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I have engaged the services of Mrs. Bowden who is the Best Millinery and Hat and Dress Triming Artist in Texas. She has just bought a large and well selected stock of Millinery Goods and I am sure she can please you both in Goods and Prices.

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I thank the people for the liberal patronage I have received and it is very gratifying to know that for the last five years I have more than doubled my business and each year my trade has increased more than $10,000 over the previous year itshows to me that I have held my own trade and got over $10,000 of new trade per year. THANK YOU ALL.

I have been here for 12 years, but never before have I been able to sell goods as cheap as I can now in fact I am more than anxious to please you all and if good Goods at lower prices than you can get them anywhere else will win you surely you will buy from T. E. POWELL.

THE SCENES OF TWO MEDICINE MEN.

Away down in Southern Texas on the steep banks of the Gaudalupe river. Look! just below two large bridges, one a public bridge, the other belonging to the Aransas Pass R. R. and you can see the camp fire of a train of emigrants—two in number.

To a man that is fond of all that is beautiful in nature, he can view this scene with an eye of an artist. Across the river, on the west side it seems as if the river bottom is unexplored, still there are beautiful paths, wild and romantic and of ten times lonely enough. Away to the north is a broad prairie dotted here and there with large fields of corn and harvested grain, whose bright heads are gently kissing the rays of the rising sun. Still farther one imagines he can see the grand walls of the court house of Baird here, where Judge Thomas reigns supreme and deals out justice to all. ...way to the east you can see the ...autiful little city of Cuero, county ...e of DeWitt Co., whose dark stand ...pe rises up some 95 feet in the air ...m one of the prettiest little parks imaginable, and on the east side of ... square is one of the lovliest places ...he world for a racket store. To ... south you can almost trace, with ... eye, the windings of this little riv... to the San Antonio Bay and ... there to the broad gulf, from ...ce the two travelers have just ...ned, and which is too grand in ...es' majestic state, for this pen to ...ibe.

... it cannot be grander or more ...ificent than the "Battle of Flow... San Antonio on San Jacinto ...he independence of Texas, and ...ught right under the shadow ...old historic Alamo, where so ...blood was shed, which it was ... to see. The battle was headed ... Antonio's patriotic daughters, ...rs. Elizabeth Ogden as presi...whose father fought in the battle ... Jacinto. Well may San Antonio be proud of her Alamo and celebrate the independence of Texas. Though 178 years old the Alamo still stands fronting the plaza, proud and majestic. Time can not do what the cannon balls of Santa Anna failed to accomplish, namely: erase her from the face of the earth and blot out the memory of the brave men who were murdered within her walls.

The rushing of the mountain stream blended with the singing of the birds and the chirping of many insects, seemed to cause a drowsiness in the atmosphere from their very monotony on this warm May afternoon. It is a dreamy day, a reflective day. Wild Bill is suddenly brought to realize where he is, by the ringing, musical voice of Texas Sam. The pen falls from Bill's fingers as Sam with guitar in hand on a dry goods box sings:

We are just from Sherman, Texas,
A place you all know well,
We are advertising electric belts,
And you bet they sell like hallejuah-glory to my soul.

Then as his musical voice dies away Wild Bill arises and says gentlemen: The first thing I will present for your approbation this evening is something in the way of a vegetable, etc. Then stern faces are seen and Bill proceeds to business and the dream of a moment ago passes into insignificence.

WILD BILL AND TEXAS SAM.

TO SAVE MONEY.

To save money is to make it, in order to do this you must pay cash. I do not want to sell you goods on time at high prices nor do I want to sell you goods on time at any price, neither have I time to argue prices with you. **BUT** if you have **HONEST** dollars you wish to exchange for **HONEST** goods just plain every day common sense will do the rest. Call and see me.

Yours for Cash Business.

24tf C. S. BOYLES.

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

At Baird, in the State of Texas, at the close of business, May 7, 1896.

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts		$180,661 18
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured		3,513 99
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation		25,000 00
Stocks, Securities, etc.		2,278 00
Banking house, furniture and fixtures		5,300 00
Other real estate and mortgages owned		12,200 00
Due from National Banks (not Reserve Agents)		3,160 99
Due from State Banks and Bankers		395 28
Due from approved reserve agents		15,885 61
Checks and other cash items		319 54
Rent account		217 36
Notes of other National Banks		3,000 00
Fract'l paper cur'cy nickels and cts.		28 09
LAWFUL MONEY RESERVE IN BANK, VIZ:		
Specie	5,976 25	
Legal-tender notes	500 00	6,476 25
Redemption Fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent of circulation)		305 00
Due from U S Treas'r, other than 5 per ct. redemption fund		
Total		$258,733 29

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in	$ 100,000 00
Surplus Fund	20,000 00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	5,402 06
National Bank notes outstanding	22,500 00
Due to other National Banks	869 12
Due to State Banks and Bankers	
Dividends unpaid	15 00
Individual deposits subject to check	49,765 68
Time certificates of deposit	39,631 74
Notes and bills re-discounted	20,548 99
Liabilities other than those above stated	0 00
Rent account	00
Total	$258,733 29

STATE OF TEXAS, County of Callahan, } ss.

I, W. C. Powell, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. W. C. POWELL, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 18th day of May, 1896. F. S. BELL, Notary Public, Callahan county, Texas.

CORRECT—Attest:
F. W. JAMES,
HENRY JAMES,
FRED LANE. } Directors.

DEEP CREEK DOTS.

May 20,—Mr. J. B. Walker who went with the Newt Olds' cattle to the Indian Territory returned on the 13, after a most successful trip. They drove the ...ers more than 300 miles and made the trip and return trip in exactly ... and lost out of 2800 head only one by accident.

The measles sweep over the whole valley and now make their headquarters at the J. L. Hogg place. Last Sunday not less than five members of that family, including Mr. and Mrs. H. were confined to their beds. The character of the disease is not very violent, but grown people are generally affected in a more violent way and have to be carful in avoiding a sudden cold.

Mrs. F. B. Walker was suffering for several days from the effects of a spider bite.

For the first time after many months we had the pleasure last Saturday to see Dr. Wilson out in the country again. His numerous friends all over the county missed his genial face and his experienced services to suffering humanity and will be glad to learn that his own severe disease seems not to gain on him. Well the Doctor and I agree that dying is absolutely and necessarily the last performance of mortal mankind in this life, and that its no use to bother about it before it comes.

I had a delightful tete-a-tete with a spring chicken crop 96 last week and was interviewed by a mosquito crop 96—sure signs that the spring of 96 is here.

The U. S. mail had a break down last Saturday. Mr. Jesse Daugherty who acts as a kind of general and special inspector on the route, Baird—Cross Plains, had taken a seat on the box at Tomato and that was more than the old cart could stand. Mr. D. you know is mightily swollen up since he got three votes in the populist convention for public weigher and proved to be the straw that broke the camel's back. Fortunately R. J. Harris with his usual kindness loaned his cart and the U. S. mail went on as usualy.

Our esteemed contemporary the Prodigal is trying his cheap quibbles at the small democratic turnout in the last primaries. Don't crow ... at all brother Willsonl Here in ... the re... ... for instance voted ... Peteran... I can give you the names of at least 18 more who will vote solid in November, and it is a fact that primaries never have been and never will be popular in this country. Will you not tell us how many third party people went out to your precinct conventions and nominated delegatee to your county convention? Here in this precinct where out of 45 voters—the number claimed by the populist—exactly 8 (eight) present and elected not less than 9 delegates all went to Baird and no wonder, they were all deeply interested being candidates themselves or working for the candidacy of some especial friend. You will say we have no candidates; we pick our men ourselves! Pshaw—an other of your previous fallacies! Listen: A member of your party said that he would be a candidate and when some body remarked "the third party has no candidates" he smiled and answered. That is so but everybody can get somebody else to bring him out—see? There was more wire pulling, more bargining and ietriguering just before the convention than ever before and you can judge the prevailing spirit by the remark of one delegate: Well that other fellow swamped my little boat and I just go there to help down him.

Never mind Mr. Editor but I tell you there will be a big change between now and the November election. The humbug schemes and the high-sounding trashy phrases of the third party mouth pieces can not stand much longer in the face of the fact that they do not, aye not even attempt to do what they preach. Just remember their clamor for reform, their boast that they will oust any officer who is not devoting himself to reform after being elected. Now in this county they elected a third party judge and two commissioners that is a majority of the Executive. What did they do in the way of reforms? Not a single item of expense was cut down, not even the salary of the judge was brought down to 4 and 5 ... but same were just as ... than before and a number of called meetings of the Commissioner's court was held which beat every previous record and of course increased expenses. Notwithstanding these well known facts the model reformers renominated the same officer, indorsing by this action his official conduct which showed no reform at all. It was their duty to begin with reforms right here at home and it had been their promise. But like everywhere else they gained some offices nothing whatever was done for reform and the whole cry for reform was the bait to catch the dear voters. Wonder if that little game will work again or does the people really like to be humbugged again and again?

As to the claim that the third party ticket is exceptionally clean—well the voters will hear between now and election some itemized facts from the official and not official record of some of these candidates and although the latter are not endowed with a super-abundance of sham and self respect they will hardly like to hear the rattling of the bones.

There was a precinct convention of the third party at Putnam last Saturday to nominate a commissioner. A Mr. Burham was nominated. Editor Bryant of Cisco, was present and was sorry to find no democrat with whom to cross words. In his speech he dwelled in the most extravagant style about the millennium that would come with free and unlimited coinage of silver. To bring millions into circulation that gentleman with the congressional bee under his hat proposed to have public roads built by the government and pay a laborer $2 per day There is nothing like a future statesman. Did Mr. B. ever stop to think who would work on a farm, when the farmers claim that their work does not pay them 50 cts a day or who would work as sectionhand on the R. R. for $1 per day? Indeed a few more of such schemes and even the most solid will begin to see where these would be reformers are driving to.

R. B.

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W. E. GILLILAND, EDITOR AND PROPRIETOR.

The weak spot in a majority of man-kind is that they do not know how to think.

One of the honors to be coveted in the future will be membership in the "Order of Sons of the Favorite Sons."

At the Portland primaries recently a good many men seem to have lost their heads, and, to make it more interesting one lost his ear.

Dr. Levington wants $500,000 from the Fair estate. People have about come to the conclusion that there was really no fair will.

The classic precincts of Vassar college have been invaded by a thief, but so long as the mice keep away the popularity of the school is not likely to suffer.

The Ohio legislature has passed an anti-lynching law. It makes the county which permits a lynching to take place within its borders liable for damages to the estate of the victim.

Says a dispatch from Belgrade: "A crisis is imminent; nobody has a cent." It is evident that King Alexander would better amend his plans and marry about three American heiresses.

The biggest gold strike ever made in California is announced in Tuolumne county, where the samples assay from $15,000 to $20,000 a ton. It is in every sense of the word a big old strike.

The young woman in "York state" who brought her young man to the justice's office and asked the magistrate to marry her to him has set a leap year example which other lonely maidens may be inspired to follow before a new year shuts off their privilege.

A book elevator at the new Pratt library in Brooklyn, and which goes up and down by electricity, is one of the new labor-saving devices made possible by this faithful fluid. It is notable that ventilation for the volumes is not forgotten, books being very sensitive to the dry heat of the old-style library, and of many house libraries. Even the fine old and stanch binding which they used to make in Philadelphia fifty years ago crack and dry up in furnace heat.

"Dutch Charlie," a queer character of Cowley county, Kansas, who is known as the prophet of Brandon, has made the announcement that the Arkansas valley will be swept by three terrific cyclones this summer. The first one is to come in June and will be very destructive, the second one, in July, will be even more disastrous than its predecessor. The third is to visit the valley in September. It will leave death and devastation in its wake. Many of "Dutch Charlie's" prophecies have been fulfilled, and those who have faith in him will begin the construction of cyclone cellars at once.

It has been the custom in receiving new immigrants at New York to send the rejected ones to Ellis island till they could be returned to the old country. Last week this resulted in some disorders there and it was feared that some shooting would have to be done before the mob was quieted. About 250 foreigners, mostly of the lower class of Italians, had been sent to the island to await their turn at being sent back. They became very boisterous and an attempt was made to overpower the officers and escape. The men in charge had a fierce fight and finally subdued the crowd. The United States government at once considerably increased the force and it is understood that a detail of regular troops will be kept within reach to be called on if necessary.

For the eight months ending with February last the exports of merchandise were valued at $602,614,981, which represents an increase of over $44,700,000 as compared with the corresponding period of the preceding fiscal year. The imports were valued at $541,212,774, which represents an increase of nearly $74,000,000 as compared with the corresponding eight months of 1894-95. The duty-free imports were valued at $260,237,648, an increase of over $25,100,000 as compared with the corresponding period of the preceding fiscal year. The dutiable imports, on the other hand, were valued at $280,975,126, which represents an increase of over $49,800,000 as compared with the corresponding period of the preceding fiscal year. For both the periods compared the exports showed an excess in value over the imports, which excess amounted to $61,402,207 in the eight months ending in February, 1896, and to $91,652,052 in the eight months ending in February 1895.

Mr. Pretty Elk, a Sioux gentleman residing at Lower Br[ulé] agency, South Dakota, has so far advanced in the scale of civilization that he was enabled, a few days ago, to kill one policeman and fatally injure another, the tragedy having been enacted very much after the fashion in vogue in more cultured sections of the land. Mr. Pretty Elk, it may be remarked, en passant, stands a good show of having his pretty neck stretched.

The [umpire] was to blame.—A. L. [Anson's] Comic Weekly.

SEVENTY-FIVE CENTS.

FOUR PEOPLE MURDERED FOR THAT AMOUNT.

Hickman Freeman Makes a Full and Complete Confession of How He and Silas Lee Murdered the Occupants of the Boat—Dan Stuart Again.

Paris, Tex., May 20.—The case of the United States against Silas Lee and Hickman Freeman, in the Federal court, upon a charge of murdering four people in a trap boat on Red river, several months ago, a full account of which appeared at the time, took a sensational turn just prior to adjournment Monday evening, when Freeman voluntarily took the stand and made a confession of guilt to one of the most diabolical murders ever committed in the history of the Indian Territory. He substantially confessed as follows:

He and Lee had been around the boat for several days before it went below Arthur. That it left as previously testified. He and Lee went down the river hunting for the boat, and found it anchored at the mouth of Horse creek on Wednesday afternoon. They were invited aboard the boat and to lunch. After lunching they all went out to the fish traps, and ate supper upon their return. After supper card playing and letter writing was engaged in. All retired about 11 o'clock; was awakened just before daylight by Lee punching him and whispering to him to get up. Lee had his gun in his hand, and stated upon being interrogated that he was going to kill the occupants of the boat, and for him to get up and get the ax and assist or else he would kill him also. Freeman stated that he secured the ax and that Lee said: "Now whenever I shoot you strike." He told Lee that he ought not to do that, but Lee replied, saying: You go on." He struck one of the sleeping men with the blade of the ax. Lee shot all of the rest. Little Paulie Applegate, a youth of Paris, was the last one shot, while upon his hands and knees. They had previously killed the men. He searched one and Lee the reamining three. He then enumerated the various articles taken, together with 75 cents in money. They then left the boat and went to the west side of the creek, where they had their horses hitched in waiting, and went to the home of William Greene, an uncle of Lee's. The motive was robbery, and not the result of a cherished grudge. Lee remarked that if he had known that 75 cents was all the money they had he would not have murdered them. No one was implicated except he and Lee.

The courtroom has been crowded throughout the trial by the curious, but nothing further sensational as occurred worthy of note.

Bragg Killing Case.

Fort Worth, Tex., May 20.—In our report of yesterday morning appeared an account of the arrest of Mrs. George Bragg and her incarceration in jail to answer an affidavit charging her with the murder of her husband at Grapevine on Friday night last. It also appeared exclusively in our report of yesterday that an affidavit had been lodged charging another party with the offense. This party was William Price, the brother of Mrs. Bragg. He was arrested at Grapevine yesterday, brought here and lodged in jail, where he and his sister now occupy apartments.

The testimony in these cases promises to disclose a condition of affairs decidedly interesting and growing out of discord among members of a family.

Mrs. Bragg continues to stoutly protest her innocence and takes her confinement very much to heart.

Probable Suicide.

Dallas, Tex., May 20.—J. B. Jones, a traveling man, whose home is in Jacksonville, Miss., was found dead Monday morning at his room in the Windsor. On a table near the bed was an empty morphine bottle. About 9 o'clock Monday night he rang for letter paper and cigarettes, and wrote two letters, one to his mother and one to his sweetheart in Gainesville, to whom he was engaged to be married. His younger brother, who left him early the evening before, went to his room Monday morning and knocked on the door. Receiving no response, he went in and found his brother dead. He had recently lost his position, and despondency over it is supposed to have been the cause of his rash act. The body was taken in charge by relatives.

Postoffice Robbery.

Omaha, Tex., May 20.—The postoffice at this place was burglarized Monday night. Postmaster R. J. Hart keeps the postoffice in his storehouse. The thieves attempted to blow open the safe in which the books were kept with powder obtained from a can in the store. They failed in this and broke open a drawer and stole between $70 and $100 worth of stamps and a little silver change. A few items are missed from the store, such as cigars, etc. No clew.

Dan Stuart Again.

Cropus Christi, Tex. May 20.—Dan Stuart, of Dallas, arrived Monday night, and all day has been having mysterious interviews with certain leading citizens. He has nothing to give out to the press, but the general impression is that he is here to select a battle ground for a fight between Corbett and Fitzsimmons. For several weeks mails addressed to Martin Julian has been arriving at this postoffice.

Work of a Cyclone.

Sherman, Tex., May 16.—Just a few minutes before 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon a cyclone not exceeding two blocks in width, but carrying widespread destruction and death in its wake, swept through the western half of the city, traveling almost directly north.

The approach of the terrific whirlwind was announced by a deep rumbling noise, not unlike reverberating thunder. A fierce and driving rain accompanied it.

The reporter, standing on the north side of court plaza, had his attention called to the peculiar apearance of the clouds. They were parted at the lower side, converging into a perfect funnel shape, while a boiling and seething mass of vaporous clouds were rapidly revolving in the rift. The air was suddenly filled with trees and twigs and the downpour of rain brought with it a deluge of mud. Then the truth dawned upon all that a cyclone was prevailing. From the point where it seems to have first descended to where it suddenly arose from the ground just north of the city it left terrific marks of its passage, not a house in its pathway escaping, not a tree or shrub is left standing or that is not twisted and torn out of shape. Fences are gone. The iron bridge on Houston street is completely wrecked and blown away, notwithstanding its hundreds of thousands of pounds of steel and material. The number of persons wounded will reach not less than one hundred, and it will be several days before the exact number of fatalities can be given, as many persons, and especially children, are missing, and many of the injured are in such critical shape that a score may die very soon.

The total number of injured will reach 150, and the total number of killed outright at this hour, so far as heard from Sherman and other points in the county, is about sixty, and it is estimated that at least that many more who are missing are dead.

Conservative estimates place the total number of killed in Grayson county at between 120 and 150.

The path of the storm, which passed west of town, passed through a section of country which has no telephone or telegraph connection with the city.

All telephone communication west and northwest of the city is turned down.

Denton, Tex., May 16.—A dispatch from Justin to Sheriff Hawkins says that at that place W. J. Evans, a machinist from Fort Worth, was killed and seventeen wounded, of whom a man named Wilson, wife and family and Ed Reynolds were the most severely injured.

Howe, Tex., May 16.—One of the worst cyclones ever known in this county struck this section at 4:30 yesterday evening, accompanied by heavy rain.

J. J. Johnson, living about eight miles southwest of here, is the farthest point heard from. His house was blown away and his wife killed and himself badly hurt.

Board of Regents.

Galveston, Tex., May 16.—The board of regents' meeting adjourned yesterday to meet in August next. Dr. Cline was re-elected to the chair of pharmacy and Regents Henderson and Bryan were re-elected to attend the commencement exercises of the A. & M. College. Diplomas were granted to-night to thirty-four graduates of the school of pharmacy.

Broke an Arm.

Industry, Tex., May 16.—Mr. Julius Sterberger's team got unmanageable one mile from town Wednesday, running away throwing Mr. Sternberger under the wheel and mashing one of his arms above the elbow. Dr. B. E. Knolle was called at once and reports Mr. Sternberger doing as well as could be expected under existing circumstances. this morning.

Newspaper Change.

Waxahachie, Tex., May 16.—J. O. Jones has puchased the interest of A. S. Williams, and is now sole proprietor of the Daily Light. The paper's politics will not be changed. Mr. Jones is a sound money democrat and believes Grover Cleveland is the grandest man of his time.

Not Guilty.

Woodward, Ok., May 16.—The trial of Temple Houston, ex-state senator of Texas, and John E. Love, ex-president of the Oklahoma Live Stock association, for the killing of Edward Edward Jennings in Woodward, on October 8 last, closed yesterday, the jury rendering a verdict of not guilty.

Painters Strike Off.

Galveston, Tex., May 16.—The strike of the journeymen painters has been settled, and all the men expect to be back at work by Monday. The bosses stood pat and the painters agreed to the proposition of eight hours work at 35 cents per hour.

Denied Bail.

Rosebud, Tex., May 16.—In the examining trial of King Wilson, colored, for the killing of Frank Campbell, colored, April 13, Justice Howard committed him to jail without bond.

Resolutions Adopted.

Palistine, Tex., May 16.—When Gen. T. L. Rosser lectured here Pallstine Camp United Confederate Veterans, adopted a resolution thanking the lecturer and commending the generosity and patriotism of Mr. Charles B. Rouse of New York, who makes such a liberal donation for the battle abbey.

[...]t and Killed.

[...] Tex., May 16.—George [...] aged 19 years, was [...]olored man.

Crowds Visit Sherman.

Sherman, Tex., May 18.—The tornado has created widespread interest, and every railroad entering the city has run several specials, and the number of visitors yesterday can be conservatively placed at ten thousand, not including the continual pouring in of well-filled vehicles from the country.

Special correspondents of leading St. Louis dailies arrived yesterday afternoon.

No more bodies have been found in the track of the tornado yesterday, although many thousands have followed it from one end to the other.

About 10 a. m. yesterday a detached arm and hand was found in a ravine near the Washington avenue bridge. It is believed to belong to the badly mutilated body of one of the colored victims, who was killed on Houston street, four blocks away.

There have been but two deaths at the hospitals in the last twenty-four hours, Miss Sophia Pierce and Mattie Lake (colored).

Interments of storm victims were made yesterday at the following cemeteries respectively: Miss Pierce and Mattie Lake, at West Hill; Mrs. M. Tynan, at St. Mary's; Rev. J. D. Shearer and wife, at Mt. Ararat.

Sympathetic visitors to the cemeteries have fairly covered the graves of the victims with garlands and flowers.

The most authentic report of the damage done by the branch of Friday's tornado, which went east of the city, was obtained yesterday, although it has been known since Friday night that great damage was done in the vicinity of Choctaw, east of the city.

Mrs. Butler is the only person injured in the locality.

At the Davault place, near Carpenter's Bluff ferry, all of the Davault family, seven in number, are seriously hurt.

At Joel, a small trading station just across the river in the Choctaw nation, fifteen people are seriously hurt and many more have received slight injuries.

Twenty houses in all were blown down in the course of the storm east of the city, but no very reliable estimate of the damage can be given.

Baby's Frightful Death.

Taylor, Tex., May 18.—A distressing accident is reported from the Beaukiss settlement, eight miles south of Taylor. While playing about the kitchen, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Wade, in the community, a little 18-months-old child of Mrs. Cox, who is living with the family, fell through a window into a barrel partly filled with slops. The absence of the child was not noticed until too late. Falling into the slop barrel head downward and being unable to cry or raise an alarm, the child was strangled to death, and only gasped twice after being extricated, while efforts were being made to resuscitate it.

Dick Dowling Camp.

Houston, Tex., May 18.—Dick Dowling camp, U. C. V., held a meeting yesterday and among other things ordered credentials to be issued to such members as may desire to attend the state reunion at Dallas, June 24, 25, and the general reunion at Richmond, Va., on June 30. A considerable number will attend each meeting.

Trap Boat Murders.

Paris, Tex., May 18.—The case of Silas Lee and Hickman Freeman, charged with the murder of E. T. Canady, Jeff Maddox and little Paul Applegate, is on trial in the fedral court. It will be remembered that these parties were arrested, charged with the horrible murder on a trap boat last winter on Red river. The trial is attracting widespread attention.

Replanting Cotton.

Bonham, Tex., May 18.—The farmers south of here are busy replanting cotton which was destroyed by the recent hailstorm. It is reported that a large acreage was destroyed, but the neighbors all volunteered and the destroyed crops are all about replanted. Other crops are looking fine.

Allowed Bail.

Honey Grove, Tex., May 18.—Ned Pettigrew, colored, who shot and killed his stepson, George Betson, had his examining trial before Squire Gardner Friday. He was bound over to the county court. His bond was fixed at $1000, which was readily given.

Struck by Lightning.

Denton, Tex., May 18.—During an electric disturbance here Saturday evening a large bolt struck in the southern portion of the county, knocking Mrs. Keller senseless, besides throwing several others to their knees.

Found Her Boy Dead.

Moscow, Tex., May 18.—A sad accident occurred at Leggett Friday. Mrs. Ciles Smith went to town to o some shopping, leaving her little son, aged 4 years, and her brother, aged 7 years, in the house. When she returned her little boy was lying dead upon the floor with a bullet hole through his head. The little fellow held a toy pisto in one hand and a French harp in the other when found. One of the little boys who was left at home was too frightened to give any account of how the sad deed was committed.

Severely Stabbed.

Italy, Tex., May 18.—In a difficulty Saturday night three miles south of here, near Flat Rock school house, Charles Gamble wjas severely cut in both sides of the breast, two of the wounds reaching the hoilow. No particulars as to the cause of the trouble.

Viewed the Scene.

Ennis, Tex., May 18.—Three [extra] coaches were put on the entra[...] [t]here yesterday to accommodate the [cr]owds to view the storm wreckage [in] Sherman.

Number of Dead at Sherman.

Sherman, Tex., May 19.—The fifty-third death in the city and the suburbs incidental to the tornado and the sixtieth death reported in the county took place at the home of Reynolds Dorchester, colored, on West Houston street, yesterday. The victim, an infant, was completely deluged with water and mud, blown through a window which was broken in by the debris.

Chief Surgeon S. D. King said to a reporter that everything was moving off most admirably at the hospitals. The patients are all doing as well as could possibly be hoped for, and there are only a few precarious cases.

So far but one amputation has been found necessary, that in the case of Callie Cephus, colored, whose left leg was horribly mangled. The number of surgical operations of a minor nature has been very large and very generally satisfactory. Nurses are volunteering readily, not from Sherman alone, but from all sections.

Quite a number of Denison ladies came in yesterday, and assumed their posts in the arduous and trying work at once. In fact Denison has from the very first placed its entire self at the disposal of the several committees, and their assistance has been of incalculable value.

Physicians detailed for work at private homes, many of which are still veritable hospitals, report that everything is favorable.

A special deputation from the relief committee has been busily engaged all day in going over the path of the tornado and carefully making notes of the losses sustained to property owners and tenants. So far as the work has progressed their estimates do not materially differ from the practically complete list published. Of course incidental losses are being heard of which were not given reporters, who passed along the path while a great deal of confusion existed.

The committee has also learned the names of a few more injured persons who were picked u and carried to private residences and have not been reported to the hospital departments. A great many people were left homeless, though they escaped without physical injuries. The committee is promptly reporting such names, and assistance is being extended.

Yesterday morning's report chronicled the discovery of a human arm found lodged against the east bank of a ravine at the rear of Lincoln street, not far from where that highway crosse the Transcontinental railway. It was thought that perhaps it belonged to a mutilated body delivered at the morgue on the night of thetornado, but the young man who had that body in charge says it is off somebody not reported to the morgue. If he is correct, as it is very likely he is, the body is yet in the debris.

Dead in Bed.

Canton, Tex., May 19.—Bob Lee, who lives alone on a farm six miles north of here, was found dead yesterday morning on his bed with a lamp burning by his side. It is supposed that his death was the results of natural causes, as he had been sick for several days.

Could Not Raise It.

Terrell, Tex., May 19.—President E. H. R. Green, of the Texas Midland railroad, received notice from Paris yesterday that the bonus of $30,000 required of Paris to secure the road could not be raised.

Death from a Cyclone.

Denison, Tex., May 19.—William DaVault, an aged gentleman, who was injured in Friday's cyclone, died yesterday morning from his injuries. His daughter, Danie DaVault, is in a dangerous condition.

Drowned.

Houston, Tex., May 19.—A young man named Copping was drowned in Bray's bayou, five miles south of Houston. Details are meager. Parties have gone out to drag for the body.

Got Fifty Years.

Victoria, Tex., May 19.—In the case in the district court of the state against John Hamilton, charged with rape, the jury assessed his punishment at fifty years in the penitentiary.

Robbers at Work.

Brenham, Tex., May 19.—The residence of Mr. E. R. Pomeroy was burglarized yesterday morning and about $10 stolen. No clew.

Charged With Forgery.

Mexia, Tex., May 19.—B. Lang was arrested last night on a charge of forgery.

John S. Johnson, America's fast cyclist had his colors lowered in France recently, being beaten twice in one day.

German Lee, the distinguished French physician, is dead.

Two hundred people were killed by an explosion at Bida, on the west coast of Africa, recently.

Worth the Price.

Wife—I'm awfully glad we subscribed to this magazine, dear.

Husband—Indeed—Why?

Wife—Why the advertising pages are such excellent literature.—Truth.

The navy department has received a report from Naval Constructor Hichborn against the adoption of a process for electroplating the bottoms of the steel cruisers with copper. This treatment, the report asserts, would be positively destructive, as the moment the thin skin of copper was broken by contact with an obstruction galvanic action between the copper and steel plating would ensue and the steel would rapidly be destroyed by the salt water. A sheathing of wood covered with copper is [...]

Edison at the Key.

Thomas A. Edison acted as tel[egraph] operator in New York a few [...] ago, for the first time in [...] years.

Mr. Edison attended the Electrical Exhibition and while there was asked if he would receive the message to be sent around the world by Chauncey M. Depew next Saturday night. The great inventor said that while he was perfectly willing to play operator for one night, he had his doubt as to his ability to do so, as it was years since he had tried to read a message over the wire.

Several electricians and friends doubted his ability to receive, and some jokingly said that they did not believe that after so many years away from a key he could distinguish between a dot and a dash.

Mr. Edison replied that while he might have forgotten, he was certain he would be able to pick up his old accomplishment with a little practice.

After the fluoroscope exhibition Mr. Edison accepted an invitation to try his hand as an operator in the telegraph room of the Journal. When he entered the rooms, with the dozen or more instruments rattling off messages from all parts of the world, he glanced around, smiled and said: "Oh, I guess I'm all right yet."

A key was selected, and pen, ink and telegraph blanks were given him. The instrument commenced to click and Edison to make the usual cabalistic signs.

The crack operators who expected to see the man who was boss of them all thirty years ago "break" in his work, looked on as Edison wrote without a break.

When the signature was given, he commenced to repeat the message just to see how he could send.

"That's the first message I've received or sent in twenty-six years," said he, as he leaned back in his chair. "I think I could receive or send if I lived to be a thousand. I do not believe a man ever forgets it. It reads just like copper-plate, but it kept me scratching to get it down. Now, if those fellows want to turn loose Saturday night, why I guess they can."

A Phosphorescent Tea.

A phosphorescent 5 o'clock tea was recently given in Paris. The house was darkened and the only light used came from the ceiling, floor, chairs, teacups, pictures, flowers, etc. The ladies wore phosphorescent dresses, and their faces and shoulders radiated light. M. Henry, of the Academy of Science, has invented a phosphorescent starch which the women used, and which imparted a moonlight radiance to the face, which was extremely becoming. It is discouraging to know that the brilliance of the entertainment was all on the outside, and that, as far as the conversation was concerned, it was just the same as at other 5 o'clock teas which still retain the characteristics that made Dr. Holmes describe them as "gobble, gabble and git." Science can make the chairs radiate on such occasions, but not the conversation.

Forbidden the Use of Tobacco.

The orthodox bishop of Kursh, in Russia, has issued an order forbidding his priests to use tobacco, which he says is a "disgustingly band habit, unbefitting those who serve the altar, and a great temptation to the laity."

FITS—All Fits stopped free by Dr. Kline's Great Nerve Restorer. No Fits after the first day's use. Marvelous cures. Treatise and $2 trial bottle free to Fit cases. Send to Dr. Kline, 931 Arch St., Phila., Pa.

Men always hate suffragists, and "talk back" to them.

If the Baby Is Cutting Teeth.

Be sure and use that old and well-tried remedy, Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for Children Teething.

Some women ride a wheel like drunken men walk.

Boils

It is often difficult to convince people their blood is impure, until dreadful carbuncles, abscesses, boils, scrofula or salt rheum, are painful proof of the fact. It is wisdom now, or whenever there is any indication of

Impure

blood, to take Hood's Sarsaparilla, and prevent such eruptions and suffering.

"I had a dreadful carbuncle abscess, red, fiery, fierce and sore. The doctor attended me over seven weeks. When the abscess broke, the pains were terrible, and I thought I should not live through it. I heard and read so much about Hood's Sarsaparilla, that I decided to take it, and my husband, who was suffering with boils, took it also. It soon purified our

Blood-

built me up and restored my health so that, although the doctor said I would not be able to work hard, I have since done the work for 20 people. Hood's Sarsaparilla cured my husband of the boils, and we regard it a wonderful medicine." Mrs. Anna Peterson, Latimer, Kansas.

Hood's
Sarsaparilla

Is the One True Blood Purifier. All druggists. $1.

Hood's Pills cure liver ills, easy to take, easy to operate. 25 cents

You are bound to succeed in making HIRES Rootbeer if you follow the simple directions. Easy to make, delightful to take.

WHOLE TOWN MISSING

ONE KANSAS TOWN ON THE M. P., WIPED OUT.

Twenty Dozen Towns Were Struck by the Twister, and the Known Dead are Seven. Injured Seven, and Many are Fatally Hurt—Storm at Omaha.

Kansas City, Mo., May 19.—News of the loss of life and destruction of property by Sunday's cyclone in Kansas is slowly coming in, caused by the crippled condition of the telegraph wires.

What has been received makes it plain that previous estimates of damage were none too high, and in fact it may be added to when communication is completely reopened. Fully a dozen towns were struck by the twister and the known dead are seven. The injured number fully thirty, many of whom it is feared are fatally hurt.

Reserve, a village on the Missouri Pacific railway, in Brown county, seems to have felt the brunt of the storm. But five houses are said to be left standing there. The list of the killed and injured at Reserve:

Killed—D. W. Terhune, Ralph Sweeney, Viola Pattilips, Mrs. John Ryder.

Injured—John Rynder, fatally; blind son, leg broken; William Mellison, father of Mrs. Duerson, internally injured; Mrs. D. W. Terhune and daughter, Mrs. Sherman; Mrs. Freeman, bruised and cut; Jerry Young and wife, cut and hurt; George Kennedy, cut and severely bruised; Ed Phillips, arm broken; Harry Thompson and son, back hurt, one leg broken; Mrs. Sweeney and three children, hurts and bruises; Rev. Mr. Paker, wife and daughter, internally hurt; William Margrave, face and head bruised.

A special from Reserve says:

This town was almost wiped out of existence by the cyclone. Hardly a house remains standing and wreckage is strewn everywhere. The whole population is homeless and great confusion prevails. Forty-four buildings in Reserve alone were razed. Barns and sheds of all the farmers living in the track of the storm were destroyed. The storm was shaped like an umbrella and came from the southwest. People fled precipitately to their cyclone cellars, but many never reached them. The confusion was indescribable. Darkness, added to the crash of falling timbers, the cries of the hurt and the almost deafening hiss and roar of the wind struck terror to the hearts of all. After the storm had passed those fortunate enough to have escaped set about helping the victims. All night long people searched for the wounded and missing. The injured are being well cared for. Fifty thousand dollars would not replace the damage at Reserve alone. The few houses standing are wrenched and broken.

Allen Got Hot.

Washington, May 19.—The senate yesterday talked on the subject of reducing the price of gas in the district of Columbia to $1 per 1000 feet and seemed to enjoy itself in getting away from any subject in which the country generally is interested.

The resolution to investigate the elections in Alabama came up, but it was agreed by a vote of all the votes except in the senate that no investigation should be had. That was the effect of the vote, though on its face it it appeared as if the senate was not ready to discuss it at this time. Allen, the Populist, got very indignant over the matter and charged the Republicans with acting the hypocrite; that their votes showed that they did not want an investigation, though they resolutions contemplated the investigation of the manner in which Morgan was elected to the senate, and Allen said that he did not care about the investigation as far as it concerned the senator from Alabama, or that was the effect of his words. Morgan is a silver man, and it would have been very unbrotherly on the part of a Populist to want to inquire into the manner of an election of a man with the political views of Morgan.

In the house there was nothing done. In fact, both branches of congress seem to be resting on their oars and waiting for the passage of the remaining appropriation bills and to see what the president will do with the rivers and harbors bill.

In the House.

Washington, May 19.—It was expected that the house would take up the consideration of the immigration bills on the calendar yesterday, under special order, but owing to the pressure of other matters the order was not presented until just before adjournment. It was then amended so as to give to-day and to-morrow (8 to 11 p. m. for the consideration of these bills. There are several of them. The McCall bill provides an educational test; the Stone bill provides for consular inspection, and the Mahany and Corliss bills provide for more rigid enforcement of the present immigration laws, and especially deals with immigration from Canada.

Storm at Omaha.

Omaha, Neb., May 19.—A special from Humboldt, Neb., says:

The trainmen arriving here last evening bring reports of frightful results of the cyclone on the Indian reservation adjoining this county.

They assert that forty persons were killed by the cyclone on the reservation. No particulars are obtainable, as all communication by wire is stopped.

Those killed are supposed to be Indians, as there are few whites on the reservation.

Li Hung Chang to Moscow.

Moscow, May 19.—Li Hung Chang and suite arrived yesterday from St. Petersburg. The Chinese envoy was received in the most brilliant manner, and afterward presided at a reception given in the Chinese embassy, which was profusely decorated with flags. Field Marshal Wolseley, the British envoy, the Duke of Najara, the representative of Spain, and the crown prince of Roumania also arrived. The latter was received at the railroad station by grand duke Sergius and other and high officials, with military honors, the band playing national anthems. Representatives of the rural population, to the number of 600, have reached here. In the costumes of the country visitors presented a picturesque sight, comprising all kinds, from middle Poland to the extreme Asiatic districts of the Russian empire. Over the Maison Perlow, in which the Chinese embassy is located, floats Li Hung Chang's crest, the double dragon. The house is furnished throughout in Chinese style.

Expedition a Failure.

New Orleans, La., May 19.—The steamship Breakwater, from Spanish Honduras, arrived last night, bringing news that the last expedition of filibustering, the steamer Bermuda, was a failure and that a Spanish man of war is now lying in the outer harbor at Port Cortez with the avowed purpose of blowing her up when she ventures to sea. While off the Honduras coast of Cuba, preparing to land the men and arms, two Spanish cruisers bore down upon the Bermuda and chased her to the Honduras coast. Officers believe the six boat loads of men which had put off for the Cuban coast were sunk by the cruisers. The Bermuda ran across to Truxillo, Spanish Honduras, put ashore her remaining seventy men, then dodged into Port Cortez for fruit, where she was under Spanish surveillance when the Breakwater sailed.

Pelee Island.

Chicago, Ill., May 19.—Major Gen. Wesley Merritt, commander of the department of the Missouri, and Robert T. Lincoln have returned from the Pelee Fishing club reserve on Pelee Island, in Lake Erie. Gen. Schofield was a member of the party. Gen. Merritt said:

"One thing I found out about Pelee Island is that it is owned by Great Britain, and that notwithstanding the Clayton-Bulwer treaty of 1852 it should belong to the United States. The treaty provided that all islands north of the channel in the lake should belong to Great Britain and all south of the channel to this country. The channel course was not properly laid down at the time or has changed since, as it is now north of the island."

Logs on a Rampage.

Waterville, N. Y., May 19—John A. Finnegan, the special correspondent of the Standard of this city, writes from Majagua, Cuba, the southern terminus of the trocha, of a trip made across the island along Gen. Weyler's service line. He says: "The trocha could be held by a competent general, but in the end it will be broken by Gomez. Maceo has gone up and down through the island about the trocha. The Bermuda has supplied him with plenty of arms and ammunition. The country and smaller towns are becoming fair deserted. I traveled whole days without meeting scarcely a person. It seems like the calm before the tempest."

The Duke at St. Petersburg.

St. Petersburg, May 19.—The duke of Connaught, who will represent Queen Victoria at the czar's coronation, accompanied by the duchess of Connaught, arrived in Russia on board the royal yacht Victoria and Albert, which was fully decorated from the stem to stern. The warships and forts in the harbor of Cronstadt saluted the royal yacht as she entered.

The United States steamer Minneapolis, Admiral Selfridge's flagship, is lying in the roads at Cronstadt, and joined in the salutes yesterday in honor of the czar's birthday. Admiral Selfridge and party started for Moscow in the afternoon.

Duel to the Death.

Leavenworth, Kan., May 19.—Two farmers from Platt county, Missouri, engaged in a duel to death with pocket-knives in a saloon here. John Hornbuckle was so badly slashed and stabbed that he died within a few minutes. Stone Steward was frightfully wounded. He is in a hospital, and will probably die. The men had been friends and come to town together, but became intoxicated and qureled and fought over a transaction a year ago, when Steward was arrested for shooting a mule and Hornbuckle went his bond, from which he subsequently withdrew.

Storm in Michigan.

Grand Rapids, Mich., May 19.—A wind storm with a velocity of forty-five miles an hour, from the southwest, struck this section Sunday morning and continued until night. Shade trees, skylights, wind mills, etc., suffered severely. It is feared that peaches have been damaged.

Another Identified.

Milwaukee, Wis., May 19.—A dispatch from Superior states that a boom at Peyton, Kimball & Barber's saw mill broke Sunday morning, letting out about 4,000,000 feet of logs. About 2,000,000 feet of logs, which broke away from the Nemadji have drifted out into the lake and will probably be lost. Fears are expressed in regard to the safety of 40,000,000 feet of logs in booms in the mouth of the Brule river, which is now unprecedentedly high.

It is an assured fact that Gaylord more distinguished than any other

A TERRIBLE CYCLONE

PASSED OVER KANSAS AND PART OF KENTUCKY.

Carrying Everything Before It, Tearing Down Houses, Blowing Down Trees, and in Fact Doing Damage to Everything in Its Path.

Louisville, Ky., May 18.—A special from Benton, Ky., says: A terrible cyclone passed over the northwestern corner of this county yesterday morning about 1 o'clock, doing damage to everything in its path.

At Elva it tore down the house of Anderson Jones and killed the entire family, consisting of Jones, aged 80; his wife, aged 55; his oldest child, a son, 17 years old, and two girls, one 10 and the other 12. Jones was a poor man and had only lived in the community about six months.

Five coffins were sent to Elva yesterday and the entire Jones family were buried in the same grave. The scene was visited by hundreds from all the country around.

The tornado came out of Graves county via Simpsonia, where two stores were demolished, two churches and one schoolhouse were torn down, besides barns, stables, fences and everything else in its path. There was considerable damage in other parts of the county. The damage done at Simpsonia was severe, but no lives were lost.

President Krueger Talks.

Pretoria, May 18.—President Krueger is under constant pressure to exercise his influence to hasten the decision of the executive council on the punishment to be meted out to the reform prisoners whose sentences have been commuted. His own sentiment on the subject is also being constantly sought.

The president yesterday consented to be interviewed by a representative of the Associated Press, and in reply to questions put to him on these subjects, he said that no one was more desirous than him of seeing a decision in regard to the sentences of the reformers expelled.

A majority of the prisoners had petitioned him on Friday, he said, to substitute additional money fines for the terms of banishment and imprisonment which had been pronounced upon them. The original fine was for $1,000, and the option was a fine, imprisonment and banishment for three years. President Krueger was most favorably inclined, he said, to this proposal to substitute fines for banishment and imprisonment. The decision in the question, the president continued, was owing to the difficulty of discriminating between those who signed the petition and those refusing to do so. He wanted all of the prisoners to be out of jail, he said, and he had full confidence that the executive council would indorse his conclusion on Monday.

In Kansas.

Kansas City, Mo., May 18.—Reports received here indicate that the cyclone which passed over Marshall and Nemaha counties, Kansas, has left a swing swept over an unusually large territory, dealing death and destruction through two counties.

A dispatch from Bern, Nehama county, reports that Seneca, the county seat, was struck by a cyclone at 7 o'clock last evening. One-third of the residence portion of the town was destroyed and five persons were killed and fifteen badly injured.

The county's magnificent new courthouse, the town's big schoolhouse and the Catholic church are among the buildings wrecked. Five hundred of the citizens of Seneca are reported to be homeless to-night. The property loss is estimated at $100,000. The five dead are: Two children of M. E. Werner, two children of Mr. Connell and a son of Peter Ashcmacer.

The cyclone swept over the towns of Sabetha, Nehama county, and Frankfort, Marshall county, and the reports indicate that many other smaller settlements are suffered, but up to this hour it has been impossible to get detailed accounts of the damage.

$150,000 Fire.

Chicago, Ill., May 18.—Nearly half the business portion of Blue Island, a suburban town, was destroyed by fire Saturday night. Altogether twenty-four buildings were consumed, entailing a loss of about $150,000. A shifting wind was blowing almost a hurricane at the time and the fire spread rapidly.

Three hundred people, who were attending a dance in Sanger hall, had a narrow escape from death. The building caught fire while the dance was in progress and a stampede ensued. Many persons were bruised, though none were seriously injured. The last of the escaping crowd rushed through a cloud of smoke and heard the sound of burning timbers behind them.

In spite of the efforts of the firemen, all the buildings in Grove street, between Washington avenue and Henry street, the business ranger, formerly a palace car conductor between Pittsburg and Chicago, shot his wife in the face while she was asleep. The woman was not fatally injured, she jumped through a window and escaped from her husband, who turned the pistol on himself and died instantly. A letter to his mother is said to have been written by a young woman, and signed [illegible] to have been the

Jail Brake.

Newport, Ky., May 18.—Seven prisoners escaped jail here at 5 o'clock last night. They were companions of Scott Jackson, convicted of the murder of Pearl Bryan, with the death penalty attached, and his companion, Alonzo Walling, who is to be tried in ten days for the same murder. Some prisoner sawed off the hinges of the back door of the jail and let the seven out. Jackson and Walling could have gone with them, but preferred the jail as safer than the open country, where they knew they would be lynched as soon as caught on account of the intense feeling against them.

News of the jail delivery spread like the sound of an explosion. In less than half an hour 5000 people surrounded the jail. A strong cordon of police aided the deputy sheriffs to hold them back. As soon as the crowd became convinced that the convicted murderer, Jackson, and his companion, Walling, were still in jail it dispersed. Walling and Jackson broke down and shook with fear.

Jackson said: "They wanted me to go, but I would not. I feared the first man met outside would send a bullet through me and I thought the jail the safest place."

Walling said: "I did not know the plan until the prisoners were escaping, and I decided no place was as safe as the jail."

Shooting Right and Left.

Hazelton, Pa., May 18.—Six persons were shot and a number of others seriously injured during the riot at Macadoo, a town four miles from here, yesterday afternoon. The injured are: John Gerhard, shot in the face; Throw as Karns, shot in the arm; James Mulcowney, finger blown off; Burke Brennan, shot in shoulder; James Grennan, shot in arm; Mary Burke, shot in back; Antonia, nose broken; Mrs. Rose Viecho, scalp wound.

A game of base ball was in progress when a gang of drunken Italians charged upon the players and spectators with revolvers, clubs and stones. Saturday night an Italian had been arrested for assault and battery. A number of young men took him from the constable and unmercifully beat him. The Italians, hearing of this, threatened revenge. They fulfilled their threat yesterday. The first inning had just been finished, when there was a panic and the Italians followed in a few minutes by a promiscuous discharge of firearms.

One Million Dollars Involved.

Cincinnati, O., May 18.—In the United States circuit court Judge Sage overruled demurrers filed by defendants in the case of Mary Louise Denver Lindley against Louise C. Denver and others. This is the suit wherein the plaintiff, a daughter of the late Gov. Denver, seeks to set aside conveyances of real estate made by her whereby she disposed of her interest or nearly all of it in the estate of her father. The charges are that she was induced to sign papers by false and fraudulent representations and that she signed some papers of knowing what they were. The defendants have filed an answer the severe charges made in the petition. The case is one of widespread interest, as Gov. Denver, the father of the plaintiff, was of national reputation and his estate was supposed to the amount of at least $1,000,000.

Nineteen Years.

Omaha, Neb., May 18.—Henry Bolin, ex-city treasurer of Omaha, was Saturday forenoon sentenced by Judge Baker in the criminal court to serve nineteen years at hard labor in the penitentiary, and in addition to pay a fine of $211,000. Bolin was for nearly four years city treasurer. His shortages commenced a few months after his election. His shortage was discovered last July. He was convicted on his second trial last week, the jury having disagreed on the first trial. Bolin is 55 years old, and nineteen years practically amounts to life sentence in his case.

Two Sons Killed.

Columbus, Ind., May 18.—Jacob Hess, near Fremont, shot and killed his sons, Alvin and Reuben, and wounded Louis Billow. They tried to blow up his house with dynamite. Billow is a suitor of Miss Hess, father objected to him as a suitor. Lately he has been prohibited from making calls, and this so enraged him he has been nearly wild. People who know the young man think he has brooded over the love affair so much he has become insane. The sheriff and posse started at once to capture him, but have been unable to find him. A report had since been received which says one of the sons has died and that the other will probably recover.

Caught 'Em.

Springfield, Ill., May 18.—The two men who robbed the State bank of Buffalo, this county, last Thursday have been captured and have made a full confession. They are Carl Kloppenburg, the cashier of the bank, and George Kloppenburg, a drug clerk of this city, sons of August Kloppenburg, a wealthy citizen of Springfield. Carl Kloppenburg yesterday confessed to Cashier Baxter the entire story. The stolen money was recovered.

Off for Moscow.

St. Petersburg, May 18.—The czar and czarina, with their infant daughter, the Grand Duchess Olga Nicolaivna, accompanied by a numerous suite and by the whole of the imperial household, took their departure last evening at 5 o'clock for Moscow for the ceremony of the coronation of the czar and czarina and the fetes which precede and follow that event will fill up the time consumed by the journey from St. Petersburg. It is now fixed upon for the return of the imperial party to St. Petersburg

HE MEANS BUSINESS.

WILL CALL AN EXTRA SESSION OF CONGRESS.

So says Grover Cleveland, if Congress Adjourns Without Providing for the United States Treasury—Has Already Appropriated $650,000,000.

Washington, May 16.—The members of congress were somewhat excited yesterday over a report which has gained widespread circulation that the president has intimated that he intends to call a special session, if he finds it impossible to continue the session, which he is opposed to adjourning at the present time. It is said that he has told some one that this congress has appropriated about $650,000,000, and has not made one provision for raising the revenue to meet the debts taken on. He says that unless this express which the congress has extravagantly made for the future of the government there must be legislation, and he intends to have it, if he can. He has told some one that if congress should adjourn with its record in legislation as it is now written he will at once call a special session.

The origin of this report can not be ascertained. No one knows who first started it, and it would look as if it came from conclusions of the public mind rather than anything else. The president ever said on the subject. It is a fact that this congress has been most extravagant. It is a fact that the government is running behind. It is a fact that there has been nothing done to relieve the treasury. The natural conclusion would be that this being the case, the president would insist on congress providing some way to pay the money which it so lavishly promises and makes the government bound for through the instrumentality of appropriations.

Hung Only One.

Chicago, Ill., May 16.—Yesterday, for the first time since the execution of the Haymarket anarchists, a double hanging was on schedule in the Cook county jail. The condemned men were Alfred C. Fields, a negro, convicted of the murder of Mrs. Randolph, and Joseph Windrath, a German, convicted of the murder of Carey B. Birch. It was to have been a triple hanging, but Gov. Altgeld interfered and commuted the sentence of Nic Marsden, the murderer of Fritz Holzhuecter. Fields was apparently unconcerned Thursday night and slept soundly. His composure did not desert him, long after midnight. He, however, ceased raving, which he has kept up for three or four days, and apologized to the guards for the trouble he had given them, but protested he was innocent.

Fathers Dore and Finn prayed with him for a time. As the hour for the execution approached Windrath again became violent, shouting out between "Tell my friends now." His insanity or imitation of insanity was of such a character it was decided a separate execution would be necessary if an awful bungle was to be averted.

Just before the time set for the execution word came that a stay had been granted Windrath, Judge Baker allowing a postponement of three weeks.

Fields, the negro, the only remaining one of the trio to be hanged, was executed at 12:27 p. m.

Another Respite.

Kansas City, Mo., May 16.—Pollard and Harris, the negroes who were to have been hanged yesterday, the state supreme court having affirmed the death sentence imposed and Gov. Stone having refused to grant them a further respite, have been given another lease of life. The respite comes from and unexpected source, and in a manner unprecedented in this state. Judge Dobson, of the state circuit court late last night issued a writ of habeas corpus ordering Marshal Keshler, who had arranged for the execution in the morning, to appear with the condemned men in his court on Saturday morning for a hearing on the application made by the attorneys for the condemned men.

Notwithstanding the decision of the supreme court, the writ is based upon questions raised as to the legality of the original indictments against the prisoners, alleging perjury of witnesses against them in the criminal court and also on the ground of newly discovered evidence. The marshal will recognize the writ. A similar application was reported in Chicago in the case of Prendergast, the murderer of Mayor Harrison, who was given a short respite.

Fix the Scale.

Pittsburg, Pa., May 16.—President M. Mahlon Garland, of the Amalgamated association of iron and steel workers has announced the committee to settle the western iron wage scale. It is composed of twenty-three men, representing the six western and southern states and will meet here Friday morning and go through their work by Saturday. The annual convention at Detroit will be called to order Tuesday morning and may be in session two weeks.

Americans in Moscow.

Moscow, May 16.—Gen. A. D. McCook and Mrs. McCook, Mrs. Alexander, Col. McCook and Capt. Edwards, Miss McCook arrived here this morning to witness the ceremonies attending the coronation of the czar. Gen. McCook will represent the president of the United States at the coronation ceremonies. Admiral Selfridge of the United States navy and his staff, consisting of five officers, Lieut. Commander R. P. Rodgers, United States naval attache at St. Petersburg, and Mr. Chadwick, the United States consul at Moscow, arrived here yesterday.

The Senate.

Washington, May 16.—By a vote of 31 to 30 the senate determined yesterday that Henry A. DuPont was not entitled to a seat in the senate from the state of Delaware. This closed a long and animated controversy, which had become one of the most celebrated contests of its kind in the history of the senate. The result was in doubt up to the last moment, and there added interest to the final vote, but it went with the wishes of the Democrats and Populists and was the decisive vote in declaring that Mr. DuPont was not entitled to a seat.

Before taking the vote Mr. Platt spoke for Mr. DuPont and Mr. Vilas against.

Earlier in the day Mr. Bacon (Dem.), of Georgia, spoke against the issue of bonds without authority of congress.

A resolution was agreed to for an inquiry by the finance committee relative to the competition of oriental products with those of this country.

Resolutions were proposed by Mr. Morgan, of Alabama, for an inquiry to treaty rights with Spain and Mr. Gallinger relating to the tariff enactments.

Jan McLaren.

New York, May 16.—It is reported that the trustees of the Broadway Tabernacle are corresponding with Rev. John Watson (Ian McLaren), the distinguished preacher and author, of Liverpool, England, with the intention of inviting him to accept the pastorate recently vacated by Rev. Dr. Stillson.

Dr. Watson is pastor of the Sefton Park Scotch Presbyterian Church, Liverpool. It is one of the finest churches in that city. As a preacher Dr. Watson holds a distinguished place and as the author of "Beside the Bonnie Brier Bush," and "Days of Auld Lang Syne," he is known throughout the English speaking world.

Wound Up.

Milwaukee, Wis., May 16.—The famous case of the state ex. rel. John Schlerf against the school board of this city has come to and end. The plaintiff has given up the fight and the case has been withdrawn from the supreme court without costs to either party. This was the case involving the right of the school board to enforce the rule requiring that pupils shall be vaccinated before they are admitted to the public schools.

Chief Makala Captured.

Gwelo, Matabeleland, May 15.—The patrol which pursued the insurgent Matabeles, after the fights on Saturday last near Moven, and about half a mile from Mavine Main Kraal, which was destroyed on Saturday, met the insurgents later and another hot and close fight followed. Between fifty and sixty of the enemy were found dead as the engagement ended. Patrols suffered no loss. Chief Makala was captured.

Johannesburg Exposition.

London, May 16.—A Berlin correspondent says: Dr. Von Boetticher has been informed that the Halberstadt chamber of commerce that the Transvaal government has withdrawn its support from the projected International Industrial Exhibition at Johannesburg, and has also requested the American supporters to postpone the opening until May, 1897, and to give security for the safety of the exhibits.

Foiled.

Huntington, W. Va., May 16.—A crowd of armed men assembled at a watering tank near Nolan, on the Norfolk and Western road, Thursday at midnight, to rob the north-bound express train. The crew of the train were notified by wire and passed the place at a high rate of speed. The robbers attempted to stop the train with a red light.

United.

New York, May 16.—The Manhattan and New York and Brooklyn conferences of the Congregational Church have united after a separation of more or less friendly nature, caused by difficulties growing out of the Beecher trial. The union was affected at the session of the Manhattan conference in the Tompkins avenue Congregational Church.

A New Job.

Kansas City, May 16.—Geo. H. Foote, local passenger agent of the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul railroad, has been appointed district passenger agent for the road and connecting lines in southeast Missouri, Kansas, Oklahoma, and Indian Territory.

Want a German.

London, May 16.—A dispatch from Berlin says:

According to the Alle Deutsche Blatter, the Germans in Samoa complain that the chief justice (Henry Ide, an American) is ignorant of the German language and ignores grievances which are written in German. They claim that they are entitled to the services of a judge who is able to speak their language, as they contribute over two thirds of the taxation.

The committee has already waited on President Cleveland in regard to international arbitration.

Auditorium's Progress.

St. Louis, Mo., May 16.—Satisfactory progress is being made by the contractors on the immense auditorium building designed for the use of the republican convention. Thirteen thousand seats are provided for, but owing to its architectural construction and the steep pitch of the balconies, a good view of the speaker's stand is had from all parts of the structure, the roof being the only defect of the building in this direction.

The Baird Star.

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W. E. GILLILAND, Editor and Proprietor

Read Gov. Culberson's speech in this issue.

The city official organ is already in demand—by the Mayor.

Go to the primary and vote, June 6. You have a chance to express your convictions.

Say, dear reader, don't you wish that state election, like Presidential contests, were quadrennial instead of biennial, as now? If you do, you should send W. E. Gilliland to the Legislature again. He is pledged to work for such a reform.—Buffalo Gap, Messenger.

Suppose the government should pay off its bonded indebtedness with silver dollars according to the "coin' contract-would not that be a strong inducement for the capitalist of this country to endeavor to maintain the parity of gold and silver and to stop fighting silver as they are doing now?

If Mayor Cliett has any doubt about which has the largest circulation in Baird, THE STAR or his beloved organ, if he will investigate at the Baird postoffice he will find that THE STAR has more than three times as many as his organ at Baird and twice as many in the whole county and twice as many all together.

Editor Gilliland of THE BAIRD STAR says he will accept a renomination for the legislature at the hands of the Democracy and canvass the district if the party desires it. He was one of the most tireless workers and useful members of the last legislature and the people could not do better than to return him.—Comanche Chief.

How imporiant a man becomes the moment he announces for office. It was remarked that candidate Gillet was not lacking for escorts during his stay here Wednesday and Tuesday One thing is certain, however: even in success which admits of doubt to a man up a tree—the places of jailer and officeclerk cannot be filled by but two men.

Don't worry about what the democrats will do at Chicago; we may not all get what we want and some of us may not get anything we want on the money question, but for one THE STAR is going with the democrats, county, state and national, let those bolt who may, one or all of them. So far we see no hope outside of organized democracy for the perpetuation of democratic principles.

The populist organ told the democrats there would likely be an ironclad pledge on the last primary ticket. It was not there. They will now perhaps try some other tactics at the next primary to keep democrats away. Will you listen to the statement of your political enemies? who only want a chance to ridicule a small vote. Turn out like men and democrats. If you are a democrat with democrats stand, and if you are against the party say so. Let us see where we are at and make a fight against the common enemy and not war among ourselves.

The article in last weeks' STAR in regard to abolishing the city corporation it seems was taken as a personal affront by Mayor Cliett, and like Don Quixote of old, he mounts his Rosinante and goes to war, and small fry must stand from under. The most violently prejudiced mind cannot find anything in THE STAR's article to justify the Mayor's attack on the taxpayers who differ with him and charge them with being ignorant, soreheads and other choice epithets. So far as his personal thrusts at THE STAR is concerned, this modern Don Quixote, though aided and abetted by his Sancho Panza, the populist city official organ, he will find that THE STAR can take care of itself. We have neither time nor space to answer him this week, but will do so next week and puncture some of his lofty flights and absurd conclusions.

For State Representative.

An address to the Democracy of the 107 Legislative District: Composed of the Counties of Callahan, Taylor, Jones and Shackleford.

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GENTLEMEN:

As I have submitted my name to you as a candidate for re-nomination I feel it my duty to give you some account of my stewardship, and state the reasons that induced me to become a candidate again. Two years ago in accepting the nomination tendered me without opposition I stated that I would make the race but did not expect to become a candidate again for this or any other office. One term in the legislature confirmed my convictions that a man who has to hustle for a living, cannot in justice to himself, spend the time and bear the expense of a costly canvass and then, if elected, get nothing but a profitless office. In the last few months, however, I have been strongly solicited to become a candidate again because it was believed that being acquainted and a participant in the proceedings of the last legislature I was better prepared to make the race than a new man and if elected would have the advantage of the experience gained in one session of the legislature that would be of benefit both to myself and the district; an advantage that no other man possesses except those who have had a similar experience in legislative bodies. To be brief, as no one seemed to want to make the race and as I accepted a nomination when it was considered that a nomination by the democratic party was equivalent to an election, now when it has been demonstrated that the district is close if not a doubtful one I feel that it would look like I was willing to accept a nomination at the hands of my party when everything was fair and the success of the party certain, but when storms arose and the party was beset by foes on all sides that I would leave it to its fate and seek shelter until the storm blew over. I am not that kind of a democrat, and if my party believes I am the proper man to represent it in the coming contest I am willing to accept the nomination and make the canvass; but I cannot afford to canvass the district seeking the nomination and would not do so if I could. Therefore, will present you my views briefly in this address and leave the matter with you. If I am chosen as your standard bearer again I will cheerfully enter the fight and use all honorable means to be elected. If some other democrat is your choice he shall have my hearty support and nothing that I can do honorably and fairly will be left undone to secure his election.

In the last legislature I voted for every measure recommended by the last democratic state convention and all these demands of the platform were enacted into laws, save I believe with only one exception, that relating to hiring out state convicts.

The last legislature met under most unfavorable conditions in state affairs. The legislature was confronted with a deficiency, both in school and general revenues amounting in round numbers to about one and a half million dollars ($1,500,000.00) and the deficiency was growing larger each year. This deficiency resulted from various cause, such as hard times, shrinkage in taxable values, etc, and the further fact that the state was powerless to enforce the collection of taxes through detects in the tax laws; and the disasterous results of this was shown from the fact that in the past ten years delinquents were due the state $850,000.00 on real estate alone. Most of the deficiency in the school fund, which amounted to about $700,000, was caused by the inability of the people of West Texas to pay their interest on school lands, owing to droughts and the financial depression that has existed since the latter part of '92. Clearly something had to be done or the state would become bankrupt in a few years. The plan mapped out was rigid economy in all expenses of the legislature and in the State government, and to pass a law to enforce the collection of the state tax.

As a member of the committee on *Revenue and Taxation* I had a good opportunity to become acquainted with the financial condition of the state. On the score of economy the last legislature made a splendid record in the face of most bitter opposition by the daily press that is now openly advocating the claims of an independent candidate for governor and doing everything possible to disrupt and defeat the democratic party at the coming election. The expenses of the last legislature was thirty seven thousand dollars ($37,000) less than the 23rd legislature. The legislature still further reduced the expenses of the state government for '95-6 two years $496,673.71. Gov. Culberson vetoed items in the appropriation bill amounting to $130,340 more, these amounts with the $37,000.00 reduction in incidental expenses of the legislature made a total reduction in two years of $664,013.71. With all this reduction, large as it was, the committee on Revenue and Taxation realized that there was no other course but to raise the state tax, and we reported three bills to the House raising the state tax for general revenue purposes from 15 to 20 cents and the school tax from 12 1-2 to 20 cents and the third bill to borrow ($200,000), two hundred thousand dollars from the permanent school fund. The House promptly passed all three of these bills; but owing to a disagreement with the Senate the state tax was fixed at 25 cents for '95 and the bond bill was defeated. The House owing to the near approach of adjournment had no alternative but to accept this compromise, though personally I opposed raising the state tax higher than 20 cents. The knowledge gained as a member of the Revenue committee convinced me that nothing less than 20 cents would enable the state to reach a cash basis by March '97; though in view of the stringency of money matters it was with reluctance that I consented to report the bill to raise the taxes even that much, but duty to my constituents and to the state demanded it and I voted for the bill. It was absolutely imperative to raise the taxes at that time, notwithstanding we all knew it would be unpopular, and that demagogues would seek to make capital out of it. The legislature simply met the issue as honest and conscientious men should always meet an emergency, and as a member of that body have no apology to make for an act that was to me our plain duty.

The Colquitt law was passed, that is believed will enforce the collection of taxes on all alike, and should it meet the expectations of its advocates there is no question but what the state tax can be reduced some by the next legislature, and should I be elected I will favor reducing the state tax, if it can be done without reducing the revenues below an amount absolutely necessary to run the state on the most economical basis, consistent with efficient service. I believe in rigid economy in all public expenditures and voted for every measure to carry out that idea, but I do not believe in being parimonious or making reductions for some succeeding legislature to make good as has frequently been the case in the past.

The land law and the irrigation law were the most important measures for West Texas. The land law was not such as the members of this section desired, but was accepted as the best we could get, and because it was some improvement over other legislation in that line. The irrigation law may need some amendments to perfect it wherever defects may be discovered. I cannot enumerate in this limited space all that I did, I will simply state that I remained at my post continuously during the session except twice when called home for a few days. I was absent as little perhaps as any member and worked earnestly and faithful in the discharge of the duties assigned me. I felt and acted on the theory that I was the representative of the district and not a political party or faction.

PROPOSED LEGISLATION.

If I am reelected I shall introduce the following joint resolutions to amend the constitution viz:

1st To remodel our entire judicial system by abolishing the district courts and five civil courts of appeals, making our judiciary consist of one supreme court and one court of criminal appeals, Co. courts, commissioners courts and Justice of the Peace courts. This would save the state annually $300,000 and in my humble judgment give us a better and more efficient system than we have now. I have not time nor space to discuss this here, but will say that the change contemplated would give the county courts the same jurisdiction now conferred on district courts. Many of the ablest lawyers in the state are utterly disgusted with our present costly, top heavy and red-tape system and favor some plan to simplify and improve the system and cut down unnecessary expense. It can be done on the line here suggested I honestly believe.

2nd. To amend the constitution so that all persons between the ages of 21 and 50 years shall pay a poll tax before being allowed to vote This imperative for two reasons which seems to me in my judgment sufficient why it should be adopted by the people. First, to protect the ballot box and to aid the school fund. Hoards of Mexicans along the Rio Grande vote but never pay a poll tax or any other kind of a tax. It is the same way in other portions of the state. Gov. Hogg in his last message said the state had lost one and a half million dollars on poll tax in the last ten years. One million of this would have gone to support the public schools had it been collected. The state has undertaken to educate the children and it is nothing but right that those who pay no other tax should help to the extent of paying a poll tax to educate their children.

3rd. To make the term of all state and county offices, except members of the supreme court and senators, four years in place of two as at present. This would save an enormous amount of expense and worry to the people. The politicians will nearly all oppose it and that is the best reason why it should be adopted. My object is to lessen political strife and expense of frequent elections. Why, under present conditions we are in politics more than half the time to the disturbance of business and the great expense of the tax payers.

If we could have an election only once in four years and allow the legislature to meet only once during that time in regular session, the people would gradually get out of politics and we would have peace and quiet where as we now have a lot of professional politicians haranguing the people from years end to years end.

I realize that these measures will meet with strong opposition before the people and in the legislature. My advocating them may defeat me for the nomination, or if nominated defeat me at the polls, and if elected I may not be able to secure the necessary two third vote of each House required to submit them to the people who have to pass on them, but that is immaterial. I believe these reforms are necessary and would be of immense benefit to the people, and believing this I am in favor of them and shall go before the people and advocate them. In our courts there is no question but what some changes should be made and if I cannot get what I want will accept the next best plan offered in that line. In the event my resolutions should not pass I will advocate reducing the number of judicial districts from 55 to 40 which I advocated in the last legislature.

LAND LEGISLATION.

There is no question but that a radical change in the land policy of this state is demanded. The idea of holding land for future generations is a beautiful theory but mighty poor policy. I am one of those who believe in legislation on the line that will benefit the present in preference to future generations. My idea would be for the state to go out of the land business at the earliest possible moment. Pass a law giving every head of a family 5 years in which to purchase a home on West Texas school lands at, say 50 cents an acre spot cash, but sell during that time to none but actual settlers. After that put the land on the market and sell it out for cash on conditions as favorable as possible to purchasers without allowing large land monopolies. This plan would convert the school lands into cash, get the cash out of the land business and turn millions of non-taxable property into taxable property, and West Texas will experience such a boom as is seldom witnessed in any country. The influx of settlers and capital would make our country blossom like the rose. Irrigated farms would be found on every section of the millions of acres of land out here which only needs water to make this the garden spot of Texas. Capital will do all this, and I would favor some such policy, but knowing the sentiment of East Texas, could not hope to do more than introduce a bill and get it before the public that might bear fruit in legislation in a few years. These thoughts are thrown in here more with a desire to cause the people to think and take some action to solve the school land problem rather than any expectation of immediate results but something of this kind must be done before our section can prosper as it should.

CONCLUSION.

There are many other measures of importance, but this article is already too long and I cannot tax any one's patience to attempt to say more, but I am in favor of equal and just laws for all alike and if elected shall do as I did in the last legislature, advocate such measures as I believe are just fair and right, without regard to whether they are popular or unpopular. I shall go before the people in the coming campaign and acquaint them fully with my views on all public questions, which for want of space I cannot do here. Thanking the democracy for the honor bestowed on me in the past, I am ready for anything or any man that will advance the cause of democracy and the right, be it as your standard bearer or as a private in the ranks, as I have always been until, with one exception, when in 1894 unexpectedly nominated as a candidate for the legislature. I did not expect to be a candidate again; but only enter the race for reasons set forth in the first part of this address. I have no political ambition and if I make this race as your nominee I expect it to be the last, because while I take an interest in politics I have no desire to become a professional office holder and I will not do so. My profession, journalism, suits me, I can make more out of it than any office I ever held or could expect to get; and one is more independent, besides he can be at home with his family and his own business. If the democracy desire it I will make this race, but I intend this to be the last time I will be a candidate for this or any other official position.

Respectfully yours,
W. E. GILLILAND,
BAIRD, TEXAS, May 2d, 1896.

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MY MILLINERY DEPARTMENT is chuck full of attractive and stylish hats, and the prices have been reduced on many articles!

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COUNTY DEMOCRATIC TICKET

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For County Judge.
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For District and County Clerk.
W. W. DUNSON.

For County Treasurer.
T. B. HOLLAND.

For Tax Assessor.
T. J. NORRELL.

For Sheriff and Tax Collector.
J. W. JONES.

For County Attorney.
B. L. RUSSELL.

For Inspector.
W. C. ASBURY.

For Public Weigher.
W. M. COFFMAN.

For County Surveyor.
M. R. HAILEY.

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For Sheriff and Tax Collector.
W. E. (Walter) GILLET.

INDEPENDENT CANDIDATES.

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We are authorized to announce DR. S. T. FRASER as a candidate for County and District Clerk; subject to the people.

For Commissioner Pre. No. 1.
W. A. HINDS.

CALL FOR COUNTY DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION.

To the Democracy of Callahan County:

Whereas, nine of the twelve precinct chairmen having requested a change in the original plan adopted by the Dem-Ex. committee to elect delegates to the various conventions; now therefore by the authority vested in me as chairman of the county democratic executive committee, I hereby order that a primary election be held at the various voting precincts in this county on Saturday, June the 6, 1896 for the purpose of voting on the money question and to elect, by ballot, delegates from each of said precincts to a county convention to be held at Baird, Texas, Saturday, June 13, at 10 o'clock a. m. Said county convention is hereby called for the purpose of electing delegates to the different state and district conventions, to elect a chairman of the county democrati executive committee for the ensuing two years, and to transact such other business as may be necessary.

One vote for every ten votes or a fractional part over 5 cast for Gov. Culberson at the last general election is hereby fixed as the basis of representation for each precinct in the county convention and each precinct is requested to elect not less than the number of delegates they are entitled to, viz:

Baird, 18, delegates; Belle Plain, 4; Cottonwood, 5; Tecumseh, 2; Clyde, 4; Cross Plains, 5, Callahan City, 3; Putnam 6; Harts, 3; Pecan, 2; Caddo Peak, 1; Rough Creek, 1.

In fixing the basis of representation for one vote for each ten votes cast for Culberson each precinct is allowed one vote for each ten votes or a fractional part over five votes. Thus a precinct which cast 55 votes for Culberson would be allowed 5 votes, but if said precinct cast 56 votes it is entitled to 6 votes.

It is hereby agreed and understood in making this change that the delegates elected by the county convention are instructed to vote in the two state and congressional conventions in accordance with the majotity vote in the county on the money question. The democratic chairmen of the various precincts are hereby requested to open the polls at their respective voting precincts and conduct the election in the usual way. Count the ballots and make returns to the county chairman giving vote for and against the free coinage of silver, and names of delegates from their precinct to the county convention, and to notify each person elected as a delegate to said county convention,

B. L. RUSSELL,
Chm. Dem. Ex-Com.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lambert were up from the Bayou trading last week,

Mr. Walter Gillit, populist nominee for sheriff, made The Star a pleasant call Wednesday.

H. Buchen, the hustling merchant of Deep Creek, was in town Wednesday, looking hail and hearty.

See notice of mass meeting for 4th of July barbecue to be held at the Court House next Monday evening at 4 o'clock.

Drew Windham, of Duncan, Arz. passed through on the train Tuesday on his way to Brown county where he goes to join his family.

The county democratic executive committee have changed the manner of electing delegates, See chairman's call in this issue. The change was made on account of the great length of the ticket and trouble and time required in counting the ballots. According it the orriginal plan there would perhaps have been more than one hundred names on ticket. Every candidate for state and district officers wanted their names on ticket and then the 20 names for delegates would make the ticket the longest ever used dt any election. We think the committee acted wisely and for the best interest of the party.

Mrs. Rowland Mabile and children, of Cisco, visited relatives in our city last week.

Supt. R. G. Div., J. B. Paul, and Asst Supt. Telegraph F. R. Place went west Monday evening.

Master Zed Walker, of Wheelock, a brother of Mrs. Charlie Shelton, has returned home after attending school in Baird for several months.

Mrs. E. K. Kane, at the Ogle residence has fresh bread for sale every day. She will also supply fishing parties with bread. Leave your order with her. 23

Miss Thurston, of Chicago, had the misfortune to sprain her left ankle near Wristen's grocery store Saturday evening. Under Dr. Powell's skillful care she was able to be on the streets again Monday.

Dr Wilson, county health officer, was called last week to Cross Plains to investigate some kind of fever epedemic there. He imforms us that it is Scarlitina, and not Scarlet fever, as many feared it was.

Miss Leona Scott, one Eastland's most highly accomplished young ladies who for the past two weeks has been the guest of Misses Gussie and Dollie McDermett at Vigo, and Miss Jamie Nelson of Baird, returned home Monday.

Maj. R. E. Wathen and Geo. Duncan are sporting fine horses and new buggies. The buggies are built for two so it would not surprise us if the County Clerk and preachers can't transact some business for these gentlemen in the near future.

Several items of local news got lost in the 'make-up" last week. One of them a write up of the school entertainment, and a notice by Mr. Henry Roberts of a meeting at Clyde last Saturday. We regret the oversight but such things will happen occasionally.

Misses Rudie Warren and Eliza Gilliland attended the closing exercises of Miss Dora Warren's music class at Ranger last Friday night. Miss Dora and Mrs. Geo. Bowning, of Ranger, have gone to Mineral Wells to spend a couple of weeks, after which Miss Dora will return home for the summer.

Switch Engineer Geo, Duncan had his "hand upon the throttle" and his eye upon a bucking broncho a few days since. Results—several caboosis were well shoved up, the engine and one caboose slightly damaged. Geo. is off for a few days, Newt Frakes relieving him, which puts C. A. Ruhrup on day hostling.

C. W. Harkrider, district agent of the New York Life Insurence Co. was in the city last week. The business of this popular and leading company has increased so much in this vicinity that Mr. Harkrider has appointed Messrs G. A. Jameson and B N. Leonard special Agents to attend to its business. Both these young men are well known in Baird and we congratulate Mr. H. upon his selection. See ad in this issue.

Willie, the eldest son of Mr. Jas. Young was badely ditten in the face by a dog Wednesday night. Dr Wilson was hastely summoned and dressed the little fellow's wounds and he is doing nicely at this writing. A lot of children were playing with the dog, when for some cause he became furious and jumped on the little fellow and bit him in the forehead badely, but the doctor thinks he will get along allright, though he must have suffered intensly for a while.

The announcement of Mr W. E. (Walter) Gillit populist nominee for sherriff will be found in this issue of The Star. Mr Gillit is an old citizen of the county and we believe will make an efficient officer if elected. The Star says this much frankly in his favor, while we do not agree with him politically, nor will we support him during the campaign, The Star is not one of those who believes that every man a criminal who does not agree with it politically or otherwise.

Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Nelson, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hunter, Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Kavanaugh, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Christian and Mrs. Julius Norton will chaparone a crowd of young people on a fishing trip next Tuesday to remain until Saturday. This crowd of young people know how to fix for a good time from experience and it goes without saying that this trip will eclipse all previous records in that directions. Col Maxwell skilled in the culinary art has been engaged from the old reliable Chop House of C. F. Johnson's, to preside over the cuisine

BUSINESS LOCALS.

See Powell's ad on 1st page 9 tf

Poultry netting at Harry Meyer's.

Join the big rush at Powell's 47

Screen wire at Harry Meyer's. 20tf

For a good shave go to Geo. Dean.

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Twenty-five per cent off for cash on clothing Powell. 9 tf

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Go to T. J. Dean's for cheap groceries, laces, tinware and racket goodf cheap for cash. Give him 10tf

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Bass Bros. of Abilene, Texas. have the largest stock of Wall paper in West Texas. They compete with Fort Worth. 10tf

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We will kill nothing but cattle that have been full fed from this time until spring. You will get no better [illegible] any where than at our place and [illegible] sausage maker is the best one [illegible] town. City Meat Market. 10

See bank report.

W. L. Gilliland was in town Tuesday.

Foster Bros. are making considerable repairs in their gin.

Mr. Silva, one of the old time cattle buyers, was in town this week.

See account of the awful destruction of life at Sherman by cyclone.

H. and Tom Windham from Tecumteh was in town on business this week.

$19 will buy a first-class sewing machine and get The Star for one year. This machine has never been sold in Baird for less than $22.50 cash. you can buy it from us get The Star and save $3·50 in cash. The machine will be delivered to you right here in Baird on payment of the cash without any extra charge whatever. Call at The Star office and see sampie of the machine.

A. J. Russell, a prominent democrat of Maredian, Miss., a brother of B. L. Russell, our fellow townsman, was in Baird a day or two the first of the week. Mr. Russell was called to see his mother at Putnam, who has been critically ill. Mr. Russell is an ex-member of the Mississippi legislature and at present assistant attorney for the Mobile and Ohio railroad. He left for his home Monday.

FOUTH OF JULY.

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The Star is requested to announce that there will be a mass meeting of the citizens at the Court House next Monday, May 25th, at 4 o'clock p. m. to make arrangements to celebrate the 4th of July. Let every one who can attend and let us have a rousing old fashioned barbecue. Don't forget the date, Monday 25 at 4 o'clock, p. m., at the court house.

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PUTNAM PICNIC.

Putnam, Tex. May 20, 1896,

The Democrats of Putnam held a mass meeting last night and unanimously endorsed the arrangments made by the Democratic chairman of this precint relative to having a joint discussion on political issues at Putnam May 30th 1896, and unanimously joined the chairman in extending to Hon. W. P. Gibbs, of Gordon, Texas, an invitation to meet S. A. Bryant, of Cisco, Texas, in said joint discussion. It was decided to have a political picnic on that day with dinner on the grounds. The populist are invited to join in an effort to make the occasion edjoyable to all who will attend. Every body is invited to attend and all who can conveniently do so will please bring a basket of provision. County candidates are invited to deliver addresses on county issues beginning at 10 o'clock, a. m.

J. J. Sigler,
Chairman.

PUTNAM POINTERS.

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May 14th.—Farm work is progressing rapidly since the rain last Saturday night.

The fishing craze struck our town on or before the 7th of April and is still raging.

Profs. A. J. Beaver and D. L. Johnson began a writing school at Lone Pecan (Goose Hollow) last Monday night under the most favorable auspices. We wish you success boys and hope that you will be able to make the necesiary arrangements for desks, etc.

Several of our young people attended the singing convention at Cottonwood last Sunday and report a good time.

W. S. Butler has postponed work on the Sigler building on account of the "Goose Hollow" writidg school.

Any one having any fire arms to dispose of would find it to their interest to call on D. W. Heslep Democratic nominee for constable Pre. No. 8. Kind wanted.—Anything from a 22 caliber 7 shot to a gatlin gun.

W. S. Butler.

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AN ATTEMPTED SUICIDE.

Bill Burt rested his horse a moment at the crest of a foothill overlooking Stakeville. There was yet a glow on the top of the ragged peaks which was more than a hundred miles from the Sangre de Cristo range, but the twilight had faded in the valley and the clustered lights of Stakeville glowed cheerily in the distance.

Bill Burt looked long and earnestly in the direction of Stakeville. Dismounting, he leaned against the gnarled stump of a pine and slowly filled a blackened briar pipe.

"There is Stakeville, and it looks good for a man who has seen nothing but cow punchers and greasers for six months," said Bill, as he impatiently kicked a loose stone and sent it rattling down the slope. "That brightest light there is Tom Carney's joint. Bet that Tom is back of the bar right this minute. Can almost smell that hot Scotch. Six months? That's a long time without a drink. Bet I'm drunk before midnight."

For half an hour Burt puffed away silently at the black pipe. His eyes were fixed on Stakeville, whose lights gleamed brighter in the gathering darkness, but his mind was on the past. In memory he reviewed the last ten years of his life. Thirty-two years old did not rest lightly on Bill Burt. True, the well-built shoulders and powerful limbs showed no signs of life's desperate battle, but the black curly hair, which fell in abundance from beneath the faded sombrero, was flecked with gray and the tanned face was that of a man well advanced in the forties. At twenty-two, elected by a big majority to a responsible legal office in a populous Eastern city; at twenty-four a member of the legislature and one of the acknowledged leaders of the house; at twenty-five a drunkard and a self-constituted outcast from the scenes of his early triumphs. A year later Burt was on the frontier, and for six years led a wild and desperate life as a cowboy, prospector, ranger, guide and for several months as faro dealer. These six years had been spent in a losing struggle against whisky. Once in reach of liquor, Burt was drunk. Suddenly he would disappear, and for months would be buried on the plains or in the mountains. Here he was safe. When there was no whisky to be had Bill Burt had no desire for it; but the return to camp or a town meant a protracted debauch.

"Six months is a long time," reflected Bill as he placed his foot in the stirrup and headed his pony toward Stakeville. "Mebbe I've gotten over it. I'll take a chance anyhow. But you can bet I'm not going to stay away from any saloons or other places of entertainment on that account. A man who can't stand off liquor when he is stacked up against it might as well quit. If I find I want a drink I'm going to take it. If I don't want it there is no sucker in Stakeville can force it down me."

Bill Burt found that he wanted a drink, and that he wanted several of them. Long before midnight he was drunk, and an hour later celebrated his return to civilization by "winging" a man and incidentally by demolishing part of the back bar of Tom Carney's cafe. At the end of a week the savings of six months' hard work had been squandered. Bill awoke one morning fevered, penniless and desperate.

"There is nothing in this kind of a life for me," said Burt as he surveyed a swollen face and red eyes in the fragment of a glass which decorated his room in a lodging house. "I might as well end it now as any time."

He picked up his gun and examined it carefully. Standing in front of the glass, he placed the muzzle against his forehead. He held it there a moment, lost in thought, and then placed it back in his belt.

"That's no way for a man to die," said Bill Burt. "A man is a coward to kill himself, especially when he is a big husky brute like me. How can I fix it? I have it," and Burt smiled grimly. "I remember last night that some one said Big Jake was in town. Jake is a bully good shot. Guess I can fix it to have Jake shoot me. It would be water on his wheel, and let me out of a bad job."

Big Jake was in town, and Stakeville was on its good behavior, so far as he was concerned. No one knew how many men Big Jake had killed, but

"Six Months is a Long Time," Said Bill.

Stakeville had contributed three to the score. When Bill Burt arrived at Tom Carney's Big Jake was well along on his drunk. His black eyes gleamed savagely from beneath bunches of scraggy eyebrows, and his voice was husky with the awful fluid which passed for whisky at Carney's cafe. A group of men were around Big Jake, who was buying all drinks and cursing Stakeville and everything in it. Bill Burt pushed his way through the crowd. He had never seen Big Jake before, but needed no introduction.

"Throw that stuff into your carcass and have a drink with me," said Burt pushing a citizen out of the way and crowding up against Big Jake.

"Who are you, that you come pervadin around here without bein' as't?" demanded Big Jake, fixing a bad eye menacingly on Bill.

"That counts nothing with you," said Bill. "My money buys just as good drinks as yours, and when I have no coin Tom there stands to back my play."

"I sort of likes your nerve," said Big Jake, "and will set aside all rules and let ye blow yerself. A little water with mine, barkeep. You other gents keep out of this. This here is a social event just between this gent an' me."

Bill ordered beer. Big Jake raised the liquor to his face. Quick as a flash Bill knocked it out of his hand and the next instant threw the beer full in the face of the desperado. The loungers jumped back out of range. Big Jake choked and gasped. Bill Burt, calm, but pale, leaned against the bar waiting for death. Big Jake rubbed the lager out of his eyes, took one glance at Bill and made a wild dash. There was a crash of glass as he went through a sash, and when the crowd reached the door Big Jake had mounted the nearest broncho and was tearing down Main street.

Bill Burt leaned against Tom Car-

Bill Threw the Beer Full in the Face of Big Jake.

ney's bar and laughed until the tears came.

"I am sure playing in hard luck," he said. "Tom, I will pay you for that booze next month. I am going to hunt up Big Jake and apologize."

And he did. He found him in Tucson two weeks later. Big Jake was coming down the street, and met Bill Burt face to face. Throwing up both hands the bad man exclaimed:

"Don't shoot, stranger, and give me a chance to square myself."

"I ain't going to shoot," said Bill. "Come in here and take a drink and I will explain things. Don't drink myself, thank you. I have traveled a few hundred miles to apologize to you."

And while Big Jake drank several long glasses of beer Bill Burt told him the story. The bad man listened quietly, and finally said:

"You overdid it, stranger. I thought sure you had the drop on me, and was dead happy to get away erlive."

Bill and Jake became mining partners. While no agreement was made or not a word said on the subject, neither one has taken a drink of liquor to this day. They located the "Yellow Dog" claim, and made enough for half a dozen fortunes. Big Jake is still West, but Bill Burt went back to his old home years ago. He found his wife there waiting for him. She had never lost faith in him, but she had never heard the story of how Bill attempted to commit suicide.—Chicago Times-Herald.

Spectacles for Children.

The number of spectacled midgets to be seen around everywhere nowadays is something startling. It is hard to believe that there were probably as many of the preceding generation in need of the same help for defective vision who never got it. Many family physicians make it a part of their regular duty to know that the children in their charge have normal sight, or the chance of getting it. There was a baby in arms, in the street car, recently, a fat, healthy, hearty fellow, whose bright, rogueish eyes looked out through a pair of spectacles, securely fastened by an elaborate arrangement of strings and rubber bands.

Across the car was a woman, who, looking at the baby, told this of her own experience—that when she was twenty-two years old she went to an oculist for treatment of a slight injury to one of her eyes and then learned, incidentally, that she had never had normal sight, and that the constant strain to which the weak nerves had always been subjected was the one certain cause of the agonizing headaches that she had suffered every little while from her earliest childhood. That she had always been delicate and ailing was the result of the headaches, naturally. A few weeks' treatment and the use of proper glasses proved all this true. There was never another headache—her splendid constitution jumped at its chance and she was well and strong at once.

Twenty-two years of a girl's life in almost constant suffering for lack of a pair of spectacles when a child! And she was the cherished daughter of a well-to do man.—New York Tribune.

Europe's Stock of Gold.

Since 1890 the gold in European banks has increased by $623,200,000. Of this, the Imperial Bank of Russia has gained $185,800,000, the Bank of France, 167,400,000, the Bank of England, $111,000,000, the Austro-Hungarian Bank, $79,800,000 and the Imperial Bank of Germany $39,000,000. The gold comes from the American monetary circulation and from the production of the gold mines. At the end of 1895 the Bank of France and the Imperial Bank of Russia between them held $776,600,000 in gold, a little more than half the stock of gold in the European banks, and this does not include the gold in the Russian treasury, which is estimated at $510,400,000. The gold in Germany, Austria, Hungary and Italy amount to $336,000,000, and that in the Bank of England to $580,800,000.—Economiste European.

Discard the Pillow.

A French doctor says the custom of sleeping with the head higher than the feet is responsible for various ills that flesh is heir to, and that the proper way is to reverse matters and place the pillows under the feet and legs. This ought to prove congenial advice to those who avail themselves of every opportunity to put their feet on tables and mantlepieces. But one doubts whether women accustomed to their own idea of comfort will forego their downy pillows under their cheeks, even though the French doctor does declare all sorts of evils to be the result.

FARM AND GARDEN.

MATTERS OF INTEREST TO AGRICULTURISTS.

Some Up-to-Date Hints About Cultivation of the Soil and Yields Thereof—Horticulture, Viticulture and Floriculture.

EARLY last spring, through the local papers we advised the farmers and ranchmen in Wyoming, not to purchase seeds or plants of sachaline until its value could be determined by the Experiment Station.

The plant has been so thoroughly advertised and such extravagant statements have been made of its hardiness, productiveness, and value as a forage plant, that we believe every farmer should be advised of our results in growing it. One ounce of seed and twenty roots were purchased of A. Blanc & Co., Philadelphia, for each Experiment Farm. These have been given a careful trial in each place. At Laramie the roots were planted in pots in the greenhouse in order to give them a good start before setting them out in the field. These made small growth and though kept under the glass they died down to the ground at the end of six months. At Sheridan, sixty-one plants came up from the seeds by the middle of August, the tallest reaching a height of eight inches. None of the seed grew at the other farms and at no place did plants from the roots reach a height of more than twenty-six inches. In short, our trials indicate that sachaline is not sufficiently hardy to be of practical value in any part of the state. According to reports, it has failed in Colorado, Kansas, New Mexico and Texas.

However in reporting our results we would mention the fact that the seed of another species of knotweed (Polygonum cuspidatum), is sometimes sold for true sachaline, and we are not sure that our seed and roots were not of this variety. In fact measurements of leaves on plants at Sheridan would indicate that they are "false sachaline." Whether we have grown the true sachaline or not, we believe that any attempt to grow it in this state will result only in loss of time and money.

A circular from the Department of Agriculture on sachaline, by Lamson Scribner, says:

"From the native station of the plant, along moist river banks, upon an island with a cold and very moist climate—and from the recommendations as to its culture by horticulturists who have had experience in growing the plant, it is very doubtful if it will prove a success in the arid regions of the west; in fact it seems hardly probable that it can grow there at all."

B. C. Buffum,
Prof. Agriculture and Horticulture.

Rot in Apples, Grapes and Plums.

Bulletin 31 from the Missouri experiment station, by J. C. Whitten, horticulturist, details the results of numerous experiments in preventing rot in apples, grapes, plums, etc. The practical points brought out are condensed into the following:

During the past two years, systematic experiments have been carried on at the experiment station, at Columbia, in spraying for insects and fungous diseases in order to determine the general efficacy of spraying, the most economical strength of spraying mixtures, the number of applications necessary for the various fungous diseases, the best time to spray, and other unsettled points.

Apple scab, the worst fungous disease of the apple in this country, was very largely controlled in orchards sprayed once before the buds started in the spring, with copper sulphate (two pounds to fifty gallons of water) and four times, subsequently with bordeaux mixture. The bordeaux mixture was applied in various strengths from one pound to six pounds of copper sulphate and the same weight of lime, to fifty gallons of water. The three and four-pound solutions gave as good results as the six-pound solution the first season, and the second season, after systematic spraying was begun, the one and two-pound solutions were sufficient to hold the scab almost entireiy in check. In unsprayed orchards, the scab ripens its spores early in the season, and these spores germinate upon the fruit and leaves, causing a second crop of the fungus that appears as clouds or blotches on the apple in autumn. On sprayed trees, no trace of this second crop of scab could be found, while on unsprayed apples it was almost universal.

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Bitter rot developed to only a slight extent on the station grounds, about the time the fruit was gathered. Generally throughout the state it was very bad. The only case in which we had an opportunity to test the efficacy of the bordeaux mixture for this disease was on some Fameuse trees. These trees were sprayed (as outlined) for scab. At the time of gathering in autumn, the following percentages of fruit, sprayed with two, four and six-pound solutions, were affected with bitter rot. Unsprayed trees 84 per cent. affected, sprayed with two-pound solution 41 per cent, four-pound solution 57 per cent, and six-pound solution 25 per cent affected. Since this disease developed so late in the season, no other experiments were carried on to check it except to thoroughly spray two trees just before the fruit was gathered, with ammoniacal copper carbonate solution. It is ex[illegible]ed that this will lessen the amount [illegible] bitter rot next season. In 1896 m[illegible] extensive experiments for this d[illegible] the disease will be pursued [illegible] orchards.

The black rot of the grape was more readily controlled by the use of bordeaux mixture than were most of the other fungous diseases. The plum rot was most successfully managed by spraying with the bordeaux mixture until the fruit reached nearly full size and then spraying weekly, during the ripening period with the ammoniacal copper carbonate solution. The reason for using the latter solution at that time was because it left no sediment on the fruit at the time of gathering, as did the bordeaux mixture.

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We sometimes hear of unsuccessful results from spraying, but these experiments show, while all diseases can not be immediately and totally eradicated, that continued spraying will cause the fungus diseases mentioned to grow less and less each year. One intelligent fruit grower sent word to the station that he had carefully sprayed according to directions, but that there was more scab on his sprayed than on his unsprayed trees. A careful examination of apples from his orchard revealed the fact that they were badly burned (probably by impure chemicals or too strong a mixture), but there was no trace of fungous disease in his fruit. Very common mistakes are the use of impure chemicals, allowing the ingredients to settle so the first trees get none an dthe last trees too much of the chemicals, improper mixing of the solutions, usig the wrong solution, and failing to spray at just the proper time.

The cost of these spraying mixtures and spray pumps is very small, and the labor involved is very slight. There is no single investment that will pay such profits on the general farm as systematic spraying.

Full particulars as to how to make up the different solutions, the time and best methods of applying them, will be found in bulletin 31 of this station, which may be had, free of charge, by addressing the director of the experiment station, Columbia, Mo.

Proposed Live Stock Regulations.

The senate committee on agriculture has authorized a favorable report upon the animal industry bill. It is a recodification of the existing laws bearing upon the subject of animal and meat inspection, with numerous important additions. Among the additions are provisions putting inspection of meat products and live stock, the extirpation of infectious and contagious diseases, the regulations on the transportation of live stock, and the prevention of the exportation or importation of diseased stock in the direct charge of the bureau of animal industry. Stock exposed to contagion, as well as those already affected, are included within the inhibitions of the bill. Transportation companies are forbidden, under a penalty of $1,000, from receiving or shipping infected animals for interstate commerce. The owners of cars or pens which have contained diseased cattle are required to disinfect them thoroughly. Veterinary inspection of live stock whose meat is to be exported is exacted, and shippers of meat products are required to mark packages plainly so as to indicate the species of the animal. No slaughter of animals at abattoirs having government inspection is to be allowed on Sundays or holidays, or at night in the absence of an inspector. Inspectors are authorized to condemn such animals or carcasses as are found to be diseased, and, if necessary, to destroy them. It is made unlawful to import carcasses of diseased cattle or other live stock which have not been inspected or certified. The secretary of agriculture is authorized to maintain at the expense of the United States microscopical examinations of swine carcasses at the time of slaughter whenever and wherever he may deem it expedient, and especially with reference to hog meat intended for export. Provision is made for sending veterinary surgeons to districts where horses, cattle or hogs are suffering from infectious diseases.

Penalties for disregard or disobedience of the law are provided in all cases and in several instances fines amounting to $5,000 are imposed.—Farmers' Review.

Sixteen Years a Poultryman.

We have kept poultry for the past sixteen years, but did not make much of a business of it for the first four years. We have tried the Brahmas, Cochins and Barred Plymouth Rocks. We like the Barred Plymouth Rocks best, and for twelve years we have kept no other breed. We keep nothing but pure breeds and use them for stock and for market. Our housing is not so good as it should be, just a single-walled wooden house with the cracks battened. To my old fowls in the winter time I feed wheat, corn and oats, equal parts, in the morning. At noon I feed wheat and oats and give them milk when I have it. To the little chicks I feed corn bread. We sell the little ones as soon as we can get them big enough for market. We are careful not to keep many of them till late in the fall, when the markets are glutted. Our market is Chicago. Our hens have laid all of the past winter and do every winter except when it is very cold. Then we have to shut them up in their house and that soon stops their laying. We have lost a great many from different diseases. In hatching we have used both hens and incubators and have had good success either way. As to doctoring hens we always do that with the greatest care and in many cases we succeed in curing the fowls. As to value of breeds I will say that I have never had hens that produced more eggs than the Barred Plymouth Rocks and for early maturity I think they are the best. My experience shows that a hen house should be kept dry and clean and that a ground floor is the best.

J. H. Stahl.

Lake County, Ind.

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IN WOMAN'S CORNER.

INTERESTING READING FOR DAMES AND DAMSELS.

A Texas Diana Who Kills and Skins Her Own Game—Some Dainty Designs—A Symphony in Green—When a Woman Is Old.

IN TEXAS THE wildcats, the black bears, the wolves and the Mexican lions are learning to beware of petticoated beings. Miss Zola Saint Louis is the woman who has inspired the animals with this unusual respect. Since the opening of the hunting season last fall she has killed twenty-five deer, five black bears, seven wildcats, three wolves and one Mexican lion. Besides being a hunter of big game, Miss Saint Louis is a taxidermist. She has studied the gentle art of skinning and stuffing her trophies until her home is a sort of museum of Texan natural history. Four years spent at Hardin college, in Mexico, Mo., made her as skillful a taxidermist as there is in the state. In spite of her unusual accomplishments she is not a masculine young woman, but a somewhat slenderly built, brown-eyed, graceful girl.

Costumes for Those in Mourning.

There is not a great deal of change in deep mourning from year to year. Henrietta cloth reigns supreme as the correct mourning fabric, while crape veils of varied lengths proclaim the relative mourned as plainly as the death notice of parent or husband. In the deepest mourning the Henrietta cloth costumes made absolutely plain are the correct ones to wear. After three months crepe trimmings may be used; at six months entire gowns of crepe are considered quite possible. Widows' mourning is the deepest, but the last year or two it has been the fashion (as it has been from time immemorial in England) to wear the sheer white turned-over collars and cuffs, which are so becoming, and lighten the dead black. The white ruche inside the bonnet is supposed to be the widow's cap, which at one time was always worn; now caps, even for old ladies, are out of fashion, so that the ruche is merely symbolical.

For a father or mother the mourning is almost as deep as for a husband, but the veil is not so long, nor is the mourning worn for the same space of time. All mourning is now laid aside much sooner than was formerly the case, a year to wear the long veil being quite the limit. It is difficult to have crepe bonnets becoming, but there is no reason why they should not be made so if only care be taken to have the bonnet shape fit quite close to the head. The folds of the veil will give all the height that is necessary, and any fancy shape only looks grotesque under the crepe. When the mourning is first lightened and the veil thrown back a few soft bows on the top of the hat are added, and give a smarter look.

Many veils of nuns' veiling and of soft, heavy silk tissue—a sort of grenadine—are now used, always with the face veil of net with the crepe border; for wet weather they are very much the best.—Ex.

Some Dainty Designs.

While every thought is given to the decking of the body for street wear it will be well to turn a few stray thoughts in the direction of some of the exquisite-

ly chic and dainty night robes being sent over for our inspection. The softest of soft India silks and the finest of fine batistes are used for the smartest of these, and whole pieces of ribbon and the loveliest of delicate laces are lavished on them. The batiste gowns are especially lovely and launder in the best posible way. Very, very pretty ones are made of this stuff in a soft creamy tint, with the narrowest of Valenciennes lace set in at the seams. Some sort of an odd, full collar flares out over the big bishop sleeves, which usually reach to the elbow and are finished by a frill of lace. The big sleeves are drawn in at the wrist by ribbons run through the open work lace, and fastened in a bow on the top of the arm. In the same way the collar is drawn in at the throat and fastened in a full bow in front.

When the tan-tinted batistes are used the lace matches in color, while the ribbons may be of any shade desired. Robes de chambre of silk are dainty enough for a princess to wear. They are made in the Mother Hubbard shape, with deep oval yokes, all lace insertions, set together with narrow satin ribbons, ending with a bow at each row and edged all about with a deep frill of lace. Sometimes there is a collar in sailor shape, or one set together in deep points, made of white mousseline de soie, set together with tucked frills. Jabots of lace reach from throat to hem, with here and there full knots of ribbon.

A wonderfully lovely robe of empire silk in pale rose pink and white stripe an inch wide is made up with pelissed frills of white mousseline de soie and a tucked yoke of the same. Yellow, in the pale, soft shades, is a favorite color for brunettes, but is worn beautifully by pale-skinned blondes as well. Full choux of satin ribbon in baby width are tucked in among the frills with pretty effect.—Chicago Chronicle.

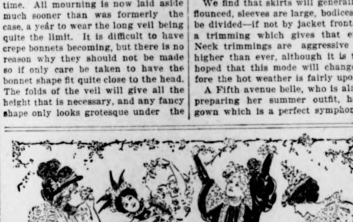
A Symphony in Green.

The social season is again in full swing after the lenten lull. Easter gowns and bonnets have been worn and are now familiar. We are used to

the flower-garden appearance of our thoroughfares. It no longer surprises us to see a woman dressed in vivid purple or grass green or bright yellow. Somber colors appear dead in our eyes. Our curiosity regarding color is sated and we now turn our attention to form.

We find that skirts will generally be flounced, sleeves are large, bodices will be divided—if not by jacket fronts, by a trimming which gives that effect. Neck trimmings are aggressive and higher than ever, although it is to be hoped that this mode will change before the hot weather is fairly upon us.

A Fifth avenue belle, who is already preparing her summer outfit, has a gown which is a perfect symphony in



A SUMMER GOWN.

green. The gored skirt is of pale green batiste—the sheerest linen batiste—on which is a delicate line of white. About the bottom a row of batiste rosettes, resembling fall roses, encircles the gown. A tiny cord of dark green velvet outlines each seam of the skirt and that material also enters into the designing of the bodice. Straps of it appear on each side, the front and down the sleeve puffs.

The sleeves are curious, for each strap of velvet was edged one side with a lace ruche, an upstanding ruche which increased the apparent size of the sleeves.

Finishing each strap of velvet on the bodice was a tiny jabot of wider lace and down the front at regular intervals were three rosettes, similar to those on the skirt, but of velvet.

The young lady proposes to wear this gown when she walks under the spreading branches of the trees and beside the rippling brook. Then a woodland fairy will she be.—The Latest in Chicago News.

When Is a Woman Old?

All of the leading actresses in Germany have been asked the question put above, and some of the replies were worth noticing. Jenny Gross takes to the usual refuge that "A woman is as old as she looks." Frau Nuscha Butze thinks "a woman is only old when she tries to make herself young again." Mary Popischil declares that "as long as a woman believes in youth and clings to her youth she appears young even when she is not really so," and Marie Reisenhofer considers somewhat obscurely that "woman is old when she begins to love reason, and finds no love in return." Rosa Bertens reflects that "a woman is old when she begins to ask herself 'When is a woman old?'"; and Clara Ziegler, the famous tragedienne, is the author of a phrase in her reply: "When is a woman old? The conceited never, the unhappy too soon, and the wise at the right time."

Gladness Comes

With a better understanding of the transient nature of the many physical ills, which vanish before proper efforts—gentle efforts—pleasant efforts—rightly directed. There is comfort in the knowledge, that so many forms of sickness are not due to any actual disease, but simply to a constipated condition of the system, which the pleasant family laxative, Syrup of Figs, promptly removes. That is why it is the only remedy with millions of families, and is everywhere esteemed so highly by all who value good health. Its beneficial effects are due to the fact, that it is the one remedy which promotes internal cleanliness without debilitating the organs on which it acts. It is therefore all important, in order to get its beneficial effects, to note when you purchase, that you have the genuine article, which is manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co. only and sold by all reputable druggists.

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Finishing Touches.

The German kaiser has turned his late battle paintings over to the famous painter of military subjects, Herr Roechling, who will put a few finishing touches on the imperial masterpieces, and incidentally fit them for exhibition.

It beats the cars how a sensational story will travel.

YOUNG AT FIFTY.

HOW A METHODIST MINISTER CARRIES HIS YEARS.

From the Times, Oswego, N. Y.

Probably no man is better known or more highly respected in Oswego, N. Y., than the Rev. William Young, of the Methodist church. Mr. Young holds a responsible position with the Oswego City Savings Bank, where he has been an employe for the past twenty years.

In the spring of 1894 Mr. Young looked as if his time on earth was limited but, instead of failing as was predicted, he soon gained a more healthy look and appeared stronger. As the months went by this improvement continued, until now he is as rugged and apparently as healthy as a young man of thirty, although his gray locks denote a more advanced age. A Times reporter, determined to find out what had made this great change, called upon Mr. Young at the bank and put the question direct and received the following reply:

"In truth I am a changed man, and I owe my present good health to Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. In the spring of 1894 I was all run down and had commenced to think that my time had come. I had to be prescribed for by physicians, and although I received temporary relief, the same old trouble came back again and I was worse than before. I had no strength or appetite, and physically I was in a miserable condition. After my work I would go home, but the general lassitude which hung over me left me without any ambition, and when I would go to the table to eat, my appetite failed me and I would have to leave without taking hardly any nourishment. My kidneys were also badly affected, and I was in utter despair. One day, here at the bank, I happened to pick up one of the local papers, and my eye fell on the advertisement of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. The advertisement gave a description of a man who, afflicted as I then was, had been cured by using Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. I was not a believer in that kind of doctoring, but concluded as a last resort to try a box of the pills, making up my mind that if they did not help me I certainly would not be injured any. Going to a drug store I purchased a box of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills and commenced taking them according to directions. Very soon after I began to feel better and I saw I had made no mistake in trying the pills, and before the first box was emptied I felt so much improved that I immediately purchased another. I had taken seven boxes of the pills, and at the end of last summer I felt I was entirely cured and discontinued their use, but always keep a box handy if occasion requires. I am now entirely cured. The lassitude has left me, my kidneys are all right and my appetite—well, you should see me at the table. I am a new man again, and instead of feeling like a man of fifty, which is my age, I feel like a youngster of twenty, and I give Pink Pills the full credit for this great change. I have recommended these pills to several of my neighbors and acquaintances, who have been relieved of their complaints."

(Signed) WILLIAM YOUNG.

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RIVERS AND HARBORS

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE WILL PROBABLY REPORT TO-DAY.

Adjournment Impossible Until June 1, as Congress Cannot Adjourn Until Ten Days After Both Houses Agree on the Bill. Indicted.

Washington, May 20.—The conference on the river and harbor bill is about at an end and it is expected that it will be brought in to-day.

The only point of difference in the committee now is in relation to the harbors of Santa Monica and San Pedro, in California. It will be remembered that the senate agreed that a commission should be appointed to investigate the two harbors and on the report the appropriation should be made. The chairman of the committee on commerce, which reported in favor of Santa Monica and against San Pedro, is Senator Frye, and it is said that he now wants the conference committee to go back on the senate's action in regard to the commission and make the appropriation outright for Santa Monica.

Congress cannot adjourn till ten days after both houses agree on the bill, because that time would be necessary for the bill to become a law if the president does not sign it. It will be impossible for both houses to agree for a day or two, and it is concluded that hopes for an adjournment by the 1st of June cannot be indulged in.

Hard on Foreigners.

Washington, May 20.—The house yesterday entered upon a two days' debate of the immigration bills reported from the immigration committee.

Mr. W. A. Stone of Pennsylvania and Mr. Tracewell of Indiana argued for a restrictive manufacture. Mr. Corliss of Michigan for his bill designed to put an end to Canadian competition with American labor, and Mr. Morse of Massachusetts and Mr. Bartholdt of Missouri for the education bill.

The feature of the debate yesterday was the plea of Mr. Buck of Louisiana against any sort of restrictive legislation beyond that now on the statute books, which excludes paupers and criminals.

Before the debate began a resolution was adopted instructing the sergeant-at-arms to summon the clerks of the counties in the sixteenth district of Illinois, for the purpose of recounting the ballots in the Rinaker-Dowing contest. The title of Mr. Owens of Kentucky to his seat was confirmed and Messrs. Steele of Indiana and Cousins of Iowa and McClelland of New York were appointed on the board of visitors to West Point.

At 12:30 p. m. the debate on the immigration bills was opened by Mr. Bartholdt (Rep.) of Missouri, chairman of the immigration committee. The bills were four in number, one, known variously as the Bartholdt, McCall or Lodge bill, providing an educational test. It excluded all male persons between 16 and 60 years of age who could not read or write. The Stone bill provided for the inspection of immigrants by our consular officers and the requirement that the immigrants do not belong to any of the immigrants excluded by our existing laws.

This bill applied wholly to the Canadian border, and made it unlawful for an alien to enter the United States (except to teach new arts or industries) and engage in any mercantile trade or manual labor. The provisions of the bill do not apply to sailors on the great lakes. The Mahaney bill also, offered as a substitute, made all contracts by aliens to perform labor in the United States illegal. It also makes it a misdemeanor for any person to perform labor in the United States and returned to a foreign country to make that his home.

Offered Fifty Dollars.

Cincinnati, O., May 20.—Mrs. Otto Breed, of Newport, who has been quite attentive to Jackson and Walling, by sending them delicacies, was yesterday overheard by officers, who were hidden in Wallingford's saloon, to offer Wallingford $50 if he would change his testimony in the Walling case, so as to make it appear that it was some other than Friday night when Pearl Bryan was at his saloon with Walling and Jackson. Sheriff Plummer recognized the woman, and took her to Newport. She had previously gone to Allen Jackson and made him a similar offer, and he arranged to meet her at Wallingford's and then notified the police.

Indicted.

Denver, Col., May 20.—The federal grand jury has found several indictments against bank officials and others accused of having conspired to defraud depositors in banks of this city which have closed their doors during the past three years. John J. Reithmann, president, and John M. Reithmann, Jr., vice president, Charles M. Clinton, cashier, and Charles Kunzmiller, assistant cashier of the German National bank, are charged with having falsified figures in the report to the comptroller of the condition of that institution on May 4, 1893.

Killed a Sick Man.

Jackson, Ky., May 20.—News of a terrible murder comes from Knott county. Duff Watkins was lying very low with typhoid fever at his home in that county, just across the Breathitt line, and he being a widower his daughter had sent for Mrs. Bradley, a neighbor, living in Breathitt, to aid her in the care of her father. Press Bradley, the husband, came home drunk and, finding his wife absent, went to Watkin's home and shot the sick man dead in the presence of his daughter and Bradley's wife. Bradley made his escape.

Twenty-eight Killed.

Kansas City, Mo., May 20.—Twenty-eight killed outright, fifty or more injured, some of them fatally, and a property loss aggregating about $1,000,000 is now given as the estimated damage done by Sunday's cyclone in Marshll, Nemeha and Brown counties, Kansas. Further reports may increase these figures, as telegraphic communication with the stricken points is still imperfect, and consternation prevails. The dead are distributed as follows:

At Seneca and neighborhood, eight.
At Oneida, six.
At Reserve, five.
At Sbetha, five.
At Morrill, four.

Seneca suffered a property damage of about $350,000.

Frankfort $100,000.
Reserve $60,000.
Sabetha $50,000.
Morrill $20,000, and thousands of dollars of damage was done in the country between those towns.

Although the pecuniary loss at Frankfort was great, not a life was lost there.

Destitution and destruction meet the eye at every turn, and the stricken country is bowed down with misery and woe. Many are rendered absolutely penniless. But few of the victims carried cyclone insurance, and many escaped with only the clothes they wore. At Seneca, where the damage was heaviest, the havoc wrought was most complete. Everywhere citizens have organized and are doing everything possible for the sufferers. Appeals for outside aid have been issued.

Bermuda Stays Where She Is.

Philadelphia, Pa., May 20.—John D. Hart, managing owner of the steamer Bermuda, says the Bermuda is in Truxillo bay, up a little river. A Spanish man-of-war is in the bay, says Capt. Hart, and has thrown herself across the outlet of this river, forming a "trocha," as Weyler calls it.

"The Bermuda draws only eight feet of water, while the Spanish man-of-war draws twenty-four feet. The Bermuda can therefore go up the river a good way, the river being about eighteen feet deep. On the other hand, the Spanish cruiser, with her twenty-four feet, can not enter the river."

He says the Bermuda will remain there until the man-of-war leaves.

Fifteen Years.

London, May 20.—A dispatch from Pretoria, dated May 18, says: "The executive council yesterday decided that the punishment of Col. Francis Rhodes, Lionel Phillips, George Farrar and John Hays Hammond the leaders of the reformers who were sentenced to death, shall be fifteen years' imprisonment. The hope is entertained that these sentences will be modified. The decision of the sentences of the other reformers is still awaited."

McCall Knocked Out.

Lemont, Ill., May 20.—Joe Bertrand, champion bantam weight of the Pacific coast, and Barney McCall, champion of Canada, met in a twenty-round contest here Monday night. It was one of the best fights ever witnessed in this state. McCall was the aggressor until the seventeenth round, when Bertrand swung both right and left in rapid succession and knocked McCall out. Bertrand was terribly punished.

Don't Know a Good Thing.

Wichita, Kan., May 20.—Mrs. M. Ashcroft, widow, has been arrested on a warrant sworn out by T. A. Fawcett, a tailor, who charges that she threw a kiss at him while he was with his wife and that it was done with malicious intent. Mrs. Ashcroft says the kiss was intended for Mrs. Fawcett.

Train Wreckers.

Sheboygan, Wis., May 20.—Fred Green and Joseph Wildman have been arrested at Walder by the sheriff on the charge of having caused the wreck of the train on Friday night, in which three men were killed and two injured. Other arrests will follow. This is the third train that has been wrecked at Walder in six months.

O'Donnell Won.

Memphis, Tenn., May 20.—Billy O'Donnell of St. Paul and Billy Poole of Memphis met in a twenty-round fight here last night. Four-ounce gloves were used. The first five rounds were exceedingly tame. The men began to mix matters in the sixth. At the end of the eighth Poole threw up the sponge and O'Donnell was declared the winner.

Arrived at Moscow.

Moscow, May 20.—The duke and duchess of Connaught, representing Queen Victoria at the coronation ceremonies, arrived here yesterday at noon, and were accorded a brilliant reception. They were met at the railroad station by the Grand Duke and Grand Duchess Sergius, the Grand Duke and Grand Duchess Vladimir and a guard of honor. A band played "God Save the Queen."

A singing tournament was held at Minneapolis recently.

White Buffalo, son of Sitting Bull, has applied to the goverment for a pension.

Out of Work.

Osage City, Kan., May 20.—The Osage Carbon company has closed all of its shafts here except one, throwing about 500 men out of work. Monday some one disabled the remaining shaft, No. 22, by exploding a cartridge of dynamite in the main entry and 100 more men are out of work. The explosion wrecked the main entry and shaft and destroyed the buildings at the mouth of the shaft.

At a fire in Washington recently, three firemen were killed.

Generosity of Royalty.

Queen Victoria sent the ameer of Afghanistan, by his son, presents valued at $250,000, and he has given her a lesson in oriental munificence by sending her a lot of things, worth double the money.

Church-Going Cyclists.

It is suggested to churches in and about Boston that they provide a dressing room where bicyclists can spruce themselves up a little before going into church after a spin on the dusty roads.

The Significance of a Gray Overcoat

Upon the tongue, yellowness of the skin and eyeballs, nausea and uneasiness beneath the right ribs and shoulder blade, is that the victim of these discomforts is bilious. The "proper caper" under such circumstances is to take Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, which also cures chills and fever, constipation, dyspepsia, rheumatic and kidney complaints and nervousness.

It is surprising how thin some women and some stories are.

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The Woman, The Man, And The Pill.

She was a good woman. He loved her. She was his wife. The pie was good; his wife made it; he ate it. But the pie disagreed with him, and he disagreed with his wife. Now he takes a pill after pie and is happy. So is his wife. The pill he takes is Ayer's.

Moral: Avoid dyspepsia by using

Ayer's Cathartic Pills.

ROWE'S Conservatory of Music holds its next summer session at Ennis, Ellis county, Texas, from June 18 to August 12. A rare opportunity for teachers and low rates. Send for circular. G. H. ROWE, 195 N. Harwood Street, Dallas, Tex. (Mention this paper.)

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HARTFORD, CONN.

SOUND MONEY CALL.

At the request of many sound money democrats of Callahan County, I hereby call a mass convention of all sound money democrats to meet at the court house in the town of Baird, on June 1st at 1 o'clock p. m. 1896 to agree upon concerted action upon the various questions now before the people. Your presence is highly necessary.

J. J. SIGLER.

Putnam, Tex, May 20th 1896.

WEDDING BELL'S.

GUIRE–STEWART.—At the residence of the brides parents, Mr. and Mrs W. M, Stewart in Baird, Wednesday, May 20th, 1896, Mr. H. W. McGuire and Miss Rosa Stewart, Rev. J. L Mayes officiating. The groom is a prominent stockman from Comanche county and the bride is one of Baird's most estimable young ladies and highly accomplished school teachers. THE STAR extends congratulations and well wishes for the young couple. Mr. and Mrs. McGuire left or Comanche, Texas their future home, Wednesday.

OBITUARY.

Sister Lillie Ligon was born April 23, 1872 and was a regular attendant at the Spring Gap Sunday School for some months previous to her conversion in August 1892 when she was baptized and received into full fellowship of this church and was ever after an exemplary member to her death Feby. 15, 1896.

She was aware of her approaching morality and expressed a desire to live to raise her dear little boy and be with her loved ones, but was resigned to go to rest. Although attended by the best medical aid and kindly cared for by loved ones, her gentle spirit was taken away and we believe is now sweetly resting with her dear Savior. "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord."

Rest dear Lillie, Jesus keeps you
With a kind and loving hand
Close beside the sparkling waters
In that bright and better land.

HER MOTHER.

And with loving hearts dear Lillie,
We will try to follow you
Hoping when we meet in Heaven
All our pleasures will renew.

HER SISTER ESTELLE.

Resolved by the Shiloh Baptist church in conference assembled at the Spring Gap school house that we tender our heartfelt sympathy to the sorrowing widowed mother, sisters and brother and the heart broken husband so sadly bereft in the death of our dear sister, praying that when the death angel shall knock at your chamber may each one be ready to join her in her blissful home.

J. H. FINCH,
N. E. TATUM, SR.
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POPULAR WITH REPUBLICANS.

The Old Reliable Texas & Pacific Railway will be the "Popular Route" for the Great Nationa Republican Convention at St. Louis commencing June 16th. No effort will be spared to provide for the comfort of al who use this line. Special trains will be run, with elegant day coaches and chair cars, and Pullman Palace Sleepers, and you will be wise to send in your name now for necessary accomodations, as the attendance promises to be the largest for any Convention yet held.

Tickets will be sold via the Texas & Pacific Railway at rate of ONE LOWEST LIMITED FIRST CLASS FARE FOR THE ROUND TRIP on June 13th, 14th and 15th, good untill June 21st, 1896.

For tickets, sleeping car accomadation, or any futher information call on nearest Texas & Pacific agent, or Gaston Meslier, G. P. & T. A.

REDUCED RATES.

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