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FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF BAIRD.
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 \$120,000
 A general banking business transacted in all
 its branches.
ONE OF THE OLDEST BANKS IN THE WEST.

The Baird Star.

To County Subscribers.
 Is the date correct in your
 address on this paper? If not, is it
 our fault or yours? If our fault no-
 tify us and we will correct it at
 once.
 THE STAR.

"'Tis neither birth, nor wealth, nor state, but the 'get-up-and-get' that makes men great"

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BAIRD, CALLAHAN CO., TEXAS FRIDAY FEB. 26. 1897.

NO 12.

Special Clearing Sale.

In order to make room for my spring and summer goods and clean up old stock
 I am offering some **SPLENDID BARGAINS.**

A Drive in Shoes

MEN'S \$5.00 and \$5.50 shoe go at \$3.50. The
 \$3.50 shoe at \$2.50. The \$1.50 and \$1.75 shoe at \$1.00.
 Good Bargains.

LADIES \$2.50 shoe for \$1.50.

CHILDREN'S SHOES. All 75cts to \$1.25 shoes
 go for 45cts per pair. Fine bargains here.

Men's Shirts.

The \$1 and \$1.75 shirt sells now for 50cts. The
 35, 50 and 50ct shirt now for 25cts. Call and see them.

All Winter Weight Clothing Reduced in Price.

Spring and Summer Goods coming by the car load
 and you will want to see them. Call and examine my
 stock when they arrive. Take advantage of the special
 bargains offered here. Yours for trade

T. E. POWELL.



We have a new line of FURNITURE

We want you to see.
 We are selling the best Staple and Fancy
 Groceries in the market very cheap for cash.
 See the new line of dishes just arrived.
WE SOLICIT YOUR PATRONAGE.
VAUGHN & CO.
 BAIRD, TEXAS.

TEXAS LIVE STOCK ASSOCIATION.
 Annual Meeting to be held in San Antonio,
 March 8th.

A **SPLENDID PROGRAM**
 The sixth annual convention of the
 Texas Live Stock Association will con-
 vene in San Antonio on Monday,
 March 8th. This association was or-
 ganized by the breeders of cattle,
 sheep and swine, and it has grown in numbers and
 influence year by year. A very in-
 teresting program has been prepared
 for this meeting which will be carried
 out in full. The subjects for discus-
 sion have been assigned to capable
 men and much interesting informa-
 tion will be obtained by those who are for-
 tunate enough to attend. There are
 several questions of vital importance
 to the live stock industry, which
 should be discussed at this convention.
 The legislature will still be in session,
 and the views of the convention as
 crystallized in the form of resolutions
 and requests will doubtless have some
 weight with the law making powers
 at Austin. The citizens of San An-
 tonio are making great preparations
 looking to the comfort and entertain-
 ment of all delegates and visitors to

the convention, and every one direct-
 ly or indirectly interested in breeding
 or handling any kind of live stock is
 urgently requested to attend.
 On account of this meeting the
 railroads of the state have made an
 extraordinary low rate of five dollars
 for the round trip from any point in
 the state. The rate from nearby
 points will be proportionately low.
 The following is the program in full
 which will be carried out at the meet-
 ing:
 Convention called to order at 9:30
 a. m. by the president.
 Prayer, by Rev. Bayard Craig.
 Official welcome, by the Mayor of
 San Antonio.
 Address of welcome on behalf of the
 local stockman, by some gentleman to
 be selected by the local committee.
 Response, by Hon. A. S. Reed, Fort
 Worth.
 President's annual message.
 Address by Gov. G. A. Callison.
 Report of secretary and treasurer.
 Reports of standing committees.
 New business, resolutions, etc.
SUBJECTS FOR DISCUSSION.
 • "Live Stock Commission Charges"
 - Discussion led by Col. W. E. Hughes
 of Dallas; to be followed by Col. C. C.
 Slaughter, of Dallas, and Jas. I. Clark,
 of Beville.
 • "The Needs of the Extermination of

Wild animals"—Discussion led by
 Capt. B. L. Crouch, of Pearstill.
 • "Railroad Charges"—Hon. J. W.
 Springer, of Dallas, and Hon. A. S.
 Reed, of Fort Worth.
 • "Stock Yards, Feed and Terminal
 Charges"—Discussion to be led by
 Col. Ike T. Fryer, of Columbus; to be
 followed by Dan O. Livestock, of Fort
 Worth, and Col. Geo. W. Littlefield, of
 Austin.
 • "The Swine Industry"—Discussion
 to be led by W. C. Labaron, Waco,
 Tex. to be followed by Maj. W. R.
 Cavitt, Bryan, Tex., and I. J. Caro-
 way, Thorp Springs.
 • "The Sheep and Goat Industry"—
 Discussion led by Capt. A. E.
 Shepard, Marathen; to be followed by
 R. M. Taylor, San Antonio, and W.
 A. Gutrie, San Angelo.
 • "The Horse Industry"—Discussion
 led by Hon. Henry Exall, Dallas; to be
 followed by R. M. Parke, Kyle, and
 Col. R. E. Maddox, Fort Worth.
 • "The Cattle Industry of Texas"—
 Discussion led by Col. Geo. B. Lovin,
 Fort Worth; to be followed by Hon.
 Frank P. Holland, Dallas; Wm. Kuy-
 kendall, Tilden; John Kennedy, Cor-
 pus Christi, and Vories P. Brown, San
 Antonio.
 • "Texas Fever and Quarantine Re-
 gulations"—Discussion led by Hon. R.
 J. Kleberg, Alice; to be followed by
 Hon. W. J. Moore, Galveston and Hon.
 W. B. Tullis, Quanah.
 • "The Necessity for a Live Stock
 Statistical Bureau"—Discussion led by
 Col. W. L. Black, Fort McKavitt; to be
 followed by Capt. B. L. Crouch,
 Pearstill and A. B. Bush, Jr. Colorary.
 New business, resolutions, etc.
 An Address, "Feed Producers" by
 Prof. J. H. Connell, College Station.
 M. SANSON.
 Pres. Tex. Live Stock Association
 VORLES: F. BRGWN.
 Sec. Tex. Live Stock Association.

PUTNAM DOTS.
 Feb. 22.—Weather the past week
 has been fine, and the farmers worked
 like Turks; old father Lagrippe has
 had hold of our people for some
 time, old grandma Jabe is quite sick
 yet, her son, Heasne John, came to see
 her last week and returned home yester-
 day.
 Mrs. Ella Cunningham is quite sick.
 Old grandma Flores is improving
 slowly.
 The junior editor of THE STAR
 gave our town a call yesterday. Come
 again James.
 W. W. Dunson came down to see
 his children and friends Sunday
 Come again Will.
 Mr. Editor there is four things we
 boast of:
 1st. We have the best doctor in
 West Texas; he never misses a call
 and still better, addison loss a case.
 2nd. We have one of the best hotel
 men west of the Brazos river, that is
 the drummers say so; in the person of
 James Hutchison.
 3rd. We have one of the best R. R.
 Agents on the T. & P. R. R.
 4th. We have one of the best crew
 of section men to be found anywhere.
 So you see with the section men to
 keep the road bed in good condition,
 so the traveling public can get here,
 and J. W. Hutchison to feed them,
 and Dr. Brittain to cure them should
 they be sick, and J. M. Tucker to wait
 on them and give them them all the
 R. R. information they desire; it will
 be impossible to keep Putnam down
 with these four combinations.
 J. J. Sigler's mammoth rock house
 is nearly completed.
 Uncle Joe Clay has put in a nice
 line of hardware and is selling real
 cheap.
 Young Dr. L. J. Cook is beginning
 to get considerable practice. He goes

Groceries

I keep in stock a full line of
 Staple and Fancy Groceries, Country
 Produce, Etc. I can save you money
 on anything in my line. You should
 get my prices before you buy elsewhere.
 T. J. DEAN.

East as far as the North-East corner of
 1895 said N. L. Clark purchased nec-
 cessaries of the said H. L. Buchen to
 the amount of (\$14.29) fourteen dol-
 lars and twenty cents for which the
 said N. L. Clark still owes with in-
 terest at the rate of 8 per cent from
 April 1, 1896.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION.
 (The State of Texas)
 County of Callahan,) In the justice
 court, March term, A. D. 1897.
 To the sheriff or any constable of
 Callahan County, Greeting:
 Whereas oath has been made that
 the residence of the defendant is un-
 known by affiant.
 You are hereby commanded, that
 by making publication of this Cita-
 tion in some newspaper published in
 said county, (but if not then in the
 nearest county where a newspaper is
 published), for 4 weeks previous to
 the return day hereof, you summon
 N. L. Clark of unknown county, to be
 and appear before the justice court,
 to be holden for Precinct No. 2 at old
 town of Belle Plaine, on the 27th day
 of March 1897, File Number being 4,
 then and there to answer the peti-
 tion of H. L. Buchen filed in said court
 on the 15th day of Feb. A. D. 1897,
 against the said N. L. Clark and alleg-
 ing in substance as follows, to-wit:
 present.

MASSONIC NOTICE.
 THE STAR is requested to announce
 that members of Baird Chapter R. A.
 M. will meet in Masonic Hall to-mor-
 row night (Saturday) for practice.
 Every member of the Chapter and of-
 ficers especially are requested to be
 present.

THE WATERS RAGING.

IT RAINED FOR SEVENTY-TWO HOURS IN THE OHIO VALLEY.

All the tributaries of the Ohio River are swollen from the rainfall and the Middle West from the Ohio Valley.

Cincinnati, O., Feb. 23.—For seventy-two hours up to 7 o'clock last night steady rain had fallen over the entire area of the immense water shed of the Ohio valley with the result that the mountains peaks of western New York and Western Pennsylvania where the telegraph reports rain last night. Here Monday night was still dripping from a black sky that threatens a heavy rainfall before morning, in which case conditions will be very serious.

The speaker laid before the house two pension votes, which were referred.

Washington, Feb. 23.—The senate spent its first hour yesterday in listening to Washington's farewell address.

A further amendment, offered by Mr. Gallagher, directing that all appropriations for the support of the Indian schools.

Indian Enraged Over a Killing. Cases of Indian enmity were excited by a message from the white settlers at Yerrington, in the Indian Territory.

Consul Fred Fries. Cases, Island of Crete, Feb. 23.—The English, Italian and Russian consuls have returned from Selino, accompanied by 170 Mussulman fugitives.

An Admiral's Statement. Paris, Feb. 23.—An official dispatch received here yesterday from Admiral Portier, the commander of the French squadron of Corsica, Island of Crete, states that the admiral has received the respective governments that an armistice continues to increase in Crete.

Mr. Higgins and Miss Dimple had been married in an impetuous manner. The man I marry must be handsome, and the woman must be beautiful.

More or Less Humorous. Torsop. "Here abouts, Modders' tooth is a good one." "Yes, and it's too bad, after he's had to winter here."

Loansville, Ky. The river here was rising yesterday at the rate of four inches an hour, and has reached the stage of eight feet.

A LAMP EXPLOSION.

FIVE PERSONS WERE FATALLY BURNED.

The Family of Jack Taylor of Cleveland, Miss., the Gasoline Lamp for the Coal Oil Lamp.

Cleveland, O., Feb. 23.—The family of Jack Taylor, No. 662 Canal street was killed and injured by a fatal explosion yesterday morning by a holocaust of flammings.

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GREENS FIGHTING.

London, Feb. 23.—A dispatch from Cairo says: "The Greek army has taken the offensive and attacked the Turkish outposts at Florida."

A crowd of Mohammedans surrounded Konak, asking for arms and ammunition. Two hundred stands of arms were served out to them.

The Greek regulars shined in the night, and the Turkish soldiers were killed. Eleven soldiers were wounded. The Greek artillery destroyed the fortress.

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A GOOD EXAMPLE.

Does Every Year What Some Men Do? Do in a Lifetime.

"I believe," remarked the old clerk to a group of listeners, according to the Washington Star, "that the most patriotic men we have in the United States are those who have lived long."

He has been doing it for years, until he has known the people of the country in every state, and I have yet to hear him say anything about sectional peculiarities or differences.

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TEXAS TRAVELING MEN.

Something About the Extraordinary Men for Orders in the Lone Star State.

For people understand the full importance of the great army of traveling men. The merchant sees a traveling man and he thinks of the towns, the arrival and departure on a gradual basis, the coming and going of the goods to the door of the dealer.

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Entered at the postoffice at Baird, Texas, second-class matter.

Subscription Rates.

Three months \$1.50
Six months \$2.50
One year \$4.50
In advance.

Local reading matter sets a line first insertion, thereafter...

No advertiser is entitled to, nor will they receive THE STAR, unless paid for at regular rate.

All contracts for advertising and job work are made on a strictly cash basis, and settlement must be made accordingly.

I do not promise or agree to take goods or anything but money for advertising and job work.

I will not be responsible for any debts contracted by any employee of this office, or anyone else except members of my own family...

Eastland county will build a new court house at Eastland.

Gen. Joe Shelby, of confederate fame died in Missouri last week.

The periodical war is about to break out in Europe again. This time Greece and Turkey are about to go to war over the little isle of Crete.

The Greek minister of foreign affairs is named 'Skauzes.' This account for the present muddled condition of Greece's foreign affairs.

Millionaire Dr. Deatrow was hanged in Missouri last week for the murder of his wife and child in 94. His money was his ruin, but could not save his neck.

Mark Hanna downed the Foraker faction in Ohio and won his fight after all. Gov. Bushnell was forced to appoint old money bags, much against his will.

McKinley shows signs of breaking down already. What will he do when the g. o. p. pie hunters charge upon him in full force after March 4? Poor man!

Some of the opponents of the arbitration treaty claim that it is loathed. Better wait and let McKinley blow the muzzles of the old blunderbuss and send out the truth.

The administration has been four years negotiating the arbitration treaty and now the president's friends are mad because the senate did not ratify the treaty in four hours.

Tootey Wooley Eckles says his term of office does not expire until his next office. McKinley will do the country a good service by cutting off Tootey's official head with the first swing of his axe.

There is a movement on foot to cut off a part of Calahan county and make a new county with Rising Star or some other ambitious sand righ town the county site. The scheme will hardly get through the present legislature, not unless the people in the territory proposed to go into the new county all favor it, which they do not.

The Rockwell Success pointedly remarks: The Texas press has recovered of a literary garrulousness—the Texas Sifter is dead.

The Sifter petered out soon as the Green and Hanna hoodie was exhausted. Some years ago Alex. Green was successful. He moved his paper to New York, made a grand spurge and 'burst'ed, then he came back to Texas last year founded the Sifter with a great flourish of trumpets. He was going to revolutionize the state...

The Scary County News has been people smile more broadly than ever and that for the good time and expected immediate boon they are unable to assume a grave countenance long enough to get shaved. Fact.

Pacific Wagon & Carriage Co. Buggies, Carriages and Wagons. Manufacture the Celebrated Pacific Buggies, Carriages and Wagons.

We have had years of experience in the sale of Buggies and Spring Wagon in West Texas and know what sort of a vehicle it takes to stand this climate. We unhesitatingly recommend this work as exactly what you want.

COUNTY CLERK'S ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Of the Aggregate amount received and paid out of each fund for the year ending February 10, 1897, and the balance to credit or debit of each fund, and indebtedness of Calahan County, Texas.

Table with columns: To balance, Amount received during year, Amount paid out during year, By amount transferred to other funds, By amount to balance. Funds include: JURY FUND, ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND, GENERAL COUNTY FUND, COURT HOUSE FUND, BAIRD SPECIAL SCHOOL FUND, POLL TAX FUND, ESTRAY FUND, MISCELLANEOUS FUND, SCHOOL LAND RENTAL, JAIL FUND, CLYDE SPECIAL SCHOOL FUND, FISH SPECIAL SCHOOL FUND.

CLASSIFIED ADS.

All ads in this column, under appropriate heads, Lost, Found, Strayed or Stolen, etc., 3 cents per line each insertion...

FIVE DOLLARS REWARD. I will pay \$5.00 for any information leading to the recovery of the two following described horses...

10 CTS. per week and then stopped. The Rev. Dr. DeWitt Blake, of New York, has written a book...

BARBER MATERIAL FOR SALE. One Columbia revolving chair, one large mirror \$3.00 for both. A pair hairpins, 10c.

GOOD NEWSPAPERS At a Very Low Price. The Semi-Weekly News (division of Dallas Herald) contains of eight pages. There are special cheap rates for the following...

104 PAPERS FOR ONLY \$1. Sample Copies Free. Address: A. H. BELO & CO., Pubs. DALLAS - GALVESTON TEXAS

ELECTRIC BITTERS. Electric bitters is a medicine suited for any season, but perhaps more generally needed when the languid, exhausted feeling prevails...

Ballard's Snow Linctum Will Cure Neuralgia. It will also cure Lame Back, Sore Throat, Wounds, Sprains, Bruises, Cuts, Old Sores, Ladies, it will cure your back-ache. Sold by Nelson & St. John.

\$300 REWARD. By a resolution unanimously passed at a regular meeting of the Protective Stock Association of Calahan and adjoining counties a standing reward of \$300 is offered for the arrest and conviction of any person for the theft or illegal branding of any cattle or horses...

Insurrection of President-elect McKinley, Washington, D. C., March 4th of one fare for the round trip tickets on sale Feb. 28 and March 1st, limited to return until March 10th.

March 6th, New Orleans. A rate of one fare for the round trip tickets on sale Feb. 25, 27, 29, and March 1st, limited to return until March 12th.

K. of P. Uniform Rank Hot Springs, Ark. May 17, rate of one fare for the round trip tickets on sale May 15, and 16th, limited to return May 25th.

LAW NOTICE. After a short absence I have again located in the practice of law in Baird. Any business entrusted to my care will be carefully attended to and appreciated.

Great Danger in Coughs. A neglected cough is source of imminent danger to all. Ballard's Horehound Syrup is guaranteed to cure the worst cough, Whooping Cough, Croup and all other coughs.

BUCKLEN'S ARNICA SALVE. The best Salve in the world for cuts, bruises, sores, ulcers, salt rheum, fever sores, itchy, chapped skin, chilblains, corns, and all skin eruptions, and positively cures piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction or money refunded.

That 'wags' has struck the Indian Territory today the drunken Indian. The wave of prosperity that was to have swooped down on this country following the election of Major McKinley and his man, Frisley, Mark Hanna, came in full force and effect to the coal dealers.

S. M. Moon & Co. DEALERS IN Lumber, Shingles, Sash, Doors, MOULDING, CEMENT, PAINT AND CEDAR POST. BAIRD, TEXAS

LANDS, FOR SALE. 640 acres 1 mile S. W. from Putnam, school section No. 306, good mesquite prairie, near town, schools, etc.

640 acres, school section No. 14, 12 miles west of Baird, in 1, N. Jackson's pasture, good prairie land, \$3.50 per acre, in trade, or on easy terms.

960 acres, 6 miles east of Baird on R. R., well improved stock farm, two dwellings, 160 acre farm, plenty of lasing water, other pasture land adjoining for sale cheap, price \$5.75 per acre, easy terms.

640 acres, 8 miles south of Baird, on Coleman road, School Sec. No. 2, 60 acres timber, balance prairie, \$3.00 per acre, on easy terms. 360 acres of pasture lands adjoining it also for sale cheap.

2940 acres, 4 miles S. W. of Putnam, prairie land, price \$1.75 to \$2.50 per acre, easy terms, or in trade.

340 acres, 1 mile north of Cottonwood, open timber lands, \$1.75 to \$3.00 per acre, easy terms, some trade taken.

90 acres, Wast Hickman Sur, near Caddo Peak, \$1.50 per acre, on time or in trade.

A 160 acre farm near Abilene, 87 acres in cultivation, very cheap, must sell it, even at a big sacrifice. I will cut any of these lands, to suit all buyers. Horses, mules or cattle taken in payment, or part payment. Other lands and improved farms for sale on easy terms. Cattle, Horses and mules for sale.

A. G. WEBB, Baird, Calahan County, Texas.

PROFESSIONAL CARDS. OTIS BOWYER, ATTORNEY-AT-LAW. Practices in all our State and Federal Courts.

R. J. HATCHER, ATTORNEY-AT-LAW. Office first door East of Post Office. Baird, Texas.

R. G. POWELL, PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON. Office opposite Powell & Barnhill building. Baird, Texas.

D. J. WILSON, PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON. Local Surgeon for T. and P. Ry. Also City and County Physician. All professional calls promptly answered. Office first building west of train office.

GO GO GEO. DEAN, The Barber. Second Door North of Johnson's Chop House.

I. N. JACKSON, General Real Estate AGENT. Local Land Agent for T. & P. R. R. Co. and Canda, Drake & Strauss, BAIRD, TEXAS.

T. K. BRAZELL, Shave, Shampoo or Hair Cut. Now located at Radmoose's old stand. Give him a trial.

PAINLESS DENTISTRY. H. H. RAMSEY. Teeth filled, Plates made, Crown and Bridge Work a Specialty. Office first door South W. H. Clift. BAIRD - TEXAS.

War in Texas, war in New York and Ohio among the republicans to say nothing of the general carnage following all over the country ought to bring the people enough diversion with out going to real war with some foreign nation.

Mother's Friend. The best help you can use in this time. It is a balsam, and when regularly applied several months before baby comes, it makes the advent easy and nearly painless. It relieves and prevents 'morning sickness,' relieves the overstrained stomach, relieves the distended feeling, soothes labor, makes recovery rapid and certain without any dangerous after-effects. Mother's Friend is good for colic, for worms, to relieve mother of all danger and pain.

GETTING READY. Every expectant mother has a trying ordeal to face. If she does not know how to get ready for it, there is no telling what may happen. Childbirth is full of danger.

THE BRADFIELD REVOLUTOR. A. Allen, Co.

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I - INVITE - YOU

To Examine my Stock of Implements, Hardware, Etc.



BUCKEYE DRILL.

I am better prepared to supply your wants in drills and cultivators this season than ever before. We have in stock the Buckeye and Standard Cultivators, Double Shovels, Georgia Stocks and Steel Shapes. You should by all means call and see them.



When in need of wire netting, call at my store and get McMullen's, it is the very best on the market.



PLANTERS.

We handle the Canton, Empress, Standard, Champion and Disc.

HARROWS.

We keep in stock a good assortment of Disc Harrows, Steel Harrows and Wood Harrows.



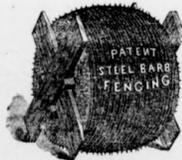
QUEENSWARE.....

I have the completest line of queensware, lamps, house furnishing goods, etc.

STOVES.....

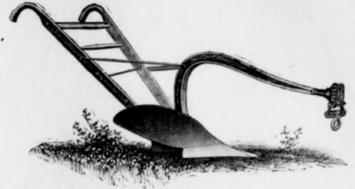
I handle only the best stoves to be had. I keep constantly in stock a full line of
OUR LEADER.
STAR LEADER.
BUCKS BRILLIANT.
CHARTER OAK

When in need of a good stove, be sure and examine my stock.



BARB WIRE.

I handle the following celebrated brands of Barb Wire.
BAKER.
WAUKENGAN



CONTON CLIPPER.

I have in stock the following well known brands of walking plows; Avery, Moline, Keystone, Garden City Clipper.

SULKEY PLOWS.

I handle only the very best, which are: Solid Comfort, Canton Clipper Trycicle, Rock Island, Avery's Invincible, Disc Plows.

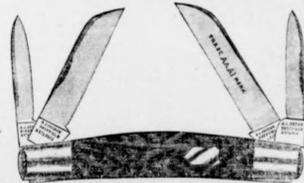


WIND MILLS.

Of all the Wind Mills manufactured the Aermotor is considered the best. I keep in stock this mill and fixtures Buy only the best.



We handle
BAIN AND MITCHELL
Wagons.



CUTLERY.

My line of Cutlery is complete and consists of a large assortment for pocket and table cutlery, scissors.

I shall during '97 carry the largest and most select stock in my line. My prices are low and I assure you I will appreciate your trade. Call and examine my stock.

Harry Meyer,

Baird,

Texas.

The Baird Star.

Subscription \$1.50 Per Annum
W. O. GILLMAN, PUBLISHER AND PROPRIETOR.

All-charge bills and ordinances seem to be catching.

There are natures that can be calmed only by abusing somebody.

The majority of mankind depend on the minority to do their thinking.

One lie is seldom able to stand alone, and requires constant reinforcements.

The Nicaragua Canal project has been forced to "take water" before its time.

Conferents twenty dollar silver certificates are said to be out. Have you seen them?

Who people often manage things so that even their burdens can be made to help them along.

We all have cause to hope that people who never forgive may be blessed with short memories.

If we were really aware of what ails us, most of the people on earth would be better and get along faster.

Henry Nails was hit on the head by a rubber last week and then had to be driven into court to prosecute him.

General Lee might demand that George get himself re-elected to the presidency by challenging a full-fledged general.

The honest, dishonesty seldom makes a nice rheme, and when it does riches are a curse. There is no such thing as dishonest success.

A Denver printing house has just been ordered to print 250 placards of the "Don't blow out the gas." The legislature is in session.

Yvette Gilbert's press agent says she is the new York. Will some of your boys please get her to the corner and then take the coup.

For a long time Ben Davis, a Tennessee hotel man, smoked ten packages of cigarettes a day. It will be a long time before he smokes any more.

Many mysterious rumors have been in circulation regarding the "Czar" health, but it now appears to be referring only from a bull. It is gratifying that the affair has come to a head.

Narrow minded men who have not a thought beyond the little sphere of their own vision, recall the Hindu saying. "The small sees nothing but the great, the small and thinks not the grandest in the universe."

A Dakota philosopher has discovered a way to make cold weather pass quickly, which he explains in a Yankton paper. He says that he can stand a couple of months of cold weather fairly well. This in December he goes down to the bank and borrows \$100 in nine days. "Spring always comes soon enough then to suit me," he adds.

A successful test was made last week at Anderson, Ind., of a complicated "making machine for shoes" and its patentees, John Shimmer and son, claim absolutely no credit. "They state bodies and hands are made and out plans given to them by spirits and that the work as it progressed was directed by the spirits," they claim. At work a year, but have a wonderful piece of machinery which will likely revolutionize the manufacture of shoes "so because of the rapidity that it moves."

As a famous American artist sat sketching a mouse in Constantinople last summer, an old Turkish woman came near and squatted down and scribble to have him read a letter from her son in the United States. As she was the painter she drew her old man the about her and sorrowfully muttered a word resembling "English." The artist was his dragonian, but he did not speak English but American. The old woman's face lighted with joy, and she leaning near she lifted the skirt of his coat to see it.

A bulletin of the California Experiment Station gives a list of 100 new seeds and plants available for distribution this year. The variety is striking. The list includes Florida orange, grapes, Australian salt bush, and Algerian wheat. The possibilities of California are said to be "infinite."

It is offered, at a slight charge, to those interested in invention of various sorts. Imagine the surprise of a California man who had offered to sell far California nineteen varieties of his country's table grapes. But that will be possible after this distribution is made.

The following remarkable physiological statement occurred in the examination papers of a school girl quite recent. It is devoted to the "seeds." The human body is divided into three parts—the head, the chest, and the stomach. The head contains the eyes and brain. If any. The chest contains the lungs and a piece of the liver. The stomach is devoted to the "seeds," which there is five of, a, e, i, o, u, and sometimes a "y." We will bet do not "do" to "dominate" the "strong woman" who wrote that in a crack on Delaware or some other form of lunacy.

HOUSE AND SENATE.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATURE AT AUSTIN.

In the House the bill to exempt Certain Counties from the Operations of the Stock Inspection Law Was Passed on Its Third Reading.

Austin, Tex., Feb. 22.—A record of the roll showed there was no quorum present yesterday in the senate. A recess of the senate was taken, and at the resumption the required number came in one by one.

Mr. Colquitt moved a call of the senate, stating that he did so in order to maintain a quorum.

Mr. Kerr called up and had passed the senate concurrent resolution regarding a committee of ten from the senate and house to investigate and report upon the expediency of adopting the Torrey land system in this state.

On motion of Mr. Woods the bill making it a penal offense for any public school superintendent, principal, teacher, etc., to accept any agency, etc., of any school book trust or school book trust, which was passed.

On motion of Mr. Rogers senate bill No. 206, amending the laws relating to channel corporations, was laid before the senate.

Senate bill No. 106, amending the law relating to the competency of witnesses, which was passed.

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Senate bill No. 141, amending the law relating to the competency of witnesses, which was passed.

Senate bill No. 142, amending the law relating to the competency of witnesses, which was passed.

Senate bill No. 143, amending the law relating to the competency of witnesses, which was passed.

A Brakeman Killed.

Marshall, Tex., Feb. 21.—Jim Ashton, a brakeman, on the fast through freight from Marshall to Fort Worth, was killed Friday night by being struck and run over by a freight train.

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The Silver Service.

Galveston, Tex., Feb. 21.—The silver service, Texas historical library, excelsior silver service, Texas flag and two portraits of Austin and Houston are in the possession of the battleship-ship.

With much pomp and ceremony the silver service was presented to the Texas representatives of the government of the United States, owner of the battleship-ship.

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THE TEXAS LEGISLATURE.

Summary of Matters Acted Upon by the Law-Makers at Austin.

House bill No. 134, validating an ordinance of the Galveston city council, and an order of the commissioners' court of Galveston county, to be added to the United States portions of certain streets in the city of Galveston and certain portions of Galveston county, to be used for erecting fortifications, was passed.

The senate bill amending the code of criminal procedure, so as to allow each side of a case fifteen per centum of the value of the property involved and passed on Tuesday without discussion.

House bill No. 103, amending one section to the January term of the district court of Hill county, was passed under suspension of the rules.

In the house the consideration of the bill to validate the titles of lands erroneously added on an isolated and detached, on its third reading took 71 yeas, 53 nays.

The bill authorizing the comptroller to pay those who taught school in Green county for the year 1895-96 was taken for its passage. The amount necessary for the purpose is about \$110.

The bill provides that the United States marshal at Austin, Texas, be authorized to return the said bill. The bill was passed by yeas and nays.

The bill amending the charter of the city of Sherman was read the third time and passed.

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Three Laxative Honeys Quinine Tablets. All Coughs and Colds are cured by this.

It never comes natural to a man to be polite to his own woman folks.

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Four blood now with a course of Hood's Sarsaparilla and the weaker vigorous - than the change from the strongest course.

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Best Seed in the World. Hood's Sarsaparilla is the best seed in the world.

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Periodicals, Books, Magazines, Drugs, Patent Medicines, Tobacco, Fancy and Toilet Articles, Etc.
A LARGE STOCK OF FRESH GOODS IN ALL LINES JUST RECEIVED.

I am selling everything in my line cheap for cash, and extend a cordial invitation to everyone to come and examine my goods and get my prices. First Door North of Palace Restaurant.

R. A. SPEER.

LOCAL NEWS.

Have you paid your taxes?
See citation J. P. Court Belle Plaine.
See county financial report in this issue.
John Laird went to Abilene last Tuesday.
Will McGowan of Cross Plains, was in town Monday.
Jno. Alker from Caddo Peak was in the city last Saturday.
W. M. James, of Ft. Worth, formerly of Baird, was in town this week.
S. S. Ramsey, of Cottonwood, was in the city a day or two this week.
"Dr." L. C. Cook from Putnam was in the city last Saturday on business.
Mr. Simmons, Putnam's tonorial artist, made THE STAR a pleasant call Tuesday.

Peach and almond trees are blooming, but we are afraid they are a little previous.

E. L. Renfro, of Longview, who formerly lived in Baird, is back on a business trip this week.

Mrs. H. P. Patty and children came down from Big Springs yesterday on a visit while R. P. is absent buying goods.

Miss Edith Hickman will go to Baird to-day to visit her sister, Miss Leis, who is teaching a music class there.—Buffalo Gap Messenger.

Several of our local stockmen will attend the stockman's Association, at San Antonio, March 5th. A full program of the meeting will be found in this issue.

J. B. Cutbirth has purchased from Brown Sny the old Central Hotel and lot between that and Vaughn's store. He contemplates erecting two stone business houses on lots.

E. S. Hughes & Cothe well known hardware dealers of Abilene have a card in this issue. When in Abilene call on them if you need anything in the hardware and implement line.

The Shriners passed through Baird Sunday on an excursion from Dallas to El Paso and points west. Harry Meyer, Capt. Jones and other local Shriners were to join the party at this place but did not get off.

Will Coffman, the professional ball twirler, from Cross Plains, was in the city a few days last week. To appear before the board of examiners. Will is at present performing the duties of assistant in the Cross Plains school.

Judge Ross, of Mexico, Missouri, is out on a visit to his son, Mr. Hugh Ross, and to look after his ranch interests in this county. Mr. Ross says they had some pretty cold weather in Missouri this winter.

Baird Chapter R. A. M. have a "team" ready for next regular convocation 2nd Friday in March. The Chapter wants to make this an interesting meeting and all Royal Arch Masons should be present at that time.

Mrs. S. H. Rogers, wife of A. J. Rogers, died at old Calhoun city Monday evening. Mr. Rogers recently moved from Comanche county where he has many friends who will regret to learn of his sad misfortune.

Mr. J. R. Daugherty, of St. Louis, who owns a ranch on the Bayou as well as property in town, came in Monday and after a short visit to his ranch left for St. Louis Wednesday. This is Mr. Daugherty's first visit for about two years.

Allen Hudson was in town last Tuesday. Nothing he was mighty careful with his right hand, injury revealed the fact that he had a bad fall on his forefinger which required him to use the left hand in place of the right in shaking hands with his friends.

Mr. Edwards of the Cove was in town Tuesday.

T. E. Powell will leave for St. Louis this week to buy goods.

Mr. C. V. Stallings left Monday for Mississippi and Louisiana on business.

THE STAR Job Office is equipped to do all kinds of first-class printing. When in need of work, call or write for samples.

Fred Klinkman, nephew of Gus Klinkman, who has been sojourning in Baird for two years or more, has gone to Rouston, New Mexico.

Attention is called to T. E. Powell's new ad first page. He offers some special bargain shoes which will be an advantage to those who need anything in that line.

Jack Cross accompanied by Mr. Foster, of Big Springs, made THE STAR office a pleasant call Monday. Jack has just returned from a trip to the City of Mexico, which he says is the best place in all this country. Jack will go to Marshall this week on business.

F. T. Scott sold his float and team to Joe Tidale and moved his family back to Cottonwood this week. THE STAR regrets to see Mr. Scott and family leave us, but his property is all at that place and he thought it best to return. The STAR predicts however that they will return to Baird some day.

A felt want that gnawing at the stomach after you have eaten a full meal, and cant eat any more, and yet there is that feeling as though you had eaten nothing. What is wanted then is a dose of Simmons Liver Regulator, the best Dyspepsia cure, for that is what the gnawing means. "Simmons Liver Regulator is all that is recommended for Indigestion."—A. B. Dyche London, Ky.

There are business enterprises in Baird that soul away for a greater portion of their stationery that could be had at home at as reasonable prices as they pay foreign houses. This is not right and should not be practiced, as each and every business institution should patronize home industries as much as possible. This is the only and true way any city can ever hope to prosper.

The T. & P. Ry. Co. have part of the material at Putnam for the construction of a new depot in place of the one recently burned. The Company, we understand, will also put in a section house, stock pens and cotton platform before they move the crew. This will be quite an improvement on our neighboring city and will be highly appreciated by its citizens.

T. E. Powell left yesterday for St. Louis and Chicago to buy his spring and summer stock of goods. He will put in a complete line of military goods this spring. This department will be in charge of Miss Lizzie Emerson, one of Baird's most popular and deserving young ladies. Miss Lizzie has thoroughly prepared herself for the millinery business and will do her part towards making the millinery department of T. E. Powell's large store a success.

Mr. C. J. McDowall, of the Abilene Reporter, fore and Miss Annie Northington, one of Abilene's most charming young ladies, were married at Brady last Monday. They arrived in Baird Tuesday night and returned to Abilene Wednesday. THE STAR wishes the young couple every happiness and hopes that they found everything serene on their return home. The groom has been employed as a printer on the Reporter for sometime and is a worthy young man and deserves the fair young bride he has won.

Friday last a telegram was received at the sheriff's office here from the sheriff of Taylor county to arrest two boys with stolen bicycles. Deputy Sheriff John Hart and Constable Dan Dean assisted by T. J. Wise made a run for the boys whom it seems had just passed through town. They crowded them so close that the boys threw the wheels in the Mahir down in the Barbecue pasture; and made their escape. The names of the boys or where they live was not learned.

Sheriff Jones had rather a funny experience last Saturday with two runaway couples who were seeking matrimony. A telegram was received from Abilene from the father of the would be bride who ran away from that place with her sweetheart. The sheriff was requested to see that no licenses were issued. Late in the evening the couple arrived in a buggy, and about this time a runaway couple came in from Coleman. Sheriff Jones not being acquainted with any of the parties tackled the Coleman man for the Abilene man. After explanation it was hard to tell which was the most astonished the Coleman man or the sheriff. Neither couple could get license to marry in Baird, and the Abilene couple went to Brady where they were married and the other couple went on towards the Indian Territory. The Coleman man claimed that his girl's friends were not opposed to the match, but he could not get the license all the same.

BREAD BREAD BREAD.

Fresh bread baked daily, and can be had in any quantity desired. My bread is made of the best flour the market affords. — Mrs. E. K. KANE.

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CONFEDERATE VETERANS.

To officers and members Camp Albert Sydney Johnston, No. 654 U. C. V. You are earnestly requested to attend a special meeting of said camp to be held at the Court House in Baird on the 6th day of March at 10 o'clock business of very great importance to attend to. Election of officers also delegates to the annual reunion to be held at Nashville, Tenn. and dues per capita tax to collect, report of officers and members in good standing must be made to the Adjutant General before the first day of April or the camp will be suspended. Jno. TRENT, Com. J. E. W. LANE, Adjutant.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

Replying to certain card printed in THE STAR sometime in July, and signed by Mr. H. H. Hight, I wish to say that he has changed his notion and paid his note, as he should have done in the first place. The Security Mutual Life Contracts are worth 100 cents on the dollar in cash, attended by hundreds of the best people in Texas. I do not think Mr. Hight intended injury to me or the Security Mutual, just made a mistake and guess I will let it drop at this.

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CONFEDERATE MEMORIAL.

Camp Albert Sydney Johnston, confederate veterans is requested to raise something for the confederate memorial fund. Capt. W. C. Powell has the subscription list at the Bank and all ex-Confederates and others who feel an interest in perpetuating in a fitting manner the deeds of heroism and to have a correct history of the late war from a southern standpoint, should contribute something to the cause. Call on Capt. Powell and he will take pleasure in explaining the matter and receiving any contributions offered.

Mr. C. L. Renfro is selling family rights for the Sagra Washing Fluid which he claims is the best and cheapest fluid used. Several have tried the fluid at Baird, among them Mrs. Tom Warren, who says that the preparation does all that is claimed for it. We have known Mr. Renfro a long time and know that he would not handle or recommend anything that was not just what it purported to be. Mr. Renfro will canvass this section of the state either in person or by agents.

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