay simply because of his neglect. If people would try to understand that individual prosperity and comfort depend upon general prosperity there would much less suffering of the world.

The Dawson clean-up of gold of the winter's work reaches \$18,000,000, more than twice the yield of last year. And the prospects are that the out-put will continue to enlarge.

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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.

It is useless to contend that there is no hell composed of fire and sulphur, says the Greenville Banner. Men go to the newspaper office and order the paper, and after taking it a year or so without paying for it, move off without leaving their address or refuse to take the paper from the postoffice and have the postmaster inform the publisher to stop sending it. In view of these facts the necessity for such an institution is apparent to every reasonable mind.

Hell is too good for such low bred scoundrels!

St. Louis has a very liberal citizen. He lost over four thousand dollars in bank checks and paid the finder of them 25 cents. That man will contribute largely to the big exposition to held in that city.

Referring to a local notice of a fishing party in an exchange the Dallas News observes, "there goes another one of those fishing excursions. They have been going for weeks now all over the state, and have been faithfully recorded by the local papers. None of them have returned, as far as said papers show."

Weatherford, Mineral Wells and N. W. Railway Company. Operating Department. TIME TABLE. Effect to May 29th, 1899. Leaves Weatherford 5:50 P. M., 10:20 A. M. Arrives " " 8:40 A. M., 2:35 P. M. Leaves Mineral Wells 1:35 P. M., 7:40 A. M. Arrives " " 11:20 A. M., 6:50 A. M. For further information address, W. F. FORBESS, Gen. Pass. Agt. L. H. FOURS, Pres. & Gen. Mgr.



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C. G. KING, Special Agent.

This Beats the Magicians.

According to the Washington correspondent of the Boston Transcript the department of agriculture has taken steps toward acquiring the right to use a recent invention, a kind of mutascope camera, designed for a kind of picture making never attempted hitherto.

For example, the contrivance is set up in front of a stalk of corn just sprouting, and takes a photograph of it every hour for six months, the exposures being made at such intervals by a peculiar automatic attachment. Subsequently the film ribbon on which these pictures are recorded is put into a magic lantern machine of the ordinary sort and run off at the rate of thirty a second, thus giving to the spectators in five minutes a view on the screen of a corn plant growing out of the earth, putting forth leaves, developing tassel and silk, exhibiting the ripened ears and finally decaying.

Anchor this new style of camera in an open space; attach to it a wire, and it will make an exposure every two hours from the beginning to the end of the year. The result will be a ribbon of the seasons, and in five minutes the spectators seated in a theater will have an opportunity to behold all the succeeding phenomena of the year. At first the ground will be seen covered with snow, which will vanish as the first vegetation makes its appearance. The trees will put forth leaves with visible rapidity in the sight of the audience, and when at last they fall and the landscape has assumed its former dreary aspect the white mantle of Jack Frost will be spread again over the land.

One of the most interesting of the photographs made up to date with this novel apparatus represents an apple tree, which is seen in a few twinklings to display its new foliage, put forth buds and blossoms and ripen its fruit. Equally notable is a picture of a sunflower, snap shots of which were taken every minute from sunrise to sunset of a day. When the ribbon is run off at the rate of thirty photos a second one sees the flower turn on its stem steadily, always keeping its face toward the solar orb. It should be mentioned, by the way, that the views do not jump about in the way that is so annoyingly familiar, but are perfectly stationary, owing to the fact that each "snap" registers perfectly with the ones preceding and following.

Rhodes Had Use for Money.

Cecil Rhodes is a quick and keen judge of men, and depends almost wholly upon his first impressions. To a friend who wrote and asked him to give employment to a young man then in England he wrote in answer: "Send me his photograph and I will tell you at once whether I can do anything for him or not."

General "Chinese" Gordon was a great admirer of Mr. Rhodes. On one occasion Gordon was telling Rhodes about a roomful of gold which was offered to him by the Chinese government after he had put down the Tai Ping rebellion. "And what did you do?" asked Rhodes. "Refused it, of course," answered Gordon. "I would have taken it," was Rhodes' comment, "and as many more as they would give me. It is no use to have big ideas if we have no money to carry them out with."

It has been said that this world is all a fleeting show, but the man who must work for a living finds it a continuous performance.

Hunting the Scarab.

Scarab hunts are popular now. They are simply searches in pawnshops and curio places and foreign stores of the sacred beetles of Egypt, and then adding them to one's collection.

One reason why everyone likes to go stalking scarabs is that they are such quiet game. They are tiny carved beetles of stone, and in some cases purport to be the "one and only" beetle turned to stone after his long confinement in some pyramid in Egypt.

Sgyptologists or archaeologists are constantly unearthing these scarabaei—to spell it technically—and they are on the market in jewelers' hands or the hands of noted antiquaries in this city and elsewhere. It is well to get a pedigree with all that one acquires, as there is nothing easier than for the uninitiated to have palmed off on them some imitation of the genuine article.

So skillfully have the beetles been imitated that many New York importations of the Paris "fake" scarab can be found. The real scarab is rather small, and resembles nothing so much as a coffee bean. Their colors vary from the dark blue and darker brown coffee bean style to pale blue and rose, or even red. Some are transparent, and some semi-transparent, but most of them are opaque. Many are of a dull amber, and often black and even unsightly.

They are used in various ways, as brooches where they are set in the sacred auk and in twining snakes, which are sacred to the Egyptian also, in winged bull heads and in various ways that suggest the mummy and the obelisk. Rings and pendants are set with them, and cuff bottoms, if one is so fortunate as to possess four well "matched." For men's use they are mounted as swinging scarf pin pendants, swiveled to turn, and some are made into watch charms.

Scarabs are supposed to convey a subtle charm and to bring happiness, and they certainly do so to the scarab hunter.

A New "Jungle Book" Story.

News has been received in Lucknow of the depredations of a pack of wolves in a village a few miles out. Among other acts, one of them carried off a little baby, but on being chased the beast dropped the infant, which unfortunately died. A party of sahibs arrived with their guns and when they heard of what had happened they suggested that the child should be left where it lay in hopes that its destroyer might return and be awarded a just penalty for his misdeed. The parents, who were bitterly grieved and anxious for revenge on the vulpine beast, consented to the arrangement, and the sahibs sat up over their novel "kill." The wolf actually did return, and a well-aimed shot hurried him off to that bourne from which no traveler or wolf returns.—Indian Daily Telegraph.

Lighting Up the Sea.

A new method of illumination on the ocean consists of using a hollow cylinder of steel tubing, charged with calcium carbide. This shell is to be shot from a gun to a distance of two miles. When it strikes the water it generates acetylene gas and gives 1000 candle power, which burns from the end which floats. This light cannot be extinguished by water.

Conflicting Estimate.

"I see the latest census gives Chicago over 2,000,000 souls." "Yes. That's at least 2,000,000 more than Rudyard Kipling gives it."

Astonishingly Successful.

Speaking of sprinkling to lay the dust in cities and towns, an oil man at Corsicana branched off to the application of oil on country roads and spoke enthusiastically on the subject.

"Sprinkling petroleum over ordinary graded roads," said he, "has been astonishingly successful. It is true petroleum has been used for several seasons in the sprinkling of railroad beds, and it was but a step further to apply oil to country highways.

"The results of applying oil to country roads appears to be an almost permanent laying of the dust in dry weather and an entire prevention of mud in wet weather. There is involved, first, a proper grading and draining of the dirt road in order that the rain which falls on the surface may have an opportunity to run off. The rain will not sink through the oiled surface into the roadbed, and if there are hollow places in the surface of an oiled road the rainfall will be there until it evaporates.

"The affinity of oil for earth is reported to be so great that an hour or so after a road has been sprinkled with oil no traces of grease can be found on the shoe sole of a person walking upon the highway, and no injury whatever is done to the tires of bicycles.

"The economy and ease with which oil can be applied to the surface of our dusty and muddy roads promises relief from the nuisance of bad highways in the sections of the country where it is not possible to build stone roads. When a dirt road is in exactly the right condition it is superior to any other kind of a road, a stone road especially, because of the absence of noise and the absence of shock and injury to the horse. But the dirt road is rarely ever in the right condition, and if an infrequent sprinkling of oil will keep it so then a simple but most important discovery has been made.

"Experiments with oil upon some of the highways have been made in the middle west, where during the past winter an unheard of comfort has been attained on highways that heretofore have been a bar to business and a bar upon all social life. Oil on the highways is a blessing that will be appreciated more fully later on."

To almost every woman at some time or other some knowledge of bonnet trimming and dress making comes as a convenient and often invaluable aid. It is for the benefit of these women that Harper's Bazar is presenting two valuable series of articles, "Practical Talks on Millinery," and "Home Dress Making," both by specialists in their respective subjects.

The attorney general holds that when a foreign corporation having permission to do business in Texas fails to pay its franchise tax within six months after it is due such corporation, in order to do business in this state, must secure another permit and pay all costs and penalties accruing under the forfeiture of the former permit.

Miss Bobbie Suttle, recently re-elected as a teacher in the McKinney public schools, has resigned and accepted a position in Burleson college, Greenville.

About 1000 persons attended a Masonic picnic at Malakoff June 29, St. John's day.

Many picnics on the 4th.

Deadly Fight.

A fatal street duel occurred at Galveston on the 27th in front of the Two Brothers saloon during which fifteen shots were fired and eight shots took effect in the bodies of two innocent victims and the participants.

James Johnson, a sporting man, was killed; William Boyd was shot twice, George Levick was shot in the liver and W.H. Goodman was shot in the apex of the right lung.

Johnson and Boyd came out of the saloon at different doors and began firing. Jack Nave is charged with having been implicated in the death of Johnson.

Kentucky Democratic Convention.

In convention assembled at Louisville the Kentucky Democrats had the most exciting time probably ever held in that state. Three gubernatorial candidates, Hardin, Goebel and Stone, had a large following, but in the interest of harmony Hardin withdrew. His men, however, remained together, and proved a factor in the stormy gathering. After the hardest kind of work the first ballot was taken and resulted: Goebel, 352 1-2; Stone, 261 1-2; Hardin, 67.

Goebel was nominated on the twenty-sixth ballot.

Did Not Deviate.

On the second day of the Humphrey lynching case trial John Greenhaw was rigorously cross-examined, but did not deviate from his testimony of the previous day, which was in the main a corroboration of the story told on the stand by Polk Weeks.

Polk Weeks was recalled and testified as to some scenes at the hanging.

Jake Bennett testified to loaning a saddle to Weeks and Geo. Henson.

Rev. Mr. Jackson and Jasper Henshaw also testified.

Rainy Season.

Otis cables that the rainy season is on in the Philippines and little inland campaigning is possible. He says the insurgents are scattered and demoralized from recent defeat; that the mass of people are terrorized by insurgent leaders and desire American protection.

Gov. Roosevelt attended the reunion of the rough riders at Las Vegas and was the recipient of many honors, his arrival being the occasion of great applause. In the course of an address the governor stated he would exert every influence toward the admission of New Mexico to statehood, and that he attended the reunion as a special pleasure.

Bob Nate while resisting arrest was killed near Lodi.

Harvey J. Ramsey, a ticket seller at the Madison Square garden, was killed by his wife. Mrs. Ramsey, who is thought to be insane, cut her husband's throat with a razor as he lay sleeping in their room at the Garden hotel in New York.

The State Superintendents and Principals' association meeting at Fort Worth was well attended.

Schooner Dave Freeman while en route to Galveston Tuesday was beached by a storm.

Sammy Cook, a Choctaw Indian, was found dead in a Texarkana alley.

United States Engineer Oppkohe has arrived at Dallas to begin a survey of the Trinity.

Was Not Chastised.

A new story of Henry Ward Beecher was told at the Plymouth church prayer meeting by Dr. E. K. Cressey of Brooklyn Hills, L. I. It was a story of Dr. Cressey's boyhood. One day his mother left the house, cautioning him and his brothers that they must be very quiet and not romp while she was gone. There was a hairbrush with which Mrs. Cressey was wont to punish violations of the domestic statute when any such occurred in her well-ordered household, and the youngsters promised to be good and remained as still as mice.

Presently Mr. Beecher arrived to make a call on the Cresseys, and found no one to receive him but demure looking boys. A flash of anticipation came into his eyes, as he joyously told his young hosts to prepare for the romp of their lives.

"But mamma told us we musn't romp," protested the future doctor of philosophy.

"I'll take all the responsibility," responded the great preacher. When Mrs. Cressey neared the house on her return she heard indications of a small riot. Filled with indignation at this unheard of rebellion in her quiet little republic, she rushed into the house with words of stern rebuke trembling on her tongue. At the door she paused, petrified.

Henry Ward Beecher was flat on his back on the floor, with a parcel of young Indians apparently dancing a ghost dance on his prostrate form and emitting shrill yells. The appearance of the avenger instantly froze all the rebels into silent consternation, except the arch-insurgent. Climbing to his feet, the unabashed Bergymann said:

"Mrs. Cressey, I promised my friends here to take all the responsibility for this outbreak, and"—here he reached for the hairbrush, and presented it to her with a Chesterfieldian bow—"I am ready to take whatever is due them. You may begin at once."

But for once there was an infraction of the laws in the Cressey household that went unspanked.

An Option on Beauvoir.

The State chapter of the Daughters of the Confederacy in Mississippi has been given an option on Beauvoir, the home of the late Jefferson Davis, and it is probable that advantage will be taken of the opportunity to prevent the property from falling into the hands of people who could have none but a purely pecuniary interest in its possession. Mrs. Davis offers to sell Beauvoir to the chapter for \$25,000, though stating that she has been offered \$90,000 for it by a northern syndicate.

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Professions of American Women.
 The following statistics recently published by the United States government are interesting: In 1870 American actresses numbered 692; there are now 3,883. Women architects have grown from 1 to 50; painters and sculptors from 412 to 16,000; literary and scientific writers from 109 to 3,161; pastors from 67 to 1,522; dentists from 34 to 417; engineers from 9 to 201; journalists from 35 to 472; legal profession from 5 to 471; musicians from 5,753 to 47,309; officers from 414 to 6,712; doctors and surgeons from 527 to 6,882; directors of theaters from 100 to 943; accountants from 0 to 43,071; copyists and secretaries from 8,016 to 92,824; and stenographers typists from 7 to 50,633. These figures apply exclusively to women.

Acquitted by Lincoln.
 William Armstrong died recently at Ashland, Cass county, Illinois. His claim to fame lies in the fact that in 1858 Abraham Lincoln defended him on a charge of murder and secured his acquittal. Lincoln took the case without fee and to discharge a debt of gratitude. This was the case which Lincoln won with an almanac. He discredited the testimony of the chief witness, who swore that he saw Armstrong do the deed by the bright light of the moon. Lincoln showed by the almanac that the moon was not shining at the time.

Shirt Waist Parties.
 Shirt waist parties are again in vogue, and they unite a very agreeable and a profitable mode of spending an afternoon. Each girl takes the material for her own waist, and the real work of sewing amounts to nothing more difficult than play, when six or a dozen others are doing the same thing. Talking usually makes things easy, anyway, and then the hostess, of course, does not forget to serve her guests with strawberries, ice cream or other light refreshments suitable to the temperature of the particular day.

A Simple Throat Remedy.
 Linseed lemonade makes a soothing drink for a relaxed throat, and should be made in the following manner: Into a basin put two tablespoonfuls of linseed and over it pour a pint of boiling water. Cover the basin and allow it to stand near the fire for about four hours, after which strain, and to the liquid add the juice of one lemon and as much sugar as liked. The drink may be taken hot or cold.

Women Musical Doctors.
 Mrs. Theodore Sutro of New York is henceforth entitled to write "Mus. Doc." after her name. She is one of only two women in the English-speaking world with the same distinction. The other is the Princess of Wales. Recently she received this rare distinction from the hands of Dr. Ernst Eberhard, president of the Grand Conservatory of Music of the city of New York.

Biggest House.
 The Sultan of Turkey has just built at Mecca the biggest house in the world. It is intended for the accommodation of pilgrims, and is capable of sheltering 6,000 persons. The next biggest house in the world is in a suburb of Vienna. It accommodates 2,112 tenants. Next come the three Rownton houses in London, with 800, 677 and 500 tenants, respectively.

It Depended.
 "My friend," said the clerical-looking passenger to the traveling man in the next seat, "do you ever drink?" "Is that an invitation or only a question?" asked the wily drummer. "Merely a question pertaining to your future welfare," replied the c. l. p. "Then," observed the other, "I never drink, sir—never."—Spare Moments.

And All Are Close to Buffalo.
 The Rumsey farm, which has been chosen as the site of the Buffalo Pan-American Exposition, is situated on Scajaquada creek. Scajaquada creek, it seems proper to add, is not far from Cheektowaga, although more remote from Montezuma, Sempronius, Busti and Skaneateles.—Albany (N. Y.) Argus.

A Warm ? Populist.
 While attending the Centennial Exposition at Philadelphia in 1876, a Saco (Me.) man lent an acquaintance from another state whom he chanced to meet \$10. He had never seen or heard from the man until the other night, when he received in the mail a money order for \$10 from him.

The Term of Life.
 Recent inquiries in England have led to the preparation of tables showing the "full term of life" for man, and other mammals, based upon the theory that there is a fixed ratio between the period required to reach maturity and the total length of life. Accident, disease and so forth, have to be eliminated from the calculation. According to these tables, only one animal exceeds man in its full life term, namely, the elephant. For man the theory makes the average term about 90 years, and for the elephant something over 100 years. Next to man, in longevity, come the camel and the Arabian horse, whose term of life is about 42 years.

History in Knotted Cords.
 Tying knots in the handkerchief to jog one's memory had its origin in China thousands of years ago. Before writing was invented in that country, which did not happen until 3,000 B. C., memorable and important events were recorded by long knotted cords. The most ancient history of China is still preserved as told by these knots. When Emperor Tschang Ki invented writing, the entire system of knotting was abandoned. And today the memory knots made by us in handkerchiefs are the only surviving descendants of that ancient and curious custom.

How Glass Affects Bacteria.
 The extreme delicacy of many scientific processes is indicated by the report of Dr. Martin Ficker, a German investigator, that bacteria are affected favorably, or otherwise, by the character of the glass containing the water in which they are suspended. Marked differences in the avior of cholera germs were not according to the kind of glass composing the vessels used. The degree of alkalinity imparted by the glass to the water is believed to be an important factor in these experiments.

Relied on His Wits.
 In a recent address on Brown-Sequard, the French chemist Berthelot explained why that eminent physiologist, in spite of his brilliant mind, was looked on with suspicion by scientific workers. He was careless in his experiments and relied too much on his wits. Whenever an idea came into his head, he wrote it on a piece of paper, which he threw into a box, and generally left it there, making no further use of it.

Blew Open the Safe.
 A wealthy but absent-minded resident of McPherson, Kas., recently bought a safe in which to keep his valuables, and being unable to remember the combination, scribbled it on the plastering of a near-by wall. Subsequently he ordered a calciminer to put a new coat on the wall. The memorandum was obliterated, and it became necessary to have the safe blown open.

Sheep and Water.
 "Do sheep drink" is the question with which the Westminster Gazette has started the British silly season. It has aroused a bitter controversy, some writers standing up for the Psalmist's and Wordsworth's observations, while others try to prove that they know nothing about sheep.—New York Sun.

Only One.
 "I have only one request to make, my dear," said Mr. Spiffins, who woke up and found his wife searching his pockets. "Well, what is it?" "Kindly leave me a nickel with which to pay my carfare into the city in the morning."—Pittsburg Chronicle-Telegraph.

Goethe's First Love.
 It is said that when Goethe was first in love he carved upon a tree in the neighboring forest a couple of hearts united by a scroll, and a little later received a sound thrashing from the forester for thus damaging the bark.

Discouraging Her.
 Wife (at breakfast)—I want to do some shopping today, dear, if the weather is favorable. What are the forecasts? Husband (consulting his paper)—Rain, hail, thunder and lightning.—Tit-Bits.

He Knew.
 Lady—I wish to get a birthday present for my husband. Shopman—How long married. Lady—Ten years. Shopman—All the bargains are on the right, madam.—Tit-Bits.
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Lucky for Both.
 They tell a story of Father O'Shea, a priest who was well known in an eastern city, who had some local note for his quick wit. One of his Presbyterian friends was fond of having a joke with him. They met one day at the postoffice, where there was quite a crowd waiting for the distribution of the mail, which had just arrived.
 "Nice day, Father O'Shea," said the man.
 "It is a nice day, indeed, sir," replied the priest.
 "I suppose you read the news of the queer doings down in Florida?" said the joker interrogatively.
 "I did not," replied Father O'Shea.
 "What's going on down there?"
 "They're hanging all the priests and donkeys in the state," replied the joker.
 "Well, well," commented the priest, "it's lucky for us, isn't it, that you and I are not down there?"

Saw Lincoln Shot.
 Commenting on the statement that W. A. Quigley, a Topeka business man, is believed to be the only Kansas man who saw President Lincoln assassinated, the Kansas City, Kan., Gazette says: "T. D. Bancroft, a Kansan, for many years a resident of Kansas City, Kan., was in Ford's theater that night. He was one of those who formed a line through which Mr. Lincoln was moved from the stage, and as he passed Bancroft saw a drop of blood fall on a programme which was lying on the floor."

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A Miniature Fire-Mountain.
One of the wonders of the Paris Exposition of 1900 will be an artificial volcano. It will be about the same height as the Irvins Syndicate building on Park Row, New York City, the tallest in the metropolis, and nearly five hundred feet in diameter. The Scientific American says: "The sides of the mountain will be provided with shady roadways and foot-paths, so as to make the trip to the top very agreeable. The frame work of the volcano will require no less than 18,000,000 pounds of iron and steel for its construction. The earth which covers the frame work will be of real turf, in order that the mountain may present a verdant appearance."

A roadway twenty-five feet in width will wind spirally up to a level of two hundred and forty feet, and will be decorated with climbing plants, which here and there will form beautiful bowers, galleries or simple arbors. At one hundred and twenty feet from the bottom it will give access to a circular platform thirty feet wide and one thousand feet in circumference. It will be called the 'Alley of the Twentieth Century.' At two hundred and forty feet from the road will lead to another platform thirty feet in width, but only three hundred and twenty-eight feet in circumference. This will be named the 'Franco-Russian Alley.' Vegetation will be so arranged that visitors will pass through the splendid flora of the Mediterranean to the stunted shrubs found on craters. The paths will lead to the various restaurants, cafes, concert halls, etc. There will also be a reproduction of Dante's 'Inferno.' A cable railway will start from the base and will take passengers up to the Franco-Russian Alley. The summit will be surmounted by a cloud of smoke in the evening, three eruptions will take place at fixed hours, and visitors will be able to see an imitation lava flow which will doubtless prove very interesting."

It seems that Gov. Sayers did not kill all the defective laws, passed by the late legislature, by his vetoes. The courts are now hitting them hard. They say that the "mob-law" and the "ticket scalper law" are unconstitutional.

The people of Quanah and Hardeman county have made up \$1,500 to be given as purses and premiums at their fair this fall.

FULTON, Ky., June 27.—Henry Stewart, a negro who robbed and shot Gail Hamilton, a negro, and robbed M. Choate, a white man, was taken out of jail at midnight and lynched, by a supposed negro and white mob.

LA PORTE, Ind., June 27.—Mr. and Mrs. James Platt, of Union Mills, this county, are the parents of quadruplets—four wee girls—each weighing twenty-four ounces, born last night. Three of the quartlets died soon. The fourth bids fair to live. Each child measured 12 inches in length.

The mother is sixteen years of age, and the father thirty. Each weighs 110 pounds, and the children are the first to come to the couple.

The bodies of the dead infants will be preserved in alcohol. The Platt home was visited to-day by hundreds of curiosity seekers.

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A New York jury estimates that there is fully \$7,000 worth of fun in spanking a kid.

Not often do we hear of any person being desirous of getting into the penitentiary, but it seems there is one such, at least—and that person, a woman living in Virginia. She wrote to Gov. Taylor, requesting permission to take the place of any life term convict. Her motive was to serve out faithfully such a term, that she might feel that her life was spent in trying to help others. The Gov. did not conclude that the woman was a crank or a lunatic, but kindly answered her letter, explaining that the laws of the state prevented her request being complied with.

Ex-Governor Hogg bobs up to the surface long enough to suggest that the negroes in the south should be evenly distributed in all the states of the Union. The ex-gov forgets that the negroes might have something to say on that subject before the distribution begins.

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REPORTED BY A. J. Wheat, com'r prec. No. 1, one bay horse four years old, 13 1/2 hands high, blind tooth on right side; branded PG on left shoulder; left with J. W. Shannon. This July 1, 1899.

REPORTED BY R. J. Johnson, Com'r Precinct No. 3, one yellow pony with dark mane and tail, about 7 or 8 year old branded S on right shoulder and 'high; brand on shoulder blotched; also J on left shoulder and about 14 hands high. This June 7, 1899. CHAS. GAY, C. C. Y. C. T.

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