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An English View of Protection.

The following, from one of the American letters of George Augustus Sala, may be read with profit if not with pleasure, by all American citizens, without regard to race, color or previous condition of servitude:

"So far as I could obtain information from the price-tickets affixed to tasteful Paris bonnets in the shop windows, a lady's chapeau here (Baltimore) as, indeed, throughout the states, is an inordinately costly article. A very pretty article, with an embroidered crown and trimmings of black velvet, was priced five-and-twenty dollars, or five pounds; a tiny little baby's straw bonnet, with a plain white cap, was a plain white cap, was ticketed seven dollars, or one pound eight shillings. In Oxford street it would have been dear at half a guinea. For these astounding prices, which rule not only every department of male and female apparel, but almost every appliance of what we call civilization, Americans have to thank the tariff—that tariff which not only imposes an almost prohibitory duty on imported commodities, and thereby encourages an inconceivable amount of smuggling, venality and corruption, but which also seems to have the effect of paralyzing native industry. We are content in England to pay a high price, say four shillings and sixpence for a pair of the very best kid gloves; but 'Arry can purchase at hundreds of London shops a shilling's worth of 'bow-wow, that is to say a pair of strong, serviceable, so-called dog-skin gloves, for twelvence sterling. The Americans must pay, thanks to the tariff, two dollars, or eight shillings, for a pair of kid gloves, and those not of the first quality; and I should be very much obliged if any one would tell me in what American city, and at what kind of a store, I can buy a pair of strong leather gloves simulating dogskin for five-and-twenty cents, or one shilling. Yet the Americans have plenty of leather, and are expert mechanics. Why should they not make their own gloves, as they are making their own watches—which are coming to be of surprising excellence—and their own sewing machines? You must excuse my occasional references to the tariff. It is the bottle imp of American life, and people have not yet learned to love it.

A Christmas Treat.

We understand some of our prominent citizens propose giving an entertainment at Belle Plain on Christmas eve, consisting of songs recitations, and farces; to conclude with the distribution of prizes from the Christmas tree. Several of the ladies and gentlemen engaged in this laudable undertaking are well versed in these matters and possess dramatic talent of a high order, and, judging from notices of their past success, we feel confident they will make the evening pleasant and enjoyable, and trust all our citizens will join in assisting to make this Christmas eve so pleasant that it will long be remembered as an event in the history of our town.

Mr. W. L. Purcell left in the mail back, last Wednesday morning, for Eastland. He is on his way to Chicago on a visit.

Resolutions.

THE STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF CALLAHAN, From minutes of the Commissioners' Court, special December Term, A. D. 1880.

WHEREAS, The expiration of the term of office of J. B. Hedley, Clerk of the County Court of Callahan County, is at hand, and this Court feeling it a duty to give expression to the ability and promptness with which the retiring County Clerk, has at all times discharged the duties of his office; therefore, be it

Resolved, That it is the pleasure of this Court to bear willing testimony to the careful and thoroughly efficient manner, in which Mr. Hedley has discharged the duties of County Clerk of Callahan County.

Resolved, That it is due to Mr. Hedley to say that he has been at all times prepared to furnish this Court all information required concerning the business of the County Clerk's Office and that his books, accounts and reports have been kept with such neatness and accuracy as to command our admiration and praise.

Resolved, That the foregoing be spread upon the minutes of this Court, and that the Clerk forward to Mr. Hedley a copy of same.

THOS. TAYLOR, Com'r Prec. No. 4, S. C. PACK, Com'r Prec. No. 1, E. HUDSON, Com'r Prec. No. 3, T. J. AUSTIN, County Judge.

Amount of Cotton Raised in Callahan County.

At Cottonwood or Weaver P. O., as it has lately been changed, there has been received, up to this time, one hundred bales of cotton and at least two hundred more to come in. This goes to show that Callahan County is not behind in the cotton business. Cottonwood is quite a busy place at present and is rapidly improving.

Judge C. K. Stribling, our Representative, and Hon. J. N. Brown, both of Fort Griffin, were in town last Wednesday and spent that evening with us, and a more pleasant and sociable time we have not enjoyed lately; both are very agreeable, companionable gentlemen. The Judge is going through his District to get, as far as possible, an expression of his constituents upon matters of importance liable to come up before the next Legislature. This is a most commendable action on the part of the Judge, and is one instance where the office sought the man, and the man, in order to familiarize himself with the wants of the people, is now canvassing every county in his District. We feel justly proud of such a Representative. The two left on Thursday, for Comanche.

Lots of holiday goods and more coming, at Turner's.

The Clarendon.

William. R. Lotz, Editor.

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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 11, 1880.

Stand by the Ship.

We are compelled, again this week, to issue a half sheet. We have sold our press, and will start East in a few days to procure another. It is our intention to give our readers a larger, better, and more interesting paper than in the past year, and in return we ask the support of all who feel an interest in Callahan County; and we shall use every endeavor to merit that support.

Now we ask in all candor, do you want a paper in Callahan County? We hope your answer will be a doubled subscription list and a good advertising patronage. We need your patronage—your subscriptions, advertising and job printing. Many of our business men are sending abroad for their printing and getting it done no cheaper than we are prepared to do, and in many instances, inferior to the work we turn out. Now, gentlemen, how much money do these large firms in Dallas, St. Louis, Galveston or Chicago spend with you in return for your patronage? Not any. Then where is the economy? We do spend our money here. We pay cash for what we eat, drink and wear, and we think in all justice your patronage ought to be given us.

A town is generally judged by the support its newspaper receives; but we do hope that strangers will not judge Belle Plain by this rule after scanning over the columns of the CLARENDON. Have we not merited your support? Those who are familiar with the labor, the hardships and the disadvantages of publishing a paper out on the frontier, when the proprietor is compelled to act as errand boy (printer's "devil") compositor, pressman, local reporter, editor, collector, clerk and business manager, all say we have succeeded in publishing a splendid paper. Be this as it may, we have the satisfaction of having done our best, and in the future shall spare no pains in making such improvements from time to time, as our limited means will admit of.

We hope all our old patrons who have tried the CLARENDON for a year, will renew their subscriptions, and send their \$2.00 at once. There are many who are still behind with their subscriptions for the past year, and to all such we would say, we need the money. Our terms are in advance, but we have waited on you for a year; now send in \$4.00 and that will pay for both the past and coming year, and will help us out very materially. A newspaper is just what its patrons make it, so let every one put their shoulder to the wheel, and let us have a paper of which we can all feel proud.

Mr. J. W. Newman, our new County Clerk, has taken possession of the office and has appointed, as deputy, Mr. I. N. Jackson, formerly in the employ of W. T. Berry & Co. A very good appointment.

Mr. W. J. Power returned from his visit to Arkansas last Saturday evening.

For all kinds of Christmas goods suitable for presents, go to Turner's Drug Store.

Now is a splendid time to renew your subscriptions. The CLARENDON will be larger, but the price the same—only \$2.00 per annum, cash in advance.

"Carry the news to Mary," that Turner has the largest, best selected and cheapest stock of holiday goods ever in Belle Plain.

We noticed Bud Purcell on the streets in the early part of the week. He went back to the ranch, out on Double Mountain Fork, last Wednesday morning.

The weather, as if making up for the past, has been very pleasant and spring-like during the week. On Wednesday a light norther blew up but did not last long nor blow hard.

Mr. T. Y. Bennett, who has been in our county for a short time, started last Monday, for Mississippi and Georgia, to visit relatives whom he has not seen for about twenty-nine years.

Col. J. W. Adams, the popular proprietor of the Adams House at Baird, called on us again this week. This time he brought us an order for job work. He does not believe in sending money out of the county for job printing, which can be done as neatly and nearly as cheap here as it can East. Score one for the Colonel.

County Commissioners' Court convened last Monday morning. They approved of the bonds of all the county officers, who have all assumed the responsibilities of their various positions. Want of space prevents us this week from giving a synopsis of the proceedings of the court. In our next volume we will give the proceedings of the court at each meeting.

Our enterprising druggist, R. M. Turner, has gone to Fort Worth to get a large addition to his stock of holiday goods. He had sent for a large assortment, but found that the demand exceeded the supply, so he went after more. He returned last night, and all can now be supplied with everything suitable for holiday presents. Go see for yourself.

Mr. Tom Russell has secured the contract for building the new stone school house and Masonic hall, and has a force of hands digging the trenches, etc., preparatory to laying the foundation. We are glad that so efficient and competent a workman as Tom, has got the contract, for that is sufficient to insure its being done in a creditable manner. Belle Plain will soon be able to boast of a good school building.

Mr. Sam L. Chalk, with his mother and sister, arrived in town last Wednesday evening, and his father will arrive this evening. They are moving from Denton, Denton County, to the Purcell place, recently purchased by Sam Chalk for his father. The farm is situated on Battle Creek in the eastern portion of this county, and will make them a splendid home. We welcome all such good citizens to our county, and hope they will be pleased with their new home.

Faded hair is restored by Hall's Hair renewer.

J. D. Merchant has been at Austin, but is now at Fort Worth.

Capt. Berry, of W. T. Berry & Co., left yesterday, by the special train, for Fort Worth.

Santa Claus has come to town and his head quarters are at Turner's Drug Store. Go there and see all the nice things for sale cheap.

Maj. W. C. Withers was in town on Wednesday last, and we learn that he left Baird for Colorado City yesterday, to make location for the new town on Colorado.

Elder J. F. Miller, Evangelist and resident of Hood County, will begin a series of meetings at the school house in Belle Plain, next Thursday, the 16th inst., at early candle light.

Go to the Power House, if you want the best to eat the market affords. We have a first-class heating stove, and are much better prepared to accommodate our customers than ever before, and will be pleased to see our friends at all times.

Yesterday a man with the track layers, near Baird, met with a painful accident by having a car loaded with railroad iron, run over his foot. Dr. Shapard was called to attend him, and dressed his foot. He was doing well when the doctor left, but the chances are that amputation may be necessary.

Yesterday, Mr. Olds, while hauling a load of wood and when in the act of lifting on a heavy stick, strained himself. After going home he went to the drug store, and Dr. Shapard, on examination, found that one of his ribs was broken. We hope that it will not prove serious.

On our first page will be found a series of resolutions passed by the County Commissioners. Mr. Hedley has filled a most satisfactory term of office and retires with the satisfaction of having filled the office of County Clerk with much credit to himself and satisfaction to the public.

Major Wathen, chief engineer of the T. & P. Railway Company, who went west some two and a half months ago, on business for the Company, arrived here on his return from El Paso Wednesday evening. He says the preliminary survey has been made through to El Paso, and within the next four or five months, the location will be completed. The road is to be pushed through to El Paso by January 1st, 1882.

For a long time past many have predicted that Col. M. S. Hall would be overtaken by the track-layers, and that it would prove very disastrous to him in a financial point of view, but the track has now gone through the big cut, and the track-layers have not been compelled to wait one moment on the Colonel. It is true, his work is not quite completed, but that did not interfere with the progress of putting down rails. There only remains unfinished a projection on the side of the cut of about one hundred and sixty feet in length. In a future number of the CLARENDON we shall give a full description of this gigantic piece of work and the indomitable energy, pluck and perseverance displayed by Col. M. S. Hall.

To-day the track-layers take dinner at Baird—five miles from Belle Plain, and for several days past the smoke of the locomotive could be seen from our town. The temporary terminal depot will soon be removed from Eastland to Baird, when, no doubt, Baird's property will temporarily take a rise, but as for Baird being a division town, is an idea, we think, has never entered the heads of the company. Belle Plain has nothing to fear from that quarter.

NOTICE.

Robert Estes, Justice of the Peace of precinct No. 5, residence about 8 miles west of Baird.

J. W. Merrick, Constable of precinct No. 5, residence 8 miles west of Baird, on the line of the railroad.

Will attend promptly to all business entrusted to their care. VI-50-1y

ESTRAYED.

Returned as an estray by S. C. Pack, Commissioner of precinct No. 1 Callahan county Dec. 7th 1880, one dark brown mare mule, 6 years old, about 15 hands high, blotch brand on left shoulder with collar marks on neck. One flea-bitten gray mare, 8 years old, about 14-2 hands high, branded curly comb on left shoulder. Also one iron gray filly, one year old, no brands, said filly being colt of above described gray mare n59

Estrayed before R. B. Brown J.P. precinct No. 1, Callahan county, December 2 1880, by W. W. Manning, one bay horse (stallion) 14 hands high, 3 years old, branded H on the left shoulder and thigh.

One sorrel mare, blaze face, right fore foot and left hind foot white, 14 hands high, 4 years old, branded LEW on the left thigh. n49

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN!!

ALL PERSONS who are indebted to us will please come forward and pay their accounts without further delay. Resp'ty. W. T. BERRY & CO. n41tf Oct. 9, 1880.

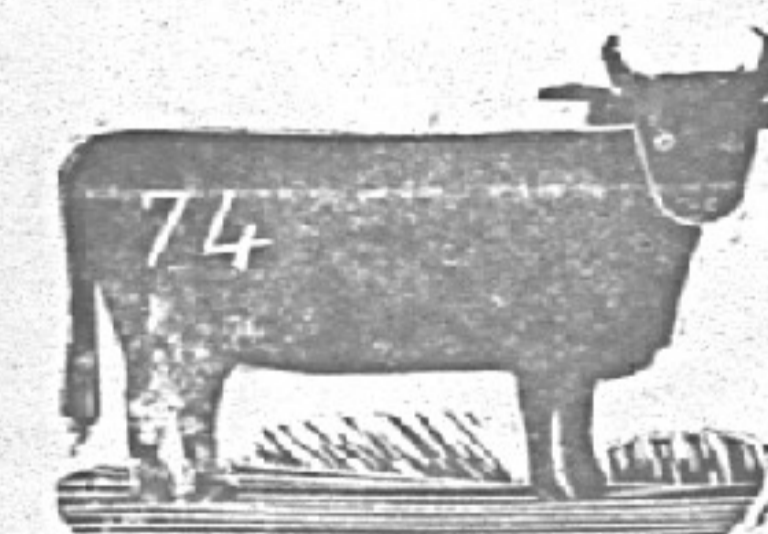
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