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GRAHAM TEXAS.

About Elections.

The populists are making a big fuss about what they claim is misrepresentation on the part of democrats concerning the methods by which a president and vice president are elected.

They expound at length on how the electors proceed in the electoral college, and even quote an article from the constitution.

Everybody knows that Bryan and Sewall electors and Bryan and Watson electors if elected will vote for Bryan for president, and for their respective candidate for vice president.

The trouble, however, is not going to be in the electoral college; it is going to be in the general election on November 3rd.

To illustrate what we mean, we will suppose in that election in the state of Texas the Bryan and Watson electors get 125,000 votes; and the Bryan and Sewall electors 150,000 votes, and the McKinley and Hobart electors 160,000 votes; which set of electors will be elected? Most assuredly the McKinley and Hobart electors.

The populist are trying to mislead the rank and file of their party by telling how it will be in the electoral college.

They know as well as anybody that it is in the general election where Bryan will be defeated, if defeat is possible, but since the secret trade has been fixed with the republicans they are using desperate means to whip into line members of their own party.

After betraying their trust, the leaders are using every artifice in their power to conceal the fact, but they are bunglers and their work is too coarse not to be detected.

Despite all they say to the contrary any man can see by the above that a vote for Bryan and Watson is equivalent to a vote for McKinley and Hobart.—Weatherford Democrat.

The Irishman called the turn when the iron foundry boss said to him: "Tim, if you vote for Bryan and he is elected your wages will be cut half in two." "It's a darned lousy," said Tim; "if that was so ye's would say nothing about it."

H. D. Wood, of Greenville, one of the populist electors at large, and Marion M. Williams, of Austin, populist elector for the 9th district, have both announced that they will not under any circumstances vote for Bryan for president should they be elected electors in November. E. O. Call, the other elector at large on the populist ticket "called" at Republican headquarters in Dallas Tuesday. The whole gang is fusing or selling to the republicans.—Terrell Times-Star.

Neddy Green has arrived from New York where he has been to see Mark and Hetty. He says he is "fixed." His theory of course is that money can buy votes and Texas will go for McKinley. After the third day of November he will want to know "who butted Billy Patterson" off the bridge?

Blood Boils Cured.

Slidell, Texas, Sept. 27, 1896.—I have been troubled a great deal with blood boils during the past three years, and have been especially annoyed in the Spring and Summer. Last March I began taking Hood's Sarsaparilla, and it benefited me so much that I have not been troubled with boils during the past year. J. C. RIDDLE.

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From the Chronicle.

Ed. Lee on the Coming Election.

The fight is on and the finish is near. The contest is over finance; it has been, is, and will be the paramount issue to any other for good or evil, with which mankind has to deal. No one can escape the game, but from birth till death, it is a prime factor in every affair.

This is the first time it has ever come before the American people to be settled by them. Every question has two sides; as only one can be right, the other must be wrong. On one side is the single gold standard. It means money famine which causes panic, falling prices, hunger, misery, beggary and crime, and bond issues in times of peace, which can never be anything but a galling load on labor and production, which must pay all debts. It means massed wealth (useless and luxurious idleness) in its utmost endeavors to dictate and bind its terms of slavery on the masses, present and future. It means about fifty thousand people, their benchmen and followers, enslaving over thirty million people to pay tribute to the arbitrary power of bond and other syndicates, oil, coal, meat, sugar, whisky and other trusts, telegraph, railroad and bank combines, manufacturing, mercantile and other monopolies, and the multiplication of laws to uphold these and other special privileges. It is a tariff that prohibits all exchanges, foreign and domestic, by putting it beyond the ability of people to buy, on account of money shortage. It sweeps from the many the mortgaged property and home—all misbegotten by the gold standard, conceived in iniquity, carried on in rascality, and hell-bent and determined to wind up in a wholesale robbery and swindle of the majority.

On the other side, opposed to the gold standard, is the free and unlimited coinage of both silver and gold. It is the money of the constitution, has been tried and gave satisfaction for nearly a century; it is native born and not foreign, and any temporary fluctuations it might cause would be but temporary and transitory, even though fought by desperate opponents, handlers of credit and confidence, and other gold bugs.

It means more of the poor man's money (which has, does, and will do more satisfactory work than any other yet tried), as well as more of all other kind of money. It means rising prices, stimulation and encouragement, a greater demand and better pay for all produce and labor, more general prosperity for each and all and none of those blood-sucking privileges to the few. It means that gambling and chance shall not control the volume of money of the United States, and that panics will be fewer, farther apart and less violent, a general raising of everything instead of depressing them below levels of China.

That people who can't pay in anything now, will then be able to pay in anything their contract calls for. It means the victory of the great common people over trusts, combines, syndicates, etc., and is the first necessary step to secure other reforms, without international agreement. It means liberty and right instead of slavery and wrong. The lines are clear, clean-cut, and some painfully plain, unmistakable. The republican party stands for the gold standard and the democratic party for the free and unlimited coinage of both silver and gold at the ratio of 16 to 1.

Every voter should take one side or the other, since it is only by one or the other of these parties you can express your preference, (on this subject) for presidential electors congressmen and others you desire to support. It is simply child's play to run after the side shows. It is worse. It is snipe hunting and badger pulling, where a question is raised to take any chances of losing your vote. See that your ticket is not bogus! Vote to the best of your ability for the cause more than its representatives. It is a duty—none should do less, nor can any one do more.

One of the Great Successes.

During a recent interview with the manufacturers of "Battle Ax" plug tobacco, they said they had been amply repaid for the enormous amount of money which they had spent for newspaper advertising by a wonderful increase in business. They claim that they have had an excellent opportunity to test the advantage of newspaper advertising, because ever since they started, manufacturers of other brands of plug tobacco who have for years made enormous profits by giving to the consumer a small piece of tobacco no better than "Battle Ax" immediately recognized the fact that on account of the superior quality and liberal sized piece of "Battle Ax" their business were in great danger of being curtailed. In their endeavor to prevent this they waged bitter war against the manufacturers of "Battle Ax" through the medium of their newspaper advertisements were able to tell the consumers of the high grade and fine quality of "Battle Ax" and the great economy derived from using it, until today "Battle Ax" is pronounced by all the greatest success on the market, and more pounds of it are sold than of any other brand of plug tobacco. So much for newspaper advertising.

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Teachers' Institute. Farmer, October 23 and 24, 1896. FRIDAY. Paper.—Institute Work Theoretically Considered. H. Fowler. Institute—Work Practically Considered. G. A. Gray. Recitation. Miss Mollie McMillan. Personal Habits of the Teacher. J. N. Johnston. Discussion. R. Lindsey, T. K. Timmons. Essay.—Professional Ethics. Miss Ella Fort. Recitation. Miss Georgia Jewell. The Educational Ideas of Socrates. J. A. Fairly. Discussion. J. E. Simpson, Geo. Compton. Paper.—Education the Foundation of Habits. J. H. Aynesworth. Recitation. R. L. Johnston. What Habits Should be Formed by School Work. Miss Mollie McMillan. Discussion. J. W. Collier, Miss Georgia Jewell. NIGHT SESSION. Recitation. Miss Lizzie LeGrand. Paper.—The Ideal Teacher versus the Practical Teacher. Miss Lillian Earnest. Methods of Exciting Interest in Study.—R. Lindsey. Discussion. G. A. Gray, C. G. Teffeller. Recitation. Geo. A. Hill. SATURDAY. The Necessary Elements of a Successful School System. J. E. Moreland. Discussion. Geo. Compton, H. Fowler. Recitation. Cornelia Jewell. Has Our State Superintendent Too Much Authority? Geo. McLaren. Discussion. J. N. Johnston, J. H. Aynesworth. Paper.—Franklin's Ideas on Education. J. N. Johnston. Recitation. J. W. Collier. noon. Discussion of questions not on the program. Recitation. J. M. Hughes. Miscellaneous business. How Can a District Best Increase Its Educational Facilities. Miss Grace Darling. Discussion. Miss Lillian Earnest, Miss Lee Blakey. Song. Misses Georgia and Cornelia Jewell.

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FOR VICE-PRESIDENT,
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A Joint Debate.

C. W. Johnson, Republican, and P. A. Martin, Democrat, will engage in a joint discussion of the political issues of the present campaign at the court house in Graham on Saturday, the 17th, at 10 o'clock P. M. Both speakers act under the auspices of the rival political clubs, and a full attendance is expected. The ladies are especially invited to grace the occasion with their presence.

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ELIASVILLE, TEXAS, Oct. 12 1896.
Our citizens that at the school house on last Saturday night and organized a Bryan and Sewall club of fifty-four members. W. L. Donnell was chosen president, J. C. Townsend, vice president and W. P. Stinson, secretary and treasurer. All necessary committees were appointed and a general contribution made. Next Saturday night, Oct. 17, was set for our next regular meeting, when we expect to greatly increase our membership.
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The Books.

The Young County Call in its last issue extols the purity of its state ticket and advises every business man and farmer to vote that ticket to the end that they may "get a look at the state books and see what is wrong with them." It does seem to us that the editor of the Call with his past connection with the "books" of the Farmers' Alliance Exchange at Dallas, would feel some delicacy on the subject of "books" generally, and especially on the subject of opening books of account for inspection. Young county alliance men contributed very liberally to that institution, but they have never yet "got a look at the books." The state books are open for the inspection of any citizen, and always have been. But there are scores of alliance men in this and other counties, who would be pleased to know, even at this late day, what Macune and his crew did with their money contributed to the Exchange. Perhaps with his intimate knowledge of the books of that concern, the Call man will enlighten the people on this subject after the election.

Spluttering Don't Go.

The Washington Post, an independent gold standard paper, gives the republicans cold comfort in its figures on the electoral vote. It gives Bryan 205 in the electoral college now to begin with, with a chance to carry Illinois, Oregon, California, Maryland, Delaware, West Virginia, Michigan, Wisconsin and Iowa, which the Post places in the doubtful states. Major McKinley must get 84 votes from these states while Bryan needs only 19 to land him in the White House. The Republicans are roundly cursing the Post for making such discouraging figures for their candidate and the Post replies:

Of course, we understand that seeing these figures in cold type is not nearly so encouraging as hooping and throwing hats into the air and braying McKinley in the White House by mere force of clamor. But really this is not our fault. The contest has to be decided November 3 next, not by stupid vociferation, but by the ballots of an intelligent and patriotic people and we must, in forecasting the decision, consider facts, reason, probability—not our personal prejudices and desires. We cannot elect McKinley by getting together under an umbrella and resolving that Bryan is as good as defeated at the present moment. It is foolish to blind ourselves to the existence of the earnest million who dwell beyond the Potomac and the Alleghenies. Those millions are there, and they must be taken into account. We cannot dispose of them by making a great hullabaloo over here on the Atlantic coast. It will not change anything to pooh-pooh and splutter and get red in the face and heap savage and occasionally idiotic epithets on Bryan. If this youthful person from Nebraska is to be beaten at all, it must be done by sensible, fair-minded and rational appeals to the judgement and conscience of the American people.

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There are two constitutional amendments to be voted on this year. One provides that residents of foreign birth must declare their intention to become citizens at least six months before an election at which such person may offer to vote. The other authorizes the investment of the school fund in county bonds at a premium. We are in favor of the first mentioned.—Terrell Times Star.

We want every family in Young county to read THE LEADER, and while it is worth every cent we ask for it, we offer the following special inducement: Every new subscriber or renewal within the next thirty days will be presented with a year's subscription to TEXAS STOCK AND FARM JOURNAL, the oldest and biggest agricultural publication in the state. It has 14 departments, each edited by an expert, including the Household—a splendid family feature. Ask to see sample copies at our office.

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One-third of all the children die before they are five years old. Most of them die of some wasting disease. They grow very slowly; keep thin in flesh; are fretful; food does not do them much good. You can't say they have any disease, yet they never prosper. A slight cold, or some stomach and bowel trouble takes them away easily.

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Made Well

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Friends, readers and countrymen: Lend us your ears—we will return them. Now is the tail end of fall and the early winter of our discontent. Can't you make it glorious summer for us by going down in your jeans for a great big silver dollar, or more, and hustling around to this office and paying it on your subscription? If you owe us you know it, and we are here to tell you that we are needing those several hundred small sums "powerful back." Don't put us off again this year until every other fellow you owe has been paid in full and then forget to call at all. We are long on promises—to pay those we owe—and short on cash. This matter is no joke. We are tired fasting nine months in the year and starving one other three, and are out after enough cash on subscriptions to buy a cold lunch for some poor relations who expects to visit us this fall.

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Independent Ticket. For Tax Assessor, BENJ. MOSELEY, Sr.

LITTLE LOCAL LEADERS.

Just eighteen days more and the election will be over.

G. W. Terrell of True, was in town Saturday on business.

Wils Copeland of South Bend, was in Graham last Saturday.

C. P. Benson returned last Saturday from a business trip to Stephens county.

H. L. Morrison is rejoicing over the arrival of another boy.

Mrs. J. J. Greenwade spent Friday and Saturday in Graham, visiting friends and trading.

Mrs. M. M. Davis of Baylor county, has been visiting relatives in this county, returned home last Saturday.

Buy your Lumber and Portland Cement from H. N. FROST, the leading Lumber Dealer of Mineral Wells.

A new mail route has been established between Olney and Spring Creek to connect at Olney with the Graham and Olney mail. It was badly needed, and will be of great benefit to the people of Spring Creek.

In publishing the names of subscribers to THE LEADER who commenced with the first issue and have continued taking it up to this time, we overlooked the name of J. C. Loving, now of Fort Worth.

F. L. Thomas has gone to Knox county to sow wheat. He says he will not move until after the election.

Dr. Lewis called on THE LEADER this week. He has built an addition to his dental office and moved his family to it. He is prepared to do any kind of dental work on short notice and can always be found in his office.

Eld. G. W. Black left a few stalks of cotton with THE LEADER last week. They are loaded with bolls and should the frost stay off two or three weeks, he will have a fair top crop.

The impurities in the blood which cause scrofulous eruptions are thoroughly eradicated by Hood's Sarsaparilla. Try it.

HOGS WANTED.

We will pay \$1.50 per hundred pounds, in mill stuff, for good feeder hogs, weighing not less than 30 pounds, if delivered on the 15th, 16th or 17th of this month. GRAHAM MILLING CO.

Attention is called to the big ad. of S. B. Street and Co. They have an immense stock of goods and are selling at bed rock prices.

FOR SALE.

A few small tracts of good land cheap and on easy terms. C. P. BENSON.

W. H. George, at Mineral Wells, will sell you furniture lower than you can get it elsewhere. When at the Wells call and see him.

When in Mineral Wells buy your Groceries from Cogdell Bros.

Jas. H. Clifton of Belknap, was in town Monday and gave THE LEADER a pleasant and substantial call.

Isaac Laing of the H-L ranch was in town Monday.

NOTICE.

After this week we will Gin on Thursday and Saturday of each week. BRITTON & McBRAYER, South Bend, Oct. 10, 1896.

When at Mineral Wells stop at the Mineral Wells Wagon Yard.

S. B. STREET & CO.,

The only first-class Dry Goods House in Graham has always been and always will be the Cheapest House in town for first-class goods. Always having the interests of our customers at heart, and believing our interests are mutual, we call attention to

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Standard calicoes, including Calcutta, at 9 cts per yard. 27 inch round thread Cotton Checks, 3 cts. per yard. An all wool Red Flannel, at 9 cts per yard. Yard-wide L. L. Domestic, at 3 1/2 cts. per yard.

Our Clothing Department is full and up-to-date. We do not have to give a 25 per cent reduction to be lower in prices than any other house in town. We know what we are saying when making the above statement.

Our Boot and Shoe Department has not been neglected. We can save you money on any article in the Dry Goods line.

For Instance,

Ladies' heavy, oil-grain, riveted Button Shoes at 90 cts. Mens' heavy saddle-seam Boots at \$1.50

Price our Millinery Goods. A big stock to select from. Our trade has already exceeded our most sanguine expectations, but we wish to make this our busiest month.

Eight spools best Thread for 25 cents.

All our goods were bought in the Eastern markets for cash, by our buyer, S. B. Street, who has eighteen years' experience in buying.

We have always given you the lowest prices; we will continue to do so.

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Cheapest House in Town.

ART.

Miss Lou Huber is teaching Art over the Beckham National Bank. All are cordially invited to call and see her work. Patronage solicited.

Mr. and Mrs. Sluter, of Floyd county, passed through Graham on their way to Dallas with a fine lot of mules for sale. The editor of THE LEADER crossed the plains to California with Mr. and Mrs. Sluter in 1853.

If you want good and fresh groceries at low prices see Matthews & Tidwell.

W. J. Nixon of Eliasville, gave THE LEADER a pleasant call last Wednesday and deposited a wheel.

Capt. A. T. Gay and Col. O. E. Finlay went to Spring Creek to speak Monday night, and Olney Tuesday night.

County Court convened on Monday morning. On the call of the various dockets it was ascertained that there was but little for the Court to do. Two cases were dismissed, one boy plead guilty to pistol toting and one assault case was continued. There is no regular jury for the week. J. C. Stewart was arrested Monday on three local option cases, and the cases were passed until Thursday, and are on trial as we go to press. These cases excite unusual interest as they are the first cases of the sort filed since the passage of our local option law.

P. A. Martin and O. E. Finlay addressed the citizens of South Bend upon the political issues last Saturday night. Capt. Gay and J. C. Kay spoke at True and J. E. Simpson at Goose Neck on the same night. The democrats are awake and at work.

W. H. Hightower of Mineral Wells, was in town yesterday and gave THE LEADER a pleasant call.

T. F. Kindley and family, of Indian Mound were trading in town Monday.

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A pure Grape Cream of Tartar Powder. Free from Ammoniacs, Alkali or any other adulterant.

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South Bend.

School begins here next Monday; a large enrollment is expected. The house is now undergoing repairs, O. H. Parker is superintending the work.

Chas. Ferris and family and Miss Laura Kellar returned from Wisconsin last week. Miss Kellar will remain in the community till Xmas.

Miss Bettie Scott gave the young people a pleasant birthday party last Wednesday evening. All seem to have had a splendid time.

Ford Parker has engaged to teach a singing school at Briar Bend. Martin McBrayer has rented his place to Mack Ficklin for the coming year.

Elder Cunningham will preach here next Sunday. P. A. Martin, and Col. Finlay, expounded on the free cause here last Saturday night to a very good crowd of hearers.

The gin here has turned out 125 bales to date this year. GEE. A. GEE.

Jas. A. Norman has bought a one-third interest in the grocery house of Matthews & Tidwell. They are constantly receiving fresh supplies of groceries and are prepared to meet all competition. Call and see them.

Mrs. S. R. Crawford has been quite sick for the past week.

Indian Mound.

The cotton crop is about gathered. This year has proven a disastrous one to the cotton raiser of this community and the whole state. It ought, at least, to teach the farmer not to rely solely upon the fleecy staple, but upon more diversified farming for a support.

The school at this place is progressing very smoothly. Free school opens next Monday, and we trust that each patron will enter his children on that day. An early start and stick-to-itiveness is what it takes to get an education. A teacher cannot do it all. He must have the co-operation of his patrons, and the greatest item of co-operation is regular attendance.

W. W. Hunter, with others, will move a part of his stock of cattle to the Red river country.

A. R. Rutherford is gathering his horses preparatory to moving them to the plains for grass.

Mart Hunter has gone to Roxton after his uncle, Hardin Hunter, who will move back to his old range.

Mr. Isham will move to Quanah. There was a small but enthusiastic attendance at the Bryan and Sewell club Friday night. X. Y. Z.

Mrs. Jas. H. Norman has been sick for some time, but is now improving.

We had a fine rain Wednesday night. There is now sufficient moisture in the ground to sow wheat. Dave McCoy, the show man, was here Monday and Tuesday, but failed to get a crowd sufficient to show.

Eliasville Echoes.

We have had frost. Wheat sowing will begin in earnest after the next rain.

The Eliasville Bryan and Sewell club will meet next Saturday night. There will be political speaking on the same night by the democratic and populist candidate for representative. All are invited to come out.

Lon Billingsley has been quite sick for some time, caused from getting too warm. His physicians say that he is slowly improving now.

Sam Daws and Doc, McGlamery killed the big buck that has for several years been roaming in this part of the country. They had agreed that when they found the buck they would count three and both shoot. After stretching all over these mountains and fields and while slipping along through a sorghum patch something with a head and two eyes peeped out from a shock. The front man without giving his pal a chance to help as agreed pulled down, and the noble animal with dusky eyes fell to the ground with a thud that sounded heavy. The same old hunters dispute began, when the front man with eyes protruding, a heart intense and features slack, with arms hanging loosely and knees giving way blurted out N-N—ow we've played it. The rear man with his dramatic part promptly exclaimed: "We! We!" and there are two little guns for sale.

Miss Ivy Titus from Green Gables, has been spending several days with Miss Lucy Daws.

Mrs. E. P. Davis, Miss Lucy Daws and Mr. Will Davis will start for the Dallas Fair this week.

Miss Stella Ritchie invited her associates in on last Friday evening for an entertainment. Much merry making and delicious refreshments were the delightful features of the occasion.

Mr. Miller, you know we took a trip back east this summer; well we were in Fort Worth on the first day of August and we went around and helped the boys out with their orders where we used to work. The next time we wrote to our ma we mentioned that we worked for Turner & Dreege on the 1st; well sir before we got back it had spread all around that we had got a job in Fort Worth and was going to move away; well ever since our return, until three weeks ago this is what we have had to contend with: "Good morning Mr. Jones or Mr. Smith" as the case might be. "Good morning I see. They tell me you are going to leave us. I

am sorry to hear it but every man knows his business better than any body else. When do you expect to start? Do you intend to stay for good?" & etc. During all this we were making frantic efforts to stop him. But when he does stop and we inform him that it's all a mistake that we are not going to leave, his saddened features and cruel disappointment was painful to behold. So about three weeks ago to avoid this unpleasantness we printed this sign in big letter on our back: "Established 1869."

JERRY S. MIAH.

We are here to stay. And now they read this sign, wipe away a tear and pass on.

Politics are progressing fairly well here. The pops say their minds are made up. If you never thought of it, there is but one gold standard candidate for vice president—that's Hobart; one free silver candidate—that's Sewall, one fiat money candidate—that's Watson. Now, some ignoramus may wonder why we didn't mention Buckner. If they will tell us what party he belongs to we will class him.

JERRY S. MIAH.

Facts From Farmer.

A slight norther Saturday. Senator Goss entertained a small crowd Saturday, for some two hours on the leading issues of the day. His talk was fine and direct to the point. Some few Populists was out to hear him.

Miss Della Neely has returned from a visit to the nation.

B. W. Drum spent last near Indian Mound sowing wheat.

Joe Woods, of Decatur, was here Saturday looking after the interest of Stark Bros nursery.

A. C. Brinkley has a new baby at his house—a boy.

J. M. Keen will start to Henrietta Wednesday with 200 head of steers to be shipped to Cullman county to feed.

Zart-Steen went down to Graham Monday.

Earnest Slade was here Saturday waiting out cattle suitable for shipping.

J. G. Daily has gone West hunting grass for winter pasturage.

Dr. Predeaux was here Saturday making gold standard as usual.

P. P. Cole and W. M. Barris

drove of young mules. Gordon Braum, and A. J. Merritt will be off in about a week for Greer county with their stock, and come back after their families.

School is progressing nicely, more new students every day, much interest is manifested by teachers pupils and parents.

SOMETIMES.

BIGHAM & CRAIN,

Have Removed to the Randolph Building, next door to the R. G. Graham Drug Store, where they have one

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If you want protection buy "Battle Ax." It is man's ideal tobacco. It protects his purse from high prices. It protects his health from the effects of injurious tobacco. It's the biggest and best there is—nothing less, nothing more. An investment of 5 cents will prove his story.

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I have a large and complete stock and can fill orders on short notice.
All kinds of repairing neatly done. Price reasonable. Give me a trial.
Shop west side Public Square.

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Quinine, snuff, hot tea, onion syrup, whiskey and cod-liver oil, and a host of other remedies are used by the lazzarone to cure a cold. The best way is to make CUSHMAN'S MENTHOL INHALER your daily companion and you will never catch a cold.

A man must be miserable indeed who is laid up with a bad cold, cough, headache, inability to breathe without pain, inflamed nose and head throbbing. Here is the relief. CUSHMAN'S MENTHOL INHALER will give him instant relief.

RELIEF EASY TO GET!

We may go on and on, massage the head of the patient, rub the chest and throat with menthol, and use every other remedy, but the first relief must be in the form of a menthol inhaler. CUSHMAN'S MENTHOL INHALER is the only one that will give relief to the most stubborn cold.

Cushman's Menthol Inhaler a Jewel!

A woman will sit around constantly in bed, feeling miserable over her cold, and she will not get up until she has a cold, and she will not get up until she has a cold, and she will not get up until she has a cold.

NEVER NEGLECT A COLD OR COUGH

Notice a child or cough and if it is not cured, it will become a chronic cough. CUSHMAN'S MENTHOL INHALER is the only one that will give relief to the most stubborn cold.

It is difficult to make women believe their troubles can be cured at home. The popular belief is that they must suffer on and on—or go to a physician, and reveal secrets that he ought not to know.

Nine-tenths of women's troubles can be cured without physician's aid.

McELREATH'S WINE OF CARDUI

is a remedy that stops the drain on the system. It stops the pains that drag and pull at the organs of womanhood. It makes them strong and well. It makes them attractive by making them healthy. Price 5¢ per bottle.

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GOOD LOOKS & PAIN

When you see a "good-looking" woman, you nearly always see a healthy woman. Beauty is really health. It is the attractiveness of face and form that comes naturally when weakness and pain are absent. Sickness and pain drive attractiveness away.

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Why McKinley Stays at Home.

Probably the most stupendous farces ever put on exhibition before the American people are the railway excursions to Canton engineered by Mark Hanna's agents. An investigation shows, as suggested by an exchange, that while the various delegations have paid their respects to the Republican nominee they have actually paid nothing else. In fact every item of expense which these various expeditions to Canton, Ohio, have incurred has been defrayed by the Republican campaign fund. In view of this disclosure, it ceases to be a matter of surprise that Major McKinley should so frequently have had the pleasure within the last few weeks of addressing such a large number of his fellow citizens. To remove all doubt as to the truth of the disclosure which has just been cited, the contents of a circular recently sent out by the Commercial Men's Democratic McKinley club of Chicago are here given:

Commercial Men's Democratic club, Harry H. Levy, secretary, 343, Marshfield Ave., Chicago, September 3, 1896.—The Commercial Men's Democratic McKinley club are going in a body to Canton, Ohio, to pay their respects to Hon. William McKinley. We will leave Chicago Friday evening, September 11, 9 p. m., returning from Canton September 12, and arriving in Chicago Sunday morning. Transportation and sleeping apartments will be furnished you without cost.

We are anxious that every member of the club should participate as it is essential to the interest of the club to make as good a showing as possible.

If you desire to accompany us on the trip, please sign enclosed postal, and return to the secretary not later than Tuesday, Sept. 9.

Respectfully,
GUSTAVE HOFFSTADT,
HARRY H. LEVY, Pres.
Sec'y.

A young man with a practical knowledge in his head, skill in his hands and health in his body is his own recommendation, diploma and reference. Mix him up with sixty million of others and you find him again, as he will have a habit of being on top. Put him naked on a desert island without a country and without a name and he will soon be at the head of something. He does not go whining up and down the land, blaming fortune and saying he has no chance, but goes out and does it again better. Men that can do a thing, either with head or hand, are the men that are wanted and the demand is as great here and now as it has been any time since the first sunrise—Mineral Wells Graphic.

Everyone who wears a McKinley badge will not poll a McKinley vote. Especially is this so in the large cities where the laborers have them in order to hold their jobs.

State Senator Atlee of Laredo, one of the original single gold standard democrats of Texas, has joined a Bryan and Sewell club and is making it warm for the common enemy.

Georgia elected its entire democratic state ticket by about 40,000 majority. The legislature is safely democratic. The Watson men who have been laughing about Sewall not carrying his own state have another laugh coming.

The pension roll at the close of the fiscal year, June 30, amounted to 970,678, a net gain over the previous year of only 154. There was a decrease in pension disbursements of \$1,692,575, the total for the year being \$138,214,761. The bureau estimates that the roll from this time forth will show a marked and steady diminution, unless congress should enact still more liberal provisions than are now upon the statute books. The rate of mortality among pensioners is rapidly increasing. The number reported far exceeding that of any corresponding period in the history of the bureau. The deaths during the year reached 29,393.

A Proof of Fusion.

An incident in Dallas the past week proves conclusively that the Pops and Republicans have pooled issues. Parenthetically it may be remarked that while the incident to be related does not prove it, the fact nevertheless exists that the Palmer and Buckner Tadpoles are also in the combine. They are called Tadpoles because we must wait until after the election for them to lose their political caudal appendage before it can be determined whether they will be McKinley fish of remain corporation frogs.

The incident alluded to is the resignation of W. M. McDonald (colored) from the Republican campaign committee.

McDonald alleges as his main reason the fact that Republican plenary committee had decided to deliver to the Republican vote to Populists, from governor down to constable. McDonald presented a picture of Populistic doctrine which certainly ought to have made ashamed every Republican (toolish as are their doctrines) proposing to allow himself delivered to Kearby, Gibbs & Co. by the dirty gang at the Oriental hotel, Dallas, who have come to Texas for the avowed purpose of practicing boodle politics. McDonald said, further, that the failure of his party to nominate a ticket left every man free to vote as he pleases, and, as for himself, he proposes to vote for Culberson, for governor, against the great apostle of political follies and vagaries, Jay-roam Kearby.

Thus far, the incident proves conclusively that the Republicans understood that they have "pooled issue" with the Pops.

Now for conclusive proof that the Pop leaders all understand it. When Marion Williams, a member of the P. plenary committee, heard of McDonald's bolt from the bookers, Marion proceeded to search for his storetime sable brother. When found, Marion proceeded to pour out the vitals of his Pop indignation. McDonald said at first protested against Marion's abusive language, but the cork was out and the mouth of the vial down-hill, and the wrath just keep on pouring. Finally McDonald lost his patience, and he let Williams have a strong right-hander in the face. As the Pop and gold bug leaders have all put themselves upon entire social equality with negroes, Marion started in to illustrate it by engaging in a flat-fight with McDonald, but bystanders separated the Pop leaders and dealer with boodlers and the Republican bolters from boodlers.

TEXAS FARMER is glad that this thing has happened, for it proves that the Pop leader are so in earnest in their efforts to deliver rank and file Pops to McKinley that they will even engage in street brawls with negroes to force them to stand up to the bargain.

And TEXAS FARMER would again ask its many Pop friends: How do you like the complexion of things now? how does this streak of lean and a streak of fat politics suit you? how do you relish your leaders mixing you up in a black-and-tan political bargain, you to represent the "tan" while they get the "tin"?

In justification of McDonald's jumping the game it should be said that the negro leaders in the Republican party were not consulted in the trade. It was made at the Oriental hotel gang of boodlers set down here by old Trust-thief Hanna to buy up Texas voters. McDonald's actions, however black his skin, proves him to be the whitest man in the two-gangs—Texas Farmer.

Kearby, the populist candidate for governor, is quoted as saying, "I don't care anything about silver or gold either, and if all the populists were like me they would not be bothering themselves about it. I think that it is the most insignificant question of the day." Although a candidate for the highest office in the state, Kearby does not seem to be on the populist platform, which makes the financial question the paramount issue of the campaign.

BLACKSMITHS DURHAM!

GENUINE BUT THE NOTHING HAVE I WANT YOU TO UNDERSTAND

Lincoln, Sherman, Carlisle and Blaine.

"I feel more anxiety for the safety of our country than ever before, even in the midst of war. * * * The money power of the country will endeavor to prolong its reign by working on the prejudices of the people until all wealth is aggregated in a few hands and the republic is destroyed." A. LINCOLN.

"The contraction of the currency is a far more distressing operation than senators suppose, our own and other nations have gone through the operation before. It is not possible to take that voyage without the sorest distress to every person except a capitalist out of debt or a salaried officer as annuitant. It is a period of loss, danger, lassitude of trade, fall of wages, suspension of enterprises, bankruptcy and disaster. It means ruin to all whose debts are twice their business capital, though one third less than their actual property. It means the fall of all agricultural production, without any reduction of taxes." JOHN SHERMAN.

"The conspiracy which seems to have been formed here and in Europe to destroy by legislation and otherwise, three sevenths to one-half of the metallic money of the world, is the most gigantic crime of this or any other age. The consummation of such a scheme would entail more misery upon the human race than all the wars, pestilence and famine that ever occurred." JOHN S. CARLISLE.

"I have the struggle now going on in this and other countries for a single gold standard world, if successful, produce wide-spread disaster throughout the commercial world. The destruction of silver as money and establishing gold as the sole unit of value must have a ruinous effect on all forms of property except investments which yield fixed returns. * * * It is impossible to strike silver out of the list of money without results which will prove distressing to millions and disastrous to tens of thousands." J. G. BLAINE.

The statements of these men who have stood high in the councils of the nation, are prophecies almost fulfilled. But we find the two now living, Carlisle and Sherman, advocating the destruction of silver as money of final redemption and the establishment of the gold standard, which they have said would bring ruin and misery to all except those who have fixed incomes.

Carmichael & McCarver,

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All work in our line neatly and promptly executed on short notice for Cash. Give us a trial. Satisfaction guaranteed in every particular.

ESTRAY NOTICE.

Reported by B. W. Drum, Commissioner Precinct No. 4, and left with Mart Hunter, one sorrel blaze faced, stock-leg horse, about 15 hands high, about 9 years old, branded J on left jaw and B on left shoulder. One bay horse about 14 hands high, about 7 years old, and branded M on left thigh. This Aug. 27, 1896.

Reported by M. K. Graham, Commissioner Precinct No. 1, Young county, and left with C. W. Putman, 7 miles west of Graham, one blood bay horse, 5 years old, 14 1/2 hands high, branded C on left jaw and S on left thigh. Aug. 15, 1896.

Reported by J. T. Hunt, Com. Pre. No. 3, and left with G. M. Durham, One dun blaze faced stock-leg horse about 10 or 12 years old branded A X on left thigh, collar & middle marks. This Aug. 10, 1896.

A. T. GAY, C. O. U. Y. C. T.

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