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Prices at the lowest market quotations. All orders filled promptly, at the quotations of the day when order is filled.
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And, in order to meet the ever-increasing demand of his customers for new and seasonable goods,
G. W. Bolton, Pineville, La.,
Has received, and has in transit, a full and complete stock of Select Fine Spring Wear, consisting of Dry Goods, Clothing, Ladies' and Men's Hats, Shoes, Etc.

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Has been paid to the needs of the trade in quality and price, and all goods have been bought at figures which will enable him to give his customers splendid bargains.

The Very Lowest Margin
In profit consistent with fair-dealing placed on all goods. His stock of Groceries, Hardware, Furniture and Notions is complete and will be sold lower than ever before.

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To be found at no other house in town. Buys for Eastern Spinners and pays the highest prices for them.

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A supply of Stylish Spring Goods received, purchased for cash, and all to be sold at astonishingly low prices, by the Old Reliable

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Everything New in his large and well selected stock of Notions and Seasonable Goods, Clothing, Ladies Trimmings, Hats, Men's Hats, and Boots, Shoes, Etc., Etc.

Stylish Spring Goods!

All carefully selected with special view to the needs of the trade.— Also his usual full line of Hardware, Cutlery, Crockery, Saddlery, Staple Groceries, and

Plantation Supplies.
He invites special attention to his large stock of Furniture, kept in his spacious rooms on the second floor. Examine his goods before purchasing elsewhere. Every thing sold for cash at

Rock Bottom Figures.

Colfax High School.

The Trustees of the Colfax High School for Males and Females take pleasure in announcing to the public that the fourth eight months Session of this school will begin on the First Monday of October, 1899. No pains will be spared to make it a first-class High School.

EXCES OF TUITION.
Primary Department..... \$1 50 per month
Preparatory..... 2 00 " "
Collegiate..... 2 50 " "
Music, Vocal and Instrumental..... 3 50 " "
Incidental fee 25 cents per session.

Good board can be obtained on reasonable terms. Two hotels in town, and several private boarding houses in town and vicinity will board cheap. Those having children to educate should send them in and give us a fair trial. We are in the race to stay.

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Colfax, La., July 10, 1896.



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Two Noted Sluggers.

Mr. James Jeffries and Mr. Robert Fitzsimmons, two gentlemen of slug-ging notoriety, met in the ring of the Coney Island Athletic Club, New York City, on the 9th instant, and, in a fight of eleven rounds, Mr. Jeffries knocked the stuffing out of Mr. Fitzsimmons, and by virtue of his brute force Mr. J. is now recognized as the "world's champion." Ten thousand people are said to have been present.

Of Interest to Inventors.

C. A. Snow & Co., one of the oldest and most successful firms of patent lawyers, whose offices are opposite the United States Patent Office in Washington, D. C. and who have procured patents for more than 17,000 inventors, say that, owing to the improved conditions in the United States Patent Office, patents may now be more promptly procured than at any time in their experience of twenty-five years.

The Louisiana Chautauqua.

This famous educational institution will hold its eighth annual session at Ruston from July 1st to July 31st, and an unusual array of platform attractions are billed for the session, viz: Sam P. Jones, July 6th and 7th; Kentucky Colonel Quartette, 10th and 11th; Henry Watter-son, 21st and 22d; Sam Small, the Cuban Chaplain, 26th and 27th; beside other celebrities and instructive entertainment to be provided. No teacher who keeps abreast of the times can afford to miss this fine opportunity for a summer outing, affording both profit and entertainment. We return thanks to W. K. Duncan, the affable secretary of the Chautauqua, for complimentary season tickets.

Erroneous Charges.

Under the head of "Erroneous Charges," the Monroe Bulletin refers to some charges that are being made, that the people of the Monroe road are fighting the proposed tax in favor of the Edenborn road, which it denies. It says:

We have taken some pains to investigate these charges, and find them to be untrue. The facts are that the Monroe railroad company is letting the people of Winn severely alone, and is surveying a route which will throw their road about six miles northwest of Winnfield, and if the fight against the Monroe road is successful, doubtless the road will be built on this new route. It is not their purpose to interfere in the slightest manner with the affairs of the good people of Winn, who are capable of determining for themselves as to whether they want to vote taxes in favor of the Edenborn Railroad or a hundred other roads, if so many should apply for a subsidy.

Refreshing Rain Showers.

The long season of drouth was broken with liberal refreshing showers of rain all through this section on Monday and Tuesday, June 12th and 13th. The drouth just closed was the most protracted and severe experienced in this section for more than twenty years, being of sixty-five days duration. The last seasonable rains were those of April 6th and 7th, and since then there has scarcely been as much moisture as a good heavy dew would give us. On the mornings of April 21st and May 21st it clouded up and rained a little, but all hope for relief was blasted by the clouds passing away, and in an hour or two every passing vehicle was kicking up the dust as if no rain at all had fallen.

Now that the rains have set in, everybody is taking heart, and already we hear it said the crops have not been injured as much as was supposed. About two-thirds of the cotton hereabouts is up and growing finely, and the other third is coming up since the rains, and the chances are that we may have an average yield of cotton. The corn crop has been damaged in a great many places, and there is little doubt that it will be short.

A Card of Thanks.

I wish to say that I feel under lasting obligations for what Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has done for our family. We have used it in so many cases of coughs, lung troubles and whooping cough, and it has always given the most perfect satisfaction, we feel greatly indebted to the manufacturers of this remedy and wish them to please accept our hearty thanks.—Respectfully, Mrs. E. Doty, Des Moines, Iowa. For sale by J. H. McNeely, Colfax; Bush & Randolph, Fairmount.

Worthy of Careful Study.

A series of most instructive and interesting lectures were delivered in Colfax last week by Rev. H. M. Ragan, that are well worth the study of every man. Their subject matter is interesting, unique, and worthy of the most serious and thoughtful consideration. It is a wonderful revelation of the simple truths of the Bible, only partly understood and appreciated by the various denominations. The ideas advanced are calculated to enlarge spiritual vision and create a Christian liberality and unity among Christians of all denominations. The friends of Mr. Ragan favor his presenting the lectures for the better printing of the subject to those of an investigating turn of mind, which may be done later on. In the mean time we recommend Mr. Ragan to any and all communities in which he may have occasion to lecture. The subject of the lectures are: "Spiritual Evolution," "Peculiarities of the Bible," "New Argument and New Conclusion About Water Baptism," and "Unity of the Church," and all together form as bright an array of pure gospel truths as can well be put in pulpit oratory.

Reduced Rates for Summer Trips.

Commencing June 1st and continuing to and including September 30th, 1899, the Texas & Pacific Railway Company will sell round trip Summer Tourist Tickets to points in Alabama, Colorado, District of Columbia, Georgia, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, New York, North Carolina, North Dakota, Ohio, Ontario, Pennsylvania, Quebec, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, West Virginia, and Wisconsin, at a considerable reduction in rates. See nearest ticket agent for full information, or write E. P. Turner, G. P. & T. A., Dallas, Texas.

THE ROUNDLAP BALE.

An Irresistible Demand Exists For Cotton Packed in the New Way.

Some Facts About the Methods of the American Cotton Company and its Campaign—Profits in the New Method of Baling.

The South is still conservative, but it is no longer "slow." It is sharing in the wonderful prosperity of the rest of the country. It is passing through a revolution that is giving new life and vigor to every branch of cotton industry, except those members which have been hurtful instead of helpful, to its prosperity. It is simplifying, strengthening and using a new economy in the packing and handling of the staple. The Roundlap method of baling cotton is growing rapidly in favor, adding to the prosperity of the planter, whether he raises two bales or two hundred, and giving the gin owner an opportunity to double the earning capacity of the plant without increasing his investment.

The opposition to the Roundlap bale on the part of the compress owners and the middleman, whose business has been a burdensome tax on the cotton planter, has not prevented the steady introduction of the machinery for making the Roundlap bale, and the satisfaction of the farmer, the ginmer and the mill owner. The attacks on the American Cotton Company, owners of the Roundlap baling machine, have been bitter and unscrupulous. They have been accused of attempting to gain a monopoly, of using "trust" methods, but gradually the facts are gaining headway that the American Cotton Company is only one of three concerns engaged in making round baling presses, and that it can not enjoy any monopoly.

Then, again, objection is made to the policy adopted by the company of leasing its machinery to the gin owner instead of selling it. The lease is, in effect, a royalty, the amount of the rental being based on the amount of cotton baled in the press, thus making the profit and prosperity of the company depend on that of the ginmer. Under the leasing system, it is found, the ginmer runs no risk, ties up none of his capital, and makes as much profit out of the leased attachment to the gin as from the gin itself, in which his capital is invested.

The advantages of the Roundlap bale over the old style bale are so many and so great that its general introduction will be rapid, and the greatest share of the profits will be those who perceive earliest the tendency of the times and prepare themselves to supply the new demand. The greater simplicity of the bale, saving ties and bagging, its greater security from fire and consequent lower insurance, its saving in shipping and its rapidly growing popularity in the mills at home and abroad, all make up a situation that creates a demand for the Roundlap bale which must be supplied.

Ramon Beats Them All.

Henry Bissell, Hutton, Arkansas, says: I cannot find words to explain the worth of Ramon's Liver Pills and Ramon's Relief also. I suffered with bilious colic for years, and the doctors failed to do me any good. I cured it with Ramon's Relief and Ramon's Liver Pills. I have sold drugs and medicines for 27 years, and have handled all kinds of patent medicines. Ramon's beats them all. I have sold and used Ramon's for ten years with always the greatest satisfaction. Hundreds of customers will testify that Ramon's Liver Pills are the best family medicine they ever used. I wish every family had a trial dose in their houses to-day.

The parish superintendents of public education will hold their annual convention at Natchitoches on June 19th, 20th and 21st. Mr. Jno. A. Williams, of Grant, is down on the program, and will doubtless represent this parish with credit.

Dawson Elected Mayor.

[Boyes Enterprise.]
The municipal election here on last Monday passed off very quietly, with the following result: For mayor—J. H. Dawson, 54; F. H. Henderson, 34. Treasurer—W. H. Simons, 74. Secretary—S. B. Newman, 69. For councilmen—J. G. Baker, 62; W. L. George, 79; A. Harrison, 57; W. P. Hickman, 56; M. F. Weeks, 62; Geo. T. Neal, 46; H. L. Thompson 31; T. G. Morgan, 17.

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Twenty Million Acres of Public Free School Land on the Market.

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The Supreme Court of Texas has just recently decided that all the vacant land in the State belongs to the Public Free School Fund, and the School lands under the law now can be bought for \$1 00 and \$1 50 per acre, according to the character of the land, no matter where located in the State, and thousands and tens of thousands of acres of land can now be had at the prices mentioned above, which will soon be worth from \$5 00 to \$25 00 per acre as homes for agriculturists and stock raisers. These lands will produce corn, cotton, wheat, oats, rye and barley, and all forage plants, as well as fruits and berries of every kind, and the prairie lands are already covered with nutritious native grasses and forage plants which support horses and cattle, sheep and hogs both summer and winter, without other feed, and stock of all kinds do well on the open range all the year round, and the lands on the Texas Coast will produce as fine rice and sugar as the best lands in Louisiana and South Carolina.

One person, under the present law can buy only four sections of this land of 640 acres each, and most of it can be had at \$1 00 per acre, 1-40 cash and the balance on 40 years time at 3 per cent interest per annum. No where else in the entire world can land be had at such a figure, and on such terms. If you want a home in a delightful climate, where you can raise the greatest diversity of agricultural products and care engage in stock raising with the greatest profit, then send \$1 00 to the undersigned for his new book, giving the full text of the present State laws in regard to the purchase of these lands, rate of taxation, amount of Free School fund and Public School facilities, with a list of all the Counties in the State in which any of this land is located; with a map of Texas showing each County, also full instructions how to proceed to purchase such lands, and to legal formalities necessary to acquire absolutely perfect titles direct from the State.

These lands are being rapidly taken up, and during the next 12 months the choicest of them will be bought, and the price of the balance raised to a much higher figure. If you want a home almost for nothing, write at once. If you wish to farm or raise cattle, sheep or hogs, come to Texas, the most prosperous State in the Union. Your \$1 00 will procure you information and give you instructions which will be worth \$1000 to you, and which as a non-resident you can get nowhere else without great expense and trouble. The undersigned has been in a large majority of the Counties in which the Public Free School lands are located, and is familiar with the character and value of the lands in the various sections of the State, and if parties wish to secure any of these lands, after having examined into all the details furnished by the book of information and instructions offered, he will, for an additional \$5 00 per section, prepare all the necessary legal papers, and attend to the securing of the title here through the proper Departments of the Government.

Address: Chas. P. Scrivener, Late State Compiling Draughtman, Box 495, Austin Texas.

Notice to Homesteaders.
Notices of Final Proof will be published in THE COLFAX CHRONICLE for \$1.50. The law gives homesteaders the right to select the paper in which their advertisements shall be published. Only half price (\$1.50) will be charged for this advertising in this paper until further notice.

Fearfully destructive storms occurred at New Richmond, Wis., and Herman, Neb., on last Monday, in which fully 150 persons were killed and three times as many more injured. The destruction to property was very great, the town of New Richmond being almost swept out of existence.

The family of Mr. Thos. J. Hickman, of Grant, whose residence near Fairmount was destroyed by fire some time since, are now living in Boyce, having lately rented the residence of Mrs. M. A. Dunn.

Normal at Alexandria.

Alexandria, La., June 6, 1899.
Editor Colfax Chronicle:
Please publish for two or three issues notice of the Peabody Summer Normal for Teachers, to be held in Alexandria June 12 to July 7th, and urge the teachers of your parish to attend. The railroad fare will be one and one-third fare for the round trip, on the certificate plan. Teachers can get board at reduced rates by writing to me. The faculty is as follows: E. L. Stephens, Ph. D., conductor, Prof. W. E. Taylor and A. M. Hendon, and Misses Elsie Cross, Lula Soape, and Jessie Bowden. By so doing you will greatly oblige. Yours truly, A. M. Hendon, Principal Alexandria Public School.

Charles H. Marks, while acting in the capacity of nurse at the Second Division Hospital of the Fifth Army Corps at Santiago de Cuba, used a few bottles of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy for diarrhea and found it to work like a charm. For sale by J. H. McNeely, Colfax; Bush & Randolph, Fairmount.

Last fall I sprained my left hip while handling some heavy boxes. The doctor I called on said at first it was a slight strain and would soon be well, but it grew worse and the doctor then said I had rheumatism. It continued to grow worse and I could hardly get around to work. I went to a drug store and the druggist recommended me to try Chamberlain's Pain Balm. I tried it and one-half of a 50-cent bottle cured me entirely. I now recommend it to all my friends.—E. A. Babcock, Erie, Pa. It is for sale by J. H. McNeely, Colfax; Bush & Randolph, Fairmount.