

—The average age of German university students is eighteen, of Dutch twenty and of French seventeen.

The Clarendon.

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According to the Attorney General's report, crime is on the decrease in Texas.

The Bremen steamer Donan, brought six hundred emigrants over, who are bound for Texas. Galveston is their destination.

J. S. JOPLING, well known to many of our stock men, died at his home in Eastland County last Monday. Too much whisky said to be the cause.

The annual meeting of the Texas Press Association will be held at Houston, in May, at the time of the Volkefest and Sheriff's convention at the same place.

Mrs. A. D. LARDNER, editor and proprietor of the San Saba News, died a short time since of consumption. Mr. J. T. Biggs assumes editorial control of that paper.

On the 15th of March the first train for the Pacific coast left Kansas City. Thus a new route by the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe and the Southern Pacific is opened, which links the Atlantic and Pacific still closer together.

The Elizabeth City (N.C.) Carolinian reports a fight in the House: "Davis then moved a spittoon at the head of Terrill, which motion failed to take effect. Then Terrill moved (with his fist) that Davis lie upon the floor, which was carried."

The notorious Jim Currie, who murdered the actor, for which he was acquitted, has been overtaken by retribution. While on a drunken spree recently, at Las Vegas, New Mexico, he undertook to bull-doze a bartender, but the bartender bullet dosed him—shot him dead—Curried him down.

With this number of the CLARENDON, we will cease publication at Belle Plain. We will move our office next week, which will necessitate our suspension, of one issue, after which we hope to be able to issue our paper regularly without further stoppages, at what we contend will be the best town in the northwest—Baird.

We have received a copy of the Illustrated Scientific News, published by Munson & Co., New York. This number contains handsome illustrations of Capt. Kead's proposed ship railway for the Isthmus of Tehuantepec, also a full description of that great project, together with much other useful information. This excellent paper is published monthly at \$1.50 per annum.

The New Yorkers are getting up a musical festival which is to dwarf the Cincinnati upheaval, make the Queen City's big hall look like a state-room on a Pittsburgh steamboat, and their big organ dwindle into the proportions of a pocket music box. The New Yorkers have had enough of Cincinnati's bragging, and they propose to sit down on the pork-packers altogether.—S. A. Express.

The Southern Pacific and Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe railroads have agreed upon the following rates of passage: "From Los Angeles to Kansas City, unlimited first-class, \$112; limited first-class, \$104; limited second-class, \$73; limited third-class, \$52.50; from Los Angeles to New York, first-class, \$138.50; second-class, \$105; third-class, \$65; from San Francisco to New York, by the Southern route, the same as charged by the Central railroad company."

We have heard of one or two persons who decline taking the CLARENDON for the reason that we are going to Baird. We are sorry, gentlemen, for we want every person in the county to read our paper. But from present indications, we are lead to believe that by moving to the railroad, our patronage will increase about a hundred per cent. But we shall not allow our business to push us, but rather push it, and thus merit all we get in the way of patronage.

The Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe Railroad Company.

Having failed to obtain from the legislative authority to amend their charter, the correspondent of the Galveston News thinks they will be obliged to change their route, thus leaving Callahan, Taylor and Brown counties out in the cold. To our neighbors, of Brown county at least, we would say, be of good cheer, for Waco is up and doing, and we cordially invite you to join in the work now before us of securing railroad facilities between Waco and our neighbors to the west.—Waco Examiner.

Brown county is watching and waiting. Mr. Examiner, for Waco to make a move in the direction of securing railroad facilities between herself and this and other western counties. Put the matter in a tangible shape and Brown county will do her part.—Brown County Banner.

The Liquor License Law.

The Brown County Banner condenses the liquor license law "thusly": "The liquor dealer license act is of more general interest than any other act that has become a law during the present sitting of the legislature. It was approved on the 11th instant, and we summarize its provisions:

"Dealers who sell less than a quart shall pay an annual tax for the use of the state of \$300.

"Those who sell as much as a quart and less than five gallons are to pay \$200.

"Sellers in quantities of five gallons or more are to pay \$300.

"Dealers who sell only malt liquors are to pay only \$50 a year.

"Wholesale merchants who pay occupation taxes as such may sell unbroken packages of less than five gallons without paying an additional tax as dealers by the quart.

"Counties and incorporated towns or cities may each levy for their respective uses a tax of one-half of the amount provided for the use of the state.

"The full amount of \$300 for one full year's taxes must be paid in advance by every dealer before commencing business. And a full year's tax shall also be paid in advance, of whatever is levied for any county or city.

"Every dealer must keep conspicuously posted in his place of business where it can be readily seen, his license certificate, showing that he has conformed to the requirements of the law in regard to bond and payment of the taxes levied.

"Before commencing business each dealer in quantities less than a quart must file in the county clerk's office a bond approved by the county judge in the penal sum of \$1,000, conditioned:

"1st. To keep an orderly house.

"2nd. Not to sell or give liquor to any minor under twenty-one years of age; nor to any student of any institution of learning; nor to any habitual drunkard; nor to any person after being notified in writing by his wife or daughter not to do so.

"3rd. Not to allow any unlawful game to be played in or about his place of business.

"4th. Not to allow any minor under twenty-one years of age to be in or about his place of business.

"All previous laws with regard to liquor dealing to the extent that they conflict with the new law are repealed. But it is provided that those who have already paid in advance under the bell punch law, may, if they choose, elect to proceed under that law, and go ahead ringing the bell punch until the time has expired for which they have paid."

The Spring Round-Ups.

Stockmen will take notice that the spring work for this district will begin on April the 15th, at Dunn's ranch, on the head of Jim Ned creek; from there round-ups will be held down that stream to Erath's ranch; thence to Wire Crossing on the Pecos Bayou; thence up the Bayou to its head; from there to the head of Hart creek and down the same to Deep old ranch; thence up the Mahair to its head.

Lively times may be expected in cow camps this spring. Nearly all the cattle have been drifted from their range by the severity of the winter, and no doubt the loss will be considerable, still the loss by death has not been as great as it was the previous winter. The winter has been unusually severe but grass was good and stock in splendid condition at the beginning of cold weather. Our stock men are eager for the fray and are waiting with impatience for the working season to begin, when they will leap into the saddle and canter away in quest of their wandering property. We hope they will be successful even beyond their expectations in finding their stock. Quite a number of cattle have been sold and will be moved from this county, and consequently the range will be much better for those remaining. The price of cattle of all kinds has been on a gradual but steady increase, in consequence of which stock are ready sale on the market. This speaks well for the future, and we may safely expect better times ahead. So mote it be.

The Choice of Books.

A very elegant little volume with the above title, by Charles F. Richardson, is just issued by the American Book Exchange, Tribune Building, New York, at the very low price of 25 cents; also a cheap paper edition at the nominal cost of five cents. It will delight all who love good books, and in its wise suggestions will be greatly helpful to all who want help in choosing the best books. In its various chapters it treats of The Motive of Reading, The Reading Habit, What Books to Read, The Best Time to Read, How Much to Read, Remembering what One Reads, The Use of Note Books, The Cultivation of Taste, Poetry, The Art of Skipping, The Use of Translations, How to Read Periodicals, Reading Aloud and Reading Clubs, What Books to Own, The Use of Public Libraries, The True Service of Reading. The volume is remarkably rich in striking quotations from the world's most famous authors and thinkers, from Aristotle to Emerson, including such names as Addison, Bacon, Burns, Cato, Carlyle, Disraeli, Fenelon, Gibbon, Hugo, Keats, Lamb, Locke, Luther, Milton, Petrarch, Ruskin, Shakespeare, and Thoreau. It is a real literary treasure house.

The Power of One Vote.

Years ago in DeKalb county was a man who on the election morning was undecided whether to go to mill or to the polls. Finally he decided for the latter. He voted the democratic ticket, and a democratic member of the legislature was elected in his district by a majority of one. That legislature elected a United States Senator, and by the vote of one member from that district Mr. Hannegan was chosen. Mr. Hannegan took his seat and was president of the senate when the vote was taken on the annexation of Texas. On the floor the vote was a tie, and Mr. Hannegan's casting vote decided the question in favor of annexation, which brought on the Mexican war, which has shaped the subsequent history of our country.—Ex.

They Endorse Assassination.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 17, 1881.—The Greenback Central Club, composed of the Greenback Ward Presidents and leading Greenbackers of the city, last evening adopted resolutions endorsing the assassination of the czar. What! The leaders of the great "Reform Party" endorsing assassination? Alas! "How have the mighty fallen!"

Pay of Jurors in Criminal Cases in Justices Courts.

Through the kindness of our friend, Mr. B. R. Webb, we are enabled to place before our readers, the following which has become a law, and will prove of interest to many of our readers:

"An Act to amend Article 1081, Chapter 3, Title 15 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, adopted February 21, 1879.

"SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas: That, Article 1081 of the Code of Criminal Procedure of this State, shall hereafter read as follows, viz:

"ARTICLE 1081. Each juror who serves in the trial of any criminal case in any court of this State having criminal jurisdiction, or who has been summoned as a juror for the term or week, shall receive two dollars for each day and for each fraction of a day that he may serve or attend as such juror.

"PROVIDED, That this provision shall not extend to Mayors' and Recorders' courts taking cognizance of offenses against municipal ordinances.

"PROVIDED, Further, that jurors in Justices courts, who serve in the trial of criminal cases in such courts, shall receive fifty cents in each case in which they shall sit as jurors.

"PROVIDED, That no juror in such courts shall receive more than one dollar for each day or fraction of a day he may serve as such juror.

"SECTION 2. Justices of the Peace shall report to the County Clerk on the first Monday in each month, the names of the persons who have served as jurors in his court for the preceding month, and the number of days and fractions of days that they have served respectively, and the number of cases in which they have served respectively on each of said days or fractional days.

"And it shall be the duty of the County Clerk to issue his warrant against the County Treasurer in favor of each of the persons so serving as jurors. Every Justice failing to make and file such report, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction shall be fined in any sum not less than twenty nor more than two hundred and fifty dollars.

"Section three is the usual emergency clause.

"Approved March 15th, 1881, and takes effect from and after its passage."

The Literary Revolution—A Change of Base.

This very remarkable enterprise continues to make such progress as to astonish its friends and astound its enemies. Its greatly increasing proportions have compelled the removal of its headquarters from the Tribune building to the very large and beautiful building, No. 707, Broadway, which is in the very midst of the "book district" of New York city, and, therefore, of the publishing enterprise of the nation. This building, though 6 stories in height, 25 feet front and 100 feet deep, is sufficient only for the offices and retail store of the company. The manufacturing is carried on in several large buildings located in other parts of the city, though it is contemplated concentrating them soon in one immense factory to be erected.

Their list of recent and early forthcoming publications are extremely interesting to all who enjoy what is choicest in literature. The Library Magazine is unique in both form and character and altogether delightful in the richness of its contents. Of the books announced, Green's large "History of the English People," reduced from \$10 to \$1; Carlyle's "History of the French Revolution," reduced to 40 cents; Carlyle's "Heroes and Hero Worship," 25 cents, and the "Revised New Testament," which is promised to be manufactured with rapidity heretofore unheard of, will attract special attention. It is worth while for every one who has not already seen it, to send and get the illustrated pamphlet, "Book Making and Type Setting by Steam," which will be sent free upon application. Address, The American Book Exchange, 707 Broadway, New York.

The Weekly Mirror, published at Los Angeles, California, by Yarnell, Caystle & Mathes, which has for some time been a regular visitor to our table, comes to us this week, enlarged to an eight-folio, and is well filled with matters of interest, is handsomely printed on fine paper and has an elegant engraving of the Baker Block in that beautiful city. The Mirror is just another evidence that merit will have its reward. When we were in Los Angeles in 1876, that paper was about the size of the illustration in the one before us. Gentlemen, we congratulate you on your success. May it continue to increase.

CATTLEMEN from the Kiowa reservation, in the Indian Territory, bring the details of a horrible murder on the North Fork of Red River, the victim being a Mississippian, named Peter Cook, and the assassin a Louisianian, named Tony Pino. The parties were brothers-in-law. At the close of the war Cook disguised himself and three of his pals in the cavalry uniform of the United States service, raided Kiowa premises, robbed his safe of \$1600, ravished his sister-in-law and fled the country. Pino swore vengeance, and for fifteen years has been on Cook's trail, with the above result.—Dallas Special to Gal. News.

State News.

Fayette County will soon have a \$20,000 jail.

From present indications the cattle drive this season will be very large.

The famous and beautiful tragedy, Mary Anderson, has been playing at Houston.

Silver has been discovered in Atascosa County. Analysis of the ores found gives sixty per cent. of this metal.

It is said that in Cleburne, there has been enough to furnish every house in the city with one or more cases.

It is said there are only three ministers of the gospel in the Texas House of Representatives, and that they all voted loudly against prohibition.

A party of men employed by the Central railroad to bore for coal in the northeastern portion of Comanche county, after going to a depth of 250 feet failed to find any mineral of the description sought and gave up the job.

Mr. Robinson, a former English cotton manufacturer, who bought a mill site just south of San Antonio a year ago, has returned to England with the intention of inducing a number of well-to-do masters and operatives to form a co-operative company, and engage in the manufacture of cotton goods.

On Saturday last at Oenappie, about fifteen miles east of Belton, there was a difficulty between James Cox and R. D. Kinney and his son, Andrew Kinney, in which Andrew Kinney drew a pistol and shot James Cox in the forehead, killing him almost instantly. The general opinion of the people is that Andrew Kinney was justifiable, as he was defending his father as well as himself.

On the 27th ult., a Mr. J. N. Fleming, residing about twelve miles from Griffin, accidentally let a six-shooter drop to the ground, which discharged, the ball passing through his left leg just below the knee and shattering the bone. Surgeon Powell from the post was called, and found the limb so badly mutilated that amputation at the knee joint was necessary. The unfortunate man is the son of R. F. Fleming, lately from near Austin.

Prior Point, March 28.—The construction of the Transcontinental R.R. being completed, and the work having been inspected and received, through trains between Sherman and Denton commenced running to-day, leaving Sherman daily at 1 o'clock in the afternoon. At present the train is a mixed freight and passenger. The depot will be completed to-morrow. Mr. C. S. Davis, of this place, has been installed as agent, with Mr. Smith as operator.—Dallas Herald.

Speaking of trichina, the Jefferson Democrat of the 22nd instant, says: "Mr. E. McWilliams yesterday killed a fat, corned hog, that appeared to be perfectly well, and was intending to have a piece of it for dinner, when, to his horror, he discovered that it was perfectly alive with trichina. He says that apparently without close observation, he never would have known it. This is the first case of the kind of this character of diseased meat that has ever occurred in this section. It would be well for persons eating meat to be careful to examine it before eating it or sending it to market."

A Competent Juror.

Lawyer—Have you any fixed opinions about anything?

Juror—No.

Lawyer—If a murder were committed before your eyes, and it were proved you did not see it, would you clear the prisoner on such evidence?

Juror—No, indeed.

Lawyer—Is your mind so porous that it can leak out all past fact, memory, impression and sense of justice?

Juror—It can.

Lawyer—Would you acknowledge on due evidence that you were not yourself, but somebody else?

Juror—I would.

Lawyer—Are you sure, without due legal proof, that it is I who am speaking to you now?

Juror—I am not.

Lawyer—Do you assume that this is the year 1881 A. D., and are you open to conviction on due and sufficient evidence, that it may be 1881 B. C., do you not?

Juror—I do.

Lawyer—You are of the masculine gender?

Juror—I am.

Lawyer—But on due and sufficient evidence being produced, you would even in this respect be willing to admit you might be mistaken?

Juror—I might.

Lawyer—Swear this gentleman. He is the juror we long have sought and mourned because we found him not.—N. Y. Graphic.

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