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A Handsome Present.

This is not intended for a few but absolutely for all. I appreciate my friends and customers as much as any man possibly could.

WATCH FREE!

With every bill of Goods, amounting to the sum of $25.00 bought from T. E. Powell, the leading Dry Goods dealer of West Texas, will be given a handsome, stem winding and stem setting watch free, as a present, and to show my appreciation for your patronage.

Notice

ALL YE PEOPLE.

The prices I am making this fall on my immense stock of goods is astonishing my competitors and is surprising to the people who visit my store. And especially is the prices we are making on men's and boys

CLOTHING.

It is amazing at the rusing, crashing sale that is witnessed at my store every day, it is the talk of the whole country.

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I Want your trade and will do everything in my power to get it. You can get goods as cheap from me as any house in the west. Try me and see.

T. E. POWELL.

SULPHUR FOR DIPHTHERIA.

Sulphur is one of the most efficacious and simple cures for diphtheria. All that is needed is flour of sulphur and a quill, and with these, it is said, one celebrated physician cured every patient without exception. He put a teaspoonful of flour of sulphur into a wine glass of water, and stirred it with his finger instead of a spoon, the sulphur not readily amalgamating with water. When the sulphur was well mixed the physician gave it as a gargle, and in ten minutes the patient was out of danger. Sulphur kills every species of fungus in a man, beast and plant in a few minutes. Instead of spitting out the gargle, the swallowing of it is recommended. In extreme cases in which the above specialist had been called in the nick of time, when the fungus was too nearly closing to allow the gargle, he blew the sulphur through the quill into the throat, and after the fungus had shrunk to allow of it then the gargle. Humanitarian.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

IN RE M. H. SURLES, Bankrupt. | In the District Court of the United States for the Northern District of Texas at Abilene.

IN BANKRUPTCY.

The creditors of the above named M. H. Surles are hereby notified that he was, on the 13th day of December 1898 on a voluntary petition filed in said court, adjudged to be a bankrupt, and that the first meeting of said creditors, for the choosing a trustee, the public examination of the bankrupt, and the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting, will be held at my office in the city of Abilene, Taylor county, Texas, on the 4th day of January 1899 at 4:45 o'clock p. m. Creditors should present their claims for allowance at this meeting.

ABILENE, TEXAS, December 19th 1898.

K. K. LEIBITT,
Referee in Bankruptcy.
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WATCH FOUND

Little Mel Holland found a silver watch in west part of town yestrday, Wednesday. Owner can get same by calling at THE STAR office and describing same and paying for this notice. Watch has name engraved on inside of case and will be easily identified by the owner. 52

DIED.

At the family residence, Eula, Texas 11 a. m. Dec. 8, 1898, of heart failure, Little Bonnie Eugene, daughter of Samuel M. and Acquilla J. Merrick, aged 6 years 1 month and 20 days.

The little girl had been in poor health for a long time, and had been sick for some days, but no one thought her seriously ill. About 9 o'clock in the morning she awoke from a quiet sleep. The writer being present talked to her. She conversed freely about her school and playmates, and said she wanted to get well and go to school again. When I told her she was a pretty little girl, she smiled and said: "I don't think I'm pretty." These were her last words. In a minute or two she went into a spasm from which she never rallied.

At 3. p. m. Dec. 10, the body of little Bonnie was interred in the Eula cemetery, to await the call to life eternal.

Bonnie was an exceptionally bright, sweet and pretty child, a favorite with all who knew her.

Weep not fond parents, Bonnie "is waiting to welcome you home."

A. T. FORD.

Mr. S. M. Moon left last week for Morris county to attend the bedside of his step-father, Mr. T. M. Crowder, who was reported very ill. A letter from Mr. Moon to his family, states that Mr. Crowder died last Friday.

Mrs. Jennie Jameson, nee Rushing, died at the home of her father at Abilene, last Saturday. Mrs. Jamison had many friends in Baird who will learn of her death with sadness. Only a few short years ago she was a young girl so bright and full of life, 'tis hard to realize that she is no more. Mrs. Jamison was a daughter of J. A. Rushing, of Abilene, and a niece of Hon. J. N. Rushing, of Baird.

W. B. Gardner, one of the old settlers of Callahan county, died at his home, at Lytle Gap, last week. Mr. Gardner was an industrous hard working farmer who attended strictly to his own affairs. THE STAR regrets to have to chronicle his death.

TAKE NOTICE.

John Surles the Putnam grocer and produce house wants 10,000 eggs, 500 turkeys, 1000 chickens. Will pay the highest market price. 52

XMAS GOODS

In large variety at

R. Phillips, Baird, Tex.

Come and See.

FIREWORKS.

The citizens of Baird will please take notice of Ordinance No. 67 which reads: "If any person shall shoot any fireworks within the limits of the the city of Baird, he shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and on conviction shall be fined in any sum not less than $25.00."

This ordinance should be strictly enforced, especially as to Market and Front Streets, on account of the great number of old wooden buildings and want of water supply for fire purposes.

ARTHUR YONGE, Mayor.

PASTURES POSTED.

Owning to the many depredations being committed in our pastures, we, the undersigned, are compelled to forbid all hunting and fishing in pastures owned and controled us. The pastures owned by the following parties are posted.

LUKE CATHEY
GABE SMARTT
M. SUMMERS
GEORGE CLIFFORD
A. L. BEGGERSTAFF.
G. W. WEEKS. 5t.

President McKinley received a hearty welcome from the southern people, on his trip south.

Santa Clause Headquarters.

TOYS OF ALL KINDS.

QUADRUPLE PLATE SILVERWARE.—Last a life-time.

QUEESWARE,
CHINE, ETC.

Stoves Artistic, Stoves Plain.

PRICES RIGHT.

Baird Hardware Co.

Hello!

THANKSGIVING DAY HAS PAST.

And Xmas not far off. We are opening up a nice line of Holiday Goods and will thank our patrons and the public generally if they will call and examine same.

Dolls, Carriages, Tiny Stoves, Dishes, Work Baskets, JEWELRY, TOILET CASES, ETC.

And a thousand and one other things.

You need our Goods, we need the money. First class line of Drugs. Patent Medicines, Etc. Call on us we will appreciate it.

A new line of 1899 Pattern Wall Paper just in and more Coming. Come and See Us for Wall Paper.

ST. JOHN & POWELL,

If You Owe Us We Need the Money.

SETTLE YOUR ACCOUNTS.

I need money and hereby request all who know themselves indebted to me for medical services, or otherwise, to settle up and let us take a new start for the next year.

Respt.
R. G. POWELL.
45tf

$300 REWARD.

The following resolution was adopted by the Protective Stock Association of Callahan and adjoinin, counties: "That a reward of $300.00 is offered for the arrest and conviction of any person for the theft or unlawful branding of any horses or cattle belonging to any member of this society in good standing."

J. B. CUTHBIRTH, Pres.
F. S. BELL, Sc'ty.

NOTICE.

All who are indebted to me will please come in and settle at once, as I have my obligations to meet, and must collect to do so. I have waited patiently on you, now I would be pleased to see you show your appreciation of the same by settling up your account at once.

Resp'ct.
JULIUS NORTON.
44tf

RESIDENCE FOR SALE.

A five room house in west part of town. Call at Miss Millie Jones' at once, for terms. 34

FOR SALE.

Several improved farms, on easy terms, several pastures and tract, of unimproved mesquite grazing lands, easy payments. A nice residence in Baird well furnished, on easy terms, also horses and mules on time.

A. G. WEBB,
1 4t Baird Texas.

GOOD NEWSPAPERS

AT A VERY LOW PRICE.

THE SEMI-WEEKLY NEWS (Galveston or Dallas) is published Thursdays and Friday Each issue consists of eight pages. There are special departments for the farmers, the ladies and the boys and girls, besides a world of general news matter, illustrated articles, etc.

We offer THE STAR and the THE SEMI-WEEKLY NEWS for 12 months for the low clubbing price of $1.75 cash. This gives you three papers a week, or 156 papers a year, for a ridiculously low price. Hand in your subscription at once.

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W. E. GILLILAND,
Editor and Proprietor.

HALF SHEET.

We are forced to omit the patent side of THE STAR this week. Just as soon as possible, perhaps first week in January, we will change THE STAR to an eight column folio, and it will be all home print. The size will be slightly reduced from former size, but a lot of patent ads will be omitted, which will give our readers as much reading space as formerly. We had intended to run former size until we were ready, about the middle or last of January to make the change, but a misunderstanding with our publishing house, that seemed to think THE STAR belonged to them, forced a change before we were quite ready, hence the the reduced size this week. The change to all home print will cost more, but we will make a better and a neater paper. Now is the time to subscribe and pay up old scores.

THE STAR wishes you all a merry Christmas.

Spain has peace and Uncle Sam has the pieces.

Mr. and Mrs. McCollister, of the Gordon Courier are the happy parents of a baby girl, born Dec. 2nd.

Col. Bryan and Joe Bailey had as well try to dam the Mississippi river as to attempt to stop the expansion sentiment.

THE STAR hopes Baird people can say at the close of '99 that they have a good hotel, and a good system of water works.

The peace commissioners have returned with the treaty recently made with Spain, and the Yanko-Spanko war may be said to have ended.

California, Arizona, New Mexico, Texas, Louisiana and Florida all belonged to Spain once. Would the anti-expansionist have this territory returned to Spain, too.

Some prominent protectionist fear expansion will bring free trade. That is one reason we favor expansion, we too believe it will bring free trade.

The Spaniards say President McKinley hurt their feeling, because he intimated that the Spanish government had something to do with blowing up the Maine.

If Dewey had sailed away. But he did'nt, and as a result the stars and stripes will float over the Philippines long after the gallant Dewey and his valorous blue jackets have returned to mother earth.

Gomez threatens to hurl his ragged legions against Uncle Sam if the latter does not give Cuba absolute independence. Uncle Sam will do what he thinks best about it, regardless of these threats, however.

Col Bryan says the silver question will be the main issue in 1900. Perhaps, and perhaps not, because the republicans are pretty strong, and naturally they will want to discuss the war or anything else but the silver question

The young orators can now exclaim with some resemblance of truth "The United States is bounded on the North by the Aurora Borealis; on the South by the Equator; on the East by the Rising Sun and on the West by Eternity."

Mr. Ed J. Leeman, of Merkel, former editor of the Mail, and Miss Alice Herring, of Abilene, were united in marriage at Abilene Dec. 7th by Rev. C. W. Irvin, of Baird. Irvin, (owing to some one swiping an exchange with marriage notice] still we desire to offer our hearty congratulations and good wishes for the future happiness and prosperity of the young folks. Ed Leeman is a most exemplary young man and we but voice the feelings of the entire press of West Texas when we say that if he has secured as good a wife as his wife has a husband neither will ever have cause to regret the life contract they have made.

Remember the coupon contest at R. Phillips closes on Saturday, Dec. 31. All holding coupons are requested to bring their coupons in at once. You can try your keys in the cash box the first Saturday in February.

C. C. Jackson and wife, F. F. Suggs, Homan Wagley and T. A. Wylie of the lower Deep Creek country, were in trading, Tuesday.

Henry Lambert, B. A. McWhorter and Lon Lambert were up from the Bayou, yesterday.

Robert Macdonald was in town yesday, looking happy over the late rains.

"IT'S NOT MY WAY."

"It's not my way."
How often is this heard.
"It's not my way, to speak the kindly word
I feel enough, but 'tis not well to speak,
To lull my loving out it seems so weak."

"It's not my way."
How often hearts have broken
Because the loving word has been unspoken,
Because the smile we longed for was a frown,
The hand that should uplift, but held us down

"It's not my way
To speak the word that craving love requires,
To voice approval, foster vain desires."
Hearts often faint and fail and die the way
Because to speak is not your way.

"It's not my way."
Ah, well, when death shall come
And touch the best loved lips and make them dumb
And will it be for you if grim regret
And stern remorse upon your heartstrings set

Their fingers fret
Because it is their way to torture and to wring
Then you'll remember every little thing.
The smile you did not give, the word un-spoken
Which might have gilded life and kept a heart unbroken

Aye, then you will remember!
And in blood sweat and agony will say,
"Would it had been my way
To love, approve and tell it out, so meet,
For it was you that made my life complete."
—Rose Seelye Miller in Observer

DEALING WITH LUMBERMEN.

Peculiar Tricks Indulged in by Both Buyer and Seller.

There is an old retired merchant in Detroit who delights in recalling the experiences when an active man running a general store in one of the northern cities of the lower peninsula.

"I used to reap a harvest when the men were coming out of the woods," he relates. "They were not up to styles, and about any old thing would suit them provided the color was right and the fit even passable. But there were trickers among them, and I had to have my wits about me in order to keep even with them.

"'How much is that hat?' asked a strapping six footer, who arrived from camp one day with a pocketful of money.

"'Two fifty,' I replied.

"Then he informed me that he always had the crowns of his hats punched full of holes in order to keep his head cool and his hair from coming out. I soon had this attended to, and then he asked what the hat was worth. 'Two fifty,' I responded in surprise, but he laughed at me for asking such a price for damaged goods. He had me, and got his hat for $1, while the jolly crowd with him had a laugh at my expense. He wanted to look at some 'fiddles,' and after pricing one at $10 concluded to buy it.

"'Where's the bow?' he asked, as I was doing up the package.

"'You only bought the fiddle,' I laughed. The others saw the point and laughed too. The giant tried to bluff me, but I kept good humored, and got even on the hat by charging him $1.50 for the bow. I not only got even, but the others were so pleased with my 'Yankee trick' that they spent plenty of money with me."—Detroit Free Press.

Mice of All Colors.

The National Mouse Club of England recently held an exhibition where several hundred mice competed for gold medals, champion cups and various other prizes. These little creatures are not the ordinary everyday mice which scare the cook and drive the mistress of the house to take refuge on a chair. They are well bred mice that accustomed to be petted and caressed and treated as tenderly as a pet cat or dog.

By careful breeding they have developed great variety in coloring and sometimes in shape. One very choice style of animal, called the spiny mouse, has a row of bristling hair for a spinal ornament and is a very cute miniature reproduction of a porcupine. The familiar white mice so often seen for sale on the streets here have been bred with black eyes instead of red ones. It has taken several years to produce these results, but the society now claims to be able to furnish mice in 12 or 13 different shades. To any one who is able to overcome the fear of mice they are dainty, delicate little studies at any time, but when they play around in suits of chocolate, sable, fawn, jet black, tortoise or golden agouti they become perfectly fascinating.

As in the case of all fads of this kind, the prices brought by these little pets are extremely steep. Fifteen dollars or $20 is not a large price to pay for a well bred mouse, and some of them have been sold for as high as $25.

A Judicial Ruling.

During the hearing of a case at the Bloomsbury county court counsel referred to the defendant, an Oxford master of arts, as "this man," whereupon defendant's counsel protested, saying he might at least have used the word "gentleman." Judge Bacon — Nonsense. That is the sort of affectation you often hear among women when they say "you ought to call me a lady." In my opinion man is a much better title than gentleman.—London Telegraph.

You Can't Hear It.

There are many sounds animals can hear which are inaudible to man. Mr Galton, the famous anthropologist, has invented a little whistle with an adjustable plug, by which it can be rendered more and more shrill till it ceases to give any note to our ears, yet a dog will hear it as a whistle still and answer readily its call.

The plant known as vervain, which is not distinguished for its beauty and which grows nowadays utterly disregarded, was so sacred to the Druids that they only gathered it for their divinations when the great dog star arose, in order that neither sun nor moon should see the deed.

If you are too indolent to shingle your house during the dry weather, you have no just cause for complaint because your roof leaks when it rains.

Selling Out AT C. S. BOYLES'

Not to Quit Business, but to Buy More Goods. From now until January 1st, 1899, We Will Sell Our

$22.50 Saddles at	$20.00	Hames ..... 40cts per pair and up.	Open work bridles ..... 75cts. each, up.
$20.00 Saddles at	$17.50	Best Blind Bridle ..... $1.00 each.	Nice Plush Robes, the very thing for
$24.00 Team Harness at	$20.00	3lb. box axle grease ..... 20cts.	Xmas Presents ..... $1.50, $3, $5, $6.
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Trace Chains 25cts. per pair and up.		Ajust. Draft Hames ..... 65cts. and up.	Call and see my Goods and Prices.

And I will give a good bridle and blanket Free to everyone purchasing a Saddle from $15.00 up If you owe me anything I want it

BISHOP OF MANILA.

Bishop John Serkisen of Manila, Philippine Islands, will preach at the Methodist Church next Sunday at 11 a. m. Bro. Serkisn is a Bishop in the Armenian Protestant Church, stationed at Manila for six years.

He was at Manila when the gallant Dewey sent the Spanish fleet to the bottom of Manila Bay. Bishop Serkisen left Manila in May. Come out and hear him. He will tell you about the Philippines, and perhaps, something about Armenia, his native country. The Armenians are noted the world over for their piety, high sense of honor and tenacity with which they have adheard to their religious creed, regardless of the relentless persution of the Turks, who have slain them by thousands, and laid waist their country for centuries.

THE STATE OF TEAXS.

In the Justice Court Precinct No. 1, Callahan County, A. D. 1898

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Callahan County, Greeting:

You are Hereby Commanded, That by making publication of this Citation in some newspaper published in the County of Callahan, if there be a newspaper published in said County, (but if not, then in the nearest County where a newspaper is published,) for four weeks previous to the return day hereof, you summon W. W. Want, who is a non-resident of this state, to be and appear before the Justice Court Precinct No. 1 to be holden in and for the County of Callahan, at the Court House thereof, in the City of Baird on the 23d day of January 1899. File Number being 467, then and there to answer the suit of B. W. Vaughn and Ed Vaughn filed in said Court, on the 29 day of September A. D. 1898 against the said W. W. Want, and alleging in substance as follows, to-wit Suit on open account for the sum of $30.45 for merchandise sold and delivered by plaintiff to defendant between Aug. 12th 1898 and Sept. 19th 1898.

Herein Fail Not, but have you then and there before said Court this Writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand in Baird this 20th day of Dec. A. D. 1898.

JUSTICE COOK.
J. P. Pre. No. 1, Callahan Co. Tex.
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ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS REWARD.

The Stock Raisers Association of Coleman and adjoining counties hereby offer a reward of $100 for information that will lead to the arrest and conviction of any person or persons who are guilty of stealing or killing any stock belonging to any member or members of this association. To the person who satisfactory proof is made to the executive committee of this association.

R. H. O'DANIEL, Pres.
A. T. BROWN, Secty. 12 tf

BAIRD TELEPHONE SYSTEM.

NAME.	NUMBER
Asbury, John, residence,	20
Boydstun, B. L. residence,	12
Boydstun, Will residence,	34
Boydstun, store,	10
Court House,	24
Cottonwood Line,	3
Foster Bros., Gin,	17
Gilliland, W. E. residence,	6
Johnson's Restaurant,	35
Jones, Mrs. Neva. residence,	37
Meyer's Store,	13
Maxwells Saloon,	28
McGowen W. J. residence,	19
Norton, J. residence,	18
Norton's Store,	4
Oliver's Store,	27
Powell, T. E. residence,	7
Powell, T. E. Store,	23
Post Office,	31
Pace, J. E. residence,	33
Peters, J. H. residence,	36
Rogers, G. W. residence,	16
Schwartz Store,	1
Star Office,	8
Solomon, E. E. residence,	32
Sartor, Dr. residence,	29
Seay, J. H. Saloon & Residence,	21
St. John & Powell, store,	11
St. John, R. A. residence,	14
Vaughn & Co. store,	5
Webb A. G. residence,	2
Wristen & Co. store,	22
Wristen, Ed. residence,	30
Wilson, W. F. meat market,	26
Wilson, Mrs. E. J. residence,	25

It is against the law to shoot fire works of any kind within the city limits, and the City Council have determined to enforce the law, particularly as to Market street and vicinity. See notice, by the Mayor. There are plenty of open lots where the boys, big and little, can shoot their fire works without endangering the town.

Cowboy Adoration For Nordica.

Once, when Mme. Nordica was singing at a concert in Texas, she forgot her warm overshoes. A cowboy, whom she had unwisely fascinated, offered to bring them to her, and he did so, but he brought only one at a time. When Mme. Nordica thanked him and in her gracious way regretted to have given him so much trouble, he said to her: "Don't name it, ma'am. I wish you were a centiped."—Philadelphia Ledger

Many of the vegetables we daily use on our dinner tables were in use in Bible times. It is known, for instance, that asparagus was grown 200 years before the birth of Christ, while lettuce was cultivated so far back as 550 B. C.

There are more spoiled men and women than spoiled children—only we do not hear so much about them.—Boston Transcript.

Of the Passing of Autumn.

The wizard has woven his ancient scheme—
A day and a starlit night—
And the world is a shadowy, penciled dream
Of color, haze and light.

Like something an angel wrought, maybe,
To answer a fairy's whim,
A fold of an ancient tapestry,
A phantom rare and dim.

Silent and smooth as the crystal stone
The rivers lie serene,
And the fading hills are a jeweled throne
For the Pall and the Mist, his queen.

Slim, as out of aerial seas,
The elms and poplars fair
Float like the dainty spirits of trees
In the mellow, dreamlike air.

Silvery soft by the forest side—
Wine red, yellow rose—
The wizard of autumn, faint, blue eyed,
Swinging his censer, goes.
—Archibald Lampman in Scribner's.

Came Too Late.

Traveler from frontier district, striking luck where advanced fashions have obtained, observes with an expression of pleased surprise the finger bowl set before him at the close of his meal "What's that for, waiter?"

"To wash your hands, sir."

"I wish I'd 'a' know'd it 'fore I began my dinner."—B. B. Harrison in "Good Americans."

If we did but know how little some enjoy the great things that they possess, there would not be much envy in the world.—Young.

Asiatic cholera was first supposed to have originated from the consumption of uncured rice and was called "the rice disease."

Two Pointed Questions Answered.

What is the use of making a better article than your competitor if you can not get better prices for it?

Ans.—As there is no difference in in the price the public will buy only the better, so that while our profits may be smaller on a single sale they will be much greater in the aggregate.

How can you get the public to know your make is the best?

If both articles are brought prominently before the public both are certain to be tried and the public will very quickly use its judgment on them and use only the best one.

This explains the large sale on Chamberlains' Cough Remedy. The people have been using it for years and have found that its merits always depended upon. They may occasionally take up with some fashionable novelty put forth with exaggerated claims, but are certain to return to the one remedy that they know to be reliable, and for coughs, colds and croup there is nothing equal to Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. For sale by R. Phillips, Baird and Y. A. Orr, Putnam. Dec.

A modern passenger train should enable the traveler to go on a journey with little or no deviation from his daily habits of life. This the "Pacific Coast Limited" does, with its superior equipment, quick time, and superior route. The equipment is unsurpassed, the train being made up of a composite car, which contains a bath room, barber shop, buffet and observation smoking compartment; ladies' parlor compartment car with separate private compartments and parlor, furnished as is the composite car, with library and all convenience for correspondence—ladies' maid in attendance; two or more Pullman ten-section drawing room sleepers, and last in the train but by no means least in importance, the dining car, where meals are served a la carte. This train represents the highest type of car builders art and runs straight through without change via the Texas & Pacific Railway to St. Louis, Chicago, Los Angeles and San Francisco twice a week.

For time tables, sleeping car rates, maps, and full information write to E. P. Turner, General Passenger & Ticket Agent, Dallas, Texas. 52tf

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Baird, Texas.

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DEAL IN FRESH
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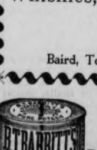

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LOCAL NEWS.

I. G. Harris, of the Cove, was in the city, yesterday.

D. C. Walker, of Putnam, was in the city to-day.

Dick Burnefield, of Cottonwood, was in the city Wednesday.

Albert Dams, an old Tecumsehite, brought in cotton yesterday.

If you want Christmas bargains read the ads in THE STAR.

J. T. Wright, of Walnut Springs, was in the city on business, Monday.

Orie Phillips came in from Weatherford to spend the holidays with his parents.

Squire M. M. Terry and A. J. Rogers, of Callahan City, were in town, yesterday.

Rev. French McAfee will preach at the Court House next Tuesday at 11 o'clock.

Miss Bessie Rogers, of Callahan City, will spend the holidays with friends in Abilene.

Messrs. Ross Norton and Will Beaty from Cottonwood, were in the city Wednesday.

J. E. Tisdale killed a fine deer about two miles north of town, early Wednesday morning.

J. R. McCleskey came in Tuesday, and will spend Christmas with his old friends in Baird.

Rev. Johnson, pastor of the M. E. Church, south, at Putnam, was in town Tuesday, on business.

Uncle George Loper and Worth Williams, of Eagle Cove, were in town after Christmas fixings, Tuesday.

Farmers from the country all say the roads are bad, and in some places are almost impassable from the rain and snow, last week.

John Clements, colored, of Tecumseh was in town Tuesday. John was driving that span of paint horses of his, of which he is justly proud.

Lou Soldon passed through Baird the first of the week on his way to Missouri, to spend the holidays with friends and relatives.

August Horn has bought W. D. Claiborn's place up in the Timber. Mr. Claiborn is making arrangements to move to the coast.

The Presbyterian church will have a Christmas tree at the Court House next Saturday night and everybody is invited to use the tree who wishes.

J. A. Coates, Ike Mitchell, McDonald and Jim Hudson and several others from the south part of the county, whose names we did not get, were in town with cotton yesterday.

The ordinance prohibiting fireworks in Baird has practically been a dead letter for a long time. The City Marshal has orders to enforce the law and arrest every one shooting any kind of fire works on or about Market street. Heed the warning boys or some of you will have a heavy fine to pay.

It may be fun for the boys to shoot fire crackers, etc, on the streets, but it is not funny to the man who has property exposed to fire from this cause, and is liable to lose everything he has just because the boys want to have a little fun. Get out on the open lots and no one will be damaged.

J. A. Walker, the merchant of Admiral, was in town Sunday last.

A. W. Booth, living near Cottonwood was in town, Tuesday.

J. W. Gaither from near Putnam, was in town, Tuesday. Mr. Gaither says he has a good mare missing which he thinks was stolen.

J. E. Pace says he dug some post holes on his farm, the Sam Day place, Monday and found plenty of moisture in the ground at a depth of eighteen inches.

W. W. Dunson and family left Tuesday, for Fort Worth, where they will reside in the future. THE STAR regrets to see Mr. Dunson leave Baird, where he has lived so many years.

Cards have been issued announcing the marriage of Mr. John H. Garner and Miss Talia Turner, for the 21st inst at the Methodist Church.—Cisco Round-Up.

Col. Lark Hearn, Don Bell, Lige Cutbirth, A. T. Young, John Rice, Mr. Shelton, Sim McCoy and other Belle Plainelites, were in town buying Christmas goods, Tuesday.

Will Mitchell was in town Tuesday selling Christmas turkeys for future delivery. Will said he had sold out all he had at good figures and would deliver the birds next Friday.

R. A. Barclay was in town, Tuesday. We noticed that he had lost that long beard he formerly wore, which so completely disguised him that many old friends found it hard to recognize him

Miss Lizzie Scott, of Cottonwood, who has been visiting relatives at Baird, came down on the east bound train Wednesday morning, leaving in the afternoon for her home at Cottonwood.—Putnam Gazette.

Luke Cathey was in town, Tuesday. Speaking about Prof. Collier locating at Baird, he said: "Prof. Collier is one of the finest educators in Texas and I would rather send my children to him than any man I know. I hope that he will come to Baird."

Mr. R. D. McCreight is in town in the interest of the Northwestern Telephone Company, headquarters at Strawn. This company has connection east with the Southwestern System and desires to extend west via Baird. As we understand it the company asks no bonus, but issue coupons for the amount subscribed, which can be used in payment of messages over their line and the Southwestern lines.

J. W. Anderson, of Ft. Worth, a former railroad man on the T. & P., passed west on the train Tuesday, for Roswell, where he expects to move soon. Mr. Anderson is a grandson of Ben Windham, an elder brother of Dr. Windham deceased. Mr. Anderson speaks in glowing terms of the Roswell Country, and says it is the place for a young man. He will return to Fort Worth in a few days after his family.

Low Rates on the "T. P."

Special low rate tickets to points in the South-eastern states will be sold by the Texas & Pacific Railway Company from all points on its line, Dec. 20 and 21, the same as in former years. It should be borne in mind that passengers have the choice of three gateways via this line in going back to their old homes for Christmas and New Years, namely: New Orleans, Shreveport and Memphis. It is with a feeling of pleasure and pride that we offer you the best passenger service in the South.

If you contemplate making the trip and want to know the cheapest and best way, write to nearest ticket agent or E. P. Turner, General Passenger and Ticket Agent, Texas & Pacific Railway, Dallas, Texas, or to H. P. Hughes, Traveling Passenger and Ticket Agent, Fort Worth, Texas.

E. P. TURNER, G. P. and T. A.

HATCHER'S MEAT MARKET.

I desire to inform the people of Baird and vicinity that I have opened a Meat Markat 1st door south of the old Lea building. I will keep =PORK, BEEF, SAUSAGE, ETC.= Give me a trial I will treat you right.

W. S. HATCHER.

W. J. Leverett was in town this morning.

J. B. Harris, of Belle Plaine, was in town Tuesday.

Mrs. Price McFarlane, of Abilene, is visiting relatives in the city.

C. C. Seal was among the Belle Plainelites in towntrading, Wednesday

Mr. and Mrs. L. N. Simmons, o Putnam, were in the city shopping today.

N. C. Floyd, of Ardmore, I. T., is at home with the old folks for Christmas,

Rev. and Mrs. Davis are visiting Mrs. Davis's parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Floyd.

Capt. I. T. Whitley, of Admiral, called and renewed his subscription, today. Thanks.

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Floyd, of Tecumseh, are visiting Mr. Floyds's parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Floyd.

"Uncle" Perry Hutchison, Luke Cathey, B. C. Clemmer and L. D. Harwell, of Putnam, were in town this week.

Mrs. W. C. Stroube and little sons, Reynand and Cornie, left Tuesday for Baton Rouge, La., to spend Christmas with relatives.

Mrs. W. H. Harris and little son, Willie Bryan, came in this morning from Snyder to spent Christmas with Mrs. Harris' parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Whitley.

Smallpox is reported at several points west of us on the T. & P. and also at Fort Worth. Now would be a good time to have your children vaccinated and not wait for the plague to to break out in Baird.

Our people should be careful when traveling. Smallpox is raging at El Paso and other points west, and several cases are reported at Fort Worth. A man from Toyah carried the disease to Fort Worth, and unless precaution is used the disease will spread all along the T. & P.

Last Monday as Conductor W. E. Hunter and crew were rolling along west of Big Springs at about thirty miles an hour the caboose jumped the track and with two or three box cars was wrecked. Mr. Hunter and hind brakeman were in the caboose, but Mr. Hunter seems to have got the worst of the deal. He was pretty badly skinned up, but fortunately both he and the brakeman escaped without any serious injury.

MARRIED.

BECKER—DAMS—At Tecumseh, Texas, Sunday Dec. 18, Miss Rosa, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Dams, to Mr. Carl Becker. We extend congratulation and good wishes to the happy young couple.

BAUM-GILBERT.—Mr. Joe Baum and Miss Lucy Gilbert, both of Cross Plains, were united in marriage at the Court House last Friday eve. After a brief visit to Colorado City accompanied by Mr. John Baum and Miss Hester Bond, they returned to their home at Cross Plains.

Chris Johnson and Mr. Suttle of Tecumseh, were in town trading, yesterday.

FRESH BREAD.

Go to Mrs. E. K. Kane for bread Fresh bread baked daily. She uses the best flour the market afford, give her your order. Fresh yeast for sale.

DO YOU KNOW THE VIRTUES Of the waters and elivate of Eureka Springs, Ark.? Do you want to know? We have a booklet on the subject which is yours for the asking; it is free. Address B. L. Winchell, General Passenger Agent, Frisco Line, St. Louis.

FOR SALE—House and lot in Baird Texas, cheap. Call at once. Also nice new furniture for keeping roomers every thing complete. Will sell cheap.

MRS. CALLIE ODOM,
Baird, Texas.
52 4t

FOR SALE, CHEAP—For cash or good note. At the place of John Varner, 2 miles north of cottonwood, one 12 inch Weir Sulky Plow, complete with thrible tree and breast yoke.

J. M. DOMINES.
51 tf. Baird, Texas.

Don't you need some stationery. THE STAR Job Office is anxious for your order and will please you in both quality and price.

TEACHERS' INSTITUTE.

In obedience to law and and the wishes of the State Superentendant, I hereby call a meeting of the Callahan County Teacher's Institute, at the Court House in the city of Baird, on the last Friday in Dec, 1898. All teachers, trustees and any others interested in the subject of "Education" are cordially invited to attend and participate in our exercises.

Respectfully Submitted.

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BUSINESS LOCALS.

Go to A. Cooke's for Drugs. 38tf

Go to A. Cooke's for paints and oils.

No more credit subscriptions taken for THE STAR. CASH or no go.

Cotton checks at 24cts. Where? At Powell's of course, for real Bargains, not wind. 39

Lots For Sale.—Several nice building lots for sale cheap and on reasonable terms. FRED LANE.

If you want a suit of clothes do not go to H. Meyer's, but go to headquarters, Powell's, for real Bargains.

Jones & Mills, barbers. Hot and cold baths at all hours, up to 9 p. m. Open Saturdays to 12 o'clock at night. 33 tf.

Prescriptions filled accurately. at R. A. Speer's drug store day or night. We also carry a full line of toilet articles, soaps and colognes. Receiving new goods every day. 2tf

A large stock of Christmas goods just bought from New York and not carried over from last year. I have nothing but new goods to offer you at low prices and a chance at the buggy. R. A. Speer.

Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy can always be depended upon and is pleasant and safe to take. Sold by R. Phillips, Baird and Y. A. Orr, Putnam.

The disposition of children largely depends upon health. If they are troubled with worms, they will be irritable, cross, feverish and perhaps seriously sick. White's Cream Vermifuge is a worm expeller and tonic to make them healthy and cheerful! Price 25 cts. St John & Powell.

In billousness, Herbine, by expelling from the body the excess of bile and acid, improves the assimilative process, purifies the blood, and tones up and strengthens the entire system. Price 50 cts. St. John & Powell.

See Harry Meyer's handsome ad on local page. Just see that train will you!

See change in Tom Powell's ad on first page. The ad like Tom P. and his goods, "up-to-date."

Baird merchants are loaded up with Christmas goods. This is the town to get what you want.

Finest line of dolls in town, at R. A. Speer's. 2tf

A full line of Xmas books, magazines and periodicals at R. A. Speer's 2tf

Go to R. A. Speer's drug store for your drugs, toilet articles and Xmas goods, and get a chance at the buggy.

Have you a cold? A dose of Ballard's Horehound Syrup at bed-time will remove it. Price 25 cts and 50 cts. St. John & Powell.

In sluggish liver, Herbine, by its beneficial action upon the biliary tracts renders the bile more fluid, and brings the liver into a sound, healthy condition, thereby banishing the sense of drowsiness, lethargy, and the general feeling of apathy which arise from disorders of the liver. Price 60 cts. St. John & Powell.

There are few ailments so uncomfortable as piles, but they can easily be cured by using Tabler's Buckeye Pile Ointment. Relief follows its use, and one suffering from piles can not not afford to neglect to give it a trial Price 50 cts in bottles, tube 75 cts. St. John & Powell.

Pains in the chest when a person has a cold indicate a tendency toward pneumonia. A piece of flannel dampened with Chamberlain's Pain Balm and bound on the chest over the seat of pain will promptly relieve the pain and prevent the threatened attack of pneumonia. This same treatment will cure a lame back in a few hours. Sold by R. Phillips, Baird and Y. A. Orr, Putnam. Dec.

PASTURE POSTED.

I hereby notify all persons not to hunt in any pasture owned or controlled by me. ELLIS RICHARDSON. 2

NOTICE W. O. W.

You are earnestly requested to be present at the next regular meeting of Camp No. 508, W. O. W., as new officers must be elected for the ensuing year, and other business of importance to be attended to. Remember the date. Thursday night Dec. 29th.

R. A. ST. JOHN, C. C.

For broken limbs, chilblains, burns, burns, scalds, bruised shins, sore throat, and sores of every kind, apply Ballard's Snow Liniment. It will give immediate relief and heal any wound. Price 25 cts and 50 cts. St. John & Powell

XMAS GOODS.

In Large Variety at R. Phillips.

COME AND SEE.

Our Variety is too numerous to mention.

"The Cloister and the Hearth."

The pains Charles Reade took with this book, called first "A Good Fight" and afterward "The Cloister and the Hearth," were almost superhuman. His letters at this time are full of it. "I am under weigh again," he writes, "but rather slowly. I think this story will almost wear my mind out." Again, "I can't tell whether it will succeed or not as a whole, but there shall be great and tremendous and tender things in it." It is interesting to trace through these letters the gradual evolution of characters and scenes that have charmed millions of people since. In one of them he says: "Gerard is just now getting to France after many adventures in Germany. The new character I have added —Denys, a Burgundian soldier, a crossbowman—will, I hope and trust, please you."

Never was hope better founded. Since those words were written many and many a reader has lived over again the doings of this adventurous archer, with his everlasting "Courage, le diable est mort." Denys' "foible," as we are told, was woman. "When he met a peasant girl on the road, he took off his cap to her as if she was a queen, the invariable effect of which was that she suddenly drew herself up quite stiff like a soldier on parade and wore a forbidding aspect."—London Academy

A Trick That Won.

"Once, when 'Long John' Wentworth was mayor of Chicago," says The Journal of that city, "a hot campaign was in progress. The rough element was showing signs of turbulence, and 'Long John' knew that the police force was totally unable to cope with it if there should be a riot. There wasn't much of any police force in those days. The few officers that there were didn't have any uniform outside of a plug hat. On the front of this was a semicircle of tin, with the man's number on it.

"There was no money to pay for additional officers, so 'Long John' he thought himself of a bright scheme. He had a figure '0' added to the number on every one of those hats. On election day the different members of the force were stationed conspicuously where the trouble was most likely to break out. The roughs saw the numbers, '250,' '290,' '255,' etc., where they had before seen only '25,' '29' and '26.' The word went around that 'Long John' had added several hundred men to the police force, and the tough crowd were so intimidated that they never dared to do a thing."

Spanish-American Words.

Many English words are taken direct ly from the Spanish. When you speak of a "picadilly collar, you are not using slang. The "picadallo" is a collar which at one time was worn by all men of position in Spain

A few years since many American cities boasted of companies of volunteer soldiers called grenadiers.

The first grenadiers were in Grenada Our marines, of whom we are specially proud just now, get their name by clipping the last syllable off "marinero," which is the equivalent in Spanish word

Hyre brend without caraway seeds would not be rye bread at all Caraway is a purely Spanish word, derived from "alcara hueva."

The hammock on your veranda got its name from the Spanish "hamaca," although that is not quite the Spanish word Columbus got it from the Indians 400 years ago.

There are many other examples "Banana," "apricot," "Canada," "duel" and "palaver" are all directly from the Spanish.—Chicago Dispatch

Another Tight Squeeze.

"John," said Mrs. Youngjove, "do you know that you forgot something when you went away this morning"

Mr Youngjove thought for a moment, and then replied

"No, I didn't know that I had. What was it?"

She put her handkerchief to her eyes and sobbed. Finally when she could trust herself to speak she answered

"You—you kissed the baby before you started, bu-but you did-didn't kiss any-body else.

"Oh," he laughed. "So you did notice it, eh?

A gold light came into her eyes, and the purple her arms around him, she said:

"Do did you do it just to try me?"

"Er—yes," he answered, and then felt as good over his electronic that he had to go out and buy himself a quarter's worth of cigars.—Cleveland Leader

Geographical Information.

Well, what is an island?" asked the man upon being informed that his son had now taken up the study of geography at school.

"Land entirely surrounded by water," replied the boy

"That is not correct," said the man "An island is land surrounded by water on all sides except the upper side. Land entirely surrounded by water is estuarian real estate."—Detroit Journal

SETTLE UP.

J. B. Seay requests all parties who know themselves indebted to him to settle up at once, otherwise accounts will be put in the hands of an attorney for collection. 45tf

She Hadn't.

There is a young lady who has a little private school, and the other day she overheard the following conversation among her pupils:

It was Monday, and one of them had evidently been much impressed with her Sunday school lesson of the day before, for as soon as another little girl came in she astounded her by the announcement, "You are my sister."

"I'm not," said No. 2.

"You are," said No. 1. "Haven't you got a Father in heaven?"

"Yes," grudgingly.

"Well, so have I. Don't that make you my sister?"

No. 2 was entirely nonplused at that and No. 1 correspondingly victorious, when another little girl arrived upon the scene she announced as before, "You are my sister."

Now No. 3 happened to be a young lady of a very determined disposition, and she declared just as firmly that she was nothing of the sort, and the "I'm not and you are" let a friend blaze away at any range with a small caliber weapon using smokeless powder, and you'll see a strange, bluish white streak the instant the bullet strikes home. The streak is apparently a couple of inches wide and several feet long and is more like a flash of light than anything else I can think of.

"With the old fashioned Remington or Springfield carbine the bullet has the appearance of a long black rod, and I don't know why there should be such a difference in the optical illusion produced by the smaller caliber. I have heard some people deny that the bullet can be seen, but they are very much in error. It all depends on getting the right viewpoint and the first either way will render the missile invisible, but the right spot is soon found by experience, and after that the sailing is as plain as day."—New Orleans Times-Democrat

Big Men and Big Noses.

Cyrano de Bergerac is remembered because of his large nose. Few know that he was a poet, and fewer still know his poetry. The nose is a conspicuous feature of history. The length of Cleopatra's is said to have helped to ruin Roman politics, and a scandal grew out of it which ended in the ruin and death of Antony and the establishment of an empire which lasted a thousand years Napoleon would not promote a man who had not a large nose. He himself was well favored in this respect. Cæsar was "the hook nosed Roman."

All American statesmen have been noted for this feature. Old men tell of our own Benton, who used to shake his nose like an elephant's proboscis when he got excited. It seems to be the law that all great men have great noses, but let no one think that the converse of this is true, that all men who have great noses are great men. Such a conclusion would lead to confusion and needless pain and disappointment.—St Louis Post-Dispatch

Evening Dress In Kansas City.

The dress suit is the most democratic raiment in the world. It meets the requirements of good form, whether it was made six years ago or last month. Attired in evening costume, whether the swallowtails are long or short, the row or wide, all men look practically speaking, alike, whether they are wage earners or millionaires. The dress suit levels all distinctions and obliterates the potentiality of a correct style. The young man who has made a good selection in his neutral broadcloth regards his wealthy rival who has paid for his London clothes a price like $250 How the fame of this world grows small when wrapped in a swallowtail coat among many others of the same cut! When the dress suit becomes the regular evening calling and theater dress for Kansas City men, as it should be, the poor chaps will profit by it a full cubit of serenity and self respect —Kansas City Star

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"I've called you three times, Charlie," said a mother to her little son, "and I'm very much annoyed because of your failure to answer me."

"Well, mamma," replied Charlie, who was very fond of reading Bible stories, "you ain't any better than the rabbi, are you?"

"No, of course not," answered the mother in surprise. "Why did you ask that?"

"Because," replied the little fellow "the Lord called Samuel three times, and he didn't get mad about it."—Chicago News.

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Mabel—Yes, I did. I hadn't been eating more'n half an hour before they began saying, "Don't you think you've eaten enough?" "Aren't you afraid you'll make yourself ill?" And I said, "No, thank you," every time.—London Fun

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Reggie—Oh, yes, I see—because you are so sleepy

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A Bad Break.

"Well, they all break," said the bride of a few weeks, "and I don't know what you are going to do about it."

"But why don't you get a better brand?" said young husband, not any too sweetly. "It seems strange, Marian, that every time I sit down to read this lamp chimney breaks into a thousand pieces!"

Next night he came home with a small package under his arm.

"Marian," said he, in a tone of superiority, "I have bought a chimney that will last."

"How much did you pay for it, dear?"

"Fifteen cents. I don't want any more of your 5 cent things in the house. You see you women haven't a right understanding of the word economy. You think just because you get things cheap that you are saving money—wiste"—

And he continued the effusion all the time he was putting the chimney in place.

"There!" said he, turning up the light. "There is a chim—confound the—I—Well, I wish all the glass blowers and grocers in seven counties were tied up and hung over a chimney to fight it out. You can bet I'd be there to coach the scrap!"—Detroit Free Press.

Seeing a Bullet in Flight.

"As every sportsman knows," said an enthusiastic New Orleans hunter, "it is easy to see a rifle bullet in the air, and those fired from the new high power guns are very curious to look at. Stand a dozen yards at one side of the range and let a friend blaze away at any range with a small caliber weapon using smokeless powder, and you'll see a strange, bluish white streak the instant the bullet strikes home. The streak is apparently a couple of inches wide and several feet long and is more like a flash of light than anything else I can think of.

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DISEASE IN THE ARMY

THE WORK OF MEDICAL OFFICERS IS TOO OFTEN PERFUNCTORY.

The Sanitation of Armies Has Not Kept Pace With the Development of Weapons. Administration Strived In Every Way to Diminish the Perils of the Campaign.

With the end of hostilities the attention of the people is directed more closely to the health of the troops in camp and at the front. Special efforts are under way to remove the sick to more favorable surroundings and to insure for them the best hospital facilities. Everything that can be accomplished to this end will be welcomed by the entire country. Serious charges of incompetency have been made against the medical administration at Santiago, and there was certainly something of medical inefficiency in that campaign. The treatment of wounds, on the whole, has been successful, but disease has been handled with less satisfactory results. Some of the ships used to transport the sick and wounded were in unsuitable condition, and in these cases boards of inquiry should fix the blame where it belongs. Wherever there is neglect or lack of proper knowledge in the army of medical department there should be a prompt application of discipline, and sharp enough to prevent any similar failures. The sanitation of armies and the prevention of army disease have not kept pace with the development of weapons and the range of bullets. To put men in the work of medical officers is perfunctory, an evil that ought to be severely dealt with.

But there should also be allowance made on the part of the public for the limited extent of our army resources when the war broke out. Many of those who criticise the enlargement of the regular army beyond 27,000 men are the readiest to charge that some things have gone wrong in caring for over 200,000 fresh troops called to the field Congress has consented that the regular army may be increased to something over 60,000 men. In time of war, but with a provision for a reduction to nearly the old limits when peace returns. It ought to be remembered that by no sort of legerdemain can the medical staff of a regular army of 30,000 be suddenly expanded to meet the requirements of a force ten times as large. If more volunteers had been sent to Santiago, the shortcomings in the hospitals would have been far worse. Improvising a permanent army in two months can be done as far as the courage of the men is concerned, but a large permanent trained staff department is needed to care for them and to direct the inexperienced officers intrusted with the health and comfort of the troops.

One thing has to be borne in mind, in justice to all concerned, is that the campaign in Cuba became imperative at the season most dangerous to health. It is certain that the administration has striven in every way to lessen the perils. The army at Santiago has been quickly removed to a northern healthy camp, a movement in many respects unique. Ordinarily an army is compelled to face the scourge of disease without hope of any relief of this nature. Cuba at best is a trying place for soldiers. In two years ending with March, 1897, the Spanish army had from disease, chiefly malarial, 440 officers and 58,000 men. These were troops, too, accustomed to a tropical climate. In the British expedition of 1762 against Havana 4,708 men died of disease, or one-fourth of the whole army. Every possible measure of relief should be adopted in our camps, but a wanton spirit of indiscriminate censure is not to the purpose.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

New York Battle Monument.

Subcontractor F. F. Holbrook of the New York Monumental association recently completed the work of affixing the bronze letter tablets, bronze coat of arms, stars, shields and flags on the New York monument to the Twelfth corps near the Cravens House on Lookout mountain. The monument is now completed in every detail and is one of the most magnificent memorials on the entire Chickamauga-Chattanooga battlefield. The dedication will occur some time during the approaching winter.

PERSONAL NOTES.

Queen Taitou, the wife of the Negus Menelek of Abyssinia, will accompany her husband to Paris next month.

The Duke of Cambridge, who recently attended the opening of the electric railway which crosses under the Thames river, said that he was present when William IV opened London bridge, at which time the way to the city was by barge.

Ernest Dodge, whose death was recently announced from Wittenberf, Bavaria, was well known as an artist in Boston. He studied at the School of Drawing and Painting in the Museum of Fine Arts. His father is in business in Woburn.

Sergeant F. T. Okawaru, one of the heroes of the late war between China and Japan, arrived lately in Denver, where he will remain some time.

Mrs. Mary Doulint, wife of Captain Doulint, a boat builder of New Orleans, has passed a brilliant examination as a steamboat pilot and is a member of the American Association of Masters and Pilots, having been admitted unanimously on a high rating as to knowledge and bravery.

Captain D. C. Woodrow of the United States navy has in his possession the flag floated by the Virginius on her ill fated Hillsborough trip to Santiago in 1873. It was taken from the vessel by the captain himself, Dec. 26, 1873, just before the ship sank while being brought back to the United States.

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