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NEW RESOLUTIONS.

Every one will make new resolutions on New Year's Day and I want all to resolve to trade with me the coming year. We have enjoyed a prosperous year and feel very thankful to every one. Let everybody commence next Monday and let's make the coming year a prosperous one for all of us. You can do this by trading with me. We always try to please you. Wishing all our friends A Happy New Year's. I am. Yours for Business.

B. L. BOYDSTUN.

EAGLE COVE.

Jan. 7.—Dear Editor, as you haven't had any news from this part of the mountain region for some time, we will endeavor to give you a few items.

Now as this is the beginning of a new year let us turn a new leaf correspondent and readers, one and all, and try to make the best of it. Don't go around looking like you don't aim to plant any more cotton just because it is worth 5 cents now.

The new gin owned by Jno. W. Miller has turned out 991 bales this season beginning Sept. 17th.

We are glad to say that our friend, Thorp, is able to walk to the school. Jeff has recently recovered from a severe spell of pneumonia.

ustus Kendrick's babe is reported quite ill. Arthur Reynolds's babe is also on the sick list.

Could we get a good rain or snow it would improve the general health of the country.

Miss Diey Miller spent several days with friends in Abilene during Christmas week.

Mr. Allen Aylhurst, one of Eagle Cove's clerks, is visiting friends and relatives in Abilene this week. You had better hurry up and get back Shorty you might lose your job.

The W. O. W. Hall which is now complete adds greatly to the appearance of the place. Mr. Miller uses the first floor for hardware and groceries.

Joe Johnson and Bart Higgins, the bachelors, were in town today. Bart took the barbershop in charge this evening and shaved the boys right and left. Bill Stags said some one cut his dogs' tail off. Was that you Bart?

C. E. Emmitt Williams was in the Cove yesterday having black-smithing done for Dr. Ellis.

Frank Harrison is kept busy hammering steel as most of the farmers are now preparing for another crop.

Quite a number of the Eagle Cove people will attend services at Fair View to night.

Mr. Ogie was a caller at the Cove one day this week. John says he is plowing right along.

Sir Jack Henry Wright, formerly of Brown county, was a season caller at the Cove today.

Miss Diey O'Keefe, who is attending school at Denton, will spend Saturday and Sunday with the home folks as this place.

Chas. Morgan of the Eula country was over this week rustling wood.

Well, Uncle Billy, as our pen has become somewhat rusty and stubborn because of the long absence of the scribe, we will hand in our letter and come again in the near future.

ROMEO.

BAIRD CHAPTER R. A. M.

Baird Chapter No. 182, R. A. M. is in session this week, conferring degrees. M. E. Grand High Priest E. T. Murchison, of the Grand Chapter of the State, of Vernon, Texas, is present, lecturing the Chapter and assisting in conferring degrees. C. W. Roberts, H. P. Abilene Chapter, R. A. St John, Mayor of Cisco and member of Cisco Chapter, are present. The following candidates had received the Mark Past and Most Excellent Master up to last night: H. O. Powell, Fred Lane, Martin Barnhill, W. D. Boydston, J. A. Christian of Baird, and T. S. Taber of Putnam. The program is to put one team through this morning. Council degrades this evening and another team tonight. Council degrades tomorrow and Good Samaritan degree and banquet tomorrow night for the ladies and members that have not taken this degree. This program may be changed somewhat on account of the weather or other causes. John Smart of Admiral, and J. I. McWhorter are the only out of town members present so far.

COMMISSIONERS' COURT.

There was a called meeting of the Commissioners' Court Monday and Tuesday. Judge Jackson, W. A. Hinds, J. W. Aiken and J. H. Burnam present. Some road matters and other business was attended to. The regular session will be held in February.

Powell & Powell DRUGGISTS.

Want your trade for 1905. Anything in the drug line.

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A salve that heals without a scar is DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. No remedy effects such speedy relief. It draws out inflammation, soothes, cools and heals all cuts, burns and bruises. A sure cure for Piles and skin diseases. DeWitt's is the only genuine Witch Hazel Salve. Beware of counterfeits, they are dangerous. Sold by R. Phillips.

FARM FOR RENT.

120 acres in cultivation, also an 80 acre farm near Clyde for sale cheap, 40 acres in cultivation. Horses and mules for sale on time.

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BROOKS ROWLAND

Brooks Rowland, of Baird, mentioned in these columns several weeks ago as having accepted a position with the Farmers & Merchants National Bank of this place, has so far failed to put in his appearance, and considerable uneasiness is felt among his friends at Baird. THE BAIRD STAR speaks of him as a whole-souled, kind-hearted young man and very popular, but offers no explanation as to why he left as he did.

The theory has been advanced that he was mixed up in a love affair, there being parental objection, and this may account for his disappearance. The place offered him in the bank here has been filled by J. T. Howard.—Merkel Mail.

SEEN IN NEW ORLEANS.

Seeing the paragraph in The Reporter concerning the disappearance of C. P. Rowland's son Judge Dulaney called today to say that he met the young man at the depot at New Orleans on December 6th.

He talked to the Judge as if he would take a boat to Galveston, but probably did not do so.—Abilene Reporter.

Mr. C. P. Rowland was here some two or three weeks ago making inquiries about his son, Brooks, but could learn nothing as to his whereabouts. Mr. Rowland who now lives at Troup, Smith County, Texas, informed parties here that his son had not written him since he left Baird and he had no idea where he was. There has been all sorts of reports here about Brooks Rowland where he was and what he had done, but his friends here regard them as idle rumors.

DAUGHTERS OF CONFEDERACY.

THE STAR is requested to announce that the Daughters of Confederacy will meet at the residence of Mrs. J. B. Harmon, Tuesday, Jan. 17, 1905 at 4 o'clock p. m. Business of importance to be attended to.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT.

Office of Comptroller of the Currency, Washington, Dec. 31st, 1904.

Whereas, by satisfactory evidence presented to the undersigned, it has been made to appear that The First National Bank of Baird, located in the town of Baird, in the county of Callahan and State of Texas, has complied with all the provisions of the Act of Congress to enable National Banking Associations to extend their corporate existence and for other purposes approved July 12th, 1882.

Now, therefore I, Thos. P. Kane, Deputy and Acting Comptroller of the Currency, do hereby certify that, "The First National Bank of Baird, located in the town of Baird, in the county of Callahan and State of Texas, is authorized to have succession for the period specified in its amended articles of Association, namely, until close of business on January 2, 1925.

In testimony whereof witness my hand and seal of office this thirty-first day of December, 1904.

[SEAL] T. P. KANE, Deputy and Acting Comptroller of the Currency.

No. 3286.

Imperfect Indigestion.

Means less nutrition and in consequence less vitality. When the liver fails to secrete bile, the blood becomes loaded with bilious properties, the digestion becomes impaired and the bowels constipated. Herbine will rectify this; it gives tone to the stomach, liver and kidneys, strengthens the appetite, clears and improves the complexion, infuses new life and vigor to the whole system. 50 cents a bottle. Sold by Powell & Powell, Baird, and Y. A. Orr, Putnam.

Ladies' \$4 and \$5 hats for \$2.50. Ladies' \$2.50 and \$3 hats for \$2. Ladies' 1.50 hats for \$1. at B. L. Boydston's.

Law, Lands and Abstracts

I have fitted up one of the nicest and quietest offices in Baird and have a good working Law Library, and will hereafter do a general law and land business. I have some rare bargains in prairie and timbered lands and can furnish you as cheap as anyone a nice up-to-date abstract to any lot or tract of land in Callahan county. If you have vendors lien notes that you want to sell or borrow money on I can place them for you.

Examination of land titles, as well as all other business given close and prompt attention.

Thanking you for your past patronage and favors and soliciting a portion of your future business I wish you a Happy and Prosperous New Year. Respectfully,

Jno. W. Woods

Office over Powell & Powell's Drug Store.

Security, International, La Gear's Uncle Sam's stock foods for sale by Powell & Powell. 35

Pleasant and Most Effective.

T. J. Chambers, Ed. Vindicator, Liberty, Texas, writes Dec. 25, 1902: "With pleasure and unsolicited by you, I bear testimony to the curative power of Ballard's Horehound Syrup. I have used it in my family and can cheerfully affirm it is the most effective and pleasantest remedy for coughs and colds I have ever used." 25c, 50c, and \$1.00. Sold by Powell & Powell, Baird, and Y. A. Orr, Putnam.

THE BAIRD STAR

W. E. GILLILAND, Ed. and Prop.

BAIRD, - - - TEXAS

NEWS IN NUTSHELLS.

The drought of McLennan County was broken by a good shower Thursday.

The Corsicana cotton mill has increased its force and is now running day and night.

Headquarters for the United States Entomological Department of Texas has been moved to Dallas.

Rockwall: Rev. Abe Mulkey, the Methodist evangelist began a protracted meeting here on Thursday of this week.

There were only eight votes cast against the proposition to issue \$15,000 worth of bonds to build a brick schoolhouse at Alice.

It is announced that commencing in the spring 30-minute cars will be run by the Interurban railway between Dallas and Fort Worth.

Tuesday a vote was taken in Eastland precinct on the stock law and resulted in eighty-three votes for and thirty-eight against the law.

Two hundred thousand dollars of Dallas County road bonds of the new issue have been sold to the general school fund of the State of Texas.

A franchise has been granted by Wichita Falls to a company to install a hydro-carbon gas plant to furnish gas for lighting, heat and power.

Because he was afraid of banks J. Bardenhiser, a Chicago jeweler, is out \$1,800 which he lost somewhere on the streets while down town on business.

Will Everidge of Grant has been appointed Sheriff of Kiamitia County, Choctaw Nation, to fill the vacancy caused by the killing of Sheriff W. M. Russell.

The protracted drought at Greenville has caused an alarming scarcity of water. The waterworks company has cut off all mains and is keeping what there is on hand for fire protection.

A gang of surveyors is now at work running a line for the Gulf Shore Railroad from Stockdale to Cuero. A gang of ten men with instruments left San Antonio on Monday for Stockdale.

An unknown man was run over and killed by a train in Dallas Wednesday morning. He was about 55 years to 60 years old and weighed 190 pounds, five feet nine inches high, and was well dressed. No sort of a mark of identification could be found.

Dr. W. H. Claggett, president of the Board of Trustees of the Texas Presbyterian University, was married in Philadelphia, Pa., Tuesday afternoon to Miss Jennie Claggett of that city. Dr. Claggett and wife will spend some time in New York City and return to McKinney about Feb. 1.

William L. Douglas of Brockton was inaugurated as Governor of Massachusetts Thursday. He is the fourth Democrat to hold that office within the past fifty years. All the other officers are Republicans, and the Legislature is heavily Republican.

Henry Robinson, about 24 years old, an employe of the Madill Oil and Cotton Company was instantly killed by becoming entangled with some of the machinery. Deceased was from Jacksboro.

Fire at Kimball, a small town, twelve miles north of Morgan, destroyed the store house and general merchandise stock of Charlie McCullough Tuesday night. Loss between \$3,000 and \$4,000; no insurance.

Sam P. Cochran left Dallas Thursday to visit a number of Eastern cities and inspect important Scottish Rites temples looking to plans for the new temple to be built in Dallas.

Rev. Geo. W. McDaniels, pastor of Gaston Ave. Baptist Church will go to Richmond, Va., to serve the First Baptist Church of that city, one of the finest churches in the South, paying one of the largest salaries paid by that denomination.

Henry V. Poor, widely known for many years as railroad authority and expert on financial affairs, is dead at his home in Brookline. He was born in 1813 and was the oldest graduate of Bowdoin college.

Neil Philips, a capitalist of Battle Creek, Mich., disappeared a few weeks since, and it was concluded that he had gone to British Columbia, but Thursday his dead body was found in the river at Battle Creek badly decomposed.

PRELIMINARIES ABOUT COMPLETED FOR THE TWENTY-NINTH SESSION

Austin, Tex., Jan. 11.—Routine proceedings were opened in the House by Hon. R. V. Davidson, Attorney General, as temporary presiding officer.

All members were present save Mr. Lowe of Washington County and Mr. Sharp of El Paso County.

F. W. Seabury of Starr County was elected Speaker. In connection with the drawing for seats Mr. Hudspeeth offered a resolution providing that Hon. Ferg Kyle, "the dean of the House," be permitted to take first pick. Amendments to extend the same privilege to A. W. Terrell, A. T. McKinney and J. D. Woods, who have seen much service in the Legislature, were accepted, as were amendments so favoring several gentlemen whose hearing is defective or who have recently been ill.

Adoption of the rules of the Twenty-Eighth House temporarily was followed by the announcement of the committee on rules.

After recess for lunch the matter of electing the remaining officers of the House was begun. Mr. Kennedy offered a resolution naming officers to be chosen, substantially the same as in the Twenty-Eighth, and naming the compensation at \$5 a day for each.

A motion to strike out the office of assistant postmaster, made by Mr. Moran, was tabled—65 to 51. An amendment by Mr. Marsh of Smith County to make the rate of pay \$4 a day all around survived an attempt to table, and after being amended so as to pay the chief clerk, the journal clerk and the reading clerk and their assistants \$5 a day was adopted.

The very spirited contest for clerkship between Bob Barker of Bexar County, and George B. Terrell of Cherokee County culminated in the election of Mr. Barker.

Marshall Burney, the "perpetual journal clerk," was re-elected without opposition, as was his former assistant, Jim L. Robinson; Tilden L. Childs of Freestone County, for calendar clerk, and J. E. McFarland of Cherokee County, for engrossing clerk, were also re-elected without opposition. After two ballots J. T. Robinson of Limestone County was elected enrolling clerk over Sebe Delamar of Rusk County and P. E. Jones of Shelby County.

John R. Southwell of Falls County was re-elected sergeant at arms over E. B. Willis of Denton County and W. P. McNeil of Williamson County.

The first session of the Senate in the Twenty-Ninth Legislature was opened at noon by Lieut. Gov. Neal. All members were present. Rev. Dr. T. R. Sampson, president of the Presbyterian Theological Seminary, prayed.

Hon. W. A. Hanger of Fort Worth was elected President Pro Tem.

A resolution offered by Senator Decker, providing for the election of a clerical and official staff duplicating that of the Twenty-Eighth Senate, was adopted, and a substitute offered by Senator Smith of Denton cutting down the force about 25 per cent had been defeated.

Afterward a new position, that of notarial clerk, was added.

The following were elected: Secretary, Clyde D. Smith, Wichita

President's Tariff Reform Views.

Washington: The President is not in favor of complete overhauling of the tariff, but he is in favor of a reformation of schedules that have outlived their usefulness, that protect monopolies and protect articles that need no further protection. He is convinced that there is a very general feeling throughout the country that there are many schedules that should be overhauled.

They Burn Some Cotton.

Brazos: The farmers of this community met at the College building in a mass meeting and decided to burn some cotton. After burning one bale, the following resolution was passed: Resolved, That we burn a bale of cotton every Saturday until we burn at least fifteen bales of cotton, our part of the 2,000,000 bales requested to be burned by the people in the cotton belt of the United States.

No Inaugural Ball this Year.

Austin: While the usual inaugural ceremonies incident to the Governor-elect taking the oath of office will take place as usual, there will be no inaugural ball. Only one ball is given a Governor, though he serves two terms. Gov. Lanham was honored with a grand inaugural ball two years ago, and the next function of that kind will occur January, 1907, when a new Governor takes charge.

County; assistant secretary, W. A. Delamar, Rusk County; sergeant at arms, C. H. Allen, Travis County, defeating Roger L. Moody, Limestone County; assistant Sergeant at arms, D. F. Hughes, Limestone County; journal clerk, R. M. Gilmore, Van Zandt County; assistant journal clerk, R. B. Scott, Dallas County; calendar clerk, W. Z. Hayes, Bowie County; assistant calendar clerk, Elam S. Henderson, Henderson County (formerly a member of the House); enrolling clerk, Eldred McKinnon, Hill County; assistant enrolling clerk, Miss Blanche Heslep, Burleson County; engrossing clerk, Frank T. Smith, Bosque County; assistant engrossing clerk, Louis Rankin, Travis County; assistant door-keeper, C. J. Kirk, Grimes County; chaplain, Rev. H. M. Sears, Travis County; assistant postmaster, Tom McClure, Wise County; clerk Finance Committee, George W. Savage, Denton County (member of Twenty-Eighth and former Senate); notarial clerk, Lucien Goss, Baylor County. General committee clerks: C. T. Hancock, Colorado County; Charles Bridge, Fannin County; V. V. Daniels, Angelina County; Mrs. Laura Grinnan, Smith County; T. D. Cobbs Jr., Bexar County. Stenographic clerk; Mrs. H. H. Hawkins, Comal County; Miss Fay Bolger, McLennan County; J. D. Lyons, Harris County; Miss Grace Hannon, Harris County; Miss Annie Donnelly, Jefferson County; Miss Mary McNeil, Travis County.

The chair announced the appointment of the following named officer and clerks: Postmistress, Miss Mary Fant Odum, Travis County.

Two general committee clerks: W. A. Shaw Jr., of the city of Dallas and Harry M. Johnson of the city of Houston.

Private secretary to Lieutenant Governor, Miss L. Stanley, Travis County. The chair announced that he would name the committees, posters and pages to-morrow morning.

Rules of the Twenty-Eighth Senate were adopted pending appointment and report of a committee on Rules.

Mississippi Cotton Men Meet.

Meridian, Miss.: An enthusiastic mass meeting here Tuesday, attended by more than a thousand persons, including merchants, bankers and farmers, discussed the Witherspoon plan for solving the present cotton situation in the South, and the plan was indorsed after the meeting had decided to reduce the acreage this year. The Witherspoon plan provides for the formation of an immense company, to be known as the Southern Cotton Company, capitalized at \$110,000,000. Stock will be sold in this company for \$100 a share, payable in cotton at 10c a pound or in cash. The cotton held is never to be sold for less than 10c nor more than 11c.

Emperor William has conferred on Gen. Stoessel and Gen. Nogi the order of the Pour le Merite in recognition of the bravery of themselves and their troops at Port Arthur, and has asked the Russian and Japanese Emperors to authorize Gens. Stoessel and Nogi to accept the decorations.

Divorce Reformers Organize.

Dallas: Those who have been interested in the movement of the perfecting of the organization of the Divorce Reform league elected officers to preside over the affairs of the institution at a meeting held Monday in the parlors of the Young Men's Christian Association. These officers are: Dr. John M. Moore, Dallas, president; Rev. Chalmers McPherson, Waxahachie, Secretary.

Brown County Farmers Have Generally Agreed to Reduce the Cotton Crop 35 per cent.

Dallas Methodists are arranging to make a systematic effort to secure the meeting of the Epworth League for 1906.

The Omaha Truck Growers, who sold ninety-six cars of potatoes last season at an average of 85c, will plant twenty cars of seed this season.

A storm set in at Memphis Monday and six inches of snow fell, seriously impeding street car traffic three hours. The storm extended as far west as Little Rock.

Senator Cockrell of Missouri has decided to accept the position on the Interstate Commerce Commission offered him some time ago by President Roosevelt. He will succeed Commissioner James D. Yeomans of Iowa, whose term expires on the 7th inst.

GENERAL STOESSEL MISLED.

He Was Misled as to both Land and Sea Forces.

Headquarters of the Third Japanese Army at Port Arthur, Jan. 7, via Tien Tsin, Jan. 10.—Capt. Tsunoda, the Japanese staff officer who was sent to Port Arthur to inform Gen. Stoessel of the contents of the message of the Emperor of Japan, saying the garrison would be treated with the greatest consideration, says:

"Gen. Stoessel's first inquiry was about the whereabouts of Gen. Kuropatkin. I said I did not know exactly, but understood he was somewhere about Mukden.

"Gen. Stoessel remarked that he had last heard from Gen. Kuropatkin Oct. 6, saying he would come to Port Arthur soon. Gen. Stoessel added that he had sent out Chinese spies who returned and reported that Gen. Kuropatkin, with a relieving army was at Kinchon, twenty miles north of Port Arthur. Gen. Stoessel was plainly incredulous at my statement that Gen. Kuropatkin had been defeated and driven back toward Mukden, so I produced maps showing him the position of the two armies near the Shakhe River and gave Stoessel details of Kuropatkin's defeat with the loss of 50,000 to 60,000 men, at which the Russian General expressed amazement and quickly remarked that he had been misled. Gen. Stoessel then asked where the Baltic fleet was, and I told him that some of the ships had not passed the Cape of Good Hope.

"With a hopeless expression Gen. Stoessel said:

"Now that Port Arthur has fallen there is no use for the fleet coming any further."

I then asked Gen. Stoessel what had caused the most damage to the garrison during the siege and he replied:

"Your 11-inch Howitzers. After they arrived our defensive works became useless."

"Gen. Stoessel then pointed out that he and Admiral Alexieff had been through the Boxer trouble and had seen the work of the Japanese Army. Gen. Stoessel also said he had been associated with the Japanese Generals Yamaguchi and Fukushima, at that time and expressed the opinion that the Russian and Japanese force had borne the lion's share of the work. Since then he had a high idea of the organization and fighting qualities of the Japanese Army.

"The real cause of the war was, in Gen. Stoessel's opinion, the ignorance of the Russian people of the fighting qualities of the Japanese."

It's Now Governor Adams.

Denver, Colo.: With the exception of the contest for the governorship which will be filed by Gov. Peabody on Wednesday and the hearing of which will continue through several weeks, the political troubles of Colorado that are of particular interest to the outside world have been settled, and Alva Adams was on Tuesday inaugurated as governor. There is no sign of trouble now and none is looked for.

The House Committee on Military Affairs has practically completed the army appropriation bill. It carries, in round numbers, \$69,000,000, which is about \$3,000,000 less than the estimate, and \$5,500,000 less than the appropriation for the current year.

Morris' New Packery.

Kansas City, Mo.: Morris & Co. opened their new packing house here Monday. The new packing house is the second largest in the city, and is declared by experts to be an absolute model for those who may build in the coming years. Its cost complete was \$2,225,000, in spite of the fact that nearly 30 per cent was saved by the firm doing its own work throughout, thus eliminating contractors' prices.

Found Dead in Bed.

Weatherford: Elijah Blackaby, a well-known citizen of Peaster, Parker county, was found dead in his bed at home early Saturday morning. He complained a little when he retired Friday night of shortness of breath, but no one thought him seriously ill. Mr. Blackaby was in his 85th year and leaves a number of sons, who are prominent farmers in Parker county.

Big Blaze at Devine.

Devine: A big fire broke out in Morris & Sons' store, resulting in the following losses: Morris & Sons general merchandise, house and stock \$7000, insurance \$4500; M. C. Littleton, store building destroyed, fully covered by insurance; Lion Drug store, building and stock, \$5000, insurance \$2700; Howell Bros. general merchandise, house and stock \$4000, insurance \$1000.

CATTLE AND SHEEP MEN.

The Lion and the Lamb Deliberate Together in Peace.

Denver, Colo., Jan. 10.—The great convention of cattlemen, wool growers and other classes of live stock men opened yesterday. There was a good-sized delegation from California, one of the finest dimensions from Texas, and stockmen from all the Western States. This convention differs from the others preceding it, by the fact that Nelson Morris, the millionaire packer, and a host of other heavy-weights of the industry have come.

There is to be an attempt made to organize all the live stock men into a combination that will take in packers and railways, as well as the stockmen. McKenzie of Texas is here. Also G. C. Garvin of Raton, N. M., John Springer, for many years president of the organization, is here, but resolutions to his memory is all that will remind all of the friends of the former secretary, Charley Martin, of that popular official. President Roosevelt sent a congratulatory telegram to the wool growers.

'Round About Port Arthur.

Tokio: In well-informed circles it is estimated that the original garrison of Port Arthur numbered about 38,000 to 40,000 men including the sailors. The killed, those who died of sickness and the missing are placed at over 10,000.

The work of removing the mines and other obstructions at the entrance to the harbor of Port Arthur and of examining the Russian war vessels is hampered by the storms and the cold weather. There is every indication, it is reported that some of the vessels are saveable.

Five thousand men of the Russian garrison at Port Arthur were marched from the village of Yahutsui on the shores of Pigeon Bay for fifteen miles to the railway station Changlingsu at 3 o'clock, and the other detachments followed soon afterward. Each detachment was accompanied by six loaded transport carts. The Russians, during the night, were taken on special trains of open trucks to Dalny and there they will immediately embark for Japan on transports now waiting in that port.

Adown the Trinity River.

Galveston: Capt. Jadwin has received from the War Department plans and specifications for the first lock in the Trinity river, to be constructed on a site near Liberty, and about forty miles from its mouth. The approval of the department came with the plans and as soon as the site is transferred to the government, bids will be asked, and the contract will demand that it be completed by Dec. 31, 1906.

Ancient Smelter Discovered.

Sherman: A. A. Chapman of Ravia, I. T., is in the city and confirms the report that the remains of a crude smelter have been discovered in a cave near that place. There are evidences that the place has been sealed and forgotten except as traced in tangled Mexican legends for several generations. A piece of crudely smelted gold, valued at \$83, has been found and quite a bar of gold and silver amalgam.

Gen. Nogi reports that the officers paroled to date number 441 and orderlies 229.

Mrs. J. C. Irvin of Galveston ended her life by taking a mixture of carbolic acid and beer.

The general offices of the Pecos Valley Railroad at Amarillo were damaged by fire to the extent of \$2,000 a few nights since.

For the first time since 1868 the electoral vote of Missouri was cast by the electoral board Monday for Republican presidential and vice presidential candidates.

The Chase Furniture Company of Dallas amended its charter, increasing the capital stock from \$20,000 to \$40,000.

While playing about a rice Pumping pit the little 5-year-old son of J. E. Peterson of Louise met death by falling in.

Joseph D. Shepperd, aged 94 years, who has made his residence in Austin for half a century, died there Saturday night.

William Spencer, a mulatto, was put to death in the electric chair in Sing Sing prison for the murder of Charles S. McFarland in New York City June 15, 1903.

In making an excavation for a new apartment house on the site of one of the few remaining colonial mansions in New York, a box was unearthed containing a large amount of money—sufficient to build the contemplated house.

ALL DONE OUT.

Veteran Joshua Heiler, of 706 South Walnut street, Urbana, Ill., says: "In the fall of 1899, after taking Doan's Kidney Pills I told the readers of this paper that they had relieved me of kidney trouble, disposed of a lame back with pain across my loins and beneath the shoulder blades. During the interval which has elapsed I have had occasion to resort to Doan's Kidney Pills when I noticed warnings of an attack. On each and every occasion the results obtained were just as satisfactory as when the pills were first brought to my notice. I just emphatically endorse the preparation to-day as I did over two years ago."

Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y., proprietors. For sale by all druggists, price 50 cents per box.



Carlyle's Courteous Side. In the "Retrospects" of Professor William Knight of the University of St. Andrews are some interesting anecdotes. Among these is a bit from a letter by Dr. MacLaran, who attended Thomas Carlyle during Carlyle's last years: "My personal experience of Carlyle was this: He was the most courteous man I ever met. Never once did the old man fail to rise up to receive me nor allow me to leave his room without walking to the door with me while he had strength to do so. After death all the ruggedness and the wrinkles disappeared from his face. But for the beard, it was like that of a woman, so delicate and beautiful molded it was."

Snake's Eyes. Snakes may almost be said to have glass eyes, inasmuch as they never close. They are without lids and each is covered with a transparent scale, much resembling glass. When the reptile casts its outer skin the eye scales come off with the rest of the transparent envelope out of which the snake slips.

Especially for Women. Champion, Mich., Jan. 9th.—(Special)—A case of especial interest to women is that of Mrs. A. Wellatt, wife of a well known photographer here. It is best given in her own words.

"I could not sleep, my feet were cold and my limbs cramped." Mrs. Wellatt states. "I had an awful hard pain across my kidneys. I had to get up three or four times in the night. I was very nervous and fearfully despondent."

"I had been troubled in this way for five years when I commenced to use Dodd's Kidney Pills, and what they caused to come from my kidneys will hardly stand description."

"By the time I had finished one box of Dodd's Kidney Pills I was cured. Now I can sleep well, my limbs do not cramp, I do not get up in the night and I feel better than I have in years. I owe my health to Dodd's Kidney Pills."

Women's ills are caused by Disturbed Kidneys; that's why Dodd's Kidney Pills always cure them.

Proposed Names for States. A writer who has been digging into the forgotten records of a century and a quarter ago brings up the fact that in 1784 a committee was appointed to suggest names for the new Territories in the West. Here are some of the fanciful names that were put under consideration: Sylvania, Michigan, Chersonesus, Assensiplia, Metropotania, Polypotamia and Pelopelislipia.

BABY'S TERRIBLE SORE

Body Raw With Humor—Caused 'In-told Agony—Doctor Did No G—Cuticura Cured at Once.

"My child was a very delicate baby. A terrible sore and humor broke out on his body, looking like raw flesh, and causing the child untold agony. My physician prescribed various remedies, none of which helped at all. I became discouraged and took the matter into my own hands, and tried Cuticura Soap and Cuticura Ointment with almost immediate success. Before the second week had passed the soreness was gone, not leaving a trace of anything. Mrs. Jeannette H. Block, 281 Rosedale St., Rochester, N. Y."

A New Deck Covering. A substance called petrolignite is being adopted as a material for the decks of ships. It is prepared from sawdust mixed with certain minerals and formed into slabs under high hydraulic pressure. Its valuable properties are that it is non-inflammable and is not slippery when wet.

A Rare Good Thing. "Am using ALLEN'S FOOT-EASE, and can truly say I would not have been without it so long, had I known the relief it would give my aching feet. I think it a rare good thing for anyone having sore or tired feet.—Mrs. Matilda Holtwert, Providence, R. I." Sold by all Druggists, 25c. Ask for day.

A feller can't clear a track of danger by shutting his eyes.

They sure do knock colds out—Cheatham's Laxative Tablets, guaranteed.

There is nobody who can be so sentimental before he is married as the man who isn't going to be afterward.

TEXAS LAWMAKERS ASSEMBLE BUSY WITH PRELIMINARY WORK.

Austin, Tex., Jan. 9.—Although many of the Legislators are here, the hotel lobbies present no scenes of activity similar to those of two years ago. More or less interest is manifested in the make-up of the committees. Mr. Seabury, speaker-to-be, declines to make known his selections at this time and is still listening to advice.

In the lobbies it is current that some of the House Committees may be headed as follows:

Finance—W. O. Murray of Wilson County.

Revenue and Taxation—W. D. Williams of Tarrant County.

Judiciary No. 1, or Banking and Privileges—Thomas B. Love of Dallas County.

Constitutional Amendments—A. T. McKinney of Walker County, who was a member of the constitutional convention of 1875.

Internal Improvements—Richard H. Mays of Navarro County.

Hon. William B. Wortham, former State Treasurer, it is said, will be appointed clerk to the Finance Committee of the House.

Forecasts concerning the chairmanship of the Senate Committee on Finance are to the effect that D. A. Paula of Lavaca County will be named. The Senate Finance Committee handles tax measures as well as appropriations.

Although there is much canvassing for positions in the Legislature, no very great interest has been manifested in any of the races save that of the House chaplaincy. The candidates are Rev. George C. Rankin of Dallas and Rev. L. I. Tucker of Upshur County.

The friends of each of these reverend gentlemen claim a cinch. A Senate caucus will be held to-night for the purpose of deciding who shall be employed by that branch of the Legislature.

WEEK'S CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAMME.

Washington, Jan. 9.—The joint statehood bill will continue to be the principal topic of discussion in the Senate during the present week, but other measures will receive attention each day during the morning hour, among them the omnibus claims bill for which Senator Warren stands sponsor. The bill comprises more than 200 pages, but the Senator already has succeeded in having it read by utilizing odd hours and thus has put a large and important part of the work of consideration to the rear. There will be an effort made to get through the bill providing for the compensation of American fishermen whose vessels were seized previous to the arbitration of 1893. This measure is in the hands of Senator Fulton, who will press it as an act of justice to men whom he thinks have been discriminated against.

The pure food bill will remain in the background, not because the friends of that measure have abandoned it, but because they consider its chances will be improved by not pressing for immediate consideration. Discussion of the statehood question was begun today with a speech by Senator Morgan and he will be followed by other opposing Senators. The present plan of the opposition is to keep the discussion going until some of the appropriation bills are reported and it becomes necessary to take them up or,

if this is postponed too long, to displace the bill with the pure food bill. Failing in all the expedients they probably will see a compromise.

The only real fight is against the uniting of Arizona and New Mexico and there is talk of eliminating these Territories entirely from the statehood proposition. It is believed if this were done the bill for the consolidation of Oklahoma and Indian Territory would pass. Thus far there has been no conference of organizing factions on the subject and probably there will be little done to change the present status so long as the leaders are anxious to keep other matters in the background, as appears to be the case at present.

It is the intention of the House to begin active consideration of the appropriation bill during the present week.

Monday is District of Columbia day and the resolution providing for the ceremonies of the inauguration of President Roosevelt and deciding where the inauguration ball shall be held will be considered.

The pension appropriation bill will be reported to-day and possibly taken up for consideration Tuesday. It will be followed by the Indian and the District of Columbia appropriation bills. While they may not all be ready for action. The Hill currency bill remains the unfinished bill and Friday will be devoted to pension bills.

JAPAN WILL MAKE NEW NAVAL STATION

Tokio, Jan. 9.—The Japanese intend to establish a naval station at Port Arthur. Vice Admiral Y. Shibayama will probably be placed in charge of it.

The military administration at Port Arthur will retain only a small garrison as soon as the prisoners are withdrawn and order is restored.

The fleet is busily engaged in clearing mines, but owing to their great number navigation will be unsafe for a long time. Only Government craft will be allowed to enter the harbor.

It is probable that Dalny will soon be opened up to neutrals. Japanese companies are preparing to

establish weekly service to that port.

It is proposed shortly to float a fourth domestic war loan under the same considerations as the third was negotiated.

Lieut. Gens. Fock, Smirnof and Gorbatovsky and Rear Admiral Wilmann will be brought to Japan as prisoners of war.

Lieut. Gens. Fock, Smirnof and Dalny Jan. 12 on a Japanese transport for Nagasaki. He will be accompanied by the other paroled officers. The Russians probably will remain in Japan a few days and then proceed on a French steamer to Europe, going by way of Suez Canal.

Spot Cotton Is in Demand.

Waxahachie: There has been practically no cotton marketed here in four weeks, and one of the cotton buyers of this city stated it was impossible to secure any at present prices. Many telegrams are being received from spinners and brokers asking for cotton, but none can be secured. Under these conditions prices will certainly stiffen up.

Lavaca County Tobacco Crop.

Hallettsville: The Lavaca County Tobacco Company has made fine progress with its preparations for the coming season. They have plowed 100 acres and the frosty mornings and bountiful rains have placed the ground in fine condition. Beds for the planting of the seed are prepared. The company's cigar factory is turning out thousands of cigars. The capacity of the factory is being taxed to its utmost.

Arrested for Killing a Negress.

Temple: Mrs. Monroe McCelvey was arrested as an outcome of the death of the negro woman, Mamie Phoenix, from pistol shot wounds, received last December. The Grand Jury investigated the case and failed to indict at the time. Since then the injured woman died. Mrs. McCelvey's arrest followed and at her examining trial she was allowed bail in the sum of \$2000, which was given.

It is now estimated that fully two-thirds of the Mississippi crop has been marketed. Acreage will be greatly reduced in Mississippi this year, the farmers turning to truck gardening.

H. C. Hill, one of the old landmarks of Texas, aged 85 years, died of pneumonia Friday at the residence of his grandson, J. T. Hill at Arizona, and was buried with Masonic ceremonies.

The capsizing of a sailboat on Lake Pontchartrain near New Orleans Sunday afternoon caused three men to lose their lives and two were unconscious from exposure when rescued.

Henry Jones was convicted of the charge of assault to murder after a trial in the Fifty-Eighth District Court at Beaumont and sentenced to a term of seven years in the penitentiary.

Mrs. Lizzie Stone, wife of a farmer near Appleby, Nacogdoches County, was burned so badly by her clothing catching on fire Wednesday last week that her death followed and she was buried Saturday.

Brice S. Austin, a carpenter about 50 years of age, fell from a fifteen-foot ladder while doing some work in Dink Reecer's restaurant at McKinney and broke his neck, dying in a few minutes afterward.

NO PEACE IN SIGHT YET.

Both Combatants Are Preparing for Greater Exertions.

Washington, Jan. 7.—Japan has made no overtures for peace to Russia directly or indirectly through the United States or any other power, and knows of no such action, and now that Port Arthur has fallen, proposes to press the war in the North all the more vigorously by re-Liao Yang, with the greater part of the troops which have been besieging Port Arthur. This in brief, represents the views of Kogoro Takahira, Japanese Minister, who has recently resumed charge of the legation at Washington after a long illness at New York.

"The fall of Port Arthur," said the Minister, "is but a step in the war which Japan is waging for a principle. Certainly it is an important step, but nothing could be further from the truth of the assumption that because Japan has captured a stronghold, the fall of which has long been expected, the Government of Japan will now make overtures for peace. Japan is too busy fighting. We are as much in earnest to-day as we were at the outset of the war. We have made no overtures for peace, either directly or indirectly, nor have the powers approached us with any idea of intervention."

At the Russian embassy it was reiterated that Russia would fight all the harder in view of the temporary loss of Port Arthur. Europe, it is learned, is firmly of the conviction that however dark the outlook for peace at this moment when the prospect brightens, it is to President Roosevelt that the neutrals as well as the belligerents will look as the intermediary through whom peace negotiations will be initiated.

As a European Ambassador said to-day, the American Government is practically the only Government to which both belligerents will be willing to look for assistance in reaching a settlement when the time comes and aside from the fact, the high personal regard in which the President is held both at St. Petersburg and Tokio, makes it all the more probable that through him when Russian and Japan have fought their fight the Powers must hope for peace.

Spring Meeting of Texas Shooters.

Waco: At a meeting of the local Gun Club arrangements for the April shoot were made and W. A. Holt was appointed manager. The spring meeting will bring to this city gunners of international fame, some of whom won trophies in Europe. On the first day the chief event will be the live bird match for the State championship medal in that class, now held by Edgar Nolle of Austin.

In the live bird shoot some of the crack shots of America will be entered. The individual target championship medal will be the chief prize in contention on the second day and several experts, at least one of whom has made a name in England, will enter for the trophy. On the third day the two-man team target championship medal, now held by Turner E. Hubby and Ed Forsgard, both of Waco, will be the big prize.

A Katy switch engine and twenty cars, half of them loaded, were ditched at Roanoke and two men riding in one of the cars were crushed to death.

The Boy and the Gun.

Shreveport, La.: Charles Lindsay, a negro butcher, was the victim of the accidental discharge of a shotgun in the hands of his 12-year-old son Thursday. The weapon was in the room when the boy picked it up, and playfully pointing it at his father, pulled the trigger, the entire charge striking Lindsay in the abdomen, inflicting a wound from which he died.

Isaiah Carter was convicted in the District Court of assault to murder and sentenced to the penitentiary for three years.

The formal transfer of the water plant of the old Bell Water Company to the City of Waco really took place last week and the money due on the plant, and which had been secured by sale of bonds, was paid, the original price was a little less than \$400,000.

Near Petersburg, Tenn., dynamite was exploded under the house of Joseph Short, a prominent negro. One of Short's sons was fatally injured. There is no clue to the perpetrators. Short is a very wealthy negro.

W. W. Page, aged about 60, fell from his wagon seat at Roxton Friday, dead. Mr. Page lived about two miles north of town and had come to town, accompanied by his daughter.

Beef Trust Case Opened.

Washington: The beef trust case, which ranks in importance with that of the Northern Securities Company, was called in the Supreme Court of the United States Friday, and arguments were begun by John S. Miller of Chicago, leading counsel for the beef trust, who spoke for three-quarters of an hour, and Attorney General Moody for the Government began his argument, but he had spoken only ten minutes when the court adjourned until Monday.

That Unloaded Pistol.

Handley: Thursday, a Mr. May, living on one of J. M. Handley's farms, walked out into the yard and discharged his pistol to clean it. On re-entering the house his wife made some joking remark and he, pointing the pistol at her, replied in fun, "I will shoot you," then pulled the trigger, when the weapon was discharged and his wife fell mortally wounded. Physicians were summoned but could render no relief.

Committeemen Cotton Association.

Fort Worth: Vice President Murray has sent to Oswald Wilson, national secretary, Fort Worth, the names of the state executive committee for Texas of the National Cotton Association, as follows: O. P. Pyle, Mineola; John T. Garner, Grey Rock; Oswald Wilson, Fort Worth; J. D. Montgomery, Gordon; E. W. Davis, Gainesville; Newton Gresham, Point. The work of organizing the different counties will be taken up at once.

The match between Joe Ganz and Jimmy Gardner, scheduled to take place in San Francisco on January 27 has been declared off. Gardner wired his refusal to appear, saying he had a fight on in Denver on the 25th.

Much interest is being taken in the forthcoming exhibit of the Bell County Poultry Association to be held Jan. 24 and 26 in Temple. The catalogue has been issued and is being distributed.

There are Seventeen national and private banks in Hill County and their deposits on December 31 amounted to \$2,000,000. A large portion of this money belongs to farmers. There was nearly \$1,000,000 on deposit in the Hillsboro banks.

The Great Southern Refining Company, which is operating a small refinery at Beaumont, will try the experiment of putting its illuminating oil on the local market and will sell it in competition with the Standard at several cents less a gallon.

Suit for \$5,000 damages has been filed against Chief of Police John T. Rowen, Sheriff Henry Thomas and Deputy Sheriff C. J. Allen of Galveston, by a man named Herbert Johnson, for unlawful imprisonment and refusal to accept bail bond.

While other towns in the State are suffering from drouth affecting their water supplies, Denton has not even had to warn users to stop wasting water. Denton's supply comes from artesian wells.

The bondsmen of Claud Wilson, charged with killing F. O. Porter in Commerce a few weeks ago, withdrew their names as sureties for his appearance in court. Defendant was placed in the county jail.

Representative Cowherd of Missouri has introduced a bill fixing the rate of postage on books and merchandise mailed at the distributing postoffices of rural free delivery routes at 3c for each pound or fraction thereof.

In a quarrel between J. A. Lumley and John Thorsen, two young men employed at the refinery of the Security Oil Company at Beaumont, Thorsen was struck in the head with a hatchet and injuries inflicted from which he will probably die.

Col. Frank P. Holland and John V. Hughes left Tuesday morning for Washington to personally present to President Roosevelt the invitation of the Dallas Commercial Club to visit that city.

Professor William Paxton Gillespie, up to the time of his death a professor at the Trinity University and formerly a member of the faculty of Lebanon University at Lebanon, Tenn., died at Dallas, last week, aged 79 years.

Dallas is raising \$50,000 by subscription among the citizens to assist in building a home for the Southwestern Medical College, a \$75,000 structure which it is proposed to build in that city.

John Bagwell, from Arkansas, stopped off at Dallas to change cars, and while waiting for his train loaned \$35 to a stranger "for a few minutes" while the stranger stepped out to get a check cashed, but never returned.

ON COTTON REACTION.

Banker Brooke Smith Is in Line with the Reducers.

Over-planting brings over-production, and over-production brings disaster. There is no estimating now how much lower prices will be driven. The market is lower than it ought to be, but it is a manipulated market and beyond production. Low markets nearly always advance about oat sowing and corn planting time; this is done to induce the farmer to plant more cotton; but just go ahead and sow your oats and plant your corn, and be sure that you cut down the cotton acreage. If you don't you will all regret it before you are another year older. Don't wait until starvation prices force you to reduce acreage, but get to work and organize and cut down the acreage now. This is the key.

The South should raise enough cotton to supply the needs of the world, and the producers of this cotton should receive a fair price for it, and they should also be willing to accept a fair price for it; then no man can have cause for complaint. If the farmers will only raise and offer for sale the amount of cotton that the world needs, the price will fix itself and the price will average good.

Your Uncle Sam says that you have 1,000,000 bales too much. If this be true, then on the same acres and the same yield and the same demand next year you will have 2,000,000 bales too much, and the price next year would be very apt to go down to 5 cents.

Then, what reduction in acreage should be made for the next season? I say a full average of 20 per cent reduction. The man who has fifty acres now must reduce it to forty acres, and so on through the entire cotton States let every man make a full 20 per cent reduction. Every farmer should be honest with himself and honest with his neighbor. No man should try to play smart by increasing or by not reducing his acreage. It is useless for a part of the farmers to reduce; it is useless for one State or a few States to reduce, but if it is done throughout the entire cotton States and down to a man. It should be gone into with perfect and complete organization. A fair and equitable acreage should be agreed upon and accepted by every man in every locality and in every instance conform to a full 20-per cent reduction. Reduction is the only hope for the cotton grower to be assured of good and fair prices.—Brooke Smith in Fort Worth Record.

The South Is Alright.

A special dispatch from New York to the Manufacturers' Record says:

"To judge by the wild dispatches about the South's burning cotton, and the equally wild reports that would create the impression that the break in cotton is going to cause a wreck of matter and a crush of worlds in the South, one would be led to imagine that the whole South is staggered by the cotton slump. The decline is deplorable, and, of course, means a heavy loss to many, but it should not be forgotten that about 6,000,000 bales were sold at an average of probably 9 1-2 cents, and that if 7,000,000 bales more should average only 7 cents, the total value of the crop, including seed, would be over \$500,000,000, which has never been exceeded but a few times in the South's history. Moreover, the great increase in the production of grain and other diversified crops last year added a gain of over \$100,000,000 to the value of the South's diversified agricultural products as compared with 1902, and this year's diversified crops will be equally as great, reaching in aggregate value about \$1,000,000,000, or double the value of the cotton crop.

"But there is no reason for the South to become panicky over the cotton situation. It has many a time faced far worse conditions and out of apparent defeat won victory. Even 13,000,000 bales, should the crop prove that large, are not as unduly heavy, all things considered, as were 11,250,000 bales in 1898. Then the world was carrying a great surplus stock accumulated through several successive years of large production, and the South was poorer, with comparatively little surplus money in its banks and with many of its farmers burdened with debts. Now the world has but little stock of cotton outside of this crop, the increase in demand has gone on for six years, and the South is rich, with ample capital to finance a large part of its cotton, while the farmers are less in debt than since the war. The present price is almost as unduly low as 16 and 17 cents were unduly high, and

as the Manufacturers' Record warned the world against such speculative prices, so it would warn the South today against undue fright. On a declining market people are always more disposed to sell than on advancing prices, and in this is the danger that, frightened by the decline, farmers will crowd their cotton to market and cause a further break.

"Cotton is intrinsically worth more than it is selling for, and that there will be a reaction in price is just as inevitable as it was that 17-cent cotton would decline. A staple that does not deteriorate in quality, that like pig iron, is as good twenty years hence as now when below cost of production, as it is today, needs only to be held long enough to make certain of higher figures. Just how soon the tide will turn no man can say, nor can anyone say that it will not go lower temporarily. But the South's policy today should unquestionably be, not to burn cotton, not to crowd it to market, but to store it and hold for the inevitable swing of the pendulum, and in the meantime to plant less acreage in cotton and more in diversified crops. The situation is in this way absolutely in control of the South itself, and will have no one but the South to blame if it does not hold back permanently a million or more bales and then reduce its acreage about 10 per cent compared with last year. The South holds the dominating position. If it will only use its opportunity and market its cotton on business principles, then it will secure a fair price.

"Outside of a few speculators nobody wants such low prices. The spinner is no more pleased at this terrific break than the farmer. Now let the South pull itself together, show that it can and will protect its own interests, and it will receive the world's applause."

About Publishing Things.

The Bulletin is often asked why it does not follow the example of city papers and publish all the proceedings of the courts, and the parties who make such inquiries usually assert that such publications would tend to improve conditions, as offenders would fear to see their names in print. This is doubtless true, but a local paper published on the plans of the city dailies would soon be forced to discontinue business. The editor of a purely local paper is known personally to nearly every reader, while all personality is lost in the city paper's office. Publication of matter regarded as damaging to a person in the local paper is regarded as a personal attack from the editor, while in the city it is looked upon merely as legitimate news. In the small place every man who feels aggrieved resents it by withdrawing his patronage and endeavoring to induce all upon whom he may have any influence to do so, too. In this way the publication of one offensive item might lose the business of half a dozen influential people and the constant publication of small court charges in a small paper would soon result in a boycott from nearly all the patrons of that paper, and it would in a short time be without patronage or influence. A newspaper is a business institution pure and simple, with certain obligations to the public, but it is not one of its duties to publish such matter as it knows will do it injury. Of course matters of unusual interest are regarded as public property and no harm comes to a paper from using them, but the ordinary fines imposed in a city or justice court are regarded as matters of no special interest except to the court officers, the offenders and their families, and the paper that would undertake in a town like this to publish them all would be kept constantly in hot water and to such an extent that its influence for good would, soon be lost along with its business patronage. The court dockets are public property; any one who wishes can see them at any time, and there is no more reason for expecting a newspaper to publish them than to expect the ministers of the town to read them from their pulpits each Sabbath morning. The effect upon both the press and the pulpit would be about the same.—Brownwood Bulletin.

Horses Are Getting Scarcer.

Col. Henry Exall, a fine judge of matters pertaining to the horse, says there are two million less horses in the United States than there were in 1890, and there are a million more in use in the world. He says the scarcity is in the breeding ranks, as we have been consuming the basic stock and making no provision for the future. For this reason prices on all kinds of horses must continue to advance. Moral: Raise horses and mules.—Abilene News.

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W. E. GILLILAND,
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The San Antonio Light thinks that Texas is gradually but surely drifting towards state prohibition. Just think what that would mean for San Antonio.

J. E. Carroll, of Oklahoma, defeated Clay McGonagill of San Angelo in a recent roping contest, thus winning the championship from the Texan and a purse of \$3000. The Fort Worth Record says the legislature should pass a law forbidding roping contests. Why? Because Texas was defeated?

Ed Lecman has sold the Merkel Mail to J. M. Fryar and H. T. Merritt. Ed Lecman is a good newspaper man, though somewhat cranky on prohibition. He has made a success of the Mail, and we were surprised to learn that he had sold out. He says he has no plans for the future and gives no intimation as to what he will do. The STAR wishes Ed well, no matter what he does, notwithstanding the many spats we have had over prohibition. The new firm show that they understand their business and say they will endeavor to give Merkel a better paper than ever. The STAR wishes the new proprietors every success in their new field.

The Cleburne Chronicle thinks Gen. Stoessel, the commander at Port Arthur, should have surrendered a month ago, and because he did not do so characterizes him as a brute rather than a hero. Lon Senlock is too hard on the Russian commander. Had he surrendered a day before he was compelled to do so his country and the world at large would have justly condemned him; as a fleet was supposed to be coming to his relief. Even as it is, he must return to Russia and face a court martial for surrendering at all. The Japanese on the ground do not condemn the Russian General for holding out to the very last minute, in fact they praise him for doing the very thing the Chronicle condemns him for. He would have been unworthy the name of soldier had he surrendered until he had every reason to abandon hope of aid. That only come when the Japs captured a large fort, 203 Metre Hill, that put the harbor and inner defenses completely at the mercy of the Jap artillery. Lon, you are too hard on the Russian. The world is fairer in its judgment of the undaunted commander of Port Arthur, and Russia at least, will always regard him and his gallant soldiers as heroes. They deserve this estimate of their actions by all civilized people and we believe they will have it. Should Russia, in accordance with an ancient law, inflict any punishment upon the gallant commander of Port Arthur, the world will condemn the verdict, and Russia will meet the contempt of the civilized world.

LEE SNYDER

C. L. Snyder, a prominent ranchman of Eldorado, died at Marlin Saturday night, December 31st. Heart trouble was the cause of his death.

A few weeks since Mr. Snyder left for Marlin in the hope that he could there obtain relief from the pangs of suffering, and he held out to the last with grim courage. He had the best medical attention but with all this the terrible heart trouble could not be alleviated.

Deceased was prominent in ranch circles throughout this entire territory and had many friends in the Concho Country, all of whom are sorrowfully grieved to hear of his death.

The remains were shipped to Bloomfield, Ohio, for interment, and were accompanied by Charlie Trammel, who left here for Marlin Sunday afternoon to attend the last sad rites of the dead.—San Angelo Standard.

Lee Snyder was a cousin of C. B. Snyder of Baird, and formerly ranched between Baird and Albany. He was well known to cattlemen of this section.

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JESSE RICE.

AGAINST NEW COUNTY.

BURNT BRANCH, Jan. 7, 1905.

THE BAIRD STAR generously offers those who favor or oppose the New County Scheme, a chance to place themselves properly before the people, and places its valuable space at their disposal for the discussion pro and con. We who oppose this wild cat scheme, should not waste our time in newspaper controversies and squibs. The time for action is here.

Every one should resolve himself into a committee of one for its defeat. Select some one in every neighborhood interested to circulate among your neighbors and friends, a petition remonstrating against the creation of said new county of Ross, with a County Site located or proposed to be located at Rising Star, where the sand bloweth and is a foot deep. Get all to sign who oppose, mail these to Judge Ben Russell at Baird, Texas, who will kindly send them in bulk to our representative at Austin, Hon. W. J. Bryan. Then run your hands down in the dark corner of your pockets and draw forth the where withall to send some suitable gentlemen of influence to Austin to work in connection with our representative against this scheme for the benefit of an isolated section of country, thickly populated to the detriment of vast territory, although thinly populated, containing some of the most substantial citizenship of this county.

JUAN.

Hon. Curtis Hancock, a member elect of the present legislature, received a number of free passes from railroad companies, all of which he returned and then made the matter public in the press, says the Cleburne Chronicle. It is all right for a member of the legislature to refuse free passes, but it looks like demagoguery to publish the fact to the world. Mr. Hancock has been a member of the legislature before, we believe, and it might be interesting to know if he ever refused free passes before. If he did, then it is not quite so bad in his case, still the mere fact of a member making public a refusal to use free passes, is regarded with suspicion by some. While in the 24th legislature a member, a friend of the editor, showed him a letter he had written to a railroad company returning a pass for ninety days. "What do you think of that Gilliland?" "I think it's all right if you don't want to use it; but if you want to make a clean sweep, Captain, why don't you return the annual pass you have over the same road?" "How do you know I have an annual pass?" "Well, I supposed you did, as all the balance, with one or two exceptions, have." The Captain smiled and filed a copy of his letter away for future use, we suppose, in the event he was charged with riding on free passes while a member of the legislature.

Editor Rountree, of the Georgetown Commercial denounces the proposed plan to raise the tax rate by the legislature as "unholy." It may not be unholy, but it will certainly be uncomfortable to the tax payers, and they may, later make it uncomfortable for the legislature that thus increases their burdens. If the present legislature will see that less extravagance is practiced in the state government and by the legislature itself, and provide stricter laws for the rendition of property for taxation there may be no need for a tax raise. The 24th legislature, 1895, had to contend with a deficiency of nearly a million and a half dollars in the general and school revenues. By rigid economy, a reform of the tax laws, and a slight tax raise, the state was put on a cash basis in two years. Had succeeding legislatures been as economical as the 24th, there would have been no deficiency. Our state government is becoming too extravagant and there is no use mincing about it. There is even talk of raising the salaries of the judges. Such a proposition should be set down on like a thousand of brick. If there is any judge of the district or higher courts that thinks his salary is too low let him resign, and there will be no difficulty in finding plenty of men just as competent as he to fill his place.

Maybe you dont think we had a time getting out this issue with the thermometer 12 degrees below freezing, water and steam pipes all frozen up this morning. The type on the imposing stone frozen solid, and rollers as hard as iron. A country editor has a regular hallooja time getting out a newspaper such de-lightful weather as this, but THE STAR is coming out in some shape hit or miss. You may not be able to read it but it goes just the same.

The 29th. Legislature is in session F. W. Seabury was elected Speaker without opposition. No other officers were named in yesterday's News. There is a red hot fight for Chaplain Rev. G. C. Rankin of the Texas Christian Advocate, being one of the contestants.

The people have always refused to raise the salary of the members of the legislature, who are the poorest paid members of the state government; then why should the salary of other officials be raised? The present legislature will have enough to keep them busy several months, if they carefully consider all the important measures to come before them. The most important measures to consider is a reform of the tax laws, and to provide for nearly a million dollar deficiency. Next the amendment of the Terrell election law will require considerable time. Then there will be an effort made to amend the local option laws, so as to prevent C. O. D. shipments of liquor into dry districts, and other matters deemed important by the pros. An effort will likely be made to raise the price of saloon license and stricter law governing the saloon. Many anties favor this as well as the pros, but what the outcome will be is hard to tell. Some of the liveliest scraps in the legislature are liable occur over the liquor traffic. It is not improbable that an effort will be made to submit a prohibition amendment to the constitution. It is not believed, however, that such a measure could pass the present legislature but if it is found that it can we may expect petitions to pour in on the legislature in great shape.

\$100 REWARD.

The following resolution was adopted by the Protective Stock Association of Callahan and adjoining counties. "That a reward of \$100 is offered for the arrest and conviction of any persons for the theft or unlawful branding of any horses or cattle belonging to any member of this society in good standing. A. G. WEBB, J. B. Cutbirth, President Sec.

\$100 REWARD.

The Stock Raisers' Association of Coleman and adjoining counties hereby offer a reward of \$100 for information that will lead to the arrest and conviction of any person or persons who are guilty of stealing or killing any stock belonging to any member or members of this association. To be paid when satisfactory proof is made to the executive committee of this association. J. P. MORRIS, Pres. J. Rathmell, Sec'y.

OBITUARY.

Bessie Holbrook was born in Fayette County, Ala. July 16, 1886, when 8 years old she moved with her widowed Mother, two sisters and brother to Callahan County Texas, where she resided until her death. The 10 of December she was taken sick, only twelve days from then she was called to dwell above.

Our dear Bessie died Dec. 22 1904 and her body now rests in the Putnam Cemetery.

Besides an aged mother, sisters and brother she leaves a host of relatives to mourn her loss.

"A precious one from us has gone
A voice we love is stilled
A place is vacant in our home
Which never can be filled."

"God in his wisdom has recalled
The boon her love had given
Although the body moulders here
The soul is safe in heaven."

Written by a cousin.
AUGHLIE McCOLLUM

**Letter to H. Schwartz,
Baird, Texas.**

Dear Sir: It's an old saying: the best advertisement is a pleased customer.

It happens to us continually in this way: A man buys Devoe for his house—he has painted it once in three years for a dog's-age, and thinks he knows what he wants—buys 30 gallons and has 10 left.

He sees right off that 20 of Devoe is as much as 30 of anything else. He likes that; it comes quick; it is a surprise; and he tells of it. The best advertisement is a pleased customer.

Three years roll around. There isn't a sign that his house needs paint; he don't paint it. Next year he don't paint it. This comes slow; it is a surprise; but he has got used to it. Still the best advertisement is a pleased customer.

Yours truly
F W DEVOE & Co

ADVERTISED LIST.

The following is a list of letters remaining in the P. O. at Baird Tex for the week ending Dec. 31, 1904. Parties calling for same please say advertised.

- Cushman, Lieut. Wm. R. 2
- Brown, Mr. Ike
- Moss, J. S.
- Nelson, W. B.
- Ogle, Jno.
- Robertson, L.
- Roberts, W. D.
- Ogle, J. E.
- Farnon, Hopkins.
- Sharp, Miss Idra.
- WM. McMANIS, P. M.

The program for the Sunday School Convention at Cottonwood January 26th by Rev. R. D. Carter was received too late for this issue. It will appear next week.

The Store Where they do things.

The war is on, we are in the fight to win, we will win if prices are of any consequence. This house is not afraid of any legitimate competition. Competition looks at us with an ugly frown and says "I wonder how Schwartz can sell so cheap?"



Regardless of what other people tell you they are doing we beat their prices. Just compare our goods with other merchants goods, and our price with their prices and be convinced that we do sell the cheapest. Why go elsewhere and pay more.



Now if you appreciate and know what a bargain is, go to H. Schwartz' Store, the only dry goods house in town where you will find a real genuine bargain in buying a bill of Dry Goods.

It is a pleasure for us to show our goods. So come and look through.

H. SCHWARTZ.

Don't You

—Need a Nice, Clean, Smooth—
Shave, Hair Cut, Shampoo
OR HAIR DYED GO TO
FULTON'S BARBER SHOP.
First door south of Wilson's meat market. Everything nice, new and clean.
HOT AND COLD BATHS.
Agents **Acme Steam Laundry.**
For Basket leaves on Tuesdays and returns on Saturdays. Bring me your laundry.

**JOHN TRENT,
Fire and Tornado
Insurance.**

Best Companies only represented. County business solicited. Representing the Fidelity Bond Co. Can make your bonds in this without bothering your friends.

B. L. RUSSELL,

**Attorney-at-Law,
Real Estate Agent
and Abstractor....**

OFFICE AT CITY HALL.
BAIRD, TEX.

Rev. Carlisle P. B. Martin, L. L. D.

Of Waverly, Texas, writes: "Of a morning, when first arising, I often find a troublesome collection of phlegm, which produces a cough and is very hard to dislodge; but a small quantity of Ballard's Horehound Syrup will at once dislodge it, and the trouble is over. I know of no medicine that is equal to it, and it is so pleasant to take. I can most cordially recommend it to all persons needing a medicine for throat or lung trouble." 25c, 50c and \$1.00. Sold by Powell & Powell, Baird, Texas, and Y. A. Orr, Putnam.

Capt. J. W. Aiken Commissioner of Precinct No. 4, in territory of proposed New County, sends a protest with 65 signers, voters and tax payers against the New County. Let the ball roll on.

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Groceries, Provisions, Grain, Hay

We Solicit a Share of Your Patronage. Telephone No. 4.

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

**The Home National Bank
OF BAIRD, TEXAS.**

The above Bank solicits from the people of Baird and Callahan County a share of their patronage. PROMPT AND COURTEOUS TREATMENT TO ALL. We appreciate all business entrusted to us, whether large or small. We extend all accommodations consistent with sound banking and have money to lend on good security. Call and see us. MODERN FIRE PROOF VAULT. FINE FIRE AND BURGLAR PROOF SAFE.

When A Woman Feels Depressed.

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

It's the Liver.

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

HERBINE

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

50 Cents. ALL DRUGGISTS.

Sold By POWELL & POWELL, Baird, and Y. A. ORR, Putnam, Texas.

I AM VERY THANKFUL



Kantbebeat

To my many friends and
and customers for their liberal
patronage during the past year
and hope to merit the same
during the New Year of 1905.

- T. E. POWELL -

BAIRD, TEXAS.



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LOCAL NEWS

Damon and Pythias, at the Opera House, Jan. 19th.

Maj. W. K. Davis of Admiral was in town last Saturday.

J. W. Miller and J. D. O'Keef of Eagle Cove were in town Monday.

Miss Dora Johnson left Monday for Aledo to spend sometime relatives.

Mrs. J. F. McClendon, of Admiral, drew the watch at Terrell's Drug Store.

H. Windham, of Tecumseh, spent a day or two in town the latter part of last week.

Mr and Mrs. Henry Lambert visited relatives near Cottonwood the latter part of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Hensen are visiting Mrs. Hensen's parents Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Boydston and brothers B. L. and W. D. Boydston of Baird.

J. C. Walker and Merrick Ramsey were in town yesterday en route to Putnam from Clyde where they are doing some carpenter work, but have layed off for a few days on account of the bad weather.

Mr. Clark, father of Mrs. J. L. Lea and sister Miss Virginia Lee Clark, Mrs. J. R. Daugherty and Miss Clark, niece of Mrs. Lea arrived last week. Mr. Clark informed a reporter of THE STAR that he expected to remain two or three months.

Our old friend, Col. F. B. Baillio of Cleburne, ex-president of the Texas Press Association, now traveling for the Western Newspaper Union, Dallas, spent the day in town yesterday and most of the time at THE STAR office. He went on west on the belated evening train.

Jim Stallings, of the U. S. Marine Hospital Service, Fort Stanton, New Mexico, who came home to spend the holidays with his parents near Clyde, was in the city Monday accompanied by his sister, Miss Annie. He was to return to Fort Stanton this week.

HORSES & MULES AT AUCTION.

I want to sell my bunch of Horses Mares and Mules, consisting of 45 head. Will sell at auction to highest bidder, on 9 months time with good security, at Barnard's Wagon Yard, Monday, January 16, 1905. If you want good horses come to this sale. 6-11 N. CIRCLE.

RAIN AND SLEET.

The weather was damp and foggy from Monday to last night with occasional showers and a cold drizzling rain. Last night the weather became colder and early this morning it began sleeting and at this writing the ground is covered with ice. Heavy thunder was heard about daylight this morning accompanied by vivid lightning, rather unusual for this time of the year. At 10 a. m. this morning the thermometer at THE STAR office registered 20 degrees above zero. At 11 a. m. the clouds show signs of breaking up and it may be clear this evening. At 10 o'clock last night it was perfectly clear and an hour later it was cloudy and growing colder. The rain and sleet will put some moisture in the ground but not enough unless more falls. There is little wind this morning otherwise the cold would be much more severe, as it is it does not appear very cold.

Cured Lumbago.

A. B. Canman, Chicago, writes March 4, 1903: "Having been troubled with Lumbago at different times and tried one physician after another; then different ointments and liniments, gave it up altogether. So I tried once more, and got a bottle of Ballard's Snow Liniment, which gave me almost instant relief. I can cheerfully recommend it, and will add my name to your list of former sufferers." 25c, 50c and \$1. Sold by Powell & Powell, Baird, and Y. A. Orr, Putnam.

A Very Close Call.

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

W. T. Ray, Expert Jeweler and Watchmaker.

Take your watch and jewelry repairing to Terrell's Drug Store. All work guaranteed by Terrell, the druggist. 5-tf

Price on Men's sample hat's worth \$2 and \$2.50 for \$1. B. L. Boydston. 49-tf

See Franklin & Gregory for Ice. Agents for Pabst Brewing Co. 50

TRESPASS NOTICE.

All hunting or trespassing in any manner in the Hearn pasture, near Belle Plaine, is positively forbidden. This includes the part controlled as well as the part owned by the undersigned. J. Y. GILLELAND. 46-12t

Fishbrand Pome slickers, cheap at \$2.75, reduced to \$2.35, at B. L. Boydston's. 49-tf

20 per cent discount on Men's and Boys Clothing. B. L. Boydston. 49-tf

Attend B. L. Boydston's big discount and premium sale. It is the best yet. 49-tf

20 per cent discount on all overcoats. B. L. Boydston. 49-tf

Bought Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and Sent it to Friends.

Mr. F. W. J. Fletcher, a druggist in Victoria, Australia, says: "A customer of mine was so much pleased with Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, which she had used for her children when suffering from colds and croup, that during a fortnight's time she obtained at my shop nine bottles which she sent to her friends in different parts of the state, telling them how much good it had done and advising them to give it a trial." For sale by R. Phillips, Baird, and Y. A. Orr, Putnam.

FARM & RANCH FOR SALE.

Tract of 345 acres, 16 miles southeast of Baird, Texas, sixty-eight acres in good cultivation. One hundred and twenty-five acres of good black, sandy land. The balance fair pasture land. Good well of water. Good five wire fences, will make a good home. No Johnson grass. Small payment down and the balance on time to suit purchaser. Inquire of Wm. McManis or the First National Bank, Baird, Texas. 51-tf

BAIRD COLLEGE.

BAIRD COLLEGE offers special advantages in book-keeping, shorthand, typewriting, and penmanship. INVESTIGATE.

BAIRD COLLEGE is progressive, practical, and thorough. The moral tone is high, the discipline almost perfect. INVESTIGATE.

BAIRD COLLEGE is building on a foundation broad and deep. Plans are now proposed, which, if consummated, will make it the pride of our fair city. INVESTIGATE.

We have the largest and best line of Watches, Jewelry and Drugs in the county and will sell them for the entire year of 1905 at less than any competitor. —Terrell. 5-tf

B. L. Boydston wants your trade and is offering big inducements to get it. 49-tf

Go Wilson's for all kinds of meats and sausage. 52

Don't fail to see "Damon and Pythias" Opera House, Jan. 19.

Go to "Butch" Wilson's for dry salt bacon. 52

Do Not Suppress a Cough.

When you have a cough do not try to suppress it, but remove the cause. The cough is only a symptom of some disease, and the disease is what you should cure, then the cough will stop of itself. The most common cause of coughing is a cold. Anodynes will promptly suppress the cough, and preparations containing chloroform, opium, etc., are used for that purpose, but they do not cure the cold. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy on the other hand does not suppress the cough, but relieves it by removing from the throat and lungs the mucus which obstructed the breathing and allaying the irritation and tickling in the throat. It also opens the secretions and effectually and permanently cures the cold as well as the cough. For sale by R. Phillips, Baird, and Y. A. Orr, Putnam.

"Look out" for "DAMON AND PYTHIAS" Opera House Jan. 19, 1905.

M. C. COUNCIL,

Lawyer and Conveyancer,

Solicits a portion of the law and land business of Callahan County, and promises to give his best efforts to to any business placed in his hands. 3-18

T. B. HADLEY,

Successor to Hadley & James.

Beef, Pork, Sausage, Lard.

Fish and Oysters in Season.

Keep cattle on feed all the winter and serve good meat. Free Delivery. Phone 22.

KILL THE COUGH AND CURE THE LUNGS

WITH Dr. King's New Discovery

FOR CONSUMPTION Price 50c & \$1.00

Best and Quickest Cure for all THROAT and LUNG TROUBLES, or MONEY BACK.

For Sale by ALL DRUGGISTS.

CITY BAKERY.

Furnishes pure and healthy bread and rolls, made of the best material in the market and absolutely free of alum or any other substitutes, fresh every day also a great variety of cakes. Phone No. 116. OSCAR NITSCHKE.

Mr. Wm. S. Crane, of California, Md., suffered for years from rheumatism and lumbago. He was finally advised to try Chamberlain's Pain Balm, which he did and it effected a complete cure. This Balm is for sale by R. Phillips, Baird, and Y. A. Orr, Putnam.

More Stomach Troubles.

Al stomach trouble is removed by the use of Kodol Dyspepsia Cure. It gives the stomach perfect rest by digesting what you eat without the stomach's aid. The food builds up the body, the rest restores the stomach to health. You don't have to die yourself when taking Kodol Dyspepsia Cure. J. D. Erskine, of Allenille, Mich. says, "I suffered Heartburn and Stomach trouble for some time. My sister-in-law had had the same trouble and was not able to eat for six weeks. She lived entirely on warm water. After taking two bottles of Kodol Dyspepsia Cure she was entirely cured. I am glad today Kodol gave me instant relief." Sold by R. Phillips.

SPECIAL ON SHINGLES.

We are in a position to sell some good shingles at \$1.90 per thousand. If you think that is too cheap to be good see and open any bundle in the pile and look at them. We are here to stay, and we are willing to give you a bargain whenever we find ourselves in a position to do so. We want your business and you cannot afford to buy your lumber without seeing or stock and getting our prices. Our stock is again complete and we can fill your bills. W. M. Coffman, in charge of the yard.

BAIRD LUMBER CO. Near Court House, 5-tf

SOLD OUT.

We have sold out our stock of groceries and have retired from business. This is to notify all persons indebted to come and settle up at once, as business must be closed up without delay.

WRISTEN & JOHNSON, J. W. Woods Law office over Powell & Powell's Drug Store, 5-tf

PAY UP.

The year is out and I want to close my books. If you owe me anything please come in and let us settle and take a new start with the New Year. 4-tf

R. PHILLIPS.

A SIX-YEAR PRESIDENTIAL TERM. COTTON STATISTICS DISCUSSED.

Washington, Jan. 6.—Senator Bailey yesterday submitted to the Senate a proposed amendment to the Constitution as follows:

"The executive power shall be vested in a president of the United States, who shall hold his office during a term of six years, and together with the vice president, chosen for the same term, be elected as provided in Article 12 of the Amendments to the Constitution. The president shall be forever ineligible to a re-election, nor shall any person be eligible to an election to the presidency who has served as president under any succession provided for in the Constitution or in the laws in pursuance thereof."

The Senate Committee on Commerce authorized a favorable report on the nomination of W. D. Crum to be collector of the port at Charleston, S. C. Confirmation of the Crum nomination has been opposed for three sessions of Congress by Senator Tillman on the ground "that a colored man is objectionable to a majority of those who transact business through the Charleston custom office."

The joint statehood bill again occupied the major portion of the attention of the Senate and Mr. Nelson completed his speech in support of it. The omnibus claims bill was read in part, but no effort was made to secure action on it. Bills for the reorganization of the medical corps of the army and regulating promotions of army officers in the ordnance department were passed.

The time was taken up principally with a discussion of the Government report on cotton. Mr. Livingston of Georgia seemed to want some sort of different report.

Mr. Burleson answered him, his main points being that before the Government took in hand the mat-

ter of reporting the crops, the speculators and spinners did this with the result that at the beginning of each season there was a big crop and consequent low prices. When the time came when the truth would be known the crop had been sold by the farmers at a low price. If it was a short crop the speculators enjoyed the high prices of a short crop. He said that since the Government had undertaken the work of gathering information no one listened to the expert speculator and spinner. The two years in which the Government had been in this work had demonstrated its value, since the farmers were enabled to know as much about the crop as anybody else, and besides had profited by it. He said the only people who complained were the speculators.

The dissatisfaction came from the cotton gamblers who were on the wrong side of the market and the farmers who, when they held their cotton for a price higher than justified by the law of supply and demand, had become speculators. He was one himself, since he had held his cotton for a price greater than the supply and demand justified. When he was through he was applauded by the House.

The Rivers and Harbors Committee is still at work on the bill and it is given out now that it can not get its measure in shape before the last part of next week.

At this session the Trinity project has come in for much criticism and several times it looked as if it would have a poor show to receive recognition. But the project has a better chance for recognition and endorsement by the committee than it has ever had during this session. Mr. Cooper has introduced a bill for the construction of a public building at Nacogdoches.

THE REAL BOLL WEEVIL.

Some Pertinent Points that all Cotton Planters Should Know.

Every summer during the latter part of July and early August we hear frequent reports of considerable injury to cotton by "Sharpshooters." These supposed "Sharpshooters" are reported to puncture the squares and bolls, a small black speck showing the point of injury, causing them to drop prematurely.

When we attempted to ascertain the identity of this insect from the planters, however, we met with absolute failure. Personal conversation, extensive correspondence, and notices in the daily papers failed to find a man who really knew what a sharpshooter was, but in manner of harmless, and a few injurious insects were sent us. The insect which has been commonly termed the cotton sharpshooter (*Homalodisca triquetra*) is shown in figure 1. Upon describing this insect to planters, many of whom know it as the "dodger" from its habits of quickly dodging to the opposite side of the stem when disturbed, they usually assured me that they



Fig. 1.—The Cotton Sharpshooter (*Homalodisca triquetra*). 1, female adult, seen from above; 2, same, side view; 3, section of boll with hole enlarged; 4, section of boll with hole and larva; 5, section of boll with hole and larva, still more enlarged. (After Howard, U. S. Dept. Agr.)

had known the insect for years and that it was entirely harmless to cotton, as indeed it is.

We have had this insect under close observation for two years and have yet to find any indication of its being a cotton pest. Extensive field observations have failed to show that it ever injures cotton. We have repeatedly confined a number in a large cage over a cotton stalk, but have never been able to determine that they did the slightest injury.

The adult bugs appear early in spring on elm, hackberry, red bud, cottonwood, and the tender shoots of other trees, especially on bottom land along streams. Here they suck the juices of the tender terminals and deposit their eggs in the leaves and leaf stems. The eggs are laid in a row of twelve or fifteen, side by side, just under the surface of the leaf, forming a blister-like mark. The eggs hatch in a few days and the young bugs feed in the same places as their parent. They are gray in color and resemble the adults except in lacking wings. In due time they become full grown and reproduce. There seems to be three full generations each season, the last adults hibernating over winter. The bugs rarely appear on cotton until mid-summer, and then in numbers relatively small to those found on the trees and weeds, especially the blood weed or horse weed. They are exceedingly fond of sorghum, banana trees and sunflowers, and will collect on these plants in large numbers. We have heard of their seriously injuring sunflowers by sucking out the sap.

In view of the fact, therefore, that on one seems to have the slightest evidence that this insect is injurious, that many old planters state that it is not injurious, and that our own observations and experiments all go to show that it is

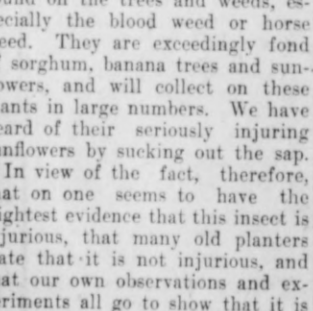


Fig. 2.—The Cotton Square Borer (*Cronaxia metusalis*). 1, adult borer; 2, larva; 3, section of boll with hole enlarged. (After Howard, U. S. Dept. Agr.)

harmless, would it not be well to stop talking about "sharpshooters" work until we know what it is about which we are lamenting and not attribute injury from unknown causes to a hypothetical insect?

During late May and June cotton squares are often bored into by a small green "worm" which some people consider a boll worm and others have sent me as being a "sharpshooter," and injury from this cause is often quite serious. The little caterpillars bore into the squares, hollowing them out as a boll worm does a boll and often ruining all on a plant knee high and even boring into the stalk. These

caterpillars are bright green, oval flattened and covered with short hair, with the head somewhat retracted and of a decidedly different appearance from the boll worm. They are the larvae of a dainty little blue butterfly, which is very common around cotton fields. It lays its eggs on the leaves and stems, which hatch into destructive caterpillars. These larvae also feed on hops, beans and cowpeas and seem to prefer the latter to cotton. Very fortunately for the planter, the very great majority of these caterpillars are parasitized. A number of kinds of flies about the size of the common house-fly and also several very small wasp-like insects have been bred from the dead caterpillars. These insects lay their eggs on the live caterpillars and then maggots, hatching from them, bore into the caterpillar and feed on its tissues and juices, ultimately killing it and then emerging as adult flies. In this way we have found that often over ninety per cent of the June brood are killed. It is therefore not usually worth while to combat the insect in the field as it is not often seriously injurious in the same locality year after year.

Many consider this insect as one stage of the boll worm, with which it has no connection whatever. The butterfly which is the adult of this caterpillar is a day-flying insect, slaty-black on the upper surface, and at the tip of the hind wings is a black spot crowned with crimson between the bases of two short tails. The boll worm moth or miller is a night-flying insect of a brownish, yellowish or greenish color, very much larger and with no tails on the hind wings.

Readers of Farm and Ranch will remember that last winter many parties burned their cotton stalks in mid-winter for the supposed purpose of destroying the boll weevil eggs in them. Those better informed were aware that the boll weevil never lays its eggs but in the squares or bolls and never in the stalk. The eggs so wrongly identified are those of the Snowy Tree Cricket, which is shown enlarged in figure 3, the line at the side showing its natural size. These insects are comparatively harmless, and indeed may be considered beneficial, as they feed largely on injurious plant lice. The only harm they do it in laying their eggs in berry canes and fruit tree twigs so injur-



Fig. 3.—The Snowy Tree Cricket. At left, male and female, hair lines showing length natural size; 2, twig showing nest from egg puncture; 3, section of twig showing egg; 4, egg greatly enlarged. (After Riley and Lugg.)

ing them that it is necessary to prune them off, but this is rarely serious. On cotton their injury is of no importance, as it comes too late in the season. We merely call attention to the true origin of these eggs at this time, as many people will doubtless find them in the stalks this winter and will again mistake them for those of the boll weevil.—Dwight Sanderson, in special contribution to Farm and Ranch.

Arlington's Farmers Feel Good.

The year 1905 will open with bright prospects. All kinds of crops were good, and all sold for satisfactory prices except about 20 per cent of the cotton crop, which is still in the hands of the farmer, with low prices ruling. It is hoped, however, that by holding it, that a fair price may yet be realized on the same. The season was favorable for gathering and all crops were gathered early, and hence farm work for the coming year is well advanced. The wheat and oat crop is good but needing rain. There is lots of hog and hominy in the country. Chickens, eggs, butter and milk are more plentiful than usual. The acreage of cotton will undoubtedly be considerably decreased. You hardly ever hear the boll weevil mentioned any more. Still it is true that she is, as yet, an unknown factor.—Arlington Journal.

A sack of flour and a barrel of potatoes will convert a poor family quicker than a carload of gospel tracts.

Faiths of Presidents.

Although the Baptist denomination is one of the most numerous in the United States, there has never been a Baptist president.

There have been two Congregational presidents—John Adams, the second president, and John Quincy Adams, his son.

President Roosevelt is the second president of the Reformed Dutch church, Martin Van Buren having been the first.

Millard Fillmore was a Unitarian, the only Unitarian president.

Washington, William Henry Harrison, John Tyler and Zachary Taylor were Episcopalians, as was Chester A. Arthur.

There have been five Presbyterian presidents—Andrew Jackson, James K. Polk, James Buchanan, Benjamin Harrison and Grover Cleveland.

President Garfield was a member of the Church of the Disciples.

Prior to the civil war there had been no Methodist president of the United States. Since 1861 the following presidents have been Methodists: Abraham Lincoln, Johnson, General Grant, R. B. Hayes and William McKinley.

There has never been a Lutheran or a Roman Catholic president.

Sanitation in Cuba.

The Cuban house of representatives recently passed a bill appropriating \$190,000 for the sanitation of Santiago, Cienfuegos, Cardenas and Matanzas. The senate amended this bill by increasing the amount of the appropriation to \$326,000 and adding ten more towns to the original four cities where improvements are to be made in the sanitary arrangements. This action of the senate postpones the final settlement of the matter until congress convenes again next month. In the course of the debate on the bill some sarcastic remarks were indulged in by several of the speakers, who said the condition of the streets in many cities of the United States was worse than in those of Cuba. Many Cubans who this year visited St. Louis, they said, could testify that the streets of New Orleans were in much worse condition than those of any Cuban town.

Twelve Wise Men at Sea.

Not long since, a native in Kaii, Hawaii, cheated a neighbor out of a small sum of money. The community was indignant, and determined that the guilty party should be punished. The day of the trial came, the testimony was conclusive, the judge closed his charge, reminding the jury that "it takes nine to convict," for then a three-fourths majority was required instead of a unanimous jury. It was thought that the twelve might decide in the box, but the Hawaiian likes form, and they gravely withdrew to the jury room. They were gone an unreasonable time. At length the judge, impatient, sent to find out what in the world was the matter, and discovered this predicament—twelve were for conviction, and three could be induced to vote for the defendant.

Gift of 5,500 Turkeys.

Twenty-five thousand persons, workingmen and their families, and some of their friends, besides, partook of Thanksgiving turkey furnished by George Westinghouse, the manufacturer, who handed out, through the department superintendents of two of his plants, 5,500 turkeys, weighing from thirteen to thirty-one pounds. Seven thousand employes in the Westinghouse plants at Turkey Creek were left off the turkey list this year because of worry caused Mr. Westinghouse by strikes.

Cigarette Smoking.

Official statistics tell us that 3,666,487,215 cigarettes were manufactured in this country during the past fiscal year. If the population of the United States is 80,000,000, half that number (40,000,000) are males, if three-quarters of them (30,000,000) are of smoking age, and if one-third of the 30,000,000 smoke cigarettes, we have 3,666,487,215 cigarettes to divide in a year among 10,000,000 persons, or only about 336 apiece, which is less than one every day.

Artificial Butterflies.

The preparation of artificial butterflies mainly consists in spreading with a camel's hair brush very thin mucilage or paste over the wings of ordinary butterflies and then sprinkling over this certain delicate metallic powders of various colors. By this process a very common butterfly can be transformed into one that is extremely rare. The fraud came to light, says the Liverpost Post, through an alleged specimen of a red admiral, the fly so widely noted for its brilliant red and white hues.

Rapid Telegraph Instrument.

A remarkable high speed instrument has been invented by a Mr. Donald Murray, who claims that it is as great an advance upon the Morse instrument as the Morse was upon its predecessor, the single needle. For twelve months the postoffice has had the instrument working for experimental purposes between London and Edinburgh, apparently with promising results, for it has now decided to test further a perfected instrument that has been devised by Mr. Murray during that period. If the Murray transmitter ever becomes universally adopted it will mean that telegraph clerks will never have to put a pencil to a telegram, beyond, perhaps, marking upon it the time of handing in. One of the effects of the use of this instrument, provided it be found ultimately to come up to expectations, would be a great saving of time, as a wire would be capable of carrying four or five times as many words as at present, and fewer persons would consequently be required to perform the work. Any person able to operate a typewriter can transmit messages by the Murray system.

A Prayer for Rain.

"The people of my state are firm believers in the efficacy of prayer," says Representative Gaines of Tennessee. "I am reminded of a little thing which happened during the days when the North and South were peeping away at each other. It was at a religious gathering in one of the rural districts during the warm days of summer. No rain had descended for many weeks and everything was about burned up. A good preacher, whose heart and soul was in the cause of the South, made a prayer, closing with an appeal for rain, saying:

"We need a refreshing shower, Lord. Send the blessed rain and revive drooping vegetation. We don't want one of those light drizzly-drazzly rains, but a regular ground soaker and trash-lifter, but not heavy enough, good Lord, to raise the Cumberland river so that the Yankee gunboats can come in and take Nashville."

Advocates Cold Baths.

Long Island has a young sea nymph named Molly Canniny, who has been taking a plunge in the surf daily for the last two months. Even the blizzard did not deter her, and when she emerged the cold wind almost converted her into a pillar of salt, like Lot's wife. "I never was so healthy in my life," said Miss Canniny after her dip and run on the beach, "as I have been since I have been taking baths in the open air. I have become so accustomed to the coldness of the water that I enjoy it and never feel the slightest ill effects. Water that is exposed to the air and is not stagnant is filled with a magnetism which is impossible to duplicate anywhere else, and a bath in such water, if rightly taken, imparts vigor and strength to tired nerves and muscles."

A Model Great Man.

One of the least self-advertised of scientific authorities is Prof. Roentgen. He has never been interviewed, has never been banqueted, and is even said to have refused immense sums of money offered him by American publishers for a book on what he himself modestly styled "a new kind of ray." Like many other investigators of his race, he carries his years gallantly, and though 60, looks more like a man who has led a healthy, outdoor life than one who has spent the whole of his "manhood in investigating strange physical problems.

Heated Street Cars.

A new style of street car has appeared in Syracuse, N. Y. It is large and commodious, equipped with 160-horse power motor and air brakes. The cars are heated by a hot water system, which is guaranteed to maintain a temperature of 65 degrees in winter weather. During the cold wave of two weeks ago these new cars, with their hot water heat, answered all expectations by maintaining a pleasant, mild temperature within the cars while a little blizzard raged outside.

An Ant's Garden.

Brazilian ants make little gardens in the tree tops and sow them with pineapple and other seeds. The gardens are found of all sizes, from a single sprouting seed surrounded by a little earth to a densely overgrown ball as large as a man's head.

English in the Philippines.

The government schools on the American plan have been in existence in the Philippines for only three and a half years, but today over 300,000 Filipinos can write and converse more or less intelligently in the English language.

JAPS WILL RE-FORTIFY PORT ARTHUR. ROJESTVENSKY'S FLAGSHIP FOUNDERS.

Chefoo, Jan. 6.—Advices from Japanese sources say that the condition of Port Arthur is chaotic, but that Gen. Nogi and Gen. Stoessel are rapidly systematizing affairs.

Gen. Nogi, through agents, who have been recruiting for months, will put a force of Chinese coolies at work re-fortifying Port Arthur immediately after the Russians are disposed of. Vast quantities of cement and timber are ready on the Yalu River for this purpose, while steel plates and other manufactured necessities are ready in Japan for transportation to the fortress.

The Japanese are confident that the re-fortification of Port Arthur will place the fortress in a better condition than ever, with the Russian defects eliminated before Russia can besiege it, if such a thing ever occurs.

Ammunition, food and medical supplies to last for years will be sent to Port Arthur, Japan being heedful of the mistakes made by the Russians.

Paris, Jan. 6.—The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Paris edition of the New York Herald telegraphs that Vice Admiral Rojstvensky's flagship, the battleship Kniaz Souvaref, has struck a rock and foundered.

Gathering at Austin.

Austin: As early as Friday this city is pretty lively with the presence of some members, those who are seeking places and the lobbyist and grafters who "follow up the show." If the threatened deluge of bills takes place, there will be a wholesale job before the committee and unless the vast majority fill a untimely grave, the session will be either an extensively busy or an excessively long one.

Waxahachie Mills Pay Well.

Waxahachie: At a meeting of the stockholders of the Waxahachie Cotton Mills a cash dividend of 9 per cent was declared, leaving a balance of \$42,000 surplus to be invested in improvements, etc. Since beginning operations the mills have made annual earnings of 13.85 per cent which has been expended in improvements. The value of the mills has increased from \$95,000, the original cost, to \$141,000.

Cow Kicked Up a Barn Fire.

Marlin: By fire originating in a similar manner to the famous conflagration that destroyed so much Chicago property, Jacob Fandi, who resides in the northern part of the county, has lost his barn about \$500. Mr. Fandi was loading his wagon with corn at night, and while working by lantern light, a cow in the barn kicked over the lantern, and a explosion followed, scattering burning all in all directions.

Independent Phone Organization.

Dallas: About thirty men interested in the independent telephone business, principally in the northern part of the State, and a majority of them connected with the toll line service, held a meeting Thursday in this city and organized the Texas Independent Telephone Association. The officers are: President, E. W. Dunaway, Paris; secretary-treasurer, J. B. Earle, Waco.

The North Texas District Association of Truck Growers will meet at Bagwell, Jan. 13 and 14. The farmers of that part of the country say they favor cutting down the acreage of cotton a large per cent. The majority of farmers are still holding their cotton.

At Verona Tuesday the 4-month-old child of J. A. Wamble and wife fell into the fire and was burned so badly that it died in a few hours.

Notwithstanding the results of drought and the depressed condition of the cotton market the people of Wichita County have surplus bank deposits equal to \$60 per head for every soul in the county.

Post Commander Frazier of the Ardmore Post, G. A. R., died after a short illness. He was 62 years of age. The funeral was held under the auspices of the local post, G. A. R.

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

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

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—Robert R. Roberts.

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REGARD FOR THE THIRSTY.

One of the Attractions of Capital City to a Stranger.

"Among the thousand and one attractions of the national capital," said a New England man to a Washington Star Reporter, "are the little pumps with ladders attached to them that one finds scattered at various points about the city. This makes a favorable impression upon one, as it points out the fact that if a man wants a drink of water when he is perambulating the town he doesn't have to seek a whiskey shop to get it."

"Now let me tell you something," continued the man from New England. "I was two days in New York this summer. Never had been there before, and they were very hot days. I started out to see the sights and walked a good bit. I'm no lightweight, as you see, and soon I wanted a drink of water. I never do drink anything but water and on this occasion felt as if I wanted a gallon or so, but I couldn't find any. I stopped a man on the street and said to him: 'My friend, do you know where I can get a glass of water?' He took me into a miserable grocery; we walked up to the bar and he asked the man in charge to give me a glass of water. I ought not to have gone into the barroom and would not if I had known where I was going, because I am opposed to giving them the slightest encouragement, even that of my presence. The man poured me out a big thimbleful of water when I wanted a celery-glass full, and it tasted of spirits to me. Same way all along. I couldn't get a drink without violating my principles and going into a gin mill, where I always got a second-hand taste of whiskey or some other poisonous stuff."

"Therefore, you ought to be grateful for your pumps. A thirsty man walking along the street isn't obliged to patronize a rum shop to get a drink of water."

PLANS ODD FACTORY TOWN.

Ebenezer Howard Finds Garden City With House for Each Family.

An industrial town unlike any other in the world is about the rise near London. It is to be called Garden City, because every house will be surrounded by a garden. Ebenezer Howard is the projector of this Utopia and he has, after many years, induced rich philanthropists to form a stock company and to furnish the large capital necessary to begin work.

There is to be one family to each house, flats and two-family houses being absolutely barred; the total population is not to exceed 30,000 and a maximum of one-sixth of the town area is to be given up to buildings. There are to be factories, but every window of these is to be a window garden. Meat is to be supplied direct from the surrounding farms; each family is to grow its own vegetables on its own land; cows to be pastured in the town and each house is to be hygienic and pretty. Garden City is to be governed by a board of managers and is to be managed strictly as a business enterprise. There is nothing socialistic about it and the residents will have little to say about the government of the place.

The projectors expect to scatter such Garden Cities all over England.

Gems Found in Maine.

The minerals of Maine are becoming of world-wide reputation. The great aqua-marine, found in Stoneham, and probably the most valuable gem ever found on the American continent, has recently been purchased as a valuable acquisition to the crown jewels of Germany. The German prince, while in this country, saw the gem at Chicago and admired it so much that the government has been negotiating for it ever since, and recently sent a man over to this country, who finally succeeded in closing the trade, taking the gem back to Germany with him. At the world's fair at Chicago the gem was valued at \$30,000. It weighed 183 carats. One crystal taken at Paris, Me., this summer has been sold for \$500.

Reminiscent.

The mother saves the baby's shoes
Which held the chubby feet,
In after years to hear again
Their halting pattering sweet.

The bride her satin slipper keeps,
Reminder of the day,
To tread again in fancy's realm
The happy rose-strewn way.

The man recalls those red-topped boots
When as a freckled boy
They led him with a haughty pride
And swelled his soul with joy.

But those which stir my inmost heart
Are on the owner yet—
Four shining shoes of gleaming steel—
Ah, me, what vain regret!
—McLoughlin Wilson, in the Criterion.

Rejected Insinuation.

A young lawyer was sent from Edinburgh to a country north of the Fort to act as junior counsel in a licensing club case. He had to cross-examine the certifying justice, who was very diffuse and rather evasive in his answers.

"Speak a little more simply and to the point, please," said the counsel, mildly, "you are a little ambiguous, you know."

"I am not, sir," replied the witness, indignantly. "I have been strictly total for a year."—Ram's Horn.

Cremation of Dead Soldiers.

Military critics say that the Japanese have a great advantage over Christian nations in the matter of sanitation because of their method of disposing of the dead by cremation. After the great battles of the civil war in the United States the soldiers slept in graveyards and drank the water tainted with the seepage from the graves of the dead. During that war one man in sixty-five was killed in battle, one in fifty-six died of wounds and one in thirteen died of disease.

Too many people pay more attention to their own theories than to absolute facts.

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People who require stimulants to meet a crisis generally fall when it comes.

"Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy gave me prompt and complete relief from dyspepsia and liver derangement." E. T. Trowbridge, Harrison N. H., N. Y.

It is unfortunate for the world that the critics outnumber the hustlers two to one.

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It is mostly the women who are the gamblers; the men only the cards.—Thomas Hardy.

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Few escape those miseries of winter—a bad cold, a distressing cough. Many remedies are recommended, but the one quickest and best of all is Simmon's Cough Syrup. Soothing and healing to the lungs and bronchial passages, it stops the cough at once and gives you welcome rest and peaceful sleep.

There is a great deal of broken English in this country today. The "Ten Commandments" are referred to particularly.

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The man who looks well in evening dress looks well in anything.—Robert Hichens.

Try me just once and I am sure to come again. Defiance Starch.

Some women seem to think their husbands should pay them a regular salary for running their houses, but the trouble is they don't leave them any money to do it with.—New York Press.

Beware of Ointments for Catarrh that Contain Mercury.

Mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used except on prescription from a reputable physician, as the damage they will do is too often fatal to the good you can possibly derive from them. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O., contains no mercury, and is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure you get the genuine. It is taken internally and made in Toledo, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney & Co., Testimonials free. Sold by Druggists. Price, 75c per bottle. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

A girl is always sure she is having a good time when two men ask her to go out and she goes with the one she doesn't want to go with to make the other one mad.

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Important to Mothers.

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To the housewife who has not yet become acquainted with the new things of everyday use in the market and who is reasonably satisfied with the old, we would suggest that a trial of Defiance Cold Water Starch be made at once. Not alone because it is guaranteed by the manufacturers to be superior to any other brand, but because each 10c package contains 16 ozs., while all the other kinds contain but 12 ozs. It is safe to say that the lady who once uses Defiance Starch will use no other. Quality and quantity must win.

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Women should not fail to profit by the experience of these two women; just as surely as they were cured of the troubles enumerated in their letters, just so certainly will Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound cure others who suffer from womb troubles, inflammation of the ovaries, kidney troubles, nervous excitability, and nervous prostration; remember that it is Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound that is curing women, and don't allow any druggist to sell you anything else in its place.

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subscription and see how it stands;
if anything is due send it at once. 46f

Wonderful Nerve
As displayed by many a man en-
doring pains of accidental Cuts,
Wounds, Bruises, Burns, Scalds,
Sore feet or stiff joints. But there's
no need of it. Bucklen's Arnica
Salve will kill the pain and cure the
trouble. It's the best Salve on
earth for Piles, too. 25c, at all
druggists.

If you miss seeing "Demon and
Phantasies" Jan. 19th, you'll be sorry.
Opera House Jan. 19, 1905.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

That we will apply to the 29th
Legislature of Texas, for a local or
special tax for the purpose of creat-
ing a new county, to be taken from
the counties of Eastland, Coleman,
Comanche, Brown and Callahan, as
per map now on file at the X Ray of-
fice in Rising Star, Texas. This
December, the 6th, 1904.

SID SMITH,
W. S. MICHAEL,
1-54 Committee.

ORGAN & WATCH CONTEST.

Beginning this week we publish
the votes on the Merchant's Organ
and Watch Contest. We will give
a list of merchants that issue tickets
next week.

ORGAN.

Baptist Church, Admiral	1256
Baptist Church, Cross Plains	185
Methodist Church, Cross Plains	30
Methodist Church, Oplin	455
Burnt Branch Church	828
Paint Creek Church	5612
Baptist Church, Oplin	320
W. O. W. Oplin	111
Methodist Church, Clyde	275
Presbyterian Church, Baird	47
Methodist Church, Baird	4

WATCH.

Miss Alice Hawk	1441
Tom Payne	30
Miss Maud Berry	775
Miss Clemie Chatham	568
Miss Lillie Warren	260
Miss Maud Henry	5612
Miss Irene Reeves	111
Miss Pearl Berry	322
Roy Jones	4

Tonic to the System.

For liver troubles and constipation
there is nothing better than DeWitt's
Little Early Risers, the famous little
Pills. They do not weaken the
stomach. Their action upon the
system is mild, pleasant and harmless.
Sold by R. Phillips.

Coughs and Colds.

All coughs, colds and pulmonary
complaints that are curable are quick-
ly cured by One Minute Cough Cure.
Clears the phlegm draws out inflam-
mation and heals and soothes the
affected parts, strengthens the lungs
wards off pneumonia. Harmless and
pleasant to take. Sold by R.
Phillips.

PAY YOUR TAXES.

Only a few days remain in which
to pay 1904 taxes without costs.
Pay up before Feb. 1st and save
trouble.
T. A. IRVIN,
5-3t Collector Callahan Co. Texas.

Saved From Terrible Death.

The family of Mrs. M. L. Bobbitt
of Bargerton, Tenn., saw her dying
and were powerless to save her. The
most skillful physicians and every
remedy used, failed, while consump-
tion was slowly but surely taking her
life. In this terrible hour Dr.
King's New Discovery for Consump-
tion turned despair into joy. The
first bottle brought immediate relief
and its continued use completely
cured her. It's the most certain
cure in the world for all throat and
lung troubles. Guaranteed bottles
50c and \$1.00. Trial bottles free
at all drug stores.

Domestic Troubles.

It is exceptional to find a family
where there are no domestic ruptures
occasionally, but these can be less-
ened by having Dr. King's New
Life Pills around. Much trouble
they save by their great work in
Stomach and Liver troubles. They
not only relieve you, but cure. 25c
at all druggists.

When bilious try a dose of Cham-
berlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets
and realize for once how quickly a
first-class up-to-date medicine will
correct the disorder. For sale by
R. Phillips, Baird, and Y. A. Orr,
Putnam.

Found a Cure for Indigestion.

I use Chamberlain's Stomach and
Liver Tablets for indigestion and
find that they suit my case better
than any dyspepsia remedy I have
ever tried and I have used many dif-
ferent remedies. I am nearly fifty-
one years of age and have suffered a
great deal from indigestion. I can
eat almost anything I want to now.
—Geo. W. Emory, Rock Mills, Ala.
For sale by R. Phillips, Baird, or Y.
A. Orr, Putnam.

Go to "Butch" Wilson's for cooked
meats. 37-4f

HARRY MEYER



Can sell you
anything in the
Hardware line as
cheap as anyone
and his goods are
of the very best
makes. See our

**Buggies,
Wagons and
Implements,**

He will save
you money and
treat you right.

Get a New Planter.

**WOMAN'S CHRISTIAN TEMPER-
ANCE UNION OF TEXAS.**

OBJECT.—To promote total absten-
ence in the individual. Purity
in the home and prohibition in the
state and nation.

JANUARY.

Love worketh no evil to his neigh-
bor.

Who is thy neighbor; is it the one
that passeth afar off? or the one that
raises them out of the mire? Is it
the one that throweth stumbling
blocks in the way, or the one that
worketh night and day to remove
them?

We had a pleasant meeting on
last Friday, quite a number of mem-
bers being present, and with our
loved and efficient president in the
chair business was strictly to the
point, when last but not least this
humble scribe was asked to come
forward and was presented with a
pair of nice glasses by Mrs. M. J.
Webb from the Union, for which in
my weak way I tried to thank them,
also for the many nice things said to
encourage me in my work. And
now I ask God to bless each member
individually and may they be so filled
with the work not only in the W. C.
T. U. but of God's work, without
which the W. C. T. U. would be as
a ship without a rudder, that they
will be continually running over and
causing all with whom they come
in contact to turn to the Lord and
when wholly His they will be on our
side.

ALCOHOL THE COMMON FOE.

One of the strange inexplicable
things that puzzles every student of
the word of God is this; that Christ-
ian men and women, with an open
Bible in their hands should tamper
with strong drink.

It is utterly impossible to use
stronger language than the Holy
Spirit has used concerning this evil
thing, ninety per cent of the crimes
committed against the person and
against society are caused by strong
drink.

Every intelligent person knows
that alcohol is poison, bitter ex-
perience has taught that fact to man-
kind.

Some of the brightest minds in
life have been drowned in the mael-
strom of drink. It is one of the
greatest hindrances to the progress
of the Kingdom of Jesus Christ in
our land. It is the most deadly
enemy of the home and family. It
is debauching wives, sisters, daughters,
turning husbands into fiends sending
thousands to an untimely grave and
to an endless torment.

May God open the eyes of the
blind and erring ones, help them to
see who is truly their neighbor.

Mrs. M. ALICE FLOYD,
Press Supt.

The reason that coughs and colds
produce constipation and weaken the
lungs is because they interfere with
digestion. That new discovery
known as Kennedy's Laxative Honey
and Tar cures all Coughs, Croup,
Whooping Cough and assists in ex-
pelling colds from the system by
gently moving the bowels. It is
pleasant to take and contains no
opiates. Sold by R. Phillips.

W. F. Wilson for premium hams
and breakfast bacon. 35-4f

Go to "Butch" Wilson's for pure
lard and bacon. 37-4f

Fewer gallons; wears longer;
Devon, F. 1

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of an execution issued
out of the Honorable County Court
of Callahan County, on the 22nd
day of November, A. D., 1904, in
the case of Y. A. Orr versus H. C.
Grantham, No. 277, and to me as
Sheriff, directed and delivered, I
have levied upon this 4th day of
January, A. D. 1905, and will be-
tween the hours of 10 o'clock a. m.
and 4 o'clock p. m., on the first
Tuesday in February, A. D., 1905,
it being the 7th day of said month,
at the Court House door of said Cal-
lahan county, in the City of Baird,
proceed to sell at public auction to
the highest bidder, for cash in hand,
all the right, title and interest which
H. C. Grantham had on the 7th day
of June, A. D. 1904, or at any time
thereafter, of, in and to the follow-
ing described property to-wit:

The south half of survey No. 385,
Abstract No. 241, Patent No. 496,
issued to George Hancock, assignee,
February 1, 1854, and situated in
Callahan county, Texas, about 22
miles southwest of Baird, containing
320 acres of land. All of G. W.
Denton Survey No. 368, Abstract
No. 145, Certificate No. 33, Patent
No. 507, Vol. II, dated February 2,
1854, and situated in Callahan
County, Texas, about 20 miles
southwest of Baird, containing 640
acres of land. Forty acres off the
west end of the Pharr survey, situ-
ated in Callahan county, Texas, about
22 miles southwest of Baird.

Beginning at the Southwest cor-
ner of the said Pharr survey at a
stake from which a P. O., 10 in.
bears north 89, east 9 varas, L.
Oak, 10 in south 29, west 13 varas.

Thence north 379 varas; a stake
from which a L. O. 10 in. bears
South 73, East 18 varas, thence
east 595 7-10 varas.

Thence south 379 varas, thence
west 595 7-10 varas to the place of
beginning, said property being levied
upon as the property of H. C.
Grantham to satisfy a judgment
amounting to \$392.54, in favor of
Y. A. Orr and costs of suit.

Given under my hand this 4th
day of January, A. D., 1905.
5-4 T. A. IRVIN,
Sheriff Callahan County, Tex.

Call on Franklin & Grgory for ice
Agents for Pabst Beer. 50

**Weak
Hearts**

Are due to indigestion. Ninety-nine of every
one hundred people who have heart trouble
can remember when it was simple indiges-
tion. It is a scientific fact that all cases of
heart disease, not organic, are not only
traceable to, but are the direct result of in-
digestion. All food taken into the stomach
which fails of perfect digestion ferments and
swells the stomach, puffing it up against the
heart. This interferes with the action of
the heart, and in the course of time that
delicately but vital organ becomes diseased.

Mr. D. Kauble, of Nevada, O., says: I had stomach
trouble and was in a bad state as I had heart trouble
with it. I took Kodol Dyspepsia Cure for about four
months and it cured me.

Kodol Digests What You Eat
and relieves the stomach of all nervous
strain and the heart of all pressure.
Bottles only \$1.00 Size holding 2 1/2 times the trial
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We have moved into the above hotel where we are better pre-
pared than ever to accommodate the public. We take this occa-
sion to thank our friends for their liberal patronage given us in
the many years past, and express the hope that they will call on
us in our new location. Hotel Seay is one of the best equipped
hotels in West Texas. Come see us.

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I have opened up in the Maxwell building and will
keep a first-class house. Everything nice and clean
and the best to eat in the city. Come and see me.
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ned Goods, Mince Meats, Extracts, etc., the "New York"
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