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To my customers!

You can see for yourselves that the cotton crop is going to be very short, and is falling far below the expectations of all cotton experts.
At the beginning of the season, when cotton prospects were fine, I began placing orders with eastern mills and wholesale houses for one of the largest stocks of goods ever shipped west of Ft. Worth, and I am glad to say we secured many very fine bargains, of which we are giving our customers the benefit.
Now I am going to need every dollar I can raise, and ask all who are indebted to me to be prompt in their settlements. I accommodated you by waiting until you gathered your crops, and now I hope you will return the favor by calling and settling your account at an early date.

T. E. POWELL.

A HANDSOME WATCH Will be given away, absolutely free, with every \$25 Cash Purchase. It is no cheap affair, but a splendid time piece. Call and see it for yourself.



ANTI COURT HOUSE.

The people of Baird will be surprised to learn of some of the methods being used in the country to defeat the court house bonds.
The Editor of THE STAR met Mr. L. R. Clemmer, of Putnam, on the streets on day this week and the following conversation occurred:
Clemmer.—"I see you are advocating rebuilding the court house."
Editor.—"Yes. The court house is in a dangerous condition, and something ought to be done with it."
Clemmer.—"Well, the people are going to defeat the bonds. They would have been willing to build the court house if you had not run the jail over us."
Editor.—"The old jail was condemned repeatedly by different grand juries as unsafe."
Clemmer.—"Well, it ought to have been fixed. It is reported in my section that some one from the outside opened the jail with a crowbar and gave one of the prisoners five dollars to go down town and show himself and return to the jail in order to prove that we needed a new jail."
Editor.—"You don't believe such rot as that do you?"
Clemmer.—"Yes. I was told so by a reliable man living in Baird; and about the court house. I heard a man say that as good a man as lives in Baird, told him that one of the keystones over one of the upper windows was in its place all right one evening and next morning it was lying on the ground."
Editor.—"All of which convinces you that some one went up on the wall and pried that keystone out."
Clemmer.—"Well it looks that way."
Now Mr. Clemmer is no doubt honest in his convictions because some reputed, reliable man at Baird told him the jail was broken from the outside to prove that we needed a new jail. And some one, perhaps the same reliable man who told him the jail story, has spread the report that he believes some one is prying key stones out of the court house to prove that we need a new one.
The story about the jail is not true, and the man that told it knows it. If, however, he told the truth, it is not too late for the grand jury to indict the party that broke open the jail, and we suggest to the grand jury that they investigate the question. As to the

keystone question. Two have fallen out on the west side, both of them hung for months threatening to fall at any moment. One fell in the day time and the last one fell at night. The latter had been hanging out over the window casing for months. The truth of this can be established by perhaps a hundred or more as reputable men as there are in the county. Yet because this stone fell at night some good citizen of Baird, according to Mr. Clemmer, has spread the report in the country that he believes some one is knocking out the keystones in the court house windows to prove that we need a new court house.
If those who favor the court house are doing one solitary thing to prevent the facts to the people we have not heard of it; while those who oppose it are working energetically, and as this article proves some of the most disreputable and dishonest methods possible are being used to defeat the court house bonds.
The bonds will be defeated and the court house permitted to rot to ruin unless something is done to acquaint the people with the facts. THE STAR requests every voter, who has an opportunity to do so, to examine the court house for himself and not pay any attention to the wild statements used by persons who may be governed entirely by prejudice in the matter.
Three Doctors in Consultation.
From Benjamin Franklin.
"When you are sick, what you like best is to be chosen for a medicine in the first place; what experience tells you is best, to be chosen in the second place; what reason (i. e., Theory) says is best, to be chosen in the last place. But if you can get Dr. Inclination, Dr. Experience and Dr. Reason to hold a consultation together, they will give you the best advice that can be taken."
When you have a bad cold Dr. Inclination would recommend Chamberlain's Cough Remedy because Dr. Reason is pleasant and safe to take. Dr. Experience would recommend it because it never fails to effect a speedy and permanent cure. Dr. Reason would recommend it because it is prepared on scientific principles, and acts on nature's plan in relieving the lungs, opening the secretions and restoring the system to a natural and healthy condition. For sale by R. Phillips Baird and V. A. Orr, Putnam, Oct.

TO OUR FRIENDS AND PATRONS.

We have enjoyed a fairly good trade since we entered upon business for ourselves, for which we thank you very much. We have also extended the right hand of fellowship to something like six hundred friends, in the way of time on their purchases some paying us last year and others being carried over to this year. The above outstanding accounts represent something more than the entire profits upon our two years business. We have been as lenient as our purse will permit and we ask our friends to come to the front quickly and relieve our financial needs.

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J. M. ALLEN, Proprietor.

Asbury Inn, res.	10
Boydston, store.	10
" B. L. res.	12
" Will "	34
Court House	24
Dunlap Ed, Res.	43
Foster Bros, gin.	17
Gilliland W. E. Res.	6
Hardin & Sandidge, store	44
Huson, Res.	37
Jackson L. N. Res.	19
Johnson, Restaurant.	35
Maxwell, saloon.	28
Macdonald, ranch.	31
Meyer H. store.	15
McGowan, Res.	19
McQueen, "	15
Norton J. "	18
Old Fellows Hall	40
Powell T. E. store.	22
" Res.	22
" H. O. "	22
Pace J. E. Res.	32
Peters Jim,	36
Raper & Co. store.	39
Riggers Geo. Res.	9
Russell R. L. "	42
Sartor, Dr.	29
Seay, J. B.	21
St John & Powell store.	11
Speer drug store	44
Schwartz "	42
Star Office	27
Scott Geo. store.	27
Vaughn & Co. store.	27
Webb A. G. Res.	27
Written, D. W. & Co.	26
Written, Ed. Res.	26
Wilson & Oliver, market.	26
Wilson W. F. Res.	38
Mrs. D. J.	35
Weason Res.	30

\$300 REWARD.
The following resolution was adopted by the Professional Men's Association of Callahan and adjoining counties: "That a reward of \$300 be offered for the arrest and conviction of any person or persons guilty of the unlawful burning of any houses or cattle belonging to any member residing in said counties." F. S. BRILL, Secretary.

FOR SALE.
Gold mining shares for sale in Colorado, Colorado and California in monthly payments. Call on or address J. E. GILLILAND, Baird, Texas.

FOR SALE.
A most desirable home, consisting of two lots, new seven room house, barn, stable, carriage house and large underground cistern, on Second street in south-west part of Baird, Texas. Apply on premises for further information. Miss. EVA WILSON, 41-42

LIST OF EXCURSIONS.
"No Trouble to Answer Questions."
Account Texas State Fair and Dallas Exposition following rates will apply from Baird:
Tickets on sale Sept. 20th, 21th and 22th limited to return Oct. 1st, rate \$2.00.
Tickets on sale Sept. 23th, Oct. 1st, 21th, 22th, limited to return not later than train leaving Dallas Monday morning after date of sale, rate \$2.00.
Tickets on sale Sept. 23th to Oct. 21st return limit two days from date of sale rate \$5.15.
Tickets on sale Sept. 25th to Oct. 21st limited to return Oct. 21st, rate \$6.85 for full ticket and \$4.00 for children under 10 years.
J. B. HARRISON, Agent.

BRIGHT BOYS STARTED IN BUSINESS.
The publishers of the famous big illustrated weekly newspaper, Pennsylvania Girl, are now placing representatives at every post office in Texas and they desire to secure the services of capable traveling agents in each of the following towns of Callahan county: Baird, Cottonwood, Cross Plains, Eagle Cove, Putnam and in such other towns as are not already supplied. A portion of Saturday only is required. Over 5,000 agents are doing splendidly. No money whatever is required. Everything is furnished free. Stationery, rubber stamp, ink and pad, advertising matter, sample copies, etc. Papers are shipped to be paid for at the end of each month. Those not sold are not charged for. Write to Grit Publishing Co., Williamsport, Pa., and mention THE STAR. 42-54

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