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ORGANIZE.

ORGANIZE and work.

ORGANIZE a progressive committee.

Ed LINN, of Victoria, is a candidate for land commissioner.

CALLAHAN county ought to have a county fair this fall by all means.

BENJAMIN FRANKLIN died April 17, 1790, just one hundred years ago today.

THE STAR this week welcomes the New Southwest of Fort Worth to its exchange list.

What business man or candidate is it that refuses to patronize the Cottonwood Prodigal? See Alliance resolutions.

Why don't our stockmen bring in some of their fine stock horses and cattle and exhibit them during district court?

THE STAR probably scared Hall off the track for land commissioner, at least he has announced that he will not be a candidate.

THE STAR believes in railroad regulation, but the railroads should be regulated by law just as individuals. No more, no less.

THE STAR is the only paper in western Texas that offers to send a copy of the paper to ministers, widows and orphans free.

"A REFORMER," one who wants the world to conform to his individual ideas and who would have everything in the universe regulated by law, except the reformer, of course.

GEN. F. W. JAMES, president of the First National bank of Baird, some time ago remarked that if it would rain his people would increase the bank stock to \$150,000. It has rained, general.

The grand jury, in their report, recommended that the resignation of the county attorney be accepted "should it be tendered." Rather a polite way to ask the county attorney to vacate. The question is, will he take the hint.

THE Breckenridge Texian says Governor Wheeler has been put down by an exchange as favoring a railroad commission. THE STAR is of the opinion that he is opposed to a commission, and that is one of the main reasons it favors him for governor.

THE STAR will not support any candidate for governor, lieutenant-governor or member of the legislature who favors a railroad commission. THE STAR is flat-footed against the commission theory and could not consistently support any candidate that will have it in his power to either recommend or a voice in the legislature to pass such a measure.

THE Taylor County News says Governor Wheeler must have grown better or THE STAR is not so hard to please as formerly. The News probably refers to THE STAR's support of Col. Lanham at the last election at a time when it was thought that Gov. Wheeler would oppose him. THE STAR supported Col. Lanham because it could see no necessity for a change, not because it had aught against Governor Wheeler.

It is said the happiest people on earth are those who have nothing and want nothing. That being the case the people of Baird ought to be the happiest people in the state. There are two things that would help make Baird a good town—a good school and a roller mill. Both could be secured with a little effort, but as no effort is being made to secure either, it is but reasonable to conclude that the people of Baird are satisfied and want nothing more.

THE Abilene Reporter has engaged the services of an agent to travel in the east in the interest of the Abilene country and the Reporter. This is a good big undertaking for a country newspaper, but as brother Hoey is working for neither glory nor his health particularly, we guess he knows exactly what he is doing. This is a good scheme and THE STAR heartily commends the enterprise of the Reporter.

In another column will be found some resolutions sent us for publication by the Farmers' Association.

ownership and control of railroads and telegraph lines. We may at some future time comment on the resolutions, but it shall be in a friendly and impartial manner. There are some real live issues presented in these resolutions, and that is the kind of issues THE STAR always likes to discuss, and will in every instance give both sides a fair hearing.

In an issue of THE STAR some time ago Ellis Richardson had an article strongly urging the people of the town to organize a progressive committee. THE STAR heartily endorses the idea, and has frequently urged our business men to take some steps in the matter. We would like to hear from any of our business men on this or any other subject that would benefit the town or county.

Why don't you whoop up the roller mill? a man said to us the other day. THE STAR has whooped up five dollars to any other business firm's one, in hard cash, to say nothing of the amount of breath lost on the desert air trying to keep the project alive. Whenever the town shows any disposition to move in the matter THE STAR is willing and anxious to aid the enterprise in every way possible.

HON. SAMUEL J. RANDALL, who has been sick for a long time, died last Sunday morning at his home in Washington city. While his death was not unexpected, yet a feeling of sadness prevades the Union from Maine to California, for Mr. Randall was a grand and a noble man in every sense of the word. No man perhaps ever commanded more respect from his political opponents than Mr. Randall. Even his party associates, many of whom in late years differed with him so seriously on the question of tariff, never for one moment doubted his integrity. His funeral will take place to-day at Washington city, after which the body will be conveyed to Philadelphia for interment.

HON. J. N. RUSHING of Baird in a published card in the Baird Star, declines to become a candidate to represent the 43d district in the 22d legislature, but promises his aid cheerfully to Hon. B. R. Webb in the race for attorney-general. Killing two birds with one stone is still the fashion, reversing the rule, however, in this instance to this extent, it knocks down one and knocks up a valuable representative for the 43d, but Webb does not carry a long enough pole to reach the attorney-generalship.—Eastland Chronicle.

Hon. B. R. Webb might not be able to secure the nomination for attorney-general should he decide to become a candidate, but it would not be for any want of legal ability or anything of the kind, for he is undoubtedly the peer of any candidate so far mentioned in connection with the attorney-generalship. The Chronicle does not say why Judge Webb would fail to secure the nomination, but we will say this, if it was a contest of intellect and legal learning, and not the numerical strength between the east and west which cuts the most figure in the selection of candidates for state offices, Judge Webb would hold his own with the best of them.

THE SCHOOL.

THE town of Baird should incorporate for school purposes if possible in time to collect taxes for this year. The result of the vote last year on this question was discouraging, it is true, but there has been some changes in public sentiment favorable to the measure, but whether sufficient to give the two-thirds vote necessary is difficult to say. Why is it the people of Baird should defeat a school tax when every adjacent town of any importance has voted a special tax, and all are satisfied with it, at least they retain the tax, and if any change is made it is only to increase the tax. The result is, Abilene has one of the best school systems in western Texas; Albany and Coleman also have good schools, but if Abilene has the best schools it is because her people support them by taxation to the full extent allowed by law, and by private contributions as well. At the last election in Baird on the school question so little interest was taken in the matter that only about one half the votes were polled, and the opponents of the tax actually had a majority, when everyone in town that knows anything about the sentiment of the people know that a majority were in favor of the tax, yet those who favored the tax took so little interest in the matter that they would not walk to the court house to vote and the report went out that a majority of the voters of Baird actually opposed voting a special tax. Rival towns have used this, and no doubt are still using it against the town to show that our people are not as progressive as those of other western towns. It does not so much matter what the people of other towns may think of us, the question is what do we think of ourselves if we refuse to aid in building up the school. We have heard several persons say that if the people would vote of the present town corporation they would favor a school tax. Others oppose it because they are afraid of the property and

to their taxes. Others oppose it because they say it is undemocratic, not right to tax one man for the benefit of another's children, and so on. The policy of public free schools is irrevocably fixed and is advocated alike by both parties, democratic and republican in every state in the Union, and as we have and always will have a public school system, we should make it as near perfect as possible, and as the state fund is not sufficient to carry on the schools the only remedy is by local or special taxation. We have said nothing about the other objections raised against the tax, such objection are trivial and perhaps if they could be explained away some other would be found. But why should we quibble and cavil over the matter, every man, woman and child in town knows that nothing would tend more to build up the town than a good school. This being the case, why not adopt the only measure that will secure the desired end. A special tax will give us a good school. Will the people of Baird look at it in this light, or will they postpone the matter and see other towns around us building up good schools and thus making a desirable location for the immigrants who are seeking homes in the west. Shall we progress or still fold our hands and be content with what we have got? If so the world will be convinced that the people of Baird are the easiest people satisfied imaginable, because we can be satisfied with nothing.

Hogg is going to make Childress a visit and a speech. We hope our people will treat him with greater respect than he did the delegation that made him a visit at Austin last fall.—Childress Index.

The Tascosa Pioneer is jealous of Childress because Hogg is going to make her a visit. The people of Childress will not object if he will change his appointment to Tascosa.—Childress Index.

A correspondent in the last issue of the BAIRD STAR is afraid his town will be swallowed up by the West Texas metropolis. He says: "Unless we get up and rattle like the Abilene will soon claim Baird as 'East Abilene,' and Baird will not go for to meet her, either." We don't know that the idea of annexation could be improved upon, for, according to THE STAR correspondent, it would benefit both parties. Here's a welcome to you!—Abilene Reporter.

The Ballenger Ledger has a grab for a contributor. In its own columns it gaily saunters forth in poetic euphony of 27 lines while the perpendicular column of the caps beginning each line was the acrostic? This is bosh.—The Ledger is a fraud. The novelty of the affair is what amuses, and not the applicability; for we all know there is more poetry than truth in the little fugitive.—Brownwood Appeal.

It is the fashion among men who themselves have not reached any special point of literary eminence to sneer at the opinions of the 'country editor.' A careful reader of newspapers will not hesitate to say the editorial page of many weeklies compare not only favorably, but excel similar pages in large dailies. The 'country editor,' if he is any part of a scholar, has ample time to secure necessary information on his subject and to present it in a manner that bears less mark of haste and crudity. The expression 'country editor' is not well chosen, nor the fling in good taste.—Brownwood Appeal.

The Tom Varnell case that has been before the courts at Hillsboro, Waxahachie and other places, on change of venue, and reversed by the supreme court on a technicality, was tried again at Waxahachie on the 25th of March, 1890 the jury standing eleven to one for conviction. The eleven gave him from 15 to 25 years in the penitentiary; the one was for acquitting him. To any man who knows the facts in that case, no persuasion need be urged to convince him that the one juror was bribed, or he is a most debased wretch. When the father of the unfortunate Miss Land went to the rescue of his daughter, who was writing in the embraces of this lustful brute he was slain like a dog. Now, by the wealth of this criminal he cheats justice of its own.—Brownwood Appeal.

The only argument we have heard used against Judge Wheeler for Governor, is that he "don't stand any show for the Democratic Nomination," which strikes us as being rather thin in fact too gauzy for any practicable use. His chances for the nomination are improving every day, and when the convention assembles some of the Hogg-Throokmorton horn tooters will be very badly mistaken, and find that they have greatly underrated the strength of the western man as they are pleased to term him. It will then be shown that Wheeler is considerable of a South, East and Middle Texas man. He is simply a Texas man, and has his status upon broad and deep foundations.—Brownwood Appeal.

NEW SPRING STOCK OF CLOTHING

We have just received our NEW SPRING STOCK of Clothing, Dress Goods and Gents' Furnishing Goods, and we invite all to call and examine goods and prices. Call early before the assortment is broken. No trouble to show goods.

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the peoples and convention upon his merits as such, and the STAR is of the opinion that he will develop into a swiftness akin to 'Steeldust' blood before the course is finished.—Palo Pinto Star.

An odd sight in Broadway, until the police decided that the odd person was lunatic and took him off to an asylum, was an elderly man who carried a basket on his arm. His face wore a pained expression, as though he dreaded something that he knew was going to happen to him. Once in a while his nose would sniff, his eyes squint and his mouth twist with the premonitions of a repressed sneeze. He would struggle mightily against it, and often successfully, but at other times the sneeze would not be suppressed and the convulsive explosion would happen. Then would occur the singular part of the proceeding. The man would hold the basket low with one hand while with the other he threw into it imaginary things which, according to his empty notions, he picked up here and there from the sidewalk. Having thus filled the basket with nothing at all, after scrambling breathlessly for the suppositious matter, and seeming to search for the last remnants, he would lug the basket along as though it were heavy.

"What makes you do that?" a policeman asked of him. "I am picking myself up," was the reply. The monomaniac went on to explain that, at each sneeze during his case of the "grip," he flew all to pieces, and had to gather himself together fragment by fragment. His delusion interested me, and, in talking with him, I got at the source of his whim. It is an old Jewish legend that the custom of saying "God bless you" when a person sneezes dates from Jacob. The rabbis say that before this times men sneezed once, and that was the end of them. The shock slew them. But the patriarch, by his intercession, obtained a relaxation of this law, subject to the condition that a sneeze should be consecrated by a sacred aspiration. The insane gentleman in Broadway with the basket had, so he thought, somehow lost the saving power of the God bless you, and therefore was exploded every time he sneezed.—Gazette New York Letter.

TAKING THE CENSUS.

How the Electric Calculation Helps Adding Up the Figures. The facts in relation to population and vital statistics, upon reaching the census bureau, are all counted by electricity, which does the work almost without assistance. It is estimated that in the compiling of tables the machine employed saves three-fourths of what would otherwise be the labor involved and three-fourths of the time. To begin with, there is a little pencil of steel on the end of a metal arm a foot or so long, which is so arranged that you can push the pencil in any direction above a celluloid plate that is full of small round holes, just big enough to allow the pencil to be thrust into them. Each of the holes has a letter or figure close by it to distinguish it from the others. Now the operator inserts a manilla paper card in a holder just back of the movable arm, and, taking in his left hand one of the original enumerator's schedules, holds the steel pencil in his right hand and proceeds to business. The name of the person on the schedule is Peter Fish, but that is not worth counting, for Mr. Fish is henceforth to be regarded from the statistical point of view merely as a unit. He lived in Ward 1, and accordingly the operator jabs the steel pencil down into a little hole marked "1" in one of the divisions of the celluloid plate. Also he was white—another hole punched—male—another hole—56 years of age—another hole—born in Germany—another hole—his father likewise—another hole—his mother ditto—another hole—his occupation was that of a laborer—another hole—and he died in January—another hole—of malarial fever—another hole. That is all there is about Fish, so the card presently inserted is removed from the holder, and it is found to be punched with a number of round holes in different places. From that card, and nothing on it or in it, the said operator, by means of a special

from the original schedule; for the position of the holes gives the meaning to be conveyed. But the significance of each hole does not have to be read by human intelligence. Electricity does that, and counts the facts recorded by the holes as well. The punched card is laid in the bottom of a tray which has holes in it corresponding to those in the celluloid plate. These holes are filled nearly full with mercury. Above the tray is a horizontal metal plate, which moves up and down as directed. The metal plate has attached to its lower side little metal plungers corresponding in number and position with the holes in the tray beneath. When the metal plate is lowered, the plungers go into the mercury filled holes and the circuit is complete, the contrivance having an electric battery connected with it, with a separate connection for each hole.

But suppose a card is placed in the tray, with a dozen holes in it here and there, fitting exactly over the holes to which they correspond in the tray, it is apparent that all the plungers will be stopped by the card, save those who find the holes, thus completing only the corresponding circuits. Each of the circuits thus completed connects with a sort of electric clock—a small affair—which counts numbers on the dial instead of hours and minutes. The clocks communicated with give one tick forward apace, thus noting the fact that one more man, say, was a laborer, born in Germany, died in January, etc.

If Mr. Fish's history had been different other holes would have been originally punched in the card, other clocks would have ticked, and the sums finally recorded from the clocks, which cannot make mistakes, would have been slightly altered. Inasmuch as each of the possible 300 holes has its counting clock attached when the metal plate comes down on the card, nothing can be missed. One clock will count 9,999 before it has to be started over again. The sums recorded by the clock are taken down on paper slips and from them transferred to the tables for publication. Such is the electric method of counting a census.—Rene Lacle in Savannah News.

ODDS AND ENDS.

It is estimated that New Hampshire receives \$3,000,000 from her summer boarders and that Maine receives \$4,000,000 yearly. Experiments have been made in Germany with torpedoes made of paper, loaded with a charge of twenty-five pounds of dynamite and fired by electricity. Very satisfactory reports are said to have been obtained. English saddle makers report no demand yet for cross saddles for ladies, and the habit makers declare that the only woman they know of who rides man fashion does so in ordinary male attire. There is a new style of habit, though, the skirt of which is divided at the back and the loose portion formed into a sort of leg.

Some remarkable artificial diamonds came into notice during the Paris Exposition. So perfect were some of the imitations that they puzzled experts. They melt only at a very high degree of heat, and are so hard that they will scratch and almost cut mirror glass.

A queer journal has just reached the east. It is a four page paper issued on board of car No. 35, of the Southern Railroad company, that was blockaded by snow at Reno, Nev. The contents are interesting and as bright as the situation would admit.

It is well known that whales can remain a long time under water, but exact data as to the time have been lacking; Dr. Kueckenthal, of Jena, has observed a harpooned white whale come thus under water forty-five minutes.

It is said that the number of pearl oysters collected last year at the Ceylon fisheries will barely cover the cost of bringing them from the sea bottom. One reason for the falling off in the returns is the circumstance of a shark carrying off one of the divers. His fellow workmen fearing the same ghastly fate, refused to enter the water.

In Tiflis, Russia, a club of 125 families just formed has hired a doctor, M. Ogantian, for \$300 per year, who agrees to visit the families regularly and give them advice how to keep healthy, to tend them if sick, and, besides, to give them occasional short lectures upon hygiene and physiology. Each family pays fifty cents per month for this service, and twenty-five poor families are admitted free. Similar arrangements have been made with the druggist.

A most wonderful feat has been on private exhibition in Paris. Fancy seven life sized kittens covered with real skin, but with eyes of emerald set in nearly white enamel, and each playing on a musical instrument, a flute, a sitar, a violin, a drum, a harp, a cornet and an accordion, all perfectly harmonized and playing the most difficult pieces, that you have ever witnessed, and the mechanism is so simple that any child could play it.

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FOR SALE—The fine residence of Joe Ralston in Baird, all under good wire fence, plenty of fruiting stock water, fine grass, good dwelling with 4 rooms, barn and other out-buildings, 50 acres in cultivation; price, \$8,500; one-third cash, balance in two annual payments. Nearly all this pasture good tillable land. STAR LAND CO.

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Collins, Thompson & Co., Proprietors. Advice to Mothers. Mrs. Winslow's SOOTHING SYRUP should always be used when children are cutting teeth. It relieves the little sufferer at once; it produces natural, quiet sleep by relieving the child from pain, and the little cherub awakes as "bright as a button." It is very pleasant to taste; it soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, relieves wind, regulates the bowels, and gives the best known remedy for diarrhea, whether arising from teething or other causes. Twenty-centa a bottle.

Saddlery. In order to keep my present force of workmen at work during the winter months at my factory I am still making big reductions in all saddlery and harness goods. Parties wishing to buy largely would do well to call on me before buying elsewhere.

Announcements.

FOR SHERIFF.

We are authorized to announce J. T. Purvis, of Cottonwood, as a candidate for Sheriff of Callahan county at the ensuing election.

We are authorized to announce W. L. Jones as a candidate for sheriff of Callahan county at the ensuing election.

We are authorized to announce Lee McCannan as a candidate for sheriff of Callahan county.

FOR TAX ASSESSOR.

We are authorized to announce John C. Greathouse of Toro, as a candidate for Tax Assessor.

FOR CO. AND DISTRICT CLERK.

We are authorized to announce F. P. Shackelford, of Putnam, as a candidate for County and District clerk.

LOCAL.

More rain. More railroads. More candidates. More good crops. Ed. Seay was in town Tuesday. Everyone has a smile on their face. T. B. Morgan was in town Saturday. Tom Windham was in town yesterday. Dr. S. T. Fraser went to Dallas last Tuesday. J. N. Underwood was in town one day last week. Henry Furman, of Fort Worth, was in town last week. Uncle Ben Walker was up from Cottonwood this week. Dr. H. Lindley, of Eagle Cove, was in the city last Thursday. H. Buchen, our Tecumseh correspondent, came in Tuesday. D. J. Clegg is at work on W. H. Gilliland's ranch on the Bayou. D. L. Middleton, of Abilene, was in town last Saturday and Sunday. Wm. K. Davis was in town Monday for the first time in a long while. W. J. Taylor and H. Kenrick, of Eagle Cove, made us a brief call Tuesday. The rain Monday night came in good time, for everything was needing it badly. W. F. (Rose) Coates, of Tecumseh, was among the callers at this office last Thursday. French gingham, batiste, shalloon, organders, in fact everything you want at Powell's. The town council are having the streets graded two blocks east and west of Market street. Dr. D. J. Wilson went to Dallas Tuesday to attend the annual convocation of the grand commandery. Gilliland was in town last Saturday. It is reported that Billie is going to move to Abilene. Mr. Constance, of Coleman City, came over Saturday to meet his wife, who had been on a visit east. D. J. Killborn, of Cisco, spent a day in town this week. Mr. Killborn says Cisco is building up rapidly. Mrs. D. L. Middleton, of Abilene, came down on the train last Saturday morning and returned in the evening. Tom Hadley has moved to town, in fact, has been here over two weeks, but we did not find it out until last Saturday. The Giesecke hand-made boots Every pair warranted. T. E. Powell. Schaffrina, the German who was reported as seriously stabbed last week, is doing first rate and is on a fair way to recovery. Twenty pounds rice \$1. S. L. Ogle. To "Once-a-Year."—Hen fruit does not pass current for announcements in THE STAR until after the 25th of next October. Curtain poles to arrive this week. L. Gould. Phil Schwartz had a tumor cut out of his right side last week, which has been troubling him for two years. He is up and about again. The rain has come and we must sell our goods. Our prices will please everyone. J. D. Boydston. Postmasters in the county will do us a favor if they will promptly notify us of any subscriber who fails to take THE STAR out of the office. We sell goods cheaper than anyone in Baird. J. D. Boydston. Ellis Richardson and Will Barnett had a general smash-up in a sulkey last Wednesday evening. The boys were only slightly bruised, but the sulkey was laid up for repairs. Ed. K. Harris, of Eagle Cove, was in town Monday and Tuesday, and while here had some cards printed advertising some of his fine jacks and stillies. Mr. Harris takes considerable interest in the stock and has one of the best herds in the county.

Call and examine our churns. S. L. Ogle. Remember the young men's prayer meeting every Monday night. The jury in the Buster Harris murder case failed to agree on a verdict and were discharged, and the case continued. Largest and best line of hats at Powell's. The rain yesterday and the day before had every appearance of a general rain, and it is a glorious thing for the country. Just received a fresh supply of crockery, flower pots, etc. S. L. Ogle. Tillus Randalls was in town the other day. He informs us that he will move to Mitchell county. Lace curtains at Powell's. Ted Archer was in town last week fixing up some land papers. Ted says he will retire from the mail service next June and go to grangering near Caddo Peak. Best and cheapest shoes. Powell. J. P. Hochkirchen, a Jeweler from Wichita, Kansas, has located in Baird. He takes Peter Sugar's place at Ph. Schwarz & Bro's. I sell cheaper than anybody's cost. Call and see. T. E. Powell. Lee Estes came in from the west with the bridge gang last Monday night. Lee says bridge building is rather hard work. After spending a day or two in town the boys left for Weatherford. Low prices always gets there. T. E. Powell. T. W. Brazzleton, formerly manager for Wm. Cameron & Co., at Baird but now residing in Cleburne, was in town Tuesday. Mr. Brazzleton has not gained any flesh apparently, since he returned east. Call and get your flower pots. S. L. Ogle. The court and patients together have kept Dr. Powell pretty busy this week. The Doctor says owing to the fact that he could not be in two places at once—attending patients and the court caused him to be fined twice this week. Sixteen pounds soda \$1. S. L. Ogle. We noticed some boys last Sunday with a fine lot of carp that they had caught in the railroad tank. They said the water was so low that they could catch the fish with their hands. If you want cheap goods go to Boydston's. Jim Simpson, T. W. Clark, Dave Self, Bose Coates and John Simpson are in town this week, some on the jury and some on business. Of course the boys all called to see us. Call again, boys. Cheapest line of embroidery ever seen at Powell's. Come and see. J. W. Brown has a fine boy at his house. Mother and child doing well and the father pretending to be perfectly indifferent about the affair, which everyone who sees him knows it is not true, for his countenance shows that he is the happiest man in Baird. Undressed kid gloves at Powell's. The report that the STAR outfit was all arrested last week and fined for gambling was started as a joke. But as we have been informed that it is now being told and believed to be true we simply say that there is not a word of truth in the report. In this issue will be found a full report of the case, and not a name mentioned was in the employ of the STAR at the time the game was played. A nice summer suit of clothes cheap at Boydston's. In this issue is published a list of names who contributed to the Confederate Home at Austin. Mrs. Gen. James, Mrs. J. L. Lea, Miss Sallie Gould and the other ladies of the town who solicited subscription for this noble cause, deserve credit for their untiring efforts in soliciting aid for our old maimed Confederates. Preserve this list, it will be useful some day. Spring clothing at Powell's. Lieut. Gov. T. B. Wheeler was in town the first part of the week attending court. To a question from a STAR representative as to what he thought of the outlook for the governorship, he replied that he was perfectly satisfied with the way things appear at present. One thing sure, Governor Wheeler has not gone into the race for fun, as his opponents will find out before the race is finished. Notice.—We are the head leaders and world beaters in dry goods and gentlemen's furnishing goods. J. D. Boydston. T. J. Norrell, our genial tax assessor, was in town this week and wanted to know why in the mischief he had been cut off the subscription list. The mistake was rectified, and if you don't get THE STAR hereafter, Tom, just drop us a card. We will state in this connection that about a month ago we "spiced" the Putnam and Cottonwood mailing galley, and consequently some mistakes were made in mailing. If there is any more subscribers at these two offices that are not getting THE STAR, please notify us at once.

F. W. Wiley, Grand Master of I. O. O. F. of McKinney, Tex., and W. J. Walker, D. D. Grand Master 25 district of Cisco, Texas, arrived in town last night. The above named gentlemen are here on an official visit to the Oddfellows Lodge. Five hundred pieces of Surah China and Moray Silk at 50c, 65c, 75c and \$1 per yard, worth from 75c to \$1.59. Call and see. T. E. Powell. Take Notice. Dan Dean says he had the laugh knocked out of him last week, but has recovered, and is around with the boys and laughs as hearty as ever. Call and see him at J. D. Boydston's, he will sell you goods as cheap, if not cheaper than before. Trunks cheap at Powell's. Carpets at Powell's. Protracted Meeting. Rev. A. A. Baker, of the Cumberland Presbyterian church, will begin a protracted meeting at the Rock church, in Baird, next Sunday. After Sunday, services will be conducted at the Methodist church and Rev. R. F. Dunn, and perhaps other preachers, will assist in the meeting. Ten per cent lower than any one's cost. POWELL. Eggs Wanted. Goose, turkey and duck eggs. J. L. Lea & Co. SUNDAY SCHOOL PICNIC. The committees appointed by the Union, Methodist, Presbyterian and Baptist Sunday Schools, for the purpose of making arrangements for a Mayday celebration met at the Baptist Church last Sunday evening at 3 o'clock and organized by electing J. L. Lea chairman and C. S. Rice Secretary. It was decided to have a Picnic at Mount Airy on the 1st day of May. On motion and second the chair appointed the following committees: Committee to invite Episcopal school, B. F. Lane; committee on program, Judge B. R. Webb; chairman committee on ground, C. A. Bowls, W. G. Bowls, Fred Lane and C. S. Rice; committee on water, T. T. Kuykendall; committee to gather up provisions, John Rice and C. C. Hines. Moved and seconded that the schools meet at the Stone church and proceed from there to grounds. We respectfully invite everybody to join in with us and make this a pleasant and enjoyable occasion. Respectfully, C. S. RICE, Secretary.

See Powell's fine French flannel and silk shirts. JUSTICE COURT. The case of D. W. Dean and Bill Whitley was called last Wednesday for trial. The case was continued until next day. This is the case growing out of a game of cards played in the back room of THE STAR office some time in March, and was participated in by Peter Sagar, E. Scott and M. Somes, in addition to defendants above named. The boys did not deny playing, but claimed that they played in a private room. The case was called Thursday and a jury demanded. After a hot contest between the state's attorney and defendants counsel, the jury retired and rendered a verdict assessing the fine at \$10 each and cost. The court used M. Somes and Peter Sagar as witnesses. The case was appealed to county court. John McWaters was tried Friday and fined \$1 and costs, but we did not learn the exact nature of the charge. Dress gingham and checks at 8 1/2 cents a yard at Powell's. DISTRICT COURT. The grand jury finished its labors and adjourned last Saturday. The petit jury was discharged last week on Tuesday. The John Reeves murder case was set for Friday. The case was called, but District Attorney Shropshire finding that he could not obtain evidence sufficient to justify him in going into trial, the case was dismissed and the defendant discharged. The Stewart case from Albany was set for Monday last, but was continued by the state. The case of Buster Harris, charged with killing John Hill, was taken up, and after nearly two days the case was given to the jury Tuesday evening. PETIT JURY—SECOND WEEK. W. J. Taylor, W. E. Kennard, Wm. Carmichael, B. W. Edwards, R. Cordwint, G. W. Merrick, N. F. Rudmose, R. T. P. Fleming, J. E. Pace, H. Kendrick, J. E. Tisdale, W. F. Coates, John M. Simpson, R. C. Dawkins, J. R. Seaton, John Surles, J. C. Merrick, T. W. King, Dave Self, H. H. Hight, S. B. Sigler, G. A. Wylie, N. E. Gaultney, Alex. Williams, T. Y. Pool, C. R. McCollum. REPORT OF GRAND JURY. To His Honor, T. H. Conner, District Judge: We, the grand jury, unopposedly report your honor to leave to submit the following: First—That we have returned here.

with as much promptness as possible, and without prejudice to anyone. Second—We find that violations of the law seem to be on the decrease, and hope that the good and efficient manner in which our courts are being conducted that it will have a beneficial effect upon our entire people. Third—We have examined the reports of our justices of the peace and find them in every way satisfactory. Fourth—We desire to call the attention of this court, as well as our county court and commissioners' court that our county attorney has failed to attend to his duties as outlined by the statutes of the state, and would respectfully ask that his resignation be accepted should he hand it in. Fifth—We desire to thank the court and officials for their kind attention given this, your grand jury. All of which is respectfully submitted. F. P. SHACKELFORD, Foreman. CONFEDERATE HOME FUND.

W. C. Asbury \$ 50
First National Bank 1 00
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W. H. Clegg 1 00
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Mrs. J. L. Lea 1 00
Miss A. Lea 1 00
Mrs. Meyers 1 00
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TECUMSEH NEWS. TECUMSEH, April 12.—Mrs. W. E. Gilliland, with her children, returned last Sunday to Baird, under the escort of her brother, H. Windham. Forrest, the bright five-year-old boy of H. Windham, fell from a horse on Sunday, but fortunately escaped without further injuries than a sprained arm. Dr. H. Lindley and lady moved Monday over to Eagle Cove, where he is going to reside at the Anderson place. The gentleman and his amiable wife are already well known and favorably introduced in that neighborhood, and while we sincerely regret to see them depart we can only congratulate the Eagle Cove community upon this valuable acquisition for their social circle. Dr. John Rumph, who got his certificate last week from the board of medical examiners, intends to locate in Brown county, while Dr. Rumph will hold the fort at Tecumseh. Tuesday night a very stiff norther came in and nearly at the same time John Lee, the energetic bailiff of the grand jury. No use of dodging before his bailiffship. He bagged his game and the next morning our little burg was quite depopulated. As to the case in question, I deplore deeply the sad occurrence in the interest of all the parties involved, but I do not desire to go into particulars, as it is already before the grand jury, and it was always my rule as a newspaper man not to discuss a case while it is pending before the courts. John Martin has bought the Holland place in the Eagle Cove neighborhood and will vacate the old Spade ranch soon. Professor Barnes opened a private school Monday in the Hicks school house, with eighteen scholars. Friend W. D. Parker and Wm. Friend dropped in Thursday from Irion county to look after their stock and move another load of household goods. The numerous friends of R. M. Thomas, familiarly known as "Rocky Mountain," will be somewhat astonished to learn that the old boy is now engaged in herding sheep at home. Would give a quarter to see him move with a horse and a thousand or more of sheep. These boys are national

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here Thursday from their former home on Deep creek, accompanied by that fine-looking gentleman, Sam Barnhill. Mr. C. is going to take charge of Windham's store, as Mr. J. S. Blake intends to complete his education in the near future at a first-class college. We trust that the new manager, aided by his business experience and abilities, will soon gain the public favor. All credit to Mr. Ellis Richardson for his many letters to THE STAR and his very liberal offer for the fair. That is the first move in the right direction and shows that this young gentleman is fully up to the times and understands the dearest interests of a wide-awake and progressive business man. Who will be the next to follow suit? H. BUCHEN.

DEMANDS OF CALLAHAN COUNTY FARMERS' ALLIANCE. We demand abolition of national banks and substitution of legal tender treasury notes in lieu thereof, issued in sufficient volume to do business on a cash system. Regulating amount needed on a per capita basis and that all money issued shall be legal tender for all debts, both public and private. We demand unlimited and free coinage of silver. We demand a law prohibiting alien ownership of land in the United States. Taxation to be just and equal to all. That congress shall issue fractional paper currency of small amounts to facilitate mail exchange. That railroad and telegraph lines shall be owned by the people. We demand a law making all officers elective by direct vote of the people. We demand of our legislative body to pass a law prohibiting any officer from holding the same office for more than two successive terms.

body (Callahan County Farmers' Alliance) that our official organ, the Cottonwood Prodigal, is worthy of the patronage of the citizens of our county, and while we are opposed to boycotting, and while we do not wish to antagonize any legitimate business or individual interest, yet we co-operate with those who co-operate with us, as far as our principles will allow, and as we understand that some of those seeking office at the hands of the voters of this county, have ignored it because it is our official organ. We ask the brethren to ascertain to facts in the case and govern themselves accordingly. I certify the above to be a true and correct copy of resolutions passed in Callahan County Farmers' Alliance, April 9, 1890. W. E. GILLET, Secretary.

Bee Hives. The Simplicity Bee Hive and fixtures manufactured and FOR SALE by the undersigned. No—Hives and fixtures always on hand. J. M. MATHEWS, 181 F. O., Baird Callahan County, Texas. Dyspepsia and Liver Complaint is it not worth the small of 75c. to free yourself of every symptom of these distressing complaints if you think so call at our store and get a bottle of Shiloh's vitalizer, every bottle has a printed guarantee on it, use accordingly and if it does you no good it will cost you nothing sold by R. Phillips. 19—ly. They Did Not Advertise. Mary had a little lamb, its fleece was white as snow; it strayed away one summer day where lambs should never go. Then Mary sat her down and tears streamed from her eyes never found the lamb, because she never advertised. And you

he sat down and smoked his pipe and watched the open door. And as the people passed along and did not stop to buy, John still sat down and smoked his pipe and blinked his sleepy eye. And so the sheriff closed him out, but still he lingered near, and Mary came to drop with him a sympathetic tear. "How is it, sister, can you tell why—other merchants here sell all their goods and do so well and thrive from year to year? Remembering now her own bad luck, the little maid replies: "These other fellows get their John, because they advertise."—Ex. The Fire Of Disease is Always Driven From the System by Swift's Specific S. S. S. Do you feel that the terrible fire of Blood Poison is consuming you?—that the poisonous virus is vitiating and corrupting your physical system?—that it is invading your moral nature and stunting your aspirations for manliness and domestic happiness. Does the hideous nightmare face you night and day that you are a victim of this monster which has been on the war-path for five centuries, scourging the human race by the thousands and tens of thousands, and which is regarded and acknowledged by many learned men to be incurable? Then we say, come to us and we will cure you. Turn your back on all the old worn-out poisons, as mercury, potash arsenic and like compounds so ruinous to health, take S. S. S., which we assert does cure, and we are prepared to prove it. Treatise on Blood and Skin diseases mailed free. Swift's Specific S. S. S. Atlanta, Ga.

LOCAL.

BAIRD LODGE, No. 522, A. F. & A. M., meets on Saturday, or before each full moon.

BAIRD CHAPTER, No. 182, R. A. M. Meets every 1st, 3d, and 5th Friday night in each month.

BAIRD LODGE, No. 47, K. of P. Meets every Thursday night.

All kinds of Salt at Lea's.

Full line of coffins. L. Gould.

Wool sacks cheap at Lea's, 15-4t.

Seed potatoes and onion sets cheap at Lea's.

Fine Imported Havana Cigars at Office saloon.

You will always receive kindest attention at Office saloon.

Pickles cheaper than ever at Lea's.

Coffins put up at short notice. L. Gould.

Bran, Cotton Seed & other feed cheap at Lea's.

Furniture cheap at Gould's Furniture store.

Our prices are the lowest. Foy & Richardson.

All kinds of candies and nuts, cheap, at Lea's.

Car of fine salt just received at Coppins and Driskill's.

Sixty grain white wine vinegar at Coppins & Driskill's.

Best sugar house molasses in town. McLAURY, JONES & DEAN.

Four cans good lye for 25c.

S. L. OGLE.

Hides and furs of all kinds wanted J. L. LEA & CO.

Coppins & Driskill, have the largest assortment of tobacco in Baird.

Elegant line of silverware to arrive soon. Harry Meyer.

Get your White Rose and Clarette soaps at Coppins & Driskill's.

Buy a White sewing machine from Moon & Crowder. The best in the world.

Landreth's garden seed, sold by the Baird Drug Co., are the best in the market.

Large lot of extracts, jellies, preserves and pickles at Coppins & Driskill's.

Call and examine our beautiful line of lamps and glassware. H. Meyer.

A full line of colognes and Florida waters, elegant and cheap. Baird Drug Co.

I keep constantly on hand a good supply of lemons, oranges and bananas. S. L. OGLE.

A large line of woolen hosiery to be sold strictly at cost. Moon & Crowder.

You can always find the very best Kentucky Whiskies at the Office saloon. Call and see for yourself.

A few more roomers wanted at the Central house. Rooms well furnished. Rooms kept especially for transients at 25 cents per night. Rooms to let by week or month.

If you burn out to-night how much insurance money will be due you tomorrow? If you are not protected call before night on D. RICHARDSON, Baird. 49-6m

We see that J. L. Lea & Co. have some fine cultivators, good and cheap, also excellent corn and cotton planters, cheap. 15-6t.

A full line of undertaker's goods always kept on hand. We also have ladies' and gents' burial robes, metallic caskets, etc. Ph. Schwartz & Bro.

When you want a town lot in Baird or a home in Callahan county call on D. RICHARDSON, Baird. 49-6m

I have just received from California fine Old Port Angellia and Sherry wines. Office saloon. J. B. Maxwell, proprietor.

The White sewing machine has all the latest improvements and is the best in the country, and we can prove it in thirty minutes to any lady who wants the best. Moon and Crowder.

Every barrel of oil we handle bears certificate of inspection of 150 test, and we challenge anyone to publish the test of their oil and produce the certificate. Don't you know they would publish it quick if it would bear the test? S. L. OGLE.

Dr. J. E. Hengstead, dentist, will be in Baird on the 7th of April, to remain during court. Office at the Whitley house. 16t

Go to W. D. Jopling's for fine watch and jewelry work. He proposes to make quality and not quantity the price of success. 16t

Life in town... art we receive...

Little red amber cane seed at McLaury, Jones & Dean's.

Writing material of all descriptions at R. Phillips'.

The best molasses and vinegar, very cheap, at J. L. Lea & Co's.

A full line of ladies trimmed hats, at J. D. Boydston's.

R. Phillips has a few lamp chimneys that he has concluded to sell. Call and see them.

BAPTIZED IN THE JORDAN.

HOW DR. TALMAGE PERFORMED THE SACRED RITE.

Mr. Ulysses Grant, Houston Was the Subject, and the Ceremony Was Performed in the Presence of a Party of Travelers and Natives.

The accompanying picture, says The Christian Herald and Signs of Our Times, is engraved from one of a number of photographs brought home from the Holy Land by a member of Dr. Talmage's party. This picture repre-



THE BAPTISM.

sents one of the most solemn and deeply interesting incidents of Dr. Talmage's tour—that of the baptism in the River Jordan of Mr. Ulysses Grant Houston, of Manhattan, Kan., a theological student.

The baptism took place on Dec. 6, 1889, in the presence of two friends and traveling companions of Mr. Houston and of Dr. Talmage's party, with their dragonan, muleteers and an Arab sheik, who had been retained to protect the travelers on their journey.

Such precautions are necessary now in the neighborhood of Jericho, as they were in the Saviour's time, when "a certain man going to Jericho fell among thieves."

The journey commenced at Jericho. This is the third of the cities which have borne that name, and was the city of our Lord's time.

From this place, so rich in sacred historical associations, Dr. Talmage and his party set out, mounted on horses, in a southeasterly direction for the north of the Dead sea and the River Jordan. About half an hour's ride brought them to Ritha, or the modern Jericho, a collection of houses built in modern style, and boasting a hotel of some pretensions, whose chief support comes from foreign visitors to the Holy Land. As they passed the hotel three travelers emerged from it whose dress and manner suggested their being fellow countrymen. The suspicion was confirmed when their leader greeted Dr. Talmage in English.

It appeared that he was a Bostonian, and he expressed the pleasure it would afford him and his companions, as they also were going to the Dead sea and the Jordan, to make the trip in company with the preacher's party. The Bostonian frankly said that he had been concerned in the publication of a hostile criticism on Dr. Talmage's sermons, but he trusted that would not prevent their good fellowship on such an excursion. In this view Dr. Talmage good humoredly concurred, and the two parties rode on together in company. In such a scene, and on a road so hallowed by the most wonderful and momentous events of Bible history, merely personal concerns were forgotten in the solemn associations of the locality.

About an hour's ride brought the party to the shores of the Dead sea, about which so many strange stories have been related by travelers.

The River Jordan, to the Christian the most interesting stream in the whole world, was not far away, and the travelers, after spending half an hour on the shores of the Dead sea, remounted their horses and rode thitherward. In about three-quarters of an hour their eyes were gladdened by a sight of the river. It was indeed a privilege to stand upon those banks, and one that was cordially appreciated by every member of the party.

On the way Mr. Houston had fallen into conversation with a member of Dr. Talmage's party, and had delicately broached a request which was evidently a matter of very strong desire on his part. He said that he had often heard Dr. Talmage preach, and had been much blessed under him. He would count it a high privilege to be bap-

tized at intervals near the banks, and an accident was possible.

It was a delightful day, and though the month was December, the temperature was that of a summer day. At the hour appointed Dr. Talmage emerged from his tent clad in a long brown robe, borrowed for the occasion from the sheik. It was not clerical in shape, though somewhat short for the doctor's tall form. The candidate for baptism had secured a long white robe from the Nubian attendant at the party, and thus clad, came to the bank where Dr. Talmage and the other members of the party waited.

It was an interesting group, composed of the American ladies and gentlemen, the sheik, the muleteers and other attendants. The service was opened by singing. No hymn books were at hand, but the ladies of the party had provided for that deficiency while the tents were being pitched, and the doctor and Mr. Houston were robing themselves. They had written out from memory the stanzas, so appropriate to the occasion and the scene, which now rose in cadence on the river bank:

On Jordan's stormy banks I stand,
And cast a wistful eye
To Canaan's fair and happy land,
Where my possessions lie.
O the transporting, rapturous scene
That rises to my sight!
Sweet fields are ranged in living green,
And rivers of delight!

When shall I reach that happy place,
And be forever blest?
When shall I see my Father's face,
And in his bosom rest?

It was a solemn scene; even the sheik was affected by it. To the surprise of the Americans he prostrated himself on the earth and prayed to Allah, as if the spirit of worship could not be resisted. As the singing ceased he rose and closely watched the ceremony. Dr. Talmage then led in prayer, invoking the Divine presence and blessing. Opening his Bible, he then read from the third chapter of Matthew the account of the baptism of Jesus. The customary questions to the candidate were asked and satisfactory answers were given.

Dr. Talmage then read his commission in Matthew xxviii, 19, 20, "Go ye therefore and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost," etc. Looking the candidate squarely in the face, Dr. Talmage said: "In this historic river, which parted three times to let God's people pass the sea, in which Solomon plunged seven times for healing from dire disease, and from the banks of which Elijah ascended in equippage of fire, and in which Christ was baptized, and which for ages has been the symbol of the division between earth and heaven, I baptize thee."

Then, taking the candidate by the hand, he led him into the water. Reaching the sufficient depth, he immersed him three separate times, repeating the usual formula: "In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost," after which he pronounced the benediction. At the close of the ceremony Dr. Talmage said: "As the ordinance was observed under the direction of no particular denomination of Christians, and no particular church could be responsible for it, I feel it my duty to report what I did to the church universal."

After the ceremony, and when Dr. Talmage and Mr. Houston had resumed their usual attire, the latter went to Dr. Talmage and thanked him for acceding to his request; and said, reverently, that it would be a blessed and hallowing memory with him so long as he lived. Dr. Talmage took out his notebook and wrote a lapidary certificate, stating the time and place of the administration of the rite, which he handed to Mr. Houston.

Concerning the young man who was thus baptized, The News of New Haven, Conn., says that last summer he was under the tuition of Professor W. W. Haskell, of that city, making a special study of New Testament Greek, with the intention of entering Yale university, but had deferred entering for a time. A deeply interesting work of art, "one of the most interesting that it had ever been the writer's good fortune to see," designed and executed by Mr. Houston, was in October, 1889, on exhibition in the Yale reading room.

The News says: "Mr. Houston has also patented an 'Educational Model of the Universe,' which presents very ingenious methods of illustrating the movements of the human body, and also material illustrations of mental and moral truth. The model is now at the Northwestern university, in Chicago. His invention for illustrating the movements and positions of the planets of our solar system is very ingenious."

"In the same mechanism are represented a heavenly plane, a terrestrial plane, a spiritual plane, a vicious plane, a plane of art, a commercial plane and a portion of the earth's surface, extending to a portion of the solar system. Ex-President Porter is greatly interested in his mechanism for representing the free action of the will and other mental and moral truth. Professor Thayer, of the Howard Divinity school, has also shown great interest in the work. When in England Professor Drummond and many of the English scholars became interested in his work."

A Useful Invention.

It is claimed that a device intended to prevent the endangering of human life by the breakage of electric light and street railway wires has been invented by Stephen D. Smith, an employe of the Postal Telegraph company of Milwaukee, Wis. If a wire breaks and the ends fall to the ground this apparatus, which is placed in the power house, near the dynamo, instantly grounds the current and stops the flow of electricity over the broken wire, which might otherwise be a source of great danger.—Philadelphia Record.

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Our lot of...

Ulysses Grant Houston.

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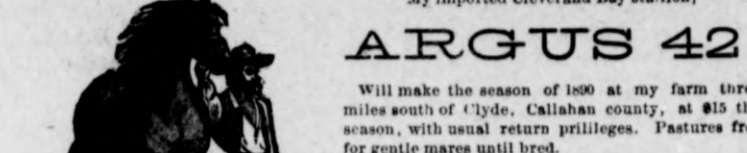
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The Norman here will make the season fourteen and one-half miles south of Baird, on Coleman road.

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Jo Virgil is a bay with black points and star in the face, four years old, weight 1,600 pounds. Sired by Favory 765. Favory was imported by M. W. Dunham, of Wayne, Ill.; he by French Monarch 205 (734) by Ilderine 5302, by Valentine 5301, by Vieux Chastin 713, by Cold 712, by Mignon 715, by Jean C. Blanc 739. Sire of first dam France 340 (1182); second dam Comet 178 (108). France and Comet were imported by Virgin & Brown, of Fairbury, Ill.



My imported Cleveland Bay stallion.

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