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WIPED OUT.

...e Boys Killed by a Posse Under Command of Heck Thomas of Fort Worth.

...mony at the Coroners Inquest at ...sville—An End to Their Reign of Terror.

...the Gazette.

...VILLE, TEX., Sept. 8.—The city ...d with excitement early this ...from the news that Jim and Pink ...ited desperadoes, who for ...have committed crimes innumer- ...spread terror over the upper ...county and the Indian Terri- ...been killed by H. A. Thomas, ...and Jim Shattler, and their ...are lying in the jail in this city. ...wds thronged to the jail to try ...a glimpse of the men, whose ...while alive was the

...OF MURDER AND OUTRAGE.

...o'clock the coroner summoned ...held an inquest over the re-

...Thomas being sworn, gave sub- ...the following account of the

...from Fort worth. I have been in ...of the Lee boys since June 5. ...who lives in Cooke county, ...on their track since May 5. Jim ...lives on Strother Brown's place, ...the Lees had some ill-feeling ...he had been hiding in the ...a month for fear

THEY WOULD KILL HIM.

...morning Taylor and Shattler ...ether and we heard that the Lee ...in the neighborhood, but we ...find them until about 1 o'clock, ...informed us that he had ...riding across Strother Brown's ...We immediately started up the ...Brown and Washington's ...We had not gone very far ...saw Jim and Pink Lee on a knoll ...open prairie. They were off ...and were engaged in cutting ...'s wire fence. We dis- ...and crawled along in the ...we were within forty yards of ...we rose, presented our Win- ...and

...THEM TO SURRENDER,

...their customary nerve, the Lees' ...was to drop their nippers, ...rifles and open fire. We then ...firing, and the first shot took ...Pink Lee's neck, killing him in- ...When Pink fell Jim dropped be- ...and shot ten times, first at one ...then at another, but without ...he died from two shots, one ...and one in the head.

...WAS GAME TO THE LAST.

...was to throw a cartridge into ...preparatory to firing, but his ...forsook him and he fell back ...We lay down in the grass when ...commenced and continued to ...Jim ceased. I think I fired ...shots."

...Pink Lee were the leaders of ...outlaws who for several years ...the lower part of the Chickasaw ...a part of this county known ...ware Bend. They were in the ...crossing to this side of the river, ...large numbers of horses and cat- ...driving them into the Territory, ...had quite a large ranch filled ...ill-gotten spoils. This contin- ...some time, until some of the cat- ...who suffered most from their ...determined

TO PUT A STOP TO IT

...their cattle. These cattle- ...connection with Sergeant Guy ...Indian policeman went to the ...which is on Calico creek, where ...the Lees and all their gang ...in a sort of a block house. Some ...persuaded Guy and his crowd ...to the front of the house under ...of conferring with them, and ...got in range the Lee gang ...are killing Guy, Jim and Andy ...a man named Mathews. All ...of the gang have been arrested at ...times, and are now in Fort ...waiting their trial, but Jim and ...have successfully evaded arrest, ...several parties have gone in ...them.

...order in the Nation was commit- ...May 5, and from that time un- ...they have spent most of their ...the Nation; but they would some- ...to this side and commit

SOME BOLD ROBBERY

...outrage on those who had in- ...their displeasure. There is a gen- ...of relief at the fact that they ...Their bodies were turned ...their relatives, who carried them ...Bend for interment.

...E WESTERN COUNTRY.

...Going On In and About Abilene—The Crop Statistics.

...ence of the Gazette.

...TEX., Sept. 7.—Some idea of ...western country is building ...be obtained from a few facts ...lumber yards at Abilene. We ...lumber yards, conducted by ...energetic and popular parties, ...them financially very strong. ...the best lumber that the long ...of Texas and Louisiana can af- ...is to say, as good pine lumber ...made on top of the ground. The ...past was no more than an aver- ...for some time, and yet they re- ...them eighty car loads of ...This represents at least 400,000 ...one week, and they sell ...as fast as they get ...did not sell it they would not ...a day passes but that long ...wagons are seen passing out of ...loaded down to the stoppers ...lumber.

...day, although it was Sunday, ...correspondent saw a big wagon ...through the streets loaded with ...course your correspondent ...mean to say that the lumber was bought or loaded on Sunday, for our lumber dealers are all Christian gentlemen, who "remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy." It only shows that the work went on till a late hour Saturday night, and the teamster must have slept in the yard that night.

Now let one figure how many houses that 400,000 feet of lumber will build. It will build at least eighty very neat, comfortable houses, so that you may say that the lumber which went out of the Abilene yards last week represents eighty new buildings for Abilene and the contiguous territory. The most gratifying feature of this big lumber business is that much the greater portion of it, nine-tenths probably, went to the grangers.

They are now marketing their splendi... crop of wheat, oats, barley, rye and co... and they are using the proceeds to ... large and beautify their homes. Many a granger around us begun his good work with no better than an humble shanty to cover his family, who will soon be living in a neat, substantial, cosy residence. In fact, these pretty evidences of thrift are shooting up all over this country.

While this is going on we need not give ourselves much bother about the city. A thrifty population of grangers will make a city great, whether she would be or not. Look at those splendid cities scattered all over Ohio and Western New York, so close together that the railroad trains pass through them every ten minutes or less. They are all the work of the blessed granger, without whom they never would have been. With him comes the prosperous merchant, the prosperous mechanic and the prosperous manufacturer. He is the chap who does all the good things. Ohio and Western New York are fine countries, bountifully gifted by nature, but where she has given them one gift she has given this country ten gifts. We excel them in soil and climate, and in point of number and rarity of products of the field, they are not to be compared to us. If, therefore, the grangers of Ohio and New York can build such fine cities, why may not our grangers build cities ten times finer and more numerous?

As for Abilene, while it has a very agreeable and healthy growth, it is not, just now, keeping pace with the growth of the country around it. This is due to the feeling of uncertainty as to what the Gulf, Colorado & Santa Fe railroad may do. Had it not been for this feeling, there would have been many splendid brick stores built here this summer. However, this condition cannot last long, and it is better for the country to outgrow the city than for the city to outgrow the country. If we have an assurance of the railroad, we shall have such a building boom here as few cities in Texas have witnessed.

On the contrary, if we get the assurance that the railroad will not come here—of which there is not much danger—it may cast a damper upon Abilene for awhile, but she will soon recover and go ahead. Whether the railroad comes or not, the granger will come, and he will assure the future.

From two of our citizens who derive a pleasant revenue from driving over the country with threshing machines, threshing out the grain of the farmers, we obtain exact figures regarding yields per acre. A few taken at random will suffice:

R. A. Sea: Oats, 60 bushels per acre.

J. R. Fletch: Oats, 55; wheat, 23.

Burg & Sandell: Oats, 105; wheat, 20; rye, 32½.

Ford & Percy: Wheat, 19.

Thomas Cross: Oats, 70; rye, 24; wheat, 21.

Frank Heller: Oats, 65; rye, 20.

Rev. Mr. Stone: Wheat, 22.

Anderson: Oats, 85; rye, 28; wheat, 15.

L. Bowman: Rye, 28.

H. Henderson: Oats, 40; millet, 35.

Ridell: Wheat, 15; oats, 40; millet, 40.

James Thomas: Wheat, 15; rye, 26; oats, 65.

Torrey: Oats, 85.

Smith: Wheat, 24.

Moore: Oats, 65; wheat, 20.

F. A. Miller, Oats, 85; barley, 55; rye, 12; wheat, 18.

Lind: Oats, 75; wheat, 18.

Christopher: Oats, 85; millet, 40.

The above comes from the memorandum book of Mr. E. M. Ford, who threshed out the given quantity himself.

Mr. Z. Steadman has been threshing in another part of the county and will soon supply us with exact figures as Ford has done. He states that on Dead Man's creek, which is the most populous section of farmers near Abilene, the average yield of oats has been about ninety bushels per acre, and wheat about twenty bushels, though many of the farms run as high as thirty-five bushels.

It will be observed that there is much variation in the yield per acre. This is due partly to the farmers themselves, some cultivating thoroughly well, and some not so well, but it is mostly explained by the fact that some of these crops were grown on sod ground, that is, ground for the first time turned by the plow, and some on ground which had been cultivated from one to two years before. On sod grounds the crops are usually light, and they grow better every year afterwards.

It commenced raining this morning at 8 o'clock, and it is still at it at 10:30 a. m., with every prospect of a good siege of it.

GRANDVIEW.

A Mysterous Shooting Affair—Other Notes.

Special to the Gazette.

GRANDVIEW, TEX., Sept. 8.—The town was aroused from its usual quiet on Monday morning about 4 o'clock, by the firing of pistols in the neighborhood of the Gault boarding house. Two balls took effect in the corner of a saloon that stands just north of said boarding house. It is not known who did the shooting, as no one came to talk about the affair. It is evident that the party, who it was intended should have received the shots, was in the backyard at the Gault house, and was making his way to a gate which opened not very far to the right of where the two bullets were buried in the saloon wall. Some of the best citizens say that there is a mystery connected with said shooting that should be solved.

Cotton is rather late through this section of the country, but it is now thought a fairly large crop will be harvested.

Several bales of cotton gathered from the earlier crops have been brought to market. Business is good.

WACO.

A Hack-Driver Shot and Killed while Driving Through the Street.

A Decomposed Body Found and Buried—Copy of a Letter Found on the Body.

Special to the Gazette.

WACO, TEX., Sept. 8.—About half-past ...o'clock this morning W. R. Orman, a ...keeper, shot and killed Bud ... a hack-driver. For several ...rs have existed between the ... night Hughston told Orman ... and sister were no better than ... on prostitutes and associated with negroes. Orman told him if he did not retract that he would kill him. Hughston refused to do so, and this this morning while Hughston was driving up Second street with a woman named Kate Horton in his hack Orman came out of his residence, on the corner of Second and Mary streets, with a forty-four calibre (long) Colt's revolver and fired on Hughston twice. The first shot entered the left side of Hughston between the second and third rib, ranged upward and passed out of the front of the right shoulder. As Hughston was falling Orman fired again, the shot striking under the right jaw and passing out of the cheek, about two inches above. In falling Hughston struck his head on the wheel and bruised his face some. When picked up he was dead.

Orman immediately went to the courthouse, with his pistol in his hand, and the sheriff not being present he surrendered to County Clerk Baker, claiming his protection. He was immediately taken to jail. In the meantime the horses attached to the hack started on a run, with Kate Horton on the inside of the hack, across the plaza, up Austin street and out Eighth street, Kate all the time screaming for help. Mr. T. J. Davis, on horse-back, gave chase and caught the runaways just after crossing the Missouri Pacific railway track.

Last evening a report came that a man was found dead just outside the corporate limits, and while the tale bore every stamp of trust nothing definite could be ascertained.

This morning the coroner summoned a jury of inquest and went up the Brazos river nearly to where the Proctor Springs' branch empties into the river and there found a man who had apparently been dead a week or ten days. It was impossible to identify him. All the hair had fallen from his face and the flesh had rottened away. He had only three copper cents on his person, besides a few other articles of minor value, including a German-plated, open face watch. A letter was found which was signed by John Seckler, addressed to (indistinct name) manager M. T. I. Co., and read as follows:

DEAR SIR—This is to identify Charlie Essenbaugh, who is owner of the money order for $10 sent to Topeka last evening, April 7, 1885. Yours respectfully JOHN SECKLER.

The jury brought in a verdict of death from natural causes. In burying the remains they were so decomposed that the head fell from the body.

Last evening a well-dressed man entered Bud Orman's saloon and stole from a shelf some potted ham and catsup. He was pursued, but was too fleet of foot to be caught, though he dropped all that he had stolen but one can of the ham.

EL PASO.

A Priest Fined for Assault—Gives Himself Up.

Special to the Gazette.

EL PASO, TEX., Sept. 8.—The Catholic priest at San Elizario, Andres Eschallier, was fined twenty-five dollars in the county court to-day for aggravated assault on Mrs. Kelly.

A man named Deloach came in to-day from a hay ranch sixteen miles east of here and gave himself up for killing Joe Howard at noon to-day. No facts are available except the defendant's theory, which shows the killing to have been done in self-defense. Both were haymen working on the ranche.

ST. JOE.

By a Majority Vote of Four Hundred, Montague County Will Not Prohibit.

Special to the Gazette.

ST. JOE, TEX., Sept. 8.—The election at this place on the question of prohibition in Montague county passed off quietly, this precinct giving a majority of sixty-five against prohibition.

The result over the county, so far as heard from, justifies the statement that the majority against prohibition will reach four hundred.

Our school opened yesterday with one hundred and one scholars in attendance, and all seem confident that under the management of Profs. Oatis and Cole we will have a school of which our town may justly feel proud.

SUNSET.

An Inexhaustible Supply of White Sandstone.

Special to the Gazette.

SUNSET, TEX., Sept. 8.—It is getting to be generally recognized that no section of the state has greater natural resources than that immediately surrounding the little city of Sunset, and every day develops some new indication of the prosperity, which awaits our town in the near future.

Your reporter has just learned of a grand enterprise, which is pretty certain to be carried into successful operation, which will add considerable to the fame and wealth of Sunset, and will make it an important adjunct to the many prosperous cities of Texas, and especially to the Queen City, Fort Worth.

It has long been known that near our town exists an inexhaustible supply of a very fine quality of white sandstone, but its superior quality was not known until several months ago, when our town was visited by Major Granger, one of the most prominent architects of New York city, who made a very careful examination of the stone and pronounced it to be the second best deposit of sandstone existing in the United States. Since then the stone has been gradually coming into market, and some of the most elegant structures in Sherman, Terrell and other Texas cities have been built of it.

Recently the contractors of some of the large buildings, soon to be erected in Fort Worth, have examined the stone and made propositions for using it in the construction of the buildings. The only impediment in their way is the fact that the quarries are about a mile from the railroad. The matter was brought to the attention of the officials of the Fort Worth & Denver City Railroad company, who, recognizing the importance of the enterprise, proposed to build a tap from this place to the quarries, which will give Fort Worth direct connection with the quarries. The right-of-way has already been secured, and it is probable that work will be commenced in a short time. Then when THE GAZETTE gets ready to move into the elegant and commodious quarters it so richly merits, you can send up here and we can supply you with an abundance of fine stone to be used in their construction.

BOWIE.

Failed to Release His Friends—Prohibition Beaten.

Special to the Gazette.

BOWIE, TEX., Sept. 8.—An attempt was made last night by some unknown confederate or friend of the two prisoners confined in the calaboose—one a horse-thief wanted at Graham, the other held for Clay county authorities on a misdemeanor—to aid them in escaping. Our city marshal, Black, too sharp for the man, was lying concealed near by, and while the prisoners and the unknown man were working things very nicely the marshal fired close enough to him to scare him off in a hurry.

Merchants are busy receiving and opening their stocks of new goods.

The latest intelligence from the local-option election, just received, indicates a majority of between five and six hundred votes against prohibition, only two boxes going for it, and they small ones and by small majorities.

The Allen rock building in process of erection at the foot of Mason street is progressing nicely. Several feet of one sidewalk are built. It will be twenty-six feet front by eighty feet deep, and will be a capacious and substantial business house.

CLEBURNE.

Another Pistol That Had Not Been Loaded For Seven Years—Notes, Etc.

Special to the Gazette.

CLEBURNE, TEX., Sept. 8.—Representative M. M. Crane addressed a very large crowd at the court-house Sunday afternoon on the prohibition question. He made a very fair, able and judicial argument in favor of legal control of the liquor traffic. He resisted the imputation that those who are in favor of prohibition are not good Democrats, and he took Senator Coke to task for his part in framing and enacting the local option laws and his endeavor now to repudiate his handiwork.

Rev. J. A. Dobson preached his farewell sermon at the Congregation church last evening to a large audience.

The county court disposed of several cases of minor importance to-day.

Mr N. L. Poole, while examining an old pistol that had not been loaded (?) for seven years, shot himself through the hand. The wound is not serious, though very painful.

The water supply of the Santa Fe at this place, which has heretofore been pumped from a large well, has failed. The company was compelled to make a contract with the city water-works to obtain water enough to supply their engines.

Our first car-load of cotton was shipped yesterday to Ingram & Co., Houston.

Yesterday being estray sale day a large number of country people were in town. Several street fights occurred, though none of any consequence.

Two drunken men were standing under the window of the Telegram office, when some water was accidentally thrown upon them. They became very wrathy and arming themselves with clubs, proceeded upstairs to annihilate the occupant of the office. Officer Bob Keith seeing them go up the stairway followed, thinking he might be needed. Just as he reached the top step, his pistol fell from his pocket and discharged itself into the wall. This seemed to have a cooling effect on the irate countrymen, who immediately abandoned their wicked intention.

A. W. Crockett, editor of the Granbury Graphic, is registered at the Cleburne house.

DENISON.

Suits for Damages—Other Notes.

Special to the Gazette.

DENISON, TEX., Sept. 8.—Some time ago Judge A. Gilbert fell over a telephone wire while going from his office to Judge Adams' office, going through a window and breaking his arm, and in consequence of his injuries received has filed suit for $1500 against the Bell Telephone company.

Dr. Walsh fell through a defective bridge on Houston avenue and injured his arm, for which he will sue the city of Denison for $5000 damages.

J. Conorly, porter on the Missouri Pacific passenger train, had his left foot badly mashed by a baggage truck.

Mayor Hanna to-night vetoed the action of the city council last week for the purchase of a Silsby steam fire engine on account of the expense of maintaining it and the informality of the proceedings of the council. The council then passed the ordinance over the mayor's veto.

PROHIBITION.

Every County which Voted Yesterday Records Itself in Favor of Personal Liberty.

The Prohibitionists Fail to Take a Trick in Any Direction—Majorities From 800 to 1700.

IN SMITH COUNTY.

Special to the Gazette.

TYLER, TEX., Sept. 8.—Our city and county were to-day alive with excitement over the prohibition election. In the city, and out of a vote of 963 the whisky men have a majority of 521. So far as heard from in the county they have a majority at every box, and it is likely their majority in the whole county will aggregate 1100 or 1200. The colored troops fought nobly for whisky.

IN WALLER COUNTY.

Special to the Gazette.

HEMSTEAD, TEX., Sept. 8.—The prohibition election took place here to-day. Everything passed off quietly. Up to the present writing only one voting precinct has been heard from, which stands 230 against and 36 for prohibition.

It is thought the Prohibitionists will feel pretty blue over their defeat, and will not wish to try again. As soon as full returns come in will telegraph.

IN RED RIVER COUNTY.

Special to the Gazette.

CLARKSVILLE, TEX., Sept. 8.—The local option election passed off in Clarksville quietly. The official count in precinct No. 1 shows the following figures: For prohibition, 164; against prohibition, 736.

Correct reports from other voting places are unobtainable at this hour, 9 p. m. Scattering reports indicate that the majority against local option will reach 800.

IN VANZANDT COUNTY.

Special to the Gazette.

WILLS POINT, TEX. Sept. 8.—This county voted on prohibition to-day, about two-thirds of the votes of the county will be cast. The majority against prohibition will be about 700.

Three weeks ago and before there was any discussion on the subject, prohibition would have carried in this county. Judge Russell, county judge of this county, canvassed the county in favor of prohibition, Senator Kilgore and Kerby against prohibition, and the question was fairly and ably discussed throughout the county.

IN FALLS COUTY.

Special to the Gazette.

MARLIN, TEX., Sept. 8.—The election passed off quietly, and thus ends one of the most bitter canvasses known in this county for years.

There can nothing be learned definitely of the vote up to this writing, but the impression is, that local option was defeated by about 1000 majority.

Since writing the above, seven boxes have been heard from with the anties ahead: Marlin giving a majority, Regan 200 and Perry 277, against prohibition. The Prohibitionists concede their defeat by nearly 1500 majority now. The returns are coming in slow.

IN NAVARRO COUNTY.

Special to the Gazette.

CORSICANA, TEX., Sept. 8.—Returns so far from several precincts throughout the county, show prohibition defeated in today's election by a majority of over 1300. Five large boxes remain to be heard from up to this hour, whose returns will perhaps swell the majority to about 1700.

Bonfires and mock funerals will be indulged in as soon as the forces can be mustered and the procession started, and the defeated leaders be serenaded to the tune, "Sweet Bye and Bye" by the coon band.

10 P. M.—Later returns show that prohibition has been defeated throughout the county by a majority of about 1500.

At this hour returns have arrived from nearly every voting precinct in the county and what have not arrived will but increase the majority. In this city bonfires are burning and anvils firing in all the public thoroughfares. Hundreds of people are rejoicing at the result.

Hon. R. Q. Mills rose from a sick bed and drove down to the scene of the public jubilee in a carriage a few minutes ago. He was greeted by long, loud and deafening cheers. He was too feeble to speak, and after viewing the crowd for a short time drove home.

The matinee has just well opened with fair prospects of continuing for the entire night.

HARROLD.

Will Enforce the Laws Without Fear Or Favor—Tried to Shoot.

Special to the Gazette.

HARROLD, TEX., Sept. 8.—County Attorney Britt has come down to Harrold to look after matters and things, and, if possible, to straighten up what may be found crooked. He seems to be a man of sound sense and good judgment, and, withal, of very conservative views and quiet demeanor. He is a good lawyer, very firm in his convictions and determined in his course. He says he took an oath to assist in enforcing the law, and with the keeping of the sanctity of that oath no sickly sentimentalism or favoritism shall interfere. He says the legislature has made no provision for the non-enforcement of the laws in the frontier counties, and under his oath he can make none, and, so far as he can effect it, the laws will be enforced even in this frontier county.

Some few may object to this view, but in the end Mr. Britt's policy will be sustained by all good men.

The Shiel and Cain affray was followed Sunday night by an effort between Meyers a saloon man and Cunningham the variety man, to do some shooting. After some trouble in a saloon between them, Cunningham went off and got a shot gun and returned, when Meyers also got hold of one. Friends however interfered and no harm was done.

Much credit is due here to the state rangers for keeping the peace and enforcing good order. There are some eight or ten of them stationed here under Captain Murray, and they are a credit to the service. Their conduct is uniformly civil, law-abiding and gentlemanly.

We had a number of light showers of rain here yesterday, and the ground is in good order for the plough.

ABILENE.

Special to the Gazette.

ABILENE, TEX., Sept. 8.—City Marshal Hill, having given bond for his appearance in the Holland-Davis killing, left New York this morning for Abilene. It is supposed that he will look on his return to his old stamping-ground as if he wished he had not gone away; in other words, that he will look decidedly sheepish.

The big circus comes here to-morrow, and the town, as usual on such occasions, will be flooded with people.

Reports are on the streets to-day that a contract has been let for the immediate extension of the Gulf, Colorado & Santa Fe to Pecan Springs, which created a considerable flutter.

It is, however, not at all to be relied on, though a long extension to some point, to begin at any moment, is confidently expected.

Pecan Springs is about forty miles due south of Abilene on the line between Coleman and Runnels.

QUEEN CITY.

Correspondence of the Gazette.

QUEEN CITY, TEX., Sept. 8.—A. C. Smith, W. H. Hund and S. J. Harrod have just returned from St. Louis and the east.

To have seen our depot yesterday morning, how every platform was piled to overflowing with boxes, barrels, crates and bales of merchandise of every description one would never think there was a short cotton crop in this section.

The counter hoppers are no longer seen congregated around a checker board on the side-walk or sitting around conversing sagely on theology or the policy of the administration. That time is past. They may now be seen opening, marking and arranging piles on piles of new goods and making ready for an immense trade when cotton begins to move lively.

Capt. W. H. D. Hunt has just ready for business his new steam gin.

A. A. Hunt has contracted to travel for the commission house of Hill, Fontain & Co., St. Louis. He is a young man of fine business qualifications and we predict for him a successful future.

Mrs. T. A. Patillo, wife of the Q. C. L. Co.'s book-keeper, started to North Carolina yesterday on a visit to relatives. We wish her a pleasant visit.

DECATUR.

Special to the Gazette.

DECATUR, TEX., Sept. 8.—Judge Jas. Hurt of the court of appeals of Texas is in the city visiting old friends and is the guest of the district court. The judge is very popular with our people. Judge Hurt is authority for the saying that "prohibition has nothing more to do with Democracy than a hog law."

A grand rally is being made to-day by the prohibition and anti-prohibition men. The biggest crowd is in town we have seen for many a day and everybody seems to be interested and has constituted himself a committee to work for the cause he has espoused. Up to 12 noon it was thought that prohibition was two to one ahead. About 525 had voted, with about 350 more to vote.

The country fire alarm (the hip-pocket pistol) was sounded last night, and upon inquiry it was found that the fine residence of C. A. Doty, in the east part of the city, was on fire. Mr. D.'s family had just left for Iowa, and he and a few friends had met at his house last night to have a last social chat before he departed for his new field of labor, and it is thought that some one threw a cigar stump down, which caught and did the damage.

Mr. C. A. Doty, who has been in the employ of the Fort Worth & Denver City railroad as operator since its completion, has resigned, and will remove to Albuquerque, N. M., for the benefit of the health of his wife, and where he has accepted a position. In losing Mr. Doty, we feel that it will be hard to fill his place, and that New Mexico has gained a prize to be proud of.

L. C. Sparkman and Ed E. Furman held forth at Anderson last night on prohibition—Sparkman against and Forman for.

Another Chance Granted.

OSAGE MISSION, KAN., Sept. 8.—Judge Stillwell, in the noted Frankie Morris murder case, has granted a new trial to the defendant, on the ground that the opprobrious expressions of the county attorney were outside of the record and prejudicial to the interests of the defendant. One of the strong grounds urged by the defendant for a new trial was an analysis made by Prof. H. D. Garrison of Chicago, in which he found but a slight trace of arsenic in the liver of the dead woman, Nancy J. Pernsett.

The Walkup Case.

KANSAS CITY, Sept. 8.—Times Emporia special: It is reported that Mrs. Walkup has received a letter from some person in Louisiana who says that he is the man referred to as having called with Mr. Walkup upon Dr. Scott in Kansas City last November. The writer says that Mr. Walkup was using arsenical pills and a solution at the time to his knowledge. If desirable he will come to Emporia to testify to that effect.

Mrs. Walkup's attorney took possession of the letters, and refuses to reveal the name or residence of the writer.

Nothing is known of him except that he is said to be the editor of a paper in Louisiana called the Sentinel.