

HENRIETTA.

Promises of Futures Brought to Bear Upon the Voter. Special. HENRIETTA, TEX., April 14.—After storm comes the calm, after the storm comes the smile of serene contentment on the countenances of the voters, and the vanquished. "Our dies," when they framed that old document which has ever been acknowledged as the foundation of American literature, and of the "inalienable rights" of all-born citizens, forgot to insert as one of those rights the right of the colored minority to "kick," but the majority has accorded it to them, in all well-regulated communities they are allowed to exercise it, as humor sick children. Henrietta this sort of a place the dead of yesterday are allowed good deal of license to-day. A correspondent hears a "guy" go the rounds, also, to which he has no satisfactory answer, to-wit: either he who influences a vote by promise of future political favor, or enhances some more substantial, violates the election law more than the preacher who turns himself into a buggy on election day to scoop in votes for his favorite candidate, on the double play of hold-out church discipline and an exhortation of hot brimstone to the re-church members, and the glittering promise of a harp with an extra and a seat a little nearer the front hand, etc., in "the sweet bye and bye" to the ungodly. Perhaps the remoteness of the threat of punishment and the very uncertainty of the promised reward in the latter case may be some influence on the amount of responsibility under the law. In absence of any decision from the Supreme court, an opinion from the "honest general" might be interesting. Mr. C. Hedges, a former resident of Henrietta, returned to his "first love" yesterday from Circleville, Pickaway county, Ohio. Mr. Hedges reports that the land which he sold as high as \$150 per acre, is now on the market at \$50. Better all out and come to Clay county are they can get just as good land at \$250 per acre and where values are going the other way. Dr. S. G. Bittick broke ground today for a brick building, 30x30 feet, the east side of the square adjoining the bank of C. W. Israel. Mr. Sam L. Dale, the gentlemanly representative of Messrs. M. Strickland & Co., of Galveston, is in town, and is quartered at the Commercial. C. Shoemaker, Decatur, the popular cattle buyer for Messrs. Strahorn & Co. of Chicago is in town. His friends are glad to greet him at a prolonged absence. Cheatham of Chicago, B. E. Green, J. C. F. Hutchinson of Bowie, Solents of Fort Worth, J. W. Fordon Dallas, and A. Forsythe of Gainesville are all registered at the Commercial. Monday was the opening day for the regular term of the county court, but was at once adjourned, according to previous agreement, till Monday, the 15th, owing to the absence of nearly the entire bar either at the supreme court at Austin or the district court at Wichita Falls. Next week will be a busy one, as there are twenty-four criminal and twenty-nine civil cases on the docket.

WHITESBORO.

Further Particulars of the Delaware Bend Shooting Scrape. Special. WHITESBORO, TEX., April 14.—The Delaware Bend or, as better known, "Fell's Half Acre" had another shooting scrape yesterday evening, during which a man by the name of Johnson, alias Pierce, was killed, his body receiving about twenty-five or thirty Winchester holes. It seems that Sheriff Hill of Gainesville summoned his posse to meet a posse of officers from the nation at Delaware, make arrests of parties who had been stealing cattle. Hill arriving at the appointed place earlier than the posse, was "scooped off" by the posse, and caused to retreat. One of the sheriff's men (John Washington) said he would not go till he saw what he came for, when being led what that was, he stated, a piece of tobacco, and when the other officers came up he motioned to them to come forward, when Pierce began shooting at Washington, who fell from his horse as if shot, but was found not to be hurt. Several shots were fired on both sides, when H. Wilson and Pierce were killed. Wilson was pursued and captured, and Pierce crossed the river and hid on the opposite bank, to rise no more.

HE LOVED NOT WISELY.

Crooked Love Affair Ends in a Double Murder and a Suicide. ST. LOUIS, Mo., April 15.—Advice from Holt county, Mo., say that a terrible tragedy occurred on Monday night in the farm-house of Widow Adin, fifteen miles from St. Joseph. It appears that William Cloak, a miser and a married man, had seduced the daughter of Widow Hardin, and that he and the widow and her daughter had a conference on Sunday, with a view of settling the matter. No result was reached, but during the evening Cloak called at the widow's house, which was only a short distance from his own, and a hot discussion ensued and ended in a quarrel, during which Clark shot and killed the widow, mortally wounding the daughter and badly wounding a young son of the widow. Clark then went home, fed his horse and did some other work about the place. Yesterday morning his dead body was found in a pile of straw a short distance from his house with a bullet hole in his head and an empty pocket in his hand.

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MIDLAND.

Opening a Wagon Road to the Trail—Recent Improvements. Special. MIDLAND, TEX., April 14.—A fine rain fell Monday evening. The cancellation of stamps for the last quarter amounted to \$139,173, which shows an increase over the preceding quarter. The freight and passenger business amounted to \$2186 88 for the month of March. The Pacific express receipts were \$198 75. J. E. D. Stallings, hardware dealer at Pecos, will remove his stock to Midland this week. Mr. Stallings is an active business man and a pleasant gentleman, and is a welcome accession to Midland. J. B. Scarborough, state attorney of Nolan county, selected a section of land near here last week. J. H. Baker of Sweetwater will put in a stock of dry goods shortly. Lerch & Hopkins of San Angelo have come to stay and engage in a general land and stock commission business. I. T. Daryan of Dallas is waiting for bids to erect a building on his lot opposite the hotel to be 25x100 feet. A number of German farmers from near San Antonio were here prospecting last week. They were greatly surprised with the country, and asserted that they and many others would locate here by next fall. J. J. McCollough has made arrangements with an old-established wool firm to handle the product here. The same prices will be paid as elsewhere. The business men of Midland have raised a sum of money sufficient to open a wagon road from Midland north to the east and west trail over which pass the ranchmen of Southeastern New Mexico, when handling their supplies or cattle. The road will be opened at once. In order to develop trade for Midland it is necessary to have at least three more wagon roads opened, and the necessary wells put in. This will take considerable money, but from experience made by several foreign lot owners, it is thought that all will contribute their mite to the good work. Our business men are willing to do the work, but they must have financial help. Every man who owns property in Midland is interested to the amount of his investment. He should be (and doubtless is) willing to stand his proportion of the expense necessary to bring to the town the business that properly belongs to it, and which is patiently waiting for Midland to open the door.

MEXICO.

History of Guatemala's Depredations on the Mexican Border. CITY OF MEXICO, April 15.—If Mexico becomes the arbiter between Guatemala and the other states of Central America, envoys will probably be sent to this city to make arrangements with Mexico, who will insist upon the recognition of her border claims against Guatemala. These claims date all the way from 1839. Few people in Mexico or foreign countries understand their exact nature. In 1839 Gen. Guzman with 700 men invaded the city of Comitán, Mex., being in the state of Chiapas. Minor disturbances followed for eighteen years. From 1857 to 1864 the border warfare became more violent. Tapachula was burned, Comitán was three times burned, also state capitol at San Cristobal, which is still in ruins. In 1869 Barrios seized a Mexican in Malacatan, forcing him by torture to deliver money and goods. In 1870 Barrios assassinated a Mexican in Rodea and burned his house. In 1875 an officer of Guatemala led a body of troops into Mexico, where he hoisted and saluted the Guatemalan flag with a salute of musketry. In 1879 a Guatemalan stealer burned a ranch on Mexican soil. In 1880 Gen. Barillas, now the president of Guatemala, then mayor of Huehuetenango condemned a Mexican to receive fifty lashes. The Mexican presented a certificate of citizenship, claiming protection. Barillas tore it to pieces and then threw it in his face, ordering him to be given fifty more lashes for being a Mexican. The pieces of torn certificate were collected by friends and are now in the possession of the Mexican government. In the same year the town of Tuxtla, in Chiapas, was captured and burned by the Guatemalan troops and other outrages committed. In 1884 many Mexicans were forced to join the Guatemalan army and many were struck by Barrios with his own hand. Mexican commercial interests in Guatemala have been willfully interfered with. In one case where a Mexican house had bought a large amount of coffee in Guatemala, the duties on the same were quitted by a special government order, so that it had to be sold at a loss in Guatemala, a small portion only being exported in order to secure evidence for a claim for damages. Receipts for these extortions to duties are now in the possession of the Mexican governments. Mexico therefore has a clear case against Guatemala, but will obtain redress peacefully if possible.

DAINGERFIELD.

DAINGERFIELD, TEX., April 13.—Rev. N. A. Sealls of the Baptist church occupied the pulpit at the Baptist and Presbyterian churches yesterday and last night. Hunting and fishing seem to be the order of the day at Crescent with our leading sportsmen. Mr. C. M. Johnson is visiting in Texasiana. It is rumored that we are going to have several brick buildings on Main street soon. There are several applicants for the postmastership at this place. Gardens are blooming out and looking fine. A crowd of ladies and gentlemen will leave here for the exposition tomorrow. **Croup, whooping-cough and bronchitis immediately relieved by Shiloh's Cure.** Sold by H. W. Williams & Co.

GAINESVILLE.

Preparing to Entertain the Knights of Pythias—Meadows Alive. Special. GAINESVILLE, TEX., April 15.—Right-Reverend Bishop Garrett of Dallas arrived in the city to-day and will occupy the pulpit of the Southern Methodist church during his stay. Maj. J. L. McMahan of Burneyville, I. T., arrived in the city on last night's train from St. Joe, Mo., where he has been under treatment for cancer of the lip. His lip is very much improved, and the operation gives hope of recovery. The Red Jacket Hook and Ladder company met at the city hall last night and elected the following officers: President, W. L. Blanton; vice-president, A. C. Guthrie; secretary, W. H. Brady; treasurer, H. Marcus. Ample preparations are making for the entertainment of the Knights of Pythias next week. The elegant hall constructed by the skating rink managers has been selected as the place for having the ball, and every indication points to the convention being a grand affair. The Gainesville Press Brick company is busily engaged making preparations to begin operations at an early date. The company has a large number of orders on hand, and the indications are that the works will present a busy appearance during the coming summer. A letter has been received here purporting to be from Rush Meadows, who was reported killed while assisting Officer Oulp to arrest the negro desperado Glass. The letter states that he and Oulp are both alive and well and their friends need feel no anxiety about their safety. The letter further states that they have made a number of important arrests and have some desperate criminals in their custody. It is generally believed that this letter is genuine, and the news will be very gratifying to their many friends and acquaintances.

AMERICAN FENIANS.

A Movement on Foot to Harass the Canadians With Dynamite. PITTSBURG, PA., April 15.—A special from Titusville says that an organization of Fenians has been formed in these regions for the purpose of harassing the Canadian government and their authorities by the use of powerful explosives. The members of the league are all men who have been known as "moonshiners" or "torpedo men," being actively engaged in manufacturing nitro-glycerine and other violent explosives, and therefore equally fearless in handling the same. It is intimated that two points of attack will be the Rideau canal locks at Jones' Falls and the Welland canal.

PLANO.

A Horse Stolen—Exposition Visitors. Special. PLANO, TEX., April 15.—J. H. Sharp, who lives several miles in the country, had his fine dark-brown horse, branded "WR" on left shoulder, stolen last night. There is no clue to the guilty party. W. D. McFarlin and L. W. Oglesby, Knights-Templars, left for Paris this morning to attend the commandary that meets there to-day. A party of twelve left here to-day for the New Orleans exposition. Miss Lou Oglesby, daughter of Col. Oglesby, returned home this morning from a visit to Weatherford.

Raining Birds in Mississippi.

CANTON, MISS., April 10.—A terrific rain and wind storm swept over Central Mississippi a few nights since. It came from a northwesterly direction and lasted several hours, blowing down trees and out-houses, and in some places washed up corn and other seeds that had been recently planted. The next morning, at Canton and vicinity, a number of strange birds were found lying, or sitting on the ground, some of them dead and others crippled from being hurled against trees, houses and other obstacles. Again, others were found apparently uninjured, although they seemed unable or indisposed to fly any considerable distance. Upwards of a hundred of these birds have been picked up, and, as they are entire strangers to the locality, the supposition is that they were caught up on the sea coast by the wind and wafted this way. They are certainly a species of sea fowl, and resemble the penguin. They are about the size of the teal duck, have a head like the game chicken and a bill like the crow. Their legs are short and web-footed; their wings are also short. The feathers on the neck and back are black and dark green, while those on the breast are a bright silvery gray. The birds have no tails, and the live ones were found either sitting up or waddling, and made no effort to fly.

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