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DR. TALMAGE,

HE TALKS OF THE WONDERS OF THE NINETEENTH CENTURY.

Some of the Most Awful Disasters in History Have Occurred During the Past Nineteen Centuries--The Spirit of Christianity Spreading Over the Earth.

KANSAS CITY, March 31.—The Rev. Dr. Wm. Talmage preached a sermon here today on "Wonders of Disaster and Blessing," his text being, "I will show wonders in the heavens and in the earth." Joel ii, 30. He said:

Dr. Cunningham—a great and good man would have told us the exact time of the fulfillment of this prophecy. As I stepped into his study in London on my arrival from Paris just after the French had surrendered at Sedan, the good doctor said to me: "It is just as I told you about France; people laughed at me because I talked about the seven horns and the vials, but I foresaw all this from the Book of Daniel and the Book of Revelation." Not taking any such responsibility in the interpretation of the passage, I simply assert that there is in suggestions of many things in our time.

Our eyes dilate and our heart quickens its pulsations as we read of events in the third century, the sixth century, the eighth century, the fourteenth century, the seventeenth century, reaching events crowded into the nineteenth century than into any other, and the last quarter bids fair to eclipse the preceding three quarters.

We read in the daily newspapers of events announced in one paragraph and without any special emphasis—of events which a Herodotus, a Josephus, a Xenophon, a Gibbon would have taken whole chapters or whole volumes to elaborate.

Looking out upon our world, we must cry out in the words of the text: "Wonders in the heavens and in the earth." I propose to show you that the time in which we live is wonderful for disaster and wonderful for blessing, for there must be a balance between the two pictures as in all others. Neglect I argue this day that our time is wonderful for disaster? Our world has had a rough time since by the hand of God it was bowled out into space.

It is an epileptic convulsion of our civilization, of frosts pounding it with sledgehammer of iceberg, and fires melting it with furnaces seven hundred times heated. It is a wonder to me it has lasted so long. Meteors shooting by on this side and grazing it, and meteors shooting by on the other side and grazing it, none of them sloping up for safety. Whole fleets and navies and armies and flotillas of worlds swooping all about us. Our earth like a fishbowl smacked of the banks of our foundland, while the Etruria and Germania and the Arizona and the City of New York rush by. Besides that, our world has by sin been damaged in its internal machinery, and even as the furnaces have been, and the water of the beams of the mountain have broken, and the islands have shipped a sea, and the great bulk of the world has been jured with accidents that ever and anon threaten imminent demolition. But it seems to us as if our century were especially characterized by disaster, volcanic, cyclone, oceanic, epidemic. I say volcanic, because an earthquake is only a volcanic eruption.

When Stromboli and Cotopaxi and Vesuvius stop breathing, let the foundations of the earth be rare. Seven thousand earthquakes in two centuries recorded in the catalogue of the British association. Trajan, the emperor, goes to ancient Antioch, and amid the splendors of his reception is met by an earthquake that nearly destroys the emperor's life.

Lisbon, fair and beautiful at 1 o'clock on the 1st of November, 1755, in six minutes 90,000 have perished, and Voltaire writes of them: "For that region it was the last judgment, nothing wanting but a trumpet!" Europe and America feeling the shock, 4,000 chimneys in Boston partly or fully destroyed.

SOME DISASTERS OF THE NINETEENTH CENTURY.

But the disasters of other centuries have had their counterpart in our own. In 1812 Caracas was caught in the grip of an earthquake, in 1822, in Chile, 100,000 square miles of land by volcanic force upheaved to four and seven feet of permanent elevation; in 1824 Japan felt the geological agony; Naples shaken in 1857, Mexico in 1858; the earthquake of the capital of the Argentine Republic, in 1861; Manila terrorized in 1863; the Hawaiian islands by such force uplifted and let down in 1871; Nevada shaken in 1871; Antioch in 1872; California in 1873; San Salvador in 1875; while in the present century, the volcanic excitement! Lelua, an island of the Mediterranean, a beautiful Italian watering place, vineyard clad, surrounded by all natural charm and historical reminiscence; yonder, Capri, the summer resort of the Roman emperors; yonder Naples, the paradise of art—this beautiful island suddenly toppled into the trough of the earth, 8,000 mervy makers perishing, and some of them so far down beneath the reach of human obscures that it may be said of many a one of them as it was said of Moses, "The Lord buried him." Italy weeping, all Christendom weeping where there were hearts sympathetic and Christians to pray. But while the nations were measuring that magnitude of disaster, measuring it not with golden rods like that which the angel measured Levea, but with the black rule of death, Jura, of the Indian archipelago, the most fertile island of all the earth, is caught in the grip of the earthquake, and mountain after mountain goes down, and city after city, until that island, which produces the healthiest beverage of all the world, has produced the ghastliest accident of the century. One hundred thousand people dying, dying, dead, dead.

WHEN HEAVEN'S WINDS VISITED THE EARTH ROUGHLY.

But look at the disasters cyclonic. At the mouth of the Ganges are three islands—the Battul, the Sunday and the Dakin Salsapore. In the mid-night of October, 1877, on all those three islands the cry was: "The waters, the waters!" A cyclone arose and rolled the sea over those three islands, and of a population of 240,000, 210,000 were drowned. Only those saved who had climbed to the top of the highest trees. Did you ever see a cyclone? Not then I pray God you may never see one. I saw one on the sea, after it swept its six hundred miles back

from our coast, and for thirty-six hours during the cyclone and after it we expected every moment to go to the bottom. They told us before we retired at 9 o'clock that the banner of our flag had fallen, but at 11 o'clock at night we were wakened with a shock of the waves. All the lights out! Crash! went all the life boats. Waters rushing through the skylights down into the cabin and down on the furnace until they hissed and smoked in the deluge. Six hundred people praying, blaspheming, shrieking. Our great ship poised a moment on the top of a mountain of phosphorene fire, and then plunged down, down, down, until it seemed as if she never would again be righted. Ah! you never want to see a cyclone at sea. But I was in Minnesota, where there was one of those cyclones on land that swept the city of Rochester from its foundations, and took dwelling houses, barns, men, women, children, horses, cattle, and tossed them into indiscriminate ruin, and lifted a rail train and dashed it down, a mightier haul than that of the engine in the deluge. Six hundred people in Kansas, cyclone in Missouri, cyclone in Wisconsin, cyclone in Illinois, cyclone in Iowa. Satan, prince of the power of the air, never made such cyclonic disturbances as he has in our century, and he is not right in saying that one of the characteristics of the time in which we live is disaster cyclonic?

But look at the disasters oceanic. Shall I call the roll of the dead ship when I call your names. Ville de Havre, the Schiller, City of Boston, the Melville, the President, the Cimbrina. But why should I go on calling the roll when the time answer, and the roll is as long as the scroll of the Atlantic surf at Cape Hatteras breakers? If the oceanic cables could report all the scattered life and all the beached bones that they rub against in the depths of the ocean, what a message of tragedy, grief for both beaches! In one storm eight fishermen perished off the coast of Newfoundland, and whole fleets of them off the coast of England. God help the poor fellows at sea, and give high seats in heaven to the Grace Darling and the Ida Lewis and the Lifeboat men hovering around Goodwin's Sands and the Skerries. The sea, owning three-fourths of the earth, proposes to engulf the other fourth, and is accomplishing the latter all around the earth. The moving of our hotels at Brighton Beach backward one hundred yards from where they once stood, a type of what is going on all around the world and on every coast. The Dead sea, today, with a few islands stood. Pillars of temples that stood on hills geologists now find three-quarters under the water or altogether submerged. The sea, having wrecked a host of merchantmen and flotillas, wants to wreck the continents, and hence disasters oceanic.

PLAGUES THAT HAVE SMITTEN HUMANITY.

Look at the disasters epidemic. I speak not of the plague in the fourth century that ravaged Europe, and in Moscow and the Venetian dominions and Marseilles wrought such terror in the eighteenth century, but I look at the yellow fever, and the cholera, and the diptheria, and the typhoid fever, and the typhus, and our own time. Hear the wailing of Moscow, partly or fully destroyed. New Orleans, and Shreveport, and New Orleans, and Jackson, of the last few decades. From Hurdwar, India, where every seventh year three million devotees gather, the cholera has brought eighteen thousand in eighteen days in Borsoria. Twelve thousand in one summer slain by it in India and twenty-five thousand in Egypt. Disasters epidemic. The cholera, brought to us by the steamships in Greenwald and Laurel Hill and Mount Auburn are to doctors who lost their life battling with southern epidemic.

TURNING OVER A NEW LEAF.

But now I turn the leaf in my subject from a page of white and black and thalpal tree amid the night shade and the myrtle. This age no more characterized by disasters than by wonders of blessing. Blessing of longevity; the average of human life rapidly increasing. Forty years in the world four hundred years ago. Now I can travel from Manitoba to New York in three days and three nights. In other times it would have taken three months. In other words, three days and three nights now are worth three months of other days. The average of human life practically greater now than when Noah lived his 950 years and Methuselah lived his 969 years. Blessings of intelligence. The Salmon, the St. James and Abraham Lincoln and the Hourly Wilsons of the coming time will not be required to learn to read by pine knot lights, or seated on shoemaker's stools. The philosophers of the last century were called up to the class with our boys at the Polytechnic, or our girls at the Packer, those old philosophers would be sent down to the foot of the class because they failed to answer the questions. Free libraries in all the important towns and cities of the land. Historical alcoves and poetical shelves and magazine tables for all that desire to walk through them or sit down at them. Blessings of quick information. Newspapers falling all around us thick as leaves in a September equinoctial. News three days old, rancid and stale. We see the whole world twice a day—through the newspapers at breakfast tables, and through the newspaper at the table, with an "extra" here and there between.

CHRISTIANITY IS IN A FLOURISHING CONDITION.

Blessing of Gospel proclamation! Do you not know that nearly all the missionary societies have been born in this century? and nearly all the Bible societies, and nearly all the great philanthropic movements? A secretary of one of the denominations said to me the other day in Dakota: "You were wrong when you said our denomination averaged a new church every day of the year; they established nine in one week, so you are far within the truth." A clergyman of our own denomination said: "I have just been opening up establishing five mission stations. I tell you Christianity is on the march, while infidelity is dwindling into impotence. While infidelity is thus dwindling and dropping down into impotence and indecency, the wheel of Christianity is making about a thousand revolutions in a minute. All the copies of Shakespeare and Tennyson and Disraeli and of any ten of the most popular writers of the day, less

in number than the copies of the Bible being out from our printing presses. A few years ago, in six weeks, more than two million copies of the New Testament purchased, not given away, but purchased because the world will have it.

Most Christian men in high official position today in Great Britain and in the United States than ever before. Stop that false glow through the newspapers—I have seen it in twenty of the judges of the supreme court of the United States are all infidels except one. By personal acquaintance I know three of them to be old-fashioned evangelical Christians, sitting at the holy sacrament of our Lord Jesus Christ, and I suppose that the majority of them are staunch believers in our Christian religion. And then hear the dying words of Judge Black, a man who had been attorney general of the United States, and who had been secretary of the United States, no stronger lawyer of the century than Judge Black—dying, his aged wife kneeling by his side, and he uttering that sublime and tender prayer: "O Lord God, from whom I derived my intelligence and in whom I have trusted, take my spirit to thyself and let thy richest blessing come down upon my Mary." The most popular book today is the Bible, and the magnificent church, the church of the nations, and more honored than any other, is the name of Jesus.

THINGS THAT OUGHT TO MAKE FESTIVE MISTS OPTIMISTS.

Wonders of self sacrifice! A clergyman told me in the northwest that the late George W. Peck, a man of the extreme north, living 400 miles from a postoffice, and sometimes he slept out of doors in winter, the thermometer sixty and sixty-five degrees below zero, wrapped in rabbit skin, and challenged all the centuries of the world: "You do not mean sixty and sixty five degrees below zero?" He said, "I do, and I was happy." All for Christ. Where is there any other enthusiasm? Mothers giving their fingers off to educate their boys for the Gospel ministry. For nine years no luxury on the table until the course through grammar school and college was completed. Peck's money, he gave to the Lord's treasury, the face of emperor or president impressed upon the coin not so conspicuous as the blood with which she earned it. Millions of good men and women, but no more women than men, who were of Christ—Christ first and Christ last, and Christ forever.

Why, this age is not so characterized by invention and scientific exploration as is the nineteenth century. You can get no idea of a universe except by ringing all the church bells in one chime, and sound all the organs in one diapason, and gather all the congregations of Christendom in one place, for the celebration of the night of the world.

THE GREAT DEPOSIT OF THE MILENNEUM.

These things I say because I want you to be alert. A want you to be watching all these wonders unfolding from the heavens and the earth. God is sending you messages, and they are to be pleasing. The divine purposes are harnessed in traces that cannot break, and in buckles that cannot loosen, and are driven by reins that never answer. I preach no fatalism. A swartly engineer at one of the depots in Dakota said: "When will you get on the locomotive and take a ride with us?" "Well, I said, now if that suits you." So get on any of the great engines, a Methodist minister, who was also invited, got on the other side, and between us were the engineer and the stoker. The train started. The engineer had his hand on the agitated pole of the great engine. The stoker pulled in the coal and she dropped with a loud clang. A last plain slipped under us and the hills swept by, and that great monster on which we rode trembled and bounded and snorted and roared as if he hurled us on.

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"Just got back from a railroad trip," said a drummer to his friend in the presence of a Hall reporter. "I extended my run and went into Dakota and Montana. Stopped in Bismarck the other day, and it was awfully cold. I was nearly frozen after leaving around town, and stepped into the Sturges house to get a hot drink. A moment later a man clad in shiny black broadcloth strode into the place. His feet were encased in a pair of immense cowhide boots, from the leg of one of which protruded a razor, a butcher's cleaver and a club, and from the other half of a scythe blade and another club.

"Stepped to his back was a Winchester rifle, a belt contained a revolver and a ten inch bowie. On his left hand was a pair of steel knuckles, his right wrist was encircled by the hoop of a flexible steel rod and he pointed a 45 caliber revolver at the crowd."

"Stooping forward of a seven foot bull whickered speed from the crowd, and the walking around, I dim by the neck and walked him out and down the street." "Your sheriff just locked," I remarked to my right hand neighbor. "Should be locked," he replied. "That is a new person, an old ruler. No clearer gets away from him." Chicago Mail.

Peter the Great of Russia lived awhile when he was mourning through the land incognito and in workman's dress, that he might learn the wants of the people. A stranger was visiting at that house recently, and saw in a dark attic an old box, and he said to the owner of the house, "What is that box?" The owner said, "I don't know; that box was there when I got the house and it was there when my father got it. We haven't had any curiosity to look at it; I guess there's nothing in it." "Well, said the stranger, "I'll give you two pounds for it." "Well, do." The two pounds are paid, and recently the contents of that box were sold to the czar of Russia for fifty thousand dollars. In it the lathing machine of the czar, his private letters and documents of value beyond all monetary consideration. And here are the events that seem very insignificant and unimportant, but they increase treasures of divine providence and determine meaning which after a while God will demonstrate before the ages as being of stupendous value. As near as I can tell from what I see, there must be a God somewhere about.

WASHINGTON.

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STATE METEOROLOGICAL BUREAU.

The Tolar bill for the creation of a State Meteorological Bureau.

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We have given the bill referred to by the News considerable thought, and are surprised at the course taken by our esteemed contemporary. The editor of the News has certainly failed to read the Tolar bill. This bill does not provide for the transmission of dispatches giving storm warnings, etc., as the News would have it, but simply provides for purchasing instruments and securing in each section of the state the service, without expense to the state, of a competent and reliable person who will keep a record of the rainfall, maximum and minimum temperature, together with other important meteorological data and forward the same to the office of the commissioner on the first day of the month succeeding that for which it is the record. Dr. Tolar informs us that he has a communication from Gen. Greeley, chief of the United States signal service, in which he speaks at length on the importance of an extension of state weather service; and also says that he will detail a competent person from the signal corps to take charge of the state service in case the Tolar bill becomes a law. The service now in operation referred to by the News is not one-tenth what the state needs. Instead of fifteen or twenty volunteer reporting stations, we should have at least two hundred. Texas is noted for its varied topography and consequently its climate is complex. The state could be divided into two hundred subdivisions and each subdivision would have a climate peculiar to itself. The advantages which the state would derive from the extensive record which would be kept under the Tolar bill are incalculable. With a full knowledge of the rainfall over the watersheds of the state, hydraulic engineers can successfully locate water-works plants for furnishing the water supply of our cities, towns and villages. In this one particular, the record which the Tolar bill provides for would be of more value to the state than several times the amount appropriated in the bill. It is not an unusual occurrence for a Texas city or town to sink from five to ten thousand dollars in a water-works plant which proves a failure from an insufficient supply of water. With a knowledge of the greatest amount of rain likely to fall in any consecutive 24 hours, bridges can be built which will allow the greatest rainfall to pass under them without injury to structure. Sanitary engineers can know what sized sewer will be necessary to carry off the water from our towns and cities, thereby increasing their healthfulness. In a few years the climatology of every section of the state would be thoroughly understood. This would give the farmer a knowledge of what products would thrive best in his section, thereby saving the loss of several years labor experimenting in order to find out what would grow best; for the manner of cultivating the soil must be governed by the climate under which it is located. A knowledge of these facts would increase the value of land, and rapidly settle up the vast domain now comparatively unpopulated, and when the physical and scientific condition of every locality is known, capital will pour into the state, and will purchase millions of acres for the state treasury.

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We have given the bill referred to by the News considerable thought, and are surprised at the course taken by our esteemed contemporary. The editor of the News has certainly failed to read the Tolar bill. This bill does not provide for the transmission of dispatches giving storm warnings, etc., as the News would have it, but simply provides for purchasing instruments and securing in each section of the state the service, without expense to the state, of a competent and reliable person who will keep a record of the rainfall, maximum and minimum temperature, together with other important meteorological data and forward the same to the office of the commissioner on the first day of the month succeeding that for which it is the record. Dr. Tolar informs us that he has a communication from Gen. Greeley, chief of the United States signal service, in which he speaks at length on the importance of an extension of state weather service; and also says that he will detail a competent person from the signal corps to take charge of the state service in case the Tolar bill becomes a law. The service now in operation referred to by the News is not one-tenth what the state needs. Instead of fifteen or twenty volunteer reporting stations, we should have at least two hundred. Texas is noted for its varied topography and consequently its climate is complex. The state could be divided into two hundred subdivisions and each subdivision would have a climate peculiar to itself. The advantages which the state would derive from the extensive record which would be kept under the Tolar bill are incalculable. With a full knowledge of the rainfall over the watersheds of the state, hydraulic engineers can successfully locate water-works plants for furnishing the water supply of our cities, towns and villages. In this one particular, the record which the Tolar bill provides for would be of more value to the state than several times the amount appropriated in the bill. It is not an unusual occurrence for a Texas city or town to sink from five to ten thousand dollars in a water-works plant which proves a failure from an insufficient supply of water. With a knowledge of the greatest amount of rain likely to fall in any consecutive 24 hours, bridges can be built which will allow the greatest rainfall to pass under them without injury to structure. Sanitary engineers can know what sized sewer will be necessary to carry off the water from our towns and cities, thereby increasing their healthfulness. In a few years the climatology of every section of the state would be thoroughly understood. This would give the farmer a knowledge of what products would thrive best in his section, thereby saving the loss of several years labor experimenting in order to find out what would grow best; for the manner of cultivating the soil must be governed by the climate under which it is located. A knowledge of these facts would increase the value of land, and rapidly settle up the vast domain now comparatively unpopulated, and when the physical and scientific condition of every locality is known, capital will pour into the state, and will purchase millions of acres for the state treasury.

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...went to work, some preparing tables and some frying fish. At 1 o'clock dinner was announced. I thought this a good time to join the procession, so I sailed in without any further invitation. After dinner was over a boat was launched upon the "great deep." Professor Williams and his girl took the first ride and afterwards many others engaged in a row on the beautiful water. At 4 o'clock the festivities came to a close, the crowd dispersed and I was left a solitary. MOSSBACK.

Eagle Cove Items.
EAGLE COVE, April 1.
To the Editor of *The Star*.
News is scarce this week.
Last week we were greeted with a fine shower of rain.
Miss Della Wilkinson and her companion, Miss Kitty Pace, were out visiting her home last Saturday, as a kind of holiday from school, which she is attending at Belle Plaine.
Cal. Windham has a very sick child. Grandmother Smith has been in Abilene for a few days visiting her daughter Mrs. Price, and on her return made haste to Mr. Windham's.
The school at this place has revived somewhat since the mumps has departed.

Rough Creek News.
ROUGH CREEK, April 1.
To the Editor of *The Star*.
The people of this neighborhood are busy planting their crops.
Prospects for a rich harvest are flattering at present.
Mrs. Kendrick, who has been quite sick for some time, is unwell.
Mr. Isham Harris' little boy has been unwell for some time. He has carried him to Abilene for medical treatment.
Mr. Steve Shelly is all smiles. He has a new visitor at his house in the way of a fine girl.
The mumps and chicken-pox have been in our vicinity for quite a while. Some of the school children have had them very bad.
We observed the familiar face of Judge Solomon in this part of the county last week. He stopped and partook of the hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. Wilkinson. He then went over in the neighborhood of the store, where, we understand, he and Mr. John Martin and others joined in the chase of the wily coon, cat and opossum. It has not been reported what they caught, captured or conquered, but there was a loss on the self-same night of a few chickens in the neighborhood where they hunted.
PROGRESS.

City Hotel.
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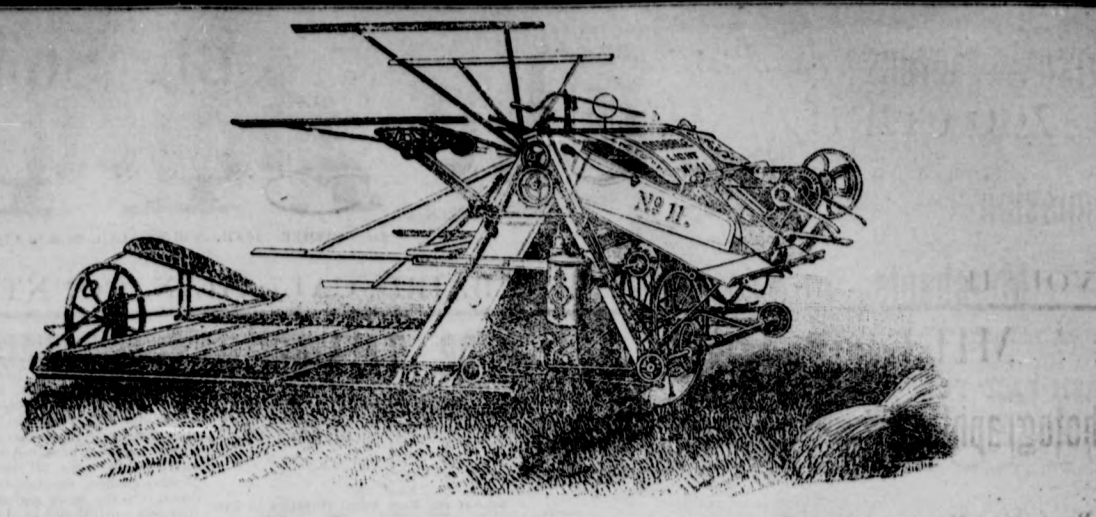
Entertainment.
The ladies of the Baptist church will give a dinner and a supper on Tuesday, April 9, one door south of saddle shop. Admission to dinner, 50 cents; supper, 25 cents.

Fine Stock.
We are pleased to see many of our citizens engaged in the stock up our country with better cattle. Mr. Parks, of the Texas and Pacific tract department, has now one fine registered Jersey and a three-fourths cow of the same stock. J. N. R.ushing has a few of the black Aberdeens that he says take the cake. Ellis Richardson has several head of very fine registered of the Holstein-Friesian and the Hereford breeds. He has calves of these breeds that are beautiful.

CONCERT.
There will be a concert given by the students and teachers of Baird at the court house Saturday night, April 6, for the purpose of assisting in a fund to build a cistern at the Baird public school building. We hope to give our friends a feast of music, recitations, etc. Come one, come all! Let's build our cistern; then purchase bell; then fence school campus; and lastly, but not of the least importance, let us incorporate for school purposes. We can then have an eight or ten month school free to all. Think of it! Parents and friends of education. Respectfully,
F. E. HAYNES,
Principal Baird Public School.

THE PRESS.
Eastland Chronicle: We understand a newspaper is to be established at Rising Star. As misery loves company we welcome the brother to the fold—to starve.
The Chronicle should not thus attempt to throw a damper over the young man's aspirations who would go out in the woods and start a paper to achieve wealth and glory.
Sipe Springs Cyclone: The Rev. Abie Mulle has just closed at Baird the grandest revival ever known there. He is now holding a meeting at Comanche. Why not have him come here? The Baird Star says if sinners don't want to be converted by his preaching they must take to the woods. Let us have him by all means.
Frank no doubt wishes to make it uncomfortable for the sinners at Sipe Springs sure enough.
The Dallas News this week essays to criticize Dr. Tolar's meteorological bill, but from the manner in which it attacks it we are led to believe that the editor has never read the bill. It is quite probable that he is more opposed to Tolar himself than to his bill. If this is the case it can save its space for it can do Tolar little hurt in this part of the state. The people out this way know the attitude of the News too well for it to exert much more influence.—*Hogler County News*.
Mr. Hayes, of Lamar county, made an unenviable reputation for himself in the house this week by stating that the newspapers of Texas are subsidized by the railroads, and that "the railroads have got all the newspapers in Texas in their employ, that's what the matter." The newspapers could have shown this gentleman up in good style a while back, but through courtesy for him refrained from doing so. It is more than likely they will handle him without gloves now.—*Junco County Colliery*.

Wednesday morning the school building was discovered to be on fire. The fire started in the northwest corner, between the weatherboarding and



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See what a fine line of satens at Powell's, and so cheap!
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—Ed.

THE KICKER.
The following from an exchange has a local application: St. Peter sits out by the heavenly gates, his hands on the strings of a lyre, and he sings a long song as he patiently waits for the spirits of those who expire. He hears in the distance the chorus of songs that swells at the foot of the throne, and he smiles as the music is wafted along, and warbles his lay of his own: "There is room in this region for millions of souls, who by sorrow and wee here; 'tis for those who have suffered the melody rolls, but the kickers must turn to the left. There is room for the people who, when they were young, persisted in sowing wild oats but who boomed up their city with snew and tongue; the kickers must go with the goats. There is room for the people who pointed with pride to the beauty and growth of their town, and kept singing its praises and charms till they died, but the kicker will please amble down. They'd say the music was all out of tune, and the angelic robes hand-me-downs, and they'd send for a jeweler off to the moon to sample the gold in the crowns. So while there is room for millions of souls, who by sorrow and wee here, we want no complaint of the music that rolls, so the kicker will turn to the left."
—*Among News.*
We are glad Baird has no kickers.

THE KICKER.
FROM THE COLUMBIAN.
The name of Pecon Bayou should be changed. It conveys to the minds of emigrants, low swampy lands laden with malaria, and they will naturally conclude to avoid that section. The name was given in an early day by a party of surveyors coming up the Colorado river after a rise. Coming to the mouth of the stream they found it deep and sluggish—apparently a bayou from the river. "Pecon" was given from the groves of this noble tree lining the banks. As late as 1865 two large cypress trees stood a short distance above its mouth.
But this stream is not a bayou; on the contrary, it is frequently a raging mountain torrent. From its source to a point near the northeast corner of Coleman county it is a bold running stream of pure clear water. Lower down as it drops into the alluvial bottoms, (the deposit it has carried down from the mountains,) it becomes dark and sluggish, with a current of about three miles an hour. The land on Pecon Bayou, so called, are without a superior as regards depth of soil and fertility. Mr. J. L. Clark's farm near the old military road crossing eight miles from Camp Colorado, has been in cultivation for twenty-nine years and without the use of any fertilizers, is as strong and productive this year as it was the first.
OBITUARY.
Charley Burdette Warren was born March 28, 1876, and died in Baird March 28, 1889, being 13 years and 5 days old. His mother died when he was quite young, but he found a mother's care and solatide in his grandmother, Mrs. L. C. McKinney, whose prayers and counsels had much to do in leading him to Christ. He was converted on the 10th of this month, only a few days before he was taken sick, and enlisted at once in the service of God, to whom he had given his heart when converted. He realized that he had been a sinner, but he found a great Saviour and dedicated his life to Him. He told one of his associates that he had given his grandmother a great deal of trouble, but was now going to be a comfort to her. His record as a pupil in the Sabbath school, of which he was a member when he died, has never been excelled. But we shall see his face no more in the Sabbath school, for he has joined the ransomed hosts above, where he will be waiting in rapturous joy to meet the loved ones whom he has left behind. May the blessings of God rest on his grief-stricken father, sisters and grandmother, who have been bereft of their precious little Charley. His body was taken to the Methodist church, where a large congregation assembled at 1:30 p. m., the 29th, to join in the funeral service, during which but few of that large audience were removed. The longest procession, perhaps, that has ever followed a corpse to our cemetery attended his body to the grave to witness the last part of the funeral service, which was conducted by his humble pastor, assisted by the friends who had assembled there to pay their tribute of respect to the remains of their deceased friend. May all his weeping loved ones determine, by God's grace, to meet little Charley in the eternal city of God, and, in that "Some Sweet Day," join him in his heavenly home.
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