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Call early and get Choice, as these Goods are bound to go.

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A Great Revival.

SEVENTY-TWO CONVERSIONS AT THIS WRITING, THURSDAY.

The Revival at the Court House, Conducted by Rev. J. B. Andrews of Alabama, assisted by Rev. W. B. Wilson of the same State and Rev. Dorman and Mays of Baird, is still going on, but put probably will close to-morrow.

This is by far the greatest revival that Baird ever has witnessed. Why is it, is asked by many? Bro. Andrews preaches in a straight-forward plain, practical way. He tells the same old story which we all have heard hundreds of times; yet some sinners and christians in this town as never before. We have heard eminent and scholarly divines like T. De Witt Talmage, we have heard the great revivalist Dwight L. Moody, but we never heard any that surpassed him in his simple, yet eloquent appeals to man's better nature.

The singing is conducted by Rev. W. B. Wilson, assisted by the ablest singers in Baird and is an interesting feature of the meeting. At this writing, Thursday evening, 72 conversions are reported, some will scoff at this, but it is a matter that every one must settle for themselves and if all professors of religion are real true christians it only makes them better men and women.

NOTES.
Rev. M. K. Little, presiding elder of this district, came down Wednesday from Abilene and joined forces with the other ministers in their assaults on his Satanic Majesty's Kingdom.

The wind cannot blow through Bro. Dorman's whiskers now. He has not got any. We cannot flatter him, how ever, by saying that he has improved his looks by the change.

Bro. Andrews will go to Putnam to attend a meeting as soon as they close the meeting here. Rev. W. B. Wilson was to begin a meeting at Putnam last night. THE STAR wants its sinners at Putnam to look out

if they don't want to change their ways (we mean of course if there are any sinners down there) because if Bro. Andrews gets after you with that ecclesiastical curry comb of his, he is liable to make you do some serious thinking if he don't do anything more.

The crowds that attend the meeting cannot all secure seats, and the Court room is crowded to its utmost capacity every night, though seats have been placed in every available spot in the large court room.

Bro. Andrews preached to men only Sunday, and did not take up a collection as some predicted he would do.

"Don't be a deocoy duck for the devil!"—Andrews.

Every christian should be able to say amen to this.

THE TELEPHONE LINE.

The following letter was received last week in regard to a telephone line to Cottonwood and Cross Plains: CROSS PLAINS, JAN. 29 '96.

ED. STAR, BAIRD, TEXAS.
DEAR SIR:
"Them's are my sentiments" exactly when you say "why can't we build a telephone line" from Baird to Cross Plains via Cottonwood. Whoop the matter up and let's build one, Cross Plains and community will do her part, let's hear from Baird and Cottonwood on the matter.

Yours Truly
W. A. McGOWEN.
This is a matter of considerable importance to Baird, more we fear than our business men realize. Good roads and a telephone line would do much to bring the trade of Cottonwood and Cross Plains that now go to Cisco. Want the merchants of Baird take the matter in hand at once and see if something can't be done!

MONY FOUND.
County Clerk W. W. Danson found some money in the Court House Wednesday, owner can get same by calling on him and describing the money. Q

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COME AND SEE US.

A democrat who believes in free coinage of silver is denounced as insincere and inconsistent by a lot of self-righteous pop leaders because he does not quit the party of the people, the party of his fathers, and the party that stands for equal rights for all classes, to join the populist party. Because a democrat favors free coinage of silver that is no reason why he should go to the populist party for its government ownership of railroads and everything else, tatism and the Lord knows what else thrown in for good measure.

NOTICE.
After Saturday, Feb. 8th, we will only grind on the Second and Fourth Saturday in each month.
FOURTH FLOOR.

GOOD ADVICE.
When you want the Best Barb Wire at the lowest prices, when you want the very best Plows, Harrows, Cultivators or other Farm Implements at bed rock prices, when you want Hardware of any kind call on J. J. SWAN, at Putnam, Texas.

DEEP CREEK DOTS.

February 5.—The following changes in real estate: Mr. and Mrs. G. Stokes sold to I. N. Jackson their place on Deep Creek containing about 320 acres of land. J. B. Smart bought of J. W. Jones a tract of 160 acres all under fence and with some improvements on it. The price was in both transactions part cash part stock.

J. E. Hill hauled the other day his wheat to Abilene where he found a market at 45 cents per bushel. J. D. Rowden tried his oats at Abilene also with some fat hogs. The trip was not very satisfactory the sudden changes of the weather affecting the quality of the meat.

Messrs Robinson and Butler who are feeding about 500 sheep between Caddo Peak and Cottonwood purchased a quantity of J. M. Matthews' fine line millet at \$4 per ton. The bad roads are interfering with the hauling and the gentlemen have already had several turn-overs.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Marion Terry on February 1, a boy. We did not see "Grand pa" 'Zhi Morgan, but we learn all the interesting parties are doing well.

Another new settler on Deep Creek, Tom Stratton of Belle Plaine has filed on a piece of vacant land between the Joe Melendon place and the Cherokee strip and is hauling lumber, shingles etc to begin soon the erection of a dwelling house.

Mrs. R. A. Harris left Monday for Big Springs on a visit to her daughter, Mrs. Robinson.

Several reports of diphtheria. Fortunately the cases seem to be of a lighter type and household remedies applied in time are able to check the insidious disease in its beginning.

Donnell Griffith had the bad luck to be struck down with his loaded wagon while coming down that celebrated mountain between Baird and Callahan City last Tuesday late in the evening. He had been to town with cotton, but on account of that revival all business houses were closed for several hours and before the storekeepers returned from their late dinners more valuable time was lost. It was late when he had sold the cotton and could begin to load and the night being very dark and the road of course very bad he broke down completely and had to go with the team for several miles to get another wagon. And as he is just a beginner the loss is felt by him much harder.

To give my candid opinion about that revival business on working days and during business hours. I don't think it is right and fair. Suppose a hotel would open his store on Sunday just for accommodation and for only one or two hours. Huh, what a howl would go up for this worldly wickedness and alleged disobedience of the Holy Bible. But this same good book says: Thou shalt work six days and tend to thine business. And further if you are really imbued with the spirit of true Christianity if you want to follow practically the divine teachings of the carpenter's son of Nazareth then you have every day every hour, chances in abundance to show it by your acting in every day's life. But the pity is nearly all of these so-called professed Christians and self-patented followers of Christ don't want to have their actions regulated by the pure and unadulterated doctrines of the Saviour; all that they want is that light outside coat and varnish to conceal their internal meanness and wickedness.

The other day I read in an Abilene paper that a preacher had come over to Baird to see the "Saints of Baird" Who, laughs there? "Saints of Baird" that is rich indeed. I hear the soft fluttering of wings. I hear something like angelic choirs and symphonies and really I would like to be introduced to them. "Saints of Baird" so if anybody is connected in that line and would drop me a hint I would appreciate the favor.
H. B.

Rev. W. W. Dorman was called to Putnam Wednesday to attend the funeral of Mrs. Henry Chismoo.

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LOOKS LIKE BUSINESS

PAN-AMERICAN UNION IS PROPOSED.

Ignacio Ebbles Issues a Circular Letter on the Subject, and Senor Carrero Minister from Ecuador Speaks at Length of the Proposed Scheme.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.—The movement which has for its object the formation of a League for the holding of a congress of representatives of all the republics of the Americas to define and establish the Monroe doctrine and to establish commercial and political relations between them is rapidly taking form. The Ecuadorian minister here, Senor Carrero, has freely discussed the subject with the other members of the diplomatic body who came from the south. To give an official character to this mission, he addressed a copy of a circular signed by the minister of foreign affairs of Ecuador to ministers of all the nations of Central and South America, intending transmission to the respective foreign offices. A copy was delivered also to Secretary Olney, for it is expected that the United States will certainly be represented, as it was in the pan-American congress.

The subject was stated by Senor Carrero while the City of Mexico is suggested in the circular as the proper place for the holding of this congress. He said that the congress must be eventually held there, for the freest opportunity will be offered the nations invited to express their preferences in the matter of a meeting place, and it may be that the United States will be selected.

The circular, after stating the purpose of holding a general assembly, concludes as follows:—

"The enlightened government of your excellency is doubtless aware of the fact that the assembly held in 1887, because it shall be called to decide some points of vital importance, both political and commercial, relating to the American republics.

At present, and in consequence of the resistance for the same held in 1887, we are compelled to do it. Oakes is not expected to live.

Something over 600 head of hogs were shipped from Harto, Williams county, to Fort Worth this morning. They averaged 300 pounds, being raised in a country of great food and attention in that county.

The following letter from Land Commissioner Baker to State Treasurer Workman, explains their views respectively advised that all state school lands sold under act of 1887, and acre amendments thereto and reported by you to this department as an installment in interest for the year ending August 1, 1894, have been paid as required by law, except three parcels in which you had not accepted interest payments and did not receive this in office.

A Sister of Charity connected with the Texas and Pacific bank, Mrs. Marshall Johnson, by the name of Sister St. John, forsook the order to become a wife. She was married six days since in Palestine in H. A. Nunnally, who was the draughted at the hospital. Sister St. John quitted her veil away from the hospital at night. She was assisted in her escape by Mr. Nunnally's brother, John Nunnally, in Palestine, where she was followed the next day by Draggest Nunnally and the marriage ceremony followed.

The state treasurer reports land sales for the month of January. Lease public school lands, interest, \$14,161.10; sale public school lands, 2,929.72; sale public school lands, principal, 24,905.51; lease university lands, interest, \$21,909.31; sale university lands, principal, \$113,748; sale university lands, principal, \$56; sale deaf blind asylum lands, interest, \$206.08; sale deaf and dumb asylum lands, principal, \$204.35; sale lunatic asylum lands, interest, \$30.75; sale orphan asylum lands, principal, \$21; sale blind asylum lands, interest, \$119.68; sale blind asylum lands, principal, \$47; sale public domain, act March 29, 1857, \$691.98. Total, \$64,576.46.

At Dallas a few days since Will Peters and Albert Krugie, young wheelmen 18 and 20 years old, fatally struck and killed an Italian. They were arrested.

At Naugochles the epidemic of measles continues to create great distress and no little human suffering in the country. Several deaths in the country have occurred, but none in town.

Near Victoria, recently, E. L. Dunlap's hay meadow fire and burned off 800 acres of uncut hay and about 2000 bales of cured hay, two presses and all other implements on the premises.

Grandma Turner, 80 years of age, and for many years a resident of Gatesville, died at the breakfast table the morning after the loss of her son, Miles Turner.

Herd, Madrid & Youth, dry goats at Gatesville, have failed. Ladies of 18, 285, assets not \$1000.

Karnes county has recently received quite a number of immigrants, who have opened up new homesteads.

Freight Engineer J. Quill was killed in a wreck on the Houston and Texas Central road recently just at Gatesville. The train was badly hurt also.

In Waco county the Dr. Williams' Pink Pills was a fine success. The doctor who used to be his best and ended the trouble.

ACOWARDLY ASSAULT

AN UNKNOWN PERSON STRIKES A CRAZY MAN

A blow on the Head That Results in His Death—Treatment of the Corpse by San Antonio for the Meeting of the Medical-Kinematology Society.

REAGAN, Tex., Feb. 5.—James J. Crouch, a young man of unusual mind living in this neighborhood, died Monday night from a blow or blows on the head. The death occurred at the home of his brother-in-law, F. M. Davis. Crouch was a well-to-do man and so far as a member, Mr. Davis stated that soon after dark he staggered into his house with his head and face badly bruised. When asked what was the matter, he answered, "That fellow has simply replied, 'He hit me with anything he could lay his hands on.'"

Immediately afterward he sank into a stupor from which he was never aroused.

The attending physician stated that death was produced by rupture of blood vessels in the brain caused by the blows on the head. Dr. Higgins has gone out to hold an inquest.

A Trio in Trouble.—Sherman dispatch: The case against Sherman Smith, Charlie Argo and Joseph C. Galloway is now pending in the alleged conspiracy to rob and the subsequent robbery of the residence of Mr. Roper in the Indian Territory were called and all parties waived examination and bonds were set in their case. Sheriff Weston has notified Galloway for conspiracy to rob, \$500; for receiving and concealing property stolen from the robbery, \$500; for conspiracy to rob, \$500; for bringing stolen property into Texas, \$500; Charles Smith, for conspiracy to rob property into Texas, two cases, for each conspiracy to rob, \$500. For conspiracy to rob, \$500; for conspiracy to murder at the home of Mrs. Sweeney, \$100; for conspiracy to murder, \$100. Argo had \$100,000 bonds set as follows: Smith, \$50,000; Galloway, \$50,000.

Medical-Kinematology Society.—San Antonio, Tex., Feb. 5.—At a largely representative meeting of physicians of all schools held last night at the rooms of the Business Men's club, arrangements were perfected for the local representative of the profession of medicine to attend the annual congress of medico-kinesiology, called to meet here Feb. 20, 21 and 22, and the object of the meeting was to discuss the subject of the treatment of the sick by tender our hearty co-operation in behalf of the coming congress of medico-kinesiology called to meet Feb. 20, 21 and 22; that we endorse its purpose and objects and extend a cordial welcome to all physicians who attend the country who contemplate visiting as during this event.

Child and White Assailant.—Will Parks, Tex., Feb. 5.—On a telegram from Grand Saline the city marshal yesterday arrested a negro on a freight train Monday night and becoming cold got off about two miles from town. He was accompanied by a white man. Horton went to sleep and received consciousness only a little while later when he found that he had been assaulted. The negro and part of Horton's clothing was gone. The negro refused to identify the assailant, but Drake and claims to have brought the clothing from another negro. The negro of the freight train is from Memphis, Tenn., and has a name of Drake and claims to have brought the clothing from another negro. The negro of the freight train is from Memphis, Tenn., and has a name of Drake and claims to have brought the clothing from another negro.

Rebaiters on a Strike.—Eagle Pass, Tex., Feb. 5.—The carpenters and masons and all other departments of the Mexican and national shops went on strike yesterday. The men in the mechanical departments at Monaca and other points on the road have joined the strike, making 16 general. There has been no disorder and no effect on the affairs of the strikers.

Fell Into the Fire.—Hempstead dispatch: The other evening the 2-year-old child of Constable Lipscomb fell from a high chair into the fireplace face forward. The child's comb was close at hand and saved the child from death by fire. The little one's injuries are painful, but not serious.

A Young Offender.—GROVER, Tex., Feb. 5.—Walter Math, 16 years old, was charged with robbery in the justice court here for horse theft and was allowed bail in the sum of \$200 for his appearance before the next term of the district court. His home is in Oklahoma Territory.

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Merit

It is generally recognized that the number of words used in our daily life is very small. Perhaps not more than two or three thousand in all are in common use. Of course, there are some few people like dictionary makers who know more, but the average man gets along very comfortably on that limited supply. It is only when flowery writers are called on to describe and to invent to tell what they think they know, and who waste time to him for two hours in a whisper, to keep from waking the baby, holding their hands up for many more words in use than is generally supposed, and that there is something undesirable in describing the word in the human system, all the words, nouns, verbs and tenses come under the head of the human system.

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Build a fortress around your health with BROWN'S IRON BITTERS. It is the best for the blood and the nerves. It is the best for the stomach and the lungs. It is the best for the heart and the kidneys.

GUARANTEE. Purchase Moore's refined Shreve's Iron Bitters taken on a deposit and it benefits you in every way. It is the best for the blood and the nerves. It is the best for the stomach and the lungs. It is the best for the heart and the kidneys.



JUST BEEN TO THE STORE. SEE WHAT I GOT FOR 10 CENTS. It is the best for the blood and the nerves. It is the best for the stomach and the lungs. It is the best for the heart and the kidneys.

The largest piece of good tobacco ever sold for 10 cents. It is the best for the blood and the nerves. It is the best for the stomach and the lungs. It is the best for the heart and the kidneys.

and the 5 cent piece is nearly as large as you get of other high grades for 10 cents. It is the best for the blood and the nerves. It is the best for the stomach and the lungs. It is the best for the heart and the kidneys.

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W. E. GILLLAND, Editor and Proprietor



The Senate passed the silver bill in a whoop Saturday.

Three men were slain at a populist discussion of the financial question at Hixie, Ark.—Dallas News.

Poor fellows; talked to death, no doubt.

Hardy has called his committee of "sound" money advocates to meet at Galveston. "Sound" refers to the noise they make, and not the principles they advocate, as some suppose.

Secretary Carlisle has ordered the mints to coin eighteen million silver dollars. What will our gold or bus, friends say to this wild scheme of flooding the country with fiat dollars?

The production of gold in '95 was \$203,000,000, the largest output in the history of the world. The financial question may be settled by the natural order of things in spite of the politicians.

The democratic party will not endorse monometalism in national convention this year of our Lord 1906. These are breakers ahead, and some of the reckless leaders are smart enough to see it.

The sheep and goats are going to be separated in the democratic party in Texas this year. One very unsavory Billy-god, named Barney, has gone over to the pope. It is to be hoped that he will stay with them.

Baird needs that telephone hand, Suppl we had it now! By attaching a phonograph at Baird, Cottonwood and Cross Plains, ties people in these outside towns could hear the preaching and singing at the Court House every day.

This year is going to demonstrate who the real democrats in Texas are. Let the dance proceed and those who intend to desert let them do so now. Don't wait until the assault is made upon the enemy and then turn upon your friends.

Oh no my friend; things do not appear rosier to THE STAR because the democratic party dishes out the offices. Democrats as a rule do not look to the government for support, but hate for themselves. Times are getting better in spite of all the doleful songs the populist are singing.

The populist years ago told us what we needed in Texas was mainly a railroad commission. Most of those who are now in the populist ranks were then masquerading as democrats. The party gave them what they demanded, but long before the commission was put into operation these same fellows had gone out and were demanding government ownership of all roads. So it goes. Give an extremist what he wants and he will demand the earth. Give the populist government ownership of railroads and they would do just like they have about the commission, go on demanding more and more.

The Prodigal is trying to prove the inconsistency of THE STAR by praising himself gets off the following: "There is one thing the editor of this paper tries to be, and that is consistent in what he says, he does not go on the street and roar what if the people of the United States do not get free and unlimited relief of silver and other financial relief in less than five years the laboring people will be penniless, and then come out in the next issue of his paper and say 'I will work and vote for any man that calls himself a democrat.' No we are not built that way.

By all that is true we believe you have told the truth this time, neither ally or otherwise. We think the editor of the Prodigal might have gone farther and said he never was a democrat, and if he ever voted the democratic ticket in the south or anywhere else, it was because he had no other badge and coat.

The Buffalo Gap Messenger calls attention to alleged discrimination in the Fish and Game laws of this state and says that candidates for the legislature will be required to explain why pot hunters are allowed to trespass on 40 to 2000 acre enclosures and forbid trespass in larger pastures. This is the substance of the editorial as remembered as we mislaid our copy of the Messenger referred to. We desire to say there was no change in the game law by the last legislature so far as this district is concerned. If there is such provisions in the old law as complained of we were not aware of it. One of the most stubborn fights in the last legislature was over a fish and game law. The writer worked and voted for a law that would apply to the whole State alike; but the bill was overwhelmingly defeated and in the absence of any request from the district we asked that the four counties in this district be allowed to remain as they were under the old law. Had any one called this a "policy of glaring inconsistency" in the law as the Messenger mentions we certainly would have tried to have it remedied but we think if the Doctor will examine the law he will find it honest in discussing political questions and I believe my worst enemies politically will admit this in cooler moments unbiassed by the heat of political campaigns. I know that a large majority of the populist are as honest as myself and any other democrat in their opinions. That can be said of all parties; were it otherwise we would despair of the government. That we differ from the populist in nearly everything, all in this country know, but I think they are honestly mistaken. I believe that their railroad, land and fiat money schemes would everlastingly swamp the government, people and all in inevitable ruin; but to say that 90 per cent of them are ignorant and incompetent is not true from what I know of the populist in this part of the state no matter what they may be in east Texas. I hope this is satisfactory to C. A. C. who mentions the matter in last week's Prod. Another thing we want to say to C. A. C. and it is this; he need not lose any sleep about THE STAR endorsing populism as now constituted or wish it to say that the editor of THE STAR is not an office seeker in any sense of the word, nor does he care a flip who holds the offices so they are held by honest men and will carry out the best he can advocate. This course in the matter is what we want. When the democratic party has no men who cannot or will not do this then we will let someone else administer the government and let the democratic party at Jericho itself learn wisdom and THE STAR will carry with them, but that time has not come yet nor will it ever come if the party is only true to its teachings.

Sometime ago THE STAR published a clipping from the Kaufman star which intended to make some remarks thereon, but the matter was overlooked at the time and forgotten afterwards. THE STAR does not endorse all that the Sun said about the populist, particular this paragraph: "True, there are some good and true men among them, but 90 per cent of the party is composed of the most ignorant, intolerant and blindly heretical followers of designing demagogues, etc."

In justice to myself I desire to say that I do not endorse that part of the article and intended to reply to that part of the article at the time; but in the hurry going off to press it was left out. I have always tried to be fair and honest in discussing political questions and I believe my worst enemies politically will admit this in cooler moments unbiassed by the heat of political campaigns. I know that a large majority of the populist are as honest as myself and any other democrat in their opinions. That can be said of all parties; were it otherwise we would despair of the government. That we differ from the populist in nearly everything, all in this country know, but I think they are honestly mistaken. I believe that their railroad, land and fiat money schemes would everlastingly swamp the government, people and all in inevitable ruin; but to say that 90 per cent of them are ignorant and incompetent is not true from what I know of the populist in this part of the state no matter what they may be in east Texas. I hope this is satisfactory to C. A. C. who mentions the matter in last week's Prod. Another thing we want to say to C. A. C. and it is this; he need not lose any sleep about THE STAR endorsing populism as now constituted or wish it to say that the editor of THE STAR is not an office seeker in any sense of the word, nor does he care a flip who holds the offices so they are held by honest men and will carry out the best he can advocate. This course in the matter is what we want. When the democratic party has no men who cannot or will not do this then we will let someone else administer the government and let the democratic party at Jericho itself learn wisdom and THE STAR will carry with them, but that time has not come yet nor will it ever come if the party is only true to its teachings.

The editor of the Prodigal is just now in a rage ("notice how refined and gentlemanly he is, but we will excuse the language of the gentleman a leader in the "smart" populist party and cannot be expected to know any better.) THE STAR says "the way the election was conducted in some places in 1894 rather disgusted democrats with that plan, but with the law now in force we think the primary election will be the best." Rather disgusted were they; well we should chuckle, "rather" is a good word, if any scoundrel man would not be fully disgusted with the fraud, chicanery, bulldozing and downright lying that took place at the last democratic primary in this county, he must have a stronger stomach than a hog."

The Prodigal is a long time in doing nothing, sometimes who may think was a democratic primary, but like most populist who want to run the world he thinks he must stick his bill into the affairs of the democratic party. The only surprises we heard of

was that a number of populist who had such a low estimate of decency and political honor that they in some instances voted in the democratic primary election. That is what disgusted democrats and that was what we alluded to. What the Prod characterizes as bulldozing perhaps, was the efforts of the democrats to keep the populist out, and the lying and chicanery was upon the part of those who knew they were not democrats, knew they were not going to support the ticket, but sought by unfair means to stab the party they despised. Talk about honesty and purity with such practices as these by populists in democratic primary, and then later on at the general election circulate fraudulent democratic tickets to catch unsuspecting democrats. What a glorious government we will have when a party succeeds by such methods. The star-eyed goddess of reform will brood over this fair state, then think you? No never; but would hide her head in shame and despair; while the world of darkness and corruption ruled this fair state. A righteous cause does not need such methods to succeed and if success comes by then nothing good can come of it. Mark the prediction.

THE PASSING OF THE POPS.

The Austin correspondent of the Houston Post writes: "A desperate effort is being made just now to create the impression that populism is growing at a rapid rate in Texas.

"Populist mass meetings galore are being called in every direction; the woods are full of third party lecturers and with the assistance of faithful literary bureaus, people are led to believe that a great 'reform' wave is sweeping the country.

"The real meaning of this great populist drive is that it has become necessary for the good of the order to agitate the cymbals and beat the drum to keep the boys 'together and prevent them from stampeding. The gathering together of accounts of 'enthusiastic' populist meetings in one column for effect and the running up of dates to make it appear that they are coming off together may do for the purpose of keeping up the courage of the faithful as they slowly but surely approach the political catacombs, but it cannot ward off the inevitable. From careful gathered information, which is constantly being furnished watchful keepers here, it is certain that populism is on the wane everywhere except in the Seventh congressional district, where it is about holding its own. In the Fort Worth district it is still strong, but can never more rally as many adherents still did at the 1894 election.

"The truth about it is that the only thing that is keeping the populist party together is the hope of a democratic split and the expectation of republican assistance. The former is exceedingly remote, and the latter, from present indications, will not be forthcoming.

EVENTS OF THE COMING YEAR.

The coming year will be a period memorable in the history of the world, if by a part of the plans of the United States Government and European nations is carried out. In the United States there will be the liveliest political campaign ever held, and the Fifty-fourth Congress, now in session, will furnish exceedingly interesting debates on the tariff and financial questions until June. There will be several exciting State elections and many great political speeches. Everyone will watch with interest the progress of the Venezuela Commission's inquiry, the results of the wars in Cuba, in South Africa, in Turkey, and the outcome of other complications now arising in the Old World.

It is a remarkable coincidence that at the beginning of a year of such promise of stirring news the greatest metropolitan newspaper in the United States—The St. Louis Republic—should reduce its price to \$6.00 a year, or to less than two cents a day. This low price now places The Republic within reach of everyone. Those who wish to keep posted on politics, trade, national and international affairs during 1896 should at once subscribe for it on these easy terms, in addition to taking their own local paper.

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I owe a great deal of money. The Wholesale merchants are rushing me for the money. I sincerely ask all that owe me to come up and pay me. It is all due, and I must collect it to meet my bills. If you owe come at once. T. E. Powell 50

This year is drawing to a close and outstanding accounts must be closed. Friends standing at this at once. T. E. P.

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 Go to Dallas or Ft. Worth for anything in the Drug line you can't get at home, but send to us, we give special attention to mail orders.
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 F. S. GAOK, Agent.

LOCAL NEWS.
 Remember St. Valentine Feb. 14th. See J. J. Sigler's locals in this issue.
 Gabe Smart was in town one day this week.
 The work on the Baptist parsonage is progressing nicely.
 Squire Robbins, of Cottenwood, was in town Tuesday.
 A. L. Jobe, from Putnam was in the city the first of week.
 Chris Johnson and Philip Yost, of Tecumseh, were in town Wednesday.
 S. W. Jackson and wife from Putnam were in the city trading Monday.
 J. B. Walker, of Tomato, was a pleasant caller at THE STAR office, Thursday.
 Walnut, the colored puglist, was on the west bound train Tuesday, en route to El Paso.
 Peach trees are blooming in Baird, but such blooms will never make fruit. The frost will surely slay them.
 Miss Eliza Gilliland returned Monday from a visit to her Grand parents, Dr. and Mrs. Windham, at Tecumseh.
 Bros. Andrews and Wilson, of the two evangelist now working in Baird, in company with B. L. Boyden, made THE STAR a pleasant call Tuesday. The editor regrets that he was absent that time.
 In THE STAR sometime ago a local notice appeared in which it was stated that H. D. Alexander and Hugh Moore of Tecumseh had received the F. C. Degree in Baird Lodge. This was an error in part; H. D. Alexander received the degree, and Hugh Moore who is a M. M., was a visitor to the Lodge on that night. Our reporter or the printer got things mixed up, and placed H. Moore in a false column, hence this correction.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.
 W. W. Dunson is a candidate for District and County Clerk; subject to the action of the Democratic primary.
DOCTOR BILLS.
 All persons who owe me for professional services are earnestly requested to settle at once. R. G. POWELL, 118
 \$10 LAST.
 Last Monday evening somewhere between town and Price's wagon yard Finder will be rewarded by leaving at this office for owner.
 MRS. TOM BURNS.
NOTICE.
 I hereby notify all persons not to remove any wood, dead or green, off the Denton and Hancock sections of land. All persons so trespassing will be prosecuted. W. B. ELLIS, Agent.

ANNOUNCEMENT RATES.
 The price of announcements for candidates for 1906 is for county judge, county clerk, city clerk, county treasurer and tax assessor \$10 each. For all other county candidates \$5 per cent, \$2.50 tickets, \$1 for each name extra on democratic ticket only.
MONEY TO LOAN.
 I can get you 40 per cent of a reasonable cash value on good land improved or unimproved. I have some very cheap good land for sale, on time, also farms for rent. A Vigo Switch and near Abilene and several game and work horses for sale on time. A. G. WEBB, 8 4/4.

ANNOUNCEMENT.
BAIRD STATE.
 Please announce that Rev. T. C. Boykin will hold a Sunday School Institute at the Baptist church beginning on Monday night after the third Sunday, Feb. 17th. The country school has been Dr. Boykin's life work and he will not doubt make the Institute interesting to all who attend. Every body invited to attend this Institute, be sure to come and learn all you can about Sunday school work.
 J. L. MAYES,
 9 21 Pastor of Baptist Church.
"JAGS" IN SOCIETY.
 The fact that heavy drinking is getting to be a feature of social functions is a lamentable one when it is considered that it must have a demoralizing effect upon the women with whom there would be no society at all. One may be forgiven for believing that it is not conducive to the maintenance of young womanly poise and innocence to have the members of the sex brought into contact with men who become influenced by liquor to the point of being disorderly. The fact that the young women are present at these functions at which "champagne flows like water" does not pre-empt that they do not partake of the beverage. It is not to be presumed that young women can be influenced by the wine when they are surrounded by presumably stronger heads and stomachs succumb to its spell. No gentleman lives who would not be humiliated by appearing in the presence of a lady in a state of intoxication, and no lady lives who would not be offended.
 It is difficult, therefore, to see how well-bred people can justify a custom like the one recently grown up in large cities, that make it likely that not only shall men become intoxicated but the presence of ladies, but that ladies shall exhibit themselves under the dominion of drink in the presence of gentlemen. It is true that young ladies who go to such places are not assaulted and robbed of diamonds and other valuable articles, but they are humiliated by their little "jags" become public property, but the question is whether when a woman has felt and displayed the effect of too much stimulant she is not robbed of something that is a greater price and more than any other personal adornment. It is a question, too, which, as the effect of wine upon both ladies and gentlemen a more deadly assault is often made from the modesty of the fair ones. This is not at all secure in favor of prohibition, but it may be regarded as another word against the mistaken hospitality that prescribes vinum ad libitum as a feature of many of our social functions. It is rather vulgar than otherwise; so vulgar that it is only exceeded in vulgarity by the gluttony of those who participate in it to excess and then lay themselves open to suspicion or a worse determination to fill themselves up because "everything is free."—St. Louis Mirror.

OFFICIAL DIRECTORY.
 Judicial District No. 42.
 T. H. Connor, Eastland, District Judge.
 R. C. Jensen, Abilene, District Attorney.
County Officers.
 J. E. Thomas, County Judge.
 W. W. Dunson, District and County Clerk.
 T. B. Hatley, Sheriff and Tax Collector.
 J. J. Norrell, Tax Assessor.
 T. B. Holland, Treasurer.
 Omaha Trust Company, Attorney.
 M. E. Hatley, County Surveyor.
 W. C. Ashury, Inspector.
 M. E. GILLILAND, E. D. STAR, Commissioners Court.
 W. A. Hill, Precinct No. 1.
 Publicly Vend., " " " "
 J. Jackson, " " " "
 C. Gummins, " " " "
Precinct No. 1.
 J. O. Olive, Justice of Peace.
 Dan Deen, Constable.
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Join the big rush at Powell's 47
 See Kavanaugh's ad in this issue.
 Go to Mike Sigal's for fresh meat. 5
 Kavanaugh makes locket pictures
 —For real bargains go to Stern's. 8f
 Boys hats to a finish T. E. Powell 47
 Go to Mike Sigal's for pure lard. 5f
 Kavanaugh is the best photographer in the west. 2f
 Remember Mike Sigal is still in the butcher business. 5f
 —Furniture and coffins at Stern's, H Schwartz, manager. 8f.
 The best meat in town at Mike Sigal's Meat Market. 5f
 Onion sets cheaper than ever known at J. Norton's. 7f
 —Nice line of stoneware, jugs, crocks and churns. H. Meyer. 42f
 Have you tried the Bologna sausage at the City Meat Market? 41f.
 Kavanaugh guarantees all work to be first-class in every way. 21f.
 Mike Sigal keeps on hand all kinds of fresh meat and sausages. 5f
 Fresh Groceries arriving every day at Vaughn & Co. Cheap for cash. 6f
 1200 pairs men's gloves. Awful anxious to sell. Cheap for cash. T. E. Powell. 47
 Go to Mike Sigal's for hoghead cheese and pork sausage, bologna and veinewurst. 5f
 —Bills of sales, crop and chattel mortgages and blank notes for sale at THE STAR offices. 32f
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 The best seed potato known, "Early Triumph." Sure crop in 90 days. For sale by J. Norton. 7f
 Jew does 12-12 cents a yard for jeans strike you? You can get it that price at T. E. Powell's. 47
 Give your sweetheart a picture of yourself for a New Year present. Kavanaugh's Gallery is the best. 2f
 A general stock of Furnishing Goods, Notions and Groceries at the Backet Store. Prices to please all 4f
 I have now in stock D. M. Perry & Co.'s, Crossman Bros, and California 1890 garden and flower seeds. J. NORRIS, 7f
 —Purchase a thousand mile ticket good on all lines of the Texas and Pacific Railway, and save five dollars. F. S. GAOK, Agent.
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 Ballard's Sore Liment.
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EXCURSIONS.
 For the Athletic Exhibitions to be given at El Paso, Feb. 14 to 20, one fare for the round trip, tickets on sale Feb. 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 and 13th limited to return to Feb. 22 with the privilege of extending the final limit 30 days from date of deposit by depositing same on or before Feb. 20th with joint agent El Paso.
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Your account is past due and I must have money. T. E. Powell. 50
 If you want your STAR stopped or you want out say so. Don't wait for them to run six months or a year, and kick at the bill. We don't want to force the paper on anyone, but would like for those who discontinue ads or paper to pay up first.
 See Powell's ad on last page 9 f
 Mr. J. M. McKee and Miss Citty Hancock, were married Feb. 5, 1896, Eld. W. A. Barnhill officiating.
 Twenty-five per cent off for cash on clothing. Powell, 9 f
 Mr. Thos. Richardson, who resided in this county for some time, came on a visit to friends and relatives last week. He left for his home in Wills Point, yesterday.

See Powell's cut rates on clothing. Ad list page, 9 f
 Mr. W. W. Dunson announces as a candidate for re-election. Mr. Dunson has filled the office one term and his official actions are well known to the people of Callahan county. He has in some respects hardly had a fair showing owing to the long illness of his wife, but he has so far as possible under the circumstances discharged his duties faithfully.
 We call attention to T. E. Powell's large display on art first page. He is cutting prices right and left on clothing. Call and get his prices.

NOTE.
 The accounts of James & Johnson have been placed in my hands for collection. All knowing themselves indebted to said firm will please call my office, settle and save costs. 9 f
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 Ballard's Sore Liment.
 Mrs. Hamilton, Cambridge, Ill., says: I had the rheumatism so bad I could not raise my hand to my head. Ballard's Sore Liment has entirely cured me. I take pleasure in informing my neighbors and friends what it has done for me. Chas. Handley, of Lay & Clark, Keokuk, Ill., advises us Snow Liment cured him of rheumatism. Why not try it? We will surely do you good. It cures all inflammation, wounds, sores, cuts, sprains, etc. Sold by T. L. Oliver & Co., Baird.

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THE SERPENT VINE.

By Brian E. Barr.

I had pushed our way into the Great Dismal Swamp—far beyond the danger line that Solomon, our Indian guide, said was not very far from our camp. In vain Solomon entreated us to turn back. We found some abundance, and with the reckless folly of youth I permitted my dark-faced cousin Paul to lead me on and on.

At length the time came when Solomon could be induced to proceed no farther.

"Go on there, never one of us can escape," he declared over and over. "The snake vine be there."

"The snake vine?" I questioned.

"That snake vine!" The serpent vine is a myth.

"But what is it said to be?"

"A vine that grows in the depth of the swamp—a plant that coils about any living thing that may come within its grasp. It is said to thrive on fish and blood; but who believes the tale? Who has seen the serpent vine, or heard of it?"

"I have," declared Solomon. "I seen it many times."

"When?"

"Many year ago. I came here then to hunt with my brother. We do not mind what they tell us of the snake vine. We laugh at all the stories. While we be here the vine find my brother and when I see him he dead, with the vine all twist, twist and round him."

"But," answered Paul once more, "Solomon has told that story so many times he now believes it is true. I say the tale is a myth. Such a thing does not exist in nature."

"To say to me that it is?" asked the Indian guide, calmly.

"Yes," replied my cousin, with increasing assurance. "It is as natural for an Indian to lie as it is to breathe. Lie the others, Solomon, you are a born liar."

The guide arose, picking up his rifle and blanket.

"Go on your way," he said. "I go back."

"What is it?" I asked.

"The serpent vine? Was his reply? "I must be that, Solomon did not lie after all."

I gazed at the thing, fascinated. For I saw that it was indeed a vine that grew from the ground there amid the rank growing things of the swamp. It was a dark green and then, of a sudden, with a strong thrust he set me reeling and striking fairly amid that mass of writhing things. It was indeed a snake vine, and I could not look away, although I deprecatorily strove to do so.

"Paul, Paul, save me!"

My answer was a moaning howl.

"Save me!" I begged again.

"Save your life," returned my cousin scornfully. "I brought you here for this! I hate you. I swore that one of these snakes would kill this swamp alive, and you miserable little Yankee! What right have you to come here from the north and displace me in my uncle's house?"

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MATTERS OF INTEREST TO AGRICULTURISTS.

Some Eye-to-Date Hints About Cultivation of the Soil and Various Horticultural, Viticultural and Forestry.

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Offered as it is, it is a command to find—more so the perfect confidence of the great chemist making the offer.

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An investor borrower died in Chicago the other day and his numerous creditors, who had never thought it possible to get anything back, were generally surprised to find that he had made provision for the payment of every debt from his life insurance.

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A life insurance solicitor tells of an elderly lady, whose age may be guessed at as between 60 and 65, who recently entered the office of a life association and asked to see one of the officers. Mr. Marlow volunteered to answer any inquiries, and the lady said she wanted to see about getting some insurance on her husband's life, and thought the particular association a good one to place it with. "What is his age?" was asked the lady. "He is 70 years old." "Has he ever had any life insurance?" "No no, indeed, he never had any life insurance before. He has always been a very strong man—never needed any before, and now his old neck is aching it had better get his life insured before it is too late."
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SENATE FOR SILVER.

THE SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BOND BILL PASSES.
After Three Hours of Casistic Debate and the Defeating of all Amendments, the Senate Substitute Authorizing the Coinage of Silver is Passed by 43 to 25.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3.—The long contest over the silver bond bill is at an end in the senate, the body having passed the free silver coinage substitute for the house bond bill by a decisive vote 42 to 35, a majority of 7 for free silver. This result was reached at 3 o'clock Saturday after three hours of casistic debate and sharp interruptions. The public interest in the culmination of this protracted struggle was shown by crowded galleries and a full attendance on the floor, seven-seventy-seven senators being present and the others paired.

Many amendments were pending when 2 o'clock arrived and these were summarily cut off by a strict construction of the agreement, although the differences over the agreement itself held off the vote an hour beyond the time set. The result was such a foregone conclusion that little excitement or surprise was occasioned by the announcement of the passage of the substitute. All amendments were defeated.

Mr. Gorman closed by moving to lay the silver substitute, as reported by the finance committee, on the table. The motion was rejected—34 to 45, by the following vote:

- Yes—Allison (Rep.), Baker (Rep.), Burrows (Rep.), Caffery (Dem.), Chandler (Rep.), Davis (Rep.), Ekins (Rep.), Gallinger (Dem.), Gray (Dem.), Gurnea (Rep.), Gear (Rep.), Gilson (Dem.), Gorman (Dem.), Gray (Dem.), Hale (Rep.), Hawley (Rep.), Hill (Dem.), Hoar (Rep.), Lindley (Dem.), Lodge (Rep.), McMillan (Rep.), Morril (Rep.), Murphy (Dem.), Nelson (Rep.), Palmer (Dem.), Platt (Rep.),

LATEST IN THE EAST.
While the Civilized (?) Powers Were Wrangling Over Spolia Russica Barbarian (?) Has Stopped in and Saved America by an Alliance with the Turks.

1200 acres, the cost of which is not to exceed \$50,000. The \$25,000 additional which the bill proposes to appropriate will be used in making accurate surveys, the entire survey lines to be run and cornered, and the grounds so surveyed, clearing the grounds and so far as possible restoring the various forts and entrenchments connected with the memorial siege. The entire survey plan and scheme of the bill follows very closely upon that adopted for the establishment of a Chickasaw park, and that the cost will be only a fraction of the amount devoted to the Chickasaw park.

Preator (Rep.), Sherman (Rep.), Thurston (Rep.), Vilas (Dem.), Wetmore (Rep.).
Nays—Allen (Rep.), Bacon (Dem.), Berry (Dem.), Blanchard (Dem.), Brown (Rep.), Butler (Rep.), Call (Dem.), Cameron (Rep.), Cannon (Rep.), Carter (Rep.), Chilton (Dem.), Clark (Rep.), Cochran (Dem.), Daniel (Dem.), George (Dem.), Harris (Dem.), Irig (Rep.), Jones (Rep.), Jones (Rep.), Mantie (Rep.), Mills (Dem.), Mitchell (Rep.), Moore (Dem.), Quinn (Rep.), Ryan (Rep.), Taylor (Rep.), Tilden (Rep.), Turpie (Dem.), Vest (Dem.), Voorhees (Dem.), Walthall (Dem.), Warren (Rep.), White (Dem.), Wilson (Rep.)—45.

The following pairs were announced. Those for the motion to table being given first. Cullom with Blackburn, who sailed with Hambleton, Seely with Gordon, Brice with Wolcott, Gary with Morgan, Smith with Dubois.
The bill was then reported from the committee of the whole to the senate and was passed 42 to 35.
Mr. Mills changed from sea to dry and this was the only difference from the detailed vote on Mr. Gorman's motion to lay on the table.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3.—The bill passed Saturday by the senate as a substitute for the house bond bill provides that from the date of the act the mints of the United States shall be open to coinage of silver and the dollar shall be of the present weight and fineness, and also provides for certificates of Congress. They realign with the seizure now in the treasury and authorizes immediate issue of certificates upon the same in advance of being carried.
One section of the bill provides that no bank note less than \$10 shall hereafter be issued and those outstanding of less amount shall be taken in and cancelled as rapidly as possible.
Section 4 provides that the greenbacks and treasury note shall be redeemed in standard silver dollars or in gold coinage at the option of the treasury, and the greenbacks when so redeemed shall be immediately redeemed.

Went Back For.
LEBANON, Ind., Feb. 3.—The entire forces of the Chicago and Southeastern shops struck for back pay they declare to be due them. Early yesterday the shops were found on fire, and were saved with great difficulty, a number of freight cars and passenger cars being destroyed. The strikers deny any part in the conflagration and were meeting passed resolutions condemning mob violence. It is rumored that trammal will stop the strike. A settlement is reached within the next twenty-four hours.



Whole Family Poisoned.
ROCHESTER, N. Y., Feb. 3.—Martin Lin, his wife and two infant children, and his sister were found poisoned in their cottage Saturday. Miss Lin is dead, Mrs. Linn, almost recovered, and Mr. Linn's recovery is doubtful. The children are out of danger. The cause is a mystery and will be investigated. Miss Linn had apparently been dead twenty-four hours when found by a neighbor, who was attracted to the house by the crying of the children.

In Lin's pockets were found some pills, the nature of which had not been yet determined. When the condition of affairs was discovered the father was lying on the floor between the table and stove; the mother lay across a chair with the infant in her arms and the other child, 2 years old, was kneeling beside her mother, begging her to awake. Miss Linn was in her bedroom dead. The affair must have happened Thursday night, the table being set for the evening meal.

Victim Educated.
CINCINNATI, O., Feb. 3.—A sensational murder was discovered early Saturday morning in Kentucky, about a half mile from Fort Thomas. Some employees of James Look, who lives on the Alexandria pike, who going to their labor found the body of a young woman in a somewhat secluded place about six rods from the pike. There were evidences of a fierce struggle, and the astonishing feature of the case is that the victim had no wound on the head or face, and the lead missing. Nothing so far has been found to establish the identity of the woman or to give a clue to the murderer.

The Victory Park.
WASHINGTON, Feb. 3.—The bill proposed for the establishment of the Victory National Military park where the principal operations of the war in this country were carried on, has been reported to the house by Representative Bishop of Michigan from the military affairs committee. The amount of the lands embraced in the proposed reservation covers about

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Nomination for candidates are now in order.

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The name of each candidate and number of votes each has received up to the hour of going to press each Friday evening will be published weekly in this column.

- CANDIDATES.**
Nellie Phillips, Baired, 27
Lollie Lee, Clyde, 20
Laura Etta Lambert, Pecan Bayon 8

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Benjamin Rye
Populist.

of Tracy or Jerome Kearby, who poured cold poison into the the slender trickling stream of your thoughts and turned you against the wise men who are engaged in thinking how you can be utilized without leaving too much smoke or clinders.
We have read your letter, Uncle Benjamin, more in sorrow than in anger, owing to grammatical construction. The vague proplecibus it contains do not alarm us, and we hope to see you in the fall, as usual, bringing in the turpitude of peace weighing thirteen pounds pulled at random in your patch, and the Stars and Stripes still waving over us—Houston Post.

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