

The San Antonio Light.

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SHEETS, CORREYON & CASTLES,

We Have all Styles.

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New Goods!

Alamo Plaza, San Antonio, Texas.

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Consisting of Framing Timber, Boxing, Flooring, Dressing, Beaded Ceiling and Finishing Lumber, also a full supply of Doors, Blinds, Mouldings, Shingles, Dressing and Rough Products of all Patterns, Plastering Lath, Barbed Wire, Mixed Paper, Builders' Hardware, and everything found in a first-class lumber yard. We are prepared to furnish special bills to order at short notice, being connected with one of the largest mills in the Calcasieu region.

Rough Lumber same price as Rough Texas Pine, \$25 per M.

San Antonio Lumber Co., A. T. Hensley, Manager.

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Houston Street, next to Dr. Herff's residence.
All the delicacies of the season.

French Cooks-European Plan.

ELEGANT PRIVATE DINING ROOMS
For Parties.

OPEN DAY AND NIGHT.
Imported wines, liquors and cigars always on hand.

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ALAMO PLAZA.
Funerals Furnished With Every Requisite.

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By Hambleton & Dignowity,
General Land Agents.

5000 BUILDING LOTS
in the city of San Antonio, on easy terms.

Be Good Enough to Note It.
Mr. Park Doe, manufacturing jeweler and engraver, has taken part of the store at 241 Commerce street, where he will carry on the business of a manufacturing and repairing jeweler.

Just the Thing for Summer.
Mr. Frank A. Seffel has just received a fine lot of the Improved Triumph Coal Oil Stoves of all sizes, suitable for all purposes.

Great Bargains in Houses and Lots.
Rock house and fine lot with flower garden and grape arbor, near Avenue D, for \$2200.

Rock houses near Alamo street, \$1200, \$1600, \$2200.

Two nice new houses near Sunset depot, \$1500 and \$1200.

Lots for sale in all parts of the city.

W. E. HILTON,
208 West Houston street.

LA BELLE EVA.

The "Little Girl Dressed in Blue" Interviews the C. C. C.'s Marine Man.

Miss Eva Britton, the address and proprietress of the Hurricane, who recently visited San Antonio, has been in Corpus Christi. Of course she gave the Corpus Christi Caller a call, and the editor gives the following account of the interview with her marine man:

"Is the marine man in?"
"That individual drew his hand hastily out of the religious reporter's lunch basket and with a flourish, produced a pair of full drawers fast-torn to the knees."

"She was a maiden of apparently 16 years of age, wearing a blue dress and a matching shawl, and armed with a diminutive 'grip.'"

"Yes, um," growled the marine, mentally putting her down as a female missionary.
"Here is my card," said the fair visitor, handing him a piece of card-board on which was inscribed:

"Eva E. Britton,
Editress and Proprietress,
The Hurricane."

"Very neat card," ejaculated the old salt. "Looks like it was printed in Kalamazoo. Any chance you go with it?"

"None except myself," replied the lady.
"Then I choose it. Have a seat," pointing to the tumbler chair.

"Not a sitting on 'other affs. Tables are too good for me."

"Suppose you try this multiplication table then; but I don't think you can sit down on that. Factors were like some editors—want them?" the last two words after a pause.

"The young lady opened a little 2x8 pamphlet and handing it to her marine said, 'But your name down, please.'"

"My dear—your friend, I fear drastically, you want my autograph and want me to pay for the privilege of being taken in. In a drummer this would be called cheek. In a politician it is unadmitted snail. In editors it is usually, sometimes slipping out under the name of Jimerushes."

"But you get my photograph," replied the undaunted whirler.

"I'll give you a figure head, what shall I do with your photograph. I've a locker full of photographs of maidens mangled on me."

"Let me see this paper of yours. What's its formula?" the marine bottomed and iron-rigged. "Let's see something tangible."

"I don't carry the paper with me," replied the young lady, "you can judge of it from its editor."

"Then I judge it to be a five column patent outside, with a stereotyped love story and three jokes for the benefit of the poor. Not my line. Good evening. Come again."

"The visitor closed her reticule with a snap. "Who are you, anyway?" she asked, as she turned to go.

"Don't give it away," replied the marine. "I'm the man who struck Billy Patterson."

"CHARD OR LEAF BEET."
A Delicious and Nutritious Midsummer Vegetable for San Antonians.

When spring comes we instinctively look for greens and vegetables, and they are generally obtained in one form or another. Spinach, turnip-top, broccoli, poke weed, and young beans thinned from the rows are the varieties mostly utilized. But all of these soon run to seed, and long before midsummer comes it is impossible to get a supply for the table.

The sun in midsummer in Texas is scorching to the point of being deadly to the growth of vegetables, but a bed of chard keeps its growth and furnishes a supply of greens. Chard is a division of the beet, and more properly regarded as a variety of the beet, than as a distinct vegetable. The roots in chard are very small, subdivided as it were, and wholly unfit for use. The leaves, however, are large and thick, and are very nutritious.

These leaves, when grown rapidly under our Texas skies, are deliciously and succulently tender, and furnish an abundant supply of greens. Chard is well known in Europe and used extensively. The seed catalogue giving half a dozen or more varieties, differing in color and in the division of their leaves. Dr. Mudd, of Somerset, last year received some chard seed from a seedman in San Antonio, planted it, and wintered it with a slight covering. He has now a fine bed, though he thinks the plants ought to be farther apart. Last Sunday a Light representative saw it growing and he has the pleasure of having some for dinner. The outer leaves are pulled away from the outside of the plant, leaving those in the center to grow, and the leaves are stripped, peeled and cut in suitable lengths and cooked and served in exactly the same way as asparagus with drawn butter. It is proper and nutritious food, and is an agreeable change both in town and country. It is exceedingly prolific, very little trouble in raising, and can be made it to be marketed by an experienced person every day in the year.

NOT DEAD YET.
The San Antonio Mechanics and Working Men's Union Still Flourishes.

Humors being prevalent that the San Antonio Mechanics and Working Men's Union was dissolved, the Light Commissioner called upon the Secretary, Mr. Charles De Vere, and learned that there was no truth whatever in the rumor. This excellent organization has now a membership of 25, and its members, comprising representatives of all trades. In addition to this there are 65 members who are not yet initiated through arrangements of subscription. The union was never in a better or more prosperous condition and while it works silently it works well. Arrangements are in progress to hold an athletic fair, at which mechanical and artistic work shall be exhibited, and to establish a library for the benefit of its members.

JAMES D. AUSTIN.
A Wife and Daughter Seek a Missing Husband and Father.

Mrs. Mattie Austin, of Glasgow, Missouri, writes Postmaster Newcomb asking if he knows the whereabouts of her husband, James D. Austin, whom she describes as a small, low, heavy man, with large blue eyes, dark hair and red complexion. He was in San Antonio, Texas, when he went to her house and he had been sick, and was not then well, but

proposed going on to San Francisco. Since that time she has not heard from him, and she and her little girl are anxious for information. She asks that if Mr. Austin is in the city this message be given to him.

"Please write whether you know anything or not. It will be more satisfactory to me." Any person able to furnish information on this subject should write to Mrs. Austin direct.

DUNBAR'S CAT.
Mr. Jesse Bell Relates a Strange Fact in Natural History.

"Dogs get attached to persons, cats to places," said Mr. Jesse Bell to the Light Commissioner, "at least that is the rule, but this rule was strangely violated last week. You know the Dunbars—telephone Dunbar—well, they recently removed to their new house, and forgot to take their cat with them. The cat, however, soon found out the new house and took her proper place in it. In this case it is evident that the cat was attached to the persons, not to the place."

Enterprising.
A man was going the rounds of the retail stores yesterday, hunting for silver coins with holes in. Being asked what he wanted with so many, he replied, "I'm going to Mexico." In all probability this will be his last venture in the mutilated currency business.

What the Doctor Says.
Dr. Braunagel informs the LIGHT that measles have materially decreased in the city. Stomach complaints are somewhat prevalent, especially among children, being mainly induced by exposure during the cold nights. The same cause has occasioned other ailments in those who usually perspire freely, by unduly checking perspiration.

More Labor.
The LIGHT learning from Mr. Theodore Baldus, the esteemed District clerk, that while he was in Galveston on Sunday, the steamship Guidelpe arrived from New York, having about 200 German immigrants on board who had been shipped from Bremen. The immigrants were distributed by the Sunset route in various cities and some have arrived in San Antonio.

Why He Dismissed Them.
"Why did I dismiss the case against the gamblers?" r's, asked, Justice Adams t, the LIGHT commissioner's interrogation, "Why, because there was no case against them. The only evidence against them, was a boy whose identity is doubtful and there was therefore an absence of the requisite proof. The parties who get up these cases should take steps to prove them, otherwise they occasion useless and unprofitable trouble."

The Cyclone in Mississippi.
MEMPHIS, April 23.—The Avalanche's Jackson (Mis.) special, referring to the cyclone which wrecked Wesson and Beaugard yesterday, gives the following additional particulars: "Beaugard, one mile north of Wesson, has about 600 inhabitants. It was entirely swept away. The destruction of life and property is indiscriminate and appalling. Not a house of any character is left standing. Large brick buildings were blown down and frame houses torn to atoms. Trees were swept away like straw, loaded freight cars lifted from the track and carried 200 yards, and trees and timber from houses scattered for miles around. The town could not be recognized. One gloomy, ghastly mass of destruction marks the spot of what was a beautiful, flourishing little village. The killed as far as ascertained, are: Melton Story, Dr. Beaton and wife, Captain Lampkin, wife and child, J. O. Williams, Dr. Luther Jones and entire family of six, their bodies being found 300 yards from their residence and all near each other, except one child, not yet found; Miss Georgia Mitchell, Rev. J. Green, of Crystal Springs; Mr. Keating, of Wesson; Miss Lula Benton, John Terrell, Mr. Ludefer, (his wife cannot be found), Willie White, son of J. W. White, and three negroes, names unknown. A party of several negroes were playing cards in a box car which was standing in a cut as deep as the car, was carried, car and all, over two-story houses 200 yards in the woods. The wounded are: John Koss, mortally, and his wife it is also feared mortally; Morgan Joyner and Mrs. Westerfield, mortally; Isaac Bloom, seriously; son of M. Daniel, dying; M. Danvers, badly hurt; Mr. Trumbull, visiting from Brookhaven, mortally; John Holloway, mortally; his wife had her leg broken; Mr. Wilcox, telegraph operator, both arms broken; A. J. Ferguson and family, ten in number all feebly injured; Dr. Albert G. Pierce, wife and child, mortally; Henry Clay, seriously; Mr. Levison, seriously; Charles Aldridge, badly; nurse in Samuel Lawrence's, family from New Orleans, mortally; Charles Lane, mortally; E. T. Robertson, both eyes out; Miss Ruth Higdon, mortally, both eyes out; Miss Cato, arm broken; Hamilton Moore and wife, badly, the former speechless and cannot live; Miss Jennie Benton, mortally; Mrs. Benton, seriously. The Mayor and all his family are hurt and not a vestige of their house remains; I. F. White and wife are terribly bruised; L. Dunn and wife, mortally, found in a furnace at the vat 700 ft., 200 yards from their residence; William Parker wife and child, mortally; Mrs. Peets, severely; Mrs. Polk Ferguson, badly. The variety works were leveled. The property loss in Beaugard is not less than \$250,000. The same storm before reaching Beaugard, struck the Tillman depot, on Natchez & Jackson railroad, killing Mr. Baggett, wounding Calvin Phillips, Miss Covington, and Mrs. Baggett. The storm proceeded in a northeasterly direction, destroying a number of houses in Lantana on the Vicksburg & Meridian railroad, and in Aberdeen, where the damage is not stated. This was an unlucky day sure for our people, as on the last 22nd of April, Monticello was destroyed at the same hour.

LATE TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

Labor Troubles.
LOUISVILLE, KY., April 23.—The threatened strike among the cigar makers has been averted, all manufacturers having acceded to the demands of the men for extra compensation, at the rate of \$2 per thousand. The new schedule goes into effect on May 1, when the \$3 rebate under the act of Congress begins.

DAYTON, OHIO, April 23.—Four hundred miners are on a strike at the Coalton mines, Jackson county. Twenty-five mines have closed and the supply is cut off from that direction. Cause—reduction of wages 25 cents per day.

VIENNA, Austria, April 23.—Two hundred army bakers take the place of the striking city bakers. The strike extends to other trades. Men distributing pamphlets inciting workmen to strike have been arrested.

CHICAGO, April 23.—Work has been resumed on the larger buildings now in course of construction in this city, and master masons assert they now have all the bricklaying help they require, in view of the large arrival of Canadians the past two days. Officers of the bricklayers' union assert that they are receiving a great deal of outside aid, and that contractors will be compelled to accede to their demands.

DALLAS, Tex., April 23.—Reports from the Fanhahn indicate that the strike of the cow boys has been a failure, the cattle men supplying their places with young men from the States, and giving to each a small start in stock thereby identifying them with their employer's interests.

NEW YORK, April 23.—Eight hundred cigar makers and 200 packers and strikers, inaugurated a strike to-day for increase of wages. The strike will likely be prolonged for some time, as both sides have expressed a determination not to yield.

Crimes and Casualties.
DAVITILE, April 23.—A house on fire this morning was extinguished, and an unknown negro was found dead in the building. Blood was running from wounds, and the clothing saturated with kerosene and set on fire, and oil poured on the bedding.

DALLAS, April 23.—Mrs. Bud Fleeting was thrown from a wagon this morning and fell with her breast on a sharp pointed stump. She was impaled and killed almost instantly. John Handy was passing on the street where two negroes were fighting, and was struck on the head with a brick and seriously injured.

HOUSTON, April 23.—About dark last night a woman called Lottie Bates, with a three-year-old child in her lap, was thrown from a buggy on Fannin street near Congress. The woman was badly hurt and the child nearly killed. The horse, it seems, had got scared and was running at the time.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., April 23.—A special to the American from Talladega Ala., says: A heavy storm last night did considerable damage, and the north bound train on the East Tennessee valley and Georgia railroad was thrown down an embankment, destroying the engine and seven cars, and injuring several passengers, but none seriously.

DETROIT, April 23.—The main buildings of the Lansing wagon works, at Lansing, including the machinery and a large amount of work in process of manufacture, were burned yesterday afternoon. The store room, with a large amount of stock ready for shipment, was saved. Loss, \$50,000 fully insured.

DENVER, Col., April 23.—The snow storm in the mountains continues unabated. All trains are delayed, and every available snow plough is in service in hopes to prevent a serious blockade.

MEMPHIS, April 23.—The Appeal's Helena (Ark.) special says: The river is still stationary, 42 feet and a inches on the gauge. The heaviest rain storm known for years in this section visited Helena, on Saturday. Six inches of rain fell in as many hours. A large portion of the city is temporarily overflowed in consequence. A rise from the St. Francis basin is expected to reach Helena to-morrow.

SAVANNAH, April 23.—A special from Eastman, Georgia, says: A cyclone passed over this town early this morning, doing great damage. The house of John Register was blown down and two children killed. Samuel Harris' house was also demolished, and wife and children badly injured.

LAMPASAS, Tex., April 23.—Last night about 11 p. m. a most deliberate murder was committed in that part of the city called the Santa Fe addition. A man named A. C. Rich, a doctor by profession, came to this county from Georgia several years ago. He married a Miss Fannie Scott, in this city a year since and moved to Bastrop county. They returned here about six months ago and lived near the Santa Fe depot. Last night, while Dr. and Mrs. Rich were asleep, the door unfastened, parties at present unknown entered the room and shot Rich through the head and jerked him out of bed and fired two more shots into the region of his heart, killing him instantly. They then ran away and escaped, all unnoticed except by one man, who saw that there were three in the party. Mrs. Rich was so frightened by the terrible scene that she had not fully recovered her consciousness at the inquest to-day. Hopes are entertained of the arrest and punishment of the murderers. Citizens are very indignant and fears are entertained that if more strenuous efforts are not made by the State to have the murderers arrested and punished, Texas will begin to get a bad name after a while.