TEXAS TOWN TOPICS.

NEWS NOTES GATHERED BY POST REPORTERS.

Heavy Fine for Failing to Post a Retail Liquor License—A Whitecap Victim Becomes Insane—The Drouth in East Texas.

BRYAN, January 18.—Yesterday evening at about 6 o'clock the lamp under a glass pot at Samuel Levy's furniture store exploded, causing some excitement in that part of the town but doing very little damage.

The only important case before the county court as yet is that of Henry Rhode, charged with failing to post his license as a retail liquor dealer. The defendant pleaded guilty yesterday evening and was fined $50 by the court.

There is a great deal of sickness in this vicinity and there are several very severe cases.

Georgetown.

GEORGETOWN, January 18.—The criminal docket was taken up Monday afternoon in the district court and to date the following bills of criminals have been disposed of:

Jim Cox, burglary; two years in the penitentiary.

Gus Cox, two cases for burglary; four years in the one case and two years in the other.

John Wyatt, theft, two cases; two years in each case.

George Young, burglary, two years.

Rose Crawford, three cases, theft; forgery and uttering forged instrument; two years in each case.

Joe Sanchez, burglary, two years.

The magazine and three plant rolls at Shafrath's were condemned and sold.

S. W. Holland and Will Lewis, theft of cattle dismissed.

G. W. Young and Fred Vine, theft of horses, dismissed from the docket.

M. Lynch will be tried January 22 for the murder of Obediah Harris at Georgetown a few weeks ago. This was the only indictment for murder returned by the late grand jury.

In the election held yesterday, at the Mercer ranch, only one vote was cast for the city annexing portion of the town has passed. It is apprehended that there will be issued at an early date for the erection of a substantial and modern public school building.

Victoria.

VICTORIA, Texas, January 16.—It is stated by officials connected with the Pan-American road that the work of teaching on the track will begin early next. There is scarcely a doubt but the track will be completed by the 22d of February.

Thomas H. Parker, President of the Liberty and Bedias railway, at their meeting in Victoria yesterday, received the contract for the construction of the road. The contract was awarded to Messrs. Davis and Hunter, of Houston, who have had charge of the work on the road for some time past.

Mr. Davis, of Arkansas, has moved to Holland and bought of C. J. Wickham two brick buildings, for which each paid a $500 dwelling.

Mr. G. W. Gilbert, who had one of his eyes taken out some time ago on account of neuralgia, has returned from Waco. Where he went for the purpose of having an artificial eye put in.

Dr. Parker, of this place, has gone to Temple to practice as a medical adjunct and surgeon, both in labor and other diseases.

Dr. Bond is back from Mississippi, where he was called by the illness of his brother, whose consumption and mental troubles.

Colonel J. M. Fleming, of the firm of Lambert Brothers & Co., has left for Detroit, Mich., the home of his wife, where he has been on the business of the firm.

Calvert.

CALVERT, January 18.—Mr. Tom Burke left Tuesday night for Washington, D. C., where he will be treated for paralysis by the most eminent physicians of that city. He has been a helpless invalid for the past two years and when he returns he expects to be all right.

The Little Tribune company played to some big houses the season last night and Miss May Smith Bonner made a favorable impression on the theatre goers.

The town is filled with tramps coming in and going out on every passenger and freight train.

G. M. Lucas of Kansas City was in town today.

Mrs. Ida Davis of Cisco is in the city guest of the bride of his civic mother, Mrs. R. T. Davis.

Mr. T. F. Dalzell has recovered from a severe attack of la grippe.

Mr. A. P. Jackson and wife a number of other residents are suffering much in Brenham.

Mr. Lewis Lanier of Dallas is in the city today.

Mr. J. E. Fordham of Bryan made his respectable office a pleasant visit.

Sheriff Hudson of Milam county is in the city.

Richmond.

RICHMOND, January 18.—Mr. T. W. Taylor, near Fulshear, left last week for a few weeks visit to his old home in Georgia. Mr. Taylor is a good citizen and a good man, and we hope he may return improved in health.

Mr. Ed Hamilton, who has been in Mexico for the last two years, is now in Richmond, and will probably remain.

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Hearne.

HEARNE, January 18.—The man that was injured by the drop of Hearne some days ago, by a stranger in a disguised condition, proved to be a stranger. The Hearne Department is certainly this morning in mourning on account of the death of our late fellow citizen, Mr. Jacob Sonnenthiel.

Mr. Jacob Sonnenthiel was born in Germany, and came to America in 1848. He was married to Miss Sophie Bernstein in 1853. He was a member of the firm of Sonnenthiel Brothers & Co., and was a member of the firm of Sonnenthiel Brothers & Co., and was a member of the firm of Sonnenthiel Brothers & Co., and