ISLAND CITY NEWS ITEMS

Elaborate Preparations for Entertaining Visitors This Week.

THE COTTON EXCHANGE AND TEXAS CITY

Mr. Hawley Not Supported by Some of His Constituents—The Pilot-Fight Ended.

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Galveston, Texas, February 11.—The Texas legislature should be in the Pilot-pilot business if it intends to do anything for Texas ports in the matter of improvements. It is a matter of great concern to all Texas that our ports be put in as good condition as possible, and that the ship channel here be made what it should be, but harmony has not [illegible] to great extent. Commissioner [illegible] the charge that all of the old pilots are doing business unlawfully, in that their bonds were not approved by the full commission, as required by law. Mr. Fox says that during the four years he has been a pilot commissioner here he has never been called upon to approve the bond of any branch or deputy pilot.

This is the situation that Governor Sayers will attempt to straighten out. The new men want licenses from the State, claiming that there are not enough old or regular pilots here to do the business of the port. If they win, it will probably mean the breaking up of the Pilots' association, as the independents will refuse to become members of that organization.

The proposed conference at Austin will be watched closely here.

CAMPAIGN OF SANITATION.

The campaign of sanitation seems to have taken hold of the town in earnest, and the aid of the recorder's court is to be invoked in the work. The following letter is self-explanatory:

Mr. Arthur Keetch, City Recorder, Galveston.

Mayor's Office, Galveston, February 10, 1899.—Dear Sir: In your official capacity you will please instruct the police and health departments that from now on the city ordinances in reference to sanitation must be observed, and all failures to comply with said ordinances, after due notice, must be followed by the arrest of the violators of said ordinances. Yours respectfully, A. W. Fly, Mayor.

At this morning's session of the court Recorder Keetch read the letter, and then made the following remarks:

"I desire to say in this connection that I am in entire accord with the chief executive in this demand. There is no doubt that the streets and alleys of this city are in a deplorable condition. It is not so much a question as to how they became so as to look for the remedy, and the remedy lies, in a great measure, as indicated by the mayor, in a strict enforcement of the city ordinances. Of course, I recognize as a matter of fact that without the active individual co-operation of the citizens themselves, all the efforts of the police and health departments will avail little. It does seem to me that every citizen should feel anxious to do his part alone in the [illegible] in the approaching campaign in the interest of sanitary [illegible]

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feed the regular Galveston channel and a consequent shoaling along the wharf front here.)

THE PILOT FIGHT.

The dispatch from Austin in The Post today saying that Colonel Walter Gresham and Robert Webber had a conference with Governor Sayers yesterday in regard to the pilots' fight, which has been going on here for some time, was read with much interest by a large number of Galvestonians.

As a result of the meeting another conference will be held with the governor, both sides being present, on February 24, at which time Major Sayers expressed the hope that he would be able to settle the trouble in a satisfactory manner.

A lively interest has been taken in this matter from the very day the fight was started. It has been the only successful attempt of independent pilots to do business here in opposition to the Pilots' association, an association that controlled the pilotage business of this port for [illegible] years. Lawsuits, injunctions, mandamus proceedings have been [illegible] and tried. The three independent pilots have acted as pilots under [illegible] and have [illegible] the business [illegible] the [illegible] and [illegible] the [illegible] and [illegible] satisfactory, were kept within half of the amount of the contributions, hence there is a balance on hand of about $603.

The executive committee that had charge of the event, Messrs. J. C. Borden, James J. Hanna, Ben Levy, A. B. Homer, J. W. Jackbusch and Lucian Moore, met this morning in the chamber of commerce rooms and after auditing and ordering the payment of all bills, instructed Secretary McMaster to return to the subscribers 50 per cent of the amount of their subscriptions.

This is the third time during the past few seasons that committees of the chamber have so handled matters that a considerable balance has been left for the subscribers and returned to them.

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

At the Tremont—R. B. Baer, Houston, A. M. Strauss, New York; A. P. Borden, Pierce, Texas; J. C. Murphy, Temple; G. H. Durrie, New York; G. B. Hobson, Richmond, Va.; William E. White, New York; E. E. Lion, Baltimore; Morris Cohen, Chicago; M. Dequede, New Orleans; T. B. Brooks, Houston; George A. Cox, Dallas; Eugene P. Thomas, Atlanta; W. E. Davis, New York; H. L. Lawrence, Louisville; R. P. Boyd, Reading, Pa.; T. P. Marshall, Dallas; Arthur E. Pearce, W. H. Thornton, New York; W. H. Holliday and wife, Indianapolis; Howard C. Dunham, Louisville; A. Cassch, New York; C. W. Chambers, E. M. Westervelt and wife, Lincoln, Neb.; H. B. Downey, Beaumont; G. W. Elder, Chicago; Charles F. Black and wife, London.

THE RACES.

New Orleans Results.

New Orleans, February 11.—Ben Ronald won the Merchants' handicap, $1000 stake; track fast.

Seven furlongs, handicap—Sir Florian, Dandy H., Volandies. Time 1:31.

Four furlongs—Alex, Gussie Fay, Indian. Time :49.

Mile and a half—Hook, Warmas, Tools, Swordsman. Time 2:37.

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CUBAN GENERALS INSULTED.

Cuban Generals Intended to Break Into Military Etiquette.

Havana, February 11.—Major General John R. Brooke, governor general of Cuba; Major General Ludlow, military governor of this city, and Major General Fitzhugh Lee, military governor of Havana province, attended the funeral of the late General Calixto Garcia, whose body has been lying in state in the municipal chamber of the palace here since the arrival of the remains on the United States gunboat Nashville on Thursday last. The funeral took place at 1 o'clock Thursday.

The Cuban generals and soldiers who were to take part in the funeral procession of General Garcia withdrew today because they were not allowed to march between Governor Brooke and his staff.

The incident has caused intense feeling among the Cubans, who, it is understood, will probably appeal to the president.

Snow and Sleet at Bryan.

Bryan, Texas, February 11.—Another severe blizzard struck this place at 9 o'clock last night, and it has been intensely cold since. Snow and sleet began falling at 11 o'clock this morning, and at this hour (3 p. m.) it is still falling.

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the matter caused.

For three hours this morning the house wrangled over an invitation from the people of Galveston to visit that city next week during the presence of the battleship Texas in the harbor there. The proposition was to leave here Wednesday and return Friday. Amendments galore were fired in, some to cut on the per diem of members while gone, and others providing that members could go without the house adjourning. After three hours of this wrangling the invitation was declined by a vote of 45 to 59, though later a compromise resolution was adopted promising that if the battleship would remain at Galveston until Sunday the members would come down to see it on that date. While this is local bill day, up to 12:30 no local bills have been considered owing to this row.

The members of the senate and the straggling members of the house who come will be provided with a special train. It will leave Austin at 7:30 Wednesday morning and should reach here by 2 p. m. in plenty of time to attend the presentation exercises. They will be taken in charge by local committee, who will do everything possible to make their stay pleasant.

"Lieutenant Bailey has received a telegram from the war department, granting permission for the Texas legislators to be taken through the fortifications at Galveston. This is the first time the war department has given a permit for any one outside of government officials to visit the forts."

The programme and arrangements of all kinds for next week are now about completed. As previously announced, the speakers will be Mr. W. B. Paddock and Mr. J. E. Boynton. Dr. B. H. Carroll of Waco will open the exercises with prayer, and Dr. J. R. Carter of Grace Episcopal church, Galveston, will pronounce the benediction.

It is expected that quite a large number of Sunday school children from Galveston and other places in the State will be in attendance. There will be a section reserved for them in front of the platform, and the committee desires that, at least so far as the Galveston Sunday school children are concerned, their teachers accompany them to restrain the exuberant spirits of the little folk and keep them quiet.

Captain Sigsbee and staff of the battleship Texas, Lieutenant C. J. Bailey, commanding the United States troops at Galveston; Captain Charles S. Riche, United States engineer corps, and other army officers will have seats on the platform. It is also expected that the marines from the Texas will be present, as well as the artillery battery stationed at Camp Hawley.

Chairman Rogers of the entertainment committee today announced the social functions for the week, the guests of honor on all these occasions, of course, being the officers of the Texas.

The programme follows:

Luncheon at 5 o'clock Monday afternoon at the parlors of the Young Men's Christian Association.

Ladies' musicale at Cathedral hall at 8:15 o'clock Monday evening.

Reception to the officers by Mrs. Stanley G. Spencer Tuesday afternoon.

Quartette society smoker at Cathedral hall Wednesday evening.

Oyster roast at o'clock Thursday afternoon at Weollam's lake to the members of the legislature, officers of the Texas and other invited guests.

Proprietor Korst has received requests from a large number of people who want rooms reserved at the Tremont, and an unusually large crowd is expected.

The Texas is expected to arrive here early tomorrow. She left Havana on the 9th and should reach Galveston by Sunday morning.

HAWLEY NOT SUPPORTED.

The directors of the cotton exchange held a special meeting this morning to consider the questions propounded by Chairman Burton of the rivers and harbors committee of the house of representatives. There was a large attendance of gentlemen not members of the exchange, but identified with the city of Galveston and the mainland. The meeting lasted more than an hour.

Addresses in favor of the Texas City channel proposition were made by Colonel Walter Gresham, D. R. Beatty, W. B. Kinkead, J. R. Davies, D. B. Henderson and M. S. Waller. They argued that the commerce of the population of Galveston could not be confined to Galveston island, and that every large city must have suburbs. The development of Texas City would help Galveston. The making of the channel would be an advantage and a benefit to the commerce of Galveston, they said, if it were dug as an extension of the present channel in front of the city, veering then to the west and going straight to Texas City.

The directors, after a full discussion of the subject, requested the president to telegraph to Congressman Hawley that the exchange favored the channel if dug as an extension of the present channel.

The following dispatch was drawn up:

"Hon. R. B. Hawley:

"The Galveston cotton exchange and board of trade will formulate and send replies to Mr. Burton's questions early as possible, say Tuesday next. In the meantime they desire to say to him they have no objection, on the contrary favor, the construction of a channel by the widening and extending of the present Galveston channel, south of Pelican island, westward to Texas City, or any other point on the mainland. Please show this to Chairman Burton. W. L. Moody, President."

A committee consisting of W. F. Ladd, chairman; W. A. McVitie, Jens Moller, Robert Bornefeld and Daniel Ripley, was appointed to draft the reply to Chairman Burton's questions.

(The Texas City channel plan approved by the cotton exchange is radically different from that proposed in the bill that there has been so much of a stir about. The bill Mr. Burton supported simply provided for a cut from Texas City to the harbor of Galveston. It gave no point of terminus. If the channel were cut from Texas City to Galveston channel that would mean a turning of the waters that now

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Pills are necessary but not nice. Cathartics are not confections. The fewer pills that you take the better. It's aggravating to take pills that don't and pills that won't. It's soothing to know that when you take a pill it's the pill that will do the work for which it's taken.

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have gained a reputation for their sure results. The pill that will is Ayer's. For all liver troubles, diseases of the stomach and bowels, sick headache, biliousness and heartburn, Dr. Ayer's Pills have proven a specific, and they

Will Cure You

as they have cured thousands of others whose testimony is a matter of record. Ayer's Cure Book is sent free by Dr. J. C. Ayer, Lowell, Mass. Send for it if you want to know more of the power of these pills than is proven in the following testimonials.

"I suffered nearly all my life with bowel complaints, enduring much pain, and I tried almost all the cathartic remedies advertised in the newspapers, without obtaining permanent relief until I used Ayer's Cathartic Pills. The result obtained from the use of these pills was wonderful. They not only gave immediate relief but effected a permanent cure." R. C. STODDARD, Delhi, Ont.

"I was ill for some time with liver trouble. My back ached and my skin turned as yellow as saffron; I became unable to do any work, and at last was confined to my bed too weak to move without assistance. I commenced the use of Ayer's Pills and less than half a box cured me. I owe my present good health to their use, and I am never without them." WM. OAKLEY, Lobelville, Tenn.

"I have used Ayer's Pills with excellent results for constipation. I find that they do not gripe nor purge, but do give relief." CHARLES R. WHITE, Pittsgrove, N. J.

"I have used Ayer's Pills since 1845, and consider them superior to all other pills on the market. I always keep them in the house in case of emergency, and at one time they cured my wife of dyspepsia. I have found them good for all diseases caused by the Southern climate." A. L. JONES, Elizabeth City, N. C.

DR. WALTER I. SEYMOUR

Six Hundred and Thirty Patients During His Visit—Out of Town People Must Write in Advance for Appointments.

GOOD EYES ARE STRAIGHTENED WITHOUT AN OPERATION.

READ WHAT PROMINENT PEOPLE HAVE TO SAY ABOUT HIM:

HOUSTON, TEXAS, Feb. 11, 1899.

Dr. W. I. Seymour, Capitol Hotel, Houston:

Dear Sir: I wish to thank you for the invaluable service you have rendered us in straightening the eyes of our little daughter Mattie. Your method is certainly wonderful, and we are thankful to have her eyes cured without resorting to an operation, which we have always feared would be necessary.

We extend an invitation to those who are sufficiently interested to call and see for themselves the improvement in Mattie's eyes, and shall be pleased to meet them. You have demonstrated your marvelous skill to our perfect satisfaction, and as soon as we are able we shall prove our faith and confidence in you by sending you our little boy, who is also cross-eyed. Very sincerely yours,

MRS. A. F. READ, 1611, Sumner Street.

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Dr. W. I. Seymour, Care Capitol Hotel, City.

Dear Doctor—Allow me to express my hearty indorsement of your method of straightening cross eyes with glasses. My little daughter, Ruby, has been deformed in this way for a number of years and even though her eyes have been operated on, which somewhat improved her appearance, still I regret very much that it could not have been done by glasses altogether, as she has been obliged to wear them any way and under your successful treatment her eyes have been very much improved. Yours gratefully,

MRS. MONOGHAM, 1114 Hardy Street.

The popular horseshoer for Moehart & Keller writes to Dr. Seymour:

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Dr. W. I. Seymour, Houston, Texas:

press our gratitude for the service you have been to us in straightening the eyes of our little daughter Aida. Your method of doing this work with glasses alone should be appreciated by every parent who has a cross-eyed child. Our little girl continued to grow worse until we found the sight of one eye was failing, and it has been a very serious matter with us, as we dreaded an operation, but thanks to your improved system, her eyes have been entirely straightened, and if you wish to refer any one to us we shall be more than glad to have them call and see the effect of your work for themselves. Yours sincerely, J. E. BARBER, 2111 Franklin Street.

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Dr. W. I. Seymour, City:

Dear Doctor: We wish to thank you for what you have done for our little daughter May, whose eyes you have straightened. Her eyes were straight when she was born, but became crossed a few years later and have caused us a great deal of anxiety. We have often thought of having them straightened, as they were continually growing worse, but have dreaded the thought of a surgical operation.

Through your wonderful system of glasses we can now say that her eyes are perfectly straight, and it is with deepest gratitude and heartfelt appreciation that we add our testimony to those of your many other patients who have been so fortunate as to receive the benefit of your skill. Yours very sincerely,

MR. and MRS. H. GROTH, 1801 Maple Street.

[illegible] to send him to school, but found that it was impossible for him to see. I had taken him to every specialist recommended to me in this city and had tried glasses in vain and had at length given up hopes of ever restoring his sight or straightening his eyes, as I could not find any one who seemed to understand his case at all. One man would want to operate, another would wish to treat him and another would prescribe glasses, but everything I tried failed. I accepted your generous offer made two weeks ago and can say today that for the first time in his life does my boy see to read perfectly and he is about to commence school. His eyes are practically straight and the oscillation or twitching has very much subsided. It seems more like a miracle to me than anything else and I do hope that if any one is skeptical about the wonderful cures you can make in this line, that they will come to see my boy for themselves. We are poor people, but you have our deepest gratitude for this blessing, which is the greatest that could have been bestowed upon us. Yours very sincerely,

MRS. BENNETT, 206 Page Street.

[illegible] I am now writing this to thank you for what you have done in bringing the sight back to the poor eye. With the glasses that you made for me I can see just as well with the poor eye as I do with the other. This is wonderful to me and I feel certain that I should have lost my sight entirely had I not been so fortunate as to receive skillful treatment in time. I can never fully express the joy I feel nor speak the thanks I wish to tender you, but, believe me, neither myself nor friends will ever neglect an opportunity to give credit to whom credit is due. Yours very sincerely,

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[illegible] gratitude, being now [illegible] years, reading had become my chief pleasure in life, but failing sight robbed me of this pleasure and I had [illegible] in vain to get glasses that would help me and had become very much discouraged. I could find nothing that would relieve me. I realize that my left eye was [illegible] useless. In fact, I considered it a [illegible] eye; and my right was fast becoming [illegible] less also. Those who know me best have been kind in expressing their sympathy for my failing vision and tried to brighten my life, but no one realizes how dreadful it is to be deprived of this, the greatest blessing bestowed by our Maker.

I felt that I was fast growing old, and I think now must have been largely due to discouragement, but since I have been treated by you and received glasses which make me see better than I have for [illegible] years past, I feel that I have taken a new lease of life. I have even been able to read fine print with my left eye, which I supposed to be blind, and through your patience and skill in preparing my glasses, am now able to read as well as I did twenty years ago. Every day adds to the improvement and I feel perfectly sure that within a very short time I shall be attained, through your assistance, as far better than the average person of my age enjoys.

I realize that there are many people in this city who may be suffering as I did but have perhaps been discouraged from coming to see you, as one of my friends tried to discourage me before I went to you, simply because you were a stranger to me. I hope that any such may know of me will accept my advice and call on you and not lose this opportunity which I truly feel has been a great blessing to me. Yours gratefully,

E. E. RANSOM, 1316 Calhoun Avenue.

HOUSTON, TEXAS, February 11, 1899.

Dr. W. I. Seymour, Houston, Texas.

Dear Doctor—You are perfectly [illegible] to refer to me during your stay in this city, and I assure you I will do all in my power to further your excellent work. It is a pleasure to me to recommend the ability of one whom I believe to be [illegible] deserving.

I can speak from experience, as the glasses you have made for me have done wonders in relieving my headaches and I can now read with perfect ease, which was impossible with any glasses I have ever used before coming to you. I shall be pleased to meet any one which you refer to me, as I feel that there are many other who can be benefited by your skill and hesitate on calling upon you, because I are a stranger. Yours very respectfully,

MRS. B. S. RYAN, 1211 Capitol Avenue.

ONE WEEK MORE OF FREE CONSULTATION

Difficult cases especially solicited. Don't be discouraged, even if others have failed to help you. Dr. Seymour stands indorsed by the highest medical authorities in the country. The following letters are but a few from the hundreds of personal letters brought with him from Omaha, and represent the sentiments of the eminent physicians of the Northwest.

DR. T. R. WARD, Physician and Surgeon, 417 N. Y. Life Bldg. OMAHA, NEB., June 30, 1897.

Dr. W. I. Seymour, City.

Dear Doctor—It is with pleasure that I acknowledge your superior skill in your work and from personal experience can say that the glasses you have made for me as well as for my wife and daughter have always been highly satisfactory. I recommend you most heartily to any one having trouble with their eyes. Yours very truly, J. R. WARD, M. D.

DR. W. H. CHRISTY, Offices 48 and 49 Barker Bldg. OMAHA, July 3, 1897.

To Whom It May Concern.

This is to certify that Dr. W. I. Seymour has fitted myself and wife with glasses which have proven very satisfactory and it is with pleasure that I commend his skill to those in need of scientific work in this line. Besides being proficient in his work I wish to commend him as a thorough gentleman. Respectfully, W. H. CHRISTY, M. D.

DR. C. IMPEY, 418 N. Y. Life Bldg. OMAHA, NEB., July 10, 1897.

I have known Dr. Seymour for a number of years and have personally observed the general satisfaction which he has given in his work and it is with pleasure that I indorse him as a skillful and scientific optician. CHAS. IMPEY, M. D.

Supreme Lodge Business Men's Fraternity, Office: Rooms 4, 9, 11, 13 Bee Bldg. OMAHA, NEB., July 2, 1897.

Fully appreciating the need of properly ground glasses for the cure of many nervous troubles, such as headache, poor sight, and having perfect confidence in W. I. Seymour as a skillful and [illegible] optician, I take pleasure in recommending him to all persons who need such [illegible] DR. L. A. MARSH, Supreme Medical Director Business Men's Fraternity.

R. S. TOWN, M. D., City Physician, Offices 22-25 Continental Bldg. OMAHA, NEB., Aug. 5, 1897.

To Those With Poor Eyes.

I have been personally acquainted with Dr. Seymour for a number of years and he has at different times fitted glasses on myself and members of my family, and have always given the best of satisfaction and it is with pleasure that I recommend him as a young man of exceptional ability in his line of work. R. S. TOWN, M. D.

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Entrance through office, or on Travis Street, near Texas Avenue.

NICARAGUAN REVOLT.

A British Warship Goes Forward to Protect Interests.

Kingston, Jamaica, February 11.—In response to a very alarming appeal from the Bluefields, by cable via Colon, Colombia, the governor of Jamaica today dispatched the British second-class cruiser Intrepid at full speed for Bluefields with instructions to her to protect British interests.

The report received says that General Reyes, the governor of that part of Nicaragua, has started a revolution along the whole department of the Atlantic, which involves practically the foreign merchants and residents. The situation is said to have developed alarming complications, needing the presence of warships to protect foreigners and their property.

THE TEMPLE CASE.

Mexico Acknowledges the Authority of the American Courts.

Washington, February 11.—The State department has been informed by the Mexican authorities that they have delivered to Agent Leatherwood of Arizona, the American, James Temple, who has been under arrest in Mexico on the charge of killing a Mexican on the American side of the line. The Mexican government very gracefully recognizes the request from the Arizona authorities that Temple be surrendered to them for trial for this same offense, and thereby avoided a [illegible] controversy between the two [illegible] on the question of extra-territorial jurisdiction.

Vegetables Have to Be [illegible]

La Porte, Texas, February 11.—[illegible] drizzle has prevailed here from [illegible] morning, which has now changed to [illegible] The mercury is down to 26 degrees [illegible] m.) and is still falling. Fruit growers are of the opinion that early peaches, which were in full bloom, will suffer [illegible] Early vegetables that were [illegible] vanced will have to be replanted. Pasturage is excellent, and [illegible] of stock have been [illegible] is almost at a standstill [illegible] people are to be [illegible]