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A SMASHING OF ALL RECORDS.

The Mamoth Clothing Stock of T. E. Powell must be sold. This immense stock was bought before the rise in prices, therefore they are 20 per cent cheaper than any one else. Bargains, Bargains in Clothing.

Men's Clothing.

A nice suit like this cut for only $3.00, sold at other places for $6.00.

Men's fine Beaver & Melton's suits worth $15, sold for only $11.00 at T. E. Powell's. Call and see these suits.

Boys Clothing.

We have also remembered the boys, we have suits for your boys from 14 to 19 yrs. old for only $2.00 worth $4. Like those cuts.

You can't afford to go anywhere else when you can get such bargains at Powell's.

Shirt Department.

Our shirt department is full and complete. Wool shirts like cut from 50cts. to $1.50. Others get $2.00 for same goods.

$15,000.

Worth of other clothing for men and boys at the lowest price for years. Bargains, Bargains

Overcoats.

As the cold days come remember we have overcoats like this cut for only $4. so do freeze.

Everybody knows that Powell to keeps only good shoes. You can buys Powell's Own Make for men for $2.00 that is better than any bodys $2.50. Remember he guarantees all of his own brand, no risk for you to run. And for eastern goods I have the cheapest line ever brought to Baird for men and ladies. Think of a Sunday shoe for $1.00. Others get $2.00 for the same goods.

Skirts.

This beautiful skirt for $1.25 and others for any thing you may ask for.

LADIES UNDERWARE.

We have a full line of all kinds at very much reduced prices.

KID GLOVES.

We make a specialty of Kid Gloves. We guarantee every pair. No trouble any but at Powell's where you get the best goods and the guarantee. Come and see.

Our Hosiery Department.

The best line that Baird ever seen for the least money. You can now get at Powell's only, a 25cts hose for 15cts. Remember the place.

CAPES AND JACKETS.

Our cape and jacket line is complete, and is cheaper than anything in the country.

Some nice Sweaters very cheap, worth $1, we sell for only 50cts.

BOYS XMAS SUIT.

We have children suits of clothing. Remember the precious boys and fix them up with a nice Crismas Suit when it only costs a trifle at Powell's.

Medicines.

A very large line of medicines on hand, and a skillful druggist who knows how to put up the kind they call for. Don't forget that Morrison's celebrated vanilla extract.

In conclusion I want to thank you for the immense trade you have given me for many years, and for the largest and best trade of all this year. I have tried to give you the best goods for the least money, and I see we have succeeded in pleasing you, and you appreciate it we know, by the immense trade you are giving us. We are now working 19 clerks and all are kept busy, that proves to me that you appreciate good bargains and fair dealing. We want your trade and if you want bargains you can't go around my house, for its headquarters.

T. E. POWELL.

Something Must Be Done By Us!

We must meet our obligations promptly; and in order to do so we must collect our sutstanding accounts.

Something Must Be Done By You!

If you owe us, Come pay up. We have carried your account this year and a great many last year also; now don't stand back and say I only owe them $2 or $4, but remember there are many others in the same class with you and the total makes big figures to us, though small figures to you individually. To our friends who have paid us we say "Thanks," Come again. A full line of Drugs and Druggist Sundries always on hand. Come and see us.

St John & Powell.

EULA NEWS.

Nov. 20.—We can not afford any longer to have Eula unknown in our county paper when we see how it is growing and building up in the midst of the most prosperous section of Callahan County; so Mr. Editor you may look for a communication every week from Eula.

A good rain fell last Saturday night and Sunday.

Most of our farmers have finished sowing wheat.

This year's cotton crop is about to be a thing of the past—the Eula Ginning Co. gins only Friday and Saturday in each week.

The business firm of Mathis & Miller are making preparations for their Xmas stock.

The Eula High School is progressing nicely under the management of Prof. H. F. Powell.

Our hustling blacksmith, Mr. A. J. Mathis, is repairing and making additions to his shop this week.

Dr. Pickett, of Callahan county, is expected to arrive here to permanently locate with us. The Doctor is well recommended and personally known to some of our citizens.

Messrs Austin Merrick and R. S. Dement have returned from their trip to Floyd county to which county two of our well known citizens, S. M. and G. A. Merrick have moved to make their future home.

Rev. F. S. Rountree, formerly of Eagle Cove and correspondant for THE STAR, has cast his lot with the Eula people. We welcome you, "Dr. Dio Rivers."

We wish THE STAR good success and wish, hope and vote for Callahan county a good substancial court house.

EXPOSER.

ADMIRAL SHOTS.

Nov. 22:—The rain last Sunday caused the farmers to begin making preparations to store away the wheat crop for next year. All feel sure the wheat crop will be good for another year.

All the farmers in this part of the valley are done sowing wheat, and some have sown oats. R. C. Dawkins broke the record when sowing. He put in five acres with four plows in one half day, actually sowed, plowed and brushed in that much with four ten inch plows after one o'clock. Who comes next?

All the sick reported in last week's communication are not improving at this writing. It is hoped that we can report in our next that they are on the road to recovery. James Eastham is added to the sick list. We fear that going to school has caused his illness, as studying caused him to be sick last winter.

Thos. Pennell has given possession to Mr. Jones, and will live with his grandfather until he finds a home.

W. F. Hawk has moved to his place and will soon begin work for another crop.

Miss Annie Harris, who is teaching the Callahan school, is making the trip twice a day horse back. She will continue the "pleasant ride" till cold weather says 'tis time to quit.

Miss Allie Davis, in addition to her literary studies, has commenced learning the curiousities of "marks and dots" in shorthand. From the start made, we judge that before long she will be able to do the typewriter work, especially on letters, with some shorthand marks.

Last Saturday there were several of the patrons of our school met and repaired the house. There were a few who furnished the "gas" while the work was done by Messrs. Brantley, Boen, Rowden, Booge, Walker, Martin, Smedley, Green and

DU BILL.

Please bring my step ladder home.

R. PHILLIPS. 50-tf

Thousand of men and women suffer from piles, especially women with female weakness have this suffering to contend with in addition to their other pains. TABLET'S BUCKEYE PILE OINTMENT will quickly effect a cure. Price 50 cts in bottles, tubes 75 cts. St John & Powell. Nov.

HIDES AND FURS.

I will pay the highest market price for hides and furs.

43-tf W. J. MCGOWEN.

A LIBERAL OFFER.—THE STAR from this date (date of this paper) until Jany. 1st 1901 for one dollar cash. This means cash in advance, not a promise of cash at some future time.

FRUITS AND ORNAMENTS FOR THE SOUTH

When in doubt, lead trumps. (That's Whist.)
When in doubt about trees, write Watson. (That's Sense.)

But if you ever tried Watson's trees, you wont be in doubt, wont plant anybody else's. **Our** trees have a **record of 40 years**; write and get our Catalogue for 1899, and consult us on any point; we will gladly tell you **what to plant**, and supply you with **the best** of it. That's what we are here for.

This is what the Bastrop Advertiser said about us Aug. '99. "It is not necessary for Agents of the Watson Rosebale Nurseries, of Brenham, to carry their fruit in magnifying glass jars; fruits, and of the finest kinds, from their plantings are in evidence all over Texas.

Rosedale Nurseries, Stanley H. Watson, Prop., Brenham, Tex.

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BAIRD GROCERY CO.,
For Cheap Groceries.
Our Stock is all New and we Sell Very Low, Call and See Our Stock and be Convinced.
All Kind of Produce Kept on Hand.
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We have just received a nice line of Mandolins, Guitars, Violins, Bows, Harmonicas, Etc. Etc.

We also carry in stock a beautiful and select line of Ladies and Gents Watchs, Chains, Charms, Rings, Pins, Collar and Cuff Buttons, Etc.

OUR PRICES PLEASES ALL, THEY ARE RIGHT.

Drugs, Etc.

NOTICE.

For our Holiday Goods, we are receiving them daily, and will soon have them out for your inspection.

Please give us a call and see what we have.

Yours to please,
R. PHILLIPS.

A Sure Sign of Croup.

Hoarseness in a child that is subject to croup is a sure indication of the approach of the disease. If Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is given as soon as the child becomes hoarse, or even after the croupy cough has appeared, it will prevent the attack. Many mothers who have croupy children always keep this remedy at hand and find that it saves them much trouble and worry. It can always be depended upon and is pleasant to take. For sale by R. Phillips Baird, Y. A. Orr, Putnam. Nov.

If you want something good, keep your eye on that Paul Jones. Its for sale by J. J. Welch & Co.

RESIDENCE FOR SALE.

House and 3 lots for sale or trade, will take good farming and grass lands or cattle, 8 rooms, 1 fire place and 5 stove flues. Water works, 2 hydrants in yard, 2 in house, also good cistern, good barn and stables, garden, wood yard, chicken lots, all separate, good storms house, etc, situated on Main street, near Baptist church. Apply at this office, or to W. J. MCGOWEN, on premises for further particulars. 48-tf

Infant mortality is something frightful. Nearly one-quarter die before they reach one year, one-third before they are five, and one-half before they are fifteen! The timely use of White's Cream Vermifuge would save a majority of these precious lives. Price 25 cts. St. John & Powell. Nov.

ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS REWARD.

The Stock Raisers Association of Coleman and adjoinig 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 belongingto any member or members of this association. To be paid when satisfactory proof is made to the executive committee of this association.

R. H. OVERALL, Pres.
A. T. BROWN, Secty. 12 tf

FOR SALE.

Gold mining shares for sale in Oregon, Colorado and California in monthly payments. Call on or address

J. E. GILLILAND,
Baird, Texas.
8 tf

You try the Paul Jones 4 Roses if you have the blues, we guarantee a sure cure. 25 cts a drink, $3 a quart. J. J. Welch & Co. 44-8.

The Baird Star

W. R. GILLILAND, Publisher.

BAIRD, - - - - - TEXAS.

EVENTS OF EVERYWHERE.

O. B. Giffery was run over and killed by a train at Mulberry, Ark.

The Linton gin and mill at Sterrett, I. T., burned. Loss about $5000.

The Domestic National Exchange bank of New York has started business.

Leo Protho, a railway freight conductor, was accidentally killed at Oxford, La.

The Italian parliament was opened at Rome by a speech by King Humbert from the throne.

White pine lumber men in Wisconsin have agreed, it is reported, upon advance of 50 cents per 1000 feet in prices.

It is said that Secretary Long will ask congress for three ships of the Olympia class and three battleships of other classes.

Admiral Schley while at Birmingham, is reported to have given it as his opinion that the Nicaraguan canal is an immediate necessity.

The jury in the Creek conspiracy case, Charles H. Worth, a former bank cashier, of Muscogee, defendant, could not agree and were dismissed.

England, it is alleged, is endeavoring to spur Japan to engage Russia in the far east as an embarrassment of the czar's advance through Persia.

Herr Leyds, brother of Dr. Leyds, and himself an agent of the Transvaal government, died at Brussels of apoplexy while on a visit to his brother.

The national Republican executive committee will meet at Washington Dec. 1 to select time and place for holding the next Republican convention.

Ex-President Harrison believes the Dreyfus case is permanently settled. He does not think Venezuela got what she was entitled to from the arbitration tribunal.

E. Gregg Lloyd, a well known young man of Caddo, I. T., died at that place of slow fever. He was the son of Rev. J. B. Lloyd, one of the oldest Presbyterian missionaries in the Indian Territory.

An Indian named Scurbruger and Dr. Askew became involved in a difficulty near Wein, I. T., and both exchanged shots. When the smoke of the battle cleared away, both men were found to be dead.

At a special meeting of the council of the textile operatives of Massachusetts it was determined to demand of the manufacturers of that state an increase of ten per cent in wages, to go into effect Dec. 11. In event of refusal a strike is recommended.

The anniversary of the hanging of Parsons, Spies, et al., was observed by Chicago anarchists. About 200 persons held a like service in Havana, Cuba. Many heated speeches were made and capitalists were severely scored. The men executed were referred as the "Chicago martyrs."

On account of the prevalence of small-pox in surrounding towns, Judge Clayton has adjourned the December term of the United States court at South McAlester. Witnesses and others interested are instructed not to appear until officially notified to be on hand.

The stockholders of the newly incorporated Telephone, Telegraph and Cable company of America met at New York and elected the following officers: President, William J. Latta; secretary, George F. Hawkins; directors, William J. Latta, Martin Maloney and James E. Hayes. Capital $30,000,000.

The hospital ship Missouri arrived at Colombo en route to Manila.

The replies of the European nations interested in China to the request of the state department for a formal undertaking to preserve the "open door" in the east are not expected for several weeks, inasmuch as the exchanges are not taking place in Washington, but at the various European capitals.

The National Association of Postmasters held a annual session in Washington last week and transacted considerable business. Postmaster General Smith addressed the members. The delegates called on President McKinley in a body the first day of the convention, and paid their respects to him.

An uneasy feeling relative to the relations existing between Russia and Japan is reported as existing in China. The Chinese officials and people seem to think those two governments are about to combine and divide up the Chinese empire between them.

Catholic priests are accused of plotting to kill Christianity. Charges are preferred against Cardinal Gibbons and Archbishop Ireland by a French abbe. He says the American prelates have entered into an alliance with the Jews to bring it about.

THE DEWEY DEED.

It Has Been Placed on Record at Washington City.

ADMIRAL IS DEEPLY CHAGRINED

On Account of the Adverse Criticism that Was Created by the Transfer to Mrs. Dewey.

Washington, Nov. 23.—The deed transferring the Dewey home from Admiral and Mrs. Dewey to the admiral's son George was recorded in the office of the recorder of deeds yesterday. A life interest in the property is reserved by Admiral Dewey and his wife in the following provision:

"Subject, however, to this express reservation: That the parties of the first part do hereby expressly reserve to themselves and to each of them during and for the period of their natural lives respectively a life interest in and to the premises herein deeded, which life interest in case of the death of either of the parties to revert to the other."

The instrument bears date of Nov. 14, the same date borne by the deeds from Admiral Dewey to Lieutenant Crawford and from Lieutenant Crawford to Mrs. Dewey.

An interesting feature in connection with the three Dewey deeds now on file with the recorder of deeds was noted yesterday afternoon. The first deed filed, that by which George Dewey et ux. transfers the Rhode Island property to John W. Crawford, although dated Nov. 14, was not acknowledged before a notary public until the 16th instant.

The second deed, by which Crawford transferred the property to Mrs. Dewey, and the third deed, recorded yesterday, by which George Dewey and Mrs Dewey turn over the title to George G. Dewey, were both, according to the dates as set forth in the papers, acknowledged the 14th instant. In other words, it would seem that Crawford transferred the property to Mrs. Dewey and the latter in turn to George G. Dewey two days before Admiral Dewey transferred the title to Crawford.

A special says:

"The admiral is deeply chagrined at the criticism that has been hurled at him. He says he thought he was secure against anything of that kind and still insists that he has done exactly the graceful thing.

"His statement that the transfer of the home to Mrs. Dewey was but part of the plan to transfer the house to his son is coldly received.

"While no one challenges the admiral's statement, few people will believe anything but that the last transfer was forced by the furious indignation which the transfer to his wife occasioned."

Said the admiral:

"When I sailed into Manila bay, over dangerous ground, with death and even worse in front of me, I little thought that in such a brief period of time after I returned to my native land the American people would countenance such monstrous attacks upon me because I was doing what I considered to be the most gracious thing I could do, to present my home to my bride."

Flags were at half mast in many American and European cities in memory of the late Vice President Hobart.

Firm Embarrassed.

New York, Nov. 23.—Friedman Bros., one of the most important clock manufacturing firms in New York, are in general difficulties and have placed their affairs before their creditors with a view to obtaining a settlement and continuing the business. The total liabilities of the firm, both secured and unsecured, are $849,166.

Joseph Kohler, representing the firm, said that the total assets at bottom figures are $703,308.

In Effect.

Indianapolis, Ind., Nov. 23.—The new scale for the Typographical union of ten hours' pay for nine hours work went into effect Tuesday. President Donnelly of the International Typographical union says the new scale has been generally accepted. The agreement was violated at Pittsburg, and trouble occurred at Cincinnati, Dayton, Frankfort, Ind., and Detroit. A strike occurred at Rockford, Ill. President Donnelly sent $10,000 to aid the striking job printers at Kansas City.

Southern Publishers.

New Orleans, La., Nov. 23.—The Southern Publishers' association, in session here, at the invitation of R. M. Johnston of Houston Post selected Houston for the meeting place of the association next fall.

Col. C. O. B. Cowardin of the Richmond Dispatch was re-elected president, with A. R. Holderby, Jr., of the Richmond Times, as secretary; Leland Rankin, vice president, Nashville American.

After Aguinaldo.

Washington, Nov. 23.—Gen. Otis yesterday cabled the war department as follows:

Manila, Nov. 22.—Dispatch 21st from Lawton at Tayug reports Young with cavalry and Maccabee scouts at Aritigay with advance north to Baoang, rear San Fernando, about to move on trail east of Trinidad. Young reports considerable insurgent force moving in that direction; that Aguinaldo is in charge seeking to cross over to Baymombong. Portion of Lawton's troops now being pushed through to Tayug with rations. Battalion 24th will join Lawton tomorrow. Nothing from Wheaton for several days. MacArthur's operating west of railroad and north of Tarlaun. Wire from Tarlaun north working, troops on entire railroad line rationed without difficulty.

"Iloilo reports several companies, sixth and twenty-sixth volunteers under Dickman, struck insurgents northeast of Jaro. Casualties, six wounded. Enemy left on the field eighteen killed. Dickman captured seven prisoners, four 1-pound brass field pieces, several thousand rounds of ammunition. Eighteenth infantry yesterday drove the insurgents north on Santa Barbara; reports of results not yet received."

The dispatch from Gen. Otis does not yet make it appear that the efforts to capture Aguinaldo and the larger portion of his army will be successful. The intention of Gen. Young to prevent Aguinaldo reaching Bayombong seems evident, but this seems scarcely possible now. Some errors have been made in the transmission of the dispatch. Bayombong is evidently meant instead of Baymombong. The town given as Tarlaun is probably Tarlac, as the situation of MacArthur would indicate that he is operating not far from that place.

No alarm is felt regarding the situation of Gen. Wheaton, as he has been for some time beyond telegraphic communication. Operations are also progressing in the islands south of Luzon, as the last portion of the dispatch indicates.

The next move of importance is to be made by Gen. Wheaton, who will go up the coast by transport to Vigan at the mouth of Abra river. This will land his forces far to the north of where Aguinaldo is supposed to be, the intention being to cut off his retreat to the north. From the military information bureau it is learned that east of the route Aguinaldo is taking are mountains inhabited by tribes which are not friendly to Aguinaldo and will be likely to attack him if he attempts to cross their territory. The country along the coast is quite well settled. There are several little rivers making harbors from which it is feared Aguinaldo may escape by boat. Gen. Young, it is believed, is watching these smaller ports with a part of his force.

Territory Baptists.

Choate, I. T., Nov. 23.—The Baptist Sunday-school and Colportage convention of the Indian Territory has closed its session here. A pleasant and profitable meeting is reported, and quite a large attendance. J. H. York of Choate was elected president for the coming year and Elder R. C. Forum of Calhoun, Mo., corresponding secretary and treasurer.

Mr. Forum will move from Calhoun and locate at Ardmore, so that he can more successfully attend to his duties.

The Transvaal government protests to the state department against the zealousness of Consul Macrum, charging partisan regard for English affairs.

Col. R. T. Flournoy, a prominent Virginian, is dead.

The Casualties.

Pretoria, Nov. 23.—The official returns of the Transvaal casualties since the outbreak of the war show that ninety men have been killed and 200 wounded, of whom a number have recovered and returned to the front. Newspaper reports from Cape Colony say a general rising of the Dutch settlers is imminent in Natal, and that the colonial Boers in those districts, which have been proclaimed republican territory, have joined the Boer forces.

Stage Robbed.

Butte, Mont., Nov. 23.—News reached here that the stage of the American Development and mining company at Gibbonsville, Ida., was held up by two masked young men. Dan Hopkins and Robert Dillingham, whose description tallies with that of the robbers who recently held up and robbed the Salmon City stage and took $50,000 from H. J. Reiling of Chicago. The robbers are supposed to have secured a handsome sum of money and some gold dust.

Arkansas Cyclone.

Fort Smith, Ark., Nov. 23.—A telephone message from Paris, Logan county, reports the town of Magazine destroyed by a cyclone Tuesday night. Magazine is on the new Choctaw and Memphis road, sixty miles east of Fort Smith. All efforts to reach Magazine by wire yesterday failed.

Boonville, ten miles from Magazine, suffered a severe storm, homes being blown down and cattle killed.

The Guatemalan government has imposed an export tax on bananas.

HOBART IS DEAD.

Vice President of the United States Dies at Patterson, N. J.

MRS. HOBART AND HER SON

At His Bedside When the End Came—Many Telegrams of Condolence Have Been Received from Friends.

New York, Nov. 22.—Garret A. Hobart, vice president of the United States, died at his home in Patterson, N. J., at 8:30 o'clock yesterday morning. At his bedside were Mrs. Hobart and her son, Garrett A. Hobart, Jr., together with Dr. William Knowlton and his wife, and Private Secretary Evans.

Mr. Hobart's death had been expected for some hours. The beginning of the end came Monday afternoon, when there was a sudden failure of the heart and from this attack Mr. Hobart never rallied. He had been sick for a long time and had suffered frequently from heart failure and his strength had been undermined. Gradually the failure of the heart's action became more apparent and soon after midnight Monday night Mr. Hobart became unconscious. He remained in that condition until his death.

Mr. Hobart's death was due directly to angina pectoris, complicating myocarditis.

Owing to the prostration of Mrs. Hobart the funeral arrangements will not be completed until to-day. The only step decided upon is that the services shall be held in the Church of the Redeemer in the family plot at Cedar Lawn, where the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hobart was buried six years ago. Rev. Dr. Magee will preach the sermon.

The church can accommodate not more than 800 persons, and as thousands will be eager to attend the services it was suggested that they be held in the armory, which will accommodate 10,000. It is known, however, that Mrs. Hobart wishes the funeral to be as quiet as possible and there is little likelihood that the programme will be changed.

Nearly all the representatives of foreign nations in this country have sent messages of sympathy to Mrs. Hobart. One of the first to express his sorrow at the death of the vice president was President McKinley, who had been notified by telephone by Private Secretary Evans. Attorney General Griggs who was in Washington, telegraphed that he would return to Patterson at the earliest possible moment to take charge of all the details of the funeral. Among others who sent messages of condolence were: Sir Julian Pauncefote, the British ambassador; Count G. de Lichtervelde, envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary of Belgium; Count Cassini, Russian ambassador; Former Vice President Stevenson, Admiral Schley, Gov. Voorhees of New Jersey, United States Senator Sewell of New Jersey, United States Senator Hanna of Ohio, Gen. R. A. Alger, Senator Foraker, Senator Fairbanks, Gen. Castillo, civil governor of Santiago, and Assistant Secretary of War Meiklejohn, General Henry C. Corbin, General Wesley Merritt, Gov. Wolcott of Massachusetts, M. Thiebault, charge d'affaires of France, Gen. Sickles, Judge McKenna and the grand encampment I. O. O. F. of Indiana.

Gens. Lawton and Young.

Manila, Nov. 22.—The whereabouts of Gens. Lawton and Young is becoming as mysterious as Aguinaldo's. The belief is beginning to grow at Manila that Gen. Lawton has struck the trail of the insurgent government and is pursuing the ministers into the Binqua mountains. It has been his ambition to capture the Filipino leader and he and Gen. Young believe that a cavalry brigade living on the country could hunt them down to any part of the island. One vague report by Spanish prisoners is that Aguinaldo and others were nearly surrounded by Americans soon after the insurgent chief left Tarlac, but he escaped through the lines in peasant's clothes. Officers and soldiers arriving at Cabanatuan from Gen. Lawton's force describe the campaign as one of great hardships. Many men, dropping out sick, were left at various towns without adequate supplies and some of them are making their way back across the terrible roads.

Prisoners Released.

Santa Domingo, Nov. 22.—All but two of political prisoners were released from custody yesterday. The two still held have criminal charges pending against them.

Gen. Vasquez, the former head of the provincial government, has left here for Santiago.

The country is quiet and business is improving. The French steamer Salvador has crossed the bar, drawing 12 feet 6 inches.

Telegraph Wires Cut.

London, Nov. 22.—The announcement from Durban that communication with Estcourt is interrupted seems to confirm the belief that a Moer commando has established itself at Willow Grange or near the Mool river, and has cut the telegraph wires. Nevertheless, whatever definite news the British commanders may have obtained from the south of the disposition of the Boer commands in Natal and the condition of the beleaguered garrisons particularly, nothing has been allowed to develop for the public information.

It is certain that owing to the heavy work of debarkation and entraining at Durban the preparations for the advance of the relief forces is in no wise so advanced as supposed. This may be due to the necessity of pushing stores and provisions to the front in needful quantities before the troops are sent. On the other hand, the celerity with which troops are being pushed forward from Cape Town equally tends to show that all such preparations regarding forage and provisions were already well advanced before the troops arrived at Cape Town.

Gen. Methuen's baggage has arrived at DeAar, addressed to "Lord Methuen, Pretoria, via Cape Town."

The reoccupation of Naauwpoort is good news for the British. It is not known here from what point the troops came, but it is presumed they were from DeAar, in which event it will not be long before Stromberg also is reoccupied. Naauwpoort commands the gap in the Kikveersberg, the last strong fighting position south of Orange river, and was admirably suited to Boer tactics.

Col. Royston's dispatch from Ladysmith finally disposes of all reports of another great British victory last Wednesday. The duke of Portland has contributed £10,000 for Red Cross society work in south Africa.

The Times announces that it is authorized to deny the statement recently made by a French paper that Prince Louis Napoleon, who is a colonel in the Russian army, desired to join the Boers and asked Emperor Nicholas for permission. As a matter of fact, he never had any such ideas.

Estcourt, Natal, Nov. 22.—The rumors of a glorious victory achieved by Gen. White Wednesday are still unconfirmed. Little confidence is attached to them, especially as the rumors added that Gen. White had threatened to place many hundreds of prisoners in conspicuous places should the shelling of the town continue. Reports received from the southward say that the Boers are separating into foraging and pillaging parties, who are looting stores, stealing cattle and ransacking houses.

It is added that one farmer became so incensed that he stalked a party of 160 Boers, eventually shooting eight of them.

A Boer force occupies a position on the Mool river ten miles below the Mool river station.

Southern Publishers Association.

New Orleans, La., Nov. 22.—The Southern Publishers association will begin their annual session here today at the St. Charles hotel. The association was formed two years ago at Atlanta and the representatives of all the leading southern papers are members of it. One of the interesting topics to be discussed before it is how best to suppress corespondents who make it their business to send out highly sensational dispatches of lynchings and yellow fever in the south.

Dewey's Son Gets the House.

Washington, Nov. 22. George Goodwin Dewey, Admiral Dewey's only son, is now the owner of the residence presented to the admiral by the American people. Papers were prepared and signed yesterday by which Mrs. Mildred McLean Dewey transferred all rights and titles to the property known at No. 1747 Rhode Island avenue, this city, to George Goodwin Dewey. This is the property which Monday Admiral Dewey transferred to Mrs. Dewey. The papers making the new transfer probably will be placed on file this morning.

In explanation of the transaction practically completed yesterday a relative of the Dewey family made this statement:

"Admiral Dewey and Mrs. Dewey have transferred to the former's son, George Goodwin Dewey, the title to the home presented to the admiral by the people of this country. It will continue to be the home of the admiral and Mrs. Dewey so long as he may live."

Denied Officially.

London, Nov. 22.—The statement contained in a dispatch from Washington called here reporting a hitch in the final settlement of the Samoa difficulties is denied here officially. It is understood that the matters pending between the United States and Germany are unimportant details in no way threatening a successful termination of the agreement. Among the details is the native question, the Chinese and McArthur case and the Samoa land disputes.

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BRITISH AND BOERS

Both Sides are Preparing for a Desperate Struggle.

BOERS INVADE CAPE COLONY.

There is an Unconfirmed Rumor that More Troops Have Been Ordered from India to the Cape.

London, Nov. 21.—The reports of heavy fighting at Ladysmith last Wednesday have not been confirmed. On the contrary, the most reliable advices from Estcourt indicate that there was nothing more than a desultory cannonade. Probably the rumor of a serious engagement grew out of the fact that the Boers threw a few harmless shells last Tuesday night, leading to the supposition that an attack was imminent. Nothing, however, happened Wednesday.

Beyond the fact that the Boers are daily receiving fresh reinforcements and supplies, there is practically nothing new from the front.

The Boer invasion of Cape Colony continues steadily and rapidly. There are 1300 Boers at Colesburg and news has reached East London that Lady Grey, near Aliwal North, has been deserted by the British and is now in the hands of the enemy.

A Pretoria dispatch announces the arrival there among the British prisoners of Major Haldrane, Lieut. Broche and Lieut. Hallwey. It also declares that the British on Sunday made two unsuccessful attempts to oust the Rustenburg commando from a position near Mafeking, and that severe fighting took place.

From Delagoa Bay comes reports of the arrival of more officers and artillerymen who have volunteered to serve with the Transvaal forces.

The war office asserts that all news received from Africa has been published with the exception of demands for the renewal of stores, war material and the like.

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The plan of operations on both sides is slowly unfolding itself. Gen Joubert is evidently moving south to prevent, if possible, the junction of the British relieving force with the forces at Estcourt and Ladysmith, while on the Orange river border the Boers are believed to be concentrating at Donkerpoort to oppose Gen. Bullers advance. It is said that 6000 Boers have already laagered at Donkerpoort.

The English plan seems to be a three-fold advance from Durban to Ladysmith, from Orange River to Kimberley and from East London by way of Queenstown to Burgharsdorp. Gen. Buller has wired the commanding officer at Queenstown, announcing the dispatch of Gen. Gatacre, with the first battalion of the seventh brigade to East London. This was the place from which it was originally intended that Gen. Gatacre's column would start. Thus, it is possible that Gen. Buller's first plans have suffered less modification than some have supposed.

At Washington a meeting of the executive council of the Spanish war veterans was held at the Ebbitt house to draft a constitution and by-laws for the organization.

Lady Salisbury died at the Hatfield house, London, Eng., recently.

Kentucky Election.

Frankfort, Ky., Nov. 21.—The Democratic state campaign committee concedes that Taylor has a majority on the face of the returns, but bases a hope of the election of the Democratic ticket on throwing out the vote of Louisville on account of the alleged interference of the state militia, and of Johnson and Knox counties, where it is charged tissue ballots were issued. The Kentucky election law plainly provides for a secret ballot, and the Republicans admit that they are not as well fortified in the defense of their interests in the Johnson and Knox county cases as might be, but do not credit to any extent the Democratic claim regarding Louisville. In fact, they assert that should Louisville be thrown out on the pretext claimed they have the assurance that Gov. Bradley will back them up in resisting, which they say is already planned. The Goebel managers yesterday announced that they will not take an appeal from the decision of Judge Jones at Glasgow, where 1198 Nelson county votes, erroneously certified for W. P. Taylor, were ordered counted for W. S. Taylor. In this state of the case the vote of Jefferson, Knox and Johnson must be wiped out to give Goebel a majority.

Charge Against an Officer.

Topeka, Kan., Nov. 21.—Lieut. Hall of Lawrence, formerly of the twentieth Kansas regiment, in a letter to the Topeka Journal yesterday, makes the charge that Col. Metcalf, recently brevetted brigadier general for gallantry in the Philippines, shot an unarmed and supplicating Filipino prisoner, and in support of it furnishes affidavits of Private Hibbs of the twentieth Kansas and First Lieut. Ferguson of the thirty-sixth infantry.

After Insurgents.

Manila, Nov. 21.—Only fragmentary reports reach Manila of the operations north, which, when the story is known, will prove to have been the most remarkable campaigning the Philippine war has known. Gen. Lawton's division is spread thinly over the territory beyond San Jose, where the telegraph ends. Gen. Young's two regiments of cavalry are continuing their rapid sweep into the new towns and the infantry is being shover forward to hold the towns the cavalry takes, all in a country whose natural difficulties are increased indescribably by the tropical rains, making rives of creeks and swamps of fields. Wagon transportation is supposed to have been practically abandoned, the American troops living on captured supplies and the little produce the insurgent levies have left.

Maj. Samuel Swigert's squadron of the third cavalry is reported to be engaging a greatly superior force at Pozurrubio, northeast of Dagupan. These troops have fought three engagements and are now holding their position waiting for reinforcements. It is believed at headquarters that this Filipino force is covering the retreat of the insurgent leaders to Binguet mountains, that the insurgents planned to retreat northeast along the Tayugu road, which is stocked with storehouses, three of which the Americans have seized, to draw upon en route, and that only the insurgent advance force had passed Tayug before the American occupation, the main body of Aguinaldo's army being within our lines. The majority of these insurgents may disorganize and pose as agtos when the Americans overtake them.

Among the scraps of news obtainable are stories of the hardships the American army is meeting with. It is reported, for instance, that Gen. Lawton narrowly escaped drowning while fording a swift river when Lieut. Iuna and two privates were lost. Capt. Henry A. Leonhauser with a battalion of the twenty-fifth infantry is on his way to Odonell to take the insurgent cartridge filling works there.

A Filipino captain who surrendered with four men to Col. Andrew S. Burt of the twenty-fifth infantry discovered the factory and volunteered to guide the expedition.

The governor of Nueva Visaya has determined, like many other Filipinos in these days, that the administration of his province can not change too quick, and is coming to Manila to tell Maj. Gen. Otis of his loyalty and incidentally request that he be retained in office under the new regime.

Admiral Watson has received an additional credible report that Lieut. J. C. Gilmore and five of the captured sailors of the United States gunboat Yorktown were at Tarlac, Nov. 1. Lieut. Gilmore was living in a Filipino general's house.

Mindanao villagers have seized a smuggling schooner bound from Iloilo to Zamboanga and supposed to be run by two discharged soldiers. They murdered all the crew.

Gen. Bates is now on board the Yorktown bound on a month's trip to Baalbac and Borneo to observe the methods followed by the British government of the Mohammedans.

Archie Smith was severely burned by hot grease at Ennis the other night.

Thirty-three cars of cattle were unloaded at Whitewright recently to be fed at the oil mill.

Buster Gilmer was accidentally killed at Rock Springs.

A Hold Robbery.

Guthrie, Ok., Nov. 21.—At Dixie, a small town in Pawnee county, a man and 17-year-old boy with red handkerchiefs tied over their faces rode into town, dismounted, went into S. F. Bunn & Co's store, and, compelling ten men in the store to hold up their hands while they robbed the cash drawer of $50, selected $150 worth of clothing, silver, jewelry, etc., packed them in grain sacks and threw them over their horses. Mounting, they compelled the crowd to march before them 150 yards, then firing several shots, they rode off.

The man was armed with a winchester and the boy with a small rifle. They took their time selecting goods and were in the store fully fifteen minutes, compelling severtl customers who arrived to join the row with hands up.

W. J. Scott was killed by the cars at El Paso the other day.

British Schooner Norris.

Boston, Mass., Nov. 21.—The overturned British steamer Norris, which has been repeatedly sighted off Cape Ann, was yesterday towed into Salem harbor by a tug. It is believed that the Norris was capsized off Cape Ann some day last week and that her entire crew of six men, including Capt. W. E. Ray of Bear River, N. S., have been lost. The Norris sailed from Bear River, N. S. for this port on Nov. 10.

BUBONIC PLAGUE.

Two Suspected Cases Being Watched at New York.

HEALTH OFFICERS INVESTIGATING

The Patients Arrived On a Steamer from Santos, Brazil—Cargo Will Be Thoroughly Disinfected.

New York, Nov. 20.—The steamer J. W. Taylor, which arrived Saturday from Santos, Brazil, with the captain and cook ill with suspected bubonic plague, has been disinfected as far as possible without discharging the cargo.

The cabins forecastles, decks and engineer's departments have been cleansed and thoroughly disinfected. The crew have been bathed and their clothes and effects have been subjected to a steaming. The patients are at Swinburne island, and there is no change in their condition. Deputy Health Officer Sanborn says the crew will be kept on board the steamer until to-day when the agents will supply a new crew.

The crew will be removed to Hoffman island and detained for observation for ten days. There has been no further development among them.

After the removal of the crew, the cargo, coffee in sacks, will be discharged into lighters. The sacks will be emptied into other receptacles and then subjected to steam disinfection on board the James W. Wadsworth. After the discharge of the cargo the holds of the steamer will be disinfected. Dr. Fitzpatrick, the bacteriological expert of the quarantine station, is making cultures of the matter taken from the patients. The result of his examinations will determine the question of the discharge of the cargo.

Dr. Hertman M. Biggs, bacteriologist of the health department, gave out the following statement yesterday regarding Parks' examination of the supposed bubonic plague patients:

"The bacteriological examinations thus far made by Dr. Park show apparently that the contents of the broken-down bubos do not contain any living germs. It is possible, however, that some may develop in the cultures.

"Microscopical examinations of the pus are also rather negative. These negative results are such as might be expected in the plague at the stage of the disease presented in these men and would be very unusual in other conditions. They, therefore, afford some confirmatory evidence as to the existence of the plague."

Dr. Biggs said that he had little doubt that the two patients supposed to have the disease are now almost well. The bacteriological examination will be continued so long as the patients of the infected ship present the opinion. This is the first time the physicians of this city have had an opportunity to study the disease directly. Up to this time they have depended upon foreign medical reports, which are not always authentic.

A boy named Taylor died at Handley, Tarrant county, from hydrophobia caused by being bitten by a dog. His convulsions were terrible, it requiring several persons to hold him in bed during the awful paroxysms.

Meteors Observed.

Birmingham, Ala., Nov. 20.—A strange phenomena, supposed to be part of the tri-centenary meteoric disturbance scheduled by the astronomers, was observed here last night between the hours of 7 and 9 o'clock. The first messengers made their appearance directly overhead and attracted much attention and no little fear among the negroes. As many as ten meetors were seen, all of which were in the nebulae form, resembling comets. They first appeared as patches of light and at times would glow a fiery red and then fade away, repeating the operation a number of times before they finally disappeared. During the lurid period the central body could be easily seen, the light radiating throughout the entire mass, which appeared to be about three or four feet long and six inches wide. It was also observed while the glow was on that these strange bodies appeared to be moving, the agitation being easily distinguishable with the naked eye. The entire zenith was overcast, although outside of the area the sky was clear.

To Visit England.

Berlin, Nov. 20.—The Deutsche Tages Zeitung confirms the reports already eabled that, after swearing in a body of recruits recently, Emperor William gathered the officers around him and explained that his forthcoming visit to England had no political character, declaring that, despite the fact of his people desiring him to postpone the journey, he was bound by a promise given some months ago.

Senator Jones in Chicago.

Chicago, Nov. 20.—Senator J. K. Jones, chairman of the national Democratic committee, who arrived last night, said he did not know what the executive committee would do to-day, but it could not call a meeting of the full committee and it could not call the convention. This is the first time since the close of the campaign of 1896 that Senator Jones has met his colleagues on the committee, as he was absent in Europe when they met here last July.

While the executive committee may not do anything relating to issues, candidates or cities, it is expected that a number of prominent Democrats from all parts of the country will be here to "round up" the situation. According to a telegram received yesterday W. J. Bryan will not be present.

Mayor David S. Rose of Milwaukee heads a delegation of Democrats from Wisconsin, who are here to boom Milwaukee for the national Democratic convention. Milwaukee offers an auditorium seating 15,000 people, and is ready with a guaranty of $50,000 to pay the expenses of the convention and the national committee.

Kansas City offers a convention hall seating 15,000, offers to pay all convention and committee expenses and top of that offers a contribution of $50,000 to the Democratic fund.

Senator Jones last night was asked what he had to say about candidates and issues for next year. He replied: "There is no doubt that Mr. Bryan will be the Democratic nominee. The Democratic convention, in my opinion, will reaffirm the Chicago platform. I believe the Democrats will declare against imperialism and in favor of legislation regulating trusts and combinations. It is too soon yet to say just what will be the dominant issue. Conventions and platforms do not make issues. In some parts of the country the financial question will be the most interesing to the voters, in another imperialism, in another trusts and so it will go."

When told of reports to the effect that he was opposed to holding the Democratic convention in Chicago and to keeping the national headquarters here, the senator replied that there were good reasons why the campaign should be handled from Chicago and good reasons why it should not be.

National Committeeman Campan of Michigan, who arrived yesterday, in discussing the recent elections said the result in Nebraska shows that Bryan is strong enough to be certain of renomination and perhaps by acclamation.

J. M. Guffy of Pittsburg said: "Bryan will be the next nominee. There is no opposition to him in my state."

Election Trouble in Kentucky.

Lexington, Ky., Nov. 20.—Geo. W. O. Bradley and the adjutant general of the state guard, Daniel Collier, conferred here yesterday with Col. R. D. Williams of the second Kentucky regiment and the latter conferred with them to Frankfort. None of them would talk. Republican leaders professing to be close to the governor, but having no announcement from him personally, say that if Louisville is thrown out Bradley will refuse to recognize Goebel as his successor and will maintain his position even if forced to use the militia.

Gen. Gomez writes to La Lucha that he has seen with great pleasure the announcement of a project to raise funds to meet his personal needs, but that such a proposition would not do him honor in the execution, and that he must beg leave to refuse the offer in advance.

Disastrous Fire.

Wagoner, I. T., Nov. 20.—A very disastrous fire occurred at 12 o'clock Saturday night, in which Jas. T. Chatwell of Fort Smith, Ark., lost his life.

An inquest was held over his remains yesterday, and the verdict of the coroner's jury was that he lost his life by fire in the St. Charles hotel.

The hotel, which was a three-story frame building, together with the entire contents, was a total loss, as was also three one-story frame buildings adjoining the same, together with their contents.

The hotel was crowded with guests, who lost all of their wearing apparel.

The cause of the fire is unknown. It is supposed to have been caused by a lamp explosion.

There was some insurance on the hotel and also some on the other losses, but the names of the companies and amounts are not known.

John Kerr was killed by a live electric wire at Galveston recently.

Heavy Wheat Purchase.

Kansas City, Mo., Nov. 20—The Journal says: Alfred Dutteuhofer, who is at the head of a grain firm with houses at Mannheim and Duisburg, Germany, has just closed deals with several firms involving a purchase of several hundred thousand dollars worth of southwestern wheat, and left Saturday night for Galveston, where he will make arrangements for the shipment of the grain to Europe.

DAIRY AND POULTRY.

INTERESTING CHAPTERS FOR OUR RURAL READERS.

How Successful Farmers Operate This Department of the Farm—A Few Hints as to the Care of Live Stock and Poultry.

Dairy Notes.

Reports are current that more than the usual number of cows have been killed this year by being struck by lightning. Investigations reveal the strange fact that a large number of them were killed while standing by wire fences. The lightning would strike the wire and instead of grounding would run along the fence its whole length, and somewhere in its course would come near enough to the cows to affect them fatally. Had the lightning grounded as soon as it struck, from the danger of striking the cows at all would have been small. It was evident that the posts in most cases acted as non-conductors or at least were so inferior to the wires as a conducting medium that the lightning hung to the wires. This will be an easy matter to remedy. A wire running down the posts every little way will be a means of conducting the electricity into the earth.

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In a recent issue we took up the question of the Illinois law regarding the slaughter of tuberculous cattle. We cited the law that had been in effect for a number of years allowing an appraisement of all animals slaughtered. In the appropriation bill of the last legislature a clause was inserted which provides specific the manner of slaughtering such animals and the amounts of money that could be obtained from the state for them. It was thought by many at the time that there was a great difference in the value of cows slaughtered dependent on the progress of the disease. One cow with a single tubercle in her not larger than a pea would be valuable as a milker for years, while a cow whose lungs were in an advanced state of decay would be practically worthless. Therefore all slaughtered animals are now divided into six grades or classes. Class A: All cattle that on slaughter are found to be free from tuberculosis. These are paid for at full value by the state provided the valuation does not exceed $75. B, C, D, E, and F, indicate the degrees of progress the disease has made in the animals. For B the owner recovers 75 per cent of the value; for C, 50 per cent; for D, 35 per cent; for E, 25 per cent, and for F 15 per cent.

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The healthfulness of oleomargarine is a question that is constantly being considered. The difficulty of properly answering the question is increased by the fact that the oleomargarine of today is not necessarily the oleomargarine of tomorrow, and the oleomargarine that is turned out by one factory is not the same as that turned out by another. Chemists have now discovered that some oleomargarine contains paraffin, to give it firmer composition. Paraffin by itself is indigestible, and it may prove indigestible when incorporated with the fats that compose oleomargarine, but we are not yet prepared at that point, for the reason that no one appears to have investigated what paraffin will do in such a combination. It may be less harmful than by itself or it may be more harmful. It may be that the union of paraffin with fat permits some of it to get through the tissues with the fat, and there it may work all kinds of mischief—or it may not. However, people do not care to take their chances on such uncertainties. It is manifestly the duty of the government to ascertain such facts for the people. If paraffin is to be sold as butter we should at least know what effect it will have when taken into the human system. We believe that every pound of oleomargarine that goes out should have stamped on the package containing it the ingredients that are used in its manufacture, including all preservatives.

Poultry Notes.

From Farmers' Review: This season has taught us that minks or weasels will catch chicks much more than either ducks or turkeys, after the poult. Fur is any match for the mink is not hard to find. After turks get any size they invariably fly high to roost and the ducks make such a terrible racket whenever they are disturbed that it would take a bold mink to face the music. Next season we shall try the plan of hanging lighted lanterns among the coops; they are almost a necessity anyway, when one is fattening a flock of ducks. On dark nights they are in a constant uproar and of course do not do so well as if they were quiet.

Admirers of Blue Andalusians report them as being very great layers of large white eggs, and as being almost as beautiful in shape, plumage and carriage as birds. They are larger than Minorcas, the hens frequently weighing six pounds when in laying condition, and a very good weight. They are also reported as being extra hardy, especially the young chicks. This will appeal to admirers of the Mediterranean class of fowls, as the Leghorn chicks, as a rule, are not very hardy.

Early chicks were the exception around and in this vicinity this year; and poor hatches the rule. This universal complaint of poor hatches is generally thought to be due to the extremely long continued cold of last winter. Turkeys and ducks were not affected by it, if this was the cause, for their eggs hatched well.

During the dry time this fall, have a large quantity of road dust gathered up and stored in a dry place. Get lots of it, for it will be needed before good out-door dusting places can be found next spring.

The last of this month is a good time to caponize the pound cockerels, if one can spare room, there is no branch of poultry that gives better returns, except early duck, that capons. Caponize a few for your own use next winter, if you do not care to market them.

Aim, and don't miss your aim, to have the pullets and what hens you keep, in their permanent winter quarters by the end of this month. A later removal will cause a later beginning in egg producing and eggs in November, December and January are worth money.

EMMA CLEARWATERS.

St. Bernice, Ind.

Bogus Hog Cholera Serum.

The veterinarian of the Indiana Agricultural Experiment Station points out that agents of cholera medicines in White, Warren, Pulaski and Fulton counties, Ind., are claiming that they sell goods recommended by the station, and agents in Marshall and Kosciusko counties claim to be agents of the Indiana State Board of Agriculture. All agents making such claims in any part of the state are frauds, he says, and should be prosecuted. This is a timely warning and one that readers of "The Farmers' Review will do well to bear in mind when agents come along claiming to possess and use serum made by the government or state bacteriologist. The United States Department of Agriculture has announced success in the preventive treatment of hogs against cholera with serum which they have made and used to inoculate hogs and we now expect to hear from all sides that unprincipled men are out among the farmers claiming to have authority from dire disease will surely follow in their those mentioned to inoculate hogs. The wake, for they are using some fictitious dangerous serum which has been unscientifically prepared from the active virus of hog cholera. Should such men visit the homes of Review readers we trust that they will be required to show signed credentials from those they claim to represent before they are allowed to wield their squirt guns among well hogs. A little learning is a dangerous thing and one cannot be too careful in experimenting with alleged serums which are far more likely to do harm than good. We have abundant faith that the government will eventually make it possible for all farmers to prevent hog cholera among their hogs by inoculation with bonafide serum, but just at present we warn our readers to fight shy of all but authorized agents of the Bureau of Animal Industry or state experiment stations.

Co-operative Dairying in Belgium.

Co-operative dairy societies had until recently not made much progress in Belgium, but during the past few years there has been a remarkable increase in their numbers, eighty-seven institutions of this character, having been established in the year 1897 alone, says the British Dairy Farmer. At the beginning of 1898 there were 167 dairies in operation, supported by 17,622 co-operating members. An interesting feature of this development is the fact that it has taken place for the most part among the peasant farmers, the average number of cows owned by the co-operators being barely three per member. Butter is the principal product of these societies, and their output of this commodity in 1897 was valued at £355,000, while the value of their sales of cheese, milk, and separated milk was estimated at £10,500. The published accounts of one of these co-operative dairies situated at Oostcamp, Flanders, show that the average price realized, for the butter produced and sold in, the year 1897 was 1s. 10½d. per lb. The average price received by the shareholders for the milk supplied by them to the dairy was 3¼d. per gallon, but the profits on the working of the year amounted to an additional halfpenny per gallon, while the value of the separated milk returned to the members was calculated to be 1¼d. per gallon. In this society, which is typical of many others, the profits are divided as follows: One-half to the shareholders who hold one share for each cow they keep; one-fourth to the reduction of loan capital, 15 per cent to the reserve fund, and the remainder is distributed in the form of a bonus to the employes of the society.

Precocity of the Peacock.

Most books on these birds state that they only reach the adult state at three years of age. I should be much astonished if the peacock does not attain this age in the same time, six fertile eggs. Thus laying amongst the birds becomes more abundant after two years of age. It would, then, be interesting to know whether the number of eggs may be yet greater. I must also remark that when confined one peacock suffices for several hens. So says a correspondent of L'Aviculteur.

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BAIRD, TEXAS, Nov. 1899.

TO THE PEOPLE CALLAHAN CO:

We, the members composing the Commissioners' Court, wish to make this explanation for resubmitting the bond issue to you for a second vote.

First: We believe that a great many voters were not informed as to the real condition of the court house.

Second: We believe that when the voters of our county do fully see and realize the exact condition of the court house, and knowing the very great waste and distruction that would follow should the house fail, and knowing the utter impossibility of conducting the affairs, of a county without some safe place in which to have your public records, and county offices. County and District court, that you will settle this matter affirmatively.

Third: Our reason for not repairing the present court house, is because of the present foundation of same. By referring to page 140, book "B." Commissioners' Court minutes, we find the following as the specifications of the present foundation. "Excavate for entire foundation for areas, footings of walls or piers etc, as shown by plans and section, and to an average depth of three feet below the present grade line, following its grade, so that the footings of walls are in no case less three feet below the grade line."

Now if the present foundation is not sufficient to hold the building, which is demonstrated by reason of the house giving away in nearly all its parts, we believe it would be useless to repair at an expense of of $4000 or $5000 with this foundation.

Fourth: We pledge ourselves, as stated in the order calling for this bond issue to use all the present material in the building and if necessary to use new material in the building to use rock and iron Iron for concreting purposes only.—[concrete floors.]

We further pledge ourselves to issue only so much of the $20,000, as may be necessary, consistent with good substantial workmanship to rebuild the house and in the event no contract is submitted which meets with our approval, based on the above, we pledge ourselves not to issue any bonds, but to refer the matter to you, for your further investigation. We deem it necessary to make this explination, as it seems the position of the Court has not been fully understood. We earnestly request that every voter who can to make a personal inspection of the building.

We have no desire to place any unjust debt upon the people, but having been elected by you to attend to the affairs of your county, and seeing that our court house is rapidly going to ruin, and believing it is the sound judgment of the voters to save the present material and your most valuable records, and possible the life or lives some of your citizens, we have resubmitted this question to you, not deeming it good economy and good business judgment to repair the court house it having only a three foot foundation, and carrying a two foot two story wall.

Respectfully submitted,
B. L. RUSSELL.
Judge Presiding.
W. A. HINDS,
Commissioner Pre. No. 1.
PHILLIP YOST,
Commissioner Pre. No. 2.
A. M. SPRAWLS,
Commissioner Pre. No. 3.
J. M. HOUSTON,
Commissioner Pre. No. 1.

COURT HOUSE BOND ELECTION.

In Commissioners' Court, Nov. 16, 1899.

Whereas, it appearing to the Court that the court house is now in a dangerous condition, and becoming more dangerous continently and not safe to occupy by the several county officers and public generally, and whereas the Hon. Dist. Judge declined to hold court in said court house, and whereas the Grand Jury for the Oct. term 1899 of District Court Callahan county recommended to this Court that a bond issue be resubmitted to the voters o Callahan county.

It is ordered by the Court that an election be held at each of the regular voting places within the county of Callahan on Saturday Feb. 10, 1900 to enable the qualified property tax paying voters of Callahan county to determine whether or not there shall be issued bonds for the purpose of rebuilding the court house, **using all the rock and material now composing said Court House** and if necessary to use any new material the same shall be of rock and iron.

The amount of said bonds to be issued shall not exceed Twenty Thousand dollars payable in in twenty years, but may be redeemed at the option of the county at any time after ten years, bearing 4 per cent interest payable semi-annually. Said election to be held shall be governed by the laws of the State regulating general elections and the presiding officers of elections throughout the county heretofore appointed by this Court at the Feby term 1899 are hereby appointed presiding officers to hold said election.

On motion of A. M. Sprawls the above order was put upon its passage by the following vote:

YEAS—4.

W. A. Hinds, Com'r. Pre. No. 1.
Phillip Yost Com'r Pre. No. 2.
A. M. Sprawls, Com'r Pre. No. 3.
J. M. Houston, Com'r. Pre. No. 4.

NAYS—NONE.

I hereby certify the above to be a true and correct copy of said order as appears from the minutes of said Court.

W. P. COCHRAN, Clerk.

THE COURT HOUSE BONDS.

We call the attention of the people of Callahan county to the order and address of the Commissioners' Court for another election on the court house bonds.

One of the main objections urged against the bonds before was that the people were left in the dark as to what kind of material the court house was to be rebuilt with and the cost. Opponents of the bonds took advantage of this and spread the report that the house was to be rebuilt of brick, and that the cost would have to run up to fifty or sixty thousand dollars.

As absurd and false as these stories were, many people believed them and it caused them to vote against the bonds

In the order for the election, published in this issue, it is made plain to the people that the house is to be rebuilt of stone and other material now in the building, and only so much of the $20,000 worth of bonds as is absolutely necessary to rebuild the house will be issued.

In the signed address issued by the members of the Court, they pledge themselves that in the event no contract or bid is submitted to complete the house for $20,000 to refer the matter back to the people before issuing bonds

This effectually disposes of the story that the building will cost one cent above $20,000, or in other words if the Court finds it cannot rebuilt the house completed as it now stands for $20,000 ea contract will be let, but the whole question referred back to the people.

Read the order and address of the Court carefully, and do not be deceived by false statements of those who seek to prevent the court house being rebuilt or repaired in anyway.

GRAND JURY REPORT.

Baird, Tex. Nov. 16, 1899.

To Hon. N. R. Lindsey,
Judge 42nd, Judicial Dist.

The Grand Jury wishes to submit to you the following report:

1st. That they finished all business coming before them, except three misdemeanor cases, which with all the evidence, we turned over to the County Attorney for further investigation and disposal.

2nd. We have examined the jail and found it in good shape and well kept, and no suggestion to make.

3rd. We examined the Court House upon which we found danger signal, and unoccupied by most of the public officers on that account, and we recommend that the Commissioner's Court re-submit the question of bond issue to the people for the purpose of rebuilding the court house.

Respectfully submitted,
W. C. POWELL. Foreman.

Vice President Hobert died at his home in Paterson, N. J., Tuesday morning.

Gen. Joe Wheeler writes that he will remain in the Philippines, and not attend the opening of congress, as he originally intended.

The negro troops in Texas have kicked up an other row, this time at Rio Grande City. The negro soldiers are an infernal nuisance, and it is an insult to the southern white people to foist such troops upon them, and we cannot see why the administration should send them to the south. Congress should disband every negro regiment in the army, or have them sent to Manila, or anywhere so as to get them out of the country.

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It has set the standard of quality for all competitors for the last thirty years. The strongest claim any competitor can make is that his coffee is "just as good as Arbuckles'."

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No. 80 A Spring Balance Scale. Will weigh from one ounce to 20 pounds. Sent by express, charges prepaid by us, on receipt of 2 cent postage stamp and 10 signatures cut from wrappers of Arbuckles' Roasted Coffee. When ordering, name your nearest Express Office as well as your Post Office.

No. 73. Scholars' Companion. A most useful article for school children. Highly polished wooden box with lock and key containing lead pencil, pen holder, rule and rubber. Sent post-paid on receipt of two cent postage stamp and 15 signatures cut from wrappers of Arbuckles' Roasted Coffee.

No. 75. A Fifty Foot Measuring Tape. Sent post-paid on receipt of 2 cent postage stamp and 10 signatures cut from wrappers of Arbuckles' Roasted Coffee.

No. 77. Telescope Drinking Cup. This article is protected from falling apart by its unique construction. Nickel-plated and highly finished. A very useful article to carry in the hand, in the farm. Brass case, nickel-plated. Extra long leg. Sent post-paid on receipt of 2 cent postage stamp and 15 signatures cut from wrappers of Arbuckles' Roasted Coffee.

No. 79. Pepper and Salt Holders. Made of German Silver without brass or gilt. Sent post-paid on receipt of 2 cent postage stamp and 12 signatures cut from wrappers of Arbuckles' Roasted Coffee.

No. 81 Men's Suspenders. Elastic Web Suspenders, durable, neat, well mounted. Sent post-paid on receipt of two cent postage stamp and 16 signatures cut from wrappers of Arbuckles' Roasted Coffee.

No. 82 Barber Swing Strop. A double strop, one of leather and one of canvas, bound together. Length, 22 inches, width, two inches, trimmings nickel plated. Sent post-paid on receipt of two cent postage stamp and 12 signatures cut from wrappers of Arbuckles' Roasted Coffee.

No. 83 A Table Cover. Handsome cloth, varegated figured pattern with fringe, 32 inches. Sent post-paid on receipt of two cent postage stamp and 25 signatures cut from wrappers of Arbuckles' Roasted Coffee.

Any one Book of the following List will be sent post-paid on receipt of a 2 cent postage stamp and 10 signatures cut from the wrappers of Arbuckles' Roasted Coffee.

No. 64 A ONE NIGHT MYSTERY, and two other great Detective Stories, by Wilkie Collins.
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No. 66 TEMPEST AND SUNSHINE. A Novel by Miss Mary J. Holmes. The most popular female writer of fiction of the age.
No. 67 THE SUNNYSIDE COOK BOOK, by Mrs. Jennie Hawks. The best of the many excellent, economical home Cook Books ever published.
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No. 90 THE CITY OF DREADFUL NIGHT, and other stories, by Richard Kyanite.

No. 91 The First Prayer. A beautiful Imported Picture 18x24 inches in size. Sent post-paid on receipt of 2 cent postage stamp and 10 signatures cut from wrappers of Arbuckles' Roasted Coffee.

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No. 93 Two is Company. The original was painted by Percy Moran. This is a fine line engraving in a great variety of art tints. Size 20x28 inches. Sent post-paid on receipt of two cent postage stamp and 10 signatures cut from wrappers of Arbuckles' Roasted Coffee.

No. 94. A Basket of Beauties. A magnificent picture of Roses by Paul de Longpre, the great painter of flowers. We believe this to be one of the handsomest flower pictures ever offered to the public. Size 16x20½ inches in size. Sent post-paid on receipt of 2 cent postage stamp and 10 signatures cut from wrappers of Arbuckles' Roasted Coffee.

No. 95 Three Beautiful Flower Pictures. Each measuring 9x12½ inches. The titles are "Summer Fragrance," "A Vase of Lilies," and "Pinks and Sweet." These three pictures go together, and will be sent post-paid on receipt of 2 cent postage stamp and 5 signatures cut from wrappers of Arbuckles' Roasted Coffee.

No. 96. Noah's Ark. A menagerie, consisting of 12 pairs of Animals—Elephants, Camels, Deer, Horses, Cattle, Donkeys, Goats, Lions, Bears, Tigers, Dogs and Cats. Each pair is coupled and stands alone. They are lithographed in many colors on heavy cardboard, cut out and enclosed. Every feature of the Animals is distinctly shown. The elephants are 7 inches high and 10 inches long, and the other Animals are proportionately large. Sent post-paid on receipt of 2 cent postage stamp and 15 signatures cut from wrappers of Arbuckles' Roasted Coffee.

No. 97. Eighty-one Gold Eyed Needles. Put up in a pretty morocco case, assorted sizes and made by one of the best manufacturers. Sent post-paid on receipt of 2 cent postage stamp and 20 signatures cut from wrappers of Arbuckles' Roasted Coffee.

No. 98 Hair Pin Cabinet. A metal box ornamented in colors, containing One Hundred Hair Pins, assorted sizes and styles, straight, crimped and invisible, in a variety of styles and in sealed compartments. Sent post-paid on receipt of 2 cent postage stamp and 10 signatures cut from wrappers of Arbuckles' Roasted Coffee.

No. 99 A Pocket Mirror and Comb. Set in neat leather combination case, with white metal frame. Sent post-paid on receipt of 2 cent postage stamp and 7 signatures cut from wrappers of Arbuckles' Roasted Coffee.

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No other part of the Coffee Wrapper will be accepted as a voucher, nor will this Picture be accepted as such.

Arbuckle Bros.

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No. 4. departs.....10 45 a. m.

WEST BOUND.

No. 5. departs.....2 50 a. m.
No. 3.....3 25 p. m.

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LOCAL NEWS.

COUNTY OFFICERS.

County Judge.....B. L. Russell.
County and Dist. Clerk.....W. P. Cochran.
Tax Assessor.....T. J. Norrell.
Sheriff and Tax Collector.....J. W. Jones.
Deputy Sheriff.....M. M. Reed.
Sheriff Office Deputy.....J. F. W. Lane.
County Attorney.....J. W. Woods.
County Treasurer.....T. B. Holland.
County Surveyor.....M. R. Bailey.
Public Weigher.....W. M. Coffman.
Hide and Animal Inspector.....J. R. Harris.
County Commissioner Precinct No. 1, W. A. Hinds; Precinct No. 2, Philip Yost; Precinct No. 3, A. M. Sprawls; Precinct No. 4, J. M. Houston.
J. P. Precinct No. 1, a.....J. P. L. O. Oliver.
Constable.....W. C. Asbury.

City Government.

Mayor.....Arthur Yonge.
City Marshal.....W. R. McDermett.
Aldermen, J. B. Harmon, R. A. St. John, S. L. Driskill, W. E. Mayes, H. Schwartz.
City Council meets on first Tuesday night in Court House.

Baird needs an opera house.

T. B. Hadley was in town Wednesday.

J. M. Cunningham, of Putnam was in town Tuesday.

E. C. and J. H. Hill were up from the Bayou last Saturday.

W. J. Leverett, of Lower Deep Creek, was in the city Thursday.

W. F. McRee, of Cottonwood,, was in the city Wednesday.

J. W. Aiken, of Caddo Peak, spent a day or two in town on business this week.

W. I. Magee, of Abilene, spent Sunday in Baird, returning home in his buggy, Monday.

J. M. Harlow, of the Cross Plains country, came up with cotton Wednesday.

W. E. Gillett from near Caddo Peak, was in the city with cotton, Thursday.

For fresh Jersey butter, apply to Mrs. J. F. Jackson. Phone 49. 51-tf

Luke Cathey, L. D. Harwell and A. L. Biggerstaff, of Putnam, were in town this week.

LaGrippe, with its after effects, annually destroys thousands of people. It may be quickly cured by One Minute Cough Cure, the only remedy that produces immediate results in coughs, colds, croup, bronchitis, pneumonia and throat and lung troubles. It will prevent consumption. St John & Powell.

John Trent returned, Wednesday, from a several months sojourn in West Texas.

"I had dyspepsia fifty seven years and never found permanent relief till I used Kodol Dyspepsia Cure. Now I am well and feel like a new man," writes S. J. Fleming, Murry, Neb. It is the best digestion known. Cures all forms of indigestion. Physicians everywhere prescribe it. St. John & Powell.

P. D. Norton, Dolphus Robinson, Tom Breeding, and Bal Sparks, of Cottonwood, were in town Thursday.

You never know what form of blood poison will follow constipation. Keep the liver clean by using DeWitt's Little Early Risers and you will avoid trouble. They are famous little pills for constipation and liver and bowel troubles. St. John & Powell.

Constable Wm. Gardner, of Tecumseh precinct, was in town this week. Will, by the way, is the lone voter for the court house bonds at Rough Creek, consequently gets the Testament and a years subscription to THE STAR offered by the publisher to the one who would acknowledge the vote. THE STAR believes in encouraging a man when he goes right, especially when he has such tremendous odds against him.

If you are suffering from drowsiness in the day time, irritability of temper, sleepless nights, general debility, headache, and general want of tone of the system, use HERBINE. You will get relief and finally a cure. Price 50 cts. St John & Powell.

Jasper McCoy was among those who renewed his subscription to THE STAR. Jasper is one of the oldest subscribers to THE STAR and has his subscription paid up to Dec. 1900, the end of the 13th volume of THE STAR.

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From Black Leg? It can not be cured, but it can be prevented. Pasteur's Black Leg Vaccine has never failed to prevent. Don't wait until you begin to lose, as it is cheaper to vaccinate 100 than to loose 1. No experiment sure and safe. Price per package sufficient for 10 yearlings or 15 calves, $1.50.
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BASS BROS., Abilene.

Robt. Macdonald report and inch of rain at his ranch north of town Sunday.

Dr. H. H. Haden, Summit, Ala., says, "I think Kodol Dyspepsia Cure is a splendid medicine. I prescribe it, and my confidence in it grows with continued use." It digests what you eat and quickly cures dyspepsia and indigestion. St. John & Powell.

Cattle and mule buyers have been numerous in Baird this week. Taken all around Baird is the liveliest town of its size in these parts.

"I would'nt be without DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve for any consideration," writes Thos. B. Rhodes, Centerfield, O., Infallible for piles, cuts, burns and skin diseases. Beware of couterfeits. St. John & Powell.

There are two reasons why we cannot publish some of the news items given us,—i.e. We have no fighting editor, nor any money to fight libel suits.

FOR SALE.—6 room house. Small cash payment balance to suit purchaser ED COPPINS, Baird, Sept. 18th. 42-tf

Made Young Again.

"One of Dr. King's New Life Pills each night for two weeks has put me in my "teens" writes D. H. Turner of Dempseytown, Pa., They're the best in the world for Liver, Stomach and Bowels. Purely vegetable. Never gripe. Only 25 cents at all drug stores.

J. F. Claggett reports the sale of a Hereford bull yearling to C. P. Warren, of Abilene, for $137.50. How is this as an argument in favor of raising good cattle?

Constipation means the accumulation of waste matter that should be discharged daily, and unless this is done the foul matter is absorbed and poisons the system. Use HERBINE to bring about regularity of the bowels. Price 50 cts. St. John & Powell.

J. B. Seay, we regret to learn, has lost the sight of his right eye, caused by an acute attack of neuralgia a few weeks ago. He left Wednesday accompanied by Mrs. Seay for Dallas, where he will be treated by a specialist in the hope that his other eye, which is slightly effected may be permanently cured. We sincerely hope the specialist may be successful in his treatment, as he believes he will.

J. D. Bridges, Editor "Democrat" Lancaster, N. H. says, "One Minute Cough Cure is the best remedy for croup I ever used." Immediately relieves and cures coughs, colds, croup, asthma, pneumonia, bronchitis, grippe and all throat and lund troubles. It prevents consumption. St. John & Powell.

Sam Cutbirth Sr. returned Wednesday from a visit to his children at Weatherford College.

For burns, cuts, bruises, lacerations or injuries of any description, BALLARD'S SNOW LINIMENT is a sovereign remedy. It never fails to do good, and so promptly that its wonderful curative properties frequently create surprise. Price 25 and 50 cents. St John & Powell. Nov.

Squire Hugh Moore of the Tecumseh precinct was in town the first of the week on official business.

If you have a sore throat, soreness across the back or side, or your lungs feel sore or tender, or you are threatened with diphteria or pneumonia, apply BALLARD'S SNOW LINIMENT externally, and use BALLARD'S HOREHOUND SYRUP. St. John & Powell. Nov.

OLD PAPERS—For sale at THE STAR office, 25 cents a hundred.

W. F. Wilson went east the first of the week to buy hogs for the meat market. Would it not pay the farmers of Callahan better to raise more hogs and less low priced cotton?

WOMEN IN TROUBLE.

The Approach of Motherhood is the Occasion of Much Anxiety to All.

Every woman dreads the ordeal through which she must pass in becoming a mother. The pain and suffering which is in store for her is a source of constant anxiety, fear and dread, it may nothing of the danger which the coming incident entails. The joyous anticipations with which she looks forward to baby's coming gives way to an indescribable dread of the ordeal when she fully realizes the critical and trying event which will soon approach and have to be endured.

Women should hail with delight a remedy which insures to them immunity from the pain, suffering and danger incidental to child-bearing. Such a remedy is now offered, and women need not fear longer the hour of childbirth. "Mother's Friend"—is a scientific liniment—and if used before confinement, gently and surely prepares the body for the great requirements and changes it is undergoing, insures safety to both mother and child, and takes her through the event with comparative ease and comfort. This wonderful remedy is praised by every woman who has used it.

What woman is not interested in "Mother's Friend?" This wonderful remedy has been tested and its priceless value proven by the experience of thousands of happy mothers who have used it during the most critical period of woman's life—the approach and culmination of motherhood.

It has won their everlasting praise for it gave them help and hope in their most trying hour and when most needed. Every woman may now day need "Mother's Friend." The little book, "Before Baby is Born," telling all about it, and when it should be used, will prove of great interest and benefit to all expectant mothers, and will be sent free to any address upon application to the Bradfield Regulator Company, Atlanta, Ga.

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

"The new arrangement of the Texas & Pacific Railway for taking care of passengers to Hot Springs, Arkansas, does away with the lay-over at Malvern. This makes the best service ever offered those who desire to visit the greatest Mineral Spriings in America. The T. & P. run two fast trains daily, equipped with superb Pullmon Sleepers and handsome new reclining Chair cars (seats free)." 34 tf

Paul Jones is a popular brand and a popular goods. J. J. Welch & Co. at Baird, Texas, have it. 44-8t

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HARRY MEYER.

An amusing incident occured Tuesday at the fountain at the foot of Market street. A bunch of cattle were being driven past the fountain when one of the yearlings concluded to take a drink of Baird's pure sparkling water. While he was enjoying his drink an old cow (perhaps a jealous town cow) gave Mr. Yearling a hoist with her horns and into the fountain he went head first. Some how the yearling turned on his back with his head under the water and his heels sticking up in the air. It looked for a bit that Mr. Yearling would drown before he could extricate himself, but after kicking most of the water out of the fountain he managed to scramble out, a wiser but sadder bovine. The incident furnished considerable amusement for the bystanders. About all the damage done to the fountain was to bend the water pipe that stood in the center of the fountain. The City Council did not expect the fountain to be used as a swimming pool for stock, consequently the pipe was not strong enough to witnstand the kicks received by the frightened yearling.

Six Frightful Failures.

Six terrible failures of six different doctors nearly sent Wm. H. Mullen of Lockland, O., to an early grave. All said he had a fatal lung trouble and that he must soon die. But he was urged to try Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption. After taking five bottles he was entirely cured. It is positively guaranteed to cure all diseases of Throat, Chest and Lungs, including Coughs, Colds, LaGrippe, Pneumonia, Bronchitis, Asthma, Hay Fever, Croup, Whooping Cough. 50 cents and $1.00. Trial bottle free at all drug stores. Nov

Capt. W. J. Maltby was in town this week.

The Best Plaster.

A piece of flannel dampened with Chamberlain Pain Balm and bound on to the affected parts is superior to any plaster. When troubled with a pain in the chest or side, or lame back, give it a trial. You are certain to be more than pleased with the prompt relief which it affords. Pain Balm is also a certain cure for rheumatism. For sale by R. Phillips, Baird and Y. A. Orr, Putnam. Nov

Judge B. R. Webb came up from Ft. Worth Sunday and returned home Monday.

GILLILAND PASTURE POSTED.

Owing to the many depredations committed by hunters in my pasture on Pecan Bayou, I am compelled to forbid all hunting on the lands or fishing in the waters in said pasture. Any person so trespassing will be prosecuted. This pasture is posted.

28tf J. Y. GILLILAND.

John Laird went to Colorado City, Wednesday, to look after some business for his company.

When needing new wall paper be sure and see the new stock of paper at St. John & Powell's.

John Cochran and Mr. Fulton concluded Sunday to take a ride down on the elevator used in hoisting brick at the new hotel. The "break" did not work and as a result the boys got a drop that shook them up considerably. Fortunately neither were seriously hurt, though it is safe to say that they won't ride in an elevator again for sometime.

Brave Explorers

Like Stanley and Livingstone, found it harder to overcome Malaria Fever and Ague, and Typhoid disease germs than sagage cannibals; but thousands have found that Electric Bitters is a wonderful cure for all malaria diseases. If you have chills with fever, ache in back of head and neck, and tired, worn-out feeling, a trial will convince you of their merit. W. A. Null, of Webb, Ill., writes: "My children suffered for more than a year with chills and fever; then two bottles of Electric Bitters cured them." Only 50 cents Try them. Guaranteed. Sold by all druggist. Nov.

Cowmen take notice. J. J. Welch and Co. are handling our celebrated Paul Jones whiskey. Go try it and be convinced that a good article cost money. Yours truly, Paul Jones & Co. Louisville, Ky. 44-8t

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QUART BOTTLES.
Painful and Suppressed Menses, Irregularity, Leucorrhœa, Whites, Sterility, Ulceration of the Uterus, change of life, in matron or maid, all find relief, help, benefit and cure in JOHNSTON'S SARSAPARILLA. It is a real panacea for all pain or headache about the top or back of the head, distressing pain in the left side, a disturbed condition of digestion, palpitation of the heart, cold hands and feet, nervousness and irritation, sleeplessness, muscular weakness, bearing-down pains, backache, legache, irregular action of the heart, shortness of breath, abnormal discharges, with extremely painful menstruation, scalding of urine, swelling of feet, soreness of the breasts, neuralgia, uterine displacement and catarrh, and all those symptoms and troubles which make the average woman's life so miserable.
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THANKSGIVING SERVICES.

Union Thanksgiving service at the Cumberland Presbyterian Church at 11 o'clock a. m., Nov. 30, 1899.

PROGRAM.

Song.
Invocation.—Rev. L. B. Gray.
Anthem.
Scripture and prayer.—Rev. C. W. Irvin.
Duet.—Two Little Girls.
Thanksgiving Proclamation.—John Woods.
Anthem.
Sermon.—Rev. John Collier, D. D.
Prayer.—Prof. Foster.
Song.
Benediction.

The christians of Baird will unite in a Thanksgiving service at the Baptist Church Nov. 30th 7:30 p. m.

PROGRAM.

Song. Praise God.
Invocation.—Rev. Gray.
Quartet.—Mr. and Mrs. Gray, Miss Simons and Mr. F. B. Austin.
Five minutes addresses.—Dr. Collier and Judge Russell.
Duet.—Mrs. Sartor and Miss Hargraves.
Recitation.—Miss Charlsie Sartor.
Recitation.—Miss Balah Cooke.
Solo.—Miss Hargraves.
Recitation.—Miss Edith Collier.
Song.—Select from city choir.
Recitation.—Miss Smith.
Song.—Congregational, All Hail the Power of Jesus Name.

The program is free to all, and a most cordial invitation is extended, alike, to strangers, citizens and friends

WM. H. FOSTER, Chm.

CALLAHAN COUNTY TEACHER'S INSTITUTE.

To be Held at Baird, Dec. 1st and 2d, 9 a. m. to 4 p. m.

PROGRAM.

Teaching geography,—Mrs. Gussie Surles.
Fiction as an Educational Medium,—Miss Pauline Rushing.
How to secure a Minimum of Confusion in the school Room.—C. M. Reed.
Primary Reading.—Harry Powell.
Arithmetic, Analysis.—H. C. Darden.
Difficulties in Country Schools and how to meet them.—Mrs. Dora Norton.
How to teach Beginners in grammar.—W. H. Dawkins.
Literature in the school.—R. L. Alexander.
Habits of the Teacher.—Mrs. Emma Weinett.
Primary Language.—Miss Annie Harris.
My Greatest Difficulty.—General Discussion.
The Course of Study in our Public Schools.—Mr. Chrisman.
Some of the Grave Defects in Teaching.—J. P. Gotcher.
Primary Number Work.—Mrs. Walter Hale.
School Government.—Harry Varner
Friday Afternoon Exercises.—Gypson Crossland.
Intermediate Language.—C. A. Bowman.
Best Modes of Conducting the Recitation.—Mr. Prince.
General Discussion upon the Teaching of Subjects Suggested.
Dr. Collier will deliver a lecture on Friday evening, to which will be added music and recitations.

W. D. RUST,
MISS HELEN SMITH,
W. H. DAWKINS,
Committee on Program.

MUSICALE PROGRAM.

A musicale will be given at the residence of Dr. Jno. Collier, Saturday afternoon, Dec. 2, for the music and elocution pupils of Baird College. The following program will be rendered at three o'clock.

"Jolly Brothers Galop." Florence Rushing.
"The Bicycle Girl." Minnie Smartt.
"First Waltz." Mary Speer and Alice Speer.
"Fishing." Maud Rice.
"Sunbeam Waltz." Master Bertram Daniel.
"Johnnie's Next Door Neighbor." Irma Sigler.
Duett. "Ships." Willie Rudmose. Edith Collier. Alice McCurdy.
"Menuett." Comora Moon. Lillie Moon.

Dr. E. M. Rust, of Merkel, spent a day or two in town this week. It is rumored that Dr. Rust may move to Baird.

Some one stole Charley Cole's horse Tuesday night and lit out south. Charley left Wednesday in persuit of the thief.

We had a fine rain Saturday night and again Thursday night. The rain was general over all this section. The water tanks are all full, and the ground has the best season for a long, long time.

PREACHING.

Bro. Irvin requests THE STAR to say that the "new preacher" would be glad to see all the members at the Methodist church tomorrow.

Springti Medicine Made
Is the sweetest season in human life, and it is in Nature generally. It is the time of promise. As the young girl draws near to that mysterious line "Where womanhood and girlhood meet," her whole destiny is in a measure being determined. How often the sweet young girl, under the influence of the change, withers and droops like some blighted bud. Nature generally sends some little help at this critical period, and this help in its best form is contained in Doctor Pierce's Favorite Prescription. It establishes regularity, and gives the vigor of perfect health to the womanly organs. It contains no alcohol, neither opium, cocaine, nor other narcotic.

Miss Emma Lee of Wilford, Sharp Co., Ark., writes: "I was suffering severely and tried several doctors' remedies, but received only very little relief; therefore, I feel it my duty to write and let other sufferers know what your 'Favorite Prescription' and 'Golden Medical Discovery' and 'Pleasant Pellets' have done for me. I took eight bottles of 'Favorite Prescription' and 'Golden Medical Discovery,' six vials of the 'Pellets,' also one bottle of your 'Compound Extract of Smartweed.' As soon as I had taken the first bottle I could see that the medicine was helping me. I had disease of internal organs with leucorrhœa and catarrh. I also used the local treatment you suggested."

The sluggish liver can be cured by the use of Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Go to A. Cooke's for Drugs. 33tf

T. E. Powell wants your trade. 42tf

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

Shoes, the best in Baird at Powell's

A good sock for 5 cts worth 10 at Powell's. 42-tf

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

Please come and seeny goods if you want bargains. T. E. Powell. 42-tf

St. John & Powell have an elegant line of new wall paper. Call and see it.

The finest line of dress goods, viz: Crepons, 85 cts and up. Come quick. T. E. Powell. 42-tf

When in need of stationery visit THE STAR Job Office. Work is right and prices right.

Fine dress goods for winter wear at Powell's cheaper and better than anywhere in Baird. 42-tf

Mrs. Miller wants you to call on her. She has the finest millinery goods ever brought to Baird. Come and see for yourself. T. E. Powell. 42

Over thirty combinations of wall paper to select from, all new at St. John & Powell's.

The big battle in Manila is not near as big as T. E. Powell's big fight on High Price. Cotton checks 5½ cts, domestic 3½ cts per yard and so on. Call on him for bargains. 42-tf

FOR SALE:—The College addition is now platted, lots 150x50, five streets, water handy, for sale reasonable, easy terms For prices and terms see J. N. RUSHING. 37-tf

Fine line of doll. at all seasons of the year at R. A. Speer's. 8 tf

BORN.—To Mr. and Mrs W. D. Rust, Nov. 22d, a boy.

E. C. Austin, of Cross Plains, was mud-bound in town yesterday.

Dick Burnefield, of Cottonwood, was in town a day or two this week.

W. T. Clifford, of Anson, passed through Baird Thursday on his way home from a visit to his brother, Geo. Clifford, who has been very sick.

Mrs. Fleming, near Clye, was adjudged insane in County Court this week, and ordered sent to the asylum, at Terrell.

Rev. C. W. Irvin, pastor of the Methodist Church, has been returned to this work. We will publish the full list of the Abilene District next week.

See T. E. Powell's new red ink ad this week, and you come to town next week call and see Powell for bargains.

W. P. Brown was in town, Thursday.

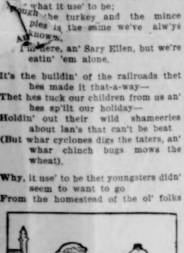
THOUGHTS FOR THANKSGIVING

LE EZRA'S THANKSGIVING.

Thanksgivin' Day is playin' out,
er so it seems to me,
it don't make no comparison to
what it use' to be;
the turkey and the mince
ples is the same we've alw'ys
known,
But here, an' Sary Ellen, but we're
eatin' 'em alone.

It's the buildin' of the railroads that
hes made it that-a-way—
That hes tuck our children from us an'
hes sp'lit our holiday—
Holdin' out their wild shameeries
about lan's that can't be beat
(But whar cyclones dige the taters, an'
whar chinch bugs mows the
wheat).

Why, it use' to be thet youngsters didn'
seem to want to go
From the homestead of the ol' folks



BUT WE'RE EATING 'EM ALONE.

any more'n a mile er so;
They 'ud take things 'twas given 'm,
an' they'd settle thar an' stay,
An' they'd fill the homestid table when
it come Thanksgivin' Day.

Law me! yes, them times is ended!
Little Sary married fust,
An' Jim Medders 'lowed he'd take her
out to Idyho er bust,
An' he bustid, an' I've been a-sendin'
money ever sence,
Though it's more fer little Sary thet I
care than the expense.

An' then Chrissy went to Texas—
Chrissy alw'ys was our pride,
But he headed off some cattle, an' he
hurt his spine an' died.
An' now Sammy's in the city, an' that
ain't so fur away,
But he's writ us that a baby's brought
'em their Thanksgivin' Day!

So we narrered down the table, bein'
by ourselves, you see,
An' I'm tuckin' it up forever, jes' fer
sary an' fer me.
An' the raisins in the mince pie,
bought fer Sammy's special
taste,
Sence he didn't come to eat 'em, sorter
seem to be a waste.

Yep, the railroads tuck 'em from us,
an' we're all alone at last,
An' Thanksgivin's like I told yeh, jest
a mem'ry of the past.
But we're countin', me an' Sary, on a
better place, an' then
We will have a big Thanksgivin', an'
the childr'n home again.

A. B. P.

HIS THANKSGIVING.

Tinkle-tinkle, tinkle-tinkle, tinkle-tinkle.

The leading man engaged in an attempt to remove a black spot from his dress cravat by means of an application of white grease paint, paused and listened.

"It's a mandolin," he said. "That's a new wrinkle. We've had all kinds of music in this company since we started out, everything from clarinets to bicycles. Who's the musician, I wonder? Oh, I say, Jenks! Jenks! Who's the band wagon?"

There was a step in the narrow passageway that led to the dressing rooms, and Jenks, the property man, appeared in the doorway. "Sh!" he said, "not so loud. The old man'll hear you."

The leading man started. "The old man, did you say—not Merriam?"

"Yes, Merriam," in a whisper.

The leading man sat on his trunk. "That beats me," he said. "The Ancient Mariner talking of mandolin. Now I'm prepared to see Father Time playing sentimental ditties on a jew's harp."

Jenks did not laugh, a fact which helped to sober the other man. "It's no surprise to me," said the property man, gravely. "I says to Mrs Jenks just before I left the hotel, says I, 'Mrs. Jenks, you know what night this is?' 'Thanksgiving,' she says. 'Why, right,' says I, 'and it'll be a hard night for Merriam.'

"'Poor old man,' says Mrs. Jenks, a-wipin' of a tear. 'Poor old man, I suppose he'll be playing of his mandolin again.' 'That he will,' says I.

"He hasn't missed it, as near as I can judge, for thirty years. As sure as Thanksgiving night comes, just as sure he gets out that old mandolin of his and tinkles away. And it's always the same tune. God! But it does make my mind go back. I'll never forget the first time he played it. You see, me and Merriam have been together, off and on, so long that I know his story most as well as he does himself. Not that he ever talks about it. To-night, after the show, that insrument 'll go back to the bottom of his trunk, and it won't come out again till this time next year."

The leading man was all ears.

"Thirty years ago I was stage doorkeeper at the old California theater. Now, the stage doorman ain't so unimportant as some folks think. There's mighty little goes on that he don't know something about. He gets the flowers first, and he usually sees the cards. He's a good friend to the actor when the actor's a friend to him, and he can do a favor now and then that's worth the while.

"Merriam was just beginning to climb up the ladder in those days. He had come into the stock three years before as utility, but he was a handsome chap, with brains and ambition to back his good looks, and it wasn't long before he got to playing leads. Say, when Merriam went on as Romeo at the matinees you couldn't see three rows in front of you for the bonnets. Mrs. Jenks used to live in a regular garden those days, for Merriam wouldn't have none of the flowers the silly girls used to send him. When I'd offer to bring them home to him he'd laugh, and tell me he reckoned my wife cared more for flowers than he did.

"But I often noticed that he came into the theater with a big bunch of violets or roses that he'd bought himself to give to the little woman who played opposite parts to him. I asked him once why he didn't give her the flowers the girls sent him, instead of spending money that way. I took a kind of fatherly interest in Merriam in those days. Lord bless you, to look at him now you'd think he was my grandfather. He looks that old.

"Well, I seen how things was going with him and Nellie Moore, and everybody else seen it, too. When she was on the stage he stood in the wings, and his eyes followed every move she made. I remember one of the women saying that it was worth while to have a man care for you like that, and certainly Nellie seemed to like it. She came to me one afternoon—that Thanksgiving I'm telling you about—and said that she was too tired to go home after the matinee. She asked me if I'm across the way and order dinner for her. Then she whispered in my ear that she wanted it served for two, and asked if I couldn't fix a lunch light on the stage, so she and Merriam could have a cozy Thanksgiving dinner all alone.

"Of course I done it for her, and while they were eatin' I went over to my boardin' house. There was to be real reason for the change, but in the tomb scene I don't see how they could help feeling it.

"Those of us who saw it from the wings will never forget it. The women were in hysterics and the stage hands and flymen were nearly as bad. I don't know how Merriam ever lived through it, but this I do know. He was a different man from that night. He seemed to lose all his ambition and he withered up so, that when I met him at a rehearsal two years later, I hardly knew him. He was bent much as you see him now, and was playing character old men. Every year he dropped down further, until they wouldn't trust him with anything better than bits and servants. Yes, sir, and that old man has played Romeo with the best of them."

The story was finished, but the mandolin still tinkled. The leading man's face was drawn, and Jenks sat thinking. Perhaps the former was thinking of his own high tide of prosperity, and of what the future had in store for him.

But sympathy and curiosity are closely allied, and soon the two men were tiptoeing through the passageway. They paused before the old actor's room. A ray of light filtered through a crack in the thin pine door. Merriam was dressed and made up for

A CROWD AROUND THE STAGE DOOR.

a comedy servant. His green livery coat hung on a peg on the wall, and the red wig with which he covered his own white hair lay on the dressing table before him. There, too, was a faded photograph, of a pure-faced girl in the dress of Juliet. The actor was bent over his mandolin and the leading man now caught the tune for the first time, broken, but recognizable.

"When other hearts and other lips
Their tales of love shall tell,
Then you'll remember, you'll remember——"

Twang! There was the sound of a broken string.

"First act! All up for the first act!" The callboy came tumbling down the stairs and the listeners hurried up to the stage. A few minutes later the callboy came up, too, and he found the stage manager fuming.

"Where's Merriam?" he cried. "I can't hold the curtain all night for that doddering old fool. Hurry him up, will you?"

The boy disappeared, and reappeared almost instantly.

"Mr. Merriam's——" The tears choked his voice and he got no further. The stage manager made a rush for the stairs. Ten minutes later he came up dressed for the comedy servant, but the man whose name was down on the bills for the part lay in his dressing room clutching an old mandolin, with his eyes fixed on a faded photograph.

I WANT YOU TO LEARN IT.

a change of bill that night, so I came back early to get my props in shape, so I had them to attend to as well as looking after the door. When I came back to the theater I heard Nellie Moore playin' a mandolin. She was always fooling with it and carried the instrument around with her.

"'Now you try,' she said, and Merriam answered that he didn't know a note.

"'I'll teach you,' she said. 'There's an air I want you to learn and remember.'

"'All right,' said Merriam, and he took the mandolin from her. She showed him where to place his fingers and kept humming the tune until he could play it with only one or two breaks. Then she went to her dressing room to get ready, and Merriam sat there thrumming until the half hour was called.

"That night there was a good deal of hand-shaking, and the word went around that there was to be a weddin' at Christmas.

"The next night on my way to the theater I noticed a crowd around the stage door, and heard talk of a runaway. I hurried up, and as I did so Merriam came out, his face as white as a ghost's.

"'For God's sake, get a doctor, Jenks!' he cried.

"I rushed to the nearest drug store, and, luckily, found one there. When we got back to the theater Merriam was waiting, and, without a word, he led us to a sofa in the wings on which Nellie Moore was lying. The doctor bent down over her for a minute, shook his head and said he was too late.

"An understudy played Juliet that night and Merriam as usual was the Romeo. The audience didn't know the tomb scene I don't see how they could help feeling it.

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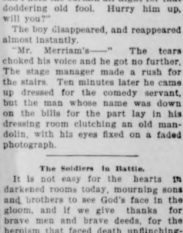
The Soldiers in Battle.

It is not easy for the hearts in darkened rooms today, mourning sons and brothers to see God's face in the gloom, and if we give thanks for brave men and brave deeds, for the heroism that faced death unflinchingly in the trenches or on the seas, it should be in humility, that the world has not progressed far enough in God's way to be relieved of the curse of war, but we can be unreservedly thankful for the lives that have rung out in all the land for peace. Let us be thankful that never before have so many men and women been pleading for the right in defiance of the wrong. Never before have so many thoughtful ones faced the evils of the times, the great underlying causes of sin and misery, and sought to solve the knotty questions of our modern civilization.

Servants at Dinner.



Thanksgiving dinner in the servants' hall. The butler and housekeeper at the head and foot of the table.

Everything Quiet.

San Antonio, Tex., Nov. 23.—Two important announcements can be made in regard to the late trouble between the negro troops and the citizens at Fort Ringgold on the Mexican frontier.

One is the welcome news from both military and civilian sources that everything is quiet and that no further trouble is expected. The other is that the post is to be permanently abandoned.

The garrison will be withdrawn as soon as the necessary arrangements can be made. This latter statement was made by Gen. McKibben yesterday afternoon, and leaves no doubt of the intention of the military authorities.

Official information from Fort Ringgold and Rio Grande City is slowly coming in, but it relates chiefly to the present state of public feeling, and nothing is known of which side fired the first shot and does not deal with the causes of the conflict. The following dispatch was given out at department headquarters yesterday afternoon:

"Fort Ringgold, Tex., Nov. 22.—To Gen. McKibben, department commander: No trouble of any kind last night, and everything is now quiet. Arms and ammunition secured. Men under perfect control. RUBOTTOM."

This dispatch shows that "the war is over," and prompt investigations now on foot will undoubtedly settle the disturbed public mind, and things on the border will soon resume the even tenor of their way. Other dispatches were received by Gen. McKibben from Lieutenant Rubottom during the day, the most of them asking for instructions along certain lines, but all of them reporting quietness at the camp.

Red River Rises.

Denison, Tex., Nov. 23.—Red river is on the biggest rise it has had in eight years. It has already broken the record of last July, when it overflowed its banks and threatened a flood in the bottoms, and the outlook is that the river will be far out in the bottoms, and that a great deal of damage will be done before it recedes.

Tuesday afternoon the local rise in the river reached almost bank full and the water started to recede, but late that afternoon and night the head water rise from the up-river country came down, and at present there is a rise of nearly five feet more than that of Tuesday. The result is that all ferry transportation has ceased entirely and the railroad bridges over the stream are threatened.

During Tuesday forenoon farmers and others began coming to the city and reported a rise coming down, but nothing was feared, because advices had not reached here of any very heavy rains in western Texas, and it was not believed that there would be an extraordinary rise, as the local water could get out of the way, in a measure, before western waters could reach here, but contrary to all expectations, the rise that started Tuesday afternoon was added to that night, and yesterday morning the waters came down more angrily, and the stream, swollen at daylight to almost its high-water mark of the year, went higher and higher till the lowlands in the bottom were under water, with no sign of cessation. Messengers from the river bottom came to town with news of overflows in the farms and in the lower bottoms, and reported still rising water.

The Marconi Wireless Telegraph company, capital $10,000,000, has been incorporated under New Jersey's laws.

Small Damages.

Corsicana, Tex., Nov. 22.—In the $5000 damage case of J. Y. Clarke vs. the city of Corsicana et al., the jury returned a verdict of $77 for plaintiff against Sharp Bros., oil well contractors, the case being dismissed as to other defendants. Clarke was caught by a guy wire that was stretched across the street from a well the Sharps were drilling and he was painfully injured. The suit was brought against the city, the well owners and the well drillers.

May be President.

Terrell, Tex., Nov. 22.—It is announced that the annual election for the officers of the Democratic club of New York will take place on Dec. 4, and that the nominations had already been posted, showing that John W. Keller would succeed Perry Belmont as president of the club. John W. Keller is a brother of City Marshal Joe Keller of this place and Sheriff Jim P. Keller of Kaufman.

Lemen's store at Gibson, I. T., burned. Loss $15,000.

Steer up a Tree.

Jacksboro, Tex., Nov. 23.—Yesterday is the first mail Jacksboro has had since Saturday, on account of the many washouts caused by the hard rain here Sunday and Sunday night. The train came in from Bridgeport Tuesday, but there was no train on the main line, hence no mail.

John Hensley went into his pasture near town and found one of his steers hanging high and dry in the forks of a tree, where he had caught in swimming out of the bottoms to dry land.

Trains Delayed by Washouts

Fort Worth, Tex., Nov. 21.—General Superintendent Hovey said last night that the washout on the Rock Island road was near Park Springs and Addington, I. T., and he said that no through trains would be run to-day.

At 10 o'clock last night the information was received that a part of the Red river bridge on the Rock Island road was washed away Sunday night.

From the Denver officers it was learned that the northbound trains went as far as Bellevue yesterday and returned to the city. At a late hour last night it was reported that the condition would not be improved today.

At 10 o'clock yesterday it was reported raining and snowing in the panhandle, with a brisk norther blowing. No washouts are reported on any of the other roads entering Fort Worth.

Denison, Tex., Nov. 21.—The rain that fell Saturday, Saturday night and Sunday show a total rainfall for twenty-four hours of four and five-eighths inches, two and five-sixteenths inches falling Sunday night.

Superintendent Fitzgerald of the Denison City Water company said:

"The rain was a fine thing. It increases the water in the big reservoir two feet in depth. This was not quite as much as I hoped for, but you must remember that it was a steady downpour, and the ground being very dry, it took a very heavy rain to make it moist. The rain puts us in good shape until spring anyway, even if we don't get any more. We have been furnishing the Katy, as you know, with an immense amount of water. They have taken from us since about July 1 from 300,000 to 400,000 gallons of water daily, and some days it has run as high at 450,000 gallons. This is an immense volume of water, and it has been of great benefit not only to the Katy, but to all north Texas as well, many towns being dependent on Denison for water. It is pretty hard to figure out what would have happened had Denison not been able to supply the demand. The Katy's tanks now all will be able to get along without any water from us for some time, anyway.

"The ground is well saturated now and an inch or two of rain would give us a large volume of water in the reservoir. However, I have no uneasiness now regarding the situation."

Farmers in the city from the country state that the streams in the country have run down considerably since Sunday night. Red river is rising very fast, and all the ferrymen notified those who crossed yesterday morning not to apply for passage yesterday afternoon, as the river will be too high for the operation of the ferryboats. It is thought by to-day if the rains were very heavy in the northwest, the river will be bank full.

The Washita river has been raised considerably by the late rains. The river is now higher than it has been in some months. The rains up the Washita were very heavy.

Reported Killing Contradicted.

Paris, Tex., Nov. 21.—A rumor was in circulation Sunday night that two or three deputy marshals had been killed in an encounter near Dookville, I. T., while attempting to regain possession of some cattle near Goodland by parties claiming ownership of them. Telegrams received yesterday contradicted the reported killing.

A carload of silver bricks passed through Texarkana.

Interesting Case Decided.

Austin, Tex., Nov. 21.—The supreme court yesterday decided a case of unusual interest, the style being C. Ed. Anderson et al, vs. A. S. Walker, county judge, et al., from Travis county; judgment in favor of the county against the sureties on bond of Jernigan; affirmed and judgment in favor of the bank reversed and cause dismissed.

The history of the case is that while A. J. Jernigan was county treasurer he suicided and there was a shortage of $10,000 in his accounts. Jernigan kept his money on deposit at the Austin National bank, and the bank represented that he had $22,000 on deposit, when in truth and in fact only $12,000 was on deposit to Jernigan's credit. Suit resulted to recover from the sureties and the bank the $10,000 shortage, and a verdict was rendered against the sureties but in favor of the bank, and yesterday the supreme court affirmed the decision as to holding the manded the favorable decision of the sureties liable and reversed and reversed court as to the bank, and thus the bank will be held responsible with the sureties.

Store Robbed.

Dallas, Tex., Nov. 21.—Last Sunday night the general store of A. P. Mauk at Duncanville, a small town in the southern portion of the county, was entered by thieves, and a large quantity of booty, consisting of general merchandise, was secured. This was placed in a spring wagon, and, it is presumed, taken out of the county. The officers say they have no clew to the identity of the lawbreakers.

A Pitched Battle.

Laredo, Tex., Nov. 22.—Reports have reached here that there was a pitched battle Monday night at Fort Ringgold, Rio Grande City, Tex., between a company of the ninth United States cavalry (colored) garrisoning the fort, and several hundred citizens, who attacked the post shortly after dark.

Three thousand shots are said to have been fired during the fight, but the casualties are not known here.

It is also said that all women and children have been sent away from Rio Grande City and that runners are out after reinforcements for the citizens.

The military authorities are occupying the telegraph wires and full report can not yet be obtained.

That the affair is a serious one is indicated by the activity in military circles here. Maj. Thompson, in command at Fort McIntosh, yesterday bought up all the Krag-Jorgensen ammunition in Laredo and is hurriedly loading a special train with mules, baggage, etc., to take the available force here to the scene of the trouble, and a special train is en route here from San Antonio with a company from Fort Sam Houston on the way to Rio Grande City.

State Adjt. Gen. Scurry with a force of rangers is expected here also on the way there.

Austin, Tex., Nov. 22.—The following telegraphic corespondence explains the story of the trouble at Rio Grande City between the citizens and the negro soldiers at Fort Ringgold:

San Antonio, Tex., Nov. 21.—Gov. Sayers, Austin, Tex.: Following dispatch just received:

Fort Ringgold, Tex., Nov. 21.—Adjutant general, department of Texas, San Antonio, Tex.: Every man is garrison last night. Citizens began firing on our guard at 7 o'clock. Troop D and scouts placed on guard around garrison. Enemy opened terrific fire on garrison at 7:30 on side next to Rio Grande City and continued for some time. Our men, obliged to protect garrison, fired several volleys. Finally ordered out Gatling gun and silenced enemy's fire. None of our men hurt, no trouble since, but rumors of gatherings in country. If true, may need more troops. Can not treat with citizens, will not even respect United States mail carrier; unsafe for garrison. Shall I send men after mail?

RUBOTTOM,
Lieutenant Commanding.

Have ordered troops of cavalry from Fort Brown to proceed by forced march to Ringgold. Am taking every possible precaution to prevent further trouble. Will keep you advised. Please wire me any information you may obtain.

M'KIBBEN,
Commanding General.

San Antonio, Tex., Nov. 22.—The trouble which has been brewing for some time between the people of Rio Grande City and the negro cavalry troops at Fort Ringgold came to a terrible climax Monday night when the negro garrison took possession of Krag-Jorgensen rifles and ball ammunition at the fort from every vantage point on the reservation opened fire on the town of Rio Grande City.

The best information obtainable is that 1500 shots were fired by the soldiers and that one man was probably fatally injured and another slightly wounded.

Gov. McLaurin has announced the appointment of J. C. Kincannon as member of the Mississippi railroad commission to succeed Capt. J. J. Evans, deceased.

Mining Outlook.

Denison, Tex., Nov. 22.—A message from Coalgate, I. T., says: The mining situation is rapidly coming back to its normal state in this section and the output of coal is increasing every day.

C. E. Davis of the Southwestern Coal and Improvement company says: "We will open up a new shaft soon, No. 9, with about three or forty men to begin with, and there seems to be no doubt that men will be available as the mine is opened up to run a full force. No. 9 is the finest proposition to be found in this or any other section. The vein of coal is six feet two inches and of the best grade, too. Miners who made $100 to $110 per month in No. 4 can easily make $25 more in No. 9.

"The strikers are already disappearing, some going to work, others going home, or to other localities. While we could have got better results, perhaps, with these old men, yet there are men every day looking for work."

Body Identified.

Gainesville, Tex., Nov. 22.—Yesterday G. W. Coffman and T. F. Coffman father and son, were in the city from Choctaw, Grayson county. Their object was to identify, if possible, the man who was killed by a Santa Fe freight engine on the 12th instant. This they succeeded in doing from clothing left by him and from descriptions given by the officers, and they went away fully convinced that the unfortunate man was their son and brother.

Costly Delay.

The failure of the scheme to reorganize the Carnegie steel interest within the time fixed is said to have cost four men, one of whom was Henry C. Frick, $25,000 each—the $1,000,000 going to Andrew Carnegie for no other consideration than their inability to meet the terms of the option given to them.

Still More Counterfeiting.

The secret service has just unearthed another band of counterfeiters and secured a quantity of bogus bills, which are cleverly executed. Things of great value are always selected for imitation, notably Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, which has many imitators but no equals for disorders like indigestion, dyspepsia and constipation.

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QUEER CHINESE CEREMONY.

Strange Rites at the Graves in Mount Olivet Cemetery.

A delegation of Chinamen visited Mount Olivet cemetery recently and in the presence of a crowd of onlookers performed a number of rites over the graves of their countrymen buried there, says the Baltimore Sun. They also visited the cemetery on the previous Sunday and went through the same ceremonies. Usually they visit the graves twice during the year, but this year seem remarkably solicitous as to the welfare of their deceased brethren. When the Chinamen reached the Chinese lot, which is in the northwestern part of the cemetery, they began to spread edibles of all kinds on the ground. There were chickens, pork, bananas and oranges. A fire was built in a sheetiron oven, which rested in the roadway not far from the lot. When the fire began to blaze high the Chinamen gathered around it and started to throw into the flames huge bundles of papers, on each of which had been inscribed strange characters. These papers are supposed to bear misleading directions to the evil spirit, and enable the deceased to cross in safety the river Styx. As the fire burned fiercely, some of the Chinamen hurried around to the different graves and close to each headstone planted a thin stick, on the end of which was incense. The incense was then lighted, but its perfume was in part deadened by the smell of the smoke, which by this time had become almost blinding. When all these preparations had been completed, the celestials started to perform the more important ceremonies. They swayed their bodies to and fro over the graves, all the time holding their hands together and muttering unintelligible words, but which were no doubt prayers in the Chinese language. Next they knelt at the sides of the graves, still continuing their mutterings. After a few minutes they arose, and to the surprise of every one about, gathered up the edibles which they had brought out and placed them in their carriages. Usually at the funerals of Chinamen the food is allowed to remain on the graves, so that the deceased would not starve on the journey to the Chinese heaven. Another feature in which the ceremonies differed from the funeral services was that cups of tea were poured over the graves of the Chinamen. Some the reverent persons ventured the opinion that the Chinamen believed their deceased brethren were thirsty and had accordingly brought the liquid to quench their parched palates. A number of boys were present at the ceremonies and after the departure of the Chinamen unceremoniously carried off the incense sticks to a spot under a shady tree, where they proceeded to enjoy themselves watching the sticks burn out.

She Rattled Dewey.

Dewey once attended a wedding breakfast at which the affable Baroness de Struve, wife of the Russian minister at that time, was present. Dewey had met this famous woman several times before. The facial plainness of the baroness was quite beyond belief, but she was one of the most brilliant, lovable and kindly women ever elected to guide the social affairs of the diplomatic corps in Washington. A lady who overheard it tells of an amusing passage which the baroness and Dewey (who, if memory serves, was then a commander) had at this particular wedding breakfast. "Referring to leather," said the baroness amiably, after some playful remark as to the spick-and-span polish of Dewey's sword-belt—he was in dress uniform—"the most remarkable bit of Russian leather in the world is my face." Dewey was as quick a thinker then as he is now, but this stalled him. "Madame," he said, after a pause, "I am but a rough sailor man, and this is a heavy demand which you make upon me. I am not equal to the emergency." "Of course," said the baroness, tapping him with her fan, "I should have to consider you hopelessly rude were you to agree with me. But you can preserve your neutrality—naval officers are taught to do that, are they not?—by telling me what really fine eyes I have. They are fine, are they, not?" Thus assisted, Dewey rose to the occasion. The baroness' eyes were, in truth, magnificent.—Washington Post.

A Japanese Geisha Girl.

A geisha must be highly accomplished, because her chief duty is to amuse. While not by any means a musician, she must be able to perform on the samisen, koto, tsuzumi (a drum) and other musical instruments. She dances, sings, and talks on the lightest subjects, and always holds herself in readiness to entertain her guests according to their mood. A wily geisha, one who is a good talker, pretty and graceful, will not lack for employment, at any time, and generally makes a very good living. While it is not at all necessary for her to arouse mirth, her object must be to beguile the time that is irksome to her guests. Thus it often happens that one feeling depressed will send for a geisha girl. The geisha is a natural actress and her taste in dress is exquisite, her movements inimitable in grace.—Onoto Watanna, in the November Woman's Home Companion.

Hobb's Pico's Cure is the only medicine that will cure consumption.—Anna M. Ross, Williamsport, Pa., Nov. 19, '96.

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TREASURER'S QUARTERLY REPORT.

IN THE MATTER OF COUNTY FINANCES IN THE HANDS OF T. B. HOLLAND, Treasurer of Callahan County, Texas.

COMMISSIONERS' COURT Callahan County, Texas. In Regular Quarterly Session November Term, 1899.

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED, as County Commissioners' within and for said Callahan County, and the Hon. B. L. Russell, County Judge of said Callahan County, constituting the entire Commissioners' Court of said County, and each one of us, do hereby certify that on this, the 15th day of Nov. A. D. 1899, at a regular quarterly term of our said Court, we have compared and examined the quarterly report of T. B. Holland Treasurer of Callahan County, Texas, for the quarter beginning on the 13th day of Aug. A. D. 1899, and ending on the 13th day of Nov. A. D. 1899, and finding the same correct have caused an order to be entered upon the minutes of the Commissioners' Court of Callahan County, stating the approval of said Treasurer's Report by our said Court, which said order recites separately the amount received and paid out of each fund by said County Treasurer since his last report to this Court, and for and during the time covered by his present report, and the balance of each fund remaining in said Treasurer's hands on the said 13th day of Nov. A. D. 1899, and have ordered the proper credits to be made in the accounts of the said County Treasurer, in accordance with said order as required by Article 867, Chapter 4, Title XXV, of the Revised Statutes of Texas, as amended by an Act of the Twenty-fifth Legislature of Texas, at its regular session, approved March 20, 1897.

And we, and each of us, further certify that we have actually and fully inspected and counted all the actual cash and assets in hands of said Treasurer belonging to Callahan County at the close of the examination of said Treasurer's Report, on this the 15th day of Nov. A. D. 1899, and find the same to be as follows, to-wit:

JURY FUND	Dr.	Cr.
Balance on hand as shown by Treasurer's Report on the 13th day of Aug. 1899	$ 90 84	
To amount received since said date	422 90	
By amount disbursed since said date		$277 88
By amount to balance		235 86
Total	513 74	513 74
Balance to credit of said Jury Fund as actually counted by us on the 15th day of Nov. A. D. 1899, and including the amount balance on hand by said Treasurer at the date of the filing of his report on the 14th day of Nov. A. D. 1899, and the balance between receipts and disbursements since that day, making a total balance of..		$235 86
ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND		
Balance on hand as shown by Treasurer's Report on the 13th day of Aug. 1899	161 00	
To amount received since said date	199 55	
By amount disbursed since said date		334 51
By amount to balance		26 04
Total	360 55	360 55
Balance to the credit of said Road and Bridge Fund as actually counted by us on the 15th day of Nov. A. D. 1899 and including the amount balance on hand by said Treasurer at the date of the filing of his report on the 14th day of Nov. A. D. 1899, and the balance between receipts and disbursements since that day, making a total balance of..		$ 26 04
GENERAL FUND		
Balance on hand as shown by Treasurer's Report on the 13th day of Aug. 1899	274 07	
To amount received since said date	502 38	
By amount disbursed since said date		686 82
By amount to balance		89 63
Total	776 45	776 45
Balance to credit of said General Fund as actually counted by us on the 15th day of Nov. A. D. 1899, and including the amount balance on hand by said Treasurer at the date of the filing of his report on the 14th day of Nov. A. D. 1899, and the balance between receipts and disbursements making a total balance of		$ 89 63
COURT HOUSE FUND		
Balance on hand as shown by Treasurer's Report on the 13th day of Aug. 1899	9 84	
To amount received since said date	20 52	
By amount disbursed since said date		10 40
By amount to balance		19 96
Total	30 36	30 36
Balance to credit of said Court House Fund as actually counted by us on the 15th day of Nov. A. D. 1899, and including the amount to balance on hand by said Treasurer at the date of the filing of his report on the 14th day of Nov. A. D. 1899, and the balance between receipts and disbursements since that day, making a total balance of		$19 96
JAIL FUND		
Balance on hand as shown by Treasurer's Report on the 13th day of Aug. 1899	13 22	
To amount received since said date	82 05	
By amount disbursed since said date		36 50
By amount to balance		58 77
Total	95 27	95 27
Balance to credit of said Jail Fund as actually counted by us on the 15th day of Nov. A. D. 1899, and including the amount balance on hand by said Treasurer at the date of the filing of his report on the 14th day of Nov. A. D. 1899, and the balance between receipts and disbursements since that day, making a total balance of		$58 77
ESTRAY FUND		
Balance on hand as shown by Treasurer's Report on the 13th day of Aug. 1899	180 53	
To amount received since said date	10 10	
By amount disbursed since said date		20
By amount to balance		190 37
Total	190 63	190 63
Balance to credit of said Estray Fund as actually counted by us on the 15th day of Nov. A. D. 1899, and including the amount balance on hand by said Treasurer at the date of the filing of his report on the 14th day of Nov. A. D. 1899, and the balance between receipts and disbursements since that day, making a total balance of..		$ 190 37
POLL TAX FUND		
Balance on hand as shown by Treasurer's Report on the 13th day of Aug. 1899	25 80	
To amount received since said date	23 51	
By amount paid out since said date		
Total	49 31	49 31
Balance to credit of said Poll Tax Fund as actually counted by us on the 15th day of Nov. A. D. 1899, and including the amount balance on hand by said Treasurer at the date of the filing of his report on the 14th day of Nov. A. D. 1899, and the balance between receipts and disbursements since that day making a total balance of		$49 31

RECAPITULATION.	
DATE Nov. 15.	AMOUNT
Balance to credit of Jury Fund on this day	235 86
Balance to credit of Road and Bridge Fund on this day	26 04
Balance to credit of General Fund on this day	89 63
Balance to credit of Court House Fund on this day	19 96
Balance to credit of Jail Fund on this day	58 77
Balance to credit of Estray Fund on this day	190 37
Balance to credit of Poll Tax Fund on this day	49 31
Total Cash on hand belonging to Callahan County in the hands of said Treasurer as actually counted by us	669 94

ASSETS.

In addition to the actual cash as above, we find the following assets belonging to the said County and to the credit of the following funds, which is also in the possession and custody of the said Treasurer, to-wit:

One note executed by S. W. Hill et al. General Fund ..... $ 8 75

BONDED INDEBTEDNESS.

The bonded indebtedness of the said County we find to be as follows, to-wit:

County Jail Bonds each for $500 ..... $12500 00
J. H. and R. Bond issued to Permanent School Fund 293 76
Total $12793 76

WITNESS OUR HANDS, officially, this 15th day of Nov. A. D. 1899.

B. L. RUSSELL, County Judge.
W. A. HINDS, Commissioner Precinct No. 1.
PHILLIP YOST, Commissioner Precinct No. 2.
A. M. SPRAWLS, Commissioner Precinct No. 3.
J. M. HOUSTON, Commissioner Precinct No. 4.

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED before me by B. L. Russell County Judge, and W. A. Hinds and Phillip Yost and A. M. Sprawls and J. M. Houston County Commissioners of said Callahan County, each respectfully, on this, the 15 day of November A. D. 1899.

W. P. COCHRAN, County Clerk.

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Next Thursday, Nov. 30th, has been designated as Thansgiving Day by by the President. Citizens of Callahan county and Baird, especially, have muce to be thankful for. See programs in this issue for services at two places in Baird on that day. THE STAR hopes everyone who can will attend these services.

LIST OF EXCURSIONS.

"No Trouble to Answer Questions."

$8.15 Baird to Houston and return account meeting Masonic Lodges of Texas. Tickets on sale Nov. 25th and 26th; and Dec. 2nd and 3rd. Return limit: Three days from date of sale.

J. B. HARMON, Agent.

The Cottonwood Prodigal says the Putnam Gazette has failed to reach that office for the past three weeks. It has been several weeks since a copy of the Gazette has reached THE STAR office, but we supposed it was mislaid or overlooked. Perhaps the Gazette has gone into winter quarters.

The bond issue has been resubmitted to the people, but will be defeated again unless those who favor it go to work. The opponents of the bonds are already actually at work. The vote next time will decide the question for a year at least, and perhaps for years, and it may be forever so for as rebuilding at Baird. Some people do not want any court house of any kind, and some do not want to build at Baird. If those who favor the bonds believe they can sit down and do nothing and carry the election they are sadly mistaken. It will take hard work and we had just as well admit it at the start and go to work in earnest if we want the court house rebuilt.

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R. PHILLIPS, druggist.

Baird, Sept. 30, '99.

Dr. W. Wixon, Italy Hill, N. Y., says, "I heartily recommend One Minute Cough Cure. It gave my wife immediate relief in suffocating asthma." Pleasant to take. Never fails to quickly cure all coughs, colds, throat and lung troubles. St. John & Powell.

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