

F. W. JAMES, Pres., J. I. McWHORTER, V. P.
W. C. POWELL, Cash.
FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF BAIRD.

CAPITAL	\$100,000
RESERVE	18,500
PLUS	\$118,500

A general banking business transacted in all its branches.
ONE OF THE OLDEST BANKS IN THE WEST.

The Baird Star.

NOTICE
Last week we sent out statements of accounts, but a large majority have not. We ask as a special favor that all try to pay up between now and Christmas the sooner the better. We have some payments to make which we cannot meet unless those who owe us help us out.

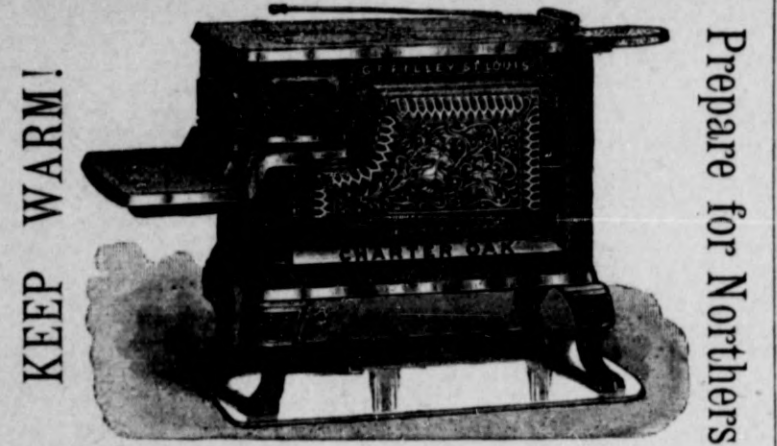
"TIS NEITHER BIRTH, NOR WEALTH, NOR STATE, BUT THE 'GIT-UP-AND-GIT' THAT MAKES MEN GREAT.

VOL. 7

BAIRD, CALLAHAN CO., TEX., FRIDAY, DEC. 29. 1893.

NO. 4

H. MEYER, —LEADER IN— STOVES, HARDWARE AND QUEENSWARE.



KEEP WARM!
Prepare for Northers

What is the excitement at Harry Meyer's? I see such a crowd about his door?
Why, he has just received a carload of those excellent "Our Leader" cook stoves, and, by the way, he is also selling the "Charter Oak" and "Buck's Brilliant."

Yes, but I know they are too high for these hard times.
No, sir; it would surprise you. He is actually selling those fine stoves as cheap as I paid for a common worthless stove a short while back. You see he sells everything in the Hardware and Queensware line at the lowest prices.

H. MEYER, THE LEADER IN HARDWARE AND LOW PRICES.

WAGON YARD.

W. R. McDERMOTT, Proprietor.
—And Dealer in—
Hay, Oats, Corn, Feed and Hides.
A camphouse and plenty of wood and water for Camper
TERMS CASH.
Office and Yard
Opposite National Bank, Baird, Texas

R. S. FLYNN, —DEALER IN—

Saddles, Bits, Spurs
Harness, and Shoe
Bridles, Findings,

Also agent for the Celebrated Cork Collar. Call and examine them before purchasing collars elsewhere.

LUMBER.

We have on hand
-A-
LARGE STOCK
—OF—



All of which will be sold at the very lowest living prices.
Get our prices before you buy and we will guarantee satisfaction.

Moon & Crowder

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS NOTES

Belle Plaine Budget.
BELLE PLAINE, Dec. 26.—Sam Cutbirth, Sr. shipped early last week about 600 head of cattle to the Territory in charge of John Flores. With this consignment gone Maj. C. has only left here in Callahan county that number of stock which his pastures are fully able to winter. Besides he has received several carloads of grain, hay etc, and prepares for feeding. He returned yesterday with W. J. Cutbirth, John Flores and N. P. Scruggs.

Our public school is in fair running order and the daily attendance under the new management of Prof. L. F. Hall has increased already from 19 to 24. The school opens again to-day. Rev. Holloway, who lost his home a short time ago by fire had another blow of bad luck being prostrated by a paralytic stroke which effected the left side and especially the left arm. He was in Baird for about ten days under medical treatment and is improving.

Miss Lizzie Campbell arrived last week from Aransas Harbor on a visit to her sister, Mrs. W. D. Jones.

Cal Merchant, from New Mexico, spends the holidays with his parents, and Uncle Dick is only sorry that this time all of his children are not reunited under the parental roof.

Prof. J. I. Rawson has secured the school in the Holloway settlement (Union Grove school) and will begin his term right after New Year.

W. D. Jones returned from Brownwood, but has to go over again next week. It is indeed tedious to be an attached witness especially in face of the innumerable delays and postponements that seems to be the chief aim of our glorious dispensers of justice.

Jasper McCoy and family spent Christmas in town at the residence of S. Cutbirth.

Our sporting world was ably represented at the Baird races. The contest between Col. Larkin Hearn's "Rube" and C. C. Seale's "Marguerite" was decided in favor of the little mare, who showed her metal very well. Our friend Chris could only watch the proceedings with mixed feelings being suffering from a painful boil on the right wrist caused probably by a spider bite. It was enough to disturb the equanimity of a saint and Mr. S. having not yet attained that degree Mrs. S. was really at a loss to decide who was more cross and peevish the growing Chris (baby) or the full grown. Finally Dr. Wilson lanced the affected part. C. C. S. felt 100 per cent or more easier and could enjoy with his usual vigor and heartiness of action the Xmas nogg and Xmas turkey.

Several dancing parties and one wedding (Estham—Wright) enlivened things over on Deep Creek, and the brush people south of here celebrated the holidays yesterday with a candy breaking party at H. F. Harris' place.

Sim McCoy is slowly recuperating from the protracted spell of sickness a complicated trouble of the bowels. We are requested and deem it our duty to correct here an error in one of our former correspondences where we stated that Dr. Powell was the attending physician. The critical case was from the beginning and exclusively in the hands of Dr. Wilson, of Baird, and to his untiring efforts and skillful experience it is due that the precious life of the husband and father was saved.

hard times. The music by Mr. and Mrs. Kuykendall and their selected choir was splendid. Rev. Stone gave a short address that was highly appreciated. The girls who recited, Misses Belle Smith, Leah Baxter and Mollie Couch were complimented very much on the way they delivered their pieces and the selections they made.

The tree was both beautiful and well laden with presents useful and ornamental, more valuable than they appeared as there was many gifts of jewelry.

The prayer by G. W. Darden was the right thing in the right place.

The patient workers who ornamented the tree must accept the thanks of the community.

School will commence again Monday and we hope the pupils will study with renewed vigor after their pleasant holidays.

I hear something of an entertainment for Monday night. Will let you know how it come off. CLYDE.

NOTICE.
All widows and orphans to whom we have been sending THE STAR free in the past must remit 50 cents on or before January 1st if they want the paper continued next year. No statement will be sent to any of these nor will any farther notice be given. We are not able to continue our free list, though we have made a half rate which barely pays for the blank paper for one year. We dislike to discontinue any of these subscriptions but if parties do not want the paper at the very low rate we offer them it will be promptly discontinued January first.

A large assortment of bed room suits, side boards, wardrobes; in fact, everything in the furniture line can be seen at my store. Prices are made low to suit the times. LEO STERN,
214 Successor to H. Schwartz.

PATTY BRO'S, Grocers, Grain, AND Commission Merchants.

PATTY BROS. extend to their many friends, customers and public at large a happy Xmas greeting, and our appreciation for the very liberal patronage received during the short time in business.

The experience of the unprecedented hard times through which the country is now passing forcibly impresses us with the importance of keeping out of debt. PAY AS YOU GO and always be happy. In order to be happy too, we will conduct our business on a CASH BASIS, giving careful attention to the wants of increasing trade, guaranteeing all goods to come up to representation; in this way we hope to merit your patronage. Wishing you health and prosperity and many Happy New Years, we extend a cordial welcome to our store. "Our Bob" extends his grateful acknowledgement to his many friends for their very liberal encouragement given by their patronage and kind wishes.
Seed, Oats, Corn, Best Hay, Bran, with a complete line of Fresh Groceries on hand and constantly arriving.

Christmas is Coming,

But Phillips is Here With a nice line of Holiday

TOYS and FIRE WORKS in endless variety
Dolls? Dolls?

I have an elegant line of **DOLLS**.

PLUSH GOODS OF ALL KINDS
Be sure and call at my Store for anything in the
Holiday line. I will sell you go
HARD TIME P

WANT ARBITRATION.

PLAN TO SECURE THE ASSENT OF ALL NATIONS.

W. E. Blackstone Has Presented the Chicago Memorial on the Subject to Mr. Cleveland and Mr. Gresham--The Democrats Still Divided.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.--Mr. W. E. Blackstone has presented to President Cleveland and Secretary Gresham the memorial adopted by the World's Columbian commission...

To the governments of the world: The undersigned citizens of many countries, gathered at the Columbian exposition at Chicago...

Little for It to Do.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.--When the New Mexico and Oklahoma bills are passed by congress the committee on territories of both houses will be practically defunct...

Wants to Issue Bonds.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.--The annual report of Secretary Carlisle was sent to congress yesterday. The secretary says that during the first five months of the present fiscal year expenditures exceeded receipts \$29,918,095.66...

Gracefully Yields.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.--The debate in the senate yesterday on the Hawaiian question was averted. Senator Hoar's motion to refer the Hawaiian question to a committee on foreign relations...

ways and means committee on the tariff bill was submitted to the house yesterday. The report begins by saying the most surprising thing about the bill is the fact that this proposition to raise revenue will lower the revenue \$74,000,000 below the revenue of 1893...

Hawaii vs. Tariff.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.--Mr. Wilson of the ways and means committee, has announced that on the first day of the session after the recess he will move to take up the tariff bill, and that the discussion will commence and be continued on it till it is disposed of...

Hoar and Hawaii.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.--In the senate Mr. Hoar, in an address on the Hawaiian question, reviewed the events in Hawaii up to the inauguration of Cleveland...

Still D.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.--Senator Hoar's motion to refer the Hawaiian question to a committee on foreign relations...

IT IS CALLED AT LAST.

LEGISLATURE OF COLORADO TO MEET JANUARY 10.

Wants the Making of Trust Deeds and Mortgages and the Issuance of Municipal Bonds Stopped--An Old Bachelor's Nice Christmas Present.

DENVER, Col., Dec. 26.--Governor Waite last night issued his long-talked of call for a special session of the legislature, to meet Wednesday, January 10, 1894.

A New Mexican Law.

CITY OF MEXICO, Dec. 21.--The recent passage by congress of the bill authorizing President Diaz to rescind or reform any existing railroad and harbor works concessions...

A Madman's Act.

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, Dec. 23.--At 9 o'clock last night Oscar Young, the crazy son of Brigham Young, rushed through the theater on to the stage and tried to kill several members of Hoyt's "Trip to Chinatown" company.

Lynching Feared.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Dec. 21.--In requesting a change of venue, an affidavit has been filed in behalf of Cashier Koetting, charged with wrecking the defunct Southside savings bank, which states that if he is acquitted while in Milwaukee he fears he will be lynched or assassinated.

Earthquake Shocks.

HUNTINGDON, Pa., Dec. 26.--A shock of earthquake was felt yesterday morning at 4 o'clock, lasting a few seconds. Reports from Bedford, Pa., indicate that yesterday's earthquake lasted 18 or 20 seconds.

Killed by an Engine.

GREENSBURG, Pa., Dec. 22.--Yesterday evening four men walking on the track were struck by a passenger engine of the Pennsylvania road east of here. Three were instantly killed; the other escaped with a few scratches.

A Chicago Crank.

CHICAGO, Ill., Dec. 23.--James Powers, a supposed crank, last night while the Coughlin jury was going from the courtroom to the hotel, after an effort to break through the police cordon, yelled to the jurors he would be worth \$100 to any man to get into the courtroom.

grand larceny and embezzlement. About a year ago Potter was a brakeman. He made the acquaintance of Mrs. Marie Watkins, a wealthy widow, and they were married. The wife gave the young husband \$5000 and he started for New York to buy a stock of general merchandise.

\$5,000,000 Tobacco Bill Saved.

CHICAGO, Dec. 25.--[Special.]--The Chicago Inter Ocean's illustrated supplement, describing the great success and merit of No-to-bac, has made it famous in a day.

Mr. H. D. Kramer, the active man, was seen to-day at his office, 45 Randolph street, and in talking of No-to-bac's growth, said it was hard work to keep up with the rapidly increasing demand, as every box sold advertised No-to-bac's merit.

He said, "No-to-bac is not sold on the strength of the thousands and tens of thousands of testimonial statements, but under an absolute guarantee to cure, or money refunded." That made a long story about merit very short, as it absolutely protects the user from physical injury or financial loss.

Prominent physicians look upon No-to-bac as a great success, and are very free to prescribe it.

Every wholesale drug house in this country and Canada sells No-to-bac, and the retail druggists are pushed to supply the demands of customers: the direct mail demand is immense.

The cost of No-to-bac compared with the results is a small matter, as the saving in a week pays the cost of a cure for a lifetime. No-to-bac is sold for \$1.00 a box, or three boxes, \$2.50, with a guarantee to cure or money refunded.

A few extra copies of the Inter Ocean supplement (eight pages) illustrated in five colors, have been secured and will be mailed for the asking, by addressing the Sterling Remedy company, Chicago office, 45 Randolph street; New York office, 10 Spruce street; laboratory, Indiana Mineral Springs, Ind.

Wagon Wheel Trust.

CHICAGO, Ill., Dec. 23.--Plans have been made here by representatives of twenty wagon wheel manufacturers for formulating a wheel trust. The nucleus of the movement centers in the Standard Wheel company. This concern is a small trust in itself. It has absorbed several factories, all the affairs of which are under one management with Crawford Fairbanks of Terre Haute, Ind., as president.

Failed to Hold Up.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 23.--A special from Vinita, I. T., says: An unsuccessful attempt was made yesterday evening at Keisio, four miles north of here, to hold up the Missouri, Kansas and Texas train No. 3. The switch was open and the train ran upon the siding. This alarmed the engineer, and knowing there was a spring switch at the other end of the siding he applied full steam and ran through. Finding they were foiled, the robbers, four in number, opened fire with their guns. Fireman Charles Milne was shot in the face and the lower jaw torn off, the wound being serious. The robbers mounted their horses and rode away. Officers are in pursuit.

Red-headed Twins.

VALPARAISO, Ind., Dec. 26.--The town of Chestertown, this county, is excited over the novel Christmas present received by one of the prominent business men of that town. Mr. Ira P. Tillotson, a bachelor, on going to his place of business yesterday morning discovered a clothes basket in the doorway, pinned to which was the inscription: "A red-headed twin for you."

This Boy a Philosopher.

Tommy--Are you going to whip me, mamma? Mamma--Yes, I am, Tommy. Tommy--You said the other day that whipping never did me any good, didn't you? Mamma--I believe it did. Tommy--Then what's the use of whipping me against New Orleans? Mamma--That's a good question.

VOCABULARIES OF ANIMALS.

They Have Language Which Gives Them Power of Communication.

Certainly one who believes in evolution cannot deny the existence of a language of some sort which enables the lower animals to communicate in a more or less intelligent degree, says Mrs. W. A. Kellerman in Science.

Even my 5-year-old little girl feels assured that animals can talk, "but not in our words." Only yesterday I sent her to the barn with an armful of fresh corn husks for our pony. She came running back with beaming countenance, exclaiming: "Daisy was so glad she wanted to kiss me."

Several years ago I took great interest in some fine Brahma chickens we had raised from puffy little chicks. There was one fine old grandmother hen which we bought to start with. She came recommended as a "good mother." And a good mother she proved to be, but she had her way of training a family. She went at it in earnest. She clucked, and scratched, and pointed out the best things to eat. She was fully impressed with the fact that she had a duty to perform, and she had the courage to devote herself entirely to this duty.

Another interesting characteristic about this old grandmother hen was her solicitude for young hens who were just beginning to experience the first inclinations to set. She would stand before their nest and "talk" in the most earnest, subdued tones: her vocabulary must have been quite extensive, for she could continue without hesitation for such a long time. It always seemed to me that she was relating her own experience and giving advice to the young and inexperienced of her kind.

I agree with the writer in the last issue of Science who says: "There is no need of going beyond the barnyard to hear a definite animal vocabulary of a considerable number of words." If our language is the result of evolution, it has come up through lower forms; and it is only legitimate to credit animals with a varying degree of power of communication.

Destroying Bank of England Notes.

With the bank of England the destruction of its notes takes place about once a week, and at 7 p. m. it used to be done in the daytime, but made such a smell that the neighboring stockbrokers petitioned the governors to do it in the evening. The notes are presently cancelled by punching a hole through the amount, in figures, and tearing off the signature of the chief cashier. The notes are burned in a closed furnace, and the only agency employed is shavings and bundles of wood. They used to be burned in a cage, the result of which was that once a week the city was darkened with burned fragments of notes. For future purposes of reference, the notes are left for five years before being burned. The number of notes coming into the bank of England every day is about 50,000, and 350,000 are destroyed every week or something like 18,000,000 every year. The stock of paid notes for five years is about 77,745,000 in number, and they fill 13,400 boxes which, if placed side by side, would reach two and one-third miles. If the notes were placed in a pile they would reach to a height of five and two-thirds miles; or, if joined end to end, would form a ribbon 12,455 miles long.

A Queer Electric Clock.

T. F. Hudson, a convict in the Maryland penitentiary, has constructed a real horological oddity in the shape of an electric clock. The dial is a semicircle of white marble with twelve marked at each corner, the other numerals for the hours being figured along the arc. It has one hour hand and two minute hands, the last two set opposite to each other, and in such a manner that one is seen at noon and the other at midnight, and at no other time. The seconds are marked on a dial that turns from right to left, while the pointer or second hand is stationary. Hudson is a born genius, and nearly every room in the prison is adorned with a specimen of his ingenuity.

A DARING ROBBERY.

EXPRESS MESSENGERS ROBBED AT MARSHALL DEPOT.

The Thief Makes His Escape With From \$5000 to \$8000—A Stranger is Killed by a Train in Rusk County—A Greek Assassinated.

MARSHALL, Tex., Dec. 26.—As Express Messengers A. McCulloch and F. Neandall were transferring their business from the Texas and Pacific passenger train to the New Orleans Pacific train at 3 o'clock yesterday morning McCulloch was knocked down by a negro, who snatched a pouch from him and ran. Neandall fired one shot at the robber as he fled, but failed to stop him. He was pursued by officers as quickly as they could be notified, but he made his escape. The robbery was committed on the depot platform, under the glow of electric lights, while there were probably 100 people standing around. Parties who saw the robbery differ as to the identity of the man, the majority saying he was a very bright mulatto, while others claim he is a white man. The express people do not tell the amount secured, but it is estimated at \$5000 to \$8000. McCulloch was struck on the right ear with a stick of red oak stove wood, which was dropped by the robber as he ran. He lost his hat and some papers, but they cannot be identified. McCulloch's wound is painful, and he is in bed.

Big Conflagration.

WAXAHACHIE, Tex., Dec. 21.—At 12:45 yesterday morning a fire started here, which almost swept away the entire principal business square in the town. The fire raged furiously until 8 a. m., when it was checked. The following is a list of the firms burned out: Citizens National bank; St. Louis clothing store; N. Brown, dry goods; Lancaster & Matthews, drugs and stationery; Devenport & Sons, jewelry and millinery; J. C. Woodliff, jewelry; Lewis Bros., saloon; Rocket & Penn, groceries; Gaither & Spencer, groceries; J. P. Kennedy, buggies and carriages; Wells-Fargo express office; M. Portner, millinery; D. Knoech, racket store; McCoy and Sons, 5 cent and 10 cent store. A great many offices were located in the upper stories of the building, occupied by lawyers, doctors and other professional men, who lost their books and instruments. The loss is estimated at from \$150,000 to \$200,000, with a total insurance of \$90,000. The fire originated in the Simm's building, occupied by D. M. Howard as a millinery store. It is generally believed to be the work of an incendiary. Very little goods were saved from the burned buildings and the loss of stock was generally complete.

Stranger Killed.

OVERTON, Tex., Dec. 26.—Yesterday morning about 7 o'clock a north-bound freight train killed a man about five miles south of Overton. He was a stranger and nothing could be found about him to identify him or to discover his name or where he was from. He was well dressed and was evidently not a common tramp. He was sitting, apparently asleep, on the track. The engineer saw him, but the train was running at a high rate of speed and could not be stopped in time. He had come from toward Troupe. There was a marked peculiarity about his upper front teeth, which protruded below the other front teeth.

Negro Killed.

HALLETTSVILLE, Tex., Dec. 25.—Mose Williams, colored, aged about 60 years, just after dark Thursday night while sitting in his house, was shot by someone on the outside and instantly killed. Although he has neighbors close by who heard the shot and there were several people in the house besides himself, no one saw the assassin. Sam Kelley, colored, has been arrested and jailed on suspicion, but he asserts his innocence.

Boy Sentenced.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Dec. 21.—Joseph Jarret, a lad of 18 years, was convicted in the district court here yesterday for passing a forged order on one of the San Angelo merchants last summer for \$6.25, and sentenced to two years in the penitentiary.

Railroad Meeting.

ATHENS, Tex., Dec. 22.—An enthusiastic railroad meeting was held here at the courthouse Thursday and committees were appointed to confer with the Dallas trunk officials in regard to the proposed extension to this place.

A Greek Killed.

DALLAS, Tex., Dec. 26.—Jim Cornelius, a Greek, was shot and killed while sleeping at 118 Patterson avenue at 6 o'clock yesterday morning. The killing was done by an unknown person.

Shot in the Foot.

DENISON, Tex., Dec. 21.—Tuesday night a female on lower Chestnut street was shot in the foot by Hal Sims, who claimed that the shooting was accidental. He was arrested, and in default of bail was sent to jail.

Caldwell.

CALDWELL, Tex., Dec. 25.—Thursday night a German tailor at this place, named Theodore Erlau, was killed outside by shooting through the back with a 12-gauge

driving from Rockwall to Royston, J. D. Gurley and Will Medina were held up and robbed one and a half miles from Royston by a couple of men. Gurley lost \$146, while Medina lost \$3.50. The robbers were not amateurs, as shown by their cool and intrepid manner of operation. They rode up behind the buggy and one passed and caught the bridle rein, while the other presented his pistol and demanded that they "shell out," which was done without delay. During the time they made remarks, winding up by asking Gurley if he wanted a receipt for his money. When they finished their work they released the horse and gave the command to "move on," which was done at great speed until Messrs. Gurley and Medina got to Royston, when they called upon Constable Louder and together they rode back in pursuit of the highwaymen, but they had too much the start and succeeded in making their escape.

Hope Leads Them On.

DALLAS, Tex., Dec. 22.—Mr. T. W. Griffiths reports that for some distance around McCommas' bluff, several miles below here on the Trinity river, the place looks like a magnificent prairie dog town, so dug up has it been by people who believe that the Sam Bass gang buried \$70,000 somewhere near the bluff. "There are holes there," says Mr. Griffiths, "that you could shove a big desk into, and there are people living in the neighborhood who are just as confident that the treasure was buried as that the sun will rise to-morrow. Hardly a week passes that somebody does not come along with his witch hazel and go to digging, but thus far the prospecting has not panned out."

Steamship Labeled.

GALVESTON, Tex., Dec. 22.—In the United States circuit court Hard & Rand of New York and New Orleans have filed a libel against the British steamer Iona of Sunderland, now loading at Velasco, for \$468.75. The Iona was chartered at Rio de Janeiro to bring to New Orleans not less than 12,000 sacks of coffee of sixty kilos each at 25 cents per sack. They shipped 20,852 sacks of coffee which the steamship refused to deliver on the dock at New Orleans and consignees were compelled to take the same at the ship's tackle and therefore paid in tolls \$468.75. Deputy United States Marshal Whelan went to Velasco Wednesday night and yesterday labeled the Iona.

Falls From a Stepladder.

GALVESTON, Tex., Dec. 23.—Yesterday Mrs. Skinner, wife of Col. J. D. Skinner, of this city, had the misfortune to break the large bone in her wrist and to receive other painful injuries. She was standing on a stepladder attempting to adjust a window curtain which had become disarranged, when she lost her balance, falling backward to the floor, a distance of four or five feet. In attempting to break the fall she threw out her hand and thus received her full weight on it, which broke the large bone of her right arm near where it joins the hand at the wrist. In addition to this her hips and side were badly bruised.

Killed in Mexico.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Dec. 22.—Frank Gordon, a young man from Chicago, who came to Texas for the benefit of his health, was murdered in Mexico. Last Friday he left the ranch of F. J. Pinton in Presidio county to go hunting. The next day his body was found on the Mexican side of the Rio Grande with a bullet through his head and his pockets rifled. Pinton was wired to Chicago to hear from relatives with reference to the disposition of the body.

Ten Children on Fire.

AUSTIN, Tex., Dec. 22.—At Turner hall last night, during the progress of an entertainment given by the pupils of the Sixth ward colored school, a boy's clothes caught fire from the foot lights and in an attempt to put it out the clothes of ten others, which were of cotton flannel, caught fire likewise. They were put out with much difficulty. Excitement ran high for awhile. Only one boy was much burned, however.

Boy Killed by a Hog.

KILGORE, Tex., Dec. 22.—Yesterday afternoon on the farm of Tully Choice, four miles from here, a large hog attacked two small children and a negro boy 16 years old ran to the assistance of the two little ones. The hog turned on the boy and succeeded in getting him down and killed him. The hog was a pet and it is supposed had hydrophobia.

Skeleton Found.

SAN PATRICK, Tex., Dec. 22.—The skeleton of Pablo Balderama, a Mexican, was found five miles from here on the Hondo creek about six weeks ago. The purpose of the man carried considerable property. The skeleton suspected.

Heid.

WACO, Tex., Tom Gross of negro last night who was James Adams, by affidavit with shooter on Henderson colored farmer, and his cash and part of his

ALL OVER THE STATE.

INTERESTING CULLINGS FROM THE DAILY PRESS.

A Crisp and Complete Directory of Racy Round-Ups Carefully Selected and Rerendered Readable from Every Portion of the Empire State.

At Mt. Vernon J. B. Caudle's little boy, ten months old, was horribly burned recently while its mother was getting breakfast in an adjoining room. She had left the little fellow in his rocking chair, and hearing the baby cry, sent her little daughter to see what was the matter. The screams of the little girl notified the mother of the tragedy. The baby had fallen into the fireplace on a bed of live coals, one hand being burned off and its head burned to a crisp. It died.

At Terrell, recently, R. R. Scott almost lost an eye by a peculiar accident. He had occasion to go out to his father's stable, and in groping around in the darkness stepped upon a Shotland pony. The animal arose quickly, throwing him against the side of the stall, and a wire nail, sticking from a plank, entered below the right eye-ball, inflicting a very painful wound.

Henry Hill of Lewisville, Denton county, one of the oldest citizens of the county, was tried before County Judge M. Bradley and found to be insane. He is estimated to be worth between \$150,000 and \$200,000. One of his last ventures was the erection of a still near Lewisville. The trouble is thought to have been brought about by business cares.

Allen Thedford and John Pierce fought with knives at Tyler recently. It was the result of a feud of fifteen years' standing. Pierce was stabbed twice, one wound reaching the hollow, and once in the head. His condition is critical. Thedford was cut in the back and neck. Pierce is 60 years old and Thedford 55.

The steam tug, Frank G. Fowler, a 48-ton boat from New Orleans, bound from Tampico to Corpus Christi, was discovered ashore a few days ago on the Mexican coast nine miles from the mouth of the Rio Grande. Nine men, who were on board, were rescued by customs guards. They had had no food for three days.

Parties interested in the Dakota and gulf interstate railway scheme arrived at Velasco recently from Omaha and Philadelphia with their civil engineer. They chartered a steam launch and went down to the jetties to sound the depth of water and examine the harbor work.

The following amounts will be appropriated by congress: For janitor service and care of public buildings—Dallas, \$2,160; El Paso, \$1,930; Galveston, \$2,170; Houston, \$960; Jefferson, \$1,200; San Antonio, \$2,970; Texarkana, \$900; Tyler, \$965; Waco, \$1,480; Fort Worth, \$1,950.

A letter has been received at Forney, signed "Dalton gang," notifying the public that they would rob the Forney National bank between the 25th of December and 25th of January. Very little confidence is put in it, most everybody believing it to be a fake.

F. A. Tibbles of Willis Point has served in five wars—the Black Hawk war, the Seminole war, the war for Texas independence, the Mexican war and the civil war. In the latter he served on the Federal side. Mr. Tibbles is 82 years old.

At the Navarro county poor farm recently several hogs died with cholera. The superintendent was advised to try burnt corn. He did so burning the corn in husk and then feeding it. The remedy proved effectual.

Several "gay gamblers" were arraigned before the mayor of Lockhart recently, charged with a genteel dalliance with the pictured papers. They pleaded guilty and contributed their quota to the city finances.

John Dawson, aged 12 years, residing on East Weatherford street, Fort Worth, fell from a tree a distance of forty feet, recently. He is badly injured in the shoulder and back and may die.

The trustees of the Odd Fellows' state orphan's home, at Corsicana, at their recent meeting elected J. W. Shook and his wife of Sulphur Springs as superintendent and matron of the home.

At Houston recently some twenty little boys, supplied with drums and horns and flags, marched through the streets and attracted a good deal of attention and made considerable noise.

An infant son of W. J. Hansboro died recently at Marshall from an overdose of morphine, given through mistake for quinine.

The Southern Pacific Railway company is constructing a bridge across the Rio Grande river at El Paso. It is 1200 feet long.

S. J. Walling, formerly cashier of a national bank at Brownwood, has been indicted, charged with embezzlement while cashier.

A Gonzales county farmer has a barrow hog 2 years and 4 months old, three feet three inches high, weighing 830 pounds.

The Missouri, Kansas and Texas pay car went down the line a few days since, and the boys all had Christmas, you know.

The jetty force at the mouth of the Brazos river, has recently been increased, and the work is making good progress.

A Mr. Prim, a fireman at Vernon, was recently thrown from a truck while going to a fire and seriously hurt.

In Shelby county hogs are all fat as there was a fine mast on all the creeks and pork is selling at 5 cents per pound.

Sid Williams the evangelist, when last heard from was at Luling, drawing big crowds and making sinners sick.

Two car loads of horses were recently shipped from Cuero via the Southern Pacific to points in Louisiana.

The work on the jetties at Galveston is progressing satisfactorily to the government and contractors.

Crops in the vicinity of Santa Anna, Coleman county, are a failure—but little rain for twelve months.

The citizens of Duffau, Erath county, claim that a crazy man passed through that place recently.

Missouri corn is being shipped to Santa Anna, Coleman county, and sold at 50 cents per bushel.

The Cotton Belt boys smile a smile when they saw the pay car come in sight a few days ago.

TABERNACLE PULPIT.

DR. TALMAGE PREACHES TO THE TENNESSEANS.

A Sermon from the Text Isaiah, "The Lame Take the Prey"—The Royal Family of the Eternal Kingdom Identified.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Dec. 17.—Rev. Dr. Talmage, who is now in this city on his western lecture tour, selected as his topic for today a text full of spiritual encouragement for those who labor under disadvantage in the struggle of life. The text chosen was Isaiah 35:3, "The Lame Take the Prey."

The utter demolition of the Assyrian host was here predicted. Not only robust men should go forth and gather the spoils of conquest, but even men crippled of arm and crippled of foot should go out and capture much that was valuable. Their physical disadvantages should not hinder their great enrichment. So it has been in the past, so it is now, so it will be in the future.

So it is in all departments. Men laboring under seemingly great disadvantages, and amid the most unfavorable circumstances, yet making grand achievements, getting great blessing for themselves, great blessing for the world, great blessing for the church, and so "the lame take the prey."

Do you know that the three great poets of the world were totally blind? Homer, Ossian, John Milton. Do you know that John Prescott, who wrote that enchanting book, "The Conquest of Mexico," never saw Mexico, could not even see the paper on which he was writing? A framework across the sheet, between which, up and down, went the pen immortal. Do you know that Gambassio, the sculptor, could not see the marble before him, or the chisel with which he cut it into shapes bewitching? Do you know that Alexander Pope, whose poems will last as long as the English language, was so much of an invalid that he had to be sewed up every morning in rough canvas, in order to stand on his feet at all?

Do you know that Stuart, the celebrated painter, did much of his wonderful work under the shadow of the dungeon, where he had been unjustly imprisoned for debt? Do you know that Demosthenes, by almost superhuman exertion, first had to conquer the lip of his own speech before he conquered assemblages with his eloquence? Do you know that Bacon struggled all through innumerable sicknesses, and that Lord Byron and Sir Walter Scott went limping on club-foot through all their life, and that many of the great poets and painters and orators and historians and heroes of the world had something to keep them back, and pull them down, and impede their way, and cripple their physical or their intellectual movement, and yet that they pushed on and pushed up until they reached the spoils of worldly success, and amid the huzzas of nations and centuries, "the lame took the prey?"

You know that a vast multitude of these men started under the disadvantage of obscure parentage. Columbus, the son of the weaver, Ferguson, the astronomer, the son of the shepherd, America the prey of the one; worlds on worlds the prey of the other. But what is true in secular directions is more true in spiritual and religious directions, and I proceed to prove it.

There are in all communities many invalids. They never know a well day. They adhere to their occupations, but they go panting along the streets with exhaustion, and at eventide they lie down on the lounge with aching beyond all medicaments. They have tried all prescriptions, they have gone through all the cures which were proclaimed infallible, and they have come now to surrender to perpetual ailments. They consider they are among many disadvantages; and when they see those who are buoyant in health pass by, they almost envy their robust frames and easy respiration.

But I have noticed among that invalid class those who have the greatest knowledge of the bible, who are in nearest intimacy with Jesus Christ, who have the most glowing experiences of the truth, who have the most remarkable answers to prayer, and who have most exhilarating anticipations of heaven. The temptations which weary us who are in robust health they have conquered.

Many who are alert and athletic and swartly, loiter in the way—the lame take the prey: Robert Hall an invalid, Edward Payson an invalid, Richard Baxter an invalid, Samuel Rutherford an invalid. This morning when you want to call to mind who are most Christlike, you think of some darkened room in your farmhouse from which there went forth influence potent for eternity.

A step up the path raised a... the...

A step up the path raised a... the...

A step up the path raised a... the...

A step up the path raised a... the...

A step up the path raised a... the...

not find it very hard to be deaf and dumb? And one of the pupils took the chalk and wrote on the blackboard this sublime sentence in answer: "When the song of the angels shall... our enraptured ear, we will scarcely regret that our ears were never marred with earthly sounds." Oh! the brightest eyes in heaven will be those that never saw on earth. The ears most alert in heaven will be those that in this world heard neither voice of friend, nor thrum of harp, nor carol of bird, nor doxology of congregations.

A lad who had been blind from infancy was cured. The oculist operated upon the lad and then put a very heavy bandage over the eyes, and after a few weeks had gone by the bandage was removed, and the mother said to her child, "Willie, can you see?" He said, "Oh! mamma, is this heaven?" The contrast between the darkness before and the brightness afterward was overwhelming. And I tell you the glories of heaven will be a thousand-fold brighter for those who never saw anything on earth. While many with good vision closed their eyes in eternal night, and many who had a good, artistic and cultured ear went down into eternal darkness, the Lord in their trouble, and he made their sorrows their advantage, and so "the lame took the prey."

I was riding along the country road one day, and I saw a man on crutches. I overtook him. He was very old. He was going very slowly. At that rate, it would have taken him two hours to go a mile. I said, "Wouldn't you like to ride?" He said, "Thank you, I would, God bless you." When he sat beside me, he said, "You see, I am very lame and very old, but the Lord has been a good Lord to me. I have buried all my children. The Lord gave them and the Lord had a right to take them away. Blessed be his name! I was very sick, and I had no money, and my neighbors came in and took care of me, and I wanted nothing. I suffer a great deal with pain, but then I have so many mercies left. The Lord has been a good Lord to me." And before we had got far, I was in doubt whether I was giving him a ride, or he was giving me a ride! He said, "Now, if you please, I'll get out here. Just help me down on my crutches, if you please. God bless you. Thank you, sir, good morning, good morning. You have been feet to the lame, sir, you have. Good morning."

Oh! start on the road to heaven today. You are not happy. The thirst of your soul will never be slaked by the fountains of sin. You turn everywhere but to God for help. Right where you are, call on him. He knows you, he knows all about you. He knows all the odds against which you have been contending in life. Do not go to him with a long rignarole of a prayer, but just look up and say, "Help! Help!"

"Oh!" says some man, "if I should try to do evil, if I should turn away from my evil doing unto the Lord, I would be jostled, I would be driven back, nobody would have any sympathy for me." You are mistaken. Here, in the presence of the church on earth and in heaven, I give you to-day the right hand of Christian fellowship. God sent me here to-day to preach this, and he sent you here to hear this: "Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thought, and let him return unto the Lord, who will have mercy, and unto our God, who will abundantly pardon." Though you may have been the worst sinner, you may become the best saint, and in the great day of judgment it will be found that "where sin abounded, grace does much more abound," and while the spoils of an everlasting kingdom are being awarded for your pursuit, it will be found that the lame took the prey. Blessed be God that we are, this Sabbath, one week nearer the obliteration of all the inequalities of this life and all its disquietudes. Years ago, on a boat on the North river, the pilot gave a very sharp ring to the bell for the boat to slow up. The engineer attended to the machinery, and then he came up with some alarm on deck to see what was the matter. He saw it was a moonlight night and there were no obstacles in the way. He went to the pilot and said, "Why did you ring the bell in that way? Why do you want to stop? There's nothing the matter." And the pilot said to him, "There is a mist gathering on the river; don't you see that? and there is night gathering darker and darker and I can't see the way." Then the engineer gathered up the machinery and the boat went on its way.

When you want to call to mind who are most Christlike, you think of some darkened room in your farmhouse from which there went forth influence potent for eternity.

A step up the path raised a... the...

A step up the path raised a... the...

A step up the path raised a... the...

A step up the path raised a... the...

A step up the path raised a... the...

A step up the path raised a... the...

A step up the path raised a... the...

A step up the path raised a... the...

A step up the path raised a... the...

The Baird Star.

Published at the postoffice at Baird, Texas, as second class matter.

Subscription Rates.

One year \$1.00
Six months .50 cts
Three months .25 cts

Payable in advance.

W. E. GILLILAND, Editor and Proprietor

BAIRD, FRIDAY, DEC. 29, 1893

Going in debt is like sliding down a greased cellar door. It is easy enough and you never feel a jar until you hit the bottom.

Getting out of debt might be likened to climbing an iceberg. 'Tis hard cold work, and usually finds the few able to reach the top exhausted and out of breath.

It is about time for you to get out those good resolutions you made on Jan. 1st, '93 and failed to keep. Revamp them and try them again for ninety-four and see if you cannot keep them.

The best resolution one can make for the new year is: Buy as little as possible on a credit, pay all old debts possible, and gradually work up to the cash system. One cannot get to it at one jump.

Read the article under the head of "A word of explanation." You must pay up boys if you want THE STAR hereafter. We will probably reduce our subscription list somewhat but that is just what we want to do if we cannot get the money.

Cisco has adopted local option and now we will have a practical solution of the question whether or not local option is detrimental to the commercial interests of a town. We shall watch the workings of local option in our neighboring town with much interest. If Cisco holds her trade under the new order of things it will prove that the oft repeated assertion that local option drives trade away from a town is not true.

To read one of these 3rd party party papers, or listen to one of their orators, one who did not know better would think all the saints in the country had flocked to the standard of the new party in name only. Take out the howling Deverishers in this new dispensation who are working the brethren for stuff and office and there would be little left worth mentioning. Men are constantly lecturing and speaking that cannot make a living otherwise, still the rank and file seem to be anxious to contribute to these itinerant oratory howlers.

The Cisco Round-Up flopped on the local option question the day before the election. The Round-Up had opposed local option up to Friday before the election on Saturday, when Bro. Vernon came out in a long article favoring the law. The reasons given by the Round-Up for the change of front does credit to Bro. Vernon's heart, no matter what we may think of his judgment. When the Round-Up is severely criticised, as it will likely be, for its action Bro. Vernon can console himself with the old but true saying that wise men change their opinions, fools never.

Senator Voorhees has introduced a bill requiring the government to coin two million dollars in silver a month. Why coin silver? It is a question of enterprise and enterprise is a quality that is not common to all men.

A WORD OF EXPLANATION.

A few years ago we reduced the subscription price of THE STAR from \$1.50 to \$1 and expressly stated that the principal reason was to induce subscribers to pay in advance. In that respect the move was a failure. No more pay in advance than formerly. While we reduced the subscription price we also increased the size of the paper to nearly double the size it was at \$1.50 per year. Under present considerations we can not send the paper on credit. The price is too low and money too hard to get. Therefore we have made the rates for 1894 as follows: One year, \$1, six months, 75 cents, payable strictly in advance. No subscription for less than six months will be received. A reasonable time, say two weeks after Jan. 1st, will be given to those who are in arrears. If not paid up or some satisfactory arrangements made the paper will be discontinued. We have some subscriptions running all the way from 1 to 5 years in arrears. We just simply cannot carry them any longer, and we are not going to try to do so. We have said this before and many will think we are joking again, but you will think differently before January is out. We intend to discontinue the paper to every one who is as much as one year in arrears. Business is business and there is no business in one letting their subscribers get behind as some do and we are not going to permit it in the future. If THE STAR is not worth one dollar a year it is not worth anything. We do not like to lose any subscribers but if one cannot or will not pay the sooner we get their names off the books the better for us. Enough will pay in advance to enable us to get out a paper and every non-paying subscriber we lose saves us 50 cents a year for paper alone. All will be treated alike. The best friend we have will be marked out just as quick as any other, so do not flatter yourself that Gilliland is a good fellow and will not stop my paper because we are good friends. You will find out your mistake if the second week in January finds you more than one year in arrears on your subscription.

Some of our subscribers say they are tired of hearing us dun the delinquents so much, well, we are tired too and we intend to quit it and the only way to quit is to have no delinquents. The only way to have no delinquent subscribers is to adhere strictly to the cash system and that is what we are going to do next year. Some may become offended, but we are satisfied all will like the new plan much better than the old. We wish every subscriber to THE STAR to become such with his own free will. If one pays in advance with the understanding that his paper will be promptly discontinued when his time is out he will have no fears about us sending the paper on after he wanted it stopped. We have tried the credit system until it has been thoroughly tested and found a failure. We had rather have 100 subscribers who paid in advance than a thousand who paid when they felt like it. We will have no delinquent subscribers after Jan. 15, because all who do not pay by that time will have their paper discontinued without notice.

It gives one the blues to read one of these Third party papers. They every one sing the same song, and cry, woe! woe! woe! without ceasing. They see no good in any one who does not believe as they do. They denounce the Democratic and Republican parties, they denounce the President and Congress as frauds and bribe takers. Their continued howlings are enough to disgust all decent people and turn them from this best (?) reform movement. A man cannot see some good in our government is a blind besotted idiot, and ought to be on the road to Russia or some other place where he can be of some use to the world.

Fire, Life, Tornado, Livestock, and Plate Glass Insurance Agency at Baird.

J. H. PETERS,

Notary Public, and agent for the following first-class staunch companies,
Over \$125,000,000 Capital Represented.
The Mutual Reserve Fund Life Association of N. Y., Capital \$48,000,000 00
Liverpool and London and Globe, " " \$45,000,000 00
North British and Mercantile " " \$15,000,000 00
Hartford, of Hartford, " " \$7,000,000 00
Northwestern National " " \$1,700,000 00
Mechanic and Traders " " \$700,000 00
Home of New Orleans " " \$400,000 00
Alamo, Texas " " \$300,000 00
Concordia " " \$300,000 00
New York Plate Glass; STANDARD ACCIDENT; ETNA LIVESTOCK, of Glen's Falls, New York. Your patronage solicited.
Office with VAUGHN & CO. I will insure anything. 35tf

VAUGHN & CO'S Is the place to buy CHEAP GROCERIES.

We Have a Line
Of Boots that we expect to close out in the next 30 days. We don't ask cost for them for we expect to close them out and will sell them below first cost.

Our Clothing Can't be BEAT. And when you come and price you will find our goods reasonable that we will have no trouble in selling you your winter clothing.

We offer our entire line of Prints at 5c. Anything in Gingham at 8 1-3 cents.

Bring your Boys in
And let us fit them up in new suits in less time than ever before. Why? Because we have a larger stock, and just what you want.

We are making prices to suit the times. Come and see.

B. L. BOYDSTUN.

NEW MILLINERY GOODS

AT MRS. CUNNINGHAM'S.

I have recently returned from Chicago, where I spent several weeks selecting my stock and studying all the latest styles in Millinery. I selected my stock with more than usual care, all bought from the largest whole sale dealers in millinery in the United States. Call and see my new stock; I feel sure I can please you both in styles and prices.

Wristen & Crowe,

GROCERS

BAIRD, TEXAS.

Goods Handled in Car Lots.

R. A. ST. JOHN, Cottonwood, Texas,



DEALER IN

DRUGS, PATENT MEDICINES, CHEMICALS, TOILET ARTICLES,

PAINTS, OILS, VARNISHES, ETC.

My prices are as low as any first class dealer can afford to make.

PRESCRIPTIONS CAREFULLY COMPOUNDED.

R. A. ST. JOHN,
Cottonwood, Texas.

T. L. OLIVER & CO.,

Successors to J. B. Norton,

Dealers in

Drugs, Patent Medicines, Paints, Oils,

WALL PAPER, STATIONERY, SCHOOL BOOKS.

Prescriptions Carefully Compounded.

A. COOKE,

DEALER IN

DRY GOODS.

Notions, Boots, Shoes, Hats, Ladie's

FINE DRESS GOODS.

GENTS' FURNISHING GOODS, ETC.

I respectfully invite the public to call and examine my goods, all cash and new. Prices as low as any legitimate firm can make.

PACE & KROGULL,

PROPRIETORS OF THE

City Meat Market.

Fresh Beef, Pork, Sausage, Fish, Poultry. All meats Refrigerated and the animal heat thoroughly extracted before offered for sale.

What and clean and only the Best of Meat Sold



NOTICE.

I wear a few coats of wood and cedar

PAINLESS DENTISTRY.

SHINGTON, De

cordo

it worth \$100 to

thing discov

doorway, pi

AN OFFER EXTRAORDINARY
Only 10 Cents a
A magnificent portfolio
large of various cities, sea
large with descriptions
Shoemaker, the world's fa
her and because, has been
book containing 18 beau
large 11x14; makes an
worth \$1.50 each. They
center at the trifling
cents a week by subscri
TWENTY-SEVEN REVENUES
In the first book set
take you to France, Engla
Norway, Sweden, Germa
line, Switzerland, Austra
zili, Mexico and the U.S.
For particulars see the
sample copy of which will be
upon receipt of a postal card.
Or, if you want a sample
portfolio, cut out the
and it in with
the seal
army

T. E. POWELL'S

\$40,000 STOCK OF DRY GOODS

Must be sold in the next sixty days.

DRY GOODS AND NOTION DEPT.
Every line complete. More fine dress goods, trimmings, notions, in endless variety, and more anxious to sell than ever.



Clothing Department.

All kinds of Clothing, for Men, Boys and Children. From \$1.75 up to the finest wedding suits.

Will sell you Clothing so cheap that you may think we stole them.

STOCK MUST GO.



Boot, Shoe and Hat Department.

We have more boots and shoes now in stock than every other store in the county combined. Nearly all my own make and guaranteed. Anything in the **HAT** line, and cheaper than any where else.

I have more goods than I can handle and am extremely anxious to sell them out as soon as possible; competition not in it! Come and see my stock and be convinced. Respectfully Yours' for Business.

T. E. POWELL.

LOCAL NEWS.

BAIRD, FRIDAY, DEC. 29, 1893.

Miss Clara Rohrup spent Christmas with friends in Abilene.

Miss Brown of Hallville is visiting her aunt Mrs. W. G. Crowder.

Miss Mattie Summers is visiting friends in Cleburne.

Mr. Ed Hunter spent Christmas with friends in Big Springs.

Messrs Rohrup and Jamison attended the business mens banquet at Abilene last night.

Mr. J. W. Powell and wife of Balconger, are visiting friends in Baird this week.

Ye editor acknowledges receipt of an invitation to the Grand Banquet at Abilene last night and regrets that sickness prevented his attending.

Cliff McManis, in the railway mail service of the T. & P. has secured a few days lay off and is spending the holidays with his parents in this city.

Mr. W. W. Ogle, of Eddy N. M., stopped over Christmas and spent a short while with his parents in Baird and then left for Dallas on a business trip.

Mr. and Mrs. Walker of Hearne who have been the guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Shelton for a week returned home Wednesday.

The candy pulling given the Sunday School children of the Methodist church Tuesday night was well attended and highly enjoyed by the little ones.

Christmas was duly celebrated in some way by all of the Sunday schools of our city this week and every effort was made by the older people to make it a pleasant time for the little ones.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Burns returned Tuesday from a visit to friends and relatives in Weatherford accompanied by Mrs. Burns sister, Miss Emma Harrison, who will spend a week or two in our city.

NECROLOGY.

A gloom was cast over our otherwise happy city Sunday morning by the receipt of a message from Eddy, N. M., announcing the death of Mrs. Bettie Harris, daughter of Mrs. D. Richardson, of this city. The remains were brought here on the east bound Texas & Pacific train Monday and the funeral was held from the Baptist church at 4 o'clock Monday evening. A large concourse of sorrowing friends and relatives paid their last sorrowing respects to one of Baird's most highly esteemed and dearly beloved ladies. Mrs. Harris was principally raised here and was loved by all who knew her. The family have the condolence of THE STAR in this, their dark hour of affliction and we can only point them to Him who "doeth all things well."

Christmas night, as is the custom of the "Noble Princes" of this city, they procured a delivery wagon and proceeded to visit the poor and needy and make such presentations to them as would be most acceptable in the way of provisions of almost every description. Several families were visited and that they appreciated the benevolence of the "Princes" was clearly shown by their actions as well as their many thanks to the "boys of quaint costumes." The "Princes" say they had a good time and it is hoped the boys will maintain the order and we are sure such acts of charity never fail to be rewarded.

There was a most pleasant meeting of the Thessolonian Club last Friday night at the residence of Mrs. D. Richardson, consisting of an original essay by Mr. Alden Bell, musical renditions on the piano by Miss Chatfield, songs by Miss Summers and Mr. Gray, acclamation by Miss Richardson, etc. The next meeting of the Club will be held Friday evening, Jan. 5th, 1894, at the residence of Mr. T. E. Powell. The meetings are much enjoyed by all who attend. The membership of the Club is increasing.

FOR SALE.

One house and lot situated in the north part of Baird. Will be sold very cheap; one-half cash, balance in six months. Apply to
W. G. BOWLES

NOTICE.

To my customers: I know times are hard and money scarce, and for this reason I have been as lenient as possible, but I need money badly and I hope all who can do so will come in and settle up between this and the first of January. If you cannot pay all you owe me, pay as much as possible. Thankful for past favors, I am yours, Respectfully.
H. MEYER.

All kinds of cooking and heating stoves at H. Meyer's 44
Men's \$4. shoe, T. E. Powell's own make. Take no other. 49

A nice line of glassware for the inspection of the public. H. Meyer 11f
Try a mess old fashioned Buck Wheat at Wristen & Crowe's. 44

T. E. Powell's men's \$4. shoe. Every pair warranted. 44

Go to Harry Meyer's for tacks, in kegs, Japanese boxes, cruetts, etc. 11f
Nice assortment of lamps of all kinds, at H. Meyer's. 11f

Every one buys from Powell because he sells cheaper than any one. 11f

Fraser's Dandruff Cure for sale by all druggist. Sold and guaranteed in Baird by R. Phillips and T. L. Oliver & Co. 4

When one stops at G. W. Ratliff Wagon Yard in Coleman City they always return. Reason, they are always treated square and fair. 34

We carry the very best goods money can buy and will meet prices given on second class goods. Driskill & Norton. 44

Come and see our new Crop Ribbon cane, syrup in barrels and half barrels We are making a 25 per cent cut on this goods for next 30 days. Driskill & Norton. 44

We want your trade. Our new goods are now in we and would be pleased to have you inspect our stock before placing your order's. Driskill & Norton. 44

What is the use of breaking your shins over furniture and burning your fingers with an ordinary match at night hunting for a lamp when you can get a box of Italian five minute candle matches at Harry Meyer's for a dime? 11f

Cranberries, turnips, apples and evaporated apples at Driskill & Norton's 44

I have the largest line of clothing ever brought to Baird and the cheapest, call and see. T. E. Powell. 44

The people are invited to call and examine my stock. I will save you money on your purchases. Leo Stern. 52

A full line of Furniture, never cheaper than now. Come and see prices, also a full stock of collars, at Leo Stern. 22

**—COME AND SEE—
MILLER BROS.
CELEBRATED "ARISTO" PHOTOGRAPHS,
—THE BEST—
IN THE WORLD.**

First Door South of VAUGHN & CO. BAIRD, TEXAS.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Cheap carpet at Powell's. 11f

Hats at one half price at Powell's 11f

Glassware, tinware, crockery etc. Harry Meyer. 44

Try a pair of T. E. Powell's \$2. ladies shoes. 49

Perfection corn, the finest in the land at Driskill & Norton's. 44

T. E. Powell's men's \$4. shoe. Best shoe ever made. 49

City Meat Market will pay the highest prices for hides. 24

Go to Foy's for the newest, cheapest and best goods, for cash. 44

Lost Dec. 13th 1893 one ten dollar bill between John Lees and Baird. The finder will please leave with Louis Boydston and be rewarded. R. M. Smith. 31f

Miller Bros. makes a specialty of baby pictures, some unique. Mothers see them! 31f

Patty Bros. the new grocers, seem to be doing a good business, notwithstanding the hard times. 31f

Remember Miller Bros. can make you a large crayon from any kind of picture, call and see our samples. 31f

Without fear of contradiction goods are sold lower than any other place in town at Leo Stern's, successor to H. Schwartz. 52

Have your picture made in the corner of a white silk kerchief for a present to your wife—husband—or 'best girl' at Miller Bros. 31f

The best Christmas or New Years present is some of Miller Bros. celebrated "aristo" Portraits. Next door South of Vaughn & Co. 31f

**E. R. SARTOR,
PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON.**

Calls promptly attended day or night, in city or country.

Office, East side Market Street, Opposite T. E. Powell's store.

BAIRD, TEXAS.

**ARTHUR YONGE
Attorney-at-Law,
AND REAL ESTATE AGENT.
COLLECTIONS SOLICITED,
Baird, - - - - Texas. 25**

**NO CREDIT
AT POWELL'S.**

ATTENTION
Any of our subscribers who have not got the money can pay their subscription in corn, wheat, oats, flour meal, bran, potatoes, butter, wood, etc or anything raised on the farm except chickens and eggs, we draw the line here, we do buy a few eggs, but chickens, never. We will pay the highest market price for anything above mentioned. We have to buy all such articles and always receive them when parties have not got the money. Now don't say any more you are too poor to pay for a paper, but will have to stop it and stand the publisher off for what is already due.

LOCAL HOLIDAY RATES.
A rate of one and one third fares to local points on Texas & Pacific Ry. on sale Dec. 23, 24, 25, 30, 31, and January 1. Final limit for return January 3, 1894.
F. S. Gage, Agent.

NORMAN HORSES FOR SALE.
I will trade large half blood norman mares, or horses, for stock cattle or I will sell my horses on time. These are fine large horses, and I will pay farmers to buy them.
Wm. McMaule
Baird Texas.

**Cash & Cash
—ONLY—
AT POWELL'S,
If You Want
CHEAP GOODS.**

T. E. Powell's, Men's \$4. Shoe The



MISS NANCY'S GOWN.

In days when George the Third was king,
And ruled the Old Dominion,
And law and fashion owned the sway
Of parliament's opinion,
A good ship brought across the sea
A treasure fair and true—
Miss Nancy's gown from London town—
Cut in the lastest fash.

The plaited waist from neck to belt
Scarce measured half a span
The sleeves, like balloons at the top,
Could hold her feather fan.
The narrow skirt, with bias gore,
Revealed an ankle neat.
Whenever she put her dainty foot
From carriage step to street

By skillful hands this wondrous gown
Of costly stuffs was made.
Cocoons of France on Antwerp looms
Were wrought to embossed treads,
Where violets and roses sweet
In blooming beauty grew.
As if from May were there away,
And June and April too.

And from this lower of delight
Miss Nancy reigned a queen
Nor one disloyal heart rebelled
In all her wide domain.
The noble houses of burghs,
For of its honor debate
O'er rights of crown when Nancy's gown
Appeared in halls of state.

Through jocund reel, or measured tread
Of stately minuet,
Like fairy vision above the bloom
Of rose and violet,
As hand in hand with Washington,
The hero of the day,
The smiling face and nymph-like grace
Of Nancy led the way.

A century since that gay time
The merry dance was trod,
Her power, and Nancy long has slept
Beneath the church-yard sod.
Yet on the brocade velvet gown
The rose and violet
Are dominant bright as on the night
She danced the minuet.

—Harper's Bazar.

head and assist in creating this most delightful accompaniment to every-day life

When a child can read its primer, it should be thoroughly drilled in the elements of music, and, as it advances, should study this branch in common with others. If this were done, you would hear a great deal of better music than we are now treated to, and those who hear it would be much better able to appreciate it. In addition to this there is nothing so comforting to persons of fine temperament as the harmony of good music, and no greater delight in leisure hours, or times when one is somewhat under the weather, than to be able intelligently to appreciate or render the fine works of classic and more ordinary composers. As almost every house in the land has a musical instrument of some sort, it seems strange that every school house has not its musical chart and its simple and comprehensive course of musical study. The child who learns music with the elementary branches is so ingrained with it that it is never forgotten.

Music is always elevating in its tendencies and puts people in better humor under almost all circumstances. It is a solace to the weary, it breaks the strain of care, puts the whole being in a better condition and is often quite as valuable to distracted spirits as a doctor's medicine.

It would be well worth while to incorporate a thorough musical training into the public school system; and some day, when people come to realize more clearly the advantages of it, we shall see this delightful element made a part of all courses of study.

She Runs the Elevator.
"Well! Well! What will the girls do next?"
A business man asked this question as he stepped aboard the elevator in a St. Louis building. The door of the car was shut with a bang, by a vigorous rosy-cheeked and muscular-looking young woman of about 20 years—a business-like young woman she was, too.

"What floor, sir? Architect? Right to the left, second door," she said, as the car stopped at the third floor.

It quickly shot higher, as the elevator-girl gave the cable a steady pull. Every one wondered at her dexterity, and she was the pink of propriety, polite and full of information as to the tenants of the building. To say that she was an improvement on a great many surly elevator kings in town office buildings would be putting it mildly. A gentleman who had to call at the office of a tenant in the building asked the elevator-girl the number of his room, and here is what she said:

FARM AND HOUSEHOLD.

WAYS AND MEANS OF ENJOYING LIFE ON A FARM.

Clubs and Debating Societies—Symptoms of Hog Cholera—Clover Hay Worm—An Acre of Hens—Pork Pointers and Household Helps.

Social Life Among Farmers.
Enough is written and suggested how to do farmers' work, how to sow or plant and how to reap and garden and how to buy or sell—in fact to do anything and everything to make money. And it is true that that is desirable. But that is not all of farm life. It is in order to take into consideration ways and means within reach of the poorest and humblest of how to enjoy life—not only to eat, drink and sleep, but to enjoy whatever has been provided mentally, physically and socially.

Years ago farmers' clubs were in order. Farmers would meet at the district school house and discuss modes and methods of how to do this or that particular kind of work. But the farmers' wives and daughters were not "in it," so the clubs were invited to meet at private houses. The evening meeting was turned into a day meeting and the membership included a larger number and the outside circle grew larger in proportion. The informal "talk" developed into essays. Music and refreshments were introduced and a right good time they had of it. Sometimes men of mark, successful men, visited these clubs, and editors and correspondents of agricultural and scientific papers addressed the clubs. The farm or nursery or dairy was looked over and many a mental note was taken and reduced to practice on other farms and the reverse was also noted and had it been written out it would have read: "Things to be avoided if you desire success." No farmer who loved his calling was ever the poorer for what outlay he made to entertain his neighbors and friends.

Well knowing that debating societies are ridiculed, I hesitate not a moment to recommend their organization, especially for the younger members of the family, writes C. W. Murtfeldt in the St. Louis Republic. When properly conducted they are of immense benefit. Man is a social being; he needs rest and recreation. His ambition should be directed in a proper channel. Looked at as an animal only, man is the only animal that laughs, and he should laugh; indeed, if he laughed more and often he would need less physic. Man need not smirk and snicker and grin continually, but when wit and humor incites, let him laugh heartily and loud as if he enjoyed it. The proverb says: "Laugh and grow fat."

Now, a good debating society does at times offer great inducements to exercise this faculty. Again, if good school results it may and should incite to reading and study. "Wonder when that little fellow got all that information," you may hear one of the other remark. Or someone else who came prepared will startle the society by exclaiming that a certain quotation was incorrect and he has the documents to prove it. Parliamentary rules are studied, not so much to govern that particular society, but to fit men for the common council or the legislature or the bar. Many a lawyer or judge got his start first in that direction from a local schoolhouse debating society.

The charm of social life in the suburbs is enhanced by clubs, where questions of the day are brought forward by essays and papers, which generally are discussed by members present. This kind of entertainment is possible in every neighborhood of intelligent people. Of course, such are readers and thinkers.

The simplest form of organization is all that is necessary, namely, a president and vice president, a secretary and assistant, and that is all. These duplicated insure one or the other's presence. If the secretary uses his office as he may, the reading of the minutes is often very entertaining, because there is no necessity of a verbatim report. It is best not to have refreshments unless the meeting is announced to be of a social nature and then only once in a while. There may be an executive committee to arrange for topics and places, and also a committee on music. No fees are required. It is hoped that these hints, briefly given, may induce many to employ the means at hand for social and musical improvement, and thus make the winters pass pleasantly and profitably.

Save This for Reference.

Symptoms of hog cholera are described by the Iowa state board of health as follows: The presence of the disease is indicated by a cold shivering, lasting for a few seconds to several hours; frequent sneezing, followed by a loss of appetite; rough appearance of the hair, drooping of the ears, stupor, attempts to vomit, tendency to root the bedding to lie down in dark and quiet places, dullness of the eyes, often dim; sometimes swelling of the head, eruptions of the ears and other parts of the body; dizziness, laborious breathing, vitiated appetite for dung, dirty and salty substances, accumulation of mucus in inner corner of the eye, discharge from the nose, fetid offensive odor of the discharges from the bowels, offensive exhalations; diarrhoeal discharges are semi-solid; diarrhea grows color and often mixed with blood. In many cases the head is badly swollen.

Pain Film Peeling.
One pint of stale bread crumbs, one cup of flour, one cup of stoned raisins, juice and rind of one lemon, one cup of washed currants, one cup of brown sugar, one teaspoonful of cinchonin, one-half nutmeg, grated; one-half cup of molasses, three eggs half pound of nut, half pound of citron, half teaspoonful of baking soda. Mix well all the dry ingredients. Put in a bowl and the molasses.

gish, the head droops with the nose near the ground, but usually will be found lying down with the nose hid in the bedding. If there has been costiveness, about two days before death there will be offensive fetid discharge; the voice becomes faint and hoarse; the animal is stupid, emaciation increases rapidly; the skin becomes dry, hard, and very unclean; there is a cold clammy sweat, and death soon follows with convulsions, or gradually by exhaustion, without a struggle. In chronic cases, or those of long duration, the animal becomes weak, lies down most of the time, eats but little and has the diarrhoea. These cases may linger for weeks, scattering the poison of the disease in the discharge wherever they go.—Colman's Rural World.

An Acre of Hens.
Go ahead and build one house that will accommodate 100 fowls. Put a partition through the middle and keep your fowls in two flocks of fifty each. Divide your acre into four yards and use the yards alternately. In the fall plow up two of the yards and sow to rye. As soon as it is up a few inches put your fowls in those yards. The rye will furnish green food until snow comes in winter wherever the fowls can get at the ground, and the first thing in the spring. Should the rye be likely to grow too high in the fall, just turn your cow in for a little while occasionally, and let her feed it down.

Keep your hens on these yards until plowing time next spring, then turn them into the other yards where the grass will be nice and fresh. Plough under what is left of the rye and plant the yards to corn and sunflowers. We have kept hens in this way—fifty in a flock, 100 in one house—and there was not a case of sickness among the old fowls during the entire winter. And we made over \$100 in clear cash from the sale of eggs from those 100 hens, so we do not hesitate to declare that more than twenty-five fowls can be kept profitably in one flock. No, we didn't sell any of the eggs at fancy prices; they were sold at the average price of twenty cents a dozen. Ask yourself if you have an acre within the limits of your farm that pays \$100 or even fifty dollars.—Fannie Field in Prairie Farmer.

The Clover Hay Worm.
The farmer who finds in his mow the webs of the clover hay worm should read and act upon the advice of Professor Osborn, of the Iowa agricultural college, who says: Where these webs are found I would advise a thorough cleaning out of the infested mow and burning of all the webbed and worthless hay containing the worms. Otherwise there will be developed an enormous number of moths to lay eggs in the coming seasons' crop of hay and the probability of worse damage another year than has occurred heretofore. It is exactly under such conditions, the holding over of masses of infested hay, that the worms find the best opportunity for increase, and, while it may involve some labor and apparent loss at the time, it may be considered, as next to throwing hay away to store it over a mass of hay previously infested, except that the upper portion will probably escape any serious damage. It is possible that worms could be killed by use of bisulphide of carbon without removing the hay, but I hesitate to recommend it, as I know of no case where it has been used for this purpose and because of the danger connected with its use, especially in a barn where lanterns may be brought, making possible the ignition of the fumes.—Farmer's Review.

Fork Pointers.
Keep close supervision of the swine so that they may get all they want to eat and no more.

Some people seem to be afraid to apply whitewash to the hog pen. It is a good cleanser and is cheap.

Don't complain that your sows eat chickens and hens when you throw dead chickens or offal from them in the hogs' way.

Why does the sow stray away from the herd to find a secluded place to farrow? See to it that you have a quiet place provided for her.

The small, unmarketable potatoes should be boiled, mashed and mixed with bran and fed to the hogs. Don't allow anything to go to waste.

In all litters are uneven, weak and altogether unsatisfactory the sire is at fault; if but one or two litters are in such condition the fault is more likely with the sow.

Household Helps.
A neat laundry bag can be made of white Java canvas worked in block pattern with red embroidery cotton. Flatirons should be kept as far removed from the steam of cooking as possible, as this is what causes them to rust.
Sandwiches can be made some hours before needed if kept in a cool place snugly covered with a damp cloth. They should be piled closely upon a dish.
A good broom-holder may be made by putting two large screws—nails will answer—into the wall about two inches apart. Drop the broom between them, handle downward.
Any woman doing her own work may so systematize it that it will be the easiest possible for her. She need not follow any other person's methods, unless they are the very best for her own conditions.

All About a Bonnet.
The Duchess of Bedford recently told a girls' needlework society in Mile End, England, that the bonnet which the queen wore at the jubilee service was practically made by the Princess of Wales. "It was sent home," said her grace, "looking heavy and ugly. Nobody dared return it to the milliner without the queen's orders, and nobody liked to ask her majesty for such instructions. So the ladies in waiting showed it to the Princess of Wales, knowing how clever she is in all such matters, and her royal highness with her own hands altered it and twisted it till it became the becoming and tasteful headdress which we all admired on that memorable occasion. Everybody who saw it thought that the queen had never had a prettier bonnet, but how it came to be so pretty is news to-day."

Woman's Head.
Dr. Manouvrier, professor of the School of Anthropology in Paris, by a great number of experiments made on male and female skulls, of which 100 of each were taken from the Paris catacombs, demonstrates not only that the female forehead is as capacious as man's, but that woman possesses a higher type of head. The curve of the forehead, found only in the human race, is sharper and the parietal development is less than in man. The coronal suture is in woman less oblique than in man, as that in man is less oblique than in idiots and monkeys.

Sort of Prophecy.
Lilly, the great English astrologer, annually publishes a little leaflet under the title of "Astrological Predictions." In the one for 1898 occurs the following: "In the year 1665 the aphelium of Mars will be in Virgo, and all kinds and sorts of disasters to the commonwealth, monarchy and kingdom of England may be expected in that and the two following years." It is needless to add that 1665 brought the "great plague," which carried away 68,556 people, and 1666 was the year of the "great fire," in which 13,200 houses were destroyed.

Mary Magdalene.
Fifteen thousand pilgrims annually visit St. Baume, in Providence, not far from Marseilles, in France, where Mary Magdalene is said to have spent the last thirty years of her life. The legend runs that Mary Magdalene came from Judea in a small boat, with Lazarus, Martha, the two Marys and Salome, bringing with them the body of St. Anne, the head of St. James the Less, and a few wee bones of the innocents massacred by King Herod.

The "Corn Club."
Some of the enterprising farmers of Floyd county, Virginia, have organized the "corn club," with the object of testing the amount of corn that an acre of Floyd county land will produce. The member producing the largest yield from an acre in 1894 will receive \$10 in gold, and at the time of awarding the prize the club will give an old Floyd county thanksgiving dinner of roast turkey.

Absent-Minded Groom.
An absent-minded groom in Rome, Ga., forgot that he was to be married the other day, and when the time for the ceremony arrived he was not present. An examination showed that he overslept himself. He apologized, but the father of the bride refused to accept him as a son-in-law, and the engagement was broken.

French Queens.
Of sixty-seven queens of France only thirteen have died without leaving their histories a record of misery. Eleven were divorced, two executed, nine died young, seven were soon widowed, three cruelly treated, three exiled; the poisoned and broken hearted make up the rest.

Actors and Actresses.
According to the books of the various dramatic agencies of New York there are at the present time over 3600 actors and actresses looking for engagements, and it is feared that within the next few days at least ten theatrical companies will go to pieces.

A New Year's Gift Herald.
The measureless popularity of Hostetter's Stomach Bitters has been the growth of more than a third of a century. As in the past, the coming year will be ushered in by the appearance of a fresh Almanac, clearly setting forth the nature, uses and operation of the medicine of world wide fame. It is well worth purchase. Absolute accuracy in the astronomical calculations and calendar will, as before, be valuable characteristics, while the reading matter will include statistics, humor and general information, accompanied by admirably executed illustrations. The Almanac is issued from the publishing department of The Hostetter Company at Pittsburg, and will be printed on their presses in English, German, French, Welsh, Norwegian, Swedish, Holland, Bohemian and Spanish. All druggists and country dealers furnish it without cost.

How's That!
We offer One Hundred Dollars reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.
F. J. CENESE & CO., Toledo, O.
We, the undersigned, have known F. J. CENESE for the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions and financially able to carry out any obligation made by him to our patrons.
WILLIAM S. TRIGG, Wholesale Druggist, Toledo, O.
W. LINDEN, Wholesale Druggist, Whitefish Bay, Wis.

Pomatum.
The Turks are very partial to highly scented pomatum, using a large variety of them. Chief among these is a mixture composed of oil and pure wax for the hair; a mustard pomatum, consisting of antimony, gum and perfumed oil, and what are known as "rouge cottons." The latter are prepared by steeping cotton in a solution of cinnabar, which is then rolled into flat pledgets and dried. Before using the cheeks are dampened, the cotton applied and the epidermis is quickly tinged of a soft carnation hue, but is not injured in any way, as the medium employed contains nothing that will exert a deleterious effect upon it. The Armenians and Greeks use a similarly prepared aid for beautifying their complexions.

The Dead Sea.
The navigation of the Dead Sea is the latest step in oriental progress. The sultan has sent two sailing boats there, one for freight and the other for passengers. Abdul Hamid is going to try to make money out of the salt, bitumen and sulphur of the lake.

World's Fair Photos for One Dime.
The Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway has made an arrangement with a first-class publishing house to furnish a series of beautiful World's Fair pictures, of a large size, at the nominal cost to the purchaser of only ten cents for a portfolio of sixteen illustrations. Nothing so handsome in reference to the World's Fair has before been published. The series would be worth at least twelve dollars if the pictures were not published in such large quantities, and we are therefore able to furnish these works of art for only ten cents. Remit your money to George H. Hearford, General Passenger Agent, Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway, at Chicago, Ill., and the pictures will be sent promptly to any specified address. They will make a handsome holiday gift.

Ladies needing a tonic, or children who want building up, should take Brown's Iron Bitters. It is pleasant to take, cures Malaria, Indigestion, Biliousness and Liver Complaints, makes the Blood rich and pure.
Success at first doth many times undo men at last.
"Hannover's Magic Corn Salve." Warranted to cure all corns without pain. Ask your druggist for it. Price 15 cents.

Who is powerful! He who can control his passions. Who is rich! He who is contented with what he has.
An Extended Popularity. BROWN'S BRONCHIAL TROUCHARS have for many years been the most popular article in use for relieving Coughs and Throat troubles.
Every man has a paradise around him until he sins, and the angel of an accusing conscience drives him from his Eden.
If the Baby is Crying Teeth, Be sure and use that old and well known, Mac WIGGALL'S SOOTHING SYRUP FOR CHILDREN TEETHING.
Speak well of your friends; of your enemies speak nothing.

SICK HEADACHE, Lassitude, weakness and loss of appetite caused by malaria can be immediately cured by Bechman's Pills.
Choose such pleasures as recreate much and cost little.
The usual treatment of catarrh is very unsatisfactory, as thousands can testify. Proper local treatment is positively necessary to success, but many, if not most, of the remedies in general use afford but temporary benefit. A cure certainly cannot be expected from snuffs, powders, douches and washes. Ely's Cream Balm, which is so highly commended, is a remedy which combines the important requisites of quick action, specific curative power with perfect safety and pleasantness to the patient.

Friendship that is bought is too valueless to be sold again.

GOOD SPIRITS
follow good health while you live, retain memory, morose, or irritable temper, fear of impending calamity and a thousand and one derangements of body and mind, result from such unwholesome habits. In by the young, through ignorance of their ruinous consequences, fear of impending calamity and a thousand and one derangements of body and mind, result from such unwholesome habits. To reach heaven and restore such unfortunate to health and happiness, is the aim of an association of medical gentlemen, who have prepared a treatise, written in plain but concise language and treating of the nature, symptoms and curability, by home treatment, of such diseases.
A copy of this useful book will, on receipt of this notice, with 10 cents in stamps, for postage, be mailed securely sealed in a plain envelope. Address, WORLD'S DISPENSARY MEDICAL ASSOCIATION, Buffalo, N. Y.

FERRY'S SEEDS
Are just what every sower needs. The merits of Ferry's Seeds from the foundation on which has been built the largest seed business in the world. Ferry's Seed Annual for 1896 contains the sum and substance of the latest farming knowledge. Free for the asking.
D. M. FERRY & CO., Detroit, Mich.

MEND YOUR OWN HARNESS WITH THOMSON'S SLOTTED OLINCH RIVETS.
By using only these rivets to drive and clamp every nut and bolt that is used in harness repair, the harness will be made to last longer than ever before. Ask for a sample of this rivet and see how it works. It is the best thing ever invented for harness repair.
D. M. FERRY & CO., Detroit, Mich.

A Family Laxative

Physicians are not inclined to recommend self-medication to the laity. Yet there is one need, says the American Analyst, which they are almost unable to supply. We refer to the family laxative. The family physician is able to prescribe for the most complicated and obscure of maladies and yet is often puzzled to know just what to give when asked for a remedy which can be kept in the house for family use as a laxative, that shall be effective, free from danger, and not unpleasant to take. When absent on our summer vacation we were asked by four different parties, representing as many families, what we thought of the "Syrup of Figs." Not one word did we volunteer on the subject, and we were somewhat surprised to find that there was this small token of the very general use of that preparation. These parties said they derived more benefit from it and found it more pleasant to take than anything of the kind they had ever used. The simple question with them was, is it a dangerous compound? We informed them that its active ingredient was a preparation of senna, and that it was entirely free from danger. With this assurance they volunteered the information that they should continue to keep it in the house.

The therapeutic properties of senna are so well known that comment on this seems unnecessary. It might be well to notice, however, that Bartholow says it is "a very safe and serviceable cathartic," and that it is "highly prized as a remedy for constipation." He also makes the important observation that its use "is not followed by intestinal torpor and constipation."

The simple truth of the matter is, we have altogether too few preparations which we can recommend to our families as effective laxatives. But the California Fig Syrup company has one of the most desirable combinations for this purpose with which we are familiar. The Fig Syrup company gives to the profession the composition of this preparation, therefore there is no secret about it; the persons who use this laxative speak in the highest terms about it; and we are pleased to notice that a large number of physicians are prescribing it.

Viewed from the narrowest and most selfish standpoint the physician will lose nothing by recommending such a preparation as Syrup of Figs to his patients; while viewed from the highest standpoint of doing the best possible by those who place themselves in our care, we would say the profession can do no better than give their indorsement to such a preparation.

Fame, to a dead man, is of just about as much importance as a legacy.

"German Syrup"

Regis Leblanc is a French Canadian store keeper at Notre Dame de Stanbridge, Quebec, Can., who was cured of a severe attack of Congestion of the Lungs by Boschee's German Syrup. He has sold many a bottle of German Syrup on his personal recommendation. If you drop him a line he'll give you the full facts of the case direct, as he did us, and that Boschee's German Syrup brought him through nicely. It always will. It is a good medicine thorough in its work.

AT BEDTIME I TAKE A PLEASANT HERB DRINK



THE NEXT MORNING I FEEL BRIGHT AND NEW AND MY SLEEP IS DEEPER. My doctor says it acts gently on the stomach, liver and kidneys, and is a pleasant laxative. This drink is made from herbs, and is prepared for use as easily as tea. It is called

LANE'S MEDICINE

All druggists sell it in 5c and 25c packages. If you cannot get it, send your address for a free sample. Lane's Family Medicine moves a bow in each direction.

Prepared by Dr. J. W. Lane, Chicago, Ill.

WE CANNOT SPARE

Healthy flesh—nature never renews the body with too much sound flesh. Loss of flesh usually indicates poor assimilation, which causes the loss of the best that's in food, the fat-forming element.

Scott's Emulsion

of pure cod liver oil with hypophosphites contains the very essence of all foods. In no other form can so much nutrition be taken and assimilated. Its range of usefulness has no limitation where weakness exists.

Prepared by Scott & Bown, Chemists, New York. Sold by all druggists.

MY PEN AND I

We travel in lands that never were known Under the sky, And gather dream flowers that never have grown. My pen and I.

We find our friends who are absent and dear; Ah, me! ah, my! And we mingle the ink with many a tear, My pen and I.

Now, we must will, and the other obey, And others sigh, And that is why We tell the story of years in a day, My pen and I.

Some of you smile at a story of jest, And others sigh, But together we do our humble best, My pen and I.

And after awhile we shall both be laid Quietly by— When the last journey together we made, My pen and I. —The Housekeeper.

Geralda's Delusion.

BY MARION LEROY.

CHAPTER IX—CONTINUED.

She pauses for a second, looking with misty eyes at that pathetically suggestive mound of freshly-turned mould, then goes on quickly— "I was, when a girl, a pupil-teacher in Miss Lettbridge's school. I had not a friend or relation in the world, Arthur, and the Lettbridges were never very kind to me. No one ever seemed to think of me as anything but an incubance and a teaching machine until Claude Berenger came.

"He was an artist, and he was engaged to give painting lessons to some of the elder girls. He was young and handsome, soft of speech and pleasant of manner, and before he had given his first half dozen lessons two-thirds of the girls had fallen in love with him. But I do not think I greatly liked him at first; it was only when his eyes began to meet mine with pity in their glance that I admired him.

"Well, he made love to me, Arthur, and I, for whom no one seemed to care, felt my heart turn to him with passionate gratitude. I thought I loved him. I thought I could not bear to lose the affection that had come into my desolate life and made it strangely bright; and, though I shrank with vague terror from the daring step he proposed, I could not resist his pleading, and ran away with him and married him.

"Yes, it was a real marriage after all; I need not have waited for his death-bed confession. I might have found the truth out for myself, and so have avoided all the misery that nearly broke my heart if I had only had courage and common sense. But I had neither, Arthur. When he told me that the license was spurious I did not dream of doubting his word.

"My own knowledge of his character, painfully gained in the one miserable year we spent together, went to confirm his story. I knew him to be without heart or honor. He had wearied of me long since, and I—Heaven help me!—had learned to dread and shrink from him with such terror and disgust, that when the first horror of my own position was past, I was glad to let him go. I was ill, very ill, for weeks after he left me, and but for the charity of strangers I should have died. How often since then I have wished that charity had not stepped in to save me for yet keener pain!"

"Geralda," the man says gravely, and there is a rebuke in the look he gives her that to the woman's sore heart seems sweeter than all praise. "I know, I know," she answers humbly. "I am thankful—oh, so thankful—Arthur, but I cannot quite forget as yet! I have been so steeped in bitterness that I cannot think the sweets of life are really meant for me."

"Come away," Arthur exclaims; "let the dead past bury its dead. Geralda, the future is for us—the future we are to spend together—the future in which, even as a memory, Claude Berenger shall have no part."

She trembles, hesitates for a second, and then, yielding to the mastery of his look and touch, walks obediently towards the gateway from the darkening graveyard, in which the false love of her youth lies dead, on to the warmth and brightness of a new and happier life.

"Well," Mrs. Robert Clare says thoughtfully, "I suppose a few reverses serve to make people enjoy their happiness when it comes."

"A most sage observation, Madame Philosopher! Might I ask what suggested it to-day?"

"As though you did not know, Robert! I was thinking of Arthur and Geralda. A year ago everything seemed so miserable for them, and now I should say they were the very happiest couple in all the world, but—"

"But you reserve that supreme distinction for our noble selves—quite right, my dear!" Doctor Clare agrees, with an approving nod.

Then, as a fresh idea strikes him, he raises himself from the low American chair in which he has been lazily lounging, cigarette in mouth, most unprofessionally at his ease, and says, with more show of energy, "I wonder what your mother will say, Elsie. She was quite convinced that Geralda would prove the orthodox bad stepmother of fiction, and will be more than half disappointed, I believe, not to find Kitty and little Arthur two broken-spirited tartar-delusions, in a state of semi-starvation at least!"

"For shame, Robert!" Mrs. Clare says, flushing a little. "Mother will be glad to see Arthur and Geralda happy. She did not think that Geralda would be anything other than a good wife to her dear son; and she is more of a mother to her than she is to her own children."

HOW WILD BILL WAS KILLED.

George Alder Tells the Story of His Being Shot by His Pal.

Mr. Alder has known almost all the pioneers of the West and was a friend of that picturesque figure in Western history, Wild Bill, within half a dozen years of the time when Jack McCaul was back of the head in a Deadwood saloon. He tells the story in the Denver Republican more minutely than it has ever been told in print.

To paraphrase the quaint wording of the old pioneer, the killing fell about in this way: Bill and McCaul occupied the same cabin together at Deadwood in 1876. Bill came into camp with a notoriety he had been acquiring in all the border towns. He was a gambler by profession and a desperado by nature. He was the surest shot with a pistol in the West. He had been marshal of Hays City in its palmy days of lawlessness, and was afterward marshal of Abilene when that little city had almost as hard a name. He had killed so many men that he had lost count. So when he rode into Deadwood one day, with his long yellow hair pouring down on his shoulders, his sombrero cocked sideways on his head and two ivory handled pistols in the holsters, swinging either side, people were naturally very respectful.

But Bill was a man to be feared rather than respected. He was an inveterate card player, and chested and robbed at the tables with the pleasantest grace imaginable. He and McCaul became chums and bunched together in the same cabin. McCaul had just as bad a character as Bill, but he had never had the opportunities to prove it, and if he had he would probably be dead before Deadwood came into existence. At any rate, he and Bill used to play brace against every one that they could get to put his legs under the table with them. While this process of floeing was going on, Bill and his partner pretended to be perfect strangers to each other.

One day they were at their usual tricks with a greenhorn in a canvas saloon on the main street. McCaul broke out and quit the game. Directly he came up to Bill and said: "Say, Bill, gimme a quarter to buy a drink." Bill looked up at him as if he had never seen him before. "I don't know you," he said. "I guess you are good at the bar." McCaul went to the bar and asked for a drink, but the barkeeper, thinking that he was joking, wouldn't let him have it.

Then McCaul stalked about the stove a little. Finally he went to Bill again and said: "Gimme fifty cents, Bill, I want to get a meal." And Bill still carrying out his role of stranger, said, with pretended heat: "Go to h—l for your meal."

McCaul's face flushed. He was not wily enough to see what Bill was driving at. He went straight out of the saloon down to his cabin and got his six-shooter. When he came back he had it cocked in his coat pocket with his hand upon it. He walked right up to Bill and quick as a flash stuck the muzzle of the gun against Bill's head and pulled the trigger. There was a leap of fire from the barrel, a resounding report and Wild Bill fell over with his face among the poker chips, stone dead.

McCaul was arrested and tried before a miner's court and acquitted, for the story he told was a plausible one. But one day, when in his cups, he boasted of the deed, detectives investigated his story and found it false, and eventually he was hanged.

How Nature Makes Marble.

In nature marble is made out of chalk by water, which percolates through the chalky deposits, dissolves the chalk particle by particle, and crystallizes it, mountain pressure solidifying it. It has been found that similar results may be accomplished by chemical means. First slices of chalk are dipped into a color bath, staining them with tints that will imitate any kind of marble known. For this purpose the same mineral stains are used as are employed by nature. For example, to produce counterfeit "verde antique" oxide of copper is utilized. In like manner green, pink, black and other colorings are obtained. Next the chalk slices go into another bath, by which they are hardened and crystallized, coming out to all intents and purposes real marble.—London Science Sitings.

Johnny Was Feeling Better.

Doctor—Well, Johnny, don't you feel better since I gave you the medicine?

Johnny—Yes; forgot all about being sick.

Doctor—That's what I thought, and it wasn't hard to take, was it?

Johnny—I guess so, for it took two of us boys to hold Fido when we gave it to him.—Chicago Inter Ocean.

A Queer Old Trunk.

Old chests and trunks have a high value as curios, and are largely taken by the dealers in the like. As paper was costly in the eighteenth century, many such articles were lined with newspapers then current, and if pleasanters are to be trusted, even with rejected manuscripts. A curious old trunk with pentagonal ends recently turned up in the shop of a dealer in old furniture. It still bore a weather-stained card showing that its last delivery had been to somebody in Pearl street. It was lined with a Philadelphia newspaper of 1775 and the pages exposed bore the tax list of that year in pounds, shillings and pence.

Just a Glimmer.

Your sister was so, at home last evening, Johnny?

You bet she was!

I did not see any light in the parlor.

Oh, yes, your house I heard you say was a spark there.

THE END.

THE END.

Highest of all in Leavening Power.—Latest U. S. Gov't Report.

Royal Baking Powder

ABSOLUTELY PURE

Human Hair.

Eight cars loaded with human hair arrived in Paris recently, consigned to dealers in that merchandise. The hair came from India and China, whence thousands of pounds are annually sent to England and France. This traffic, a foreign medical journal says, is the cause of the introduction of many diseases in Europe. The hair is cut from persons after death in China, and although it is disinfected, upon arrival in France, it often carries the germs of disease. Asiatic hair, owing in part to its coarseness, can be purchased cheaply, it selling often as low as a franc a kilogram. The hair of Europeans, however, average about 100 francs for the same amount.

Subtlety may deceive you. Integrity never will.

Lane's Medicine Moves the Bowels Each Day. In order to be healthy this is necessary. Cures constipation, headache, kidney and liver troubles and regulates the stomach and bowels. Price 50c and \$1.00, at all dealers.

They who never make mistakes never make anything.

Many persons are broken down from overwork or household cares. Brown's Iron Bitters rebuilds the system, aids digestion, removes excess of bile, and cures malaria. A splendid tonic for women and children.

On every small pretext the wolf seizes the sheep.

Shiloh's Consumption Cure. Sold on a guarantee. It cures Incurable Consumption. It is the best Cough Cure. 50c, 75c, & \$1.00.

The world needs good-naturedly with good-natured people.

Start a People's Party Paper. Does your county need a straight-out Populist local paper? Then write for circulars, samples and full particulars of a new and successful plan to J. T. W. Lee, box 577, Dallas, Tex.

Good manners are simply good nature polished up bright.

Ely's Cream Balm

WILL CURE CATARRH

Price 50 Cents.

Apply Balm into each nostril. Retail Price, 25 Warren St., N. Y.

Use ST. JACOBS OIL FOR PAINS

RHEUMATIC, NEURALGIC, SCIATIC,

And all the World Knows the CURE is SURE.

H. A. IVY, A.M., Pres. Building & Furniture Cost \$100,000. J. D. HASSELL, M.A., Sec.

National Commercial College

10 Departments. DENISON, TEXAS. Leads All.

Young man, young lady: "Tis New Year. Resolve to quit working for nothing, prepare for business and earn a handsome salary. One student borrowed \$125, finished short-hand, made his living and repaid it in 12 mos; now gets \$20 a mo. You can do likewise. Low rates this mo. Get \$100 and come. Write us.

READ THIS! You Run No Risk.

AGENTS MAKE 5 to 8 Dollars Daily



Selling the "Electrical Wonder." Grandest seller in the market. Sold in almost every home. As it is a household want, and does its work instantly, you have but to show it to make a sale. A splendid article to handle. Try it, and make money. You will like it, so will do who see its instantaneous work. Agents wanted in every town. We will send sample by mail, post paid, for 25 cents. Terms and descriptive circulars sent.

ADDRESS: E. T. FORD ELECTRIC CO., FORT WORTH, TEXAS.

Souvenir Coin for Eighty Cents

NEVER OFFERED BEFORE FOR LESS THAN ONE DOLLAR.

Father or Mother; Sister or Brother; Sweetheart or Lover

Would be pleased to receive as a Christmas or New Year's Present

Something they could always keep as a reminder of the Columbian year. What more appropriate than a

WORLD'S FAIR SOUVENIR HALF DOLLAR?

Sent Post-Paid to any address for 80 cents in 1 or 2-cent stamps. Only a limited number left. Order quick from F. G. BROWN, 88-92 West Jackson Street, Chicago, Ill.

DUCKSKIN DREECHES

BEST MADE, BEST FITTING, BEST WEARING



JEAN PANTS

IN THE WORLD.

Made by THE GOODWIN CLOTHING CO., EVANSVILLE, IND.

Patents, Trade-Marks.

THE JUDGES OF THE WORLD'S COLUMBIAN EXPOSITION Have made the HIGHEST AWARDS

(Medals and Diplomas) to

WALTER BAKER & CO.

On each of the following named articles:

BREAKFAST COCOA,
Premium No. 1, Chocolate,
Vanilla Chocolate,
German Sweet Chocolate,
Cocoa Butter,

For "purity of material," "excellent flavor," and "uniform even composition."

WALTER BAKER & CO., DORCHESTER, MASS.

HJUNTER & BOSSO

Machinery Supply

MACHINERY



YOU SHOULD KNOW THIS FACT. THAT FAIRBANK & CO. OF ST. LOUIS MAKE A SALT CALLED CLAIRETTE WHICH HAS NO EQUAL. STANDARD QUALITY & WEIGHT ASK YOUR GROCER FOR IT.

And Still the Water Works Again.

MR. EDITOR:

Noticing your article, "The Water Works Again," and your comments on same, and as the proposition embodies a 12 inch pipe and valve to "blow off" the contents of dam, I would ask the use of your columns to blow off the contents of that "proposition," and before passing to same to correct some statements in "Water Works Again." Many persons when they see a thing in print, and vouch for by the party printing, as one who has kept himself "posted on everything of that kind" are often misled into thinking that it is bound to be true, when the whole thing may be a gross or ignorant perversion of facts. You say "if any proposition was ever before submitted to the city anywhere as cheap as this, we never heard of it." Have you ever heard of any proposition whatever, being submitted to the city to put in a for them a system of water works, of any kind? I have been interested in the subject of water for the city ever since the inception of the idea, and every proposition submitted embodied only the idea of furnishing the city with so much water at such a price. The city having nothing to do with the water works proper in any proposition submitted. Why has the proposition been always so made? for the simple reason the city has never been, and is not now able of itself to put in a complete system, its means for raising the necessary funds being totally inadequate. You go on further to state that "the city council actually let the contract to one company, and levied a water tax, which was never collected, because the company never complied with its part of the contract." The whole of that statement is grossly misleading, and not in accordance with the facts in the case. There never has been a contract entered into by the city with any company, but a conditional proposition was submitted, and accepted, and that proposition carried the condition of getting the water supply from the sand beds west of town. The city council designating that as the source of supply themselves. In good faith the company proceeded to develop and test for the necessary supply, and after expending nearly four hundred dollars of their own money, reported to the city council that the supply was inadequate, and they (the company) asked and suggested to the council not to collect the water tax already levied. Yet in face of these facts you state it was not collected because the company did not comply with its part of the contract. It is a serious thing to be branded a contract breaker, and that is what forces me to make this explanation. Passing on now to the proposition submitted by Mr. Thatcher, of Dallas, which has so enthused my worthy townsman that he is branding every one who does not see as he does as a contract breaker, and that is what forces me to make this explanation. Passing on now to the proposition submitted by Mr. Thatcher, of Dallas, which has so enthused my worthy townsman that he is branding every one who does not see as he does as a contract breaker, and that is what forces me to make this explanation. Passing on now to the proposition submitted by Mr. Thatcher, of Dallas, which has so enthused my worthy townsman that he is branding every one who does not see as he does as a contract breaker, and that is what forces me to make this explanation.

In here and submitted to our city council, supposed to consist of our most intelligent and worthy citizens. As I stated to the city council, that it is an insult to their intelligence to have to consider such a proposition, and deserved to be branded as a "fake." What does the thing propose to do? (I call it a thing because Mr. S. M. Jones said it was neither a contract, a bid nor a proposition.) Simply to build a dam, with top 84 feet above Market street, ten feet wide on top and connect it with Market street with a pipe line, specifying to the number of tees and specifying to a dollar the number of dollars as the price of same, and yet Mr. Jones says that it is a rough proposition. Yes I should say so, on the town. As water is or should be the essence of this proposition, I would like to ask where he proposes to get it, he made no survey to show that the catch-water basin was sufficient to collect the amount necessary, he made no estimates based upon the annual rainfall of this country, he ran no contours to make an estimate of the capacity of the proposed dam, he has simply and emphatically left the question of water entirely out of his proposition. Now I say what he proposes to do can be done for \$7000, granting that is the place for the dam. Why pay \$10,000 or more for what you can get for \$7000? Now everybody knows that if the question of gathering ground for the water is left out, that you can go up the hollow until you reach a point on the surface of the ground 84 feet above Market street and a little dirt scraped up with your foot until the width of 10 feet is acquired, and you will have Mr. Thatcher's dam built according to his proposition, and the final test is to be made when the "dam is full." Yet he does not say what that test is, he could safely say that he would squirt water over the moon for he knows he will never have the reservoir full. Now here comes the Ghost of the Milliken contract, which like Banquo's will not die, he proposes to do all this magnificent work, worth \$7000 for \$10,000, of our own money, how magnanimous and how self-sacrificing with the stretch of one bond transaction in our nostrils still, here comes another one, which bravely however lets our bonds alone, and wants payment in money, leaving us to get rid of our bonds the best we can. In all my experience of engineering which extends over a period of over 20 years, I never knew of the engineer, contractor and paymaster combined in one man but what a big job was always worked. I am getting tiresome I am afraid, Mr. Editor, but now is the time to understand these things, and to show you that I want water I would suggest through your paper, like I did to the council, that if we can possibly get a gravity system let us do so, but from all that I can make out of Mr. Thatcher's survey and my knowledge of the proposed canyon and the country, I do not think the plan feasible, the gathering ground for the water supply is too limited the soil is too porous, and for a gravity system the elevation is not sufficient to give us sufficient flow of water and overcome friction in the pipes. For I am certain that in dry times we will be out of water, and in wet times we will not need any. But all these defects are matters of scientific investigation, and if after thorough examination they are found not to exist, then is the time to go ahead and not before, there is a great many other questions, which want of space will compel me to omit. Simply closing my eyes.

Tantalus like we are forbidden to drink. Let the man who thinks the plan feasible put his own money in it and when done according to plans and specifications adopted by our council, let him be paid for his work, perfect if not perfect, keep the money until he perfects it, and that is what I would call business.

Respectfully yours,
W. C. POWELL.

ORDINANCE NO.

An ordinance authorizing the issuance of ten thousand dollars in forty year bonds and to provide the levy and collection of a tax annually of sufficient amount with which to pay the annual interest and a sinking fund with which to pay such bonded indebtedness at maturity:

WHEREAS, the city of Baird, Texas, having a population of over one thousand inhabitants, is duly incorporated under the general laws of state of Texas, and

WHEREAS said city is without water works or any public water supply, and has no funds with which to purchase, construct or secure the same,

THEREFORE, be it ordained by the city council of the city of Baird:

Section 1. That there be issued ten thousand dollars in Baird water works bonds of the denomination of one thousand dollars each, which bonds shall be known and styled on their face "Baird Water Works Bonds," and said bonds, or the proceeds arising from the sale thereof, shall be used for the purpose of constructing a system of water works within and for the city of Baird. Said bonds shall bear date of January 1st, 1894, and shall be due in forty years from their date and shall bear interest from date at six per cent. interest per annum, payable semi-annually, viz: on the first day of January and July of each year. Both principal and interest payable in gold coin of its present weight and fineness as fixed by the laws of the United States, now in force, at the American National bank at Dallas, Texas, provided that any time after the expiration of twenty years from the date of said bonds at the option of said city council of Baird any or all of said bonds may be called in and redeemed from time to time as the said city council may elect by number serially from one to ten until they are paid off.

Section 2. The interest on said bonds shall be evidenced by coupons attached bearing the fac simile lithograph signature of the mayor and secretary of said city and shall be paid semi-annually upon presentation of the matured coupons on the first day of January and July of each year at the American National bank at Dallas, Texas, and it shall be so expressed on its face.

Section 3. Said bonds shall specify for what purpose they are issued and shall have printed on the back thereof a full copy of this ordinance.

Section 4. Said bonds shall conform to the statutes of the state of Texas and with this ordinance, shall be signed by the mayor and countersigned by the city secretary and shall have the impress of the seal of said city thereon.

Section 5. There is hereby levied an annual ad valorem tax of twenty-five cents, or a less amount if sufficient, on the one hundred dollars valuation of all property, real, personal and mixed, in the city of Baird, Texas, subject or which may be subject to taxation for the purpose of paying the interest on said bonds and to create a sinking fund for their redemption at maturity. Said tax shall be annually levied and collected until all of said bonds are redeemed. Said taxes shall be collected with the current year's assessment and appropriated when collected to the payment of the interest and sinking fund account of said bonds, which shall be as follows: Five-sevenths to the sinking fund account and twelve-sevenths to the interest account, which funds are hereby created and set apart to pay the interest and to redeem said bonds.

Section 6. The city treasurer shall send to the said American National bank at Dallas, Texas, in December and June of each year, not later than the 20th of each month, an amount sufficient to pay the interest on said bonds.

Section 7. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

Adopted December 25, 1893, and approved the same day.
Attest:
J. E. ...
City Secretary



HOLIDAY GOODS.

We desire to announce the arrival of our stock of

Christmas Presents.



Suitable for Old and Young, and at Prices to Suit the Times. It will Pay You to come and see what Bargains can be had in Holiday Goods at the Drug Store of BASS BROS., West Pine St. Abilene, Tx.



Interesting Items.

The most remarkable exhibition of torture instruments ever seen in this country is shortly to be opened in New York. The exhibit belongs to the Earl of Shrewsbury, and was formerly the Royal Castle of Nuremberg. There are over 1,300 instruments, including the famous iron maiden.

The old schoolboy who told his companions of the Boston Schoolboy's Society at its reunion recently that he went to school in Boston 92 years ago was Joseph D. Jones. He is 97 years old. No one can be a member of the society who has not been out of school a full half century.

Young men who were exploring an immense cavern in Harding county Kentucky, a few days ago, found in one room five human skeletons and in another place a decayed box containing two diamond rings, three pistols and a lot of earrings and bracelets. With the skeletons were two watches marked respectively "R. C. A." and "S. J. McK."

In the brave days of Queen Elizabeth the handkerchief had a sentimental as well as a useful mission. In that day tiny squares of finest lawn, finely and delicately wrought and edged with gold lace, were made purposely for ladies to give to their lovers, who wore these tokens neatly folded in their hats.

Paolo Montezgaz of Florence, has been recently giving his opinion in a German paper on the women of Europe. To the Spanish women he gives the palm for beauty. "The Spanish women" he says "is bewitchingly beautiful. She has small hands and feet and large eyes like the open windows of a sun-burnt marble palace; a figure full of grace and life and long, wavy, dark hair. She is very religious, very ignorant, very jealous, sensitive, idle and proud."

Religious Notes.

Appointments for the Baird church for coming year are as follows: As



A CHRISTMAST TRIP. TO THE 'OLD HOME' IN THE 'SOUTHERN STATES' HOLIDAY EXCURSIONS

Alabama, Tennessee, Georgia, Mississippi, North and South Carolina, Kentucky, Florida. AND ALL POINTS IN THE SOUTHEAST

ST. LOUIS, CINCINNATI, LOUISVILLE AND INDIANAPOLIS. ONE FARE FOR ROUND TRIP. Remember the Texas and Pacific Railway is the only line offering a choice of routes either via New Orleans, Shreveport or Memphis and gives unequalled double daily train service to any of the above points, making close connection with all diverging lines. REGULAR AND SPECIAL TRAINS WILL CARRY FIVE RECLINING CHAIR CARS. PULEMAN BUFFET SLEEPERS. In which space will be reserved on application. Your home ticket agent should be able to give you full particulars and sell you a ticket via this deservedly popular line, or you can obtain all desired information by addressing either of the undersigned. W. D. DASHIELL, GASTON MENLIER, Trav. Pass. Agt. Genl. Pass. & Ticket Agt. L. S. THORNE, 3d Vice President and General Superintendent. DALLAS, TEXAS.

ATTENTION! One and all who are indebted to the undersigned firm. We need money, and need it badly to pay our obligations. We ask all who can assist us or before Dec. 31 to please do so and your name will not be listed.

R. G. POWELL. PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON. Office fourth door south of the Bank. Baird, Texas.

D. J. WILSON. PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON. Local Surgeon for T. and P. Also City and County Physician. All professional calls promptly answered. OFFICE AT REAR OF FLYNN'S SADDLERY-SHOP.

MISCELLANEOUS PAINTERS.

J. H. HOFFMANN.



PAPER HANGING AND HOUSE PAINTING, ETC. BOOT AND SHOEMAKING.

MARTIN BARNHILL. Boot and Shoemaker. Repairing Promptly and Neatly Executed. Friends to Suit the Times. Market Street (4) Baird, Texas.

S. H. WHITE. Boot and Shoe Maker. 57 First door North of James & Schaefer restaurant, Market Street, Baird, Texas. Guarantee. Sole Importers of Swiss and other