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THE STAR.

"To neither birth, nor wealth, nor state, but the 'get-up-and-get' that makes men great"

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WHEN POWELL HAS SUCH RARE BARGAINS IN STORE FOR YOU.

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Millinery.
Powell has furnished a special department in charge of Miss Lizzie Emerson for the accommodation of millinery shoppers. You can't pass his store without seeing the beautiful hats, flowers, etc. in the big show window. This department cannot be excelled for beauty, convenience, goods and prices in West Texas.



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Many women wish to purchase a dress "entirely different from any one else in town." Powell can fulfill your wish, he has the largest and finest assortment of Dress Goods that could be purchased in eastern markets. In fact his store is overflowing in real bargains. To see is to be convinced.

I BOUGHT CHEAP AND WILL SELL THE SAME WAY.

"To make money is to save it" and Powell will save you more money than any merchant in Baird. Call and be convinced.

I am offering goods cheaper than ever before in my life.

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T. E. POWELL.

EPWORTH LEAGUES OF TEXAS.

San Antonio, Tex., March 19.—The next state conference of Epworth leagues will meet within two months (May 11-15), in the city of Waco, and I would like to impress upon you the importance of this conference and the necessity of beginning now to lay your plans and get your business matters in shape for the occasion.

The state conference held in San Antonio last year was in many respects the most notable of all the conferences. Ten thousand young Christians thronged the city and awaked the echoes of our beloved Alamo with the happy songs of Zion, and the zeal and enthusiasm of this young life of Texas were in proportion to the vast crowds in attendance.

The Epworth league board of the West Texas annual conference, in their annual report set of this league conference: "It was the first gathering of Protestants in the Alamo city that had the proportions sufficient to command the attention of its cosmopolitan citizenship. A vast throng of young people crowded the streets and literally took possession of the city, and the spiritual influence was so great that it is said the police made 30 arrests throughout the city limits during the three days. The conduct of the young people was such that not an adverse criticism was made. The value of the conference to San Antonio Methodism can not be estimated.

In one respect, however, the conference was not a marked success. The Pentecostal blessing, for which so many had prayed, did not meet the full measure of expectation, and it was thought the tide of religious fervor did not rise so high as at Houston the previous year.

San Antonio furnished too many attractions, or rather distractions, and it was evident that too many of that

vast throng had come to see the Alamo rather than seek better qualification for service and the anointing of the Holy Spirit.

The custom of providing free entertainment for delegates, which has prevailed heretofore, will not be obtained at Waco. Entertainments, however, will not cost more than \$1 a day, and an effort is being made to secure from the railroads a low rate, with a maximum of five dollars from all parts of the state.

The state board acted wisely in their decision to change the place of meeting from Tyler to Waco, as evidenced by the reasons already published. Waco is centrally located and she will show her hospitality by a right royal entertainment. While arrangements are being made for the material interests of the conference, let prayer be made without ceasing in all the leagues and by the whole church. Let our God, in whose name we meet, will make this conference a great power for good to the cause of his holy religion and our beloved Methodism.

A NEW DEPARTMENT.
I shall depend upon the league secretaries of the five annual conferences of the state for the collection and arrangement of the statistics in their respective territories. They will be expected to work through the district league secretaries. The duties of the state secretary have assumed such proportions that one man cannot do the work, except through the agencies I have named. Therefore I call upon all the individual leagues of the state to write to their district secretaries for blanks and information relative to the conference, and the district secretaries will in turn receive their blanks and information from the conference secretaries. Let all promptly and diligently set to work to collect statistics and prepare reports, so that all may be in hand in ample time. Each league is entitled to two rep-

resentatives in the conference. In their election let care be taken to select those who will attend and who are mentally and spiritually qualified to improve the opportunity, and to impart to the league at home the information and inspiration received. Where it is possible to do so provide for the expenses of these representatives. Besides the regular delegates secure the attendance of as many others as possible. The benefits to be derived from the session will more than repay the small expenditure of time and money.

Praying that the savor of Almighty God may rest upon the conference and upon the work of the league in our state, I am your servant.

WESLEY PEACOCK,
State Secretary.

JUDGE BOWMAN'S LECTURE.

As announced in last week's STAR Judge T. H. Bowman, of Big Springs, lectured at the Court House Tuesday night. Subject "Leaves From Memory's Pages." Judge Bowman is delivering these lectures by request in the interest of the "Confederate Memorial Association." The object of the Association is to erect a *Battle Abbey* at some point in the south, Richmond perhaps, in which will be collected relics and scraps of history of the late war. The object is to commemorate the deeds of patriotism and heroism of the people of the south, and above all to prepare a correct history from a southern standpoint of the late war and the events that lead up to it something that has not been done up to this time. Every history written by northern writers since the war are notoriously unjust and unfair to the south, yet some of these same histories are used as text books in southern schools. All the south asks is that their side of the question be presented to and understood by the rising generation. A Mr. House of New York, has

agreed to donate one hundred thousand dollars towards this Confederate Memorial provided the south will raise an equal amount. This in brief is the object of the association for which Judge Bowman and others are laboring so hard. It is a worthy object and ought to enlist the active co-operation of every southern man and woman.

Judge Bowman handled his subject well; and from a southern standpoint his argument in favor of the right of secession is unanswerable. He spoke briefly of the events that lead up to the war; how the north adopted gradual emancipation and managed to run most of their negroes down south and sell them and then began clamoring for the abolishment of slavery in all the states and territories. The North, he said, was responsible for slavery; it is a historical fact that cannot be denied; he said the north was responsible for the war. This, of course, is a mooted question, yet it is believed to be true by nine-tenths of the southern people and a great many northern people. Where did the question of secession originate? Answer: Massachusetts.

The northern people are fond of calling the southern people of the 60's rebels and traitors, and many southern writers and speakers have quietly acquiesced in this. The northern soldier is lauded as a hero; a noble position; and William by the national government. On the other hand the poor old Confederate soldier, who fought for liberty and his property guaranteed to him by the constitution of his fathers is counted as only good enough to vote for northern candidates and hold minor offices; but neither the Republican or Democratic parties since the war has had the moral courage to put a southern man on the national ticket well knowing that such a course would result in overwhelming defeat. Some day a correct history of the

late war will be written, then the people of the whole country will take a different view of the stirring events that caused the war and that is the object of this association.

Judge Bowman paid an eloquent tribute to the southern soldiers; how the hoisted tress to carry the rebel standard to cart wheels of the victorious northern army; the first Manassas back to Washington, came to naught and instead of the triumphant return that caused the war and that is the object of this association. He spoke of the magnificent army as conqueror, or they went flying to Washington with the rebel yell ringing in their ears and the victorious Johny Rebs pressing them hard in the rear. He told of the victorious and matchless Lee that held the armies of the north in check for four long weary years; how that army dwindled away until but a remnant remained and Richmond had to be evacuated and Appomattox approached and the final surrender at that place. Then the roll is called. In succession the names of Albert Sidney Johnston, dead; Stone-wall Jackson, dead; Pat Cleburne, dead; Ben McCulloch, dead; Tom Green, dead; Mouton, dead; A. P. Hill, dead. All dead on the field of honor, and two hundred thousand confederate soldiers and officers fallen in the strife or from wounds received in battle or disease contracted in the service of a cause they loved better than life. The armies of Joseph E. Johnston, Hood, Price and Kirby Smith; shattered until but a remnant remained.

The once magnificent and invincible army of Virginia under Lee had dwindled to ten thousand ragged, half starved and indifferently armed soldiers. The inevitable happened, the south yielded to superior numbers, overwhelmed but not conquered. Judge Bowman here paid a just tribute to Gen. U. S. Grant for his magnanimous treatment of Gen. Lee which finds a responsive chord in the breast of every southern heart. Grant

was a great general and by his treatment of Lee and the south showed that he was a gentleman magnanimous as he was brave. Judge Bowman also spoke of the bravery and heroism of the northern soldiers. Of course there were exceptions but the Judge did not mention them. He was glad the war was over.

It had cleared the atmosphere and the question of slavery was settled forever. The southern states had conquered the north that they were not bluffing when they threatened to secede, the boast of some in the south that one southern soldier could whip five yankees had been exploded, and as a result both sections had more respect for each others fighting qualities than before the war. The speaker paid an eloquent tribute to the southern warrior, who endured so many hardships in the war and are now striving so hard to raise money to perpetuate the name and fame of those who fought and so many gave up their lives for southern rights. The speaker did not forget the faithful slaves, who toiled peacefully and so faithfully during the war, while their masters were in most instances in the army.

We have not time nor space to review the lecture further; suffice to say that the subject was handled well and no doubt some of those present, perhaps, for the first time got a glimpse of that other side of the great question that caused the war. Slavery by that war was abolished and we doubt if any one in the south would restore it today if they could. The south has had enough of war and all she wants is to be let alone, and that future generations may hear her side of the question that caused the great civil war in the history of the world her sons and daughters are going to collect historical facts for them to study and leave the question with them.

The flood did dry.
 "People put on a heap too much style nowadays with their formal calls and all that sort of nonsense," said the elderly gentleman. "There was much more real journalism in the days when one went a full run over to another woman's house and walked in without knocking."
 "I don't believe it," said the young man with the thin upper lip. "No two women ever got a little knock in their lives without John's little knock," if there was any other woman to talk about."
 —Indianapolis Journal

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CHAPTER XVIII
 Jules and Emile were in his office, in spite of all our doubts he declared that he had no doubts he declared to Jules to declare we shall find it. "I beat up the bushes over there," cried out Jules, "I'll find him out to-night, and earn the reward." They went tramping all the spot, and one struck his foot against the tree trunk, making the spring break wide.

"How much is there left?" asked Jules. "Not twice can I fill my fill, Oh, Jules!" "Say, dear one, I can fill it up to-night. Do you know the exact locality of the spring?" "I remember visiting it once or twice. I never visited it a long time. I can tell you its direction from this spot, but it frightens me to think of my attempting such a dangerous feat."
 "It is vitally necessary, if we remain here, which seems the best thing left us, until our provisions fall out, or we are convinced there is no hope of Emile's escape."
 "It must be I consent; but upon one condition—I shall accompany you."
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and left them just below the forest they are to make their way to the next town on foot. The spies on the road will not know but have still the identical pair—the driver of the cart waiting for us is faithful to me. Give your own menaces, dear children. All will be well."

"We do not fear, so long as it is you who have answered Chlotilde." "My generous trust be rewarded," responded he, fervent and full of hope. "I will stop many a time before they reached the desired haunts, but the Gray Falcon's name would be known, and safe passage were they overtaken by messengers of M. Pierre, the event most dreaded by the man who answered Chlotilde."

"The horrors had deepened in Paris. The unfortunate Louis had been led to the guillotine, and the trial of the queen was already under consideration. The most lawlessness and blood-patriotism prevailed everywhere."
 The Gray Falcon was welcomed back with enthusiasm. He lodged his intended relatives with an amanuensis, and went at once to his old club. Notwithstanding the abhorrence he felt for the sentiments which were so rampant in the town, and a country he felt it was vital necessary for him to seem to participate in them, and accordingly he delivered to them one of his old harangues—some what disappointing to his hearers, with the moderation of his views.
 Having thus established himself safe from suspicion, he procured a small cottage, at a safe distance from the city, and thither he conveyed his friends. The garden gave excellent employment to Jules, and his fair companion made up her leisure with a peasant boy who the unconscious bearer of dispatches between Jules and his friends, and a country he felt it was vital necessary for him to seem to participate in them, and accordingly he delivered to them one of his old harangues—some what disappointing to his hearers, with the moderation of his views.
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A UNITED STATES OFFICER.
 Some Incidents of His Life and Hand-hips in the Late War.

From the Graphic, Boston, Mass.
 had wherever I might be and remain so "as I have no more respectable citizen than Capt. John P. Grant, the carpenter and builder. For months he was a sufferer from wooded digestion, loss of memory and the keener of rheumatic pains arising from a life of arduous labor and arduous exposure as an officer in the late war, and later as a U. S. mail carrier."
 A representative of this paper called on Capt. Grant for his story. He met the new-sprinter man cheerily, and in his own honest, simple language, said: "I was born in South Berwick, Me., Dec. 20, 1826, and when two years old moved with my parents to York, Me. When 10 years old I was apprenticed to a prominent builder, George Colcord, of Foster, N. H., to learn the carpenter's trade with the added privilege of being a painter. In 1847 I removed to Newburyport, where I remained for two years with Hon. Wm. W. Kimball, then builder of the time. "I worked in Newburyport two years and then concluded to locate in West Ansonia, during the period I was married to a lady named Ann. In 1851 I removed to West Ansonia, where I remained for two years, and then to Portland, Me., where I worked two years with Hon. Wm. W. Kimball, then builder of the time. "I worked in Newburyport two years and then concluded to locate in West Ansonia, during the period I was married to a lady named Ann. In 1851 I removed to West Ansonia, where I remained for two years, and then to Portland, Me., where I worked two years with Hon. Wm. W. Kimball, then builder of the time."

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McCormick Harvesting Machine Company, Chicago.

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A BELLE AT EIGHTY.
 Had a Lovely Neck and Arms and Wore Decollete Gowns.
 Some years ago there was an old lady in one of the southern capitals who not only wore decollete ball dresses at 80, but also gowns of the same style and arms which they require, says the New York Ledger. She was most beautiful, and her face was just as fresh as a rose. Her hair was just as black as raven's feathers and her eyes were just as bright as stars. She was a belle at eighty.

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We hope the legislature will give West Texas what it wants in the way of laws and constitutional amendments to secure irrigation. If they do that, West Texas can have all the state officers next year. If we get the laws needed on this question West Texas will be the wealthiest section of the Union in twenty-five years and we will be able to ship bread, meat and fruit to East Texas when droughts, strikes that section. Give us irrigation and go to — Austin with the officers

CRUSHED TO DEATH.

There was a horrible accident in the railroad yards here last Saturday night in which Mr. O. B. Russell, brother of our County Attorney, J. H. Russell, and partner with Mr. H. G. Parker, dairyman, was instantly killed. Mr. Russell came up town after supper on some business and returning in company with Arthur Waldron they went down through the T. & P. R. yards on their way to the dairy farm just south of the depot. There were several freight cars standing on the main line and they walked to a point east of the telegraph office where they found an opening between the cars. Arthur Waldron crossed the track in safety, but the space between the cars from some cause closed up suddenly and caught Mr. Russell between the draw heads and crushed him to death instantly; a coupling link having passed entirely through his body just above the hips. Mr. Russell had a lamp chimney in his hand when struck and when found the chimney was still in his hand unbroken.

Mr. Russell leaves a wife and seven children to mourn his loss, besides several brothers and sisters, and his devoted mother who lives at Putnam. Two sisters, Mrs. M. E. Surles, of Putnam, and Mrs. H. Day, of Abilene, came in Sunday to attend the funeral at Baird cemetery. Mr. Frank Russell, of Sipe Springs, was telegraphed and the news was at once but did not receive it until too late to be present at the funeral; but came in Monday.

It was a sad affair and THE STAR extends sincere sympathy to the widow and orphan children as suddenly robbed of husband and father.

Mr. Russell was born in 1861 and was therefore about 36 years of age in the morning of life, while the shades of old falling towards the west, suddenly and without a moment's warning the summons came and he passed over the river.

Mr. Russell, we understand, carried a small amount of life insurance \$1000 in the Royal Union Co. of Des Moines

CARD OF THANKS.

We desire to express our gratitude to our friends for the kind sympathy and assistance given us in performing the last rites and for our beloved dead.

B. L. RUSSELL,
MRS. LELA RUSSELL.

ESTRAY NOTICE.

Reported by H. D. Dixon, county coroner, animal Product No. 4, Callahan Co. Texas on Feb. 25, 1907, the following strayed stock will be returned to the owner if he will appear and claim the same. The owner of said animal is requested to come forward, give proper pay charges and take said animal away or the same will be dealt with as the law directs. Given under my hand and seal of office this 27 day of March 1907.

H. D. DIXON,
County Coroner, Callahan Co. Texas
By W. P. COCHRAN, Deputy.

MILLINERY.

My line of Millinery for the spring and summer is now complete with all the latest novelties of the season. A nice line of French trimmed hats. Am sure I can please you in styles and prices.

Come and see me whether you wish to purchase or not.

Mrs. Annie Cunningham.
First Door South Court House.

DEEP CREEK DOTS.

March 23.—The singing school at the Spring Gap school house is now under the leadership of Prof. Braunsom and it seems the new leader inspires it with new life. Mr. B. is also in charge of the sikes' photograph gallery. Leader Sikes having retired from the business and gone back to farming.

Prof. Geo. Ryler a graduate of the Clegg High School and a son of Mr. B. B. Ryler, of Cortwood, is hustling around to organize a writing school. We wish him success although the times and other well known circumstances are not much favorable. It takes a long time for the McKinley wave of prosperity to reach this corner of the woods.

Mr. A. A. Calahan, of Baird, was out last Sunday to look after his estate. He had a big tank built lately and Messrs. Shelton, Green, Walker and Weath did the job.

Our young friend Thos. Harris returned Sunday from Baird, where he attended school for the last few months with marked success.

Mr. Whitley who has been confined to his bed for nearly six weeks is able to be around again and John Matthews is said to have a hard trade with disease since last fall was able to go to Baird last week the first time in nearly five months.

Mr. Corwint intends to enlarge his Spring Gap ranch considerably and fencing will begin soon.

If you mail a letter for the east at the Tomato postoffice say Wednesday after a o'clock A. M. his letter will leave Baird the following Sunday the next four days afterward. If you send the same letter by a passery to Cottonwood or even Cross Plains it will start east in less than two days sooner. Now decide for yourself, if that is imprudence and efficiency in the mail service and if the postmaster who countenances such shameful delay is doing his duty. That was good enough for the ox cart times, but never will do for the fire-decade nineteenth century business.

There it goes and having dared to again say something about the Tomato postoffice I must now keep prepared for the howling that the Postmaster threatened to inflict upon me. My experience with the law is growing richer every day. A Justice of the Peace turns the defendant loose who said under oath in open court that he will provide me and added: I mean what I say and will make good my word. The same officer mutilated me, an invalid suffering from heart disease who was not able to defend himself and implied the help of the law, with \$25 costs. Not satisfied with that, the same officer comes to my place of business to demand payment and threatens to close up the whole house and to eject me by force if I would not submit to the payment. I am informed at the same time that being a bachelor I have no honest and am liable to lose at anytime my little home which I have built up for the last five years under the most adverse circumstances being handicapped by chronic disease. And all that in the name of law and justice! Indeed if that is law better have no law at all and give up all claims for civilization. I am to drag my private affairs before the public. But the trouble started while I was doing a public duty that is called the public attention to public nuisances. And I appeal to all public spirited and fair minded citizens of Callahan county and leave it to their judgment whether the judgment that was meted out to me in the name of law was right.

H. B.

FEATHER DUSTERS.
Stove Dusters.
Ceiling Dusters.
Carriage Dusters.
HARRY MEYER.

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McMullen Poultry Wire Netting at Harry Meyer.

A STRANGER'S STORY.

From Brownwood Bulletin.

We take pleasure in publishing the following poem composed by Mr. Sam M. Parks, and recited by him at District Baker college as part of Delta Kappa Society's program.

Ladies and I tell you
How it happened long ago,
When those locks were black as midnight,
Which have faded white as snow,
Faded by the many handshakes,
Which the years have brought to bear,
And the thought that still grips me,
That have marked my brow with care.

This stranger spoke at evening,
His eyes were laden with life,
Yet his face was sweet and winsome,
Sweathed by the years of strife.
I remember we'll the morning,
Time can never blot it out,
All the world seemed bright and happy,
As it rang with song and shout.

For that morning we were playing,
That is, brother and myself,
He the younger by two winters,
Such a vigorous little elf,
Playing in the early spring time,
Where we always loved to play,
In those days of golden days,
Sparking salt went its way.

There had a swing of grapevine,
In those days of golden days,
And it swung out o'er the water,
As we pushed it too and fro.
But we forgot the life,
For it seemed to us a friend,
And its dreamy, rapping murmur
Had had a charm to lend.

We were sometime woe and angry,
But it passed like "Daddy's" love,
O, the most beautiful heartache,
That would from this anger grow,
Singing the same tune with hand,
Flying through the balmy air,
So his arm had brother finished,
Mid those moments bright and fair.

But he would not give the swing up,
Though I plead, and plead, and plead,
He would only hold his tighter,
Only shake his curly head.

In a sudden rage I pushed him,
Backward over the flowing stream,
And his hand unloosed the grapevine,
So, how like some drowsy dream.

Then a look, so wild and helpless,
Which I never can forget,
Crossed his face as he lay motionless,
I can see those features yet.

With a voice as full of terror,
That the angels heard me still,
Crying wildly brother brother!
Sounding through my soul a chill,
Down he sank into the river,
From the bank to rise no more.

Then I knew that that child king
Like the wicked "one of yourn,"
Through the many months that followed,
"One when I looked on his face,
I could hear the rapping water,
Flowing to the mighty deep.

See a face upon its bosom,
How a voice in deep despair,
Always crying brother brother!
Till it seemed to me a prayer.

Often when the shades of evening,
Laid gently and so sweet down,
Would the angelic linger faintly,
Waiting to bestow their boon.

Waiting for an autumn breeze,
Where their light fall had shown,
Ever bright they seemed to linger,
The "one when I looked on his face,
And the dunes in the meadow,
With their bright eyes, seemed to grieve,
And the south wind moaned so early,
As a mother moans at eve.

And those thoughts did ever haunt me,
As I wandered all alone,
In my own "I've heard them ringing,
"Singing" "I've heard them ring."
"No more shall we wander together,
"No more shall we wander together,
"No more shall we wander together,
"No more shall we wander together."

So much for the beautiful river,
"I've given you and given to the sun"
Now "I'm tracing the shores of a river,
"Where I've looked on his face,
Then the years far back from my childhood
I have prayed that my soul be improved,
That the shades which darkened that childhood,
In the sun of life be removed,
And my soul be soothed.

As in years that are numbered and gone,
And seldom, as in a childhood,
I grieve that mother sister,
My sorrow is vanishing from me,
In the glow of a thought that I love,
"The thought of my journey to meet him,
"Where the shades are singing above."

DUDLEY DOINGS.

March 17.—Have had a very good rally this week; and the farmers are happy. Some of the fruit was killed in the recent frosts.

Dudley has at last succeeded in getting a singing school. Prof. Turner is a good teacher and gifted with much patience.

Dr. T. B. Richardson has arrived from St. Louis with his "sheep skin." All are glad to welcome the Dr. back again.

Miss Amelia Johnson of Tecumseh is attending the singing school at this place.

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Enterprising and up to date methods are used in building up one of the most attractive business houses in the West. It is our intention to treat you better and give you more than anyone else for the same amount. If we don't do that then we will say take the will for the deed. We are alive and hustling. We have good new stylish Goods and are plugging prices down to bed rock.



In these days as previously Remarked:
A man may gey,
A man may cry,
A man may puff and blow,
But he can't get trade,
Sitting in the shade,
Waiting for business to grow

Now we carry trade winners and keep in stock a fair assortment at all times. Our dress goods for spring are unequalled, we have a fine line of light weight goods in silk and wool also silk gloria, and our line of tailor made suits, ducks, piques, dimities or gaudies, Lepsell mulls, India Linens and many other cotton line goods are very beautiful. The ladies have over our table linen, napkins and towels. We have a beautiful line of draperies, lace curtains and window shades.

It is not necessary to mention our line of Millinery for the ladies have already spread the news and we have orders after orders now waiting to be trimmed. The veiling, belts and children are extremely pretty and deserve all shoppers notice.

BUTTRICK PATTERNS

The April Delimitors are here and are very unique. Our patterns will arrive about the 25th. We are constantly receiving new goods and you will find by visiting us often you will keep up with what is new.

LANDS, FOR SALE.

All ads in this column, under appropriate heads, Lot, Pounds, Striped or Sholes, etc. 3 cents per line each insertion; provided that no ad shall be inserted for less than 30 cents for each insertion. All transient advertisements must be paid for in advance. We cannot open accounts for such small amounts. No don't ask for credit. All regular customers of THE STAR, however, on the same basis as the others, same terms as other advertisement and accounts will be made out at the end of each month. To the extent.

640 acres 1 mile S. W. from Putnam, school section No. 306, good mesquite prairie, near town, schools, etc. Price \$35.00 per acre, in trade, or on easy terms. 1280 acre good adjoining it also for sale cheap.

640 acres, school section No. 14, 12 miles west of Baird, in I. N. Jackson's pasture, good prairie land, \$3.50 per acre, in trade, or on easy terms.

900 acres, 6 miles east of Baird on R. R., a well improved stock farm—two dwellings, 160 acre farm, plenty of building water, other pasture land adjoining for sale cheap, price \$5.75 per acre, easy terms.

640 acres, 8 miles south of Baird, on Coleman road, School Sec. No. 2, 60 acres timber, balance prairie, \$3.00 per acre, on easy terms. 500 acres of pasture lands adjoining it also for sale cheap.

2000 acres, 4 miles S. W. of Putnam, prairie land, price \$1.75 to \$2.50 per acre, easy terms, or in trade.

340 acres, 4 miles north of Cottonwood, open timber lands, \$1.75 to \$3.00 per acre, easy terms, some trade taken.

50 acres, Wyatt Hillman Sur, near Caddo Peak, \$1.50 per acre, on time or in trade.

A 160 acre farm near Abilene, 87 acres in cultivation, very cheap, must sell it, even at a big sacrifice.

I will cut any of these lands, to suit all buyers.

Horses, mules or cattle taken in payment, or part payment.

Other lands and improved farms for sale on easy terms.

Cattle, Horses and mules for sale.

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Baird, Callahan County, Texas.

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BAIRD, TEXAS.
—TRY READING—
The Star.

Now is this!
Ladies Oxford Ties (clipper) for \$4, 74 and 99 cents.
Window Shades,
Straw Matting,
Dry Goods and
Ladies Shirt Waists,
Lower than anyone.
H. F. FOY.



T. & P. Ry SCHEDULE.

NO. 4. EAST BOUND. 9:30 a.m.
 NO. 3. WEST BOUND. 11:30 p.m.
 J. B. HARSH, Agent.

LOCAL NEWS.

E. C. (Cliff) Hill was in town Wednesday.

Garden planting is now the order of the day.

Geo. Aiken, of Caddo Peak, was in town Monday.

R. E. Martin, of Eagle Cove, was in town Monday.

Mr. W. A. Short from Putnam was in town Tuesday.

Prof. Underwood, of Callahan City, was in town Monday.

Walter Gillett, from Caddo Peak, was in the city Monday.

Mr. A. Cooke returned from Emory last Saturday evening.

L. J. Cook M. D. from Putnam was in the city Tuesday on business.

"Lum" Shnford, from near Caddo Peak was in the city trading.

Mr. R. M. Collier representing the Ft. Worth Stock Journal is in town.

Tom Windham and H. C. Grantham of Tecumseh, were in town Tuesday.

Mr. Abdon Holt, of Abilene, was a pleasant caller at THE STAR office, Monday.

Bro. W. B. Wilson returned this week from Putnam where he has just closed a very successful revival.

"Uncle" Ahe Cochran, father of our efficient Deputy County Clerk, from Cottonwood was in the city Monday.

Commissioners court is in session this week; Commissioners Sprawls, Hinds, Baum and Merchant all present.

See Mrs. Annie Cunningham's ad in this issue and when in need of millinery goods be sure and inspect her store.

C. W. Roberts, of Abilene, has been shaking hands with friends, and incidentally doing a little business, Tuesday.

County Judge Hill, ex-Sheriff J. V. Cunningham and Clab Merchant, of Abilene, were on the east bound train Tuesday.

T. E. Powell is having quite an improvement made in the front of his store, in the shape of a millinery rack, and when completed will be the nicest of the kind in the city.

Ivey and Alex McWhorter were up from the Bayou Tuesday. The latter was after tools to work the public roads in his precinct, which he secured from the Commissioners court now in session.

Mr. Thos. Woods, of Coleman, an old time East Texas friend of Capt. Jones and Dr. J. D. Windham spent Tuesday night in town the guest of Capt. Jones. He returned home Wednesday.

Judge J. C. Lynch and wife, of Shackelford county, spent a few days last week the guests of their daughter, Mrs. Ellis Richards, north of town. Judge Lynch spent Friday and Saturday night in town - assisting the members of Baird Chapter R. A. M. in conferring degrees. Judge Lynch is an enthusiastic music, and next to his pipe and Mrs. Lynch thinks more of it than any thing on earth.

Mr. Westernman's team ran away with a buggy in the east part of town Sunday evening and from the gate they were going they were back in the record for street racing. They left the top and east of the buggy near Clint Broterton's residence while traveling at the rate of about seventy-five miles an hour going south. The runaways were caught under the hill at Signal's farm. There were numerous rigs on the streets and it fortunate that no one was crippled by the frightened team.

L. M. Wyatt and family moved to Cross Plains this week where Mr. Wyatt will open a drug store. This STAR regrets to see Mr. and Mrs. Wyatt leave Baird as they have made many friends during the few years they lived here. The best wishes of THE STAR go with Mr. and Mrs. Wyatt to their new home, not new to them either, for they lived at Cross Plains before they came to Baird. We hope to welcome them to Baird again some day.

Have you seen
 -The large line of Saddles-
 C. S. BOYLES.
 HE HAS THE LARGEST AND MOST COMPLETE LINE IN THE WEST.
 He Makes a Specialty of-
STOCK SADDLES
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BUGGY HARNESS.
 I have now in stock all the latest styles of California trees rigged with the very best leather in the U. S. These saddles range from 30 to 45 dollars. I bought strictly for cash and will sell on the same platform.

I defy Competition
 -ON-
BUGGY HARNESS.

Buggy Harness (double).....	\$12.50 to \$25.00
Buggy Harness (single).....	6.50 to 20.00
Truck Harness.....	12.00 to 20.00
Buggy Whips.....	10 to 2.00

I also have a nice line of
 Summer Lap, Dusters, Ear Ties, Fly Nets, Linen, Collars, Belts, Stoves, Etc.
BUY OF IDE FOR CASH AND SAVE MONEY.
C. S. BOYLES.

Dr. Asa Childress of Terrell, who is spending a few weeks visiting in Abilene, was in town Monday.

Frank Vaughn, who has been breaking on the T. & P. west of Big Springs for some time past is at home on a ten days leave.

Prof. Fred C. Switzer's school at Belle Plaine was out last week and Fred will return to Commerce for a visit to friends and relatives.

The Epworth League held its first session last night and will be in session to-day (Friday) and Saturday and Sunday. About sixty delegates are expected.

T. E. Powell is having a glass partition erected in the south east corner of his store to be used by Miss Lizzie Emmerson in charge of the millinery department.

Mrs. Wilson wife of the Methodist Pastor, Rev. W. B. Wilson, at this place was summoned by telegram last week to the bedside of her mother, who we regret to learn is lying at the point of death at her home in Alabama.

There was a rush in the window glass business Friday and Saturday caused by the hail storm last Thursday evening. It is an ill wind that blows nobody good; the glass dealers and carpenters did good business for a few days.

Judge T. H. Bowman of Big Springs lectured at the Court House Tuesday night. His lecture was well received highly appreciated by those present. Judge Bowman is an eloquent speaker and all admit that he did his subject, "Leaves From Memories Pages," well justice.

Herman Schwartz has had galvanized iron substituted for the glass that was in the windows in the second story of his building. Suppose Herman is tired of feeling glass to the storming his hence put in more durable material if it did not give so much light as glass.

L. J. Cook, of Putnam, was in town this week. He went home Tuesday carrying with him a peculiar shaped instrument of some kind tied up in a sack. The writer was unable to say whether said instrument was a bellows, wheel of fortune or a rubber plow. Guess the Putnamites will soon learn the nature of the "critter."

If you need an attorney call on J. H. Wood, Baird, Texas.

We invite you to call and look through our beautiful line of carpets. We can and will please you. Nothing like it ever shown in Baird. Prices are right and so are the goods. Don't forget to look at our matting.

H. SCHWARTZ, Mgr.

Just as we went to press Thursday evening, last week, a terrific hail storm came up from the west. The storm only lasted a few minutes but smashed nearly every glass window in town that was exposed to the hail. Some of the hail-stones were nearly as large as a hen egg and fell with considerable force as the numerous holes knocked in the corrugated iron lining in front of Harry Meyers warehouse, and on the west side of Clint Broterton's residence bear witness.

The main track of the storm passed just north of town, where the ground was covered with hail-stones to a depth of six inches. Little damage is reported from the country.

We have heard considerable talk of a change of Postmasters at Baird owing to the change in the national administration; but as it is given out at Washington by the McKinley administration that no changes will be made in postoffice places, the postmaster here are commissioned for a term of years, except for incompetency or a neglect of duty, until their term expires it is not likely that there will be a change in the office of at Baird for two or three years yet, as Judge Solomon the present incumbent, has a faithful and efficient officer and his term does not expire until 1899. A strong petition with more than three hundred signers has been sent to Washington requesting that Judge Solomon be permitted to fill out his term of office; and unless the administration changes its policy there will be no vacancy in the Baird office for a good while yet.

THE STAR wants WOOD.
 Zack Adams, one of the old timers in Brown county, but now a citizen of Knox county, passed through town yesterday on his way home from Brown county. He is the same old Zack, a little older grayer and stouter than he was some 18 years ago when we saw him last, but just as jolly and as full of vim and life as ever.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Books and periodicals: R. A. Speer.

Jewelry a specialty at Phillips 15.

Fishing tackle R. A. Speer, 14 f.

Thorough bred poultry and eggs for sale. J. L. LEA. 15f

Tobacco, cigars and pipes. R. A. Speer. 14 f.

Drugs, patent medicines and toilet articles. R. A. Speer. 14 f.

Headquarters at Vaughn & Co. the best house in town. 15f

The finest assortment of matting in town at Vaughn & Co. 15f

Finest line of tablets, box paper, paper. Nelson & St John. 14 f

Try my U. S. FLOUR the best in town. J. NORFON.
 You will save money by examining my stock before buying elsewhere. 15f R. PHELPS.

Go to R. A. Speer for your prescriptions, pure drugs, and skill combined. 15f.

If you want an elegant hair cut in any style go to young Dean's parlor, he is natural artist.

Coller's white lead, Sewall & Hughes mixed paint and pure linseed oil. Nelson & St John. 14 f

Just received a new and complete line of 97 wall paper. Prices to suit all. Nelson & St John 14 f

Go to L. O. Oliver's Meat Market for fresh beef, pork, sausage, head cheese, smoked hams and breakfast bacon. 14 f

For paint, oils, varnishes, wall paper, drugs and druggist sundries, fishing tackle, etc. go to R. Phillips for best rock prices. 15f.

Our old friend J. N. Alvard was in town this week and gave us the customary round up; this time because we failed to charge the address of his father from Putnam to Baird; that duty however has been performed and we hope friend "A" will not have any more trouble in getting the great religious weekly, if he don't agree with it in all things.

SIMMONS REGISTER REGULATOR

ASK THE recovered dyspeptic. Will you suffer, victims of fever and ague, the malarial fever, the liver complaint, indigestion, biliousness, nervousness, loss of sleep, general debility, diarrhoea, or any general ailment, instead of using the usual and expensive means, try this REGISTER REGULATOR. It is a PURELY VEGETABLE, contains no medicine, does not irritate the stomach, and is a safe and reliable remedy for all the above ailments. It is a safe and reliable remedy for all the above ailments. It is a safe and reliable remedy for all the above ailments. It is a safe and reliable remedy for all the above ailments.

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EPWORTH LEAGUE MEETING
 That the work of the Epworth League, Abilene district may be systematically prosecuted, the following committees have been appointed by the local president. It is urged that the respective chairmen call a meeting and vigorously press the work. The League will convene at Baird Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock.

Committees:
 ENTERTAINMENT.
 Mrs. W. J. Norton, chairman, Mrs. Ole D. Davis, Miss Ida Farrar, Mrs. R. A. Kendall, Miss Annie Floyd.

MUSIC.
 Fred B. Lane chairman, Miss Addie Day, Mrs. F. W. Chatfield, Miss Jamie Nelson.
 Respectfully
 MISS LIZZIE EMMERSON,
 President.
 Attest Miss DESSIE WINNETT,
 Secretary.

ETRY NOTICE
 Reported by A. M. Spruitt County Commissioner product No. 2 Callahan Co., Tex., on the 23rd day of February A. D. 1897 the following description of stock, to-wit:
 One bay saddle mare about 2 years old brand on left eye, 10 in. left shoulder, 10 in. and thigh, split in left ear and about 13 1/2 hands high.
 One bay horse 2 years old, 14 hands high, brand on one side of neck high, about 7 years old, brand on P on left shoulder, all ranging 12 to 15. Letters in pasture near Moran.
 The owners of said animals are requested to come forward as early as possible and pay charges on the same will be dealt with as the law directs.
 Given under my hand and seal of office this 23rd day of March 1897.
 W. W. DUNN,
 Co. Clk. Callahan Co., Tex.,
 By W. P. Coakran, Deputy.

COWS FOR SALE.
 I am quitting the milk business and have five excellent milk cows for sale.
 J. L. LEA
MOTHER! There is no word so full of meaning and about which so many holy recollections cluster as that of "MOTHER" - she who watched over our helpless infancy and guided our first tottering steps. Yet the life of every Expectant Mother is beset with danger and all effort should be made to avoid it. In the changing place that the Expectant Mother is enabled to look forward without dread, suffering or gloomy forebodings, to the hour when she experiences the joy of Motherhood. Its use insures safety to the lives of both Mother and Child, and is found stronger after than before confinement - in short, it "makes Childhood natural and easy," as so many have said. Don't be persuaded to the anything but **MOTHER'S FRIEND**
 "My wife suffered more in ten minutes with either of her other two children than she did altogether with her last, having previously used four bottles of "Mother's Friend." It is a chance to any one reporting to become a MOTHER," says a customer. HENDERSON DALL, Carmi, Illinois.
 Of Druggists at \$1.00, or sent by mail on receipt of price. Write for name of nearest and reliable retailer for all Mothers, free and valuable information for all Mothers, free. The Bradford Regulator Co., Atlanta, Ga.

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THE FINEST
 Whiskey, Alcohol, California Wine,
 Ice Cold Beer and Best Cigars
IN THE CITY
 It Costs You Nothing for Jugs
 Call and see me, my place is quiet and pleasant & goods guaranteed. J. B. MAXWELL, Baird.

A FAMILY MURDERED.

FEARFUL CRIME OF A FARMER NEAR ORRICK, MO.

After Committing the Deed, He Then Saw His Own Heals—Jealous Wife Caused Him to Commit the Crime.

Richmond, Mo., March 22.—A tragedy resulting in the death of five members of one family is reported from Orrick, a small village thirty-five miles west of here. It is reported that a farmer, who killed his wife, his three children, his wife's Artman and his brother-in-law, Jas. Thurman, and his little step-daughter.

Then, after so nearly exterminating a whole family, the murderer blew off the top of his own head, dying instantly. The tragedy occurred before midnight at the home of Wm. Artman, Sr., father-in-law of the slayer. The two families lived a quarter of a mile apart, on the bank of the Missouri river, thirty-five miles south of Orrick. Last week Mr. Artman was taken sick and sent for his daughter to come and stay with her. Elsie Gentry, Mrs. Artman's little daughter, is the former husband, went with her mother. On Saturday evening Rainwater, who had been at home at Orrick, went over to the Artman house to spend the night. During the evening he went to church with the Artmans, Johnnie Artman, and upon their return he appeared in a good humor. At midnight Rainwater proposed to young Artman that they should go and shoot some dogs that were barking. Artman consenting, they took a short walk to a revolver and Artman had gone but fifty yards from the house when Rainwater, who was walking back with the boy, leveled his rifle and shot young Artman in the back.

Leaving the boy for dead, Rainwater returned to the house, where all the other members of the family were by this time in bed. In one room Mr. and Mrs. Artman, Mrs. Rainwater and the daughter, Fannie, and Artman's ten-year-old daughter of Artman were in bed. Entering the room and leveling his rifle at the aged Artman, he said: "D—n you, I've got you all shot."

Mrs. Artman threw up her hands as she died. The charge of all her fingers and riddled away one side of her head. She was instantly killed. The bullet struck her in the back of her head. She was with the other change in the bed. Then drawing a revolver the murderer fired two bullets into the body of Fannie Gentry, one passing through her lungs and the other entering her brain. She too died instantly.

The next morning, when Mr. Artman and his little daughter, who were alone, beside themselves with grief and despair, hearing by Rainwater had been jealous of his wife and had frequently quarreled with her, but there was no sign of his coming to the family of his murderous intentions.

The tragedy was not known until yesterday morning, when Mr. Artman and his little daughter, who were alone, beside themselves with grief and despair, hearing by Rainwater had been jealous of his wife and had frequently quarreled with her, but there was no sign of his coming to the family of his murderous intentions.

Texas Disorders.
Constantino, March 22.—Reports have been received here very serious about the situation in the Mexican state of Vera Cruz. It is said that many Americans and Turks have been killed. As yet there are no details as to the exact cause of the outbreak. The city of Toluca is on the Yucali-trunk river, and has a population of about 60,000. The government has authorized extensive works there for refining the copper produced by the mines of Arthamahuac near Diablos. It is in the heart of the old province of Arizona.

The action of the Serbian government in calling the Serbian consuls to order in the colors, is naturally to participate in maneuvers near the Turkish frontier, has caused much anxiety in Turkish official circles. The port has instructed the railway companies to keep sufficient rolling stock in readiness to convey troops to-day, with the necessary to the Serbian frontier. Preparations will be concentrated at Salonika. Quarters will be taken preparatory to the troops in the mosque, and other public buildings of the city.

The Namskeag cotton mill at Salsboro, Mass., are running on full time now.

At Woonsocket, R. I., recently, Mrs. Mary Williamson dropped dead.

San Francisco News.
Monroe, March 22.—Wm. Peter, of New Castle, Pa., who is connected with large English property interests, has signed a provisional contract with the Canadian government for a fast trans-Atlantic steamship service of four boats of 1000 tons each, to be ready to start in two or three weeks for New York. The subsidy to be paid by Canada is said to be \$500,000 per year, and the British government is expected to contribute \$250,000 per year in addition.

THE FLOOD DISTRICT.

FIVE MORE PERSONS WERE SWEEPED AWAY.

The Situation is Becoming Serious. River Still Rising. Relief Committees Hold Work and Provisions are Being Sent to the Inhabitants.

Memphis, Tenn., March 19.—Last night the great flood claimed five more victims. The bodies of five persons were swept away by the water. The situation is becoming serious. River still rising. Relief committees hold work and provisions are being sent to the inhabitants.

Near Marion, Ark., Elia Nix and her four children were trying to make their way to Marion for shelter, and while attempting to cross a railroad trestle, the strong current overpowered the little party and all perished. The oldest child was a girl 8 months and the youngest an infant 9 months.

Last night the Yazoo Valley reported abandonment of the water over its tracks a few miles south of Memphis. The railroad station on the Arkansas side of the river remains unchanged. All trains entering the city over the Mississippi tracks, which remain a few inches above the water.

The river is still rising at Memphis, and the indications are that it will continue to do so for some time. The river last night stood at 28.9 feet, a rise since morning of 0.10. Such is the general condition of the water at Memphis. The conclusion is that a continuation in the rise is based on the fact that the water is still rising at Cairo, and the farther fact, which is behind the rise at Cairo, namely, that of heavy rains in the districts west of the river, and along the upper portion of the middle valley, and throughout the entire lower portion of the river valley from which flows the volume of water in the upper Mississippi river.

On the eastern side of the river conditions are similar. The water is still rising at Cairo, and the farther fact, which is behind the rise at Cairo, namely, that of heavy rains in the districts west of the river, and along the upper portion of the middle valley, and throughout the entire lower portion of the river valley from which flows the volume of water in the upper Mississippi river.

Shortly after 1 o'clock Wednesday a call bulletin was sent out from the weather bureau at Memphis. It stated that a fall of two-tenths of a foot in the river since Wednesday morning. This bulletin was published in a place of cheering news in the local press, and was telegraphed over the country.

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At Greenville the rise in the twenty-four hours was six-tenths of a foot. This is within two-tenths of a foot of the danger line.

At Sheepsport and New Orleans the river continues to rise. The same work of rescue and relief goes forward with unabated speed. Four or five rescue squads arrived here, bringing several hundred refugees, nearly all of whom are being cared for by the charity of the Memphis people.

Wants His Sentence Commuted.
St. Louis, Mo., March 22.—William McGuffey, a prisoner of war, is confined in the United States jail here. He and a friend had trouble one day in the United States jail here. He and a friend had trouble one day in the United States jail here.

Settling Breach.
Omaha, Neb., March 19.—Speculators from all points in the northwest, including the St. Louis and St. Paul, and the streams that have been bound in for months are turned to rapids and currents. The water reports came from South Dakota. Along the Mississippi last night the settlers were fleeing in fear. It is not known exactly how and nothing definite can be said further.

Saloon Rescued.
New York, March 19.—The Allen street saloon, which was destroyed yesterday morning from Glasgow, was rescued by the crew of the Wilson line steamer, which took it to New York and landed it at the foot of the river.

To Navigate River.
Blacksburg, Ok., March 18.—Two large barges are being built here, which will be loaded with 500 barrels of corn each and an attempt made to float them down the Arkansas river to Memphis.

CORBETT CONQUERED.

IN ROUND FOURTEEN FITZ FINISHES THE FISCO FIGHT.

Corbett Anticipated Never—Fitzsimmons Returned the Compliment with Two Not on the Head and a Body Blow.

Corbett, New York, March 18.—The fight between Fitzsimmons and Corbett, which was expected to last for a long time, ended in round fourteen. Fitzsimmons was the victor. Corbett was knocked out.

The first report of the session was presented by Mr. Gear of California, from the committee on Pacific railroads, and was favorable to the bill for an adjustment of the Pacific railroad rates.

Vote to be Discussed.
Athens, March 19.—In the Senate yesterday afternoon Mr. Spooner, the Greek consul general here, advised that the foreign admirals had proclaimed a blockade of Crete, to begin next Monday.

Stared to Death.
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**SHORT STORIES,
FOR IDLE MOMENTS.**

Don't dispute a Kentucky colonel's statement—you can't correct it. They never take water.

Up at Gallatin, Mo., a few weeks ago and empty-headed young date, with a cigarette in his mouth, was talking to an old colored man when he said: "Well, Uncle Remus, these trees over here in the park are about as black as you." "Yes," replied the ancient dorker, "and in the spring they will be nearly as green as you, sah—Ex."

Eben Longhead (reading goldbug paper). "As the bulletin-boards indicated the election of McKinley the air was rent—'There it is, Miranda! Just as I said! The scamps have gobbed the earth and now they rent the air! Wonder how much a fellow breath will be by the month!—Sandwich."

A Kansas beauty has been arrested on the complaint of a young man who charges that she "did suddenly, forcibly and intentionally hug him, thereby causing him great confusion and mental anguish." If she is convicted let her write to Texas the amount of her fine and the cost of a ticket to this state. This is the country for her, Ish, Kansas.—Sandwich.

King—Potts gave himself dead again—Talk in his sleep.

King—Worse. You see he woke just as the collection plate was put in front of him and said: "I'll have to pass again this time I haven't had a d—d pair in seven hanks.—Ex."

SINGING CONVENTION.

Each and every singing class in Callahan County is requested to elect delegates to the county convention which meets at Newark, Texas, May 8th and 9th 1897. Delegates please come and bring your song books.

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CITATION BY PUBLICATION.

The State of Texas County of Callahan.)
In the justice Court, March term, A. D. 1897.
To the sheriff or any constable of Callahan County, Greeting:
Whereas oath has been made that the residence of the defendant is unknown by affiant.

You are hereby commanded, that by making publication of this Citation in some newspaper published in said county, (but if not in the nearest county where a newspaper is published) for 4 weeks previous to the return day hereof, you summon N. L. Clark of unknown county, to be and appear before the justice court to be held for Precinct No. 2, at old town of Belle Plaine, on the 27th day of March 1897, File Number being 4, then and there to answer the petition of H. L. Buchen filed in said court on the 15th day of Feb. A. D. 1897 against the said N. L. Clark and alleging in substance as follows, to-wit: That in the months of Feb. and March 1895 said N. L. Clark purchased merchandise of the said H. L. Buchen to the amount of (\$14.20) fourteen dollars and twenty cents with which said N. L. Clark still owes with interest at the rate of 8 per cent from April 1, 1896.

Herein fail not, but have you then and there before said Court in the presence of your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness J. L. Lawson, J. P. Justice Court of Callahan county. Given under my hand and seal of said Court in Belle Plaine this 15th day of February A. D. 1897.

J. L. LAWSON, J. P. Pre. No. 2, Callahan County Texas.

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FUTNAM DOTS.

March 24.—Weather cool, had some ice. I fear the peach crop is a failure. The R. R. men are working on the new depot. It will be a very nice building. It is about 75 yards east of where the old depot stood. Some talk of building a section house here.

We were sorry indeed to learn of the death of Mr. O. B. Russell, it was a shock to this entire town, which he loved and had so many friends. Mr. F. S. Russell and son of Sipe Springs stopped off here to see his mother. Mrs. Day of Abilene is also visiting her mother, Mrs. Russell. Mrs. J. W. Hutchison went to Cisco Monday returning the same day. Y. A. Orr is having his store house repainted, which makes it look pretty. The Apert man of Cisco was in our town yesterday.

Dr. Brittain and Dr. Satterfield bought them a nice piece of furniture from a traveling man yesterday, I think they said it was a chicken exterminator. Price paid was either 40 cents or 40 dollars, and I am not prepared to say which.

Dr. L. J. Cook is a man that always keep pace with the progress of the times. He has just sent to Philadelphia and purchased himself an Edison phonograph machine, which enables him to take a prospective view of anybody, any where and under all circumstances. Price paid for this wonderful machine was the enormous sum of ten cents in stamps.

I went through T. E. Powell's manuscript book of Dry Goods, a few days ago, which is complete in every respect. I speak from experience when I say if you want good goods and want to trade with a man that will treat you right in every respect, and who keeps the best men he can get for clerks, you need not go around T. E. Powell, for he certainly is a fine man in every respect.

DISTRICT COURT.

Court convenes April 5th and continues three weeks.

JURY LIST.

- GRAND JURY.**
W J McWaters W A McGowen
W J Mayner T S Motley
R P Odum F S Shackelford
C P Sale S B Salley
Gabe Smart D W Claiborn
J B Cuthbert J M Merrick
W B Dpdd W E Kennard
- SMALL JURY FIRST WEEK.**
April 5th.
B E Higgins R B Hazelwood
E F Thrallkill J H Perry
W M Coffman M R Street
J M Aycock J W Tatum
Lee Morris Charley Crowley
F M Dunlap T W Kebbinger
W F Evans T F Lester
W T Garney R L Howell
D R Borden J E Noff
W T Clifton W F Farmer
R A Barbery A W Tipton
J G. McDonel Mode Hearn
- THIRD WEEK.**
April 19th.
J A Heyser W S Melton
J F Luce Geo Clifton
J L Baum W F Pearson
J P Hutchins H W Ross
F J Taber R S Horsbry
W F Elyce J C Shuford
W Bennett A G Elliott
C A Broderton J F Melroe
R E Dawkins E L Finley
R E Merchant C A Bowles
I C McCart F C Lilly

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By a resolution unanimously passed at a regular meeting of the Protective Stock Association of Callahan and adjoining counties a standing reward of \$300 is offered for the arrest and conviction of any person for the theft of illegal branding of any cattle or horses belonging to any member of said association.

Attest.
J. B. CUTHBERT, Pres.
F. S. BELL, Secy.
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The Stock Raisers Association of Coleman and Adjoining counties hereby offer a reward of \$100 for information that will lead to the arrest and conviction of any person or persons who are guilty of stealing or killing any stock belonging to any member or members of this association. To be paid when satisfactory proof is made to the executive committee of this association.

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Notice is hereby given, that an adjourned annual meeting of the stockholders and Directors of The Texas & Pacific Railway Company will be held at the office of the Company in Dallas, Texas, on Saturday, April 10th 1897, at 12 o'clock M.
C. E. SATTERLEE, Sec.

ESTRAY NOTICE.
Taken up by S. M. Bogie and estrayed by James J. M. Bryant Justice of Peace Precinct No. 2, Callahan County, Texas, July 2, 1895, the following described stock, to-wit: One bay horse 4 years old about 14 1/2 hands high branded on left shoulder. The owner if said animal is reported to some forward proof property pay charges and take said animal away or the same will be dealt with as the law directs. Given under my hand and seal of office the 15th day of March 1897.
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