TEXAS IN TYPE.

TEXAS CROPS AND WEATHER.

The corn crop of Burleson county, says the Caldwell Chronicle, judging from what the farmers tell us, will be 20 per cent larger than last year. A great many of our progressive farmers have an oat patch which is beginning to look well.

The farmers of Llano county were never more hopeful for big crops of all kinds. The rain of the first of the week put the ground in good shape. A good oat and wheat crop is assured and corn is coming up.

New Birmingham Times: Although the weather has been cold and disagreeable, the prevailing opinion of the horticulturalist is that the crop is not injured to any great extent; as far as we are able to discover the mountain fruit blooms are not hurt at all. If we can pass the 27th and 28th of this month without injury to the crop, it is a clean hundred thousand to Cherokee county.

The recent snows in Potter county have put crops in the finest condition since 1885.

The fruit crop, says the Corsicana Democrat, is reported to be damaged but very little by the late freeze, we have been informed by those who are in a position to know.

The Gainesville Hesperian of Wednesday says: The rain yesterday was worth thousands of dollars to our farmers. It came just as they were beginning to need it. Most of them were done sowing oats and planting corn, and the warm, gentle rain came to make the seed grow. So far everything seems to be working in favor of our people this spring.

Farm prospects are reported to be as fine as were ever seen in Navarro county. The farmers are up with their plowing and planting and the crops are in as good shape as could be asked for. The seasons have been propitious and while it has been a little cool, crops have been held back sufficiently to make them tough and inured to the cold sufficiently not to be killed.

Somervell county oat fields present a fine appearance since the late rains, says the Glen Rose Herald. It has been the experience of the past that when the ground is thoroughly soaked with water at this time a good oat crop is harvested the following summer. Indications are very favorable just now for an abundant harvest next summer.

But very little Brown county fruit was injured by the late cold spell and the prospect is good for an excellent crop this year. The oat crop, which was thought to be killed, was only very slightly damaged.

A fine rain visited this section the first of the week, says the Ballinger Banner-Leader, which infuses new life into our farmer friends, and with an occasional shower during April and May will place this section far in the lead in the way of small grain, as well as all other crops cereals.

Henrietta Independent: Farmers throughout the country now breathe a sigh of relief. Wheat was not suffering because of drouth, but the recent rain which has fallen on it is in no wise a superfluous waste. Corn and oats are given a bountiful start. The general and indirect benefit is incalculable.

Ellis county farmers are ready for cotton planting, and a large acreage of that crop will be planted this year.

The Aurora Chronicle has the following on the crop condition and prospect in Wise county: Grass is well advanced for the season; the acreage in wheat is large, stand firm, condition first-class; the acreage in oats larger than last year, condition favorable; about the usual acreage in corn, planted early and in better condition than ever before; larger crops of potatoes, onions, etc., planted than ever before; fruit damaged but little by recent frosts and prospects good for finest crop ever grown. The acreage for cotton is not only larger, but better prepared than ever before.

The report from the fruit belt to the north is good. The Alvord Budget says: Up to this writing the fruit crop, while somewhat damaged by the recent cold snaps, promises to be a heavy one. Only a small part of the general crop was far enough advanced to suffer any damage and half the fruit the trees would put on is better than all of it would be should all of it be allowed to remain on the trees. Unless it meets with some accident in the future, which is not probable now, the fruit crop of the country immediately tributary to Alvord will be worth many thousands of dollars this year. The time is already here when our fruit crop is of almost if not quite as much importance to the people of this section as the cotton crop.

It is probable that less corn will be planted in Panola county this season than last, while the cotton acreage will be increased. Fruit is safe.

It is encouraging to note, says the Laredo Times, that notwithstanding last year was one of the driest and most unfavorable ever experienced in this section, yet the valley lands of the Rio Grande around Laredo produced a half bale of cotton to the acre.

Hill county expects to spread herself this year in the yielding of crops if the season continues as favorable as now, says the Mirror.

Tulia, March 27.—We have had a two days' norther and the weather was quite cold, and there will be some loss in stock, especially small stock brought in by settlers late in the summer and fall. There is no damage to crops or fruit. The cold weather and late start in vegetation in the spring caused by our high altitude will make this plains country the best fruit country. Our people are generally planting forest and fruit trees, and in a few years we will have the most attractive and desirable part of Texas.

Goldthwaite, March 28.—Crops are in good condition and the fruit in many parts of the county is not injured in the least. Weather clear and warm, although we have had several days when the norther held full sway.

Clarendon, March 27.—The weather is nice and warm again after two or three days of very disagreeable weather. Everything has the appearance of spring and the grass is beginning to change the color of the prairie from a dull brown to a bright green.

Delta Plain, March 28.—The wheat crop is assured and the work of subjugating the virgin soil will now go forward apace. A considerable acreage of oats has been sown and the prospect is encouraging.

Sunset, March 24.—This section of country is being blessed with a fine rain to-day, which will prove of incalculable benefit to the oats and small grain crops throughout the country. This point has shipped about 1500 bales of cotton to date this season, and 800 bales or more still remains in the yard.

Anson, March 24.—A splendid rain fell all over Jones county last night, sufficient to fill all the streams, make an abundance of stock water and insure the heaviest grain crop on record. Wheat is the finest ever seen here and the acreage is unusually large.

Pilot Point, March 25.—A splendid rain fell here yesterday, which will be of incalculable benefit to wheat and oats. It fell slowly all day and leaves the soil in excellent condition. The wind to-day is in the west, temperature registers 50. Farmers express fear that the coolness and cloudy weather will cause corn to rot in the ground. The fruit buds are bursting open, and indications favor a good crop. The season is backward.

Colorado, March 25.—Fine rains have fallen in various portions of the surrounding country during the last few days, and the farmers are much encouraged. On the head of the Colorado river the rains have amounted almost to floods.

Albany, March 24.—A nice rain of twelve hours' duration has just ceased falling here. The weather has cleared up warm and the spring has at last begun. This fall of rain assures a beautiful crop of wheat and small grain and gives plenty of stock water, and will bring out the spring grass with a rush.

In speaking of the rain, the Greenville Banner has the following: It came just at the right time, and was fully appreciated. Farmers are nearly all done planting corn, and it is a little too early to plant cotton. The rain will mellow the soil, make the corn come up, set the oats to growing in a hurry and make the gardens flourish. The peach trees are now in full bloom and the prospect is excellent for a fine fruit crop.

Wise county farmers are much elated over the last rainfall, as it was needed to bring out the crops already planted and give wheat a starter.

It is reported that Wharton county farmers will have in cultivation a much larger area than last season. Cotton is still being ginned and sold.

Graham, March 25.—After the rain yesterday morning the streams were all up and some of the mails detained. More than two and a half inches had fallen up to noon today. This is all we need for a good wheat crop. Not much of a stand of oats yet. The weather has been too cold and the ground too dry, but since the rain it will require but a few days to tell whether the oat and corn crop will have to be planted again. Wild goose plums and early peaches are not yet in full bloom. The early blooming peaches—mostly late varieties—came out about a month ago and are badly damaged.

Quanah, March 26.—On Monday last one of the heaviest rains of the season commenced falling and continued at intervals most of the day Tuesday, thoroughly soaking the ground and putting it in excellent condition for all small grain. The wheat crop is now considered assured beyond question and will be one of the largest yields ever had in this section.

Wichita Falls, March 25.—A heavy rain storm fell last night and to-day, which causes the farmers to greatly rejoice, as wheat was badly in need of rain.

Kemp, March 25.—A slow, gentle rain fell yesterday, which was badly needed. Farmers are well up with their work. Most all have finished planting corn, and are getting nice stands. Some are ready to plant cotton. Oats are looking fine, but gardens are somewhat backward.

Tulia, March 24.—Another fine rain fell yesterday evening and last night which will be of great benefit to farmers.

The Mansfield Chronicle sums up briefly the crop prospects of Tarrant county as they are reported from different points: Wheat continues to show to the best advantage while the oat crop, about which some anxiety was felt a few days ago, is now known to be entirely uninjured and to be the most promising for many years. Quite a large acreage of oats has been planted and a good crop will be an especial blessing to farmers by furnishing early feed to meet last year's scarcity of provender. The bulk of the corn crop is in the ground and examination of it shows that a few days sunshine will cause most of it to burst through the soil. In a few isolated instances farmers who planted extremely early have had to plant over, but as the ground was in complete readiness this extra labor did not amount to much. The reports concerning the fruit crop aggregate about this: Blackberries and grapes are a sure full crop, and without further frosts peaches will be a good over yield. True a great many blooms have been withered by the frosts, but in this country the best peach crops are made when the trees are somewhat thinned of their burdens before the fruit gets large. Farmers are rapidly getting their cotton land in readiness for planting, and the acreage of this staple will perhaps be larger than ever before. Summed up, the crop outlook is brilliant.

The wheat crop in Texas is one of the largest ever sown, says the Titus Times, and will from present prospects be one of the largest ever harvested in the state.

Gainesville Register: The timely rains of this week have benefited the country to an untold extent. Never in this section were the prospects so cheering. If no blighting frosts or destructive storms occur this spring, the wheat and fruit crops will be immense.

Jefferson, March 26.—The farmers of this county have been taking full advantage of the past ten days of fine weather, and are now well up with their crops. Corn planting is finished except in the low lands, and some have planted their cotton. The acreage in both are being largely increased, especially in corn. The farmers say that they are going to quit paying $1 a bushel for corn, and raise it themselves. Many, too, are raising hogs on an extensive scale for marketing next winter at the Fort Worth packery.

Belcherville, March 27.—This section has been visited by a splendid rain, which has made our farmers and merchants jubilant. The prospects for crops were never better. The acreage of corn and cotton over last year is nearly double.

Snyder, March 27.—Grass comes slowly, owing to cold nights, and cattle are suffering. The rain, though light in town, was heavy in Kent and northern part of the county.

Baird, March 27.—Wheat and oats are looking fine and the farmers are buoyant.

TEXAS SCHOOLS AND CHURCHES.

Greenville's handsome public school building, known as the Central school building, has been formally received by the city. Its cost, including grounds, equipments and furniture, is about $25,000, and it is one of the prettiest, largest and best buildings ever erected in Texas for that amount of money.

Abilene, March 26.—The contract for the erection of the West Texas Baptist College was awarded here yesterday by the trustees to Russell, Winter & Miller, contractors, of this place. This will be a very fine building, and will be located in the North Park addition. The school will be opened next session, and a large patronage is already assured. The contracts for more buildings will rapidly follow. Work has been commenced to-day.

Kemp, March 26.—A beautiful lot has been donated by Dr. A. J. Still for the erection of a Methodist church, and work will begin as soon as the lumber arrives.

The new Catholic church at Shiner will be occupied for the first time on Easter Sunday.

We have made a discovery, says the Western Baptist. It is this: Texas is Baptistic by a large majority. The whole state is not as much so as Holland, but Baptists predominate almost everywhere under the beams of the Lone Star.

Sherman, March 26.—Sherman Female Institute has purchased a tract of land belonging to Capt. Tom Brown's homestead and will build an addition to the school. The girls crowd into Sherman and its magnificent schools in increased numbers yearly. Rev. J. H. Wiggins of Texarkana has commenced a revival meeting at the Presbyterian church, and Rev. W. T. Lincoln and wife of Birmingham, Ala., are holding a very successful meeting at the Cumberland Presbyterian church.

TEXAS PROGRESS.

Ballinger is going to have waterworks in the near future. The cost will be about $16,000.

Belcherville, Montague county, is going to have a national bank with a capital at the start of $50,000, half of which is local. The stock is practically all taken.

Work is being pushed on the buildings in course of construction at Brownwood now, and other stone buildings are under contract.

Eunis is going to have electric light works and an ice plant in the near future. The outlay will reach $65,000 nearly, and a committee are now at work placing the stock.

The Tyler Democrat and Reporter is jubilant: We doubt if ever in the history of Tyler her growth has been as rapid as at present. Hundreds of houses are now in course of erection and contracts are being let every day. Sites which six months ago were either forests or open wastes are now booming additions, and are being adorned with pretty homes, not merely tenant houses, but in most cases men—mechanics and day laborers—are building and beautifying homes.

The ramie works at Dickinson are progressing very satisfactorily, says the Galveston Tribune, a large gang of carpenters having been at work there since the first of the month. In a few years from now this will develop into one of the leading industries of Galveston county. The fiber requires but one planting, a single stalk giving a perpetual growth. It has grown wild in this section for years and will bear four annual crops, yielding 19,000 pounds of fiber per acre each season. Its market value being 4 cents per pound, $480 per acre may thus be realized. It is used for manufacturing bagging and finer goods, such as clothing, tapestries, etc.

Besides the $100,000 courthouse which is going up at LaGrange, Fayette county, a great many other improvements in a residence and business way are going on.

The man with the hoe who comes to Mitchell county and uses his hoe, says the Colorado Clipper, is soon transformed into the man with the disc harrow, double-shove, and sulky plow. This is the country where a man can make big money farming.

Abilene, March 28.—The three Masonic lodges of this city have decided to build them a building for Masonic purposes at once. The building is to be three stories high: the first or lower story will be used as business houses, the second story for offices and the third story for their own use. The contract will be let soon and when finished this will be one of the finest buildings of its kind within the state.

Sweetwater, March 29.—The Masons have begun the erection of a fine two-story hall building on the northwest corner of the square, to be of brick and iron, with the latest and best appointments. The bank of Thomas Traumill & Co. has purchased the vacant lot on the northeast corner of the square and will soon erect a brick there. E. P. Roe of Fort Worth will soon erect a large rock building on the site of his present wooden building, fronting the railroad. The county commissioner's court is now considering the question of a new courthouse to replace our fallen down affair, and will without doubt erect a creditable one this spring. There is not a vacant house in town and things generally are on a solid "boom."

Clarendon, March 27.—It is generally understood that Mr. Kilfoil, who is now superintending the construction of the courthouse for the county, has the building of the foundation of the new $35,000 hotel and will begin work in a short time. Clarendon continues to build. New residences going up all over town.

Goldthwaite, March 28.—The Abney-Masonic building is fast approaching completion and will be quite an ornament to the town. The question of water supply for fire purposes is being agitated here and there is every reason to believe it will be successful.

TEXAS MINES AND MINERALS.

Emory, the capitol of Raines county, and towns in the immediate vicinity, are in quite a little bluster of excitement at present, says the Greenville Herald, over the discovery of a rich vein of coal and a strata of excellent brick clay, within four miles of Emory, and thirty of Greenville. The existence of coal in the vicinity has been known for some time, but not until recently was its quantity and quality made manifest. The top strata is similar to that taken from the Alba mines, but in the middle and bottom stratas, it is found bright and hard, and not so much inclined to slack. Experts pronounce it the best quality of coal ever mined in Texas. * * * Under the last strata of coal has been discovered a vein of excellent brick clay, twelve feet through. Experiments have been made with this clay and it has proved to be a complete success. The bricks burn smooth and almost as hard as flint.

Semi-Weekly Times: No one with any degree of accuracy can give anything like near a correct estimate of the amount of iron ore and coal in Anderson county. It is, of course, the fashion to speak of it as inexhaustible, etc. That great deposits are upon the surface of the earth there is no doubt whatever. In the very streets of Palestine iron ore, that would be weighed in the old country like gold, is used to fill up the rain-washed gullies. In the brick used for building flint and iron is abundant. Iron ore indications are everywhere observable. Mr. Ezell, an old resident of Nechesville, informs us that he has used the best of iron manufactured from ore found near the surface in that section, and from what we have seen those ores have an easily visible descent downwards, and in no sense of the word beds or veins, but general deposits of from twelve to twenty-eight inches thick, blanket deposits of rich metallic iron.

Col. R. E. Cook of Talladega county, Ala., who is a dealer in iron lands, said in the last Llano Gazette: "You have some very fine varieties of granite and marble and more of it than any country I know of. Some of the iron ore I saw I am satisfied will run 70 per cent of iron. Why, I saw iron enough in one place to supply the world with iron for all time to come. You have resources enough here to make Llano a great city."

Brownwood, March 24.—Heavy iron deposits are located in the mountains near Brownwood, and coal mines are being developed within range of the city.

Frazer, March 25.—The writer saw a statement from Vernon in The Gazette concerning the gold regions of Greer county. Your correspondent has been waiting until something definite was developed, but so far nothing definite enough for one to risk a small fortune on has been developed. However, many experienced miners have visited the find and pronounce the lead good, and every indication points to the opening of a very rich gold and silver mine in Greer county. Local geologists pronounce the ore rich. Many have laid claims and a company has been formed at Vernon and its work has begun. A man who has been in many Western Mexican mines said that there was an old shaft there which had been worked probably forty years ago, which was rich in silver. That is being worked on a small scale now. The state geologist has been up there, but nothing could be learned from him. I do not think any arrangements are being made more than to get ore for a test and to form an estimate about the quantity which can be obtained. No doubt there is mineral in paying quantities somewhere there, and it will be found sooner or later.

Denison, March 25.—James H. Ralston, a well-known iron mining expert, John A. Kruse of Chicago and Col. Cunningham of Boston, all interested in iron, were in the city to-day looking into Denison's possibilities as the coming steel metropolis of the state. They spent some time in investigating the deposits of ore in this section, and left on the afternoon train for the Territory to further prosecute their observations with reference to coal and iron. They are representatives of a large syndicate who will shortly invest a large sum in the Texas iron industry.

San Antonio, March 25.—Gus Huebner, a farmer living nine miles from San Antonio, has discovered a valuable silver vein. It shows a yield of $18 to the ton. Samples have been sent to State Geologist Dumble for assay. The vein was found while digging a well. It is twenty feet under the surface and fifty feet in thickness. Huebner went down eighty feet for water, could not find any and gave it up in disgust. He did not know that his ore bore silver until told so by mining experts. The strata consists not of solid rock, but of boulders separated by light soil of many colors.

TEXAS MILLS AND FACTORIES.

Mr. W. R. Page of the Snider church neighborhood, (six miles west from Carthage,) has erected a new saw mill and is now cutting a splendid grade of lumber of all kinds. He is in the midst of a splendid pinery and his lumber is first-class says the Carthage Banner, Panola county.

Democrat and Reporter: Messrs. J. W. Shamburger and Frank and Charles Allen, owners of big fruit farms a short distance north of this city, have formed a copartnership, and propose to combine the products of the two farms this year, and work the fruit all up into canned goods. Messrs. Allen have bought a half interest in the cannery on Mr. Shamburger's farm, and the firm will operate under their firm name of the Smith county canning company. The consolidation will give the company 25,000 trees, 15,000 of which are peach trees all bearing. Sixty acres of tomatoes and sweet corn are now being planted and will be canned. In addition to this they have about forty acres of strawberries and ten acres of blackberries.

Some of the Texas newspapers are printing as a very good joke, says the Waco Day, that a manufacturing establishment for turning out cotton picking machines will commence operations in Waco about April 1. The date seems to excite the risible suspicions of the brethren. There is no joke about it, gentlemen. The factory is here and nearly ready to commence work. And what is more to the point, it will manufacture a machine that will pick cotton—pick it clean, thoroughly, expeditiously and cheap. Come up this way next fall, when the cotton fields around Waco are white with open cotton, and have your doubts removed.

A new gin will be built by Trautwin & Wolter at Shiner capable of ginning 100 bales of cotton a day. A cotton seed oil mill will also be added thereto.

The Rusk Standard-Enterprise has the following list of enterprises for the twin cities, Rusk and New Birmingham: The arrangements are now made for the building of a rolling mill, a cotton mill, a stove foundry, a sewerage pipe factory, another twenty-five ton furnace, and the street cars between the two cities are to be pulled by a dummy engine.

The Ballinger milling company is pushing the work on the roller mill. The company has closed the contract for the machinery and it will be there in a few weeks.

The Houston Post has the following items from Beaumont: The Beaumont furniture and art wood manufacturing company, capital stock $100,000, is now an assured certainty, having the necessary amount of stock subscribed, and all preliminary arrangements agreed upon. Application will be made at once for a charter and construction of the plant pushed to completion as rapidly as possible. The company has secured the patent right and machinery for embossing wood and doing art work on wood by means of engraved rollers passing over it under heat and pressure, which fills the pores of the wood, leaving a perfect impression of any design required, will add greatly to the variety and styles of its productions. The embossed wood and art work on wood will be a specialty with the company. This work will soon come into general favor for all kinds of finishing. Especially will it be useful in the construction of passenger cars and palace coaches, refrigerator and decorative furniture.

Mr. A. H. Stinson of Muskeegan, Mich., is now doing Beaumont with an idea of movins his large mill plant from Muskeegan to Beaumont. He has met with a hearty welcome by the mill men and citizens of Beaumont, and is cordially invited and encouraged to come to Beaumont, the future lumbering and manufacturing city of Texas, and join his interest with us. There is room for him and many more, we have a good thing and wish to divide it.

An ice factory will probably be put in at Mexia in readiness for the hot weather.

It is announced that the brick and tile company of Gonzales has just finished burning a 250,000 kiln of brick at Gonzales for shipment to San Antonio, and that the loss in the way of spoilt brick is only about 15 per cent of the number moulded.

An industry, says the Eastland Chronicle, the importance of which is hardly appreciated or understood by our people, is now in full operation. We allude to the charcoal kilns owned and operated by J. W. Taylor, two miles east of Ranger on the Texas and Pacific railroad. Mr. Taylor burns and ships charcoal to the El Paso smelting works at El Paso, Tex. The proportions of this industry may be arrived at closely by taking the monthly pay roll as a basis. Once every month Mr. Taylor pays out to laborers in this county a sum between $1300 and $1500.

Brownwood Banner: A canning factory is on the tapis for Brownwood. Now don't ask where the fruits and vegetables are coming from for canning purposes. The like question was asked relative to wheat when the mills were built; but we have the wheat, and you may rest assured we will have the vegetables too, just as soon as we get the market for them.

Belcherville, March 28.—A cotton seed oil mill will be in operation here as soon as the necessary buildings can be put up and the machinery shipped.

Pilot Point, March 26.—The Pilot Point canning company have closed a contract with Mr. E. O. Flood to run the factory. Over a hundred acres of corn and tomatoes are contracted for, with more in prospect.

Abilene, March 28.—The erection of another grain elevator is being agitated, and it is expected that it will take some definite shape in the near future. Our new cigar factory commenced operations this week, and the cigars turned out are pronounced by experts to be the best on the market.

TEXAS IMMIGRATION.

Immigrants are coming in and the plow is ripping up the soil, says the Clarendon Traveler.

A large number of German families are arriving from the North and settling in Cooke county. Most of these have joined the German colony at Muenster. Arrangements are being made to start a new colony about one mile west of Gainesville on a 4000-acre tract known as the Judge Lindsey pasture. Several families are expected to locate on this land.

Hall County Record: Immigrants have commenced invading the Panhandle in earnest. Hardly a day passes that does not bring the covered wagon into what is being recognized as the garden spot of the world.

Sunset, March 25.—Our town is full of visitors and prospectors, a great many of whom are locating and becoming citizens to assist in the upbuilding of the town.

Claude, March 25.—Prospectors are coming in on every train. Several parties from Illinois are here with the view of buying land for a colony of Germans. They are well pleased with the Panhandle and Claude. Our road across the canyon opens up a fine tract of state land, and the road will soon be completed.

A PERFECT COUNTERFEIT.

It Creates a Sensation at the Treasury Department.

Washington, March 28.—A sensation has been caused at the treasury department by the discovery of a counterfeit $2 silver certificate so nearly perfect in all its parts as to be almost impossible of detection. Heretofore all counterfeits of our paper currency have been readily detected by the failure to imitate the distinctive character of the paper on which the government notes are printed, which is so arranged that each part of it forming a complete note contains a small silk thread running through it lengthwise. This paper is for the first time almost perfectly imitated in the counterfeit just discovered. So far as is now known it has been used only in counterfeiting $2 silver certificates, series of 1886. It was practically decided to suspend the printing of $2 silver certificates and institute a new series of the same denomination. These will contain the vignette of Secretary Windom and will be issued as soon as the necessary plates can be engraved. The government will exert its utmost endeavor to secure and destroy the plates and other paraphernalia used in the manufacture of the counterfeit.

APOSTOLICAL BENEDICTION.

Pope Leo Praises and Blesses the World's Columbia Fair.

Chicago, Ill., March 27.—An afternoon paper says: "His holiness, Pope Leo, is out with an apostolical benediction upon the World's fair and the plan to erect a beautiful stone monument in honor of Christopher Columbus at Buenos Ayres. He says it is proper, as well as useful, to render homage to men who have merited so well of Cristian faith and human society. Columbus, in accomplishing by his genius and perseverance such great deeds, has been a fountain in both hemispheres of so great an influence upon mankind that few men can be compared with him. Hoping that the honors rendered him will serve to stimulate the World's Columbian exposition at Chicago, we give to your project the praise it merits, and at the same time as a token of fraternal love we give apostolical benediction.

[Signed.] Pope Leo."

EMBEZZLEMENT.

A Prominent Citizen of Kansas City in the Toils.

Special to the Gazette.

Kansas City, Mo., March 26.—At 6:30 this evening H. S. Meacham was arrested for embezzlement. Meacham is the senior member of the firm of H. S. Meacham & Co., Western agents for the N. & G. Taylor mineral wool company. He is a well known and prominent business and society man of this city, and it is learned that his embezzlements have been extending over a long period, and have been systematic. The charge is made that he has taken $2500 of the firm's money, but it is understood that his peculations will go far beyond that sum. Nathan Taylor is in the city looking up the case.

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