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BAIRD, CALLAHAN COUNTY, TEXAS, FRIDAY, AUG 17, 1900.

NO. 37.

**ADJUDICAL DOTS.**

Aug. 15. The protracted meeting is progressing nicely. I see you did not come down to eat with us Sunday, but there were some of the Bible-lit from among them we noticed Miss Bertha Gunn, Edmond Gunn, George Scott and wife and several others.

Rev. Mr. Hunt, of Eastland, will Bro. Mayes in the meeting from Wednesday until the close. Rev. Lillis, of Abilene preached Saturday and Sunday for us. Mrs. J. L. Mayes and Aunt Biddle Orr came Monday to take in the meeting.

I was mistaken about Joe Rucker coming down; it was Mrs. J. O. Rucker and Mrs. Dollie Rucker.

Jack Easham and family and Fred Alvord and family returned Monday from Greer county.

The Turkey Creek Gobblers and the Admiral Shagbiter Gobblers crossed here on the Admiral diamond last Saturday evening. The game was interesting. If you don't believe it, ask Tom Smith, he caught a ball on the end of his nose. Henry West and Earl Orfield run together in a head and neck. Henry was laid out for a while, but come around all right. Tom wants two baskets now to hold his nose now, but did not need any before he caught the ball.

Conton is beginning to open, and it will not be long until it will be rolling in to BaIRD.

Mrs. Guy M. Stokes and mother are visiting friends here this week.

Mrs. Robinson and daughter, of El Paso, are visiting her daughter in-law, Mrs. Laura Robinson.

More anon. **REVERTER.** The editor regrets his inability to be present, but will pay you a visit later and eat cake with you.

Plump cheeks, flushed with the soft glow of health, and a pure complexion make all women beautiful. HERBINE imparts strength and vitality to the system, and the ray of health to the cheeks. Price, 50 cents. Sold by Powell & Powell, BaIRD and Y. A. Orr, Putnam.

**HE LIKES CALLAHAN.**

I have just arrived from a trip down in the mountain district of Callahan county, around Adair, and especially at Capt. W. J. Maithy's place. I have been in this western country, and especially around Abilene, for the last five years, but I have never seen any place in the country that can come up, or any ways near up with this mountain district for fruits, vegetables, corn, cotton and all kinds of small grains. It is simply out of sight. I was so surprised to see such a grand and glorious farming and fruit growing country that it simply held me spell bound. If any one likes valley and mountain scenery and fine crops to rest their eyes on, that is the place I would advise them to go. As for the crops of all kinds, I will say they are simply fine. Plenty of rain has fallen there for the last two or three weeks, and everything is looking out of sight.

Capt. W. J. Maithy has one of finest vineyards and fruit farms west of the great fruit belt in East Texas. In fact I believe his fruit will compare with any fruit in the state of Texas, none excepted. He has apples that measure 4 inches in diameter (the Limber Twigs) and peaches that are 3 inches in diameter (Elbertas), besides other fruits of all kinds in proportion to the apples and peaches. His trees are simply breaking down from being overloaded with fruit. He has 22 acres in fruit trees and a acres in a vineyard. Take it all in all that I have seen, it is simply a grand sight to behold.

Aug. 10, 1900. J. OS. MACKRICHNEY.

**It Helped Win Battles.**

Twenty-nine officers and men wrote from the front to say that Scotch-brush cuts, wounds, sore feet and stiff joints Buckner's Arnica Salve is the best in the world. Same for barbs skin eruptions and piles. 35 cents a box. Cure guaranteed. Sold by all druggists.

San Harshall came in from the west Monday night.

T. R. POWELL, Pres. HARRY MEYER, V. P. FRED LANE Cashier.

**The Home Nat. Bank OF BAIRD.**

The above bank solicits from the people of BaIRD and Callahan county a share of their patronage.

**PROMPT AND COURTEOUS TREATMENT TO ALL.**

We appreciate all business entrusted to us, whether large or small. We extend all accommodations consistent with sound banking and have money to lend on good security.

Modern Fire Proof Vault. Fine Fire and Burglar Proof Safe.

CALL AND SEE US.

Constipation, impaired digestion and a torpid liver, are the most common ailments that are responsible for that tired, listless, fagged-out feeling that makes the summer a dreaded period for so many people. HERBINE will cure constipation. It improves the digestion and arouses the liver to normal activity. Price, 50 cents. Sold by Powell & Powell, BaIRD, and Y. A. Orr, Putnam.

Piles are not only in, and of themselves very painful and annoying, but often greatly aggravate and even cause other grave and painful affections, and should, therefore, not be neglected. TABLET'S BUCKEYE PILE OINTMENT is a great balm to sufferers as it will cure them. Price, 50 cents in tin. Tablets, Tubes, 15 cents. Sold by Powell & Powell, BaIRD and Y. A. Orr, Putnam.

**You Ought To Know BY THIS TIME.**

That you can save money by going to Boyles for anything in the Saddlery or Buggy line.

**WHITE ELEPHANT AND ANCHOR BUGGIES.**

A full rubber top buggy, leather trimmings, for \$49.00. Beach, Saddles, my own make, none better call and see. Them Buggy and Team Harness, my own make, \$7.00 and up. Best Collar Pads, best on earth, 13 inches wide 7 1/2 pair. Buggy Whips, solid raw hide from end to end, 50c. Remember with every cash purchase of \$5 you get one ticket on our \$100 Buggy to be given away. Call and see us. Yours for business.

**C. S. BOYLES, BaIRD, Texas.**

**EMINENT OPINIONS OF OSTEO-PATHY.**

Hon. John B. Tanner who signed the Osteopathy Bill, when Governor of Illinois, said: "The State Medical Board has been fighting the Osteopaths long enough. There is no doubt in my mind that Osteopathy will reach and cure many chronic troubles that medicine would have little or no effect upon."

Hon. Lon V. Stephens Governor of Missouri, "The Bill was introduced and passed both houses by an overwhelming majority. The science of Osteopathy as far as it has come under my observation, assists in relieving suffering humanity and I do not think I ever in signing the Bill."

Olepe Head, America's well-known Raconteur and Novelist. "A school of Osteopathy ought to be established at every health resort in the country. The government ought to see that one is established at Hot Springs. It is worth all the curative waters in the world. It is almost an instant freedom from weariness. It is the champion of nature. It destroys the appetite for strong drink, not in cases of confirmed dipsomania, but in cases of nervous prostration."

Mrs. Wm. M. Springer, wife of Chief Justice of the Court of Appeals, Indian Territory: "I can never say enough in praise of Osteopathy. It relieved me from unbearable invalidism. I have seen it do the same for scores of others. I believed before I tried it that it was a scientific method, and now I am convinced that Osteopathy is rational, scientific and wonderful. It will be the greatest blessing in the world."

Sam P. Jones, of Georgia. "No true osteopathist ever gave a pill or powder. They are not kin to Christian Scientists, and they don't run with the faith cure crowd. It is a science based on anatomy and physiology."

For further information of the science call on Dr. RAY, of this city 37-31.

Dr. McWhorter, Cap Gilliland, H. Wiedham and G.O. Crosswell shipped twelve cars of cattle east last Friday.

**FRIENDS AND CUSTOMERS.**

You will find me second floor south of Cutbush buildings in place of Old Sock barber shop, where I am nicely located to do your barber work and will be pleased to work for you. Come to see me when you want an easy shave and an up-to-date hair cut.

E. C. FELTON.

**ADVERTISED LETTERS.**

The following is a list of letters remaining in P. O. at BaIRD, Texas for the week ending Aug. 15, 1900. Parties calling for same please say advertised.

Mr. Ed Collins.  
Mr. E. L. Dearmon.  
J. P. Graves.  
Miss Annie Habbin.  
Mr. Cal Hanson.  
Mr. W. H. Prescott.  
Mr. Paul Williams.  
Wm. McMANIS.

**Go to A. Cooke's for paints and oils.**

Palmetto Coughs and Consumption Cure checks a cough in one minute, breaks a cold in one day, moistens good Umo tree always used. Worth its weight in gold to sufferers, only 25 and 50 cts at B. Phillips.

Keep the Stomach and Bowels in good condition, the Waste Arteries open and free by an occasional dose of Dr. M. A. Simmons Liver Medicine For sale by Powell & Powell. Aug.

**That Throbbing Headache**

Would quickly leave you, if you used Dr. Kidg's New Life Pills. Thousands of sufferers have proved their matchless merit for sick and nervous headaches. They make power blood and build up your health. Only 5 cents. Money back if not cured. Sold by all druggists. Aug.

In diarrhoea Dr. Simmons Liver Medicine is irreplaceable. It gives tone to the stomach, aids digestion and assimilates nature in carrying off all impurities. Sold by Powell & Powell Aug.

**FREE! FREE! FREE!**

In order to "push" our cash business during August we will offer a beautiful Tea Set absolutely free to the Customer making the largest cash purchases from us during the month of August.

We will return your name and amount of your purchase and make the award Sept. 1st. This set consists of 30 pieces and is nice enough for anyone. Don't forget our New Wall Paper at 10c per roll and up. Big Bargains!

WE CARRY A NICE LINE OF  
Paint Brushes, Paints, Oils, Varnishes,  
Fine and Coarse Combs, Hair, Clothes,  
and Tooth Brushes, Musical Instruments, Etc.

Of Drugs and Patent Medicines we carry a tip-top line. Call on us and we will convince you we are up with the times.

Don't forget your account when you will favor us, medicine, etc.

**POWELL & POWELL, Druggist.**

**PALACE DRUG STORE.**

We carry a full line of  
Drugs, Patent Medicines, Etc.

We also carry a nice line of  
**WALL PAPER**  
In all the Latest Designs.  
Paints, Oils, Varnishes, Paint Brushes, Books,  
PERIODICALS, TOILET ARTICLES, ETC.

R. A. SPEER, Proprietor.


**WORMS! WHITE'S CREAM VERMIFUGE!**

For 20 Years Has Led all Worm Remedies.

Prepared by **JAMES F. BALLARD, St. Louis.**

For Sale by **POWELL & POWELL, BAIRD, TEX.**

**Shot All to Peices.**



Here I come with a banner stock of Wall Paper of the latest designs and up-to-date patterns, do not take anybody's word for it, but come and see for yourself, and you will be surprised at the Bargains you will get.

**R. PHILLIPS.**

**Do You Want a Stove?**

If you want to buy a cook Stove anywhere from \$10 up, I have just received a car load, and am prepared to sell cheaper than anyone. Will trim these stoves with enameled steel ware, something new for BaIRD. I also handle

**Pueblo and Dallas Saddles,**

Double and Single Harness, in fact anything in Hardware or Saddlery. Yours for Trade, **R. E. CUMMADLEY.**













# PEACE OVERTURES.

## An Imperial Edict Has Been Received by State Secretary.

## ASKING STOPPAGE OF HOSTILITIES.

Proceedings, and Li Hung Chang Has Been Appointed as His Government's Special Envoy in Matter.

Washington, Aug. 12.—Official evidence of the desire of China for a peaceful settlement of her present difficulties was presented to the department of state Sunday in the form of an edict promulgated by the emperor, Kwang Hsu, appointing Li Hung Chang as envoy plenipotentiary to negotiate with the powers for an "immediate cessation of hostilities" pending a solution of the problems which have grown out of the anti-foreign uprising in the empire.

Minister Wu Sunday morning gave to Acting Secretary of State Adams, at the head of the state department, a copy of the imperial edict, which he had received Saturday night.

Mr. Wu expressed the belief that the edict presented a means of peace which was delivered by Mr. Wu to the acting secretary of state Sunday morning.

"The department of state makes public the following imperial edict appointing Li Hung Chang as envoy plenipotentiary to propose a cessation of hostile demonstrations and negotiate with the powers, a copy of which was delivered by Mr. Wu to the acting secretary of state Sunday morning:

"An imperial edict forwarded by the emperor the 4th day of the seventh month to Gov. Yuan at Tai Nan, Shang Tung, who transmitted it on the 17th day of the same moon (Aug. 11) to the Tao-tai at Shanghai, by whom it was transmitted to Minister Wu, who received it on the night of the same day (Aug. 11).

"The imperial edict, as transmitted by envoy plenipotentiary, is as follows: "In the present conflict between Chinese and foreigners there has been some misunderstanding on the part of the foreign nations and also a want of proper management on the part of some of the local authorities. As a result of this has followed a calamitous course and caused a rupture of friendly relations, which will ultimately do good to the world. We hereby appoint Li Hung Chang as our envoy plenipotentiary, with instructions to propose to the powers a cessation of hostilities, pending which he is hereby authorized to conduct for our part for the settlement of the questions which may have to be dealt with. The questions are to be severally considered in a satisfactory manner and the result of the negotiations reported to us for our sanction. Respectfully.

"The above is respectfully copied for transmission to your excellency, to be communicated to the secretary of state for his excellency's benefit."

Charles H. Ferguson confesses to the killing of Messenger Lane and robbing of the express safe on Pennsylvania train a few nights ago.

Washington, Aug. 12.—The following belated message from Minister Congo was transmitted to the war department by Gen. Chaffee. It expressed simply his ability to "hold out" until Gen. Chaffee should come to his relief.

Adjutant General, Washington, Aug. 6.—Message from the Tao-tai at Peking, Aug. 4.—We will hold on until your arrival. Hope it will be soon. Send such information as you can.—CONGEE.

Washington, Aug. 12.—Mr. Wu, the Chinese minister, is very much pleased over the appointment of Li Hung Chang as a plenipotentiary to arrange the peace with the powers. He sincerely hopes that it will be accepted, as the results attained, in his opinion, would be satisfactory to all concerned.

"I think Earl Li's designation a capital one. Aside from the emperor and empress, he is the highest official."

Knoxville, Tenn., Aug. 13.—Hofbrook college at Fountain City, a suburb of Knoxville, burned Sunday morning. The damage here about \$4,000, on which there was \$120,000 insurance. The building will be reconstructed at once. School will begin Sept. 8 and will be conducted without interruption. Hofbrook colleges recently gave from the Fountain City Land company to the Baptists of this section of the express burning their first week.

# PEOPLES OF THE TWO.

## Masters of the Moment in Indian and Indian Territories.

## Indiana Territory.

Those making illegal town plats will be prosecuted.

The opening of the land office at Atlanta has been postponed.

The arrival at Bufala was attended by throngs of visitors.

Surveys of townships in the Chicksaw nation have begun.

The 3-year-old son of J. P. Dufon of Elmore fell in a well and was killed.

Full-blood Cherokee show no disposition to be enrolled by the Dawes commission.

Gov. Johnston was re-elected governor of the Chickasaw nation by a large majority.

The Dawes commission will not begin enrolling the Cherokee freedmen until spring.

Citizens of Anmore are not satisfied with the work of the townsite commissioners.

In a pitcher battle with moonshiners twenty miles from Paris Valley a deputy marshal was wounded.

J. R. Gibson was shot and killed Friday morning from Comanche. Bud Paris, a stockman, surrendered.

Hot Mink was accidentally shot through the shoulder and lungs by Chuck Clayburn at Hengst station.

Will Johnson, colored, was seriously wounded by officers while resisting the arrest of Howard White following the capture of an unknown person shot him to death.

Oklahoma.—Oklahoma City is to have a packery.

Several Oklahoma cities have formed a "goodwill" circuit.

Congressman Flynn will open his campaign about the 25th.

The grand lodge of the Indian Territory and Oklahoma negro Masons convene at Oklahoma City.

Delegata Flynn was nominated for congress by acclamation at Guthrie by the Republican convention.

Memorial service was held in the Congregational church at Guthrie in honor of Capt. R. B. Huston, who died in the Philippines.

Paul & Paul of Oklahoma City and Paul & Paul of Arkansas have been engaged to bring a series of suits against Kansas City cattle buyers that will aggregate over \$2,000,000 if the last suits are won.

Pittsmons Wins.—New York, Aug. 12.—Pittsmons met Gus Rubin, the A. K. A. giant, before the Trenton Athletic club at Madison Square Garden and won by knocking him down and out in the sixth round. Before the fight and for some time past there has been many reports to the effect that Gus Rubin was a very strong and powerful man. He was a fierce and bloody brawler while it lasted, and at times he would get the best of the older man, but Pittsmons, at the proper time, would cut loose with his fearful body blows which finally clinched his victory.

Deaths from heat occurred at Chicago on the 10th.

Awfully Bored.—Birmingham, Ala., Aug. 12.—Two negroes were probably fatally burned by an explosion at the Bloss furnaces in this city Sunday, caused by the collapse of a chimney. A terrific explosion followed, sending large sheets of flame out of the holes at the bottom of the furnaces, completely enveloping the men who were able to descend the stock. Antioch Young and John Armstrong were burned from head to foot.

Yeast Sues.—Paris, Aug. 11.—During the manufacture of the French beef of Cape Vincent a collision occurred between the battleship Brennus and the torpedo boat destroyer France.

The France sank immediately. The accident was due to the fact that the Brennus turned to the right when ordered to the left. Details are meager, but only a small portion of the crew, consisting of four officers and fifty-eight men, were saved.

From Marchand.—Washington, Aug. 13.—The war department received the following dispatch containing news from Man Ma: Man Ma, Aug. 12.—To adjutant general, Washington: Col. Grantson, Aug. 12.—In the vicinity of Yangtze river, the Chinese army of Gen. Yuan was defeated by the 14th U. S. volunteer infantry, consisting of one major, six captains, six lieutenants, 103 men, 59 officers and 63 horses.

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# APPROACHING CITY.

## Gen. Chaffee Cables that the Allied Forces.

## DRAW NEAR CHINESE CAPITAL.

## The Line of Communications Between Troops and Che Foo Uninterrupted and Evolving Success Favorable.

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# From Manila.

Washington, Aug. 14.—Copies of Manila papers received at the war department contain a letter purporting to be from a personal friend of Aguinaldo, which states that the Filipino chief does not take advantage of the amnesty proclamation, because some time ago he gave orders to his followers to break up into guerrilla bands. The amnesty order excepts those who violated the laws of war, and it states that the Filipino chief would be in the lowest class should he undertake to surrender under the amnesty proclamation. The letter is dated at Nolas, which is said to be the present provisional headquarters of Aguinaldo. It states, however, that Aguinaldo is now serving life sentences in the penitentiary. Newman turned state evidence and was released and he was used to capture Bill Taylor.

After he had succeeded in planning another train robbery near Constock, Newman betrayed him to Sheriff Knox, who was lodged in jail at Coleman. In a few minutes he managed to get out of his steel cage and escaped about daylight on a Sunday morning, but unfortunately for him, walked right up to the main house and was again captured and lodged in another cell. About two months ago he again saved out of his cell and escaped through the back of the main house, and a ninety-nine year sentence from Runnels county.

Newman was slain put on his trail and found him about seventy miles south of Sonora. Taylor got the drop on Newman and killed him, but Newman had had fired his Winchester, which took effect in Taylor's groin. He is now resting easy after his long ride, and says as he has killed Newman, which was his only object in life, he is perfectly willing for the law to take his course.

Retained at El Paso, Tex., Aug. 14.—Senator Manuel Anson, Mexican ambassador at Washington, who was in El Paso, Tex., entertained by the business men of the city and Juarez at the rooms of the El Paso club Monday morning. In his address to the business men, he said that he would use every effort to increase the United States in a proposition to construct an international dam across the Rio Grande at this place, and for the success. He assured the local committee that Mexico was thoroughly in sympathy with the movement, and that the American people would be happy and prosperous when they had water for irrigation, is now an uninhabited desert. If he can be instructed to make any change that will place these people in their deserted homes I will feel amply repaid for this long and busy life.

Senator Anson left with his family for Washington at 7 o'clock Monday night.

Whisky Barrel Explodes.—Paris, Tex., Aug. 14.—A farmer named Moore, living ten miles northeast of Paris, in the West Point community, bought an empty whisky barrel while in town last Saturday for the purpose of putting sorghum molasses in it. When he returned home, he found that he had purchased the barrel, stating that by burning it out inside the whisky taste would be removed. A little laughter, if years old, overheard him and undertook to burn it out herself. While he was away she lit a match, and the barrel exploded. There was instantly a terrific explosion of fire and alcohol, which was heard by neighbors more than a mile away. The barrel was blown to atoms. The girl was frightfully burned and lacerated about the face, hands, arms and breast.

Retired to Sea.—New York, Aug. 14.—Judge Lacombe of the United States circuit court refused to sign the writ of extradition for Charles F. W. Neely on account of the fact that Judge Wallace had granted an appeal to the supreme court in the habeas corpus proceedings, but Judge Lacombe did not think it proper to grant the writ of extradition in the case, and he believed it fit to present to the supreme court in its present form for application for a writ of habeas corpus would be denied.

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# TALPO'S CAPTURE.

## He Was Traded by Bud Newman, Whom He Killed in a Fight.

Coleman, Tex., Aug. 14.—Sheriff Knox and party arrived here with Bill Taylor, who was captured here Sunday morning, a few days ago after he had killed a man and had himself received a serious wound from Newman's gun. Taylor was one of the four men who held the States Prison at Coleman in this place in June, 1898, in which Fireman Johnston was killed. Newman was also one of the four men, but was captured at the time with the other three and all were lodged in jail here. Keeton and a brother of Bill Taylor are now serving life sentences in the penitentiary. Newman turned state evidence and was released and he was used to capture Bill Taylor.

After he had succeeded in planning another train robbery near Constock, Newman betrayed him to Sheriff Knox, who was lodged in jail at Coleman. In a few minutes he managed to get out of his steel cage and escaped about daylight on a Sunday morning, but unfortunately for him, walked right up to the main house and was again captured and lodged in another cell. About two months ago he again saved out of his cell and escaped through the back of the main house, and a ninety-nine year sentence from Runnels county.

Newman was slain put on his trail and found him about seventy miles south of Sonora. Taylor got the drop on Newman and killed him, but Newman had had fired his Winchester, which took effect in Taylor's groin. He is now resting easy after his long ride, and says as he has killed Newman, which was his only object in life, he is perfectly willing for the law to take his course.

Retained at El Paso, Tex., Aug. 14.—Senator Manuel Anson, Mexican ambassador at Washington, who was in El Paso, Tex., entertained by the business men of the city and Juarez at the rooms of the El Paso club Monday morning. In his address to the business men, he said that he would use every effort to increase the United States in a proposition to construct an international dam across the Rio Grande at this place, and for the success. He assured the local committee that Mexico was thoroughly in sympathy with the movement, and that the American people would be happy and prosperous when they had water for irrigation, is now an uninhabited desert. If he can be instructed to make any change that will place these people in their deserted homes I will feel amply repaid for this long and busy life.

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# NEURO FIEND.

## Makes an Unsuccessful Attempt to Rape a Young White Girl.

Longview, Tex., Aug. 15.—Sunday morning at 2 o'clock a negro entered the home of Mrs. J. W. Joplin, a white girl, and attempted to rape her. The family consisted of Mrs. Joplin, her sister, Miss Nancy Sutton, and Sallie Joplin, the 16-year-old daughter. The negro was captured by the beat the entire family had returned on pallets made from the floor with the girl in the middle.

The negro tried to shove Miss Joplin aside and clutched her around the throat with one hand and tried to hold her to the floor with the other. Miss Joplin wriggled from the negro's grasp for an instant, when he caught her again. After she loosed his grip sufficiently to scream, and then the negro fled. Her aunt, Miss Sutton, awoke and saw the negro leap through the door and run across the house. Mrs. Joplin got her pistol from under her pillow and fired three shots, but the direction he went, but failed to hit him.

The entrance was made through a broken pane of glass and the door unlocked and opened by the intruder. The ladies gave a close description of the negro and identified the man who was found leading in the direction the negro went. The peculiar track led to the home of a negro, who was arrested at 12 o'clock Tuesday morning from the street under Commissioner Kelly in front of the Joplin residence. The negro was placed under a strong guard in the jail. The community is excited.

Well-Induced.—Galveston, Tex., Aug. 15.—Rudolph Kruger, the oldest and one of the best of the rest restaurateurs in Galveston, died at 12 o'clock Tuesday morning from the effects of self-inflicted wounds. The instrument used was a small pocket knife, with which he stabbed himself in the chest. He was found lying on a place in a room of Mr. Kruger's residence, which is over the restaurant on Market street, between Tremont and Taylor streets.

The act was committed at 4:15 o'clock Monday evening, but Mr. Kruger survived it for eight hours and was taken to the hospital for several hours of recovery. Mr. Kruger was 58 years of age, and had resided in Galveston for forty years. He began the restaurant business in the old city market and had been in the business for a considerable business and amassing a competence. He had been in ill health for some time past. His wife, three sons and two daughters survive him.

Fort Bliss News.—El Paso, Tex., Aug. 15.—County Judge Harper received notice from Washington that the barracks at Fort Bliss, which have been used by the army for several years, had been sold to James McLean of Washington. The buildings have been used by the county as a hospital for several years. It will be done with the buildings is not known, but it is hoped that they will not be destroyed, as they stand as a relic of the old days of the frontier.

The only protection El Paso's citizens had from the ravages of the western Indians.

News on a Rampage.—Dallas, Tex., Aug. 15.—A long-haired man was on the rampage on South Street in Dallas on Monday afternoon. He gored a horse owned by John Greenway to death, and almost demolished the buggy to which the horse was hitched. A colored man named John Turner was holding the horse, and was knocked down and had a leg broken in two places. There is talk of prosecuting the animal's driver.

Was a Shock.—Galveston, Tex., Aug. 15.—The news of the death of a young girl, who was a considerable shock to the people of Galveston. Although almost an octogenarian, he was so hale and hearty and full of life that he was regarded as a young man. He had been in Galveston for many months ago that many persons believed he was good for many years more of life. The news of his death was disconcerted, because it was remembered that when he went to Raquet Lake two years ago a similar report was started.

One hundred Canadians are on route home from South Africa.

Thomas Alexander, of Dallas, died at Lincoln, Tex., from an overdose of laudanum.

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