

Social Thoughts And Events.

Edited By Miss Mary Dingle.

Bicycle Riding.

As bicycle riding has become a favorite pastime in our city, items on this subject are attracting attention.

"If a woman cannot indulge in exercise that may be for her as well as man without losing her womanly reserve, she had much better stay at home.

The bicycle is a wonderful cure for troubles of body and cares of mind. One can leave them far behind as they travel over some wooded road where nature has brought all that is most beautiful, lovely and pure, to a spot away from the worldliness of the world for those who will seek to find.

Serge is a good material. Last Summer denim was much used for this purpose by the ladies at Newport. The favorite ducksuits have also found favor; in fact any material, not too light, will serve.

Mrs. Dreyfuss.

"Man was made to mourn." Most truly is this saying verified when a fond mother is called from his earthly home "to cross over the river and rest under the shade of the trees." For many years she has been a patient sufferer, but now the silver cord is loosed and those who knew her well know her no more.

Death of Mrs. Hyams.

Again grim death has entered a home and taken from it a beloved wife and mother.

For several years she has been a sufferer, and while we knew the end must come soon, still it is ever a shock.

Mrs. Hyams had many friends in Shreveport whose hearts were saddened by the news of her death, and while to her it was a welcome visitor no do doubt due to her intense suffering, she will be sadly missed.

Perhaps to her - "It will be sweet To leave the hearts of men and rest beneath the sod, To kneel and kiss his feet In that blest home O! my God."

Orphanage Entertainment.

Miss Lena Cook arranged a most entertaining program, and assisted by quite a number of little girls and boys, the entertainment proved a success. The proceeds were given to the orphanage which amounted to \$10. The back yard was illuminated by bright colored Chinese lanterns hung on wires stretched across the yard.

The program consisted of recitations and songs and characters.

A Pleasant Party.

Miss Jennie May Land entertained quite a number of her friends in honor of her guests, Misses Floyd and Maggie May, Wilson, cousins of little Jennie May.

A delightful evening was spent by all: dancing and games were indulged in. The big airy gallery looked like a flower garden filled with sweet rosebuds of girlhood and manly little boys.

Musicale.

Miss Bertha Semanky entertained a number of friends at her home. Music was the feature of the evening. Miss Bertha, though quite young, is an accomplished musician and will soon receive her diploma.

Quite a party of young girls went "wheeling" this week and the fresh morning air brought roses to their cheeks.

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Miss Mary Lee Martin entertained several friends Tuesday evening. A very pleasant evening was spent by all.

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Personal.

Mrs. L. S. Crain, accompanied by daughters, Misses Marguerite and Lewis, are outing at Hynson Springs.

The many friends of Mrs. J. S. Kerley regret to hear of her illness.

Mrs. Levi Cooper and family are at Hynson.

Mr. A. Currie and daughter are at Hynson.

Mrs. Fulton and daughter, Miss Lillie and Miss Annie May Her, are visiting in Marshall, the guests of Mrs. J. B. Wilson.

Mrs. I. Saenger and daughter have returned from Rosborough.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. D. Marshall have returned from Kentucky.

Prof. C. E. Byrd was welcomed by his many friends last week.

Miss Bettie Phillips, of Greenwood, arrived Monday.

Misses Florence Cook and Carrie Sanders came home from Scottsville Monday.

Miss Vivian Foreman, after a pleasant visit to Miss Myra Rhodes, passed through our city en route to her home near Baton Rouge.

Miss Mary Dingle, editress of the Social Thoughts and Events, accompanied Miss Foreman. The present writer begs your kindest indulgence during her absence.

Captain and Mrs. Youree, accompanied by their daughter, Miss Susie Rose, returned Monday after a pleasant visit to Scottsville.

Mr. and Mrs. Offie have returned from Hynson Springs.

Miss Myra Rhodes is the guest of Miss Myra Woodward. Her many friends will be glad to see her.

Dr. S. H. Hicks visited Scottsville this week.

The many friends of Mr. Houston Byrd will regret to hear of his serious illness, but we are glad to state he is improving.

Mrs. Julia Rule, the charming social editress of the Times, paid a flying visit to Longview and visited the camp-meeting on her return.

Mr. and Mrs. Turner Curry are snugly ensconced in their home on Cotton St.

Misses Woodley are visiting friends in Grand Cane.

Mrs. Poleman and daughter, Miss Lenora, have been visiting in Texas.

Mrs. Soady is expected home very soon.

Mrs. John Powell held a household of her sister, Mrs. Newton Buckelew.

Mrs. Harry Gilmore, of Mobile, Ala., was called to the bedside of her mother, Mrs. H. P. Hyams, who died Wednesday evening.

Mr. George Shannon and wife will receive their many friends at Miss Sophie Keele's.

Mr. Newton Buckelew visited Scottsville Tuesday.

Mrs. Nellie Clark and Mrs. Jessie Summerville, of Tyler, Tex., returned home on Monday. They were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Arnold.

Mrs. C. C. McCloud, after an extended Summer trip, has returned to her home.

Mrs. B. J. Rudder spent several days at the camp-meeting.

Miss Clara Houck, who has been the guest of Mrs. H. W. Leverett, has returned to her home at Gibsland.

Miss Clifflie Elgin, of Marshall, is visiting her sister Mrs. Curry.

Miss Lady Bird Swan, of Swan-haven, is the guest of Mabelle and Hattie Rogers.

Mrs. O'Leary and Miss Florence left Thursday to visit Mrs. Sawley.

Miss Kate Jones will be absent for some time visiting friends.

Mrs. Prestridge and children are guests of her sister, Mrs. Frank R. Hicks.

Mr. Floyd Hodges, after an outing to Galveston and other points, has returned.

Mr. Paul Sewenthal returned Thursday night from his trip East and North, laying in his Fall and Winter stock. He is looking fine as silk and seems in trim for city legislation.

The colored Old Fellows of Shreveport gave an excellent parade and picnic last Tuesday afternoon and night.

Ripans Tablets: one gives relief.

HARD TIMES AND LOW PRICES.

There is no use to attempt to laugh to scorn the report of failure in crops, the loss of stock for lack of water and numerous other conditions, betokening still further hard times. The fact is the Fall trade will be extremely limited, unless something unforeseen intervenes, and much distress will prevail. None appreciate this more than the merchants who see nothing in the outlook to make light of, nothing wherein levity may be courted. All realize that goods must go sold on a close margin and he who makes the best calculation on the needs of the season and can buy the cheapest will be the most successful. We have given this matter a close study, earnest thought and we believe we can assure the public that we are better prepared than any house in North Louisiana to sell clothing, shoes, hats, ties, collars, cuffs, handkerchiefs, shirts, hose, canes, umbrellas, valises and general outfitings for boys and men. Try and us and see if we don't make this statement good. JORDAN & BOOTH.

Campaign Song Books for 1895.

We have just received from the music publishing House of The S. Brainard's Sons, No. 151 Wabash, avenue, Chicago, copies of the "True Blue Republican" and the "Red Hot Democratic" Campaign Song Books for 1895. They are not cheap word editions, but contain solos, duets, mixed and male quartets, and are especially arranged for campaign clubs. They are sold at the low price of 10 cents each, or \$1.00 per dozen.

WILL SOON BE HOME, And Coming Prepared.

To The Progress: Through your paper let me inform the public that I have been extremely fortunate in buying this trip. In fact I struck a big streak of wonderful luck. Through the kindly offices of a friend here in New York I learned of a sacrifice sale of just the class of goods wanted in our country which were being closed out by a firm that was going out of business on account of death in the family of one of the members which made dissolution necessary.

The stock is entirely new of the latest designs and patterns and I bought the WAY DOWN. Tell your readers to hold up till my stock comes and they will see a line of ready-made clothing, boots, shoes and hats for men and boys; dress goods, hats, trimmings, notions and brie-a-brac for ladies and misses, general household goods, table linens, rugs and carpets and a complete array of everything nice. And the best of all is I can sell them, well, at prices so low that hard times will have no terrors.

Yours truly, BEN HOLZMAN.

DOUBLE-BARREL

Shot Gun at Close Quarters, But the Aim Was Poor.

This morning a terrible tragedy was attempted on the premises of Mr. C. Luchini, near the Texas road. Last evening two gentlemen, Mr. F. J. Stripp and Mr. Joseph Morrison had a difficulty over the ownership of a hat, both owning one of the same size and color. Bad feeling was engendered and the matter was unsettled.

Both board with Mr. C. Luchini and this morning while Mr. Stripp was setting behind the door in a small house near the residence of Mr. Luchini, Mr. Morrison came up within a few feet of the door and fired point-blank at Mr. Stripp's back. Fortunately, just a second before the hammer fell, Mr. Stripp leaped over to scratch his foot, and thus the shot passed over him.

After the shooting Mr. Morrison came on down as far as Messrs. Luchini Bros. store when he was arrested by the Police. Constable McDuffie was on the search for him, but the police caught him first.

ST. MARY'S CONVENT.

It is popular day school for girls will be re-opened on TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 1895. The course embraces Science, Language, Mathematics, Drawing, Painting, Elocution, Vocal Lessons and Instrumental Music on piano, Guitar and violin. Day scholars will be received at \$1.00 and \$1.50 per month according to grade. For particulars apply to SUPERIOR, St. Mary's Convent, Shreveport, La.

WEATHER AND CROPS.

OLD SOL STILL REIGNS,

And Like the "Jimmies," He Rains Things Unless Some Power Intervenes in the Interest of the People.

The Dreadful Dragon Drouth Still Feeds on the Vegetable Growth, And Want and Suffering is Felt in the Land.

Oh for Rain, Rain, Rain, is the Cry and Prayer, and if They Could Speak, the Dam's Creation Would Mingle Their Voice With the People in Supplication.

The week ending Monday, August 17, 1896, averaged warmer than usual over the entire cotton belt, and most markedly so over the northern portion, where the excess of the weekly mean temperature ranged from seven to as much as nine degrees, the latter in north central Tennessee. Along the coast the departures were but slight, an excess of about one degree being reported. The highest daily temperatures were generally well up in the 90's, and exceeded 100 degrees at many points in the interior and north portions of the belt, and more particularly over Arkansas.

The rains of the week were in the form of showers. The more eastern and southeastern portions of the belt received the greatest amount, and portions of south Louisiana, southwestern Mississippi, and central Alabama received fairly general falls.

The dry area, or that most nearly so, extended, over Northern Texas, through central and Northern Arkansas, over Tennessee, and the north portions of Mississippi and Alabama. Cotton picking is now fairly general over the entire belt, and progressing rapidly as possible, considering the extreme heat. The deterioration in condition of the staple continues over a goodly area, but has been checked in some sections and some late cotton has been revived by the late showers.

Louisiana—Showers fell over greater portion of State, but generally too light to benefit crops materially in northern parishes; though pastures and some late cotton was revived in localities. Rice needs rain badly over Southwest Louisiana. Cane in favorable condition, but more rain needed. The rice hay and corn harvest, and cotton picking continues.

Texas—Showers in some localities over Southern and Eastern Texas have improved late cotton and the top crop, while the generally dry weather has been very favorable for picking, which is progressing rapidly; the cotton plant is very small and the yield light except over Southwest Texas, where the crop is fair. A general rain is needed for the top crop of cotton, and for fall plowing, but this would delay cotton picking and lower the grade of the staple.

Arkansas—Drouth and hot weather continues. Cotton continues to deteriorate through shedding and premature opening of bolls, and picking will become general as soon as temperature falls. Corn almost a failure; little fodder saved. Too dry to plow, or plant late garden seed. Light showers fell in scattered localities; did but little good.

ST. VINCENT'S ACADEMY.

This home-like institution for girls, will begin first term of twenty-ninth year, on TUE. DAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 1895. The course embraces Science, Language, Mathematics, Drawing, Painting, Elocution, Vocal Lessons and Instrumental Music on piano, Guitar and violin. Day scholars will be received at \$1.00 and \$1.50 per month according to grade. For terms of board and tuition in the institution, apply to MOTHER SUPERIOR, St. Vincent's Academy, Shreveport, La.

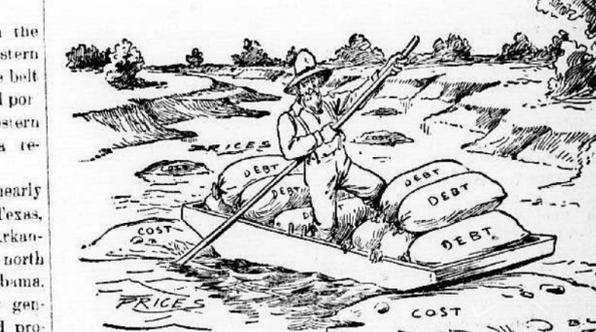
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Letters From Jimtown

By WILLIAM DANA WILCOX. This book purports to be a series of letters from a Chicago journalist who is taking a vacation at his old home, Jimtown. These letters tell how the people of Jimtown were converted to silver by a series of speeches and curbstone arguments, all of which are faithfully reported. The book is illustrated with a dozen or more outline cuts, after the order of "Coin," and closes with what is called "The Bimetallist's Creed." It will probably become very popular as a free silver text book.—Little Rock Press. "Letters From Jimtown" is a new book just out, published by Charles H. Kerr & Co., 56 Fifth Av., Chicago, Ill., a copy of which has reached our desk. Its pages contain a knock-down argument and place the gold standard policy in a ridiculous position. We take this method of thanking the publishers for the welcome little book.—Our Populist. "Letters from Jimtown" presents the money question so plainly that even the simple minded can thoroughly comprehend the theories advocated. It is written in a style that pleases the reader and deals especially with the doctrine of free coinage.—Texas Independent. It handles the money question in a masterly manner and it is done in such a way as to be interesting in every letter. The writer of the letters visits his old home in the country to regain his health. He describes to a chum the changes that have occurred since he formerly lived on a farm near Jimtown and the opinions of the farmers in regard to the causes of such change. Political meetings are held and he reports the speakers. Tariff, gold basis, contraction, honest money, all come in for notice and each position is argued in earnest to give all available argument in support of the position. The book is well written and it covers seemingly every argument put forth by the money sharks to deceive the people. It should be in every reform library.—Sledge Hammer, Meadville, Pa. Price 25 cents, postpaid. Address this office.

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