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Make no mistakes during the year 1904. Let us all prosper. Begin your dry goods trading with us. We are prepared to offer you plenty of inducements to get your trade; by fair treatment and good values we hope to hold it. Our stock of merchandise this year will be far better in assortment and up-to-date goods than it has been for some time, We have already made several large purchases in Cotton Goods, which we will receive in a few days, such as Spring styles in Ginghams, Calicoes, Madras, Percales, and many novelties. Our Spring line of Embroideries and White Goods will be here this week. Some were shipped from New York the latter part of December. No old goods to shove off on you, as we have cleaned up practically everything with the past season. Give us your business, and we will all profit by it.

BAIRD, TEXAS. B. L. BOYDSTUN.

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED BY THE JOHN B. GORDON CHAPTER 472, U. D. C.

It having been the will of God to remove from earth our beloaed General, John B. Gordon, we the Gordon Chapter of Baird, Texas, Daughters of the Confederacy, desire to express our grief at his death and our devotion to and admiration for the life he lived among us, Therefore be it resolved:

That in his death we have sustained an irreparable loss, that words cannot express the sorrow our hearts feel and that there has gone from each of us a loving friend, and from all the South a renowned countryman and staunch patriot.

We sustain in him the loss of a worthy citizen and Christian gentleman, whose private life served to elevate and make better and happier all those whose lives were in touch with his, and whose name was an influence in the life of every Southerner.

His public life is the pride and glory of the New South—the very synonym of chivalry and self-sacrifice. Many battlefields are witnesses that no more daring soldier or sagacious leader ever drew glittering sword in defence of his country. In victory, he was unboastful and unpresumptious; in defeat, was undiscouraged and unconquered. He was the idol of the bivouac, the encouraging spirit of the hour of battle. As a statesman his career was scarcely less brilliant than that as a military genius.

May we all contribute to any effort to perpetuate the memory of this man of the age; and, may we point our children to him an a knight in a chivalrous time, and as a patriot, ever.

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I want, for a customer, a farm of from 160 to 320 acres, with some improvements. Must be cheap.
8-2t L. L. BLACKBURN.

CHURCH NOTICE.

There will be no preaching at the Methodist Church Sunday owing to the special service at the Baptist Church. J. D. ODOM, Pastor.

One of the tenant houses on Brown Seay's farm barned Saturday night. The house was occupied by Mr. Lovejoy's family, who barely escaped with only their night clothes; everything in the house was burned, and the family are said to be in a destitute condition.

A Gold Filled Watch Free.

We will give with each 25c purchase, or paid account, a ticket entitling you to a chance at a Gold Filed Watch to be given away Feb. 29th, 1904. This is a $20 Watch, so all who pay their account before that time are entitled to tickets.

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We have reduced the price of the Sherwin & Williams paint to $1.60 per gallon. This is the best paint in the world, it covers more surface looks better and lasts longer.
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BAIRD, - - - - TEXAS.

ALL OVER TEXAS.

Will Ashly at Brownwood was fined $25 and given twenty days in jail for violating the local option law.

G. B. Gay, an aged farmer living about three miles west of Bolivar, shot himself Thursday from the effects of which he died the following day.

The schoolhouse at Cleveland, Delta county, was burned to the ground Monday. The burning of the schoolhouse is supposed to be of incendiary origin.

The banks of Hillsboro have purchased three cars of early cotton seed which they will furnish the farmers at actual cost to aid them in the boll weevil fight.

At Midlothian, it is said that there is almose an epidemic of blind staggers among the horses here, one party having lost three head in a few days of each other.

At Gorman the new tank for public water supply has been erected and the engine placed and piping the town is almost completed.

It is stated that W. T. Waggoner, the cattleman who owns large landed interests along the Denver road, is arranging to plant 10,000 acres of land in cotton this year.

All farmers around Atlanta, Cass county, are preparing their land for the coming Irish potato crop. There will be 50 per cent more potatoes planted this season than last.

Active steps are being taken by the Austin merchants and business men to restore Austin to its former position as a cotton market by the time the next season rolls around.

Friday morning the store house and contents of general merchandise of John Maberly at Ben Franklin burned. Loss $8000, small insurance. The fire was of incendiary origin.

In a difficulty between farmers southeast of Paris, near Shady Grove, W. L. Short was stabbed in the arm and shoulder with a knife and sustained a heavy blow on the back with a club.

While putting out a fire Mrs. J. W. Swindell, of Greenville, burned her hands and face severely and burned off the hair from her head. She was painfully but not seriously burned.

A barn stored with 500 bushels of corn, ten tons of cottonseed and numerous farming implements on the farm of Mrs. Alice McAnulty, near Circleville, was destroyed by fire. The loss will approach a thousand dollars.

Chartered Tuesday: Home and State Company, Dallas, capital stock $50,000. Purpose, transacting publishing business. Incorporators, G. C. Rankin, Walter A. Stevens and Frank P. Holland, all of Dallas.

A telephone message from Mount Enterprise states that Lee Lankford, a young single man, was killed Thursday night in the store of T. J. Scoggins at that place. He was shot from ambush by an unknown party.

Mrs. Mary R. Bernard is dead at Del Rio. Her husband, George Barnard, was the first white settler in McLennan county, and built the first house in the country, and was the first settler in Waco. Mrs. Barnard was a sister of Governor L. S. Ross. She was seventy-three years old.

Bessie Dean died at the Sealy Hospital at Galveston from morphine poisoning, self-administered. She had been a resident of Galveston for several years and had led a wretched life for the past three years.

Frank Bounds, working at the Milford gin, had his arm caught in a shaft and badly broken Thursday evening.

The Florida delegation to the Republican National convention has been instructed to vote for Mr. Roosevelt as a unit.

J. A. King, living on mile east of Elmo, states that oil was found in a well on his premises at a depth of 250 feet. He offers five acres of land to any company that will develop the field where he has found the oil.

The rains of Thursday and Friday were general, and the expressions of gratification were full of enthusiasm.

The Hillsboro Bar Association has passed resolutions indorsing the candidacy of Hon. W. C. Wear for the office of Attorney General.

C. W. Shriver, manager of the Scottish fruit farm near Marshall, has a number of plows now at work on the farm, and will plant 700 acres of watermelons this season for shipment to Northern markets.

City Attorney Henry of Dallas has been instructed to submit an ordinance compelling all theaters and public halls to put in fire-proof curtains and this ordinance will be ready at the next meeting of the council.

River Improvements. Texas Is All Right.

SCRAMBLE FOR WEEVIL FUND'S DISTRIBUTION.

Department Is Not Yet Ready to Hand Out Slices of the Boll Bug Pie.

Washington, Jan. 27.—The announcement by Chairman Burton of the Rivers and Harbors Committee that there would be no river and harbor bill passed at this session has caused some little misunderstanding as to the intentions of the committee and the status of various prospects now pending in Congress. The Trinity River and Galveston harbor work are not endangered by the decision of the committee.

The committee is busily engaged holding hearings on the various projects with a view to preparing during this session a large bill which will be taken up and passed before Christmas after the short session has convened next December.

Capt. Duncan and Col. Cowart are busy preparing for a hearing before the committee some time in February, and hearings on all the important Texas projects will be held during the coming spring.

Only one general river and harbor bill is passed by a Congress, and the Fifty-Eighth Congress will pass its bill in the short instead of the long session.

Owing to various committee meetings Tuesday the caucus of the Texas delegation for the location of the thirteen boll weevil farms was not held, but the interested members hope to get the delegation together to-day. Inquiry at the division of entomology developed the fact that the department is not ready to announce location of these farms to the public, and the matter is not yet in shape where the interests of the several districts may be conserved. The members who failed to secure the promise of a farm are going to insist on one, and insistence will probably bring about what they want unless the department finds it incompatible with its plans to grant these requests.

Among the delegates to the good roads convention was J. H. Bright of Beaumont. The convention has enjoyed a very harmonious and profitable session and has hopes for substantial results from some of the good roads bills pending in both Senate and House. Mr. Bright will remain here several days.

Three Men Killed in a Wreck.

St. Louis, Mo.: During a blinding snowstorm an accommodation train on the main line of the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy Railroad crashed into the rear end of the limited through train known as the Denver express, bound for St. Louis, which had stopped Monday night to take water from a tank at Gardene creek, forty miles north of this city. Three dead bodies were taken from the wreck, and, with four injured, brought to St. Louis over the Missouri, Kansas and Texas on a relief train.

Clyde Henderson, a negro, was found dead Tuesday morning six miles north of Gainesville under the Santa Fe Railroad bridge across Red River. The supposition is that the negro was riding on a freight train and fell from the car and was killed. His skull was broken and his left shoe was missing.

Cattle Uninjured by Cold.

Albany: It was very cold all day Monday—the coldest weather of the winter, and it was very cloudy. It cleared up at night and was a lovely, sun-shiney day Tuesday, and is turning warm rapidly. The dry cold is not injurious to stock, and reports from different section show that the stock came through all right. The recent rain and snow did the wheat an immense amount of good, and it is looking green all over the country.

Albert Whitley Under Arrest.

Sherman: Albert Whitley, charged by complaint with the murder of Robert V. Francis in the county jail in this city. He was arrested near Helen in Indian Territory Monday. Polk Warren, a former resident Deputy United States Marshal in this city, but now the town marshal of the incorporation of Woodville, I. T. Whitley denies knowledge of the crime with which he is charged.

Senator Daniel Re-elected.

Richmond, Va.: Two houses of the General Assembly Tuesday, voting separately, elected Senator Daniel to succeed himself for the full term beginning March 4 next. The vote in the House was 7 for Daniel and 13 for Congressman Slemp, who has the Republican support; in the Senate 28 for Daniel and 5 for Slemp. The two houses met in joint session Monday to ratify the action.

MILEAGE GRAB GETS A STAB.

The "Grab" Will Hardly Go Through if Opposed.

Washington: When the urgent deficiency bill containing the mileage appropriation of $145,000 was laid before the House Representative Hemenway of Indiana, chairman of the Committee on Appropriations, which reported the bill, sounded the annual note of warning to keep down the government expenses, but he made no suggestion to begin cutting down by eliminating the mileage "grab."

It remained for Representative Underwood, the only member of the committee who protested again this item, to attack it vigorously in the House and argue that as it meant two allowances for mileage for only one session of Congress, it was entirely contrary to the intention of the law. He called attention to a similar case in the early history of the country, where an extra session of Congress had merged into the regular and was regarded as one continuous session, and made this remark, which was applauded only on the minority side:

"The members of the House of Representatives in those days refused to draw a mileage simply for the purpose of riding downtown and back again."

A vote on the various items of the bill will be taken Wednesday and opponents of the mileage "grab" propose to have a show of hands, that the country may see who votes for it and who does not.

The Bank Loses About $8000.

Arlington: On opening the vaults of the Citizens National Bank Tuesday morning it was found that the institution had been robbed of a sum which a balance of the books showed to be $7856. Thomas Spruance, president of the bank, stated that in the absence of W. M. Dugan, cashier of the bank, who is in Kentucky, the assistant cashier, W. R. Eaves, had been in charge of the opening and closing of the institution. Saturday night Mr. Eaves left to visit his wife at Palo Pinto. Monday morning Mr. Spruance says the time lock on the bank failed to work and the vault could not be opened. The business of the bank went on as usual, ample cash being obtained from other banks to carry on all transactions necessary. Tuesday morning the lock was still out of order, but after some work the vault was opened and it was found that all the cash on hand except a small amount had disappeared. An affidavit charging W. R. Eaves with theft was sworn out by Constable Feemster before Justice of the Peace King and a warrant was issued for his arrest.

Fourteen Miners Met Death.

Victor, Colo: By the falling of a cage in Stratton's Independence mine fourteen men were instantly killed Monday and one man severely injured. When the cage reached the surface the engineer, for some unexplained reason, was unable to stop the engine, and the cage was drawn up into the gallows frame, where it became lodged temporarily. The strain on the cable finally caused it to part and the cage when released shot down the shaft with terrific speed.

The Uniled Mine Workers have elected John Mitchell president.

It is practically agreed upon by the railroads to make a one fare rate for round tdip tickets to the World's Fair.

The two-story residence of Alderman H. B. Salliway, of San Antonio, was destroyed by fire Tuesday morning, loss $2000, partly insured.

The jury in the case of J. P. Holcombe, charged with dynamiting cars at San Antonio returned a verdict of not guilty.

Information was received that Deputy Sheriff Parsons of Tyler county, accidentally shot himself Sunday night and died Monday morning.

The barn of Gus Dahnkee, a farmer living six miles east of Waxahachie, was destroyed by fire Sunday night. Six head of horses were cremated in the building. A large quantity of feed stuff, two buggies and five sets of harness were also burned. The total loss is estimated at $1600.

Rev. G. Lyle Smith, pastor of the First Christian Church at Paris, was thrown from his buggy and sustained a dislocated shoulder and a number of bruises about the face.

Sheriff Edwards and two deputies Sunday night carried to Fort Worth jail J. R. Coffey, a young man prominently connected in Kansas, under indictment for murder. During the early morning hours the prisoner escaped, jumping from an upper story window.

TERRIBLE LOSS OF LIFE IN A MINE EPLOSION.

Nearly Two Hundred Men are Buried in the Bowels of the Earth.

Pittsburg, Pa., Jan 26.—From all that could be gathered at a late hour last night, between 180 and 190 men are lying dead in the headings and passageways of the Harwick mine of the Allegheny Coal Company at Cheswick, as the result of a terrific explosion. Cage after cage has gone into the mine and come up again, but only three miners of all those that went down to work yesterday morning have been brought to the surface. One man is Adolph Gunia, and he is still alive but in a semi-conscious condition, at the temporary hospital at the rude school house on the hillside above the mine. Henry Mayhew, check weighman, and George Waltman, tippleman, died of their injuries.

In addition to the miners who were at work when the explosion occurred, it is now believed by practically all of the men of the rescuing party who have come up the 220-foot vertical shaft for a warming and breathing spell, that Selwyn M. Taylor, the mining engineer, who plotted the mine, and who was the first to reach the bottom after the explosion happened, is also now among the list of dead.

Of those in the mine all are probably dead.

The explosion occurred at 8:20 in the morning, and the first warming was the sudden rumble under ground, and then a sheet of flaame followed up the deep shaft. Both mine cages were hurled through the tipple, twenty feet above the landing stage, and the three men on the tipple were hurled to the ground. A mule was thrown high above the shaft and fell dead on the ground.

The injured men were brought at once to this city, where two of them have already died.

As soon as the explosion and the crash at the pit mouth startled the little village, the wives and children of the men below rushed to the scene of the disaster, but gained no encouragement. There was no way to get into the deep workings. The cages that let the men into the mines and brought them out again when the day's work was done were both demolished.

All day long there was a jam of women and children waiting about the mouth of the pit. There were calls for assistance and for surgical aid from the men in chaarge of the mine, but it was not until 4 o'clock in the afternoon that the first attempt at rescue was made. This was a failure, as the two men who volunteered were driven back by foul air.

Shortly after 5 o'clock Selwyn M. Taylor and one of his assistance signaled for the engineer to lower them into the shaft. Taylor is still down there. Three times efforts have been made to reach him, but so far without avail.

At 12:15 o'clock this morning Robert North and Michael Caine of the rescue party came to the surface and reported that Selwyn Taylor had been found alive, and that seventy-five of the miners had been located, the majority of them, it is believed, alive.

Sunday a three-year-old son of James Tarpley at Smithfield, while playing in a room by itself pulled down a gun which was discharged, killing the child.

A negro man and his wife living at Paris were discovered to have the smallpox and were moved to the county pesthouse Monday.

Apprehension in Oklahoma.

Guthrie, Ok.: Great loss of cattle and additional loss of human life is anticipated as the result of the severe norther which has been raging over Oklahoma since early Monday. The cattle on the open ranges are unprotected and the continued mild weather has not conditioned them to withstand the severity of the present weather. In the forest reserve in the Wichita Mountains the miners and prospectors are living in tents.

Uncle Same's Auto.

Laredo: One of the largest automobiles now manufactured has arrived here. It belongs to the United States government and it is to be used between Hebronville, on the Texas-Mexican Road and Fort Ringgold, near Rio Grande City, a distance of ninety-five miles, for facilitating communication with that isolated post. The machine was a curiosity and a revelation to Laredo people, few of whom ever saw an automobile.

Pneumonia Epidemic.

New York: Bellevue Hospital and its allied institutions are so crowded with patients that in the former alone 120 are lying in improvised beds upon the floor. This state of affairs has come to light through a meeting of the hospital trustees. Resolutions will be presented at a special meeting Wednesday asking the Mayor to assist in bringing about the erection of a new and larger hospital on the Bellevue site.

UNCLE SAMUEL'S BUSINESS.

Heads the List of Exporting Countries Dead Easy.

Washington: The United States again stands, at the close of the calendar year 1903, at the head of the list of world's exporting nations, so far as relates to the exportation of domestic products. This fact is shown by a series of tables just presented by the Department of Commerce and Labor through its Bureau of Statistics. There are only three "billion-dollar countries," considered from the standpoint of exportation of domestic products, and they are, in the order of the magnitude of their exports, the United States, the United Kingdom and Germany. In the calendar year 1903 the exports of domestic products were: From the United States $1,457,565,783 in value; from the United Kingdom $1,415,617,552; from Germany the figures for the full year have not been received, but an examination of the figures of the year for which statistics are available justifies an estimate of $1,200,000,000.

NORTH TEXAS BASE BALL.

League Includes Ardmore and Will Open April 27.

Fort Worth: At the meeting of the North Texas Base Ball league Sunday, W. A. Abey was elected president and secretary, W. H. Ward treasurer. The North Texas league will now be composed of the following cities: Fort Worth, Dallas, Corsicana and Ardmore. It was decided to open the season April 27, with Fort Worth at Ardmore and Dallas at Corsicana. The committee on rule and by-laws are Roberts, Gardner and Abey; transportation, Roberts, Ward and Abey. The Spaulding ball was adopted. The club managers are: W. H. Ward, Fort Worth; J. W. Gardner, Dallas; J. D. Roberts, Corsicana and W. H. Miller, Ardmore.

Indians Getting Restless Again.

Muskogee, I. T.: The Snake Indians and part of the Creek tribe are again in revolt and this time it seems that there will be bloodshed. They have been in constant communication with the Keoowahs of the Cherokee Nation holding councils of war, and as a result the Ketoowahs have left their homes, stock, grain and everything and gone up in the Green Leaf Mountains, where they will hold their war dance and they say on their return they will kill every white man in sight. This was learned through three couriers who came in from Texana, I. T., the seat of the Ketoowahs tribe. The Snakes have gone to Flat Rock, where their medicine is made, and the residents of that section await the result with anxiety.

National Fanciers Show.

Chicago: More than 3500 entries have been received for the eighth annual exposition of the National Fanciers and Breeders' Association, which opened in the Seventh Regiment Armory Monday and will continue all week. Seventeen hundred pigeons will be exhibited, as will 1500 chickens, ducks, geese and turkeys; 200 cats and 100 dogs. Rabbits and guinea pigs also will be shown. Entries have been made from every state in the Union.

Capt. J. N. Keeran, a wealthy stockman of Southwest Texas, and a former ranch owner at Victoria, died at his home in San Antonio. He was 79 years of age, and leaves a widow, a son, Claude Keeran, and a daughter, Mrs. T. A. Coleman.

Call Boy Drops Dead.

Denison: While engaged in the discharge of his duties as caller for the Missouri, Kansas and Texas Railway, Henry Klein, aged 18 years, fell dead Monday from heart failure, at the residence of Engineer Edward Smith. He had signed Mr. Smith to go out on a run and walked to the front gate of the Smith residence when he was overcome by heart failure, fell and expired instantly.

New Bank for Fort Worth.

Fort Worth: W. H. Eddleman of Weatherford and Cicero Smith of Mineral Wells, accompanied by Harry W. Kuteman, their attorney, were in the city looking for a building for a National bank, which they have decided to open. Both gentlemen have had the matter under consideration for some time, and Mr. Smith recently made investments here. It is said that the two men control a string of about fifteen banks.

Home for Aged Women.

Austin: The board of managers of the Home for Aged Women have definitely decided to erect a home for the old women of this city and surrounding towns. The site selected is in Hyde Park and consists of four lots. The association has $1000 available to begin the work. The home will consist of a house of ten rooms and will be modern in every respect.

ARKANSAS TRAVELER RESPONDED.

Got Back in Rhyme at Missouri Pacific's General Passenger Agent.

H. C. Townsend, general passenger and ticket agent of the Missouri Pacific with headquarters at St. Louis, sent out a novel holiday greeting to patrons of the road and was surprised to receive a response in rhyme from a man in Arkansas. Here is the greeting followed by the answer:

This is the train that runs so fast
Across the plains to mountains vast;
This is the train that's never late,
And keeps its service up to date.
This is the train that runs out West,
And takes you there for work or rest;
This is the train that runs to the land
Of mountains high and canons grand;
This is a true hotel on wheels,
It serves to you the best of meals;
This is the train with lowest rate—
St. Louis to the Golden Gate.
If you should wish to go that way,
See H. C. Townsend, G. P. A.

This is what the Arkansas traveler wrote in response:

H. C. Townsend, G. P. A.:—
I received your card to-day,
And I'm writing now to say
That your train's A1—O. K.

I'm a reg'lar passenger
And I'm here to tell you sir
It's a corker—sure enough;
(Please don't take this as a puff—
All your trains are up to snuff—
Strictly in it—just the stuff!

Makes me restless when I read
Of the comfort and the speed—
Want to pack my clothes and skip
On that train—Gee! What a trip!

Feed you like a millionaire—
Gosh! Just read that bill-of-fare!
Tender steaks, well done or rare;
Game and things from everywhere!

Salads, deserts, coffee, cake—
Wow! It makes my stomach ache!

And the rates—I'll swear to you,
Same as cutting naught in two!
(Shame to take such service cheap—
Ought to make us pay a heap!

Guess I've said about enough,
(Every word is straight—no guff.)
So I'll sign myself, with care;
Truly yours, A. PASSENJAIRE.

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	Per Acre.
Salzer's Beardless Barley yielded	121 bu.
Salzer's Home Builder Corn.	300 bu.
Speltz and Macaroni Wheat.	80 bu.
Salzer's Victoria Rape	60,000 lbs.
Salzer's Teosinte, the quick-growing fodder wonder	160,000 lbs.
Salzer's Billion Dollar Grass.	50,000 lbs.
Salzer's Pedigree Potatoes	1,000 bu.

Now such yields pay and you can have them, Mr. Farmer, in 1904.

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and this notice to the John A. Salzer Seed Co., La Crosse, Wis., and you will get their big catalog and lots of farm seed samples free. (W. N. U.)

Walking For Malaria.

Obstinate cases of malaria that have withstood the ocean voyages, mountain heights and quinine dosing are said to have been conquered by systematic and continued walking. What the malarial patient wants most to do is to sit indoors, nurse his aches and pains or to lie down and doze. Advocates of the walking cure maintain that fresh air is an antidote not only to the malaria itself, but to the blues, which usually accompanies it. Their advice to the sufferer is to dress up warmly if the weather is damp or rainy and go out to walk. Wear flannel next to the skin, stout shoes and simple hat. If it is warm, dress lightly, but carry a wrap to throw around the shoulders against drafts and too rapid cooling off. When one comes to think of it, there are few maladies on earth that fresh air and moderate exercise are not good for.

Draft Oxen.

Holstein-Friesian oxen are the best in the world and for years in those sections of the east where cattle are used for many draft purposes this has been proved not only in trials upon many fair grounds, but in the stone quarries and elsewhere. The world's record for draft oxen was recently beaten at the Valley fair, Brattleboro, Vt., by a magnificent pair of Holstein-Friesan cattle. This pair of cattle drew on a stone boat 11,284 pounds dead weight. No other breed can do it.—Holstein-Friesian Record.

The average Frenchman eats 528 pounds of bread a year.

DR. FED HIMSELF.

Found the Food that Saved His Life.

A good old family physician with a lifetime experience in saving people finally found himself sick unto death.

Medicines failed and —— but let him tell his own story. "For the first time in my life of sixty-one years I am impelled to publicly testify to the value of a largely advertised article and I certainly would not pen these lines except that, what seems to me a direct act of Providence, saved my life and I am impressed that it is a bounden duty to make it known.

"For 3 years I kept failing with stomach and liver disorders until I was reduced 70 lbs. from my normal weight. When I got too low to treat myself, 3 of my associate physicians advised me to 'put my house in order' for I would be quickly going the way of all mankind. Just about that time I was put on a diet of Grape-Nuts predigested food. Curiously enough it quickly began to build me up, appetite returned and in 15 days I gained 6 lbs. That started my return to health and really saved my life.

"A physician is naturally prejudiced against writing such a letter, but in this case I am willing to declare it from the housetops that the multiplied thousands who are now suffering as I did can find relief and health as easily and promptly by Grape-Nuts if they only knew what to do. Sincerely and Fraternally yours." Name of this prominent physician furnished by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

Look in each package for a copy of the famous little book, "The Road to Wellville."

Fighting the Weevil Systematic Warfare.

Aid of the Farmers of the State to Be Invoked in this Fight Against the Weevil.

Washington, Jan. 25.--The Secretary of Agriculture has approved the plans for the cotton boll weevil investigatin in the Southwest, for which a special appropriation of $250,000 has been made available. Secretary Wilson believes that the best methods for meetting the ravages of the weevil are the facts which have been accumulated by the department during the last two years in the matter of improveing cultural conditions, the planting of early maturing varieties of cotton, substitution of other crops, etc. The plans approved, which were submitted by Dr. R. T. Galloway, the chief of the Bureau of Plant Industry, and Dr. Howard, the chief of the Division of Entomology, embody the following lines of investigation:

Farmers' Co-operative Demonstration Work—This will involve the organization of farmers in Texas and adjacent states in such a way as to secure the cultivation of tracts of cotton under specific instructions from the Department of Agriculture. Thus a definite working plan will be given to each farmer, the farmer himself to furnish the seed and fertilizers if such are required. These areas of cotton will serve as objects and will be planned to show the practicability of growing cotton despite the presence of the weevil. Similar work will be carried on in Louisiana, where the weevil has not yet advanced. It is planned to have 8000 or 10,000 farmers engaged in this work.

Plant Breeding and Selection Work—This work will have for its object the improvement of the present varieties of cotton with a view of making them more prolific and earlier so as to prevent the ravages of the weevil. The work will be conducted on the experimental farms which will be selected with due respect to climatic, soil and other conditions.

Cotton Diseases—The bill making the appropriation directs the Secretary to investigate other insects and diseases and one serious malady which will receive attention is the so-called cotton root rot. This work will be in the direction of securing immune varieties by selection and breeding and the testing of types that already have been selected.

Diversification of Crops—This is considered one of the most important lines of work and will have for its object demonstration work in the direction of gauguing crops other than cotton and of forage crops with cotton. Diversification farms will be secured by co-operation with the farmers themselves. Thirteen of these farms will be located in Texas, five in Louisiana, three in Mississippi and several in other cotton-growing states. The foregoing work will be looked after by the Bureau of Plant Industry. The Division of Entomology will continue its investigations on experiment farms. Thirteen farms for the growing of cotton will be located in Texas and the investigations conducted will have for their object the determination of numerous questions relative to combatting the boll weevil which have not yet been definitely settled. The question of the effect of fertilizers on the early maturing of cotton will be considered. It is planned that these farms shall embrace about 100 acres each.

Investigation of Parasites—The original home of the weevil will be made the subject of investigation, the object being to introduce the parasite into Texas with hope of securing the destruction, through them, of the boll weevil

Inspection of Cotton Products, Their Fumigation and General Expenses—Inspecting the certification required by State laws will be another line of work conducted by the entomologist.

Investigations Into the Life, History and Habits of the Weevil and General Testing of Persons and Machines—This will include the destructive cotton worm, which is one of the most serious pests in a number of Southern cotton-growing states.

The organization of the work on the co-operative demonstration farms has begun under the charge of Dr. S. A. Knapp, who is now in Texas.

Will Move the Town.

Washington: A majority of the Democratic Senators will vote for the ratification of the Panama treaty unless the investigation which they demand discloses something which in their judgment will make such action on their part impossible. Steps toward such an investigation were taken at the caucus of the Democratic Senators Saturday. At this an agreement was reached that Senators will not express themselves one way or the other upon the treaty until after all the information called for has been received. In the discussion of the different phases of the Panama question which consumed the time of the caucus the attitude of the individual Senators was made clear and the poll showed as indicated above. At the same time it was disclosed that the Democratic Senators will act together in preventing a vote upon the treaty until they are satisfied that investigation has brought out all the facts bearing upon the secession of Panama, and the aid rendered the secession movement by this government or any of its own officials.

A Skyscraper Fire.

Chicago, Ill.: Fire in the Masonic Temple, a Twenty-story building Saturday, caused a panic among the 4000 occupants of the building and damaged the stock and fixtures of tenants to the extent of $20,000. All occupants of the building escaped without serious injury, through the bravery of the elevator men, who remained at their posts and operated their cars while dense clouds of smoke filled the building. The fire originated on the fifth floor.

Senator Burton Indicted.

St. Louis, Mo.: The Federal grand jury gave an indictment against Joseph Ralph Burton, United States Senator from Kansas, charging him on nine counts with accepting five checks for $500 each from the Rialto Grain and Securities Company between Nov. 22, 1922, and March 26, 1903, while a United States Senator; for his alleged services interceding with the Postmaster General, and others.

The Lamar County Truck Growers' Association has ordered a carload of fertilizer from Memphis, Tenn.

Saturday night Ab Thompson of Canyon City fell into the cellar of a building being erected by Tom Carson and broke one of his legs.

Eucker Staters for the Panhandle.

Hereford: A man named Talmage, with an immigration company at Chicago, has brought in a second car load of farmers of Illinois to this place. The first car arrived about two weeks ago, and a number of the prospectors bought land and will move here and try farming. Mr. Talmage charters a car and arranges for the farmers of those states to come and see what we have on the plains.

Starting Right at Last.

Mount Pleasant: A meeting of business men was held here Saturday night for the purpose of organizing a stock company with a paid up capital of $60,000 for the purpose of converting the grounds on which the Iridescent Springs, one mile from town, are situated, into a summer and pleasure resort, laying off the grounds in residence lots and driveways and erecting a summer hotel to cost $35,000.

Sour Lake Fire.

Sour Lake: Fire broke out in a bedroom on the second floor of the First National Bank Building, on Fanning street, between 7 and 8 o'clock Sunday morning and by 11 o'clock fully $135,000 worth of property had been consumed by the flames. Just how the fire originated no one seems to know. A dozen stores, saloons, offices and boarding houses were burned, with comparatively no insurance.

Old Settler of Harrison Gone.

Hillsboro: The town of Bynum, on Ash Creek, between here and Hubbard, is to be moved to the Trinity and Brazos Valley Railroad. The railroad company has promised to place a switch and depot at the site selected. A gentleman living near the site has donated twenty acres of land for the town. The buildings of the old town will be rolled up on rollers.

Will Vote to Ratify.

Marshall: James C. Scott died at the residence of his nephew, R. R. Scott, in Scottsville, at an early hour Saturday morning. Mr. Scott was born in Mississippi in 1815. He settled in Louisiana in 1837 and afterwards lived in Victoria and Marion Counties, Texas, and n Mexico, but lived the last twelve years at Scottsville. Deceased was the oldest white citizen of this county, with the exceptioz of Uncle Billy Allen of this city.

Uneasy Lies the Crowned Head.

Vienna: A telegram from Belgrade reports that Servians and Montenegrins living abroad are engaged in a vigorous agitation against the Karageorgevitch dynasty and have even planned a conspiracy against King Peter's active agitation, while Prince, against King Alexander and making serious charges against him.

It is said that the Hudson Bay Eskimos never wash

THIRTY-EIGHT DEAD

STORM SWEEPS AWAY AN ENTIRE TOWN.

More Than One Hundred are Injured. The Ground is Sweept Perfectly Bare.

Tuscaloosa, Ala., Jan. 23.—The most disastrous tornado that has ever swept over this section visited Moundville, a town of 300 inhabitants, 15 miles south of here yesterday morning at 1 o'clock, and as a result twenty-eight persons were killed and more than one hundred injured, aand every business house, with the exception of a small drug store, was completly destroyed.

The tornado struck the city from the southwest, dealing destruction as it made its path, a quarter of a mile wide, through the town.

By the force of the storm persons were blown hundreds of feet from their beds in the blackness of night. Through terror, a father, mother and three children fled from their home to seek refuge, and in their excitement left a five-year-old boy in bed. Yesterday he was pulled from beneath some timber, and thus far it is impossible to find any other member of the family.

Bedding, carpets and wearing apparel are scattered a distance of ten miles through what was a forest, but which is now as clear as if it had been cut by the woodman's ax. Freight cars were torn to splinters, the trucks from them being hurled hundreds of feet from the trac.

The depot, warehouses, gins, thirty homes and store houses occupied by R. L. Griffin, A. W. Wiggins & Son, W. J. Domenick, A. D. Griffin and W. P. Phifer, together with their stocks, were completely destroyed. Where they stood it is impossible to find even the pillars, upon which these structures rested.

Bales of cotton which were stored in warehouses, were torn to atoms, the fragments of lint lodging in trees making it appear as if that section had been visited by a snow storm. Heavy iron safes were moved by the storm, the doors of which were torn from their hinges.

A young clerk employed by W. P. Phifer, hearing the terrible roar approaching, let himself into a well. He had no sooner found his place of safety than the store was completely demolished. In the morning he was drawn out uninjured.

BETTER LOOK OUT SOME.

There's Trouble to Violators of Election Laws.

Waco: Two men were arrested and place under bonds of $700 each on charges of violation of section 131 of the Terrell election law, which reads: "Any person who lends or contributes or offers or promises to lend or contribute or pay any money or other valuable thing to any voter to influence his vote * * * or to induce such voter or other person to place or cause to be placed his name on the poll tax or certificate of exemption rolls is guilty of a felony."

The arrests grew out of the ex parte investigation instituted by Judge Gerold yesterday morning.

It is apparent, under the portion of the statute quoted, that it is a violation of the law for one person to lend money to another for the payment of his poll tax, and exhortations to "borrow the money and pay your poll tax" are not meeting with much favor from those who might otherwise be inclined to make a loan.

Looking for Theater Site.

Dallas: Representatives of the Orpheum Theatrical Circuit Company have been for some time, seeking a central location for the erection of a new theater, to be one of their chain of playhouses which extend from New Orleans to San Francisco. It was rumored that the syndicate had bought the property on Commerce street, which is owned by Crowdus Drug Company, but such is not the fact, as the Crowdus Company will build there.

Found Mortally Ill.

Dallas: While driving along the road four miles east of Dallas Saturday evening Charles Mandalla discovered by the roadside an aged Mexican in a serious condition. He was taken home by Mandalla, and becoming unconscious, it was decided to bring him to town for treatment the following Friday morning. When several miles out of town the aged man slid from the seat and was found dead.

Storm at Bermingham.

Birmingham, Ala.: A storm which swept over North Birmingham Friday morning destroyed thirty houses and damaged many more. The total loss is placed at $10,000. The heaviest were the Sloss-Sheffield Steel and Iron Company and the Mitchell Lumber Company. No fatalities were reported. The greatest damage was done in the negro quarters where fifteen houses were leveled to the ground.

TEXAS GOES MARCHING ON.

New Industries Springing Up Within Her Borders.

Houston, Texas, Jan. 23.—Another big canning industry is developing for the benefit of Texas fruit and truck growers. Mr. I. V. Smith of Indiana has been in the state since the 1st of January looking over the truck growing section with the idea of establishing some canneries at favorable locations. The land and immigration department of the Southern Pacific has afforded Mr. Smith every assistance in his tour of inspection and given him much valuable data. The only question regarding the feasibility of his plans at the outset was, could a location be secured accessible to enough product to keep a cannery busy. Mr. Smith operates a cannery at Delphi and another at Wabash, Ind., and they have a daily output of 320,000 cans of vegetables. The railroad officials assured the Northern gentleman that whereas no one section of the state within a reasonable distance of transportation by team could keep a canning establishment of that proportion supplied with vegetables just now, if the gentleman would make known his intention to start a cannery there was no doubt that the farmers and truck growers would arise to the occasion and keep such a plant running. "This is what the truck growers have been praying for," said one official, "and you start in to building your canning plant and every farmer for miles around will begin to raise truck, and next spring, when your factory is completed, the vegetables will commence pouring in.

The Indianian was so well pleased with the favorable conditions and encouragement received that he is now figuring on the fuel question, and if that proves satisfactory he will locate a plant. He stated that his plants in the North were located in the coal belt, where the price of fuel was only $2.30 a ton. Here in Texas he found soft coal worth $7.50 per ton. He is now investigating a plan to use oil in place of coal, and if the cost is not prohibitive he will start a cannery in the state at once. Speaking of the needs of such industries in the state he said that while looking about the state since the first of the year he had sold eighty-seven carloads of canned vegetables to Texas merchants, and had made no special endeavor to sell goods. "That proves conclusively that your state needs these canneries, so that your merchants and jobbers would never have to go out of the state to buy foreign products that you can produce in such abundance at home.

Big Blaze at Rockwall.

Rockwall: One of the most disastrous fires in the history of Rockwall occurred here Thursday night. The fire was discovered in the second story of the Lovejoy Building, and rapidly spread over the entire building and from this to the building occupied by J. L. Jones and owned by Wm. Hickard, thence to O. C. Long's drug store and the postoffice building. A strong wind was blowing from the northwest, and for a time it seemed that almost the entire business portion of the town would be destroyed. The origin of the fire is unknown. Losses foot up over $50,000.

Frank A. Biggs, aged sixty-seven years, died at San Antonio Friday. He was injured December 23 by an emery wheel breaking while he was sharpening a chisel, a piece of the emery striking him on the forehead and fracturing his skull.

Col. W. D. Wille Dead.

Dallas: Remains of Col. William D. Wylie, for years identified with the progress of Dallas and this section of Texas, first commander of the Texas department of the Grand Army of the Republic, and otherwise distinguished in civil and political life, whose death occurred at Danville, Ill., Wednesday night, will reach here Sunday morning for interment. Burial will probably be made that afternoon.

Greenville Library Completed.

Greenville: The finishing touches are being put upon the Carnegie library and it will be ready for dedication by February 1. The entrance and grand stairway are all in finely polished marble. The first floor contains the library rooms, and the upper story will be an auditorium with a handsome stage, for lectures and concerts. It is a building Greenville may be proud of.

No man can be happy unless he is on good terms with his stomach.

Pete Cash Found Dead.

Rockland: Pete Cash was found dead at an early hour Friday morning. The body when found was in a sitting posture, against a machinery warehouse, near the lumber yard of Cameron & Co., at this place. Cash was a section man. It is supposed that he died about 8 o'clock, as some workmen saw him early in the morning and at that time he was alive.

THE STATEHOOD QUESTION ONE OF PARTY POLITICS.

If the Omnibus Bill Comes Up, Oklahoma Will in all Liklihood Not be Reached.

Washington, Jan. 22.—Democratic Senators who led the fight for the omnibus statehood bill at the last session of Congress are strongly of the opinion that the chance of the Territories for admission would be greatly improved by considering all the bills at one time again at this session. If the effort is made to defeat statehood through filibuster and delay, as was the case last year, the wisdom of an omnibus bill is apparent. Primarily the argument in favor of Oklahoma either as a separate state with its present boundaries or including Indian Territory, is stronger than for either New Mexico or Arizona, but it is apparent that a friend of statehood for the Territories is in nearly every instance a friend of all the Territories.

Both Arizona and New Mexico had been heard by the Committee on Territories before Oklahoma and Indian Territory were considered. If, therefore, the separate statehood bills should be considered, in the order they were heard before the committee, the last measure discussed would be Oklahoma bill. Separate bills would give the opposition better opportunity to filibuster, as the arguments could be repeated in larger part as each bill was brought up for discussion and the session might draw to a close with the Oklahoma bill pending.

The arguments in favor of admission of Territories to statehood is largely a matter of laying down general propositions. When the general propositions are exhausted the details as they apply to each Territory can be discussed. It is recognized by all the supporters of statehood that before any considerable progress can be made there will have to be an understanding of some kind between the main supporters of each of the statehood bills.

McGuire of Oklahoma has proceeded upon the theory that a bill which appealed to the Republicans would stand the best chance of passing. The pronounced Republican trend in favor of making one strong Democratic state in Oklahoma and Indian Territory instead of taking the chances with two states, one of which is certainly Democratic and the other uncertain in its politics, has temporarily disconcerted the advocates of double statehood. The Committee on Territories postpones the further hearing of the Oklahoma statehood bill until Monday, when Thomas Doyle will submit an argument in favor of making one State of Oklahoma and Indian Territory.

Oklahoma's Church Membership.

Guthrie, Ok.: One hundred and eighteen thousand two hundred and sixty-six represents the number of church members in Oklahoma, 103,266 of the number being Protestants and 15,000 Roman Catholics. The estimate generally placed on the population is upwards of 600,000, which, therefore, shows the proportion of church members to be about one-sixth. This, it will be observed, compares favorably with the church figures of other states. Numerically compared, the Christian Church, with 16,000 members, ranks first; the Roman Catholic, with its 15,000, second; the Methodist Episcopal, with 13,900, third. The membership of the other denominations is as follows: Baptist, 13,000 (white), 4100 (colored); Methodist Episcopal, South, 9451; Congregational, 4000; Presbyterian, 3100; Protestant Episcopal, 804.

Geronimo is Failing.

Guthrie, Ok.: Some parties four or five miles east of Stroud and in the Creek National Thursday afternoon, discovered the body of a man. Appearances indicated that he had been killed and then dragged and placed on a pile of brush, which was afterward set on fire. The body was so disfigured from burning that it was impossible to identify it. A bullet hole was found in his head. There is no clew to the perpetrators.

Murdered and Burned.

Lawton, Ok.: Geronimo, the famous Apache warrior, is becoming feeble with age at his rendezvous on the military reservation near Fort Sill. He no longer makes his frequent visits to this city to sell his bows and other trinkets of his handiwork that men from all parts of the country are anxious to purchase. Geronimo is quite a religious Indian, having joined the Methodist Church last spring.

Gold Find Near Tucumcari.

Tucumcari, N. M.: The wildest excitement prevails around Tucumcari that has ever been known. Business men have closed their stores and are flocking to th placer fields, eighteen miles east of Tucumcari, on Renvelto Creek. The formation is black sand and nuggets are found everywhere as big as wheat grains. Some expert miners who went out report it the best prospect they ever saw.

SAME OLD SIXTEEN TO ONE PLATFORM.

So Says Mr. Bryan, and His Followers, and They Still Cut Much Ice.

New York, Jan. 22.—William Jennings Bryan let it be understood upon his arrival in this city this afternoon that he and his followwers in the next Democratic National Convention will not only oppose the nomination of the Grover Cleveland type of candidate, but that they will insist on the reaffirmation of the Kansas City and Chicago platforms, which mention the ratio of silver coinage at 16 to 1.

Mr. Bryan was asked whether it was true that Charles A. Towne, who had ridden with him from Buffalo to Albany, had left the train at Albany with a message from Mr. Bryan to Judge Alton B. Parker.

"Mr. Towne left the train at Albany," said Mr. Bryan, "but he carried no message from me to Judge Parker, I have never yet met Judge Parker."

"Do you think there will be any fight in the convention over the adoption of the platform?" he was asked.

"I do not think so. I think the Democratic party will be united. I think we shall all be agreed upon our platform. I believe that the last National platform will be reaffirmed and that new issues will be injected."

"What do you think of the suggestions of reorganization that are being proposed within the party?"

"I hear of suggestions made by that portion of the press which represents the plutocrates, but they are not by any means certain to prevail."

"What do you think of the proposition to nominate Mr. Cleveland?"

"Well, it is entirely in accord with other propositions of the plutocratic portion of the press. It is an attempt to change the channels of Democracy back to the oldtime lines, and to depart from the platform of 1896."

Still Talk of Peace.

Washington: Acting Assistant Secretary Loomis has received cable advices from United States Ambassadors at two of the European capitals, both stating in substance that the situation as to the Far East is more reassuring and that the chances of war between Russia and Japan have sensibly diminished. The forthcoming Russian note will, it is believed, hold out considerable concessions, but it is scarcely expected that a complete settlement of the grave issues between Russia and Japan will be at once reached, and much further correspondence is looked for.

Must Prepare to Fight Fire.

Beaumont: The Beaumont Chamber of Commerce is in receipt of a letter from J. L. Blumenthal, secretary of the Texas Fire Prevention Association, with headquarters at Dallas, that is practically and to all intents and purposes an ultimatum, as it gives the city of Beaumont until Feb. 1 as the limit of time to make all arrangements for improving the fire protection of the city.

Booming General Miles.

Chicago: The Iroquois Club, to which prominent Chicago Democrats belong, is preparing to boom Gen. Miles as the man to nominate for President on the Democratic ticket. It was learned that a committee of the club has been authorized to arrange for a banquet at which Gen. Miles will make the principal address and be hailed as a bona fide candidate. Gen Miles has been invited to attend and has accepted.

A Vetran of Two Wars.

Crowell: Died, at the residence of his daughter, Mrs. Nichols, near Crowell, John Teague, aged eighty-one years. He was enlisted in the United States Army during the Mexican War; was a Confederate soldier; settled in Denton County in 1854; was one of the first settlers of Foard County. He He and his surviving wife had lived together fifty-seven years.

Dallas, it is thought, will soon boast of an anti-toy pistol law.

Shreveport suffered from a $10,000 fire Monday morning, two two-story residences being destroyed.

Ford House, well-known all over Texas, has announced himself a candidate for Mayor of Dallas.

William Jennings Bryan wants the place in the United States Senate which Charles H. Dietrich is to leave.

Will Stubblefield, a negro confined in McKiney jail for theft since last August, died there from epilepsy.

The Katy "Flyer" was ditched Tuesday near Booneville, Mo., by a misplaced switch. The fireman, engineer and one passenger were hurt, but not fatally.

Robert F. Hall of Portland, Ore., has suddenly found himself heir to an estate of $3,750,000. The property was amassed by Charles Belden Hall, a New York broker, who died in 1871, leaving his son and daughter in ignorance of the wealth he left behind.

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Many a man deludes himself with idea that he is worshiping the Almighty, when in fact it is only the almighty dollar he is looking at.

To put it in a nutshell: A majority of the democratic congressmen are in favor of running over William Jennings if he will not get off the track

When Gen. Topolobombewiski, the Russian, runs across Gen. Kataramahaji, of Japan, there is going to be a cataclasmpski that will be felt around the worldski.

When a man gets badly swindled by one in whom he placed unbounded trust, he feels for a time as if he would lose faith in the whole human race. Did you ever have an experience of this kind? if not, you are lucky indeed.

S'teen to one is deader'n than a smoked herring in Texas outside the boll weevil districts. Fifteen cent cotton and only forty cents per ounce for silver is a knock down argument against Coin Harvey. Say what's become of Coin, anyway?

The most of the Kansas City platform should be split into kindling wood and the kindling burned to ashes, and the ashes scattered to the four winds of heaven, that no trace of it could be found among democrats.

One by one the illusions and high ideals of youth fall shattered and broken at our feet. When you have an experience of this kind, dont give up to the idea that all men are vile. Truth, honor and chivalry still live—though at times we may fail to find them where we had a right to expect them.

The Fort Worth Record warns the politicians that the Panama question will be settled long before the Texas primaries. That is true, and a negative vote in the senate will not count, because the treaty will be ratified. Should the negative vote defeat the treaty, however, there would be more hair pulling in Texas this spring than we have had since the famous Hogg and Clark joust.

There is a rumor (which may not amount to more however), that there will be a prohibition county ticket in the field this year. The democrats will likely hold their primary as usual, thought many oppose it as useless, unless of course, there is opposition, and no matter from what source it comes the democrats will meet it. A straight out party fight over the prohibition question would make things interesting, but it would also clarify the political atmosphere. The democrats are not seeking such a fight, but if it comes the party is ready. Shall it be peace or war? THE STAR warns the democrats to be on guard.

IN HANDS OF RECEIVER.

News was received here this week that the Banker's Union of the World a fraternal order, with headquarters at Omaha, Nebraska, had been placed in the hands of a receiver. Fraud and misappropriation of the order's funds by some of the head officials is alledged. E.C. Spinney is president. The local lodge of this order at Baird is one of the strongest in Baird and in splendid working order with money in the treasury. The news, (if true, and none here doubt it), will be a hard blow to fraternal insurance in Baird, besides working a great hardship on many who have been carrying insurance in the order for several years.

The members of the local lodge are earnestly requested to attend the regular meeting next Monday night, when business of importance will be transacted.

MEMORIAL SERVICE.

Memorial service for Gens. Gordon and Longstreet were held at the Court House last Saturday by Camp Albert Sidney Johnston Camp U. C. V. We were unable to be present, but learned that a committee would attend to having a report of the meeting published, but no report has been sent in.

CUTS, CUTS.

THE STAR will have an item of interest to candidates next week, about having a cut made for each candieate who announces in THE STAR. THE STAR wants to give all the candidates full value for the money paid on announcement and we intend to do so.

We have a few more fine California blankets. We do not propose to carry them over. Now is the time to get a good blanket at a sacrifice.

5-tf T. E. POWELL.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION
OF THE
HOME NATIONAL BANK OF BAIRD

At Baird, in the State of Texas at the close of business, Jan. 22, 1904.

RESOURCES.

Loans and Discounts		$65,416 92
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured		554 18
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation		6,300 00
Premium on U. S. Bonds		190 00
Banking house, furniture, and fixtures		1,276 54
Due from National Banks (not Reserve Agents)		70,873 52
Due from State banks and bankers		
Due from approved reserve agents.		12,633 39
Checks and other cash items		5,429 61
Notes of other National Banks		2000 00
Fractional paper currency, nickels and cents		23 85
LAWFUL MONEY RESERVE IN BANK, VIZ:		
Specie	$17,312 25	
Legal-tender notes	4,000 00	21,312 25
U. S. Certif's of Deposit for legal tenders		
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent circulation.)		315 00
Total		184,325 26

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in	$25,000 00
Surplus Fund	1,500 00
Undivided profits,	1,685 03
National Bank notes outstanding	6,300 00
Due to other National Banks	236 40
Due to State Banks and Bankers	112 06
Due to Trust Cos. and Savings Banks	
Individual deposits subject to check	145,092 48
Time certificate of deposit	4,399 29
Notes and bills rediscounted	
Total	184,325 26

STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF CALLAHAN, } SS:

I, Fred Lane, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

FRED LANE, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 28, day of Jan. 1904.

W. H. CLIETT
Notary Public Callahan Co., Texas.

CORRECT—Attest:

A. G. WEBB
HARRY MEYER } Directors.
T E POWELL.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION
—OF THE—
FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF BAIRD.

At Baird, in the State of Texas, at the close of business Jan. 22 1904.

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts		$225,657 69
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured		5,085 29
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation		25,000 00
Premiums on U. S. Bonds		2,150 00
Stocks Securities, Etc.		5,195 29
Banking house, furniture and fixtures.		3,600 00
Other real estate owned		21,686 21
Due from National Banks (not Reserve Agents),		5,884 45
Due from State Banks and Bankers		
Due from approved reserve agents		33,263 50
Internal-Revenue stamps		
Checks and other cash items		19 50
Notes of other National Banks,		11,748 00
Exchanges for clearing house		
Fract'l paper cur'cy nickels and cts.		15 40
LAWFUL MONEY RESERVE IN BANK, VIZ:		
Specie	5,607 00	
Legal-tender notes	5,000 00	10,607 00
Redemption Fund with U S. Treasurer (5 per cent of circulation)		20 00
Due from U S Treas'r, other than 5 per ct. redemption fund		
Total		$349,832 13

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in	$ 100,000 00
Surplus Fund	20,000 00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	13,418 21
National Bank notes outstanding	25,000 00
Due to other National Banks	66 21
Due to State Banks and Bankers	
Due to approved reserve agents	90 00
Rent Account	
Dividends unpaid.	
Individual deposits subject to check.	137,753 45
Demand certificates of deposit	53,504 22
Certified Checks	
Cashier's checks outstanding	
Notes and bills re-discounted	
Bills Payable, including certificates of deposit for money bor rowed	
Liabilities other than those above stated	
Bills payable	
Total	$349,832 13

STATE OF TEXAS, County of Callahan, } ss.

I, F.W James, Presid't. of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. F.W. JAMES, Presdt.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 28th day of Jan. 1904. W. H. CLIETT,
Notary Public, Callahan county, Texas

CORRECT—Attest:

Geo S Hardin
HENRY JAMES, } Directors.
J. M Cunningham

RECAPITULATION

Loans and Discounts	$230,742 98
U. S. Bonds, Premiums etc	27,150 00
Stocks, Securities etc.	5,195 29
Banking House Real Estate, Furniture and Fixtures	25,236 21
Cash on hand and in other banks	61,507 65
	349,832 13

LIABILITIES

Capital	$100,000 00
Surplus and Undivided Profits	33,418 21
Circulation	25,000 00
Deposits	191,413 92
	349,832 13

F. W. JAMES, Pres.

NEW PAPER.

Rev. J. D. Odom, Pastor of the M. E. Church, South, is publishing a monthly paper, The New Era, in the interest of his church. The first number was mailed last week. In his salutatory Bro. Odom says:

"We offer no apology whatever for bringing this humble, unpretentious, little sheet before the public. We need it. It is our purpose however, to use it exclusively to promote the interests of the Methodist Church. The New Era is commited to the interests of religion, education and temperance among the people of Baird and Callahan County. We earnestly seek the sympathy and support of all the people who are interested in this great triune cause."

The New Era is printed in the job department of THE STAR office by Jas. H. Walker printer, which is a sufficient guarantee that the mechanical work is first-class.

Tom Fraser came in Tuesday from Mart, McLennan county, and will spend a week visiting the home folks Tom looks as though the climate at Mart agreed with him.

ABOUT PROHIBITION.

The following two news items will be of interest to both pros and antis. The first is the decision of the State Court of Criminal Appeals that knocks out local option in seven precincts in Cooke county. The second is the action of certain railroads that have issued orders that will make sixty South Texas towns pretty dry, unless the booze is smuggled in under some other than its real name.

If the railroads adhere to this ruling it will barr W. C. Easterling from the State and compel Alkali Eye to remain permanently in Houston or carry his jug with him in his travels around the Bayou City.

COURT OF CRIMINAL APPEALS.

Record Special.

Dallas, Texas, Jan 20.—In the case of ex parte Heyman, from Cooke county, in the State Criminal Court of Appeals today, the Court held that under Section 20, article 15 of the constitution the legislature is not authorized to empower Commissioners' Court to designate two or more justice precincts as a subdivision for a prohibition election. The decision holds that local option elections under the constitution can only be held in a county, town, city, justice or commissioners' precinct or school district; but that commissioners' court can not combine two or more precincts for local option purposes, as it would be the "creation" and not the "designation" of subdivision. This will abolish the local option law in the seven precincts of Cooke county as it now exists. Judge Henderson renderd the the opinion, with Judge Brooks dissenting.

PROHIBITION AND RAILROADS.

Record Special.

Houston, Texas, Jan. 20.—The popularity which the prohibition movement has gained throughout the state has wrapped the frieght traffic departments of Texas railroads in a veil of uncertainty.

General Frieght Agent Taylor of the Central-East and West lines, has received an opinion from the general attorneys, of the lines he represents, which has inspired the issuance of a circular calling the attention of agents to the peculiar position of the railroads in the local option question. The circular says in part:

"Under no circumstances will the Houston and Texas Central, the Houston-East and West Texas and the Houston and Shreveport railroads receive for transportation from either connecting lines at junction points or from shippers at any point, shipments of whiskey or other intoxicating liquors when consigned to following points."

Then follows a list of stations on the lines that are on the "water wagon."

The Houston and Texas Central is blessed with forty-five towns of this variety, while the Houston-East and West Texas has fifteen.

Cows For Sale.

Four good, fresh milch cows for sale on easy terms. About $25.00 each. Phone me, J. L. LEA. 7-tf

We wish to tell our friends and citizens of Callahan county that we are again ready to do your photograph work, and will appreciate all the patronage you will give us. Swafford & Son. 51

Pasture.

I will take stock to pasture by month Phone me. J. L. LEA. 7-tf

We have quite a stock of overcoats that we must sell. If you now need an overcoat, call at our store and get a good bargain. T. E. POWELL.
5-tf

FOR SALE.

Two desirable residence lots 100x140, near my residence, east part of town. Call at THE STAR office. W. E. G.
6-tf

In December we sold more clothing than in any previous December since we started in business. Our clothing sale for that month nearly doubled. Yet we have a few heavy winter weights that we want to close out at a bargain. T. E. POWELL.
5-tf

You have to have a suit of clothes for your boy. The only place to get them is at T. E. Powell's. 1-tf

We have it for less.
5-tf T. E. POWELL.

Don't forget school books are CASH
41tf Powell & Powell.

The Electric Light Company has announced a slight raise in rate to begin with Jany. 1st. The company claim that the old rate did not pay expenses.

PREACHING.

THE STAR is requested to announce that Rev. J. S. Harrington will preach at the Presbyterian Church, near Court House, Sunday Jany. 31st at 11 a m. The public is cordially invited.

Bert Pentecost, one of the old time Brown County boys recently moved from Cross Plains to Tecumseh, was in town Monday.

COLD WEATHER.

Monday morning a cold wave hit Baird and the first puff of wind felt like an ice bath. The thermometer at THE STAR office registered 14 degrees above zero Tuesday morning before sunrise. The coldest weather we have had this winter.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

We are authorized to announce the following candidates, subject to the action of the Democratic primary:

For County Judge.
I. N. JACKSON.
JNO. W. WOODS.

For County and District Clerk,
J. H. SHACKELFORD.

For Sheriff and Tax Collector,
T. A. (Al) IRVIN.
JAS. REED.

For Tax Assessor,
JAS. RANDALS.
M. G. (Melvin) FARMER.
J. A. CHEEK.

For County Attorney.
M. C. COUNCIL.
C. D. (Clarence) RUSSELL.

For County Treasurer,
J. E W. LANE.

ADVERTISD LETTERS.

The following is a list of letters remaining in P. O. at Baird, Texas for the week ending Jan. 23, 1904. Parties calling for same please say advertised.

Counts, Miss Bettie
Edena, Mr Roger
Torry, Mrs. M. C.
Thate, Paul
Wilson, Miss Lena
Williams, W. F.

WM. MCMANIS. P. M.

BAIRD OPERA HOUSE.

Two nights, Tuesday, Feb. 2d, The St Louis Dramatic Co. are booked to appear in a repertoire of the latest and most up-to-date successes. Advance rumors of the show are such that they will come here highly recommended and do a big business. The Dublin Telephone says—The attraction at the opera house this week is the St Louis Dramatic Co. which began a three nights engagement last night, opening with the touching Southern Military Drama, "A Woman's Love." The cast is strong throughout while some of the players deserve special mention. The work of Miss Coroline Klohr as "Lucille" and Mr. W. L. McMillan as "Victor Blanchard" was very creditable, while James Orr and his sister, Miss Pearl, sustained the comedy part in a manner that was above criticism. The bill tonight is "Down on a Nebraska Farm" a laughable comedy drama. Tomorrow night, "Lucifer the New York Detective"—Dublin Telephone Jan. 15th. The same repertoire will be presented here and in the same order. Plenty of good specialties between acts. In addition Free Band and Orchestra concerts will be given daily. Seats on sale at J. A Christian's Prices 25c, 50c 75c.

DIED.

Rev. J. M. Griffin died near Cottonwood last Thursday. Mr. Griffin was an old settler in the county, a good man and highly esteemed by all who knew him. A friend when he heard of his death remarked, "What a grand country we would have if all men were like him."

Peace to his ashes.

C. S. Boyles went to Ft. Worth the first of the week.

Mr. John Rice is reported quite ill at his home near Belle Plaine.

POLL TAX.

We are requested by Sheriff T. A. Irvin to announce that he or his deputy J. E. Gilliland will be at the depot Friday night (tomorrow) Jany. 29th to collect poll tax. It is claimed that many of the railroad men and others are unable to get off in the day time so this will enable them to pay up. You will find the collector at Mr. Harmon's office between 8 and 10 p m. Pay up if you want to vote. There is going to be such a rush Saturday that all who can had better pay tomorrow.

HE'D FORGOT SOMETHING.

A story is going the rounds regarding a farmer who is greatly troubled with absent-mindness. On the way home from town, so the story runs, the thought came to him that he had forgotton something. He took out his note book went over every item checked it off, and saw that he had made all the purchases he had intended. But as he drove on he could not put aside the feeling. When he arrived home and prove up to the house his daughter came out to meet him, and with a look of surprise asked, "Why, where is maw?"

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Whitley and daughter, Miss Maud, left Sunday for Douglas, Ariz., on a visit, and may perhaps locate permanently, as we learn they have sold their home here. Mr. Whitley was among the first settlers in Baird more than twenty years ago, and for about fifteen years has been employed as caller and telegraph messenger for the T. & P. Ry. Co. THE STAR regrets to see Mr. and Mrs. Whitley leave us, but hope they will be pleased with their new home, should they conclude to remain at Douglas.

$100 REWARD.

The following resolution was adopted by the Protective Stock Association of Callahan and adjoining counties: "That a reward of $100.00 is offered for the arrest and conviction of any person for the theft or unlawful branding of any horses or cattle belonging to any member this society in good standing."

J. B. CUTBIRTH, President. A. G. WEBB, Secretary.

NOTE:—All members of the Association are earnestly requested to pay up their assessment as the Association has some past due bills to pay. Dec. 25, 1902. A. G. WEBB.

T. B. HADLEY. WYLIE M. JAMES.

HADLEY & JAMES,

MEAT MARKET

LEA BUILDING.
Beef, Pork, Sausage,
PHONE 22.
Free delivery, give us a trial and we will do our best to please you.

R. RHILLIPS

DRUGGIST

DRUGS
PAINTS
OILS
VARNISHES
WALL
PAPER

WE are still here, with a full and complete line of everything found in an up-to-date drug store. Before buying please give us a call and see what we have got and get prices; it will save you money. We have the largest assortment in Baird. We are anxious for your trade and we will treat you right.

BAIRD, TEXAS.

TOILET
ARTICLES
WATCHES
CLOCKS
and
JEWELRY

D. W. Wristen AND Co.

GROCERS,

Besides a First-class Stock of Staple Provisions, we wish to call atteniion to the fact that we are offering a full line of

BATAVIA Canned Goods,

Heinz' Mince Meat and Apple Butter in Stone Jars. The name is a guarantee of Quality.

BISHOP'S

California Preserves,
Orangeate,
Maraschino Cherries,
Preserved Figs, Etc.

Orders Carefully Filled, Promptly Delivered and Quality of Every Package Guaranteed

D. W. WRISTEN & CO.,
BAIRD, TEXAS.

When A Woman Feels Depressed

has frequent headaches, a "bad case of nerves," lack of appetite, inability to sleep well, a morbid, all-gone feeling, it is not necessarily some dire female malady;

It's the Liver.

Don't fail to get to-day at your druggists a bottle of

HERBINE

It will quickly and surely restore the Liver, Kidneys and digestive organs to their normal functions. You'll feel like a new woman after taking the first bottle

50 Cents. ALL DRUGGISTS.

Sold and Guaranteed by R. PHILLIPS & SON, Baird, Te

We have $2,000 worth of silks, a great many pieces in remnants. These pieces must be sold at prices to suit the customers, cost not in it. Remember, ladies, this is for you. Greatest sacrifice of the season.

5-tf T. E. POWELL.

$100 REWARD.

The Stock Raisers' Association of Coleman and adjoining counties hereby offer a reward of $100 for information that will lead to the arrest and conviction of any person or persons who are guilty of stealing or killing any stock belonging to any member or members of this association. To be paid when satisfactory proof is made to the executive committee of this association. J. P. MORRIS, Pres.
J. RATHMELL Sec'y. 12t

There's No Use Going to Other Towns

FOR BARGAINS.

We have right here in our Store as Good Bargains in Dry Goods as can be found anywhere in West Texas. No trouble to show goods.

T. E. POWELL, BAIRD, TEXAS.

LOCAL NEWS

TYPEWRITER FOR SALE.

I have a typewriter, almost new, for sale. A big bargain.
8tf L. L. BLACKBURN.

W. P. Brightwell was in town the first of the week.

Walter Robbins, of Cottonwood, visited friends in Baird this week.

Miss Delia Robertson, of Colorado, Texas, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Harmon.

Will J. Harris, of Ysleta, spent a day or two in town last week.

W. D. Whitley carried his three little children to Oak Cliff last week and placed them in the St. Joseph Orphan's Home conducted by the Catholic Church.

News was received here Monday that Sam Clark, son of J. L. Clark, formerly of Burkett, died at his fathers' home in Irion county last week. Sam Clark was about twenty-two years of age, and was reared near Burkett. He was a nephew of Mose Franklin of Baird.

Appleton Drake was brought in yesterday on charge of burglarizing J. L. Lawson's house near Putnam on Jany. 17. He waived examination before Squire Oliver and was admitted to bail in the sum of four hundred dollars.

H. H. Gregory, switchman in the T. & P. yards, met with a painful accident Monday morning. In some way he fell beside the track throwing his left hand on the rail in front of a moving freight car which crushed his hand badly. He was carried to Dr. Fraser's office at Terrell's Drug Store where Drs. Fraser and Powell amputated three of his fingers. He was able to come down town yesterday.

J. E. W. Lane announces this week as a candidate for re-election to the office of County Treasurer. Mr. Lane has filled the office acceptably and so far as we know will not have any opposition it being for the second term. Mr. Lane is so well known to the people of Callahan County that he needs no introduction by any one.

Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Flores, Belle Plaine, were in town Wednesday. Mrs. Flores, in company with her daughter, Mrs. Barnhill, made THE STAR office a pleasant call.

See the "Minister's Son" at the Opera House Friday night, Jan 29th.

Saved from Terrible Death.

The family of Mrs. M. L. Bobbitt of Bargerton, Tenn., saw her dying and were powerless to save her. The most skillful physicians and every remedy used, failed, while consumption was slowly but surely taking her life. In this terrible hour Dr. King's New Discoveoy for Consumption turned despair to joy. The first bottle brought immediate relief and its continued use completely cured her. It's the most certain cure in the world for all throat and lung troubles. Guaranteed Bottles 50c and $1.00. Trial bottles free at Powell & Powell's Drug Store Baird Texas, and Y. A. Orr's Drug Store Putnam Texas.

Miss Ruby Schwartz has returned from Dallas, where she has been visiting relatives for sometime.

The "Minister's Son" at the Opera House tomorrow night.

A LETTER TO THE TRADE.

I am opening a new store at Clyde, and will carry a stock of dry goods, shoes and clothing, groceries, hardware, implements and furniture. Will endeavor to carry a complete line, and solicit your trade, promising fair treatment to all. D. H. COLE.
8-4t Clyde, Texas.

W. J. Rylee is reported seriously ill near Cottonwood but was some better at last accounts.

Quite a lot of local news was left out last week partly by mistake and the futher fact that that over three columns of matter already in type had to be left out. A notice of preaching by Rev. John Collier at the Cumberland Church was among the locals unintentionally omitted. We always regret such mistakes, but they will occur occasionally.

Newt Smith, of Dudley, one of the old settlers, and an old time subscriber of THE STAR, made us a pleasant call this morning.

ADMIRAL LOCALS.

Jan. 25, 1904.—The rain and snow moistened the ground enough for the plow to start. The ground is not thoroughly wet.

There has been a great deal of sickness in our neighborhood the last few weeks. So far there has been no fatalities.

Mr. S. A. Hodges returned to old Callahan, after trying the West three years. He has come back with the intention of investing in land.

Dave Hargrove was up from Deer Plains last week. The sand seems to agree with him.

E. O. Summers has bought the Ledbetter place. It is the piece of land settled by Geo. Ellington.

Mr. Gabe Smartt has bought the Burnett tract of land and made his daughter, Mrs. Minnie Lincecum, a present of it.

The patrons of the Spring Gap school made an effort to raise money enough to buy patent desks for the school but failed. Then they bought lumber to make desks which have been made and put to use.

Odran Green returned from Dallas last week where he had entered a business college. Odran says he is going to study until fall then go and complete the course. W. V. Walls who left the same time stayed and is doing nicely in his new studies.

T. W. Eastham has been seen going in an eastward direction for a few Sundays. It is a long, cold road now, but T. W. says it is a long road that never turns.

Mr. W. J. Rylee, near Cottonwood, has been dangerously sick several days. The last report, is that his condition is better.

Rev. Helm filled his regular appointment at Shiloh Sunday. A large crowd was out to hear him.

DU BILL.

Do not fail to see the Minister's Son at the Opera House Friday night, Jan. 29th.

A flue burning out at Dr. Sartor's residence Monday, called out the fire department, but the fire was put out without turning on the water. No damage except, perhaps, by smoke.

Minister's Son." Opera House Friday night, Jan. 29th.

Get your eight day or alarm clock from Powell & Powell.

ANDERSON & BRASHER,
BARBER * SHOP.
AT HOTEL SEAY.

Do first-class barber work. Hot baths every day in the week. Agents for Ideal Steam Laundry, Dublin, Texas, basket leaves Tuesday returns Friday. Hotel Seay Shop. Telephone No. 99.

We are taking stock, and in an immense building. We find remnants of all kinds which we are very anxious to dispose of. You need the goods and I need the money. All remnants go at great bargains.
5-tf T. E. POWELL.

Domestic Troubles.

It is exceptional to find a family where there are no domestic ruptures occasionally, but these can be lessened Dr. King's New Life Pills around. Much trouble they save by their great work in Stomach and Liver troubles. They not only relieve you, but cure 25c, at Powell & Powell's Drug Store, Baird Texas, and Y. A. Orr's Drug Store, Putnam Texas.

For Sale or Rent.

Good five-room dwelling, barn and outhous, lots, etc., two blocks north of the public school building. Very desirable place for parties who have children to send to school.
5-tf J. H. TERRELL.

John W. Woods announces this week as a candidate for County Judge. John Woods was raised in the county and is worthy and well qualified for the position. He has served as County Attorney for the past several years acceptibly to the people.

S. M. Davis and J. C. Walker, of Putnam, came up on the belated train last night.

S. E. Webb is back from Louisiana where he spent several months selling horses and mules.

BASS BROS. DRUG CO.,

ABILENE, TEXAS.

Terrell, Texas, Dec. 11, 1903.

Bass Bros. Drug Co., Abilene, Texas.

Dear Sirs: Last July I lost five head of cattle out of a lot of twenty seven head with splenetic fever.

I then commenced feeding the herd on your Medicated Salt, and have not had a sick one since, and so far I have not had a case of Blackleg.

I think all stockowners should keep Medicated Salt where their stock can get it at all times. Yours truly,

WALTER FOSTER.

(Mr. Porter is manager of the Experimental Farm at Terrell.)

Terrell, Texas, Dec. 14, 1903.—I am using Bass' Medicated Stock Salt in my feed lots on more than 400 steers. Every one is doing well. I am more than pleased and consider it the best investment I ever made, not excepting the best stock foods and tattners. R. S. RODGERS.

(Mr. Rodgers is one of the most successful cattle feeders in Texas)

HOTEL -SEAY,

MRS. E. SIGAL, Lessee

We have moved into the above hotel wherewe are better prepared than ever to accomodate the public. We take this occasion to thank our friends for their liberal patronage given us in the many years past and express the hope that they will call on us in our new location. Hotel Seay is one of the best equipped hotels in West Texas. Come see us.

T. E. POWELL, Presdt. HARRY MEYER V P. FRED LANE, Cashier.

The Home National Bank,

OF BAIRD.

The above bank solicits from the people of Baird and Callahan County a share of their patronage.

PROMPT AND COURTEOUS TREATMENT TO ALL.

We appreciate all business entrusted to us, whether large or small. We extend all accomodations consistent with sound banking and have money to lend on good security.

Modern Fire Proof Vault. Fine Fire and Burglar Proof Safe.

CALL AND SEE US.

BOLL WEEVIL WILL STAY.

THE PLANTER MUST FIGHT IT OUT WITH HIM.

Washington, Jan. 21.—The plans of the Department of Agriculture for the broader experiments in the matter of boll weevil are rapidly being matured and work is to be commenced at once. The department, however, wants every cotton planter in Texas to profit from what has been learned during the past years, and to this end has prepared the following recommendations, which it earnestly urges upon the attention of the farmers. The department hopes that the press of Texas will give these recommendations the widest possible circulation. The recommendations are as follows:

The work of the division of entomology for several years has demonstratted that there is not even a remote probability that the boll weevil will ever be exterminated. Although the very large yields of cotton of former times may no longer be possible, it is nevertheless entirely feasible to produce cotton at a margin of profit that will compare favorably with that involved in the production of most of the staple crops of the United States by following what have become known generally as the cultural methods. These methods consist of the following changes and modifications of the system of cotton raising made necessary by the weevil. They were originally suggested by a careful study of the life, history and habits of the pest, and naturally any improvements that may eventually be made will be the result of the continuation of that study. They have now been tested successfully on a large scale by the division of entomology, as well as by many planters, during two very unfavorable seasons. For the most part they are directed toward obtaining an early crop and toward clean farm practice.

1. Plant early. If possible plant seed of the varieties known to mature or at least obtain seed from as far north as possible. It is much better to run the risk of replanting, which is not an expensive operation, than to have the crop delayed. The practice of some planters of making two plantings to avoid having all the work of chopping thrown into a short period is a very bad policy from the weevil standpoint.

Under identical conditions early cotton of improved varieties has invariably yielded from two to three times as much as native cotton under the same conditions, and in many cases much more. Planted at the same time the early varieties begin to bloom from twelve to eighteen days sooner than native cotton.

Early cotton fields of either native or improved varieties have almost invariably yielded twice as much as late planted ones.

The early varieties in general having a stalk and a short tap root are adapted only for rich soil. They also frequently grow well in the very light, drifting sandy loams of many of the river valleys of Texas, which, in the long seasons before the advent of the boll weevil, often produce the largest yields. In these situations early varieties will yield but little more than native cotton.

2. Cultivate the fields thoroughly. The principal benefit in this comes from the influence that such a practice has upon the constant growth and consequent early maturity of the crop. Very few weevils are killed by cultivation. Much of the benefit of early planting is lost unless it is followed by thorough cultivation. In case of unavoidably delayed planting, the best course to pursue is to cultivate the fields in the most thorough manner possible. Three choppings and five plowings constitute a thorough system of cultivation, as is necessary in cases where the land has been previously kept reasonably clear.

3. Plant the rows as far apart as experience with the land indicates is feasible and thin out the plants in the rows thoroughly. On land which in normal seasons will produce from thirty-five to forty bushels of corn, the rows should be five feet apart. Even on poor soil it is doubtful if the distance should even be less than four feet.

4. Destroy by plowing up, windrowing and burning all the cotton stalks in the fields as soon as the weevils become so numerous that practically all the fruit is being punctured. This will generally not be later than the first week in October. Merely cutting off the stalks by means of the triangular implement used for that purpose throughout the South is by no means as effective as plowing, because the stumps remaining give rise to sprouts which furnish food until late in the season to many weevils that would otherwise starve. The plowing, moreover, serves to place the ground in better condition for early planting the following spring. In such cases turning cattle into the fields is advisable. Aside from amounting to a practical destruction of the plants, grazing of the cotton fields furnishes considerable forage at a time when it is generally much in demand. Nevertheless, cattle should never be turned into cotton fields in which Johnson grass has become started.

5. It is known that at present fertilizers are not used to any considerable extent in cotton producing in Texas. There is, nevertheless, no doubt that there should be; not because the land is poor, but that earlier crops may be procured. At present it is sufficient to call attention to the fact that it has been the uniform experience of experiment stations and planters in the eastern part of the belt that certain fertilizers, especially those involving a large percentage of phosphoric acid, have a strong tendency toward hastening the maturity of the plants.

While crossing a track from his work, August Schoenberg, a cotton screwman at Galveston, was run over, necessitating the amputation of his right leg just below the hip. The chances of his recovery are doubtful.

Mrs. Nannie Hawpe, wife of J. R. Hawpe of Cleburne, died very suddenly in a coughing fit Tuesday afternoon.

Insane Woman's Dire Deed.

Patterson, N. J.: Returning home late Wednesday night, Arthur Oswald was horrified to see the headless body of his 8-year-old son lying on the floor. Near-by lay the body of his pet dog, which also had been beheaded. His wife was lying in bed with her young baby in her arms. She was singing softly to the infant. Near the bed her two other children lay sleeping in a crib. The woman did not recognize her husband nor seem to understand what was said to her.

Found Dead in Bed.

Fort Worth: George L. Adair, aged 50 years, died Wednesday night from taking carbolic acid. His remains were found in a room at a hotel on Fifteenth street at 10:30 o'clock. He was thought to have been a railroad man, and came here Wednesday. He has a brother, who is a railroad man, at Houston. He leaves a $4000 paid-up life insurance policy.

Mexican Veteran Dead.

Stockdale: Capt. John Baker died Wednesday, aged 94. He was a Mexican War veteran and during the war between the states he was sheriff of a county in Texas. He was one of the famous Mier prisoners but did not draw a bean because he was wounded and it was thought he would die, and made effort to escape. He was one of the men who took part in the Saltillo expedition and was in the Masterly retreat mentioned in history.

Charles Greening was thrown from his horse in College Park at Sherman and sustained serious internal hurts.

J. M. Stout of Bardwell, charged with shooting young Creech several days ago, went before Justice Stovall and waived examination trial and made bond to await the action of the grand jury.

Took Carbolic Acid.

Dallas: Ike brower, aged about 60 years, was found dead in his bed. He was last seen on Monday night. Wednesday morning calls at his door received no response, the door was forced and his body found, fully clothed, and lying on the bed. He had in his hand a newspaper and seemed to have died while reading. The dead man had been a carpnter, and for more than twenty-seven years had been connected with the City Planing Mill as a stair builder.

She Smoked Cigarettes.

Chicago, Ill.: Miss Fannie McNab, said to be a victim of the cigarette habit, has been adjudged insane before Judge Carter. She is 33 years old and evidence was introduced to show that she had smoked a package of cigarettes every day for years. Two years ago she was treated at a sanitarium and was supposed to have been cured, but the habit regained its hold on her. She was ordered sent to the Kankakee asylum.

The Hillsboro bank have taken in hand the matter of providing early cotton seed for the farmers by placing an order for three cars of early improved cotton seed. The seed were purchased in North Carolina and will be furnished to the farmers at actual cost laid down here.

Japanese banks are rapidly closing up accounts in Manchuria and stopping business.

When Betsy Hoskins Married.

When Betsy Hoskins married,
Alas, alack the time!
For music lost its measure
And poetry its rhyme;
The blue skies blurred their azure,
The dark clouds never tarried,
But every one
Came on the run
To hide the sun,
When Betsy Hoskins married.

When Betsy Hoskins married,
Alas, my jig was up,
And all the vine of living
Turned bitter in the cup;
The summer time grew winter,
A grievous weight I carried
Along the way
By night and day,
All black and gray,
When Betsy Hoskins married
Me,
See?

—William J. Lampton.

ROBERT GRALE, HERMIT

By GEORGE TREBOR.

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There stood a rude and dingy hut leaning against the eaves of a knoll, and built of sticks and boards thrown up by the tide. A flaring light burned within, and gleamed through the crevices and the jagged hole that served the purpose of a window. A man disheveled, gray and decrepit, came out and carefully drew to the rickety door after him. He paused awhile in contemplation of the night, and listened to the mournful breathing of the surf. Then he climbed to the topmost point of the knoll and gazed long over the stretch of water to the distant harbor where shone the myriad lights of the city, and in musing, said:

"Ye're there, somewhere—I know yer must be—drinkin' and revelin' and spendin' yer bit of money in a fool's paradise; while the neglected wife and wee one seek asylum of yer decrepit father."

Then he clenched his bony hands and muttered, while the night breeze played about his tattered raiment. He looked away along the ribbon of winding white beach and descried an atom moving at the water's edge, growing larger as it advanced; and he watched it until taking the shape of a man, it bore around the foot of the knoll and disappeared beneath the overhanging crags. The watcher descended by the path he had come; passing the hut, he waited in the shadow until the man again appeared, then stepped out and blocked his way.

"What do you want here?" His tone was harsh and stern.

The other hesitated.

"What have ye done with the wife and wee one?" he continued, harsh and stern as before.

"She left my bed and board and took the youngster with her."

"Because you neglected and ill-treated her, and because you will not work. She came to me yesterday in her trouble, not knowing otherwhere."

"It's a lie—I can get no work to do!" and the younger man tried to pass.

"The lie's your own," rejoined the elder, ever hard and stern. "Not so fast!" and he gripped the other by the arm. "She wants not you, she's ill, and wants rest and quiet, and she shall not be disturbed."

"I will see her—see what she means," and he thrust the elder man roughly aside. "You cannot harbor a man's wife. There's a law. Besides, you quarreled with your own wife—don't forget that," and again he made to pass.

Stung by the taunt, the elder man struck out a blow, and yet again. Then they grappled and struggled fiercely in the moan of the surf beneath the

"Ye're there, somewhere—I know ye must be—drinkin' an' revellin'."

stars, until at last by a mighty effort the elder man flung off the younger and stood alone.

"I'm yet your master!" he cried, breathing sharp and heavily. "Never yet had son the right to judge his father, far less taunt him with what he knows naught of. You speak of a law 'gainst harboring your wife. I know another law, and bide by it. If you cannot do for them I can, decrepit as I am—and will. Go away and come not nigh me, else perhaps no law may save you!" And he waited.

Then rose the groveller to his feet and turned to go.

"Stop!" The elder man's tone grew calmer. "Here, ye may see them, but do not waken them," and he turned and led the way into the hut and softly drew aside a rudely hung curtain where the mother and the child lay sweetly sleeping. Then they turned, passed out, and the younger man hung his head while the other spoke.

"Go away and make yourself right with God, and search, and when the chance comes, though small it be, take it and bide by it uncomplaining. The chance will grow, and God's bounty comes to those who first make them-

"I'm yet your master!" he cried, breathing sharp and heavily.

selves worthy. Let me know where you go and what you do, and when the time comes I'll tell her, and we'll 'bide by her decision." The younger man then turned and the other watched him walk away, and his sterness softened.

"Edward!" The tones had broken, and again, "Edward Grale!" The other turned and came.

"Let's not part in anger, lad; we know not what may come," and he held out his hand. Their hands met and lingered a silent moment, then Edward Grale was gone.

Then in the days that followed the old man strove with new energy to fill the extra mouths. He fished and dug clams and peddled them. He gathered rags and old metals from the dumps and sold them, and did any odd jobs he could, and heeded not the jibes of low-born wits.

The pure salt air revived the woman; she gained strength and courage, and went about trying to do little things in her housewifely way for the old man's comfort, while the child gathered flowers on the knoll, and romped and splashed in the surf, and laughed and grew; and the old man laughed, too, in his somber way.

The summer waned and there came a day when the old man went not away to work. He lingered about the hut, or climbed the knoll along the winding beach; then silently retraced his steps and sat within the hut, while the wife and little one hung about the knoll, and often she, too, would pause and look along the stretch of sand. Anon he came, and she turned away her face and called the child, who answered laughing, and returned with spoils gleaned from the heather. Then they laughed, and the woman told him of the many pranks and witty sayings of the child, while she studied the lights and shades that fled across his face. By and by the child tugged the mother's hand:

"Tum! tell dampa papa tum," and urged again, until at last they turned and descended to the hut.

They found him laid upon the rude affair that had served him years for bed and couch, with his fingers clasped upon his breast and a saintly look upon his face; and "dampa" would not waken when the wee one called. Sore pressed and weeping, they drew the child away.

Then a fair, gray woman, fairer than many who were younger, came and looked, and gazed far off, and wept. So passed Robert Grale, the hermit.

EVENTS OF EVERYWHERE.

Ex Governor Hogg paid his poll tax at the State Capital Thursday, after going through the ordeal he remarked: "I found a whole lot of meshes in the pathway of liberty."

United States Senators A. J. McLaurin and H. D. Money of Mississippi, were elected by both houses of the legislature to succeed themselves in the United States Senate.

The Katy "Flyer" was ditched Tuesday near Booneville, Mo., by a misplaced switch. The fireman, engineer and one passenger were hurt, but not fatally.

The United States Steel corporation has sustained a loss by fire of $3,000,000, in the burning of the Shelby Steel Tube Company plant, together with the product of the plant for the past six months.

A series of experiments with radium, startling in their scope, has been undertaken at the University of California. An attempt will probably be made to turn the skin of the negro white.

Two Chicago vessels are ice-bound in the lake between there and Milwaukee. One, the steamer Georgia, with a passenger list of forty and a crew of twenty, is fast in the blockade 400 feet off the Milwaukee harbor.

Ice in the White River at Indianapolis carried off a house boat occupied by John Schowe and wife which has been anchored on the overflowed lands. The boat was battered to pieces and Mrs. Schowe drowned.

Pursuant to the suggestion of Governor Brodie of Arizona in a circular letter, the Board of Supervisors has called six mass meetings to be held Saturday in different towns of this country to protest against joint statehood with New Mexico.

At a largely attended mass meeting of citizens held at the Chamber of Commerce at Nashville resolutions requesting Tennessee's Senators to vote for the ratification of the Panama Canal treaty were adopted almost unanimously.

Mrs. Louise A. Ellen was found mortally injured by a pistol shot at her home in New York Wednesday, dying soon after. Her two young children were found dead, both having been shot in the abdomen. It is believed the woman first shot her children and then herself.

Women from all parts of the country are attending the forty-third annual meeting of the Woman's Union Missionary Society of Alabama, in New York. This was the first Woman's Missionary Society organized and its members represent nearly every shade of religious feeling from Episcopal to Baptist.

Robert F. Hall of Portland, Ore., has suddenly found himself heir to an estate of $3,750,000. The property was amassed by Charles Belden Hall, a New York broker, who died in 1871, leaving his son and daughter in ignorance of the wealth he left behind.

It is the talk in Washington now that Mayor McClellan of New York will be the choice of Tamany for the Democratic presidential nomination, and that at the proper time Charles P. Murphy will announce McClellan as Tammany's choice.

Wide sections of the Miami Valley south of Dayton, O., are inundated. Traction traffic between Dayton and Cincinnati has been suspended owing to damage to the trestlework south of Franklin.

Thirty-five hundred employes of the Illinois Steel Company, at South Chicago, returned to work Monday with the reopening of the mills, which have been idle since Christmas. The men accepted a reduction in wages of from 10 to 25 per cent.

Mrs. Thomas H. Wickes, of Chicago, got a divorce from the wealthy vice president of the Pullman Palace Car Company, upon the ground of extreme and repeated cruelty. Mr. Wickes has been divorced three times.

Experts who have examined the accounts of E. A. Mosely of the Interstate Commerce Commission, say that his accounts are absolutely correct, but condemn the financial administration of the department in some minor matters.

E. A. Erlock, a banker, who claimed that Mystic influences were at work on him through the agency of his stomach bidding him kill the President, was committed to Bellevue Hospital for examination as to his sanity.

A dispatch from Boston says that late developments indicate that the Eastern Bryan Democrats are under secret orders to throw their support to Congressman Hearst of New York for the Democratic nomination.

J. Milliken has on exhibition some samples of genuine marble in the rough that he obtained in the Wichita Mountains. He knew for over a year of this marble find, but has kept it a secret.

LIVE STOCK

Fluid Useless for Branding.

From time to time attempts are made to supplant the red hot branding iron by a liquid. A liquid brand! A material patented in New Zealand has been imported to this country and quite widely advertised. A large number of western cattle men tried it and reported adversely on it. It was claimed that it would not injure the hide, but the experience of stockmen seems to be that it injures them as much as the branding iron. Relative to this matter, the Arizona station publishes the following:

"Hon. Will C. Barnes of Dorsey, New Mexico, formerly an Arizona cattleman, has used this same branding fluid under range conditions and expresses himself concerning its use as follows: "For the man who, like myself, has from two to three hundred calves to brand at a time, I can see no way of using it successfully.

"'In branding time on my ranch we usually cut out from two to three hundred calves, put them into a lane in the corral, cutting calves into one pen and cows into another. One man grabs the calf by the right hind leg, another grabs the tail, gives a quick jerk and the calf is on his side with one man holding his hind legs and another on his neck. No sooner does he hit the ground than a man is at him with the iron, while at the same time another man marks and castrates, and this year a third man dehorned with a clipper. With two pairs of men to throw, one to run the irons, one to cut and mark, and one to dehorn, making seven men in all, we have frequently branded out ninety calves in an hour and kept it up at that clip for three or four hours.

Now I tried the branding fluid under such conditions: I first put it into a milkpan and used a cold iron. It took a long time for the fluid to penetrate the hair, and finally one vigorous calf kicked over my pan and spilled the fluid all over the legs of the man holding him. That settled the pan system, and I got a brush and painted it on. That worked all right, but took time. But the worst feature of all was that crowding three or four hundred calves into a small pen that way, they smeared and rubbed the stuff all over each other, the sides of the corral and the men's clothes.

"'Branding time on a big ranch is a hurry-up period; everything is in a rush. To use the fluid means to take just about ten times as long as by the hot iron system.'"

Rough Feed For Horses.

The Wyoming station has made some experiments that demonstrate the value of alfalfa hay as a horse feed, says a government report. In discussing the subject of alfalfa for horses, the California station says in effect that in regions where it is the staple crop the quantity of protein that can be supplied in green and cured alfalfa is so great that much less grain is required than when the coarse fodder consists of cereal hays only. For the Pacific coast, where cereal hays replace so largely those from meadow grasses, the station recommends a ration of alfalfa hay with wheat hay or barley hay or grain. In a recent discussion of horse feeding under local conditions the Louisiana station has pointed out the value of cowpea vine hay.

The outcome of the different experiments is in accordance with the observation of careful feeders, viz., that the various common coarse fodders may be fed to horses as circumstances demand. Although timothy hay is in many regions regarded as the preferable coarse feed, yet experience has shown that corn fodder, hay from wheat, barley and other cereal grains and from clover and alfalfa, may be substituted for it. That this is what might be expected is shown by a study of the composition of these feeding stuffs. They resemble one another very closely in the character and amount of nutrients they contain. Alfalfa, clover and the other leguminous hays are richer in protein than the cured grasses and cereal forage. Straw is not much fed to horses in the United States, but is a common feeding stuff in Europe. As shown by its composition and digestibility, it compares quite favorably with other coarse fodders. In accordance with the general principle, the substitution of one coarse fodder for another in a ration should always be made on a basis of composition and digestibility, rather than pound for pound.

Our Poultry.

According to the census of three years ago, the United States has 233 million chickens, 6 million turkeys, 5 million geese and 4 million ducks. The odd thousands are not given, as the millions are near enough. It will be seen that our common barnyard fowl is a good ways in the lead. In the matter of chickens, the leading state is Iowa, which is credited with 18 millions. Illinois comes next with 16 millions, and she is closely followed by Missouri with 14 millions. Ohio is also credited with 14 millions and Texas has 13 millions. Indiana, Kansas and Pennsylvania have each over 10 millions. The smallest showing was made by Alaska, which reported only 176 chickens. In the total value of poultry and eggs produced during the census year Illinois led, and was followed by Iowa and Missouri in the order named. For the census year the value of all the eggs produced in the United States was 144 millions and of poultry products 136 millions.

Miss Gannon, Sec'y Detroit Amateur Art Association, tells young women what to do to avoid pain and suffering caused by female troubles.

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—I can conscientiously recommend **Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound** to those of my sisters suffering with female weakness and the troubles which so often befall women. I suffered for months with general weakness, and felt so weary that I had hard work to keep up. I had shooting pains, and was utterly miserable. In my distress I was advised to use **Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound,** and it was a red letter day to me when I took the first dose, for at that time my restoration began. In six weeks I was a changed woman, perfectly well in every respect. I felt so elated and happy that I want all women who suffer to get well as I did." — MISS GULA GANNON, 359 Jones St., Detroit, Mich., Secretary Amateur Art Association. — *$5000 forfeit if original of above letter proving genuineness cannot be produced.*

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Florida's diplomatic relations with turkeys are of the most cordial description just now.

I am sure Piso's Cure for Consumption saved my life three years ago.—MRS. THOS. ROBBINS, Maple Street, Norwich, N. Y., Feb. 17, 1900.

Not Like His Mother.

Life tells a good story of the small son of a certain university professor, whose parents are deservedly popular for their tact and courteous speech. The youngster appeared at the home of a fellow-professor and hesitatingly asked Mrs. —— if he might look at the parlor rug. Permission was, of course, granted, and Mrs. —— felt some surprise to see the little fellow stoop over the rug and stare silently for some half-minute. He straightened himself up, and, meeting her wondering expression, said triumphantly: "It doesn't make me sick!"

No Heaven-bent Mob For Him.

At an evangelistic service at Glasgow the preacher at the end of his address cried: "Now all you good people who mean to go to heaven with me, stand up!" With a surge of enthusiasm, the audience sprang to their feet—all but an old Scotchman in the front row, who sat still. The horrified evangelist wrung his hands and, addressing him, said: "My good man, my good man, don't you want to go to heaven?" Clear and deliberate came the answer: "Aye, Awm gangin' but no wi' a pairsonally conducted pairty!"

A Dentist's Advice.

Toledo, Ohio, Jan. 25th.—Mr. Harry L. Lewis, Dentist, 607 Sumit street, this city, says: "I certainly advise anyone, no matter how severe they may have Kidney Trouble to take Dodd's Kidney Pills.

"I was troubled with Kidney Disease for several years and Dodd's Kidney Pills cured me. I had used many so-called remedies without any benefit. Four months ago, I was flat on my back with this painful trouble and must say that I almost gave up hopes of ever getting any better. Through a friend's advice I purchased six boxes of Dodd's Kidney Pills.

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Canals In England.

Canals in England date back to an early period, for the Romans built two in Lincolnshire—the Foss dike, forty miles long and still navigable, and the Caer dike. The first British made canal was constructed in 1134 by Henry I. and joined the Trent to the Witham. It was toward the end of the eighteenth century that the greatest amount of energy was expended in the building of canals, mainly due to the Duke of Bridgewater and the skill of his engineer, James Brindley. In the last decade of that century a canal mania raged.

A foreigner can not own land in Japan.

Men have a more acute sense of smell then women.

Seoul, the capital of Korea, is eighteen miles from its seaport, Chemulpo, on the Yellow Sea.

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Knowledge from Experience.

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Russia, Roumania and Servia are at the top of the list in illiteracy, 80 per cent of the population in these countries being unable to read or write.

LASTING RELIEF.

J. W. Walls, Superintendent of Streets of Lebanon, Ky., says:

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A Big Marriage Service.

The Rev. A. W. Pitzer set a pretty good pace last week when he married three couples at once, but he is still twenty-eight laps behind the record, which is held by an American missionary on the island of Apemana.

This strange wedding, where thirty-one couples were united at once, was solemnized in 1882. All the principals were converted heathens, and so well were the marriage bonds tied that ten years later not one of the couples was divorced.

The great wedding was one of necessity, rather than choice. All the couples had signified their intention to be married with Christian rites. Plans were made for separate weddings, but a missionary ship was waiting for the teacher who was to marry the converts, and an approaching storm made it necessary for him to read the ceremony with great haste.

If the natives had not agreed to engage in a wholesale ceremony they would have been condemned in six months more of single blessedness, so the great party joined right hands and assumed the solemn obligations according to their new faith.—Washington Times.

Struggle and Strength.

Strength comes only through struggle—through struggle and earnest work—never through a frantic beating against the bars nor through self pity. Ill health is a prison of your own building, a prison wherein you are locked by your own thoughtfulness and lack of self control. Circumstances have something to do with it, and you may have inherited a tendency toward disease. In that case circumstances must be altered and inherited weakness outgrown. Both can be done. Earnest thinking and thoughtful work will move mountains.

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No one was ever sorry for having voluntarily eaten too little, while millions every day repent having eaten too much. It has been said that the great lesson homeopathy taught the world was this: that whereas physicians had been in the habit of giving the patient the largest dose he could stand, they have been led to see that their purpose was better subserved by giving him the smallest dose that would produce the desired effect. And so it is with food. Instead of eating, as most people unfortunatbly do, as much as they can, they should eat the smallest amount that will keep them in good health.—From Roger S. Tracy's "How to Live Long" in the February Century.

A Fraud.

A subscriber sends us a letter he received from a breeder of poultry of whom he proposed buying some stock. This breeder claims his hens lay from 280 to 300 eggs a year, many of them producing the largest number. He offers to sell a pen for $10 or a trio for $6. The breeder who makes such claims condemns himself at once. Hens that will average even 280 eggs in a year could readily be sold for more than this breeder offers to take for a pen, but such hens are not for sale, for the very good reason that they do not exist.—Commercial Poultry.

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Other Prominent Physicians Use and Endorse Pe-ru-na.

DR. LLEWELLYN JORDON, Medical Examiner of the U. S. Treasury Department, graduate of Columbia College, and who served three years at West Point, has the following to say of Peruna:

"Allow me to express my gratitude to you for the benefit derived from your wonderful remedy. One short month has brought forth a vast change and I now consider myself a well man after months of suffering. Fellow sufferers, Peruna will cure you."

A constantly increasing number of physicians prescribe Peruna in their practice. It has proven its merits so thoroughly that even the doctors have overcome their prejudice against so-called patent medicines and recommend it to their patients.

Peruna occupies a unique position in medical science. It is the only internal systemic catarrh remedy known to the medical profession to-day. Catarrh, as everyone will admit, is the cause of one-half the disease which afflicts mankind. Catarrh and catarrhal diseases afflict one-half of the people of the United States.

Robert R. Roberts, M. D., Washington, D. C., writes:

"Through my own experience as well as that of many of my friends and acquaintances who have been cured or relieved of catarrh by the use of Hartman's Peruna, I can confidently recommend it to those suffering from such disorders, and have no hesitation in prescribing it to my patients."—Robert R. Roberts.

Dr. R. Robbins, Muskogee, I. T., writes:

"Peruna is the best medicine I know of for coughs and to stengthen a weak stomach and to give appetite. Besides prescribing it for catarrh, I have ordered it for weak and debilitated people, and have not had a patient but said it helped him. It is an excellent medicine and it fits so many cases.

"I have a large practice, and have a chance to prescribe your Peruna. I hope you may live long to do good to the sick and the suffering.

Dr. M. C. Gee writes from 513 Jones St., San Francisco, Cal.:

"Peruna has performed so many wonderful cures in San Francisco that I am convinced that it is a valuable remedy. I have frequently advised its use for women, as I find it insures regular and painless menstruation, cures leucorrhœa and ovarian troubles, and builds up the entire system. I also consider it one of the finest catarrh remedies I know of."—M. C. Gee, M. D.

Dr. Llewellyn Jordan, Medical Examiner United States Treasury.

Catarrh is a systemic disease curable only by systemic treatment. A remedy that cures catarrh must aim directly at the depressed nerve centers. This is what Peruna does.

Peruna immediately invigorates the nerve centers which give vitality to the mucous membranes. Then catarrh disappears. Then catarrh is permanently cured.

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"Many daughters have done virtuously, but thou excellest them all."

THIRD WEEK.

Scripture 1 Corinthians, 3d Chapter, 6-18, 6: 19-20. Roll call.

"TOPIC—TOBACCO."

Meeting was opened by the President. Recording Secretary being absent, Mrs. J. E. W. Lane served pro tem. We had a good attendance; number increasing all the time. New members every meeting.

Mrs. J. H. Walker wishing to be excused from office, Mrs. Oliver was elected in her place.

Mrs. Coffman 2d vice-president.

Mrs. G. M. Hall 3d vice-president.

Contest work under the control and supervision of Mrs. E. P. Poindexter assisted by Miss Minnie Rogers seems to be making rapid progress. Everyone seems enthused with the work, and willing to do what they can "by the grace of God" be it great or small. After a short talk from the Superintendent of the Mother's Department, meeting was closed with Aaronic benediction.

GOD'S CHARGE TO AARON.

"Do not drink wine or strong drink, thou nor thy sons with the, when thou goest into the tabernacle of the congregation lest ye die."

"How many preachers, their sons and the membership of their churches need that admonition today; need the moral courage to need the warning, and come out on the side of right at every opportunity regardless of consequences.

"Not saying they cannot mix politics and religion" "Let us mix politics and religion until politics is thoroughly purified." "If Christianity cannot purify politics, what have the the distillers and saloonmen to fear?"

"What will be the influence of a church member for Christ, that does not stand firm on the right side? "Ye cannot serve God and Mammon." Therefore if we serve God let it be in purity and truth.

POLYGAMY A LIVE ISSUE.

"Conspicuous among the decorations of the convention church in Cincinnati, was a large United States map painted in bright and brilliant colors. The Western half of this beautiful map was marred by the hideous form of a huge octopus painted in black, the center of its body with the glaring eyes almost entirely covering the state of Utah. The tentacles of this monster were spread in all directions, covering a goodly portion of seven states, while one had stealthily felt its way across the country and taken a firm grasp on the national capitol. Can you guess what that repulsive creature represented? Yes, it symbolized the status of Mormonism in the United States today. The disciples of Joseph Smith are boasting of their rapid progress and hope to soon hold the balance of power in our government."

"Awake, thou that sleepest!"

Ere long our country will be one mass of corruption. Intemperance and Polygamy, our enemies.

Whose names shall stand in the vanguard? Who will buckle on their shield of righteous and purity and stand firm for "God, Home and Native Land?"

Methinks I can hear the cry, I! I! from every true man who holds his home and fireside sacred as he does his God.

"You cannot use the devils' dividends as a sinking fund for heavenly investments."

"Only the shameless can be independent of impurity."

"The only way to put our sins behind our back is to keep the Savior before the face."

CORRECTIONS.

In last week, should have read: "Is the combined work of God and man in the printing."

"It is an addiction that does not allow itself wish the virtues of manly youth" FIRST SUPT.

Mrs. E. P. Poindexter, Supt. of the Medal Contest Department of the W. C. T. U., will entertain the following young ladies, who will take part in the coming contest: Misses Bernice Foy, Jim Jones, Lucy McCoy, Mamie Hart, Jessie Coffman Cecil Fox, at her home Saturday night, she will be assisted by Miss Minnie Rogers, Assistant Superintedant.

BAIRD COLLEGE.

As the first term of Baird College closes Jan. 29, 1904, oral examinations will be held in the College Chapel Friday morning from 9 to 12 o'clock. All friends and especially patrons are cordially invited to attend.

CARD OF THANKS.

I desire in this way to express my sincere thanks to members of the Fire Company, also friends and neighbors who so nobly responded to an alarm of fire at my residence on last Monday while I was absent from the city. In so doing you appeased the anxiety of my wife and little ones, and arrested the progress of what might have resulted in a disaserous fire.

Gratefully,
E. R. SARTOR.

NEW ORLEANS MARDI GRAS.

One fare for the round trip from all points via The Texas & Pacific Railway. Dates of sale February 10th to 15th, inclusive, final limit February 20th, 1904. On payment of fee of 50cts an extension to March 5th, 1904 will be granted. For further information call on any T & P. Ticket Agent, or write E. P. Turner, General Passenger Agent, Dallas, Texas.

"The nicest and pleasantest medicine I have ever used for indigestion and constipation is Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets," says Melard F. Craig, of Middlegrove, N. Y. "They work like a charm and do not gripe or have any unpleasant effect," For sale by R. Phillips, Baird Texas, and Y. A. Orr, Putnam Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Y. Gilliland spent several days in town this week.

Remember the Hamilton-Brown shoe is the best shoe on the earth. Every pair of the brand is warranted. You run no risk in buying this class of goods, so don't buy cheap shoddy, but go to T. E. Powell's and get shoes worth your money. 5-tf

S. P. Long of Dressy, sold three bales of cotton at Baird, Monday at 14½ cts. Sam says this is pretty good, and so say we all.

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Oscar Jones, wife and baby are visiting at Tecumseh this week.

A Very Close Call.

"I stuck to my engine, although every joint ached and every nerve was racked with pain," writes C. W. Bellamy, a locomotive fireman, of Burlington, Iowa. "I was weak and pale, without an appetite and all run down As I was about to give up, I got a bottle of Electric Bitters, and after taking it, I felt as well as I ever did in my life." Weak, sickly, run down people always gain new life, strength and vigor from their use. Try them. Satisfaction guaranteed by Powell & Powell, Baird Texas, and Y. A. Orr, Putnam Texas. Price 50 cents.

Tom Windham, of Tecumseh, came in Monday to pay his taxes and to attend to some land matters.

Cured Lumbago.

A. B. Canman, Chicago, writes March 4 1903: "Having been troubled with Lumbago at differenttimes and tried one physician after another; then different ointments and liniments, gave it up altogether. So I tried once more, and got a bottle of Ballard's Snow Liniment, which gave me almost instant relief. I can cheerfully recommend it, and will add my name to your list of former sufferers." 25c, 50c and $1.00. Sold by R. Phillips.

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Some of the boys set up the pop corn for E. Boland at a street popper one day last week. The contract was that the vendor was to give Mr. B all the corn he could eat for a quarter, but after eating four sacks Mr. B give up the job and made the boys take the money back as his appetite failed him, and he would not let the crowd pay for the corn.

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Mullins, S. C., March 10, 1901.
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NEW GOODS.

You ought to see all the pretty new goods at T. E. Powell's. We got in two car loads this week at old price; goods at my store are cheaper today than at the factory where they were made. You know the advance is here, but I bought before the great advance Come and see. T. E. Powell. 7

ESTRAY NOTICE.

The State of Texas }
County of Callahan } Taken up by J. W. Gaither, P. O. Putnam, Texas, and estrayed before F. S. Ormsby, J. P. Precinct No. 8, Callahan county, Texas, on the 28th day of Octr 1903, the following described animal:

One light bay horse, unbroke, about 16 hands high, 3 white feet, white stripe in face about 8 years old, branded X 4 on left shoulder, and appraised at $50.00.

If not proven away will be dealt with as the law directs.

Given under my hand and seal of office this 16th day of Jan. A. D. 1904.

W. P. COCHRAN, Co. Clerk,
7-4t-pd Callahan County Texas.

The Grand Jury was about to indict T. E. Powell for selling goods too cheap. 1

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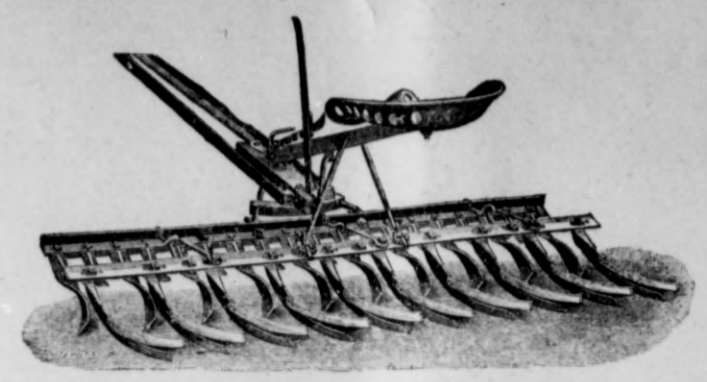

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