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Special Correspondence to The Inter Ocean
Lexington, Texas, Feb. 27, 1906.—In the
vast and inviting empire of Texas there

no other spot, perhaps, that offers greater inducements to the settler than the Yegua (pronounced "Yawah") valley, which extends east and west through Lee county. Giddings is the county seat, and Lexington is the chief town of the valley, located on S. A. and A. P. R. R.

The town of Lexington about three miles and extending west about fifteen miles and east about the same distance is richly irrigated by the Little River, a half mile to a mile and a half in width, and is the choicest strip of land in the heart of a very choice tract of country. It is 548 feet above sea level, and as a narrow strip of its bottom land is a somewhat subject to overflows during the winter and spring rains, the lakes and ponds which surround the valley become natural reservoirs or the storage of water for the dry season.

The usual temperature in winter is 45 degrees, in summer from 85 to 90. There are no extremes and no sudden changes,

Dr. A. C. Connor, president of the Lexington immigration league, said yesterday: "The League Valley might but it does not make any sense to call it a health resort. When it boasts that all its boasting is confined to the advantages which it has to offer the man who is desirous of investing a small amount of money, it is making a large dividends during all the years of his life and leave a dividend-paying property to those who come after him."

The staple crops in the Yegua are corn, cotton, sugar cane, oats, potatoes (Irish and sweet), kafir corn, field peas and melons. A large quantity of vegetables—beans, cucumbers, radishes, eggplants, asparagus, tomatoes, cantaloupes, cabbage, cauliflower, watermelons, celery, etc.—are raised and go to market in the fall and grow profusely and ripen early. Eggplants, watermelons, cantaloupes and melons are planted in May, tomatoes all the season, from May to November; cabbage is planted for the winter market and is shipped to the northern shipment in January and February.

Then as to fruit, Wild fox, post-olive and mustang grapes grow in luxuriant quantities all over the country, and are indigenous. An excellent wine is made from them, and they are so plentiful in their wild state that the Indians use them for their wild plant.

to waste annually. The vines and stalks can be budded or grafted with any high grade variety. Dewberries and blackberries are also indigenous and ripen in April and May. Apples and pears produce well, but the truth is the farmer and horticulturist.

The government soil survey which was conducted in the valley last year will show the various varieties of soil which exists in the vicinity of Exinston. The soil which produces the famous Elberta and other fine varieties of peaches at Jacksonville and Nacogdoches also produces the cigar tobacco, Yegua variety. The government has obtained an expert here to superintend a large acreage of this tobacco this year but the advantage in the Yegua valley

"What the present settlers of the valley are looking for most," continued Dr. Connor, "is not men of great wealth, but men of moderate means who are willing to

to work along with others who have
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now enjoying financial independence.
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