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Star.

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

VOL. 20

BAIRD, CALLAHAN COUNTY, TEX. THURSDAY MAR 28. 1907. NO. 17

THESE ARE OUR BUSY DAYS

The rush days are now on and we are kept busy from early Monday mornings 'till late Saturday nights, showing and selling new goods to the many people who are beginning to learn that we sell the same goods for less money or better goods for same money. Come and see for yourself.

Ladies, Waists, Skirts, Etc.

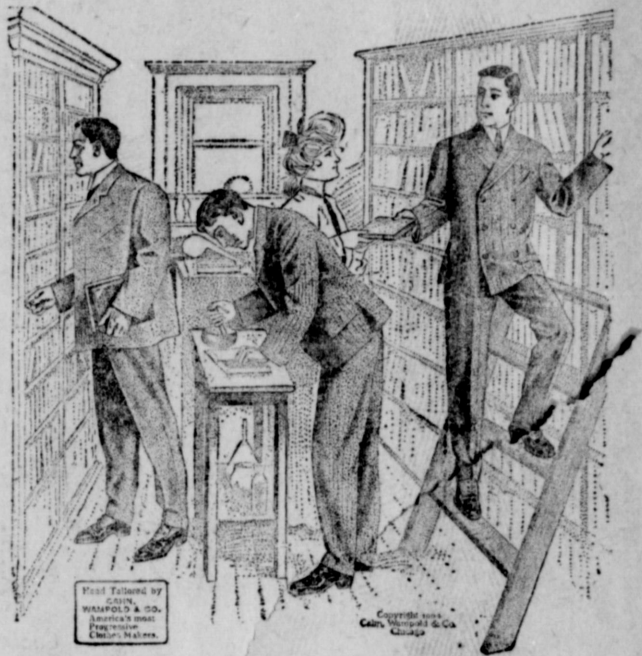
We are showing the best line of Skirts and Waists in Baird.
White Lawn Waist with long or short sleeves at \$1, \$1.25 \$1.50 and up to..... **\$3**
Silk Waists all the popular colors at \$3.50 to..... **\$6**
Shirt Waist Suits just arrived at \$3 to..... **\$7.50**
Ladies and Misses Skirts from \$1 to..... **\$12.00**

Oxfords, Sandals, Etc.

We carry the largest line of Slippers in Baird and our price is less than our competitors.
Get your Oxfords from us and get your money's worth.
We show the largest line of Ladies Underwear in town and offer special values in Ladies Summer Union Suits, Vests, Drawers, Petticoats, Corset Covers, Etc.

Mens and Boys Clothing

Every garment made well and perfect fitting and our prices, considering the quality, are very low.
We are offering special values in men's suits at \$10 12.50 and up to..... **\$15**
Special values in Boy's Suits, \$2, \$2.50, \$3, \$4 and..... **\$5**
Men's Summer Flannel Trousers at \$2.50 to..... **\$5**



We call special attention to our line of Carpets, Art Squares, Matting, Rugs Lenolium, Etc. and invite you to make our store headquarters while in town.

**LATEST STYLES
IN DRY GOODS
PHONE 10**

B. L. Boydston

**GROCERIES
AND IMPLEMENTS
PHONE 227**

R. B. SPENCER & COMPANY

E. M. FAUST, Mgr.

**Lumber, Sash, Doors, Blinds,
Lath, Shingles, Etc.**

*We Will Sell Your Lumber Bill Cheaper
than anybody else in Baird and
Furnish You Better Material
We Make this Offer as
Broad as Callahan
County*

Respectfully

**R. B. SPENCER & COMPANY
Baird, Texas**

**Letter to T. A. Irvin,
Baird, Texas.**

Dear Sir: You may like to know what you pay for the paint in a gallon of "paint," assuming the pure-paint part of all "paints" to be all alike; which it isn't; and worth \$1.75 a gallon.

Of a paint adulterated 10 per cent the pure-paint part brings \$1.94 a gallon.

15 per cent brings	\$2.06 a gallon.
25	2.33
33 1-3	2.62
50	3.50
75	7.00

The average adulteration of paint in this country is about one-third; so, you see, the average price the American people are paying for paint is about \$2.62 a gallon.

It is a game of wits. Adulterations are always too sharp for the bulk of consumers. People won't pay \$1.75 a gallon for paint. So they pay \$2.62 a gallon for paint and something that looks like paint mixed with it. (They pay the painter, besides, from \$2 to \$4 for painting those useless gallons.)

Why do they do it? They don't know Devoe. Yours truly

18 F. W. DEVOE & CO.
Miller & Chumney sells our paint.

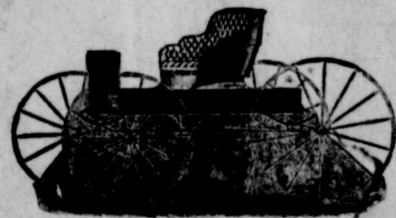
Spectacles and Cart Lost.

Lost a pair of gold rim spectacles between town and my farm about ten days ago. Leave at STAR office and get reward.

The persons who took my broken cart in west part of town are requested to return same.

AUGUST HORN.

Dick Morgan, of Jester, Okla., enroute to El Paso, stopped off Tuesday to spend a few days with his sister, Mrs. M. M. Terry.



SEASONABLE GOODS

We Have Them. You Want Them.

Poultry netting, Screen Wire, Hail Wire, Garden Tools, Gasoline Stoves, Refrigerators, Fishing Tackle, Ammunition, Pocket Cutlery, Wagon and Buggy Umbrellas, Guns, Pistols, Razors. We sell Cole Carriage Co's. high grade buggies for cash or on fall time. Best line of harness in the West Texas.

"WE MAKE THE PRICE"

C. S. BOYLES

Harry Meyer and R. Phillips went out to attend the Snyder sale of lots.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Markham, of Aledo, who have been on a prospecting trip west, stopped over in Baird Friday with Mrs. Markham's brothers Jake and T. Emmons.

Rock Bottom on Paints.

We will sell you as good mixed paint as there is in town for 85 cts per gal. Besides, it is completely guaranteed. If it does not give satisfaction we will refund your money or furnish you more paint as you please.
Yours,
R. B. SPENCER & Co.

Little globules of sunshine that drive the clouds away. DeWitt's Little Early Risers will scatter the gloom of sickheadache and biliousness. They do not gripe or sicken. Recommended and sold here by All Druggists.

The winds of March have no terror to the user of DeWitt's Carbolized Witch Hazel Salve. It quickly heals chapped and cracked skin. Good too, for boils and burns, and undoubtedly the best relief for Piles. Sold here by All Druggists.

Wristen & Johnson

WHEN YOU SEE OUR NAME REMEMBER
THAT WE CAN SUPPLY YOUR WANTS IN

Dry Goods, Millinery, Groceries, Hardware.

The consistent buyer always looks for PRICE, STYLE and QUALITY and these are the three reasons why we have the largest amount of satisfied customers of any business firm in Callahan County. Each of our lines are complete with a full stock for the Spring trade. Come in if you haven't already done so and let us supply your wants for cash or credit.

Wristen & Johnson

Successors to D. W. Wristen & Company

Get your pencil, Tablets, Ink, ect from Powell & Powell, 41-tf.

New line of wall paper at Powell & Powell's 16-tf.

Tablets, Pencils, Ink etc. Powell & Powell, 41-tf.

NOTICE.

I will pay \$50 reward for the arrest and conviction of any person or persons found guilty of stealing any horses, mules or cattle belonging to any citizen of Callahan County. 2-tf T. A. IRVIN, Sheriff.

When you think of drugs see Powell.

Cotton Seed.

Three varieties extra fine seed for planting. Mortgage Lifter, 1500 lbs makes 600 lb bale, seed 50 cts per bushel. Carr cotton seed, 35cts per bushel. Rowden cotton seed, 30cts per bushel. 7tf J. S. DAVIDSON.

"In 1897 I had a stomach disease. Some physicians said I had Dyspepsia, some Consumption. One said I would not live until Spring. For four years I existed on boiled milk, soda biscuits, and doctors prescriptions. I could not digest anything I ate; then I picked up one of your Almanacs and it happened to be my life-saver. I bought a fifty-cent bottle of KODOL and the benefit I received from that bottle all the gold in Georgia could not buy. In two months I went back to work, as a machinist, and in three months I was well and hearty. May you live long and prosper."—Cornell, Roding Ga., 1906. The above is only a sample of the great good that is daily done everywhere by Kodol for Dyspepsia. It is sold here by All Druggists.

Horses and Money.

We have good grain fed horses, mares and mules for sale on time. Money to loan on personal or land security. Will buy land notes. Friend In Need Life Insurance. \$400 for \$3. Men and women 18 to 55 years old. No medical examination. 12

Webb & Webb, Baird, Texas.

Found At Last.

J. A. Harmon, of Lizemore, West Va., says: "At last I have found the perfect pill that never disappoints me; and for the benefit of others afflicted with torpid liver and chronic constipation, will say: take Dr. King's New Life Pills." Powell & Powell Druggists.

REMEMBER—The American Beauty Flour is by odds the best on the market. Recommended by the thousands who are now using it. Sold by J. C. Jones, Baird, Texas.

For Sale.

A good home in Baird for \$300, \$400, \$630, \$1,000 or \$1,200, easy terms. See us at once. Webb & Webb, Baird, Texas.

Saved Her Son's Life.

The happiest mother in the little town of Ava, Mo., is Mrs. S. Ruppee. She writes: "One year ago my son was down with such serious lung trouble our physician was unable to help him; when, by our druggist's advice I began giving him Dr. King's New Discovery, and I soon noticed improvement. I kept this treatment up for a few weeks when he was perfectly well. He has worked steadily since at carpenter work. Dr. King's New Discovery, saved his life." Guaranteed best cough and cold cure by Powell & Powell, Druggist. 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free.

FOR SALE.

White Wyandotte Chickens, Mammoth Bronze Turkeys, White Pekin Ducks. All pure and best breeds. Write or phone me. J. L. LEA. 2tf

You should be very careful of your bowels when you have a cold. Nearly all other cough syrups are constipating, especially those containing opiates. Kennedy's Laxative Cough Syrup moves the bowels—contains NO opiates. Conforms to National Pure Food and Drug Law. Bears the endorsement of mothers everywhere. Children like its pleasant taste. Sold by All Druggists.

Sour Stomach

No appetite, loss of strength, nervousness, headache, constipation, bad breath, general debility, sour risings, and catarrh of the stomach are all due to indigestion. Kodol relieves indigestion. This new discovery represents the natural juices of digestion as they exist in a healthy stomach, combined with the greatest known tonic and reconstructive properties. Kodol for dyspepsia does not only relieve indigestion and dyspepsia, but this famous remedy helps all stomach troubles by cleansing, purifying, sweetening and strengthening the mucous membranes lining the stomach. Mr. S. S. Ball, of Ravenswood, W. Va., says: "I was troubled with sour stomach for twenty years. Kodol cured me and we are now using it in milk for baby."

Kodol Digests What You Eat. Bottles only. Relieves indigestion, sour stomach, belching of gas, etc. Prepared by E. O. DeWITT & CO., CHICAGO. Sold by All Druggists.



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W. F. WILSON,
BEEF,
PORK,
SAUSAGE,
AND LARD.
Free Delivery in the City.

Prompt Attention Given Mail and Phone Orders.

All Goods Sent C. O. D. unless Accompanied by cash.

SEAY'S PLACE

J. B. (Brown) SEAY, Proprietor.

BAIRD, TEX.

Any price liquors you may want from 75c to \$1.50 per quart. Express prepaid on all orders for \$5 and over. Give me a trial.

MAIL AND PHONE ORDERS SOLICITED.

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J. C. GRAY

AUSTIN & GRAY

Dealers in Hardware and Furniture. A full line of

Cooking and Heating Stoves, Guns, Harness, Saddles, Carpets, Rugs, Glassware, Et

We Are Sole Agents for the Following High-Class Goods

Sherwin-Williams Paints, Stains, Etc.
Anchor Buggies, Charter Oak Stoves,
Standard and Paragon Sewing Machines,
Deering Harvesting Machines, Twine,
John Deere Farming Implements.

We want your trade and will treat you right to get it. See us.

STEVENS

ON YOUR HUNTING TRIP

Be sure to be properly equipped—obtain the STEVENS and you CANNOT GO WRONG. We make

RIFLES . . . from \$2.25 to \$150.00
PISTOLS . . . from 2.50 to 50.00
SHOTGUNS . . . from 7.50 to 35.00

Ask your dealer and insist that he give you the STEVENS on our powder make. If interested in SHOOTING, you direct, carrying charges (except in U. S. Mailed Postpaid, upon receipt of four cents in stamps to cover postage.

Our attractive three-color Aluminum Hanger will be sent any owner for 10 cents in stamps.

J. STEVENS ARMS AND TOOL CO.,
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Physician and Surgeon.
Diseases of Females and Infants
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Graduate of American School of Osteopathy.
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Will answer calls in any part of
the county either night or day
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DENTIST.
We have the 20th Century Apparatus,
the latest and best for
PAINLESS EXTRACTION.
All other work pertaining to dentistry
Office up stairs in Telephone Bldg.
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Boot and Shoemaker,
Repairing Promptly and Neatly Exe-
cuted. Prices to suit the times.
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Will Practice in all State Courts.
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CITY BAKERY.
Furnishes pure and healthy
bread and rolls, made of the
best material in the market
and absolutely free of alum
or any other substitutes,
fresh every day, also a great
variety of cakes. Phone 115.
OSCAR NITSCHKE

INSURANCE
FIRE AND TORNADO
Insurance in either town or
county. Office just north
of postoffice, Baird, Texas.
JOHN TRENT.

**The Best
and Nicest**
Place in city to have
your barber work done
in first-class order is at
FULTON'S.
The only three chair
shop in the city.

HOT AND COLD BATHS
Laundry Basket leave Tuesdays
and returns on Saturday.

**KILL THE COUGH
AND CURE THE LUNGS**
WITH **Dr. King's
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FOR CONSUMPTION
COUGHS and
COLDS Price
50c & \$1.00
Free Trial.
Surest and Quickest Cure for all
THROAT and LUNG TROUB-
LES, or MONEY BACK.

For sale by Powell & Powell, Baird

SHARPS AND FLATS.

BY J. MARVIN NICHOLS.

Written specially for THE STAR.

Men who really do things say but little about it.

Quit following at somebody else's heels. You set the gait.

You can see but little when your eyes are filled with tears.

Take this old world just as it is and try to make it better.

The misfortunes of the great can never apologize for the weak.

A secret whispered even to a bosom friend is no longer a secret.

Taking the will for the deed don't stick everytime in a land deal.

Plenty of big jobs now-a-days, and a world full of small men to take them.

An attractive woman who has attractive women friends is as rare as the idlleweiss.

There is a vast gulf between money and mamon. The first is right; the latter, wrong.

You are an optimist if you believe in the fall of man—and that he has fallen upward.

As ruts prove the usefulness of a road, so convolutions do not prove an idle brain.

Gold mines would never have been discovered had it not been that the rich veins "crop out." Speaking about a man, real worth crops out too.

I know some saints who pray and believe in His blessed keeping, and then make a dive for the storm-cellar every time the clouds have a little fracas.

If you want to have smoothe sailing, just grant that every fellow totes as much gray matter in his pate as you do, and your hearts are just about the same size.

If you ever get even with the fellow that does you wrong you will have to drop to his level. Revenge is sweet, but if a fellow has to do that, revenge costs too much.

"How were you able to whip the Austrians one to four?" was asked of Napoleon. And his answer was, "I knew the value of time." The man who learns that trick is a sure winner, no difference what he sets about to do.

When a man has toiled for years, and at last lays by enough to get out of the world's unceasing grind, he does not thereby become a retired pirate—this modern creaking against the rich to the contrary notwithstanding.

Sometimes it seems as if men and women must suffer in solitude: but in the bitterest pain, that which divides each human being from every other breaks asunder. They draw nearer—they comfort and lean upon one another.

Strange, yet historically true, prosperity has been the ruin of nations. Egypt, Syria, Greece and Rome went this route. There is in it all the tendency to ove-step. The finer sensibilities are blunted, ideals are weakened, and the principles of justice and right are stifted. When that's done, a nation is dead.

The poppy draws the deadly opium from the very same soil that the rose draws her fragrant aroma. How strange—and yet, no more strange is it than that two sons are rocked in the same cradle by the same mother hand. One son heads for the lone sea and the frozen tide; the other, for a land of beauty and flowers.

Old papers for sale at THE STAR office, 25 cents per hundred.

Go Wilson's for all kinds of meats and sausage. 52

GET WISE

Look at our Spring line of Goods
We have received Large daily shipments, in fact, the Largest and most complete ever brought to Baird, is now ready for your Inspection. Economical buyers who appreciate good values are making their Spring bill with us, that's why we are so busy. We have many Handsome Novelties that will appeal to you. We want your trade and if you don't give it to us, you stand in your own light. You are always welcome at our store

H. Schwartz

For weak kidneys and lame back use DeWitt's Kidney and Bladder Pills. Best for lumbago, rheumatism, bladder and other troubles arising from bad blood. They cleanse the kidneys and clear the system. Indorsed and sold by All Druggists.

When you think of drugs see Powell. 30-1f

A Favorite Remedy for Babies

Its pleasant taste and prompt cures have made Chamberlain's Cough Remedy a favorite with the mothers of small children. It quickly cures their coughs and colds and prevents any danger of pneumonia or other serious consequences. It not only cures croup, but when given as soon as the croupy cough appears will prevent the attack. For sale by All Druggists.

Always Keeps Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in His House.

"We would not be without Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It is kept on hand continually in our home," says W. W. Kerney, editor of the Independent, Lowry City, Mo. That is just what every family should do. When kept at hand ready for instant use, a cold may be checked at the outset and cured in much less time than after it has become settled in the system. This remedy is also without a peer for croup in children and will prevent the attack when given as soon as the child becomes hoarse, or even after the croupy cough appears, which can only be done when the remedy is kept at hand. For sale by All Druggists.

Everybody invited to come and see the new goods at Schwartz. 40tf

Old papers for sale at THE STAR office, 25c per hundred.

SOLD OUT.

This is to notify all my friends and customers that I have sold my entire stock of hardware, crockery, glassware, implements, etc. including all buildings on west side of Market Street to D. W. Wristen & Co., who now have charge of the business. I thank the people of Baird and Callahan county for their liberal patronage during the past twenty-five years. I wish to wind up my affairs as speedily as possible and earnestly request all who are indebted to me to settle up at once. I will, for the present, be found at my old office. Respt.
6 HARRY MEYER.

For Sale—Milch cows. Phone or write J. L. LEA. 13tf

How to Remain Young.

To continue young in health and strength, do as Mrs. N. F. Rowan, McDonough, Ga. did. She says: "Three bottles of Electric Bitters cured me of chronic liver and stomach trouble, complicated with such an unhealthy condition of the blood that my skin turned red as flannel. I am now practically 20 years younger than before I took Electric Bitters. I can now do all my work with ease and assist in my husband's store." Guaranteed at Powell & Powell's Drug Store. Price 50c.

Itch cured in 30 minutes by Woolford's Sanitary Lotion. Never fails Sold by Powell & Powell 3-12

A cross and peevish child is not natural. There is something wrong. Usually it's the stomach. Use CASCASWEET and put the stomach right, and the sunshine will return to baby's face. CASCASWEET is best for babies and children. 50 doses 25 cents. Sold by All Druggists.

SEEDS
SOLD ON HONOR
1867
Our new 1907 catalog with 128 finely illustrated pages is now ready and will be sent free upon request. It fully describes the best seeds and plants for the Southern Grower. High bred
Cotton Seed, Alfalfa Seed, Watermelon Seed, Seed Corn, Roses and all kinds of plants for House and Lawn are specialities. Oldest seed house in Southwest, 34 years of successful seed selling. Write tonight for catalog.
Robinson Seed & Plant Company, 227 Elm Street Dallas, Texas.

Old papers, 25c per hundred at THE STAR office.

When you see Powell think of drugs. 16-1f

New Idea patterns at Schwartz' Get a fashion plate. 40tf

ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS REWARD.

The Protective Stock Association of Callahan and adjoining counties will pay above reward for the arrest and conviction of any person for the theft or unlawful branding of any horses or cattle belonging to any member of this Association, in good standing.

J. B. CUTBIRTH, Pres.
A. G. WEBB, Secy.

Worked Like a Charm.

Mr. D. N. Walker, editor of that spicy journal, The Enterprise, Louisa Va., says: "I ran a nail in my foot last week and at once applied Bucklen's Arnica Salve. No inflammation followed; the salve simply healed the wound." Heals every sore, burn and skin disease. Guaranteed at Powell & Powell, Druggists. 25.

Entered at the postoffice at Baird, Tex., as second class mail matter.

W. E. GILLILAND,
Editor and Proprietor.

Subscription Rates.

One year \$1.00
Six months 50 cts
Terms: Cash in advance.

Work for your town by working for the school house and tax.

Senator Bailey's home town Gainsville, gave him a royal welcome on his return home last Saturday.

The "Gospel of Hate" is unchristian, but then what does the average politician know about christianity anyhow?

Capt. McDonald has a big job on hand. He proposes to make the tax payers render their property at its actual value.

Dallas and Tarrant counties are both to have local option elections soon. The fight in both counties promises to be warm.

If you won't pull forward don't pull back; just get out of the way and let the procession move on without hindrance.

William R. Hearst is charged with responsibility for the attack on Bailey in the April number of Readers Magazine. Does Hearst control all the magazines in the country?

Send a copy of the Callahan Co. write up to your friends. Call at THE STAR office and get them or send us name and addresses and one cent to pay postage for each copy wanted.

Senator Bailey says he long ago eliminated himself as a presidential possibility. That is hard on Judge Grubbs who says if the South is to have a presidential candidate any time soon that Bailey is the man.

The occupation tax law has been repealed on useful occupations, but not having seen a copy of the bill, cannot say how much of the present law is changed. It is understood, however, that merchants and many occupations now taxed are exempt.

San Francisco has been notorious for its rotten city government, but the public had no idea of the height and depth of the corruption that existed there until revealed the past few weeks. We had long heard that San Francisco was the wickedest city on the American continent, but that as it may some of her city officials certainly prove that there has been plenty of wickedness in public life.

We do not suppose any tax was ever proposed for any purpose that some one did not object to it. One thing sure all of us are not cheerful tax payers by any means, and the more some have the less willing they are to pay any tax. Vote the school bond and school tax anyway. It will do more to build up the town than anything we can do just now.

Those ambitious towns and villages that have been trying so long to have the Round House moved away from Baird will no doubt feel sick when they learn that the T. & P. Company now has a force of men at work extending the yards and making all sorts of improvements. The yards now large will be doubled in size making about two miles of additional side track. In all about fifty thousand dollars will be spent here extending side tracks and improving the yards, Round House, etc. The work is now going on.

MARY JANE LOCATED.

Lost, strayed or stolen one Mary Jane Cox, erstwhile editor and proprietor of the Moody Courier. A liberal reward will be paid for any information as to his whereabouts, location or destination.—Baird Star.

Send over the reward. Mary Jane is now piloting the Chief-Leader at Konawa, I. T., as editor and manager—Moody Courier.

Meet me at the Press Association at Galveston in May and we will take a salt bath in memory of Mary Jane.

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Mary Jane is editing a paper in Oklahoma which is near Ada, I. T. Bro. Gilliland, we'll take something when we meet in Galveston May 16-18.—Italy News-Herald.

Allright Tom we will take "something" in memory of our old friend when we meet at Galveston.

Lost, strayed or stolen, one Mary Jane Cox, erstwhile editor and proprietor of the Moody Courier. A liberal reward will be paid for any information as to his whereabouts, location or destination.—Baird Star.

For the information of the editor of The Star, we will state that "Mary Jane" is located at Konawa, I. T., where he is guiding the destinies of the Chief-Leader. Concerning destination, anyone personally acquainted with "Mary Jane" will tell you it is heaven, although at present he is a long ways from his final home.—Gonzales Inquirer.

Baird has the sorriest school house of any town we know of in Texas. Even Eastland, Gordon and a number of smaller towns all around us have better school houses than Baird. This is not our fault because an overwhelming majority voted the bonds and tax last year, but we could not issue the bonds as before stated as we did not have the amount of property required. The present district will make it possible to issue the bonds.

We hear some opposition to the bond issue claiming, that the law is unconstitutional and a threat is made to fight it in the courts. If the Baird district is unconstitutional some if not all others in the state are in the same boat for the legislature is creating them in every part of the state. Let us meet one obstacle at a time vote the tax and bonds now. The salvation of the town, in a large measure, depends upon the success of this issue.

A gambler named Thomason shot and killed Jeff D. McLean, county attorney of Tarrant county in front of the Stag saloon in Fort Worth, last Friday evening. The killing grew out of the effort of the county attorney to suppress gambling, and he had just been with the officers on a raid of Tomason's gambling house. Thomason was a few minutes later fatally wounded in a fight with the police, and died after being carried to jail. Officer Scott was dangerously wounded by the gambler. The killing caused intense excitement in Fort Worth and has caused a bitter war on the gamblers.

CALLAHAN COUNTY

We have several hundred copies of the Callahan County edition of Texas Resources, recently issued by H. L. Bently & Sons, which will be distributed free to all who want them. If you want some copies for yourself or want to send them to some friend back east send us the names and postoffice address and one cent in stamps for each copy desired and I will wrap and address them to your friends if preferred. Be sure and send stamps as I cannot afford to pay the postage and it is only a few cents to you, for instance you can send five copies for a nickel or as many as you want at one cent each. Send one cent stamps only. Write plain.
W. E. GILLILAND,
Secretary Baird Commercial Club,
Baird, Texas.

Speaking of Senator Bailey's Fort Worth anti-Trinity speech, Col. R. E. Cowart, of Dallas, who has spent a great deal of time in Washington working for the Trinity project, says if Senator Bailey is opposed to improvement of the Trinity he never heard of it before. Speaking farther he said he did not believe Senator Bailey was responsible for his acts and utterances. He said any good criminal lawyer could take Bailey's Austin and Fort Worth speeches and convince any jury of his irresponsibility. Possibly that is the most charitable view to take of them. Bailey's partisans attempted to defend his Austin speech (that many believe was a disgrace to the legislature that permitted it) by saying that he had been hounded from one end of the State to the other for months, and that he naturally had a right to be bitter. This did not justify his speech though and his friends knew it, but then comes the Fort worth speech after calm reflection for weeks and his friends attempt to excuse that by saying he was only jesting, that he did not mean it.

As to Bailey's Austin speech, speaking of the hounding Bailey had received. Most of the so-called "hounding" was a protest against Bailey's dealings with Pierce and other trustmasters. Taking the public speeches it will be remembered that every one opposed to Bailey took the ground that it was wrong for a United States Senator to accept fees, loans, etc, from heads of trusts. Few if any of them charged any crime against Bailey. They said his so called law practice was wrong. Bailey stoutly contended that he had a right to represent these men while in congress. That is and will be the issue in years to come, not that it is a crime for a member of congress to accept fees from trust corporations, but that it is improper. Bailey and every friend he has knows it is wrong and his wild denunciation of every body opposed to him as persecutors, liars, thieves, hyenas, etc., and all this hullabub is done to detract attention from the real issue. That is a Congressman should not practice law or act as financial agent for trusts while holding a commission to represent the people. Bailey says, he can do this and do justice to both sides. You might just as well say that a district attorney could represent both the state and defense in the trial of a criminal case. What would you think of a district or county attorney who would accept a fee from a defendant whom he is supposed to prosecute? Could he conscientiously do both state and defendant justice? No one will pretend to say that he could. A congressman who receives a fee of thousands of dollars from a trust is not likely to push with vigor any law looking to government control of that trust. Some make a great pretention about doing so but very often some of these laws have a joker concealed in them just like the denatured alcohol bill of which Senator Bailey had a great deal to say. It turned out that no one but a regular distiller could make such alcohol. This little "joker" was slipped in by some minion of the whiskey trust and Bailey did not know it until the press of the country exposed the trick.

No man can serve two masters, and the people are a lot of chumps if they expect any real legislation that would control or curb the rapacious trust, if they elect men to congress who as agents or attorneys; draw ten times more in fees from the trusts than they draw in salary from the people.

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Ship Lap.....	2.75	" "
Lath.....	2.75	" "
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Terrell the Druggist

FORM MINERAL WELLS.

MINERAL WELLS, March 26, '07.
EDITOR STAR:—My letter of last week attracted so much comment that I am tempted to comply with the request of some of my friends there to write again. I confess that all the comments I heard while at home on my former letter were not compliments. Some of the brethren wanted to know if I would have advocated the school bond issue if my ranch had been included in the school district. To all such I said, "Yes I would, if I can't afford to do that much to build up my home town, and promote the education of the people, and the advancement of moral and religious sentiment and conditions I will move out and give place to some one else who will do so."
I also want to endorse the move for a stand-pipe to improve our water system. With the present system we are liable to lose enough by one fire any day to pay for half a dozen water works. Think about it reader, and encourage the City Council to push the stand pipe proposition and get it up as early as possible.

We learned as we came down on the train that a real estate firm were getting ready to put in a town at Vigo and that Col. E. P. Turner is believed to be interested in the project. We hope this is true, as it will help all that neighborhood very much and will not hurt Baird in the least. In fact a small town there would help Baird.

Mineral waters are certainly booming this country. This place is going with a rush and another town 14 miles north is beginning to grow rapidly because of its mineral waters. Weatherford has the same kind of water and is improving a large addition around her wells on a nice elevation just west of the city. An Interurban railroad from Fort Worth via Weatherford to Mineral Wells and a city street railway system at Weatherford and this place are soon to be built.
A. G. WEBB.

PUTNAM LOCALS.

The new Water Works Co. have finished their tank. It will be a fine tank of water when it fills.

The Misses Smiths have put in a nice Millinery stock in the Putnam Dry Goods store. They are from Merkel, Texas. They seem to understand the business.

J. H. Surles, our real estate man, had a gentleman from Milam Co., out yesterday showing him over the County. He seemed to be well pleased and we think he will locate.

R. F. Scott, of Paris, was out looking after his ranch this week.

D. C. Riley made a business trip to Coahoma last week, where he thinks of locating soon.

L. R. Clemer is sick with the rheumatism.

Mr. D. C. Walker, of Baird, was shaking hands with friends in Putnam Sunday.

Prof. B. C. Chrisman, of Atwell, came to Putnam last Friday with his school to spell against Prof. Powell's school. The result was in favor of the Atwell school.

MORE AXON.

Died At Tecumseh.

Robert Lee, aged about 2 years, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Windham, died suddenly Tuesday evening. The little fellow was taken sick Monday night but they did not consider it serious and Tuesday morning he appeared to be better, but grew worse later in the day and died before a physician could be summoned.

We deeply sympathise with the parents and family in their sorrow.
J. R. Price, Mrs. J. H. Walker, Misses Clara and Irene Gilliland attended the funeral yesterday and returned home last night.

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departs.....	1:05 a. m.
No. 8. arrives.....	9:45 a. m.
departs.....	9:55 a. m.
No. 4. arrives.....	11:15 a. m.
departs.....	11:35 a. m.
WEST BOUND.	
No. 5. arrives.....	3:20 a. m.
departs.....	3:30 a. m.
No. 7. arrives.....	3:45 p. m.
departs.....	3:55 p. m.
No. 3. arrives.....	6:00 p. m.
departs.....	6:20 p. m.

A. L. TISDALE, Agent.

Fred Alvord came up from Fort Worth Saturday.

Easter only one week off. Buy what you need from B. L. Boydston.

Past Grand Master, Wm. James, of Fort Worth, visited the Masonic Lodge at Baird last Saturday night.

The measles seem to be pretty well scattered among the children mostly. Mrs. W. J. Cook is quite sick with them, the only grown person so far as we know, that has had them.

Ladies and Misses slippers, all styles. B. L. Boydston. 16-2

Col. Larkin Hearn was in town yesterday.

Men's low cuts for Easter at B. L. Boydston's. 16-2

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Brightwell, of Oplin, were in town Saturday.

BORN—To Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Orr, March 22, 1907, a boy.

Easter lawns and summer dress goods at Boydston's. 16-2

Just received a carload of buggies and hacks. B. L. Boydston. 16-2

Men's and boys straw hats for Easter at Boydston's. 16-2

Mrs. Sam Cutbirth Sr. and daughter, Miss Myrtle, of Reagan county, are visiting relatives here.

25 pounds, Y. C. sugar \$1.00, 5 packages Broadway coffee \$1.00 at B. L. Boydston's. 17tf

J. R. McFarlane and daughter, Miss Maudie, and Mr. Wyatt were in town last Saturday.

Just received a car load of Racine buggies, Peter Shuttler wagons. Sold on easy payment. B. L. Boydston. 17tf

B. L. Boydston sells Light Crust, Our Seal, Golden Fruit, and Banner Patent Mission Flour at \$1.25 per sack. 17tf

See change in Wristen & Johnsons ad. Their millinery opening last Friday and Saturday was a splendid success.

Willis Wintham, of Tecumseh, brought in a load of cotton seed Tuesday. On his arrival he received news that his little brother had died after he left home that morning.

5 packages Broadway Coffee \$1.00 at B. L. Boydston. 17tf

Ladies' skirts for Easter at B. L. Boydston's. 16-2

Easter eggs, large and small at B. L. Boydston's. 16-2

Frank Hall and Bill Vaughn were in Fort Worth Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Milhe Tisdale entertained a crowd of young people from Clyde Tuesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Ramsey, of Cottonwood, were in town Monday and Tuesday.

Mrs. Chas. Ruhup, after spending a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Hinds, has returned to her home at Big Springs.

I. R. Keele, of Tecumseh, made THE STAR a pleasant call yesterday and renewed his subscription to THE STAR and Dallas News.

Miss Jennie Harris, of the millinery department of B. L. Boydston's store at Clyde, spent Sunday with home folks at Admiral.

J. W. Frost, night telegraph operator at Merkel, visited his sister, Mrs. C. E. Johnson, between trains Saturday.

Spring is here sure, even the mesquite trees are in full leaf and the heaviest foliage noticed for years. If it were not for the old sturdy mesquite Baird would be almost bare of trees except in a few spots where people have planted trees around there premises.

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3 cans good corn - - - 25c
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1 3lb can hominy - - - 10c
1 3lb can pie peaches - - 10c
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Many other bargains. Come or phone CARTER & CLEMENTS. 13

One counter and two show cases for sale. Powell & Powell. 16-tf

Easter novelties, such as rabbits, chicks, etc. at B. L. Boydston's 16-2

A lot of new bracelets. See them Powell & Powell. 16-tf

Easter suits for men and boys B. L. Boydston's. 16-2

Our new 1907 wall paper is here. See it. Powell & Powell. 16-tf

Grandma Christian has returned from a visit to her daughter at Ennis.

Men's white and fancy vests for Easter at B. L. Boydston's. 16-2

Ben Allen and Minter Uzzell visited in Abilene, Friday night last.

Only Genuine Hawks Eye Glasses at Powell & Powell. 16-tf.

A crowd of Baird young people enjoyed supper at Spring Gap last Sunday.

Try a sack of Our Seal flour, \$1.25 B. L. Boydston. 17tf

Try a can of our Central Park or Broadway coffee. B. L. Boydston.

Miss Mary Swanzy has returned from Cottonwood, where she has been teaching music for some time.

Pure Ribbon Cane Syrup 50c per gallon at B. L. Boydston's. 17tf

B. L. Boydston sells 18 lbs granulated sugar for \$1.00. 17tf

J. D. Gilbert, of Atwell, called at THE STAR office yesterday and had his name placed on our subscription list.

That Beautiful Gloss comes from the varnish in Devoe's Varnish Floor Paint; costs 5 cents more a quart though. Sold by Miller & Chumney. 17

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ICE! Phone 150. J. W. Seay.

Chas. Strain has returned from Fort Worth where he has been played with the Weatherford band during the Fat Stock Show.

A. G. (Allen) Hudson, formerly of this County, now living at Hamlin surprised us with a visit today. Allen says everybody is prospering in his section.

Go Wilson's for all kinds of meats and sausage.

FROM MADEIRA.

Letter From S. J. Thomas on His Trip Abroad.

The sight of land, after being out on the ocean waste for eight long days, is calculated to excite the interest of the most blaise traveller, but the novice on his first sea legs is delighted beyond measure—any land so it be but a break in the monotony, the eternal monotony of water, water, water.

I happened to be up and walking the deck at dawn of the day that was to put a parenthesis of delight in the long tedious sentence of our journey. A blue-black wash pot lay overturned upon the horizon, the substance of things hoped for the vague evidence of things not seen. Slowly the outlines grew, slowly our expectations rose, till the dull surface began to take on tints and undulations to reveal their turreted battlements; till the physical topography of a fair and charming island lay outspread before us; till from mysterious groves of orange and aloes and geranium hedges a perfume as sweet as the breath of Paradise came to us on the tenders of the wind with a gracious welcome. As we ran along side this stranger of the sea for thirty miles a panorama of beauty was unrolled such as is rarely seen by the traveller on the highways of water. Abruptly out of the ocean a cluster of mountains rise to a height of 4000 to 6000 feet, and on their sides wherever there is a spot at all accessible to man and effort, a terrace is raised. These patches of green lay

on the mountain side and gave the whole colored map of circular blocks, in regular courses. The red tiled roofs were little islands in the water and the sides, riven with ravines and gnarled with rocks and jagged peaks, were yet covered with a veritable mantle of verdure and dotted with quaint and comfortable homes; the various colors of the green of vegetation, the mottled brown and onyx of the rocks, the red and white of the houses, the blue of the sky and the emerald of the sea.

Exactly at noon, under a tropic sun, in the hypnotism of perfumed breezes, we dropped anchor in the harbor of Funchal. Immediately half a hundred row-boats made for us, and the natives, stripped to the waist, began to point to the water and indicate by gestures and noisy cries that they wanted the opportunity to dive for coins. The passengers were eager to see the novel sport and tossed their small silver from the deck into the water and the half naked boys would plunge in after it. I must have seen these boys dive 300 times, and not once did they fail to come up with the trophy in their hands and holding it out in triumph. Many of the diving boys were not more than five years of age. From the steamer, a couple of miles from shore, the white city appeared as beautiful as a dream of fairy land a cluster of diamonds glittering low on the emerald front of an apparition uprisen from the sea. And when we were landed on the primi-

tive dock among the swarming throngs of men and women browned by Nature's gentlest sun and clad in scanty summer raiment, amid palms that never knew a frigid wind, and flowers that blushed behind trellised vines where lovers trysted, and where indolence lay at the back door of progress and moved only at the beck of necessity; in these strange surroundings, the delightful prospect from the ship became a delirium of pleasing surprise. A score of bullock sleds, which is the transportation system of the island, were in waiting, but I chose to stroll through the curious streets and observe at will the strange sights and scenes.

The streets were about as wide as the usual alley of an American city, some 15 feet I should say, running between walls of white washed stone houses or garden terraces and winding in and out like the convolutions of a cork screw in aggravating oriental style. They are paved with round stone pebbles the size of an egg and without any cement to hold them in place. There being no wheeled vehicles this pavement is enduring enough but is very trying on uninitiated feet. My own were so bruised that I could scarcely use them for a week. In many places, notably in the public gardens and entrances to the public buildings and best private homes, the paving stones are arranged in artistic designs. The entire city—every street—is paved in this way.

The main business section lies next to the water where the grade is not so steep; beyond the stores and shops the rise is almost precipitous. But disdainful of the interference of altitude and gravity the white walls in sinuous parallels climb the abrupt slope and the white boxes of houses hold on with a tenacity that is marvelous. In company with a guide I climbed a succession of tortuous streets to the home—I almost said the aerie—of our consul, Hon. Maxwell Blake. It was a strenuous undertaking for a tenderfoot, but the end fully justified the means. Entering the premises through iron gated gates in the long wall that as without a break on each side of every street, we followed a circumlocution of pebble paved walks, lined and overspread with tropical loveliness, until we were on the veranda of an elysian bungalow. Mr. Blake was a mine of information and I dug him deep for authentic facts.

The island of Maderia is 38 miles long by 13 wide. Over 300 square miles of its rough and rugged surface has been put in cultivation by the natives, an undertaking that would have baffled any other people in the world. The mountains are belted by a net work of walled terraces built mostly of pebbles gathered on the beach and carried up on the backs of donkeys. The amount of work that has been required to construct these industrial fortifications must have been prodigious, is almost incomprehensible. There are thousands of these little pocket farms about the size of a steamboat stateroom, upheld by terrace walls averaging ten feet high, and every whit of the soil has been carried there from the valleys in saddle bags on the backs of donkeys. Great care has to be exercised by the natives when asleep at night lest in turning over they fall out of their farm and sustain serious injury.

The population is only 150,000, chiefly Portuguese, and yet the island is more densely settled than any country excepting Belgium and Malta. A Mrs. Turner, formerly of Missouri, is the only American resi-

dent. The air is serene and delicate, the thermometer registering only the slightest variations during the year. Summer succeeds itself in a continuity of delight joining hands around the seasons in a perennial dance of flowers and zephyrs and sun. So prodigal is Nature in her gifts of climate and vegetation that the natives cannot imagine anything more to be desired and regard the utilities of our civilization as encroachments on ease and comfort and never to be thought of in Madeira. Lazy steers slowly dragging the canopied and upholstered sleds; the drivers with prod and languid hugo keeping them awake and on their feet; the uncomplaining donkeys in solemn procession doing the only real work; the drifting streams of brown in the deep cut channels of trade; the house wives idling in the shades of palms; the priests in lugubrious garb of shining black—Sentinels on the walls of superstition; this is Funchal, capital of Madeira, set against a back ground that is a duplicate of Eden. It is as fair a land as was ever kissed by a zephyr or laved in the lap of a sea.


Grape culture and the production of wine are the chief industries of Madeira. The natives drink, all of them drink, and they drink all the time. Their breaths are so rank that the air that they pollute would be in toxicating did not the refining flow-ers offset its foulness with their fragrance. But it is not wine that they drink; this the export for the money it brings. Sugar cane, strange as it may seem, next to religion, paradoxical as it may seem, is the national curse. Its juice is distilled into a nasty drink and they consume it to the extreme of gluttony and debauchery. Statistics show that more alcohol is consumed per capita in Madeira than anywhere else in the world. Irish potatoes are grown extensively but they have been attacked by a disease that has reduced the production 60 per cent in recent years and threatens the total destruction of the plant. Bananas are prolific and abundant, but the West Indies and Canary Islands, owing to better shipping facilities, have stolen the export trade of Madeira in this fruit and it is now inconsiderable, whereas it was once important.

Embroideries and ornamental needle work are a source of large revenue, fifty tons of this exquisite stuff being sold annually to the foreign trade, amounting to a quarter of a million dollars. This fancy art was introduced in 1856 by an English lady, and now 15,000 women and girls are constantly employed in this work. Much of it is done under contract at wages of 10c to 50c a day. Girls as young as 8 years are quite expert in embroidery. Our ship was visited by embroidery vendors in great numbers and it is needless to say the women went crazy. America is the biggest buyer of embroideries of any country, not only at Funchal but all over the world, and this is because Americans travel more than other people, have more money and spend it more freely for things to please the darlings of the home.

Funchal is visited by 1500 foreign freight ships annually but not a single American craft has shown up there for two years. The Stars and Stripes is a curiosity in every port, and what goods we sell are sold under foreign colors. Personally I am unalterably opposed to the principle of a ship subsidy, but the one regret I have experienced on this trip to other lands is that our flag is so seldom seen, and something should be done, I am convinced to encourage American shipping.

A ride up the mountain on a cog-road is one of the rare experiences of the visitor in Funchal. The moving vistas of emerald that are little more than steps of palms and banan-

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as and cane and vines—terraces with their lapfuls of verdure tier on tier; valleys deep and graceful; profound chasms throwing back against the mountain side the echoes of the climbing train. And then from the terminus half way to the top a view of the city lying against the mountain side like red and white embroidery on a tunic of green, and the quite expanse of the ocean like a mirror in a frame of blue. A Catholic Church which crowns the summit of an eminence here has, among

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FROM MADEIRA.

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the usual contents of such sanctuaries, a lot of wax human limbs on its walls, placed there by the devotees Virgin out of gratitude for the healing of the particular limbs represented in wax.

A ride on sleds by the slick pebbled roads two miles down the mountain is exciting in the extreme. A native guides the vehicle on foot from behind with ropes, permitting it to glide at great speed. This road is very crooked, and in the ride we took, it looked at times as if we were sure to be dashed against the walls, but a dexterous manipulation of the reins sent us safely around the threatening bends and we landed right side up with care at the foot of the mountain, the driver sweating and blowing from the run. Time 9 minutes; fare 2 shillings and, if you please 20 reis for a drink.

In enumerating the industries of the island I neglected to mention a most important and lucrative one—that of begging. Every child there is a persistent medusa at your heels. "Penny, please; me so poor; need-a bread so bad." It is the only English they know and they know that sentence in French, German and Portuguese. Donate a penny to one of them and your munificence is heralded to the uttermost limits of the town and wherever you go thereafter they swarm about you like a plague of Egyptian flies. In the midst of the contemplation of some sublime scene in which the soul rises into the empyrian, you are suddenly conscious of a collapse to sordid earth by the plea of a little pie-faced mendicant, "Penny, please; me so poor." Drivers beg, guides beg for tips for booze, women assume pathetic tones and poses and beg; everybody begs, not because they are needy, for they need nothing except to be born again somewhere else and graded up but because its their business and it pays.

There are two Protestant missions at Funchal, viz: The Methodist and Scotch Presbyterians. In 1846 there were 1000 Protestants in Madeira, all of them converted through the efforts of the missionaries; but persecutions by the Catholics that year drove them all out, not one being left, and little missionary effort has been made there since. In 1898 Bishop Hartsell of the American Methodist Church established a mission, and later two branches of this mission have been established in other portions of the island. The efforts of 9 years have been rewarded by 70 converts. Catholicism is of course the state religion and that church receives strong financial support from the government. The priests are absolute masters of the people, high and low alike, and many superstitions and foolish practices have been grafted into the regular Catholic forms of worship. The Cathedral is the central point around which all things revolve and to which all things are subsidiary. Its shadow falls across every attempt to rise from the slough of degeneracy. This is true of all Latin countries.

Madeira is a province of Portugal and the local administration is corrupt from Governor down to the pompous little peacocks who strut in uniform as city police. The island has the highest protective tariff on the globe and its custom revenues are a bare \$250,000, practically all of which goes into the pockets of the carpet-baggers who are fattening unmolested at the public crib.

Funchal with a population of 50,000, is without a telephone system—this is not surprising, but it has electric lights—this is a surprise. The illumination at nights as seen from the Arabic is inspiring, the myriad lights glittering in radiant tiers like jewels on the bosom of night. Three small streams, originat-

ing in the mountain snows, run through the city in channels 20 feet deep by 40 feet wide, the walls of which are of solid masonry. The women do the town washing in the beds of these channels and when they are at work in long irregular lines, with their yellow progeny half dressed, half exposed on the rocks and their primitive linen outstretched on branches and shrubs, the scene is a novel and interesting one.

The milk supply is derived from goats which are driven through the streets in small herds. The goats are milked at the residence or place of business of the customer and the goods delivered warm and unwatered. The streets are cleaned by two methods: with brush brooms at night and by pigs in daytime. At any time of the day at almost any place a poorly dressed and provety-stricken native, usually a woman, may be seen holding a pig by a rope while it eats the refuse of the street. Late in the afternoon pigs and drivers may be met in droves on their way home.

The money of Madeira is reckoned in reis, a rey having a value of a tenth of an American copper cent. The first experience I had with this money was in trying to settle for a light repast of coffee and fruit at a cafe. I asked the amount of the bill and was informed that it was 200 reis. "How much?" I again queried in a shock of astonishment that well nigh took me off my feet and gave palpitation of the heart. "I do not want to buy your shop—I am not a Rockefeller—I am not a fool, if I do look like it." A look of supreme injured innocence overspread the brown face of the proprietor—he was honest I could see it mirrored there—it was my mistake and I was ruined. I resolved on a flash of scheming meditation to put myself on his mercy, and throwing the contents of my pocket on the table, amounting to \$8.70 in English money, begged him to take it and release me from the balance of the obligation, or else take my note for it. He understood little English and consequently did not fully understand the predicament that I was in and my anguish and desperation. But imagine my surprise and superlative delight when the little native pushed back into my hands the gold and silver pieces, retaining a shilling which is only 24 cents in our money, and gave me in change two coppers as big as our half dollars. I invested 15 cents of American silver in this iron money and had to employ assistance to help me carry it away I bought a piece of embroidery for which I paid 3,000 reis and could have bought two more without depleting my purse to the danger point.

It was to Funchal that Columbus followed a dark eyed damsel of Madeira from Portugal and winning her hand, married and lived among her people for several years prior to 1492. His wife is buried there now and a tablet setting out these facts is on the old house where the couple lived.

It is not surprising that a land of such poetry of landscape, such harmonies of color and sun, such symphonies of indolent ease and luxury should have been introduced to history by a heroic and pathetic romance. In 1834 a young Englishman of humble ancestry, Robert Machein by name, fell in love with Anna D'Arfet, a pretty French maiden of noble family. The addresses of Machein were warmly reciprocated by the young lady but were opposed by her parents. The match was peremptorily prohibited on penalty of disinheritance. Anna sacrificed her own heart's feelings on the altar of parental obedience and accepted the proposal of a nobleman of her own country. The nuptials were fixed but never took place, for on the eve of the loveless ceremony she met her first and only lover and they eloped

under the cover of night in a boat. A storm caught the frail craft and drove it past the boundary of their reckonings. After drifting for several days they were stranded on an island. The fair young bride suffered severely from the exposure and the shock of the storm, and in a short time died. Machein remained on the island for a year after the death of his wife and then he too passed away. In the year 1418, Zargo, the Portuguese explorer, landed on the island and found the grave of the lady, and on a rude tombstone an inscription by the husband giving a short history of the incident, requesting that his bones be laid beside those of his wife and a chapel reared over the double grave. This pious wish was granted and the chapel is there today, a silent memorial of a pathetic romance.

This island is little known to the world and yet it is the world's beauty spot. Sailors say they know no place which so delights and astonishes at first sight. How I would like to spend a season in the midst of its incomparable beauties, in the simple luxury of its ease and restfulness. Oh, Madeira, fair Madeira; lovely child of sea and sky; in memory's kodak we will keep one film for thee.

S. J. THOMAS.

ADVERTISED LIST.

The following is a list of letters remaining unclaimed in the P. O. at Baird, Texas, for week ending March 16th 1907. Parties calling for same please say advertised.

- Young, Miss May
- Sanford, Mrs. Addie
- Smith, Miss Kate
- Smith, J. L.
- Rogers, Mr. Archie
- Peck, Mr. Tony
- McNeal, Mr. Pafford
- Moss, Mrs. Lela
- Johnson, Mr. Wm.
- Edwards, Mr. Will
- Eason, Mrs. Myrtle
- Calaway, Mr. Roy
- Butler, Mr. E. L.
- Atkison, Mr. B. O.
- Anderson, E. B.
- Arambula, Sr. Matias

Wm. McMANTIS, P. M.

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TREASURERY DEPARTMENT.

OFFICE OF THE COMPTROLLER.

WASHINGTON, D. C. March, 5, 1907.

Whereas by satisfactory evidence presented to the undersigned, it has been made to appear that The Farmers National Bank of Cross Plains, in the town of Cross Plains, in the County of Callahan, and State of Texas, has complied with all the provisions of the Statutes of the United States, required to be complied with before an association shall be authorized to commence the business of Banking.

Now Therefore I, William B. Ridgely, Comptroller of the Currency, do hereby certify that The Farmers National Bank of Cross Plains, in the town of Cross Plains, in the County of Callahan and State of Texas, is authorized to commence the business of Banking as provided in Section fifty one hundred and sixty-nine of the Revised Statutes of the United States.

In Testimony Whereof witness my hand and Seal of office this Fifth day of March 1907.

WM. B. RIDGELY,
15-9 Comptroller of the Currency.

Afflicted With Rheumatism.

"I was and am yet afflicted with rheumatism," says J. C. Bayne, editor of the Hearld, Addington, Indian Territory, "but thanks to Chamberlain's Pain Balm am able once more to attend to business. It is the best of liniments." If troubled with rheumatism give Pain Balm a trial and you are certain to be more than pleased with the prompt relief which it affords. One application relieves the pain. For sale by All Druggists.



A "Life Preserver"

You can't keep a good man down when "Star" comes his way. Most men take a new lease on the pleasures of life when they get hold of a plug of that rich, juicy chew —

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"Star" is always the chew that is chosen when a choice is offered. It has quality that no other plug equals—that's why its sales surpass those of any five other kinds.

None but the best leaf ever gets under a "Star" tag—the ripe, sweet, leaf that is so elastic and lasting. And because it's the best quality it lasts longest, chews choicest and proves far more economical than other kinds. Buy a plug and see.

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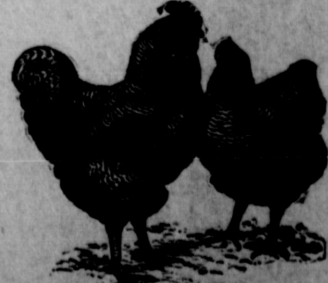
Clothing, Gloves, Collars, Ties, Handkerchiefs, Suspenders, Dry Goods, Notions, Stationery, Books, Cutlery, Glass, Tin and Graniteware, Light Hardware, and in fact everything in the House Goods Line. We can save you money. No trouble to show goods.

Yours to Please,

HAMMANS BROS.

BAIRD POULTRY FARM

Barred and Buff Rocks and White Wyandottes



Won more prizes than any Breeder in the West, last season—38 in all, 16 first and 12 second—at the West Tex Fair. Won the Stetson hat for three best pullets, won 4 1st, 3 2nd at Cisco, won 4 1st and 3 2nd at West Texas Poultry Show. I have fine pens mated and am hatching some fine youngsters. Eggs \$1.50 for 15.

Phone No. 128 **J. R. Reed** P. O. Box 220 Baird, Texas.

NOTHING SUCCEEDS
LIKE SUCCESS



When I entered into the Millinery Business on my own account I had reason to suppose that my long experience as a buyer in Eastern Markets would qualify me to place before my friends and patrons such **ELABORATE** and **EXCLUSIVE DESIGES** in up-to-date **MILLINERY** that I could reasonably expect much consideration from them. Such expectations have been more than realized. **ARTISTIC CREATIONS** have had the stamp of approval placed upon them by the people. Such approval warrants me in allowing the very newest things to arrive daily.



I WILL CATER TO THE WANTS OF ALL and nothing will be considered **TOO NEW** or **MODISH** for the people of Baird and Callahan County.

Mrs. A. M. Miller

Pres. HENRY JAMES, V.P. T. E. THORNTON, Cash.

First National Bank
 OF BAIRD.

Largest and Oldest Banks in the West.
 Capital \$50,000, Surplus \$17,000

Money Loaned. General Banking.
 Business Solicited.
 the Transaction of Business.

There was quite a number of out of town members in attendance at the Masonic Lodge Saturday night. Among them were: R. J. Harris, J. B. Smart, D. F. Harp, W. K. Boatwright, J. C. McAdoo, A. H. Tuberville, B. C. Lowery, Rod Kelton, T. H. Hampton, R. P. Stephenson, W. H. Perry, Herschall Bryant and perhaps others whose names we failed to get.

OPERA NEWS.

Ruben Gine will play at Cooke's Opera House Monday, April 5th.

J. C. Jones has just completed a storm house.

See change in R. L. Boydston's ad.

See change in Mrs. Miller's Millinery ad on last page.

Price McFarlane and family came in sometime ago from Sierra Blanco on a visit. Price returned leaving his family here for the present.

DO NOT SCRATCH
HOOPER'S TELLER CURE

When your hands crack open and bleed use "Hooper's Teller Cure."

Dandruff is a germ disease. "Hooper's Teller Cure" is the greatest germ destroyer known.

Why suffer with Tetter, Eczema, Itch, or any kind of skin disease when "Hooper's Teller Cure" is guaranteed to cure. Ask your druggist.

Standing on the feet causes them to blister, sweat, swell, ache, and become tender. "Hooper's Teller Cure" stops these troubles at once. Try it and you will tell others. Manufactured by Hooper Medicine Co. (INC.) DALLAS, TEXAS.

Sold by Baird Drug Co.

BAIRD DRUG CO.

Successors to R. Phillips

Drugs, Medicines, Jewelry, Watches, Clocks, Etc., Etc.

Paints, Oils, Wall Paper, Books, Pencils and Tablets.

Large Line of Seth Thomas and Ingram Clocks.

Dr. Griggs will have an office at our store. Phone No. 41.

There was a light rain last Sunday night accompanied by a considerable electric display. W. G. Bowlus residence was struck by lightning and set on fire. Lawrence, the oldest son, was considerably shocked, but nothing serious. The fire was extinguished, with little damage, but Grant says he had a lively time around there for a few minutes. It was fortunate that no one was seriously hurt. No other damage was done about town that we heard of.

Dr. E. R. Sartor's family left last week for their new home at Rotan, out at the head of navigation on the Texas Central. It is with sincere regret that THE STAR has to chronicle the departure of Dr. Sartor and family, but Baird's loss is Rotan's gain. Dr. Sartor is a fine physician and always had a lucrative practice while in Baird, and is a Christian gentleman in the fullest sense that the words imply. The very best wishes of THE STAR go with Dr. Sartor and family to their new home.

Doc Walker, who has been working for his brother, J. H. Walker, in the job department of THE STAR office, for sometime, has gone to Galveston.

Burglars broke into B. L. Boydston's grocery store Tuesday night. The cash drawer was robbed of its contents, only a small amount and possibly some other things were taken but the loss was small.

Spool of Wire.

The party who took the spool of wire from Doc Ramsey's farm, the Trujove place, is requested to return same. If this is intended as a joke it has gone far enough, the party was seen when they got it and if it is not promptly returned something will be doing when the grand jury meets.

T. & P. Improvements.

W. J. Harris, contractor has a large force with teams at work on the grade west of the yards, which will be extended 1500 feet from the present western limit. Mr. Harris, a nephew of Mr. Murray Harris, arrived this morning with an outfit also to work on the yards here. It is said that the Company will spend about \$45,000.00, improving and enlarging the yards and round house at this point. This does not look much like the road is going to move the round house away from Baird that has been claimed for the past twenty-five years.



NOTICE!

If there is a Lady or Gentleman in Baird or elsewhere that would like to buy Land or Farm property anywhere along the Texas & Pacific Railroad, or if you have Land or Town property to exchange, it will pay you to write.

J. H. Surles
 Putnam, Texas

Baird has lost some good citizens the past few weeks and Rotan has gained. Dr. Sartor, Orus L. Phillips druggist, and John W. Woods, lawyer, with their families have moved to Rotan. All of them have lived in Baird for many years. Orus Phillips was raised in Baird, and John Woods was raised in the county. They are all among our very best citizens, and we cheerfully recommend them as such to the people of their new home, and in passing express the hope that some day THE STAR will have the pleasure of chronicling their return to Baird crowned with the fruits of success in their western home.

Tablets, Pencils, Ink, etc. Powell & Powell, 41-42.

Phone 150 For Ice.
J. W. SEAY.

Need A Watchman

The town needs a live, energetic watchman, who should be appointed by the City Council even if the citizens pay them. It is not the best plan to allow just any one who will go around and get up a list of subscribers to be watchman. The Council should have a say as to who shall act as night watchman. These remarks are prompted by the fact that the past few years there has been considerable complaint about the negligence of those appointed night watchmen. After a few months it is claimed that some of them become careless and the service of little value. This of course does not apply to all who have acted as night watchman, but does to some, and for that reason more care should be used in selecting them.

See new ad of Baird Lumber Co. They are making some close prices on lumber. Note prices given in ad.