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"'TIS NEITHER BIRTH, NOR WEALTH, NOR STATE, BUT THE 'GIT-UP-AND-GIT' THAT MAKES MEN GREAT."

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AN IMMENSE BRIBE

One Million Dollars Offered for a Lottery Franchise.

LOUISIANA'S DEGRADATION

Firemen Congregate at Palestine—San Antonio to Have a Fair—Corsicana's Railroad.

NEW ORLEANS, May 20.—The Times-Democrat prints the following communication:

To the Editor of the Times-Democrat:—To read the speeches of the anti-lottery orators one would suppose that a vast majority of the people of the city and state were opposed to the rechartering of the lottery company, and, therefore, in favor of the rejection of Mr. Morris' offer.

I am a close observer, and think I know something of public sentiment in the city and parishes, and I have no hesitation in asserting my sincere belief to be, that the majority is largely the other way. Roughly estimating, I should say that three out of five persons in the city and county are in favor of accepting Mr. Morris' last proposition.

If some newspaper would have votes taken on street cars and on railroad trains, as is done in election times, I am quite sure my figures will be found to be inside the mark; and if that be true, by what right does a minority assume to lord it over a majority, and arrogate to itself all the virtue, honesty and decency of the community.

I go further and assert, without fear of successful contradiction, that a majority of the white Democratic vote of the state is in favor of the acceptance of Mr. Morris' offer. This is a government by majority, and no minority can dictate to the people of Louisiana.

DEMOCRAT.

Dallas Dots.

DALLAS, May 20.—The wiring of the North Dallas circuit railway for electric motive power is being rapidly conducted and will be completed by the latter part of the week. The road by that date will be reconstructed through out and extended about 2200 feet beyond its present northern terminus near which a park is being improved. Four electric cars, each 24 feet over all, are expected to arrive to-day from St. Louis for this road.

Mr. J. M. Thompson, president of the Pacific cable construction company of San Francisco has arrived in the city. He owns 98 per cent of the company's capital, and he is a polished and rapid conversationalist.

He is here to look after the construction of the cable road on Elm street, for which this company was recently granted a franchise by the city council.

Worn out by five days' constant travel, he nevertheless was ready to express his admiration of the queen city of the southwest, which, it is needless to say is Dallas, and to talk cable line. On the latter head he said: "The cable line on Elm street will be built beyond peradventure, and work will be commenced on it within the time prescribed in our franchise. I would like to show you the plans of our power house, which will be a highly attractive building costing \$30,000, and will contain a statue of Liberty illuminating Dallas with the Texas star. Those plans will be placed at the McLeod hotel tonight for inspection by the city council. We will build and equip a first-class road, thus proving to Dallas that we are deserving of the franchise it gave us."

The latest news in regard to the new cotton mill of 25,000 spindles which the eastern capitalists who recently visited Dallas have concluded to build here is that two-thirds of the stock has been taken and that the remaining third will probably be placed within a week.

The opening of a shoe factory and tan yard here by Massachusetts parties has been set for the 1st of next October.

Texas Dressed Beef.

GALVESTON, Tex., May 20.—Gen. Stoddard and Mr. Erenworth, representing the Texas dressed beef and packing company, are still in the city looking after the details of the arrangements now in progress by which it is expected to commence this summer the shipment of a large quantity of Texas dressed beef to England, operating in connection with the Metropolitan trading company of London. The wharf company has renewed its proposition to the Texas stockmen to furnish them a building site at the west end of new wharf free of cost for the erection of a cold storage house, fixing the rate of storage at 50 cents per ton. While the renewal of this proposition has not been officially submitted, it is understood to have been agreed to by the wharf directors. In reference to other details the enterprise is moving smoothly along. The ships for this trade have already been chartered, and though the enterprise is moving slowly, every day brings it nearer consummation.

Wool on the Exchange List.

SAN ANGELO, Tex., May 20.—Captain W. L. Black of Fort McKavitt, acting as chairman of the committee on organization of the National Wool Growers' association, has for some time been agitating the idea of amalgamating the wool trade with that of the cotton exchanges of the country, and is to-day in receipt of a telegram from the New York cotton exchange indicating that the New York people take great interest in the movement. Such a change as Mr. Black suggests would certainly be a very desirable thing for the wool producers of Texas, as it would secure a marketable value for wool at any and all times of the year, the same as in Connecticut, and as the production of wool in the United States is only about one-half what is required it is safe to assume that speculation would put prices on wool very much higher than is paid under present conditions.

Great Forest Fires.

ASHLAND, Wis., May 20.—The great forest fires which have been raging in northern Wisconsin at intervals for two weeks past have been gaining ground the last day or two. The greatest loss has been sustained in this vicinity of Kingbridge, where the summer lumber camps with all their contents and a large number of buildings have been destroyed. Thousands of acres of valuable timber have been burned over and nothing but heavy rains will save other timber tracts.

The Water Supply of Waco Likely to be Depleted.

PAHIS, Tex., May 20.—Prof. Robert I. Hill has just returned from a trip into the Indian Territory, made to determine the extent of water receiving area there and whether the sandstone formation comprising that area d'ipped beneath the section of the state and to what extent.

He found about forty-five miles north of here a large outcrop of the artesian strata identical with that whose outcrop westward is marked by the upper cross timbers and which furnishes the water at Fort Worth, Waco and Temple. While he has not yet made all the additional investigations to fix the depth of the strata here to tap this strata he approximates it at less than the Waco depth and equally large in supply.

Hog Slaughter Explores the Town.

EL PASO, Tex., May 20.—There is a good deal of excitement in town owing to the charge that a local butcher has been selling his customers pork from the carcass of a hog that died a natural death. The grand jury is now investigating the matter.

The counties of Hebert and Jeff Davis are endeavoring to secure a slice of El Paso county. County Judge Townsend has gone to Kent in company with the county surveyor to protect the interests of El Paso county.

Terrible Railroad Accident.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 20.—One of the most horrible railway accidents ever known in California occurred at 1 o'clock this afternoon, when the local train connected at Oakland with the ferryboats from San Francisco ran through an open bridge over the San Antonio creek at Webster. The yacht Juanita had just passed through the draw when the train appeared going in the direction of Alameda. The draw keeper endeavored at once to close the bridge but it was too late and the engine and first car, which was filled with passengers, plunged into the river, which is deep here.

The engineer, Sam Don, and fireman O'Brien went down with the engine. The former, when he saw that the bridge did not close, reversed the lever, but the momentum of the engine was too great to be stopped in time. The weight of the engine and the first car broke the couplings and left the other cars of the train standing. The second car ran about a third of the way across the bridge and stopped, but the jar was sufficient to break open the front of the car and many of the passengers were thrown into the water.

The first car, which had followed the engine to the bottom of the river, soon rose and such of the passengers as had escaped were picked up by the yachts and small boats which had gathered at the scene. The trainmen and the rest of the passengers lent their aid to the work of rescue and when the wrecking train arrived the car was drawn into shallow water and the boats began dragging the creek for bodies. The train was in charge of Conductor Erath and an extra crew, it being a holiday.

The conductor stated that probably twenty-five persons had met their death. The top of the passenger coach was cut open as soon as it was raised above the water and the work of removing the bodies commenced, ten being taken out in quick succession. Engineer Dun was not to be found and it was believed that he perished beneath his engine. The fireman, it is thought, escaped by jumping.

Three women and three girls were taken from the water alive and removed to the receiving hospital. Another young lady died soon after being taken from the ruins. The news of the accident created intense excitement in Oakland, and thousands of people flocked to the morgue and the scene of the wreck.

Several Persons Badly Burned—Gallant Rescue by Firemen.

ST. LOUIS, June 2.—The building at 1635 Franklin avenue, the second floor of which is occupied as a tenement by several families and the lower floor as a paint shop, was discovered on fire about 3 o'clock this morning. The fire started on the second floor and burned for about half an hour before it was discovered. As soon as the firemen arrived a stream of water was turned on the burning building, but no effort was made to rescue the occupants until loud screams from the second story indicated that there were helpless people inside. Firemen then rushed in and found the family of George Schlothman struggling in the smoke and flames in the two front rooms. Mr. Schlothman was frightfully burned and was lying helpless on the floor. His wife and two children were also burned, and his father, an old man nearly seventy years of age, smothered to death in his bed. Charles Haus, who occupied the rear room with his wife and child, had just left to go to work and his wife and little son was caught in the flames. Mrs. Haus could have escaped, but her boy was so frightened that he ran under the bed and in the frantic mother's efforts to save the child, she was dangerously burned. The child was found in an unconscious condition, but the mother was able to speak. The injured were taken to the dispensary.

Cleopatra's Bones.

CHICAGO, Ill., June 4.—Alexander Tagliafaro, of Alexandria, writes to the world's fair that he is in a position to furnish them with an interesting exhibit. He has sent the officials a photo of a sarcophagus which he believes is that of Cleopatra. It was recently discovered in Cesar's camp near Alexandria by archeologists. After paying the government its dues, the writer says he got it to a friend for speculation. When the sarcophagus was opened, the contents fell in ashes with the exception of the skeleton, which is still preserved. Tagliafaro says he is prompted to negotiate with the exposition authorities from notices which he has seen in newspapers from the United States, announcing that the khedive of Egypt had been asked by the directors of the exposition for the mummy of Rameses.

Large Crops in Sight.

GREENVILLE, Hunt Co., Tex., June 5.—The weather still continues beautiful and the crops are growing off to the utmost satisfaction of the farmers. Farm work is well up and if no misfortune comes a large crop will be gathered in this county, one of the banner farming counties of the state.

Medical Association.

TEXARKANA, Ark., June 3.—The northeast Texas medical association met here Tuesday at Glio's opera house. Several essays on important branches of medical science were read and other business received attention.

The Choctaw Lottery Company is in working order, and expects to do an extensive business. About \$900,000 of the capital stock has now been sold. The officers of the company are prominent Choctaw Indians. It is claimed that stockholders of the Louisiana Lottery Company are binding the scheme.

Deputy United States Marshals Minnett, Tucker and Chancellor, who went into the Cheyenne reservation to arrest some desperadoes for whom they had warrants, were stood off by the Indians, who refused to let them proceed in the search for the outlaws.

American Medical Association.

NASHVILLE, TENN., May 23.—In the general session of the American Medical Association this morning, the Committee on Nominations submitted its reports, the officers for the ensuing year being as follows: President, W. T. Briggs, Tennessee; First Vice President, C. A. Lindsey, Connecticut; Second R. C. Moore, Nebraska; Third, H. C. Wynan, Michigan; Fourth, L. P. Gibson, Arkansas; Treasurer, R. J. Dempleson, Pennsylvania; Librarian, C. T. Richardson, District of Columbia; Trustees of the association journal—J. B. Hamilton, District of Columbia; J. V. Shoemaker, Tennessee. Members of the Judicial Committee, on State Medicine and Neurology were also named.

San Francisco was named as the place for the next annual meeting, and the date the first Tuesday in June, but after a vote Washington was selected. The report was discussed at length, but was finally adopted with the exception of the change in place of meeting. Dr. Samuel Logan, of New Orleans, then delivered the annual address, on "General Surgery." The report of the Committee on Dietetics contended that the free use of liquor foods, and that children were the greatest sufferers from this cause. This misuse of liquor food caused defective jaws and teeth. The usual sections met this afternoon and discussed papers of interest to the profession.

South Dakota Suffragists.

HURON, S. D., May 27.—The equal suffragists of South Dakota have begun a vigorous campaign. The state constitution adopted last year made it necessary for the legislature to provide for the submission of this question at the next November election. In view of this the equal suffragists have brought their ablest speakers into the state. Susan B. Anthony, with head quarters at Huron, is chief engineer of the campaign, and her well-known ability as an organizer, presages some lively work.

Bridge Swept Away.

WHEELING, W. Va., May 25.—The almost completed channel span of the Union Railroad Bridge and Terminal Company together with the false work were swept away this afternoon. The river channel is filled with hundreds of tons of bent and twisted iron, while the wood work was carried down the river. The loss to the company cannot now be estimated.

TEXAS IN BRIEF.

The Science Hall Alliance has been permanently located at Justice.

Leo Bell and his half brother, Emanuel Hamilton, quarreled at Hawkins, and Bell cut Hamilton's throat fatally.

The fence cutters are at work around Sulphur Springs. The fences around 480 acres being completely wrecked.

Clara Smith, of Jefferson, who was struck on the head in a fight with her husband, died from the effect of the wound.

The Grand Jury at El Paso is investigating the case of a butcher who, it is alleged, has been selling the carcasses of dogs that died of disease.

While digging a well near East Sherman two brothers named Harrison were overcome by the fumes from the blast and are not expected to live.

Miss Nannie Rogers, sister of the Rev. Price Rogers at Palestine, was killed by a runaway team. Her brains were beaten out by being dragged along the railway track.

The labor organizations of Austin have passed resolutions providing for eight hours work a day. If the bosses don't concede the question will be submitted to an arbitration committee.

A party of Eastern capitalists, headed by Mayor Croiger, of Chicago, arrived in Fort Worth last week. It is generally understood that these gentlemen are looking for investments in this State.

Theodore Atkins, a tourist from Kansas, recently insulted all sense of decency in Paris by addressing the G. A. R. and using profane and indecent language. The occasion of it was a public reception by the G. A. R.

Mrs. Nancy Butler died in the Houston infirmary from the effects of brutal treatment.

The McAllister steam brick made at Wichita, are said to be the best in the State.

Jake Gifford, colored, was arrested at Fort Worth while burglarizing a Chinaman's house.

John Hammond, Marshal of Vernon, fell from the second floor of the court house and was instantly killed.

A number of cattle were drowned at Jefferson, in an attempt to force them to swim across the river.

The Shippers' Compress and Manufacturing company, at Hillsboro, with a capital stock of \$100,000, has filed a charter.

Wichita county received the gold medal offered for the best exhibit of the products of the earth by the Spring Palace committee.

The Austin and Travis county Rapid Transit Company was formally organized at Austin with a capital stock of \$200,000.

The scheme of Captain W. L. Black, of Fort McKavitt, to consolidate the wool market with the markets for cotton and cotton exchanges, is meeting with much favor among New York wool and cotton men.

Bryant's confirmation as Judge of the Eastern Texas district still hangs fire.

David Eads, an Englishman, shot himself fatally at Galveston, while crazed from drink.

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RAILROAD COMMISSIONS.

Various Expedients for Regulating Railroad Traffic. SOME THIRTY-FIVE YEARS OF

varied Experiment—How It Invited the Interstate Commission and Now Pro-

poses Government Ownership. Facts Gleaned from Reports.

AUSTIN, May 16.—[Staff correspondence of The News.]—Up to 1880 no railroad commissions of the several states had excited wild hopes in the minds of the people, followed by bitter disappointment everywhere.

The experience of a dozen states of those first beguiled by the promises of the politicians may be given to how that Texas may expect.

New York appointed a commission with power to investigate, regulate and report on the railroads. In a few years the people gained a vast amount of information from the reports and recommendations of the commission: and proceeded to abolish the office.

Ohio in 1867 established a commission without plenary authority. After much legislation the Ohio commission consists of one man with power uncontrolled to report railroad statistics and see to the safety and comfort of passengers on the railroads.

Massachusetts appointed a railroad commission in 1869 to enforce the laws then existing which related to the railroads.

Illinois in 1870 appointed a commission with plenary powers. For many years this body had a great time with the railroads, but lately its power to fix rates is freely revised by the courts.

California has a commission established by the constitution with power to fix rates. Result: All the railroads of that state practically under one management.

Rhode Island has a railroad commissioner with no power except to investigate and report. The office is one of dignity and of especial importance in elections of United States senators.

Maine has a full fledged railroad commission to examine railroads, order repairs and when connecting lines fail to agree upon joint rates may umpire between them.

Alabama has a commission with power to fix rates but powerless to reduce any charges the roads make because the law declares that "Railroads net earnings otherwise would not amount to a fair and just return on their value may charge rates which under other circumstances would be excessive."

Minnesota created a one man commission and passed a law establishing a tariff of rates. The rates were so absurd an unreasonable that very soon a commission of three men was appointed to establish rates.

Connecticut has a triune commission to attend to police matters and provide for the safety and comfort of railway passengers.

Michigan established a commission which, after a fair amount of experience, advised the legislature to adopt a liberal policy to develop a complete railroad system for the entire state rather than by restrictive legislation check railway construction.

Missouri first adopted the Potter law, but now has a commission pottering away under authority to advise, report, recommend and intervene between railroads and strikers.

New Hampshire and Vermont have ornamental commissions to collect statistics, attend to the safety of passengers and report operations of the railroads, and the former has power to fix rates, which it practically delegates to the railroads.

Virginia has a railroad commissioner to report neglect of duties and violations of law by railroad companies.

Tennessee had a railroad commission once and it had the power of life and death over the railroads, power to fix charges and enforce its edicts, but the courts got in their work and the legislature abolished it.

South Carolina's railroad commission has ample power, which is exercised to keep down competition between the railroads and to give official recognition to railroad pools.

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All these questions had confused the railroad question up to 1880. The state commissions had in no instance satisfied public expectations. When state legislation and commission action had shown the people the utter hopelessness of solution by politicians and political boards, the enterstate commissions was conceived and for several years the people were encouraged by speeches in congress, franked by the trainload and distributed to every reader in the country, to believe that now the real solution of the railroad problem was at hand.

State action was a failure, but here was relief. The interstate commerce act passed and it has cost the people of Texas who produce cotton for shipment and who consume goods shipped from other states \$2,000,000 a year more than they otherwise would have.

Not only this but it imbles the railroads on through traffic to extort from the people of Texas who make cotton and consume produce and goods of other states enough to recoup themselves for any reduction in their earnings brought about by a decrease in the local rates at the behest of a state commission.

This fact is appreciated in Georgia and other states, and now after the people have found state commissions a snare and the interstate a delusion the demand comes up for actual federal control and operation of the railroads.

Thirty-five years ago state railroad regulation commenced. State after state fell into line: most of their commissions were and are purely ornamental, and these are tolerated for their dignity and influence in politics, but a few have made strenuous efforts to satisfy demands.

Where the struggle has been greatest the clamour now is greatest for some new and more radical departure in the direction of centralizing paternalism. Where the commissions had least authority and promised least there is no great public disappointment.

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AN OPEN LETTER. TO THE DEMOCRATIC PRECINCT CHAIRMEN OF CALLAHAN COUNTY.

Gentlemen:—In response to numerous inquiries, written and verbal, for information as to the authority, duties, etc., of Democratic chairmen of precincts, and especially, with respect to the primary meetings. I hereby submit to your consideration, for your instruction and guidance, and hope they may prove helpful to you in the conduct of said meetings, the time for which is now fast approaching.

They should consult the best needs of the party, as well as the convenience of its members, in making their calls for meetings, as to details of place, hour, etc., and reasonable notice of same, say at least five days, should be given.

Upon assembling they should call meeting to order, state object, etc., after which, the first business being the election of a presiding officer for the meeting. The precinct chairman should invite nominations for said position, and, notwithstanding he may be in nomination himself, put the question and decide the result.

At this juncture the precinct chairman should assert his authority, by declining to recognize or count in such election, any one known to him not to be a Democrat. He is invested with this power and it is made his duty, by the highest councils of his party, in that they provide for his appointment, and in such, the guardianship of the party's every interest, and the direction and management of its affairs, within his territorial jurisdiction.

Hence the precinct chairman's judgment is unquestionable in this matter, in so far as the precinct meeting is authorized, but his action may be appealed to the county convention for review and final decision.

If you will note Democratic usage, not only in Texas, but all the states you will observe a corroboration of my views, by our highest authorities, if not always by expression, then by implication. After thus organizing meeting it will be proper to adopt a test for qualification to participate in same, by means of a resolution binding participants to abide the action of the meeting, and support the nominees of all Democratic conventions of 1890.

The same care should be taken by the presiding officers in taking the vote upon this question, involving as it does the very life of the party, said officer having superseded the precinct chairman, and succeeded to his responsibilities, but, for the time being only, as upon the adjournment of said meeting the precinct chairman resumes his position, together with all its powers and duties. After the adoption of such test resolution, it will be very plain to decide who may participate, and, any one refusing to be thus bound should retire, as by such refusal he will forfeit all right to a voice or vote in said meeting.

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We have before us a legal work on "Record of Title" written by Judge B. R. Webb, and recently published by the Gilbert Book Co. of St. Louis. The book is handsomely printed and bound, contains nearly 800 pages and cites, in its notes, between 5,000 and 6,000 decided cases. Law books are not specially in the line of our review and criticism, but we can not forbear a notice of this one, because its author is our fellow townsman, and we have personal knowledge of the untiring industry which, in a labor of two years past, has resulted in its completion.

Texas has a number of law writers whose productions have reflected credit upon our state jurisprudence, but this, we believe is the first law book by a Texas author national in its character, in that it deals with the law as applicable in all the states to the subject treated. The author has gone upon the record before the bar and the courts of the nation, and from the expression of competent critics and eminent judges which we have selected and added below, we trust and believe that he will earn reputation and fortune in the venture.

"The book seems to have been prepared with great care, and will not only be useful in practice, but also serve, we trust, by furnishing ready means of comparison, to promote harmony in the legislation of the various states on this subject of general importance.—New Jersey Law Journal.

"The work will prove of great service to the profession in practice.—Virginia Legal Journal.

"It expands the treatment of an important branch of the law, and assuming its accuracy, it must be a valuable assistant.—Albany Law Journal.

"The subject of records as effecting title is one of great and increasing importance. We have something of an acquaintance with Mr. Webb, and are prepared to believe that he is capable of producing an accurate and valuable treatise upon this subject, which has been a study with him for some years. The text of the work is illustrated with copious citations of authority, and we have no doubt it will be found valuable to the real estate lawyer and conveyancer.—Central Law Journal.

LOCAL.

All pay locals must be in this office by noon Wednesday, to insure insertion.

Reading matter ten cents a line, first insertion, five cents for each subsequent insertion. Locals run among purely reading matter ten cents each insertion.

ESTRAY NOTICE.

Strayed by J. B. Cutbirth, before A. T. Young, J. P., Callahan county, May 7, 1890, one sorrel mare, 15 years old 14 1/2 hands high, branded J and thus on left shoulder.

Strayed before E. K. Kane J.P. Callahan Co. June 11 1890 by James Hart, One yellow horse with black mane and tail, white hind feet, 14 hands high 4 years old, scar on inside of right fore leg, and branded thus L on left shoulder.

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- J. E. PACE.
W. C. ASBURY.

Co. Judge.

- E. E. SOLOMON.

Co. Attorney.

- B. L. RUSSELL.

County Surveyor.

- M. R. HAILEY.

To The Democratic Party of Precinct Number One, Callahan County

In pursuance of the call of the county chairman, you are hereby notified to meet at the court house in Baird at twelve o'clock noon on Tuesday July first 1890, for the purpose of electing delegates to a democratic county convention called by the county chairman Tuesday July 15th 1890, and for the transaction of such other business as may be properly brought before such meeting.

OTIS BOWYER.
Chairman precinct No 1.

Mrs. Solomon, Judge Solomon's mother, was very sick last week, but is better at this writing.

Window shades at Powell's.

Rev. A. A. Baker of Merkel is assisting in the protracted meeting.

Read the history of the commission. It is not proving such a grand success as you here it is.

Dr. J. D. Windham and his niece, Mrs. Oliver were in town yesterday.

Dr. S. T. Fraser returned last Thursday from a visit to his old home in South Carolina. This was his first visit home for over twenty years, and Dock says no one but his old land lady in Charleston knew him. Dock says he don't see how a man that knew anything about Texas could live back there.

Wedding suits at Powell's.

Some articles crowded out this week. They will appear next week.

Ellis Richardson has gone to Waco to attend the commencement of Baylor University. Miss Bettie Richardson will return home with him.

B. A. MASONS.
Baird Chapter, No 182, will meet next Friday night. Election of officers and other business will be transacted. All turn out.

The protracted meeting at the Methodist church is still going on.

There will be a public installation of officers of Tecumseh Lodge, and a barbecue at Tecumseh on the 24 inst.

B. F. Williams of Putnam, made us a pleasant call Tuesday.

M. R. Hailey, county Surveyor was in the city yesterday. He is a candidate for reelection.

French salina at Powell's.

Mrs. Mary Brightwell and her little daughter Jennie, were in the city reading yesterday.

Dry Goods, L. B. Powell

\$500. REWARD.

Three miles of Oscar Jones and Bob Hearn's pasture fence in Taylor county was cut last Friday night.

Ed Coppins has let the contract for a \$500 dwelling on the Robertson lot to Bowlis Bros.

Rev. Mr. Ragsdal of Cisco arrived yesterday and will assist in the meeting.

Some of the members of the Uniform Rank, K. of P. have the Milwaukee fever.

The Knights of Pythias are talking of building a new Hall. "Let her go Gallagher."

Somehow the report got out that yesterday was the last day for taking the census, and, as not half the people in town had been "enumerated" very naturally created some excitement, Justin Cook the enumerator, says he has plenty of time yet and will do all he can to make the census complete his district.

We are authorized to announce M. R. Hailey as a candidate for reelection. Mr. Hailey has served as County Surveyor for the last two years, and so far as we have heard he has given general satisfaction.

Tom King is down on J. W. Jones ranch this week building a granary.

Happy Hoosiers.

Wm. Timmons, Postmaster of Madison, Ind., writes: "Electric Bitters has done more for me than all other medicines combined, for that had feeling arising from Kidney and Liver trouble."

Mr. E. M. Norton of Cottonwood announces this week for County Treasurer. He is an old citizen of this county, well qualified, and will make a good officer if elected.

Wiley and Henry Lambert were in after lumber Tuesday to build a granary on J. W. Jones' ranch on the Bayou.

E. J. Barr of Cross Plains was in town last Saturday. He says crops, except wheat, are fine as can be down in his neighborhood.

Capt. John Trent of Eagle Cove was in the city one day last week for the first time in a long time.

John Johnson well known here as an old time resident of this county, but who for several years has been ranching out in Val Verde county, is on a visit with his family to friends in this county.

Judge I. M. Omims was in town last week and he informs us that the prospect for re-opening Belle Plaine College this fall is good.

Mr. Hensley is at work on his mill building on lot between the Cameron lumber yard and Mrs. Dudley's dwelling.

J. B. Cutbirth is building a residence in the east part of town. It is reported that W. R. McDermott will occupy the building when completed.

J. J. Preston of Belle Plaine has the contract to remove the vault in the bank building. A new vault will be built and the bank moved back to its old quarters.

Sixty years ago S. S. S. was made in an ordinary iron pot; fifteen years ago it was prepared in large sugar kettles, and now it requires a great number of large steam-tight percolators to supply the demand, and takes the product of a large glass furnace to furnish a sufficient number of bottles.

S. S. S. is known all over the English-speaking world, and in many places where English is not spoken. These simple facts are worth more to a sick man than a train load of arguments.

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Trunks very cheap at Powell's. Blue ribbon shoes at Powell's.

When you come to town call and examine the largest and best variety of groceries in Baird. S. L. Ogle. Full line of stationary blank books pocket books memorandums etc. S. L. Ogle.

Pipes, pipe stems, cigar holders in endless variety, S. L. Ogle. Black Venecian lace lawn at Powell's, make the finest dresses in the land. Be sure and get one.

Don't forget that Ogle keeps the best line of pocket knives in town. Curtain poles at L. Gould's. Sticky fly paper. R. Phillips. Machine oil. R. Phillips.

Don't fail to see our new line of ladies and children's shoes. Foy & Richardson. French gingham Alcareens Drab De Venis, etc. Powell.

Silk shirts and all kinds of shirts at Powell's. Willow chairs at Schwartz'.

New potatoes cheap at Lea's 2t. Ice cold soda water six days in the week. Baird Drug Co. Car load of meal. McLauray, Jones & Dean.

Best assortment and cheapest brooms in town. S. L. Ogle. W. C. Asbury is again a candidate for Hide and Animal Inspector.

He is so well known that he needs no new introduction from us, having been Inspector in this county for a number of years, and is probably the best posted in regard to marks and brands of any man in the west.

Remember his announcement. Mr. B. L. Russell announces this week for County Attorney. He lives near Cross Plains, has been a resident of the county for about one year.

He is a young man just entering upon the practice of law. He promises a faithful discharge of the duties of the office should he be the choice of the people.

Mr. E. M. Norton of Cottonwood is in town. For Sale. A Webster Unabridged Dictionary, good as new, for sale at this office.

Price \$5. The book cost \$12 about three years ago. Reasons for selling I have two Dictionaries and only need one.

The Hogg organs are calling upon Wheeler Hall and Cook to know if they don't use free passes. Ha, ha, boys aint you sorry you started the free pass racket.

The Coke county Rustler by Brady & Store is a new exchange on our Table. The paper shows a spirit and get-up get? THE STAR extends right of fellowship to the new comer.

To the Baird STAR what do you think of the west now since Fisher and Stonewall counties have instructed for Hogg. Gone to the devil I reckon.—Rayner Lasso. Guess you are about right, Sargent, so far as the two counties referred to are concerned.

It is a mistake to say that all who oppose a commission are opposed to all railroad regulation. THE STAR opposes a commission, but favors regulating freight rates so as to prevent over charges and discrimination by the roads, and to prevent the roads charging more for a short haul than they do for a long haul.

THE STAR conscientiously believes a commission will cause freight rates to advance to all points in Western Texas. It can hardly do otherwise yet for this cause a few narrow minded bigots in this county are denouncing THE STAR as an enemy of the people.

Rye Straw! Rye Straw!! Rye Straw!!! Frank Vernon of the Sipe Springs Cyclone has bought a half interest in the Comanche Chief and has assumed editorial control of the same.

THE STAR feels a kindly interest in Frank, for it was in this office that he graduated as a printer and journalist. THE STAR wishes the Chief success under the new management, for no one in Texas will strive harder than Frank to make the old Chief hum.

The Daily Constitution slipped into this office so quietly last week that it took us completely by surprise, as we had seen no previous announcement of its coming.

Col. Cary W. Styles is managing editor, which is a sufficient guarantee that the new daily will be a success—provided, of course, Weatherford can support a daily paper. THE STAR hopes the D. C. will grow until it rivals the News, Post and Gazette.

Mr. Hogg's friends acted rather hastily in springing the railroad pass question, of course, they did not know their idol would use a free pass.

PUBLIC SPEAKING.

We are requested to announce that there will be a public gathering at Putnam, on Saturday, the 21st inst at 2 o'clock p. m. Mr. A. A. Bell will, by special invitation, give a descriptive account of the objects of interest, together with the customs, habits, etc., of the people, of various countries, over which he has lately traveled.

Mr. J. N. Rushing will speak upon the general topic of the day. All are invited, and especially the ladies.

JIM HOGG CLUB.

At a meeting of the people at Eagle Cove the following resolutions were adopted:

Whereas, viewing as we do, the encroachments of monopoly upon the rights and liberties of the people, the estrangement from the people of the national political party now in power, the positive tendency of said party towards centralization and class legislation, and with no hope of bettering our condition from such a source, we turn with longing eyes to the Democrats of our own state to maintain as they have ever done, the sovereignty of the people: Therefore be it

1st.—Resolved, that we, the voters of Precinct No. 4, of Callahan county, Texas, do hereby organize an anti-monopoly Jim Hogg democratic club, to be known as the Eagle Cove, Jim Hogg, Democratic Club.

2nd.—We promise to work for the nomination of Hon. Jas. Hogg, in whom we see no guile, for governor of Texas.

3d.—We promise, furthermore, to support no man for nomination, neither state, district nor county, who is opposed to a railroad commission.

4th.—That we, the Democracy of Precinct No. 4, endorse a railroad commission amendment, and declare our uncompromising preference for Hon. Jas. Hogg for governor.

We respectfully ask all lovers of good and honest government, a government for the people and by the people, to join us in this move, on the ascendancy of the people, and the desecration of monopoly, together with all creatures of the State to their proper sphere, the sovereignty of the people as the reigning influence that does now and will forever prompt us.

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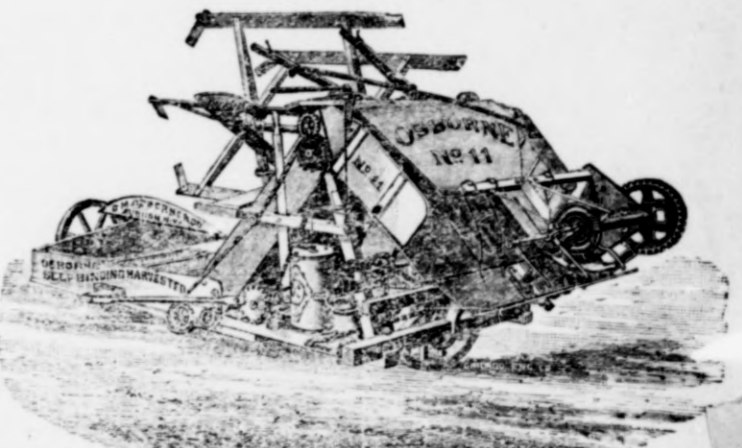
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