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BRAINY TOM REED.

A Pen Picture of the Speaker of the House. He Knows What He Knows.

(Frank G. Carpenter in New York World.)

Tom Reed is a genius. His brain weighs more than that of any other man in public life, and it is of the finest intellectual texture. He can say more bright things in the space of ten minutes than any other man in congress can get off in the compass of one hour. He knows what he knows too, and he is not afraid to say it. He has the same confidence in himself now as he had when he was a boy teaching school and applying for admission to the bar in California. Tom Reed tells the story himself. His admission occurred at the time when constitutionality of the legal-tender act was being discussed by the greatest lawyers of the state of California.

"The first question," says Reed, "was: Is the legal-tender act constitutional or unconstitutional?" I didn't hesitate a moment, but I replied coolly and emphatically, 'It is constitutional.' This ended my questioning. 'You can pass,' said the judge. 'We always pass a man who can settle great constitutions off-hand.'"

Tom Reed has been settling constitutional questions from that day to this. He settled his cases well enough to make a success as a lawyer, and his self-confidenc, aided to his remarkable ability, has made him the Republican leader of congress.

No one disputes Reed's leadership. McKinley, Cannon, Henderson and Burrows all follow him, and when the fight is on in the house it is Reed who watches for and is prepared for every surprise. His long term in congress has amply fitted him for the position. He is posted on all public questions, and his reading has covered nearly every field of knowledge. He is a fine French scholar and his Shakespeare is better thumbed than his Bible, though he knows the latter well. He has an analytic mind, and when he gets hold of a fact it drops into one of the little pigeon-holes of his brain, ready to slide off his slippery tongue at a second's notice.

Tom Reed looks anything but the traditional leader. He has the frame of a Japanese wrestler, and his head might serve for that of a Chinese giant. He is fat and tall, and his big-boned body is padded at every point with muscular flesh. I have never seen him strike; but his fist, under Sullivan's training, would fell an ox; and he has a foot which would make him one of the greatest football players in the world. His face is broad, fair and fat; the cheeks puff out, and a pair of small, half-almond eyes shine out like diamonds under a broad forehead, which goes on and upward until it fades away into a fuzzy baldness about three inches in front of Reed's crown.

Reed's mouth is a strong one, and he has a straggling red mustache on his upper lip containing about enough bristles to make a camel's hair brush. Reed's hair is thickest at the sides and at the back. It is not luxuriant at any place, and he combs the sandy locks well up and back of his ears, so that the ends of them just touch the collar of his coat. This big, round head is pasted down upon Reed's broad, fat shoulders, with a fat, wafer-like neck, and when Reed sits in his chair in the house, with his hands up under his chin and elbows leaning on his desk, you wonder whether he has any neck at all, and you can hardly imagine him to be the greatest man among all the members surrounding him.

Let a discussion come up and you wonder no longer. Reed's eyes begin to twinkle, a queer smile begins to hover around that big mouth and a moment later you see him throw his six feet into the arena of debate, and, in a sharp nasal twang, he pours sarcasm and argument out at friend and foe. As he goes on with his speech his cheeks change from white to red, his semi-bald pate becomes the color of a boiled lobster and he gestures violently with his arms, emphasizing every sentence with a shake of his head. He cares little for appearances, and during the quieter parts of the session he walks about the house with his hands in his pockets, stopping now and then to tell a story to a crowd of brother-members and making laughter wherever he goes.

Tom Reed is, however, simple in his habits. He is not a money-saver nor a money-accumulator, and he would be a richer man if he had remained out of congress. During his past career he has lived very simply at Washington. His quarters were in the Hamilton house, a private hotel frequented largely by New Englanders. Reed had a couple of little rooms up near the attic, and he worked away at his desk against the wall and under a gas-jet. The only picture in the room was a print of Abraham Lincoln, whom Reed admired greatly. You never found him loafing about the hotel, and he has spent the chief part of his leisure at study.

JEFFERSON DAVIS ON ANDERSONVILLE.

One of the last essays from the pen of Jefferson Davis was on "Andersonville and other War-Prisons." It was written last summer for the North American Review; but in consequence of what Mr. Davis characterized as the mutilation of his reply to Lord Wolseley, by the editor of the Review, he withdrew it from that periodical and gave it to Belford's Magazine, in the January number of which the first part of it appears. It is a remarkable paper, and will attract wide attention.

"Nearly a quarter of a century has elapsed," writes Mr. Davis, "since war between the States ceased. Has the prejudice fed on the passions of that period ceased with physical strife? Shall it descend from sire to son, hardened by its transmission? Or shall it be destroyed by full development of the truth, the exposure of the guilty and the vindication of the innocent?"

Believing, as Mr. Davis without a doubt did believe, that he, personally, and the Confederacy, as a community, were not responsible for the needless sufferings and mortality of prisoners at Andersonville, it is natural that he should have written with earnestness and warmth, even if without bitterness, in defense of his own record and his people. The facts that he introduces in his paper divide themselves in three groups: The first group are designed to show, while no attempt is made to deny the existence of great and needless sufferings, yet that they were not owing to any fault of the Confederate authorities, and that, contrary to the common belief at the North, neither the suffering nor the mortality, among the Federal captured soldiers in Confederate prisons, were so great as the sufferings and mortality among Confederate prisoners in Federal prisons.

This last assertion while so astounding to Northern reader that, unless fortified, the rest of Mr. Davis' article will excite no attention. Therefore, although it is one of his last points in the order of presentation, we quote it first:

"It must be conceded that the Northern States are more generally healthy than the Southern. Then, with equal means and care in providing for the prisoners, it follows that the rate of mortality should have been as the salubrity of the country. It may be presumed that all were "on duty" when captured, and the average of the wounded among the prisoners about the same; therefore that all were in a condition to be benefitted by rest and proper treatment in a favorable locality. What was the result? According to the reports of the United States War Department, the relative numbers of prisoners and death were in round numbers:

United States prisoners held by the Confederacy.....270,000
Confederate prisoners held by the United States.....220,000
United States prisoners died in Confederate hands.....22,000
Confederate States prisoners died in United States hands.....26,000

"From this it appears that the Confederates, with an excess of 50,000 prisoners, had 4,000 fewer deaths. This should not have been the case if the means of providing for them had been equal: but, in every material respect—in food, in clothing, in shelter, in medicine, in surgical instruments, and all which free commerce contributes—the North had greatly the advantage. Only one element remains to account for the difference—care for the defenseless; and this, in the depths of our destitution, never ceased, as the world will appreciate whenever impartial history shall render the justice which contemporary prejudice and passion have denied."

Mr. Davis insists that the needless suffering at Andersonville was caused by the inhuman refusal of the Federal Government to exchange prisoners, and declaring medicines contribands of war, even after it knew that the Confederate Government was unprovided with food enough or medicines to care properly for the prisoners in its hands. "It was not starvation," he writes, "but acclimation, unsuitable diet, and despondency, which were the potent agencies of disease and death."

He stops in his argument to defend both General Winder and Major Wirz from the charges of cruelty to prisoners, and tell this astounding anecdote about Wirz on the testimony of Father Boyle among others:

"On the evening before the day of the execution of Major Wirz, a man wished, on the part of a Cabinet officer, to inform me that Major Wirz would be pardoned if he would implicate Jefferson Davis in the cruelties at Andersonville. Upon my refusal to take any part in the matter, he went to Mr. Schade, counsel for Wirz, with the same purpose and with a like result. When I asked Major Wirz the next morning, he told me that the same proposition had been made to him, and had been rejected with scorn. The Major was very indignant, and said that, while he was innocent of the charges for which he was about to suffer death, he would not purchase his liberty by perjury and crime, such as had been made the consideration of his freedom."

Mr. Schade confirms this astounding statement.

Mr. Davis briefly reviews the different and earnest efforts he made to exchange prisoners, and even to permit the medicines needed to treat Federal prisoners to be introduced, solely for the use and in charge of Federal agents who should distribute them: and he tells how every offer was rejected—even the petitions of a committee of Andersonville prisoners who were parolled to go to Washington to present their complaints, at the request of the prisoners themselves.

The article is temperate in tone, and will be sure to be widely discussed; for its statements, however familiar they may be to Confederate historical students, have the sensational quality of absolute novelty to Northern ears.

This essay is Mr. Davis's final plea for his people. His recent death will give it a larger and a more unprejudiced audience than it would have commanded during his life. Its importance as a contribution to the history of the war can hardly be overrated. The present generation has no interest in giving credence to the prejudiced generation of people that fought the war. Confederates and Federals have disappeared; only Americans remain. And it is due to the fair fame of our America that the real authors of any cruelties that have marred our national history should be condemned, on whichever side they fought, and that injustice should be done to no man, whether he wore the blue or the gray.

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THE SNEEZING EPIDEMIC.

Similar Afflictions Have Made Humanity Suffer in the Past.

The First Instance on Record Was at Malta in the Year 1510.

Singular Phenomena Usually Accompanied the Visitations.

(Detroit Free Press.)

Surgeon-General Hamilton tells the Washington correspondent of the New York Mail and Express that "La Grippe," which has made its appearance at the national capital, is a germ disease and is not dangerous, but every person who has suffered with it knows that it is intensely disagreeable. The doctor gave the following interesting facts in regard to past epidemics, the course, symptoms and phenomena in connection with them:

The first epidemic on record appeared in 1510. It started at Malta, and its course was northwesterly to Sicily, thence to Spain, Italy, France, Great Britain, and from there all over Europe. It was extremely severe and scarcely missed an individual. The weather preceding it was noted for its long and continuous moisture, followed by remarkable storms. This epidemic had symptoms, in addition to regular ones, of violent pain over the eyes, delirium, gastrodynia, and sometimes, from the seventh to the eleventh day, syncope and twitching of the muscles. There were several coincident phenomena in connection with the epidemic, including swarms of locusts in Seville in 1507, 1508, 1509, with destruction by caterpillers in Germany, eruption of Hecla and earthquakes. In 1511 a large comet was discovered. There was also much rain.

IT CAME ALSO FROM RUSSIA.

The epidemic of 1557 took a westerly course from Asia, going by way of Constantinople to Europe. It also visited America. This epidemic had an attendant fever, with severe pains in the side, which was relieved in some instances by bleeding. Fogs accompanied the disease, while a great many deaths occurred in England consequent upon wet weather preceding the harvest. A comet and a plague followed in 1561, four years after the epidemic.

The third epidemic was in 1580. The course was east and south to west and north, and raged chiefly during the autumn season. This was noted for its bilious vomitings and intense sleepiness. Like the others the weather had been moist and rainy, while earthquakes and remarkable meteors also made their appearance. A plague of insects accompanied this epidemic, and measles and smallpox followed it.

In 1658, in the midst of a wintry spring, the fourth epidemic appeared, in April. The symptoms were almost identical with the third, but during the summer a fever developed, which affected the brain and caused nervous shocks.

The fifth epidemic occurred in the autumn of 1675, after heavy fogs and cold, moist weather. The summer had been very warm and the symptoms of this epidemic were pleuritic fever, with bilious disarrangement, and like one or two of the epidemics was followed by smallpox.

CAUSED TOOTHACHE SOMETIMES.

In 1710, 200 years after the first epidemic, came the sixth epidemic. As did the others, it followed moist weather, the symptoms being continuous coughing, quick pulse and headaches.

Nineteen years after this, following a rainy November, in 1729, came the next epidemic.

The seventh was in 1732 during a damp and chilly spring. It did not reach Scotland until November. The symptoms were affections of the nose, lungs and bowels.

Again in November, 1738, came the eighth, which was simultaneous with the eruption of Vesuvius. There was much sickness. It affected the teeth, causing a great deal of toothache and rheumatic pains in the pa[illegible]

The epidemic of 1743 o[illegible] the spring, while that of 1[illegible] menced in September and wi[illegible] sal through Scotland, but it [illegible] was irregular.

In 1762 began the next ep[illegible] commencing in September foll[illegible] severe weather. The symptoms [illegible] those of a harassing cough, pain [illegible] der the breast bone. It affected [illegible] sons differently in different places.

June, 1767 began the next epidem[illegible] after cold weather, while in 1775 th[illegible] epidemic prevailed during a wet autumn. The patients during this epidemic suffered from sudden giddiness and pains in the loins and sides, the being noted by its sudden changes, accompanied with heavy fogs. There was a great of disease among dogs and horses during the prevailence of this epidemic.

THE GREATEST OF ALL.

Over one-hundred years ago, 1782 is noted for perhaps the most widely diffused, recorded epidemic. The epidemic began at sea between Malacca and Canton, traveled westward through Russia, Denmark and Holland to England, where it appeared in May. It was accompanied with languor and a sensation of contusion of limbs, check bones aching, with pain in chest and sides, sometimes accompanied with delirium. The summer preceding had been dry, while the autumn was very rainy. The spring was very late, and much diarrhœa and biliousness was noted during the time preceding the epidemic. The Aurora Borealis and earthquakes as well as fogs were peculiar phenomens accompanying this epidemic.

Eighteen thirty-one came in with a great variety of weather, and in June the epidemic developed. It came from China and the symptoms were much affection of the head. With this epidemic came a gradual transition to Cholera.

Three years later, the same influenza developed in April, while four years after that, in 1837, the disease broke out in Australia and became an epidemic again. This was the last one noted, and the symptoms were great weight and pain of the forehead, with soreness of the breastbone and weeping at the eyes. Like some of the other epidemics, this was accompanied by diseases among cattle and sheep, and also a transition in some instances to diarrhœa and cholera.

Fisher County Call: Hogg has been systematically sat down on by the governor, the supreme court and by his associate executive officer, the Commissioner of the general land office. He is; we think, thoroughly squelched in his political aspirations.

Dallas Times-Herald: It's a singular newspaper or magazine that refrains nowadays from a discussian of the jury system. The most of the press is opposed to the system as now constituted, but an institution that has survived for centuries is not apt to undergo any radical change very suddenly, if at all.

Vernon Guard: A trio of full blooded Commanches were in the city yesterday, and attracted general attention of those unaccustomed to seeing Indians. This tribe was at one time the most powerful, daring and warlike in the southwest, but repeated battles with the white men, coupled with virulent diseases, has greatly reduced their numbers. Their reservation is about ten miles north of this city. They are now semi-civilized and supported by the United States Government. In the course of time all the wild tribes will become thoroughly civilized and make good citizens. The days of Poor Lo's unbridled freedom are numbered with the things of the past. The war trail has been obliterated, the tepee struck, the council dissolved, and the paths of modern civilization entered. With all his faults, the red man is an object of christian charity and commiseration.

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, JANUARY 9, 1890.

N.—The election to own corporation last d off quietly, and so far ce, nothing like the in- manifested that was ex- the order for the election d. The vote resulted for oration 74, against corpor- 57, majority for corporation der the law it required a two- vote to abolish the corporation. ere was 131 votes cast 94 votes d have abolished the corporation.

NE case of "La Grippe" is repor - at Denison, Tex.

VERNON voted a special school tax ome time since by four to one.

HAVE you still got the "La Grippe" on that dollar you owe THE STAR?

LOOKOUT! THE STAR will be going by steam the very first thing you know.

WE are indebted to the Western Newspaper Union of Dallas, for a handsome calendar for 1890.

Is there another state in the Union besides Texas that license's prize fighting? We ask for information.

WHAT about the Davis monumental fund in Baird? All that is needed is for some one to take the lead in the matter.

THE first day of January has passed. Did you balance up your books, pay your debts and take a start for the new year?

THE Weatherford Constitution issued a sixteen-page edition last week. The Constitution is one of the very best weeklies in the state.

THE STAR is offering fifty per cent. discount for cash in advance subscriptions. We are afraid of the credit business, it is too risky.

THE Aurora Light, by G. P. Barber, is the latest venture in journalism. Bro. Barber missed an opportunity of a lifetime by not naming his paper the Aurora Borealis.

ANOTHER attempt was made a few days ago by the nihilists of Russia to poison the czar of Russia. Between the nihilists and the influenza the czar seems to have his hands full.

WHEN you hear a man telling what awful liars newspaper men are, just watch that man when he gets to telling some of his fishing and hunting scrapes, and see if he doesn't lie at a rate that will make the newspaper men turn green with envy.

LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR WHEELER is beginning to loom up as a prospective candidate for governor. About the only objection to him so far is that he lives too far west. That is a queer objection to be sure, when we consider that the lieutenant-governor lives very near the center of the state.

THE Fort Worth Gazette, Houston Post and the Dallas News vie with each other in issuing large Sunday editions. The ordinary every day issue of each of these papers is preferable to the over-grown Sunday editions. Not one person in a thousand ever reads one-third of the twenty page edition.

THE STAR acknowledges the receipt this week of a magnificent offer from the Daily Laredo Gate City. The G. C. offers to exchange with THE STAR provided THE STAR will publish a clipping each week from this great daily. The offer is respectfully declined with thanks, but if we find that it is impossible to publish THE STAR without the aid of the G. C. we will subscribe for it at once.

CHRISTMAS is over and as soon as we get our affairs adjusted for the post year, the next thing that will be in order will be to lay out plans for the next season. The first thing the business men of Baird should do is to take hold of the mill project and make an effort to have the mill ready to grind the next crop of wheat. There is not a town the size of Baird in western Texas but what has a good roller mill. Local pride and our own interest in a business way both combine to stir us up in the matter.

ELSEWHERE we publish a list of those who paid up—or paid some at least, on subscriptions due us. If your name does not appear in the list, this is a gentle reminder that your subscription is due. We have reduced the subscription price of THE STAR to the very lowest amount that a paper can be published for, and it means payment in advance, not one or two years credit. The cash price of THE STAR is one dollar, the credit price is one dollar and fifty cents (the old price.) Fifty per cent. is a splendid inducement to pay cash. We had much rather have a dollar in advance than to get fifty per cent. interest on it for twelve months, because we are sure of the dollar and we are not sure of the dollar and fifty cents—see?

THE St. Louis-Globe-Democrat exultingly remarks that it is a gratifying to note the fact the Grady monumental fund is far ahead of the Davis fund in the South. This may or may not be true; but if true, what of it? Mr. Davis and Mr. Grady were both representative men of the South, and no doubt each will have a monument built by the Southern people. The universal sorrow manifested by the people of the South, over the death of Jefferson Davis, shows that his name is engraven in the hearts of his people and is a more glorious testimonial than could be manifested in granite or monumental bronze.

A week or two ago the deputy sheriff of Brown county, accompanied by two men, followed Tom Cofelt, who recently broke jail at Brownwood, up into this county. They stopped at Newt Old's and noticed a young man there, Fayette Ely, whom they mistook for Cofelt. They called on him to throw up his hands, which he failed to do (Ely says they never said anything to him) and they commenced shooting at him and kept it up for some time, or as long as he was in sight. The deputy, who said his name was Perry, after satisfying himself that he had made a mistake apologized for the manner in which he and his posse had acted. The deputy acted hastily to say the least of it, and it is more than likely that the courts will be invoked to settle the matter. Ely, owing to the bad marksmanship of the deputy and posse, was unharmed, but he was scared out of a year's growth.

TEN DOLLARS.

There are ——— lines of plate matter in this issue of THE STAR and we will give ten dollars reward to any one who will designate them. Open to all comers for one month. Advertisements not to be counted, only reading matter. Here is a chance for some expert in conducting a newspaper to show their knowledge of the business.

DON'T YOU READ THIS!

We want a good live agent and correspondent for THE STAR at each postoffice in the county. We want to double our subscription list this year and to those who will act as agents for us we will pay a larger commission than any country paper in western Texas. Write us for terms at once. Only one agent appointed at each postoffice. tf

OBITUARY.

Departed this life December 28, 1889, at her home fifteen miles south of Baird, Callahan county, Texas, after an illness of only four or five days, Miss Jessie F., daughter of Maj. and Mrs. William McManis, aged 22 years.

The subject of this notice was born at Princeton, Ill., and in due course of time entered Princeton college, of her native place, and graduated in it with the highest honors. She chose as her vocation in life that of teaching. Coming to Texas with her parents, she was for a number of sessions, engaged as an instructress in Belle Plaine college. Desirous of pursuing a business course of instruction and being called to Dallas as a teacher, she also entered Dallas business college. Thus engaged, she was suddenly called home by the serious illness of her sister. She had ministered to this sick one only a few days when she herself was called first away. And we believe she was ready, for she gave bright evidence in her life that she was a Christian.

Years ago she made profession of love and devotion to God by publicly declaring her faith in Christ as her Savior. She connected herself with the Christian church, and at the time of her departure, was a member of the Commerce Street Christian church, Dallas, Tex.

But she is gone. Her places are vacant at home, in halls of learning, in chair of giving instruction, in the church on earth; all vacant. But our loss is her gain; for, we trust, she has come unto Mount Zion, and unto the city of the living God, the Heavenly Jerusalem, and to an innumerable company of angels, to the general assembly and church of the first born, which are written in Heaven." Therefore "let us not mourn as those who have no hope." Let us live so as to see her again and enjoy her rewards.

J. MCMURRAY.

When you want a town lot in Baird or a home in Callahan county call on D. RICHARDSON, Baird. 49-6m

TRIBUTE OF RESPECT.

Whereas, under the ruling of the Supreme Dictator of the universe, our esteemed brother, J. E. W. Lane, has been called upon to pass through a sad and trying affliction by the death of his beloved wife, Harriet F. Lane.

Resolved, that we, the members of Callahan lodge No. 2871 K. of H., do sincerely sympathize with him in his sad bereavement.

Resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the records of our lodge and presented to brother J. E. W. Lane and family.

H. SCHWARTZ,
R. G. POWELL,
B. R. WEBB,
Committee.

If you burn out to-night how much insurance money will be due you tomorrow? If you are not protected call before night on D. RICHARDSON, Baird. 49-6m

ADVERTISED LETTERS.

The following is a list of advertised letters remaining at the postoffice for the month of December, and will be sent to the dead letter office at Washington if not called for in thirty days.

WM. MCMANIS, P. M.

J. B. Bollin, Tom Brooks, M. B. Eaves, J. Henry, J. R. Jones, Dr. L. P. Jones, G. W. Liddell, Mrs. J. E. Little, W. R. Lill, E. C. Lacy, J. Mallen, Jas. Mullard, Judge Meak, Pilkington, W. Rhee, Mr. Robert, Mrs. Annie Snap, Louis Swan, Clarence Selvage.

A COMMUNICATION.

BIG SPRINGS, January 6.

Mr. Editor:—Your last issue was so spicy, newsy and fresh, that it has attracted the attention of your friends more than has been its wont. Of course the death of the illustrious Henry Grady was the attraction of attractions; so pure, so noble, so grand, so gifted, that by the innate attractiveness of his nature he drew all the country to him. A born optimist, he refused to mope his way through the world. One of God's noblemen, he rose higher than prejudice, without office or wealth, by his brain and heart he stood a grand Colossus. With all this meed of praise we cannot close our eyes to the fact that Mr. Grady, in zeal said some unguarded things, his very last utterances on the Plymouth Rock cannot find unreserved endorsement in the hearts of American fathers, in the face of the stubborn facts of history; but it was the big gushing heart rather than the betrayal of a theory of government. Let all the land rise with uncovered heads, and with one loud acclaim cry out "blessed be the peace-maker, Henry W. Grady."

I notice your merchants are still appreciating your efforts to give the people a good paper; your advertisements are liberal. As is always the case, your biggest merchants are your biggest advertisers. Tom Powell has absolutely whooped himself to the front, and it would seem he is determined to stay there if printers' ink will serve him as well in the future as in the past.

Ha, ha, the idea; my friend Meyer turning poet. Think of it, a man's business so good as to turn his head, and turn him poet.

My good friend Ogle has an eye still on the main question "settle up." Wonder if he extends invitations east and west as far off as Big Springs. But there is one thing, if Ogle is treated right he will treat right, so says his facetious clerk Patterson.

Puff, pluck and providence are three essentials in the development and success of a city; you stick to that Mr. STAR. I see the Reporter has discovered that the latter is not necessary, and is therefore largely depending on the first named (for she is financially too week to have much faith in pluck). Strange ideas some men have (but then you know all men cannot see afar off). Babylon and Jerusalem tried nursing on puff and pluck. Will the Reporter tell us what town lots were worth in Sodom when God's providence was withdrawn. Napoleon scoffingly said, "God is on the side of the big guns, and I have the big guns." The voice of the "I Am" as heard in the lashing waves of the ocean against the rock-ribbed island, changed the theology of the imprisoned emperor. But the sentiments of one little editor of the fortieth magnitude does not always represent the sentiment of the masses he essays to represent, does it, brother Billie? No, not even in flouring mills, public schools or waterworks.

"There is a destiny that shapes our ends,
Rough hue them as we may."

LOTTIE LYONS.

What's the matter with the Reporter man? We have not noticed anything in his paper to warrant the supposition that he does not believe in a divine providence.—[ED.

All kinds of Salt at Lea's.

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Full line of coffins. L. Gould.

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Bagging & ties, cheap at Lea's.

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Pickles cheaper than ever at Lea's

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Cheap cow and horse feed, at Lea's.

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Best maple syrup you ever saw, at Lea's.

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Coffins put up at short notice. L. Gould.

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Furniture cheap at Gould's Furniture store.

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Hides and furs of all kinds wanted J. L. LEA & Co.

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Bran, Cotton Seed & other feed cheap at Lea's.

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Twenty yards of good domestic, $1; worth 8c per yard. J. D. Boydstun.

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All kinds of candies and nuts, cheap, at Lea's.

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Bring in your wheat corn and oats. J. L. Lea & Co.

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Second-hand sewing machines for sale cheap at Moon & Crowder's.

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Nicest bacon in the market. Ogle.

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A full line of undertaker's goods always kept on hand. We also have ladies' and gents' burial robes, metalic caskets, etc. Ph. Schwartz & Bro.

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A fine assortment of Christmas goods now on exhibition at our establishment. Call and see; you will be surprised at our prices, because we sell so cheap. Ph. Schwartz & Bro.

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Our prices are the lowest. Foy & Richardson.

SIXTH CENSUS DISTRICT.

We are indebted to Hon. Robert P. Porter, superintendent of census for schedule of supervisors districts for Texas. The following counties compose the sixth district: Bandera, Bell, Blanco, Bosque, Brown, Burnett, Callahan, Coleman, Comanche, Concho, Goryelle, Eastland, Edward, Erath, Gillespie, Hamilton, Hood, Kendall, Kerr, Kimble, Lampasas, Llano, McCulloch, Mason, Menard, Mills, San Saba, Runnels, Somervell, Taylor and Williamson.

TECUMSEH.

January 3:—W. E. Gilliland, editor and proprietor of THE STAR, dropped in last Saturday. We feel sorry that it was again only a flying visit and besides we did not like it at all to see him start the next morning with his family against that stiff and cold norther.

This same cold spell was very welcome to the industrious farmers, whose pens were full of pigs, ready for the knife. Nearly everybody in this neighborhood availed themselves of this change of the weather, and there were black days for the useful porkers. As a general thing the standard of the slaughtered animals, was far above the average of preceding years, and animals weighing 300 lbs. and over which were hardly twelve months old were found on almost every place, without going into detail to the mention only two of Windham's pigs, which were 20 months old and tipped the scales at 430 and 449 pounds.

Prices paid for pork here in the country are from five cents per pound and upward, according to quality.

There was a dancing party Tuesday night, arranged by Sam Buchanan, on the new place in the [illegible] On the same evening the hospitable doors of the Wilkinson residence, at Eagle Cove were thrown open to the lovers of the terpsichorean art, and as far as we can hear, it was the merest event of the season.

Miss Tillie Walters Mrs. A. Dame' sister, left Wednesday morning for Abilene, where she has secured employment. The young lady who came to Texas about three months ago from South Bend, Ind., has made many frinds in this vicinity, but it seems that she prefers city life to the attractiveness of the country.

Will Richards left Wednesday for Gonzales county, where he has to attend court as an attached witness.

John Simpson is negotiating for the sale of his place with a nephew of Dr. H. Lindley, from Brown county, the terms agreed upon being about $5.00 per acre.

Sheriff, J. W. Jones, sold his place in this neighborhood, now tenanted by H. J. Lambert, to a Mr. Thompson, from Bell county. So far as we know, there are only 400 acres included in the trade, at a consideration of $5.00 per acre and the buyer will not take possession before next fall.

A little boy of Dave Self, of Lyttle Gap, was taken sick last Friday with pheumonia and died Monday night, at the tender age of 18 months.

We are overstocked with ladies' shoes, and are selling them at 75 cents, worth $1.50, $1.75 and $2. J. D. Boydstun.

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Cheapest hats in Baird at Moon & Crowder's.

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All groceries fresh and good. Ogle does not keep shoddy goods.

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If you want shoddy goods don't go to S. L. Ogle.

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Machine, engine and wagon oils at J. L. Lea & Co.'s. Cheap and good.

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Just received an elegant assortment of hanging and stand lamps. H. Meyer

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Just received an elegant line of Rogers & Tuffts silverware. H. Meyer.

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Ladies' hats from 75 cents up; come and see them before you buy. Ph. Schwartz & Bro.

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For the best assortment of groceries call on S. L. Ogle.

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Finest line of window curtains ever shown in Baird to be seen at Ph. Schwartz & Bro.'s. A personal inspection is respectfull asked.

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Domestic 20 yards for $1. J. D. Boydstun.

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We have the largest and cheapest line of flannels in the city. J. D. Boydstun.

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Don't forget that we are still in the furniture business. We are selling them, too, and why? Because we have a full line and so cheap to price them means selling them. Call and see when you are in need. Ph. Schwartz & Bro.

1890 WILL BE THE MOST PROSPEROUS YEAR IN THE NATION'S HISTORY.

New York, Dec. 31.—From the commercial agencies, leaders in the world of finance, and the wholsale merchants conveying the New Year's tidings to all who are dependent upon trade, it seems to be the unanimous opinion of prominent business men that 1890 will be the most prosperous year this country has ever seen. They give various reasons for their expectations, but all reasons center in the development of the United States of the last year.

UNUSUALLY PROSPEROUS CIRCUMSTANCES.

This time last year the outlook was not so hopeful and yet a prosperous year, generally speaking, has followed. In the first place, our crops this year have been most plentiful, have brought good prices and have put the farmers in good financial condition to open their work in 1890. The development of the general wealth of the country in the last year has been unparalelled, greater, I think, than in any two previous years. I can't give figures without going through the books, but all commercial agencies, whose business it is to look after commerce of all sorts, are agreed that a tremendous advance has been made in the

WEALTH OF THE COUNTRY

in 1889 and it will be felt in 1890. I believe the South will have the most prosperous year in its history. The development of mines there has been something wonderful; and now for the first time since the mineral industry began to grow. Southerners are obtaining as good prices for their iron, etc., as is obtained by northern manufacturers. The iron men of the South are sure to make big profits next year. They have a plentiful market for their products, have good transportation facilities and will get excellent prices on account of

THE GREAT DEMAND.

The wealth of the nation has also been increased by the development of immense iron and copper mines in the [illegible]hwest. The copper products of this region will be greater next year than ever, and the iron industry rather new to this section promises to flourish, and by the way I have received news to-day which shows, better than anything else could, how plentiful the western crops have been. I hear that farmers in some sections are using corn for fuel. They find it cheaper than coal, so it is said, and have had such large crops that they have been able to sell the regular yearly quantity and keep enough to supply themselves and lay aside some for fuel."

Buy a White sewing machine from Moon & Crowder. The best in the world.

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We are informed that J. L. Lea & Co. are ready to buy oats and wheat at liberal prices for cash.

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Blankets and comforts from 75 cents upwards; a nice white blanket at $1.25. Ph. Schwartz & Bro.

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J. L. Lea & Co. are selling stoneware cheap; 12 1-2 cents per gallon for jars and 15 cents for jugs.

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J. L. Lea & Co. have just received the largest and best assortment of Christmas candies ever in Baird.

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Comforts, blankets, quilts just received direct from New York; beauties and cheap. Schwartz & Bro.

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We have the best ladies $2.50 shoe in Baird. Every pair warranted Moon & Crowder.

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Come at once and see our clothing and be convinced that our prices are still lower than anyone's. J. D. Boydstun.

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Just received one car of salt. S. L. Ogle.

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Kelley, Goodfellow & Co.'s shopmade shoes at Moon & Crowder's.

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It is an established fact that Ph. Schwartz & Bro. are the leaders not only in goods, but prices. That they sell cheaper than any other house in the town. Always remember that they don't pay no clerks, no rent, and therefore buyers get the benefit.

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We see that J. L. Lea & Co. have in oparation a wire picket fence machine. This fence, besides being ornamental and cheap, is an ingenious contrivance for keeping stock and chickens out of our yards, orchards, and gardens. It is absolutely rabbit proof.

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Don't forget that Ogle carries the largest stock of mince meat, apple butter, jellies and preserves in bulk.

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Mr. T. A. Deroven, merchant, Deroven, Louisiana, says: "The St. Patricks Pills went like hot cakes." People who have tried them are never satisfied with any other kind. Their gentle action and reliability as a cathartic is what makes them popular. For sale by Baird Drug Co. 52

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A preventive for croup. There no longer exists any doubt but croup can be prevented. True croup never appears without a warning, and if Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is given as directed as soon as the first indication of croup appears, it will invariable dispel all symptoms of the disease. This can always be done if it is kept at hand. 50 cent and $1 bottles for sale by Baird Drug Co. 52

ROLL OF HONOR.

The following amounts were paid on subscription to THE STAR during the month of December:

G. Clifford	$ 1 00
N. F. Rudmose	1 00
J. M. Morresset	1 00
S. Barnhill	1 00
Chas. Crowley	1 00
Newt Olds	2 00
Maj. Wm. McManis	1 00
G. G. McManis	50
Dick Cordwent	1 00
P. H. Warren	1 00
Mrs. Lizzie Archer	50
J. S. Burnham	1 25
Dan M. Hamilton	1 00
S. W. Wilkenson	1 00
T. F. McLaury	1 50
R. J. Harris	1 00
W. T. Robinson	50
J. A. Lea	25
J. A. Coates	1 50
S. W. Berry	1 50
W. C. Powell	1 00
M. W. Shelley	1 00
R. A. Speer	1 00
W. E. Kennard	1 00
E. C. Austin	1 00
A. J. Arvin	2 50
Eppy Bond	50
Jack Robins for I. L. Wakefield	50
Mrs. Mary J. Lee	1 00
J. E. Eastham	2 25
John Doe	1 00
H. H. McWhorter	1 00
H. D. Alexander	2 25
E. C. Hill	1 00
Capt. A. J. Berry	1 25
J. D. Windham, jr	2 75
A. L. Wrinkle	1 00
M. L. Wilson	1 00
C. J. Miller	2 25
J. W. Odom	1 30
August Horn	1 00
C. V. Martin	1 00
R. A. Corbett	1 00
T. H. Floyd	5 00
S. B. Ralley	1 00
J. H. Finch	1 00
R. A. Williams	1 25
John Rice	1 00
W. F. Rice	1 00
N. H. Ass	1 00
D. J. Brandon	1 00

FOR SALE OR RENT—The store house and lot formerly occupied by Foy & Richardson, second door south of postoffice; price, $250 or $10 per month. Webb & Webb.

MONEY TO LOAN—We have $100,000 to loan on Callahan county lands. Webb & Webb.

D. J. WILSON,

PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON.

(Local surgeon for Texas & Pacific Railway company). Office with Baird Drug Co. Office days Tuesdays and Saturdays.

R. G. POWELL,

PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON.

Office third door south of the post office, Baird, Texas.

GREATHOUSE & CARLOCK.

We desire to inform the public that we have bought out the Blakeley meat market, and we respectfully solicit a share of the trade. It is our intention to keep nothing but first-class meats, and will treat our customers right. Give us a call. Respectfully,

GREATHOUSE & CARLOCK.

Wm. Slaughter	1 00
Mrs. Mary Ratliff	1 00
W. W. Ogle	1 00
J. I. Rawson	1 00
Moon & Crowder	1 00
T. W. Crowder	1 00
A. J. Wright	1 00
F. L. Walker	50
J. H. Peters	1 00
Total	$71 00

WEEKLY REPORT OF SUBSCRIPTION.

Under this head we will report the name and amount paid on subscription each week, beginning the first week in January, 1890.

FIRST WEEK.

J. M. Bryant	$1 00
C. C. Jackson	1 00
E. J. Hicks	1 00
Ed Coppins	1 00
H. Meyer, 2 subscriptions	2 00
D. W. Dean	3 25
S. L. Robertson, 2 subscriptions	2 00
J. F. Patterson	3 75
Ph. Schwartz & Bro	1 00
G. E. Nelson, 2 subscribers	2 00
J. R. Hailey	1 00
W. J. Maltby	1 00
G. W. Black	1 00
W. G. Williams	1 00
I. M. Kimsey, bal	1 00
J. F. Barton	1 00
Total	$24 00

Late Locals.

S. H. Gilliland, formerly of Tecumseh, but residing at Trickham, Coleman county, for the last two years, is visiting his brother, W. E. Gilliland.

W. L. Townsend of Coleman county, came in yesterday to meet his wife, who has been visiting friends east.

New hats of all styles just received at Moon & Crowder's. New and nobby styles cheap.

Stop at G. W. Ratliff's wagon yard when you go to Coleman.

Several communications were handed in too late for publication this week. They will appear next week.

A Nasal Injector free with each bottle of Shiloh's catarrh remedy. Price 50 cents. For sale by R. Phillips. 16

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SLEEPLESS NIGHTS, made miserable by that terrible cough. Shiloh's cure is the remedy for you. R. Phillips. 3

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THAT HACKING COUGH can be so quickly cured by Shiloh's Cure. We guarantee it. Sold by R. Phillips. 1

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Why will you cough when Shiloh's Cure will give immediate relief. Price 10 cents, 50 cents and $1. For sale by R. Phillips. 11

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Shiloh's Catarrh Remedy—a positive cure for catarrh, diphtheria and canker mouth. For sale by R. Phillips. 12

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Many Persons

Are broken down from overwork or household cares Brown's Iron Bitters rebuilds the system, aids digestion, removes excess of bile, and cures malaria. Get the genuine.

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Are you made miserable by indigestion, constipation, dizziness, loss of appetite, yellow skin? Shiloh's Vitalizer is a positive cure. For sale by R. Phillips. 10

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"Hackmetack," a lasting and fragrant perfume. Price 25 and 50 cents. For sale by R. Phillips. 13

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THE BAIRD WEEKLY STAR Free to WIDOWS AND ORPHANS in Callahan County.

GROCERIES. | AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENTS. | WOOL AND HIDES.

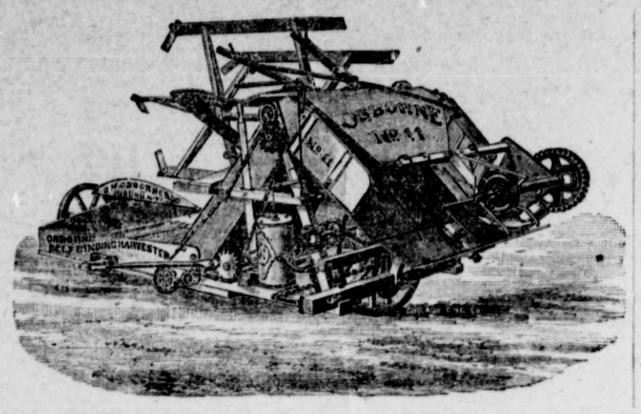
BIG STONE GROCERY STORE

J. L. LEA & CO.

Keep on Hand

The Largest stock of Groceries in town;

Therefore they buy and sell cheaper than anyone.



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WAGONS,
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AND ALL FARM IMPLEMENTS, CHEAPER THAN EVER FOR CASH OR ON REASONABLE TIME.

D. M. OSBORNE'S HARVESTING MACHINERY

Cheap and on Liberal Terms.

We will Buy or Help You to Sell Your

COUNTRY - PRODUCE - FOR - CASH.

Cash paid for

Cotton, Wool and Hides

J. L. Lea & Co., - - Baird, Tex.

DRY GOODS. | CLOTHING. | BOOTS AND SHOES.

DON'T - FORGET - THE - CHEAPEST - PLACE

IN TOWN TO BUY

Dry Goods, Clothing and Furnishings, etc. Boots and Shoes.

T. E. POWELL'S

THE LEADER OF CORRECT STYLES AND LOW PRICES.

A look through our various departments will delight the best dresser in the country and satisfy the most limited buyers that there is excellent value within their reach.

Cotton Checks, - 5 to 7½c. a yd.
Domestics, - - 7½c. and up.
All Wool Jeans - 25 . and up.

DRY - GOODS.

Dress ginghams, from 7½ to 10c. per yard.
Calicos, - - ½ to 7c. a yd.

We also carry a full line of

Silks, Satins, Henriettas, Worsteds, Corsets, Laces, Ribbons, Hose, buttons, and in fact everything kept in a first-class dry goods store.

Ladies' Newmarkets, Cloaks and Shawls.

Boys' suits from $2.50 to $10
Mens' suits from $5 to $25

CLOTHING.

Overcoats from $3 to $18
Wedding Suits a Specialty.

We can sell you a suit of clothes cheaper than any house west of St. Louis. We can fit a boy 3 years or man as big as a giant.

Ladies'—Zigler French kid, $4
Hamilton & Brown, $1 to $3.25
Brown Des Noyer, $1 to $2.75

BOOTS & SHOES.

Mens'—Brown Des Noyer's best calf shoe, $2.50. The best shoe in town for the money.

We carry a complete line of HAND-MADE Boots and Shoes. All warranted.

HATS AND CAPS. *We carry a complete line of hats madeyhe leading nufacturers, including the J. B. Stetson, "Tiger" and "The Lion." Call and examine goods and prices.*

We have the finest line of white and colored shirts, underwear, neckties, collars and cuffs, scarf pins, cuff buttons etc. To price our goods is to buy them.

GENTS' FURNISHING GOODS.

We have a large variety of

Trunks and Valises.

Paid Matter in These Columns 10 Cents per Line.

THE TOWN.

R. J. Harris was in town Monday.

Ben Williams was in town Monday.

W. L. Gilliland was in town yesterday.

Did you turn over a new leaf last week?

County court is in session this week.

Ed. Robertson went up to Raynor this week.

A. G. Webb is expected home about the 15th inst.

Tax Assessor T. J. Norrell was in town this week.

Several new subscribers this week. Room for lots more.

Squire J. F. Barton, of Tecumseh, was in town last Saturday.

Rev. R. A. Lee preached at the Baptist church last Sunday.

Did you attend the young men's prayer meeting last Monday night.

C. B. Morgan's name appears among our list of new subscribers this week.

Jeans! Jeans!! Jeans!!! Powell.

Dr. Hempstead, dentist, of Putnam, is in town, stopping at the Whitley house.

J. R. Mahone shipped two cars of horses to Thompsonville, Ga., last Friday.

Many of our subscribers are paying up, which is duly appreciated by yours truly.

G. W. Black called around Monday and paid for fifty-two numbers of THE STAR in advance.

Cheapest clothing in town at J. D. Boydstun's.

Mrs. Will Rowe and children are on a visit to friends and relatives at Byrd's Store, Brown county.

W. H. and "Cap" Gilliland went down to the Fort Monday to attend the cattlemen's convention.

Mr. L. Kellner, of New York, is spending the winter with his daughter, Mrs. F. S. Gage, of our city.

The street commissioners are having some splendid stone crossings put in on the west side of Market street.

Large line of jerseys, and cheapest ever seen in Baird. Powell.

J. B. Williams, of Eagle Cove, was in town last week and had his name inscribed on our subscription books.

Rev. B. F. Stone's family arrived in town this week from Granbury. THE STAR welcomes them to our county.

The hill southwest of town on the Tecumseh road about which so much complaint was made, is now in splendid fix.

Gen. F. W. James went up to Abilene this week, we presume, to start the new bank with which he is connected.

Eugene Scott, brother of Mrs. D. W. Dean, arrived in town Tuesday and will probably make Callahan county his home.

The new year is bringing new subscribers to THE STAR. We have room on our subscription book for several hundred more names.

There is always money made when you make a bill at J. D. Boydstun's.

We noticed John McDonel going out of town some time ago with a bran new La Belle wagon, bought from J. L. Lea & Co.

Ed Stackpole got caught on the regular jury this week in county court for the first time, he says, since he has been in the county.

Mrs. W. G. Crowder got impatient waiting for Mr. Crowder to return home, and left last week for eastern Texas on a visit to her sister.

S. L. Robertson, who has been out at Raynor, Stonewall county, for some time, came in last week. He says the west is settling up very fast.

Col. Frank Dorsey killed his attorney-general (a big fat hog) last week. The supreme court laid the original Hogg out some time previous.

If you started out to reform with the new year and did not resolve to take your county paper the coming year you started out wrong end first.

The Giesecke hand-made boots. Every pair warranted. T. E. Powell.

We let the contract to build a cook house and dining room this week. This is a reminder that an editor has to eat like other folks, the common accepted idea to the contrary. Now is the time to subscribe.

W. G. Williams, of Putnam, called at THE STAR office Monday and had his name enrolled among those who remember the printer.

J. W. Aiken, of Caddo Peak, was in town Monday, and of course could not go out without coming to see THE STAR. Call again, John.

On Tuesday last Judge Cliett sold 300 acres of the John Gillespie survey of land for John Bowyer to Mr. J. Q. Thompson, of Bell county, at $4 per acre.

R. S. Kimsey, Biney Jones, Harry Cook and George Parvin returned to the Fort Worth University last Sunday, after spending several days pleasantly at home.

Mr. E. J. Hicks was in town last week getting up a petition to secure the position of census numerator for Callahan county. We hope he will secure the position.

You can get you a good $12 suit of clothes for $8.50 at J. D. Boydstun's.

The election is over and the anti-corporation move is dead, yea, verily dead. Moral: If you stand in the way of a cyclone it will "blow through your whiskers."—B. C. M.

Boys, they say you will have to get out of the street and alleys. So if you have any obstruction in the streets or alleys it might be well to take time by the forelock.

We know two young men in Baird who swore off from using tobacco on the first day of January and actually held out till the second day. Nothing like making up your mind to be firm.

A nice line of new hats for men, boys, and children. Foy & Richardson.

See notice of money lost. Will Rowe is a poor man and the loss falls heavily upon him at this time. If anyone should find the money we hope they will be kind enough to return it to him.

Mrs. Dona McDowell came in last Monday from Mineral Wells, where she has been spending a month or more for her health. She is stopping with her sister, Mrs. P. L. Callahan.

Overshoes cheap at Powell's.

Dr. John McMurray, of Cisco, Tex., was called here on the 28th inst., to preach the funeral of Miss Jessie McManis. We acknowledge a pleasant call from the doctor while here. He was accompanied by his daughter, Miss Vara.

Mr. J. C. Greathouse and W. V. Carlock have bought out Marion Blakeley's meat market, and desire a portion of the town trade at least. They will treat you right. See their card.

The largest line of clothing and cheapest ever seen in Baird. Powell.

The name of Belle Plaine lodge No. 522, A. F. & A. M., was changed at the regular meeting last Saturday night to Baird lodge No. 522. There was a very good attendance out, and in addition to other important business there was work in the third degree.

The Baptists have finished and furnished their new church, which is now the handsomest church edifice in the city. The church will be dedicated next Sunday with appropriate ceremony. Rev. J. D. Robinett, of Brownwood, will preach the dedication sermon.

We still have a few cloaks, which we are selling very cheap. J. D. Boydstun.

The result of Tuesday's election was no surprise, apparently, to either side, as a close canvas of the vote had been made before the election and the result was anticipated. So far as we have heard the election is accepted as a settlement of the question for the present at least, and it is hoped that all parties will unite and select good officers for the coming year.

Hamilton & Brown shoes. Powell.

Squire E. K. Kane says he has buried the hatchet on the corporation question. He says that he was laboring under the impression that a majority of the tax-payers of the town were opposed to corporation, but the vote Tuesday has disabused his mind and he is in favor of a majority ruling. That is a proper way to view it. A majority should rule.

Overcoats at reduced prices at J. D. Boydstun's.

Ed. Coppins of Baird, and Sam Driskill of Belle Plaine, have formed a copartnership in the grocery business. They will continue the business at Coppins' old stand. Everybody knows Ed. Coppins, straight as a shingle, in business, not in body; an good business man. Mr. Driskell an old resident of the county and well known. The new firm will n doubt do a good business. THE STAR wishes the new firm success.

Newmarkets and wraps of all kinds very cheap at Powell's.

The young men's prayer meeting last Monday night was one of the most interesting meetings held for some time, which augurs well for the prayer meeting. The attendance was small, it is true, but the members were earnest in their promises for more efficient work for the coming year. Every Christian of every denomination in town should attend and encourage this prayer meeting. It is undenominational and should be heartily supported by all Christians.

Largest assortment of dress goods in town and can't be beat in either style or price. J. D. Boydstun.

Capt. Maltbly was in town Monday and made us a pleasant call. The captain says THE STAR is the only paper he ever noticed in his life that offered to send to widows and orphans free, though he has often wondered why no one ever thought of it. The captain showed his appreciation by donating one dollar to the good cause. The dollar was appreciated of course, but the captain's warm commendation of our efforts to assist those who in many instances are unable to assist themselves, was more highly appreciated.

A big line of flannels cheap at T. E. Powell's.

DEDICATION.—Preparations are being made by the Baptists to dedicate their handsome new church next Sunday. It is understood that Rev. J. D. Robinett, of Brownwood, an eloquent Baptist divine, will preach the dedication sermon. All are cordially invited to attend.

Ribbons in endless variety. Powell.

METHODIST CHURCH.—We are requested to announce that there will be no preaching at the Methodist church next Sunday at 11 o'clock, as the Baptists will dedicate their new church at that hour. Rev. R. F. Dunn will preach at the Methodist church Sunday night.

Largest and best line of hats at Powell's.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES.—We are requested by Rev. Mr. White of Abilene, to announce that he will preach at the Episcopal church in Baird Sunday, January 12, morning and evening.

All wool cashmere 46 inch wide, 65 cents, worth $1. Powell.

CUPID'S DART.—Mr. Clark Smith and Miss Ella Weeks were married at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Weeks, near Belle Plaine, Squire T. N. Young, officiating. THE STAR was kindly remembered by a nice lot of cake, which was received during our absence and devoured by the printers, who forgot to mention it, hence the omission of the proper notice last week. Though rather late, we tender the best wishes of THE STAR to the happy couple.

Low prices always gets there. T. E. Powell.

MONEY LOST.—Somewhere on the road between August Horn's pasture and town, $30 in currency, one $10 and one $20 bill, last Sunday evening. Finder will be suitably rewarded.

WILL ROWE.

Ten per cent lower than any one's cost. POWELL.

SETTLE UP.—We earnestly request all who are indebted to us to come in and settle up. Respectfully,

J. L. LEA & Co.

I sell cheaper than anybody's cost. Call and see. T. E. Powell.

OIL 150 DEGREE TEST.—Why will you endanger the lives of your family and destruction of property by using low grade oil when you can go to S. L. Ogle's and get 150 degree tested oil. So certified to by the oil inspector.

If you want cheap goods go to Powell's.

SETTLE UP.—Those who know themselves indebted to me are requested to come forward and close accounts by cash or note. I want to close up books for the old year and start out anew for the new year.

S. L. OGLE.

TO MY PATRONS AND FRIENDS.—Being unavoidably called away by business for a short time I have left my business with Dr. S. T. Fraser, who will attend to all calls and transact other business for me during my absence. D. J. WILSON.

Baird, Tex., January 1, 1890.

DENTISTRY.—Dr. J. K. Hempstead, dentist, will be in Baird January 6, to remain during county court. 4tf

WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From our Regular Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, December 30—General Hancock uttered a great truth when he said a few days after he was nominated for the presidency, "the tariff is a local issue." If evidence had been necessary to prove this statement it has been supplied in large quantities by the statements made to the house committee on ways and means in the hearing now going on upon the proposed new tariff bill, which the Republicans of that committee are engaged in preparing. For instance, the New England manufacturers say that unless they are given free coal and free iron ore they will shortly be ruined, while the iron and coal people of Pennsylvania, Virginia, West Virginia and Ohio, to say nothing of others, stoutly maintain that unless the present tariff on coal and iron is kept where it is, or raised, they will be ruined and will have to abandon their mines. When General Hancock called the tariff a local issue the smart-alecks thought it was because he was ignorant of the subject, but since then many able men, after years of study, have arrived at exactly the same conclusion, because there is no other logical conclusion. No tariff bill that has ever been gotten up, or ever will be, will give satisfaction to the entire country. It is simply impossible, because the interests of one section are always directly opposed to those of another section.

Mr. Harrison returned to the White House late Saturday night from a duck-hunting expedition down the Potomac and James rivers. He also visited Lower Brandon on the James, which was the home of his forefathers several generations ago, and which is still owned by another branch of the numerous Harrison family. He came through Richmond, Va., where he was given a very cordial reception.

The decorations given the late S. S. Cox by the sultan of Turkey are on exhibition at the National museum in this city and are attracting much attention. According to royal etiquette they are to be returned to the sultan in a short time.

The cruiser Baltimore—the fastest war ship in the world—has been formally accepted by the navy department, and will be placed in commission as soon as she can be made ready.

It is denied at the navy department that our squadron was sent to Lisbon to compel Portugal to comply with certain demands made by the state department, as was stated in a New York paper last Friday.

Supervising Architect Windrim of the treasury, will, it is said, resign because he cannot get time enough to look after his private business while in office, although he says it was promised him that he could when he was asked to take the place.

Look out for squalls early in January. Corporal Tanner has accepted an invitation from the Butler club of Boston to make a speech on the Jackson anniversary, January 8.

Now that everybody regards it as certain that the house will pass the resolution instructing the committee on reform in the civil service to investigate the various charges made against the commission. The commissioners have been telling folks how glad they are, and how much they court the strictest investigation. Let them wait until the investigation is ended and then tell the people how they feel.

Ex-Senator Sabin of Minnesota is here, it is said for the purpose of trying to defeat the confirmation of certain appointments, but he denies that. All the same, it will not be surprising if several men who made themselves conspicuous in downing Mr. Sabin should find themselves in the list of rejected nominations.

Representative Moore of Texas, who is a member of the house committee on elections, thinks the large number of contested elections from the South is the direct result of a Republican conspiracy to unseat enough Democrats to give them a good working majority. His only hope is that the chairman of the election committee will be fair enough to put a stop to the revolutionary program. A rather slim hope.

The new year official reception at the White House will be made as brilliant as possible in order to impress the large number of foreigners that will attend.

INFLUENZA.

If when you sit down to eat,
Though the viands all are lucious,
Naught your appetite can meet—
You are caught beyond retreat
By the scourge of all Russias.

If you feel within your bones,
Like a knife-blade sharp and thin,
Harder than good razor hones,
Pains that make you utter groans—
'Tis the trouble from Berlin.

If your years are rather riper,
Let your head a fullness harries,
Twining, biting like a viper—
"Tis la grippe," the grevious griper,
That has just arrived from Paris.

If something though, just what you [know not,]
Makes you wish to stay at home;
To employment forth you go not,
Entertains you every show not—
'Tis the fever known at Rome.

If you feel strangely sick,
As if life had with fun done;
Headaches harder than a brick,
Atmosphere itself seems thick—
'Tis an English rheum from London.

If to read you are not able,
Tires you novelist or poet:
Lies unopened on your table
"Latest by Atlantic cable."
'Tis the torture from Detroit.

If the earth above you whirls,
As if ocean wave you tossed on:
If your writing takes queer quirls,
If your eye discharges pearls—
'Tis the local plague of Boston.

If no words your woe describes,
But you long is fret and scold;
With your troubles held the tribe
That indulges in a gibe—
Worry not! you have a cold.

—Boston Journal.

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1890.

In 1890 we shall see
Events as follows come to be:

Sea serpents, as in years gone by,
Will come around about July.

The ice man and the plumber will,
As usual, present their bill.

The price of summer board will rise,
In August to the very skies.

The gay mosquito, as of yore,
Into humanity will bore.

Likewise the festive fly, so fleet,
Will agitate his nervous feet.

Each fisherman will fish and lie
As he has done in years gone by.

When comes along the verdant spring
The poet will be heard to sing.

And from the garbage pile of time
Will prick the ashes of a rhyme.

The funny man his jokes will crack
(The same old jokes, see almanac.)

On winter night will lovers sit
For hours and watch the firelight flit.

And, when the summer comes, they still
Upon the beach will coo and bill.

"The oldest man," as in years past,
At intervals will breathe his last.

In all trades merchants who are wise,
as usual, will advertise.

In fact, these things and many more,
In 1890 are in store.

And yet with sorrow is it fraught;
Unhappy year! It ends with NAUGHT.

1890.

—Tom Mason in Columbus Dispatch.

For Sale.

My residence in west part of town, consisting of 3-room dwelling, lots, stable, etc. Nice young orchard. Also store house on Market street now occupied by R. Phillips. Will sell at a bargain.

I. F. LEIBY,
1-1m Baird, Texas.

Origin of Names of Fabrics.

Damask is from the city of Damascus; satins from Zaytown in China; calico from Calicut, a town in India, formerly celebrated for its cotton cloth, and where calico was also printed. Muslin is named from Mosul in Asia. Alpaca from an animal in Peru of the llama species, from whose wool the fabric is woven. Buckram takes its name from Fostat, a city of the Middle ages, from which the modern Cairo is descended. Taffeta and tabby from a street in Bagdad. Cambric from Cambral. Gauze has its name from Gaza; baize from Bajac; dimity Damietta, and jeans from Jean. Drugget is derived from a city in Ireland, Drogheda. Duck comes from Torque, in Normanda. Blanket is called after Thomas Blanket, a famous clothier connected with the introduction of woolen into England about 1340. Serge derives its name from Xerga, a Spanish name for a peculiar woolen blanket. Diaper is not from D'Ypres, as it is sometimes stated, but from the Greek diaspron, figured. Velvet is from the Italian vellute, wooly (Latin, vellus—a hide or pelt). Shawl is the Sanscrit sala, floor, for shawls were first used as carpets and tapestry. Bandana is from an Indian word to bind or tie, because it is tied in knots before dying. Chintz from the Indian chott. Delaine is the French "of wool."—Trade Journal.

Lost.

Gold medal, inscribed on one side "Department of Agriculture, Huron, Dakota," and on the other side "Awarded to Cosgrove Live Stock Co. on herd of Hereford cattle." Finder will please leave same at this office and receive a suitable reward.

Opinion of U. S. Minister Scruggs.

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United States Minister to Venezuela.
R. Phillips, Baird, Tex. 4-4.

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MRS. BROWN,
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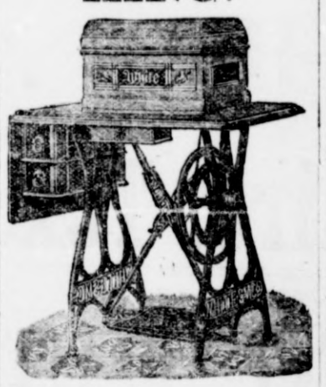

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