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Truck Farmer Sermonizes.

FRIDAY JIM:— Since my last letter, many events and things have taken place. A man burned alive in Dallas, Mrs. Nation has smashed a few of these den's of hell, just the place this poor fellow of Dallas was burned in. But at the same time, our great christian nations, England and the United States are pumping christianity into the Boers and Philipinos, with a winchester. Yes, we are a great people, getting up to snuff, in science, and everything mean. You tell a boy or girl, how they should do, to work, save their money, and not spend it all in organs, pianos, and a few fine clothes; and begin to tell them that clothes, does not build a character. Why! they laugh at you, tell you we are on a move from where our Fathers were. Yes, that is so, for in their day, we had real missionaries, but not armed with a winchester and a canteen of whiskey. These are some of the late fads and are about as good as most of them. If somebody don't head us, we will butt our brains out yet on this craze of git up and get. Listen, if you can, stop, and are not out of breath.

TRUCK FARMER.

Congressman Sheppard's Reply.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 3, 1901. Hon. W. S. Hayward, Jefferson, Texas. Dear sir:—Your letter of the 31st ultimo received. You make a strong argument in favor of the improvement of the Lakes and Cypress Bayou to the end that Jefferson may be once more rehabilitated as one of the great marts of Texas. I endorse every word you say and I read your letter with a great deal of interest because it was in accord with my judgment.

I secured a provision in the general rivers and harbors bill for a survey along the line you suggested to me. I guess it will go through the Senate.

Trinity has a very favorable report from the engineer who made its survey. If we can succeed in getting a favorable report from the engineer, I have no doubt that the bill will pass.

DAILY

FOR St. Louis Chicago

necessary appropriation made in order to secure navigation to Jefferson.

With high regard, I beg to remain,
JOHN L. SHEPPARD.

Kellyville News.

Kellyville is booming, every department of business is good.

The plow factory has been turning out from one to three hundred plows per day for several weeks, and yet there is not twenty-five plows now in the warehouse.

The above speaks well for this land of pine knots and spring water, without a doubt immigration is backing lack into this timbered paradise.

The smallpox is getting very close to this place. The school is somewhat in danger, the girls are scared almost to death for fear they will get their pretty faces marked.

We would write more but old Stony has been poking around and gathered up some interesting items, we will order him to run his weekly to Jefferson by way of Linden,
JACKSCREW.

February 3, 1901.

A special from Fort Worth says: Curtis Bros. and R. A. Morris of Henrietta, have purchased the "Ringo and Charco" ranch property in Guadalupe county, New Mexico, from A. Strauss, the consideration being \$65,000. On the ranch are 3000 horses. Possession was given at once.



Swell Furniture.

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GUS NEY,
JEFFERSON TEXAS.

THE WAR IN KANSAS.

Mrs. Nation and her saloon smashing brigade is no longer a local proposition. She has become a national incident, and her same threatens to spread even beyond the seas. The Kansas lady and the strenuous crusade of the cohorts under her leadership have been treated as a rare good joke by newspapers and others not in the saloon business in Kansas. But in the Sunflower state the lady is no joke. She is just about as serious a proposition as ever swooped down upon the bleeding commonwealth. And that there is a serious purpose in what Mrs. Nation is doing, her stickativeness, leaves no room for question. She declares she has started out to discover whether or not the joint keeper has any status under the Kansas law, and she is going to make it warm for them until they test the matter in the courts. So far the saloonmen have not taken up the lady's def, and she is proceeding along her original theory that any one has a right to smash a saloon which has no legal existence and which is entitled to no protection under the law. Sooner or later the courts will no doubt decide this question. In the meantime the redoubtable Carrie is not inclined to let the saloonmen forget that she is abroad in the land. Her joint smashing volcanic is in a state of active eruption, and there is no telling in what rum selling Kansas town the next bloody "eruption" will occur. Verily the Kansas saloonman has fallen upon troublous times, and the Moses has not yet appeared to lead him out on the wilderness, or the Joshua to stop the sun while he puts the "ation to flight.—Galveston Tribune.

Securing Homes.

The love of home and country is of divine origin. It transforms man from a condition of savagery to one of culture and refinement. There can be no stability of government or society without it. It is as necessary to man's happiness and refinement to his life as the air he breathes. It is done, it shows the possession of the know how. During 1900 the

One of the first duties man owes his country on arriving at his majority is obedience to her laws; one of the first duties he owes his family on assuming the relation of husband and father is the securing of a home. All men should obey their country's laws, and all men can secure a home, humble though it may be yet a place, where, under his own vine and fig tree the can feel that life is worth living after all.

There are localities where homes of broad and fertile acres can be secured on most reasonable terms, where the products of the soil rival in splendor and magnificence the Biblical lands, where the lowing herds, waving grain, ripening fruit and succulent vegetables bring plenty, health and happiness to the family.

If you have no place you can call "Home" put yourself at once in communication with Sam H. Dixon, Passenger & Immigration Agent, H. E. & W. T. Ry., Houston, Texas, and he will furnish you information regarding a section where homes can be secured which will meet all the requirements of the most exacting.

No Travelling Canvassers.

We are authorized by the manager to say to our readers and the public that "The Commoner," W. J. Bryan's paper of Lincoln, Neb., employ no traveling canvassers. So don't give your money to any pretended traveling agent. If you want, "The Commoner" subscribe for it at this office as we club with that paper.

Thirty Thousand Troops.

London, Feb. 6.—The following announcement has been issued by the war office:

"In view of the recent Boer activity in various directions the government has decided in addition to the large forces recently equipped locally in South Africa to reinforce Lord Kitchener by 30,000 mounted troops beyond those already landed in Cape Colony."

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to wear one of our fifty cents shirts, absolutely the prettiest, newest patterns to be found anywhere and plenty of them, sizes for everybody. Don't overlook our new stock of Hats.

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NEWS IN BRIEF.

The school building and Masonic hall at Maize, was destroyed by fire.

The Rock Island contemplates entering El Paso by Sept. 1st.

The Masonic temple at Toledo, O., was destroyed by fire. Loss about \$150,000.

While boring for oil in Freestone County, a vein of first-class lignite was struck.

Typographical union No. 6 of New York has withdrawn its boycott against New York Sun.

Jefferson Long, a negro, died at Macon, Ga. He represented that district once in congress.

Frank Woolley accidentally shot and fatally injured Alex Gidjie at Tyler. Both were boys under 13 years.

Burglars secured \$50 worth of jewelry from an establishment at Hillsboro.

In a quarrel over dominoes Israel James shot and killed Luke Blocker at Waco.

A solid train load of horses destined for South Africa passed through Hearn recently.

Some miscreants cut the throats of several cattle, the property of a farm near Greenville.

Geo. Gould is the reported purchaser of the Texarkana, Shreveport and Natchez, a road 72 miles in length.

Steamer Montreal cleared from New Orleans for Cape Town with 1500 mules for the British army in South Africa.

The South Carolina house of representatives has passed a bill appropriating \$200,000 for Confederate pensions.

The W. C. T. U. of Cleveland, O., has passed a resolution virtually approving the course of Mrs. Carrie Nation

Two children were carried 150 yards by Saturday's cyclone at Copperas Cove and set down unhurt in a feather bed.

Contracts have been made by an eastern firm for the entire output from 150 acres of cantaloupes around Beeville.

E. W. Middleton was shot and dangerously wounded by Charles Roper at Sulphur Springs. They were partners in business.

J. J. Egan, telegraph operator, who was on Sherman's "Fremont" train, died at Dallas.

The International M. & A. association comprising El Paso miners, will make a mineral exhibit at the Buffalo exposition.

Jackboro citizens are engaged in raising a \$25,000 bonus to secure the building of the Weatherford and Mineral Wells road.

A meeting of the representatives of the New York life insurance company from 31 counties was held at Houston.

Robert D. Todd, formerly justice of the supreme court of Louisiana, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Daniels, in Brooklyn, N. Y.

G. D. Hartson, well known in electrical circles throughout Texas and Illinois, was caught in the shafting and killed at the Sevinio mines in Mexico.

Two persons perished and three were fatally injured in a fire which totally destroyed the Exposition hotel at Binghampton, N. Y., on the fifth.

Steve Brodie, of bridge jumping fame, died at San Antonio, of consumption. His remains were taken to his home in New York for burial.

Countess Castellane has sold her interest in several valuable pieces of New York property to help relieve the financial difficulties of her husband. Her brother, Edwin Gould, is the purchaser.

A destructive tornado visited north Texas points Saturday night, killing two persons near Blue Prairie, in Delta county, and destroying much property.

The Most Potent Pleading

for business, that we ever had are the grade of Goods of such high values, that we are now offering at such astonishingly low Prices. The offers are genuine, or they would not bring and hold such a vast number of customers as

P. ELDRIDGE.

In a lecture delivered at Denton Sam Jones vigorously advocated the methods of Mrs. Nation the saloon wrecker.

Eight thousand dollars has been raised for the establishment of a cannery plant at Gainesville.

Blankets! Blankets! Blankets!!! We have a few Blankets left which goes in our clearing sale. So if you need a blanket and want to save money make a bee line for

A. RIPINSKI & SON.

Comments From "The Commoner."

(W. J. Bryan, Editor.)

The Commoner enters the newspaper field with an issue of seventy five thousand.

The latest reports from Manila are to the effect that General Veracity has not yet assumed command.

General Kitchener is not in any immediate need of a garter. What he wants is a supply train that is Boer immune.

Blood-bought commerce may be profitable for a time, but the average will show a preponderance of red ink entries.

Sending captured Filipino leaders to Guam may necessitate an increased army in order to preserve the peace in Guam.

The Krag-Jorgensen and Lee-Metford attachments of "Christian civilization" appear to be running hot in their bearings.

The trusts and corporations feel amply able to provide all the income tax they need—upon the incomes of the consumers.

Since the "redemption" of Kansas it appears that fire is being used to cauterize some of the bleeding wounds of fifty years ago.

Nicaragua to Grant Concessions.

Managua, Nic., Jan. 15.—Native owners of coffee estates in this republic declare that the conditions in this country have never been so favorable as now for the United States to get from Nicaragua almost any concession desired as to the Nicaragua canal route.

The canal route in Nicaragua, they declare, is now free from all concessions or complications and Nicaraguans are now more sorely pressed for relief than ever, because of the greatly deranged condition of transportation and the rates for conveying the coffee crop to Europe, her chief point of export.

These slave girls were sold at prices ranging from \$1700 to \$1800.

These conditions it is pointed out also exists in Costa Rico, Salvador and Guatemala, owing, it is alleged, to the fight being waged between the Pacific Mail Steamship Company and the Panama Railroad Company.

MARDI GHAN.

For the accommodation of those desiring to attend the Mardi Gras Festivities at New Orleans, the Texas & Pacific Railway Company from its stations in Texas, will sell tickets on Feb. 13th, 14th, 15th, 16th, 17th and 18th, at rate of one fare for the round trip. The tickets will be limited to return leaving New Orleans as late as March 1.

In view of the recent inauguration of chair car line between Fort Worth, Dallas and New Orleans, we feel that our service is incomparable. There is no competing line in position to offer such favorable inducements. Our line is the shortest one, making the trip in the shortest possible time, and I trust these advantages will be duly weighed if you contemplate making the trip.

For further information write to Mr. H. P. Hughes, Traveling Passenger Agent, Fort Worth, Texas, or to Mr. E. P. Turner, General Passenger and Ticket Agent, Dallas, Texas.

Carpets, Mattings and Rugs.

We are making big reductions in this department, as Mr. Ripinski intends buying an extra large stock of Carpets and Mattings. We must have room, so this means a big saving. Call and get our prices before buying.

A. RIPINSKI & SON.

The case of Joe Rhea, charged with killing Dr. John J. Rankin, Jr., resulted in a mistrial at Groesbeck.

"We want room" is just what Rosenfeld & Co., means, and you will get bargains in every department by buying now.

Lease of oil lands are being made in Austin county by the Lucas interests.

Seaboard National Bank, City National Bank

New York, American Exchange Bank, St. Louis, Dallas, First National Bank, Marshall,

Freight Train Ran Away.

Seattle, Wash., Feb. 7.—A Northern Pacific freight train ran away while coming down a long grade at Weston, at the summit of the Cascades. One man, a brakeman named MacDonald, was instantly killed and the engineer, Boyce, was badly injured. The train, which was fifteen cars in length, got away on account of the air brakes to work properly at the top of the grade. The cars ran down at frightful speed until a sharp curve near the bottom was reached, when the cars plunged over the bank. MacDonald was picked up dead and several others of the train crew were injured.

Henry Youtsey Sentenced.

Georgetown, Ky., Feb. 5.—Henry E Youtsey was arraigned before Circuit Judge Cantrill this afternoon and sentenced to life imprisonment.

He said: "I am innocent. I have been convicted by bias and infamous subordination of perjury."

No appeal will be taken and the prisoner will be taken to state prison in a day or two.

The Satisfactory Store.

At present we are in the midst of a clearance sale of all winter goods of every description, that is broad and sweeping, and that offers money saving chances of great importance to close buyers. On many items we voluntarily take a direct loss, figuring that its better to sell at any price than to carry over for next season. When we would only have new good, and would not sell these.

P. ELDRIDGE.

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