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Bargain Seekers! Go to Boydston's.

## HEAD THE BARGAINS!

### At Boydston's Store.

FOR DECEMBER BUYER'S--WE WILL BE READY.  
The Best Goods at the LOWEST PRICES--You Can Get.

#### OVERCOATS.

A bargain to be had. I bought this week a line of drummer samples at a heavy discount and will offer these overcoats to my trade at just the manufacturers price. Be on hand and get some of the good bargains--they are here for you. Drummer samples are always better made and better finished.

#### Men's and Boy's Clothing.

We are the only house in town that bought any quantity of new clothing this fall. We knock them all out in price and you get new goods besides. Get them at this year's prices.

#### Blankets.

Is a necessity we have them in stock from 60cts. to \$6.00.

#### Mackintoshes.

We have just new and handsome Mackintoshes and please anyone.

Haven't room to prices. Domestic checks, canton flannel, flannelets, ginghams lower than anyone.

## BOYDSTUN.

**DEEP CREEK DOTS.**  
December 1.—John McLendon and the Hawk left last week for the East. Whether they go to buy cattle or to be married or for the purpose of giving John's young mules some exercise I can't say, as the whole movement is shrouded in mystery.  
W. H. Crawford, who last year cultivated the farm of Mrs. Anderson, south of Spring Gap moved last Thursday with his family to Jones county. Tom Pool Jr., a son of Mr. Tyre Pool, has rented the place for the next season.  
Clark Smith began the building of his new residence last week but the cold wave interfered. D. C. Campbell is superintending the job.  
And here comes Ed Hite and is ready to make an affidavit that his boy weighed 11 pounds. The newcomer arrived Friday and the newly made papa feels a little swollen up as it is the first arrival of that kind. As soon as you have registered the first dozen or even the first half dozen, the excitement subsides considerably—what that so Mr. Editor? [You bet.]  
The cold wave which commenced Friday still continues. Today, the fifth day of the spell, the thermometer went down to 28 degrees inside the house. It is fine time for bug-killing and the more welcome as the corn-crop was not very abundant in this valley. And to buy corn at 50 cts a

bushel while you can get it for 40 cts is a good thing. So far Mr. Street has not been a grunter tipping the scales. W. E. Pruett expects to move south of the Maltby place in Barnett county for a farm. Mr. Pruett will stay on the farm for another year before he moves to Barnett county.  
Recognizing the fact that the demand of the people for a better best possible. Some times, I have seen people who have been out of their homes for a long time and after being away for a long time of the section. The safety and in the adjoining board of local business.  
Oscar Jones has purchased four hundred acres from J. L. McWhorter. He will drive them to his ranch in Greer county.

**NEW BOOK STORE!**  
Holiday Display.  
A FULL LINE OF  
Books, Stationery, Periodicals, Toilet Articles, Fire Works and  
CHRISTMAS GOODS  
In Large Variety.  
I intend to keep everything really kept in stock in a book store. What I have not on hand is coming. Come and see me and I will please you in styles and prices.  
**R. A. SPEER.**  
Door North of Palace Restaurant.  
Baird, Texas.

**A CHRISTMAS TRIP.**  
The thousands of Texans who came from the south Atlantic states find much pleasure in reverting to the happy days of long ago when they were children, and often they awake at night to recall those scenes of yore which gave to life a charm, and which now come in later years as visions of joy. There is a tender spot in every heart for the old home, and the memories which cluster about the dear old spot are solaces in the weary, weary struggle we make day by day to build in our new Eldorado a home to which our children in the future time will turn, as we now turn to the old place where our loved-ones in the evening of life await the final summons.  
The Texas & Pacific Railway Co. again offers you the opportunity to go "back to the old home." Round trip excursion tickets will be on sale from all points on the system on Dec. 21st, 22nd, 1896, to all points in the southeastern states, at one fare for the round trip, tickets good 30 days from date of sale. See your nearest ticket agent for further information, and do not fail to send eight cents postage on the undersigned for a copy of the circular publication on Texas ever to show to your friends at home.  
GASTON MASLER,  
G. P. & T. A., Dallas, Texas.

**WITHOUT A...**  
No other kind such tests as Jack Frost Baking Norton sole agent.  
**BOOK STRY**  
Some one has bought from this office, Hitchcock of the Bible." Who confer a favor by return STAR office.  
**DO YOU**  
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**LET ME TELL YOU SOMETHING!**  
T. E. Powell Bell  
Hilton Brown's Security School Shoe for \$1.05.  
I AM DOING MORE BUSINESS THAN I EVER DONE IN MY LIFE--AND I NEED WHERE TO GET BARGAINS--IT IS AT THE STORE OF T. E. POWELL'S. THAT THEY CAN'T GET GOODS ANYWHERE ELSE AS CHEAP AS AT T. E. POWELL'S.  
To Powell's and be Convinced,  
BARGAINS ARE ENORMOUS

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**Chippewa Still Raging.**  
Chippewa, Wis., Dec. 2.—Yesterday was a day of excitement and anxiety and last night found the inhabitants of this little village in a state bordering on panic.  
The worst of the situation is the knowledge of the impending danger and of the fact that they are utterly helpless to stay or avert it. Those whose houses have been flooded have removed such of their household goods and belongings to higher ground and are huddled together in the school houses and other vacant buildings out of the path of the torrent that is sweeping down several of the main streets.  
All hope of breaking the gorge and thus allowing the pent-up waters to gradually subside is now abandoned. All efforts yesterday were directed toward removing household goods and merchandise out of the reach of the flood. Every team in the city has been engaged in the work. Every resident and business firm of River street has moved out. The Chippewa Lumber and Boom company's mill and yards are under water and all hope has been given up of saving the entire business portion of the place from being submerged and the water will soon reach the courthouse eight blocks from the river.  
A report from Little Falls was brought in yesterday morning that another gorge was forming thirty miles above here and this greatly added to the alarm as in case it should break nothing could save the city from being swept away. Reports of a very serious nature come from down the river. The country is flooded everywhere.  
The gorge continues to grow in extent. It is now over five miles long and in places thirty to fifty feet high. It completely dams the river and this is what is causing the rapid rise of the river here. The heavy rains of last week were followed by a sudden freeze which quickly massed the floating ice in the Chippewa and the swift-running current continually added to it until it reached its present gigantic proportions.  
Below here the Chippewa is falling. There is no flood at Eau Claire, but this fact is causing the people at that place much uneasiness, as it indicates that the water is being piled up as by a dam above them.  
The ice pack at Badger mills half way between Eau Claire and Chippewa Falls is growing in extent and every-thing seems to indicate that the river is choking up.  
It is not believed that anything serious can happen under the present conditions for at least a day or two and it is believed everyone has been sufficiently warned and is in readiness to fly the moment the crash comes.

**Trying to Starve Maceo Out.**  
Cincinnati, O., Dec. 2.—A special from Key West, Florida, says: Weyler's threat that he would starve Maceo out seems likely to be carried out, as from all reports from Mariel, near where Weyler is now, the work of destruction is being carried out fully. The Spanish army sweeps everything before it, killing bees that it cannot use, burning cane fields and small stores with their provisions and leaving a wide waste of desolation in its wake.  
People vainly implore Weyler to leave them provisions to keep them alive, but his brutal officers refuse with oaths and insulting words, if not worse. Over 300 refugees have come into Mariel since Weyler went out this last time, all giving the same story of rapine, plunder and murder of the Spaniards. A Spanish guerrilla captain named Colazzo is accused of murdering 100 persons in the valleys 100 miles south of Mariel during the latter part of November. In one instance he is accused of confining a number of women and girls in church, and after they had been repeatedly abused and maltreated by his men, burned the building with them in it.  
Many of these outrages, all as horrible, are charged to him and his company.

**Gunboat to Sail.**  
San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 2.—The United States gunboat Bennington has finished taking on coal and will sail to-day for Callao in the wake of the Philadelphia. The Marion, which has been in Peruvian waters for several months will probably be ordered north and may go back to this port.

The gunboat Petrel is already in commission at Mare Island, and her details of officers assigned. The Concord will be the next to go into commission at the navy yard. The Pensacola, Baltimore and Charleston are in various stages of repair.

**Wire in Forester Square.** Bradford K. recently caused damage which costs \$1,600,000.  
Two firemen were run over by a train and killed at Everett, Mass., the other was injured.

**Receipts and Expenditures.**  
Bentonville, Ark., Dec. 2.—Comparative statement of the receipts and expenditures of the United States show that for the month of November, 1896, total receipts were \$25,210,696, and expenditures \$32,260,720. Receipts for the five months of the year amount to \$131,650,489 and expenditures \$171,597,335. For the month of November, 1895, total receipts were \$25,210,696, and for the five months of the year \$131,650,489, compared with \$25,210,696 for the corresponding five months last year.

**TREMENDOUS FLOODS.**  
**ICE GORGE CAUSES THE CHIPPEWA RIVER TO RISE.**  
Many Families Had to Flee in Their Night Robes to Places of Safety—There Was Much Suffering Among the Women and Children.  
Eau Claire, Wis., Dec. 1.—An ice gorge formed at the mouth of the Chippewa which caused the water to back up rapidly Saturday night and Sunday morning. On the lowlands below Durand the rise was so rapid that many families had to flee in their night robes to places of safety and leave their all behind them.  
The suffering among the women and children was intense, and many are reported as having frozen feet and limbs. Those who could fled to the railroad track. There they built a fire and tried to protect themselves from the frosty winds until relief arrived. An engine and coach, sent out from Durand Sunday morning, gathered up about forty or fifty of these unfortunate, but so far the train could not reach the upper part of the town.  
It is believed that some of the people were not reached by the rescuing party, may have perished. Last night farms and farm buildings along six miles of the Chippewa valley are under water.  
The flood is being added to hourly at the rate of six inches, and before morning, unless the gorge breaks, the city will be partly under water. At 9 o'clock last night the basements of all buildings on Spring street were flooded, and in some instances the lower floors are covered.  
The people occupying business houses in the lower part of the city are hastily removing their personal effects to high ground. A great deal of property is threatened, and many highways are without bridges. Below the immense gorge the river is practically dry, and when the dam breaks the body of water in the reservoir must carry destruction to the valley below.  
Peplin, Wis., Dec. 1.—The flood in the Chippewa bottoms is increasing in fury. The Chicago, Milwaukee and Chippewa valley road is badly washed out and is covered with trees, logs and ice gorges for miles. There will be no traffic for a week or ten days. The bridge over Smith's Slough, one mile below Klino Junction on the Chicago, Burlington and Northern road, is unsafe. Rock trains with big crews were at work last night on it. There are jams of ice and logs in the Chippewa at the Burlington bridge, Chippewa Valley bridge, at Read's Landing and at the head of West Newton Slough, above Alma. The water is at a standstill, but more trouble is feared unless the jams break. There are 3,000,000 logs and forty cribs of lumber in the jams.  
Five families were rescued from upper stories and roofs in the flooded district Sunday.

**Mexico News.**  
City of Mexico, Dec. 1.—Gen. Diaz will take the oath of office to-day as president of the republic for the fourth consecutive term, making five terms in the chief magistracy.  
The ceremony will be witnessed by a brilliant assembly of foreign diplomats and distinguished people. He is in robust health and his programme for the ensuing four years follows substantially his policy during this term with special emphasis to be given popular education. He will, if he lives, show at the end of this term, which concludes the century, several railways crossing Mexico from sea to sea, gigantic port works and hundreds of new factories.  
It is believed Gen. Diaz may go around the world during the coming year, as the affairs of Mexico are in a prosperous condition and internal policies abundantly assured.  
Railway freights are very heavy and importations of steel for railways and accessories indicate the continuance of the active construction, especially on branches of trunk lines and inter-oceanic routes.  
The Mexican Central's extension to Ameca will be formally opened by President Diaz in a few days and hopes are entertained of the completion of a railway from Chihuahua to Chicago.

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**Securities Found.**  
New York, Dec. 1.—Catching evidence against Stephen Dutton, supposed to be the chief of the McLaughlin gang, was obtained in a box seized in Hoboken, N. J. McLaughlin was arrested. Among the papers found in the box was the prospectus of the River Coal Oil company, of West Virginia, with an alleged paid-up capital stock of \$3,750,000. With this cooperation and the bogus Standard Coal Oil company, it was proposed to "beat" Wall street by floating the stock. The officers were A. A. Dutton, president; F. Zelig, secretary, and M. Wickizer, treasurer. The general offices were at Hamlin, W. Va.  
McLaughlin proposed to use a 100,000-acre tract of waste land in Kentucky, which he claimed to own, for a city, to be called Hampton Park City. Handsome maps, showing choice lots and public buildings to be erected in this city in the wilderness, were found. Many of the securities found were genuine, and many were of unknown origin and of questionable value. Among the securities found in the false bottom of the box were bonds and stocks of the Mecklenberg Gold and Copper company of Baltimore, of the Chesapeake Fire Insurance company, of the Louisiana Pierre-Phosphate Mining company, of the Platte Canyon Mining company, of the Washington City and Mining company, of the Malachite Silver Mining company, of the Wayne County Coal and Iron company of West Virginia, of the Garfield and Silver Mining company, of the Bertha and Edith Gold Mining company, of the Manley Consolidated Mining and Milling company, of the Standard Union Manufacturing company, of the United States Trust and Title Guarantee company, of the Foster Electric company and of the Hydr-Pneumatic Oil company of New York.  
A security of undoubted value was found in a 7 per cent second-class mortgage bond of the Salem, Rome and Dalton Railroad company, No. 3434, dated March 11, 1882, to run to 1899. From this the coupons had been clipped up to date.  
One of the bonds found was that of the Cedar Tree Mining and Milling company of New York, with land in Pinal county, Arizona. It was signed "William Williams, president." Assistant District Attorney Battle says the syndicate has floated a lot of paper of this "William Williams," who is a retired sea captain, living in Brooklyn. Thus far it was believed that he was the dupe of the gang.

**The Ward Trial.**  
Memphis, Tenn., Dec. 1.—The trial of A. K. Ward has now lasted nearly five weeks and the outlook is that it will not be concluded for ten days or two weeks longer.  
The proceedings yesterday were interesting. Ward himself was on the stand. He has now been undergoing examination for a week.  
The feature of the day was Ward claiming a defendant's privilege and refusing to answer alleged incriminating questions. He was asked to explain how the signature of S. C. Toof on a certain note could be genuine when Toof was at the time in Havana. Ward had previously explained that he did not date many notes until he negotiated them and often several days after indorsements were secured.

**A Shooting and Cutting Affray.**  
McCormick, S. C., Dec. 1.—An altercation took place yesterday at Bethany church, near this place between L. J. Williams on one side and J. V. White and D. L. White, brothers, on the other in which J. V. White was instantly killed and D. L. White fatally wounded, the latter dying in a few hours after the difficulty.  
Williams was severely cut in different places. He was assailed by the Whites, both using their knives. Williams finally drew his pistol and fired on his assailants. Williams, according to the evidence of bystanders, acted purely in self-defense.

**Officers, a member of the board of control of the state dispensary.**

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**A BLIZZARD RAGING.**  
**THE TEMPERATURE LOW ZERO.**  
Trains are Tied Up on Account of the Snow. 500 Sheep Perish—The Stockmen Expecting Great Loss of Cattle on the Prairies.  
St. Paul, Minn., Nov. 30.—The weather in St. Paul continued to be cold. The lowest point reached Saturday was 11 degrees below zero. The Northern Pacific west of the Dakota division was open Saturday night and trains were running as usual.  
Bismarck, N. D., Nov. 30.—The Northern Pacific is still in this state, and no trains will move beyond Pacific coast train, which reached St. Paul Tuesday last, and should have day, is stuck until rotary snow drifts on the tracks. In some deep drifts a coal fan and there will be much relief is afforded at the present no casual great losses of cattle must have caught prepared.  
Devils Lake, N. D., weather continues thermometer indicating degrees below zero. From the east since arrived yesterday evening load of sheep, three caught in the blizzard, six miles west of animals were on the double-deck cars during blizzard.  
Out of 2300 sheep at the shipment was Mont.  
Williston, N. D., bound passenger train bound here two days, opened to Minot Saturday bound passenger train day will not arrive reports of loss of life of Duluth, Minn., Nov. 30.—The weather of the season here yesterday morning grees below zero was the weather bureau.  
New York, Nov. 30.—The temperature is rising and there are no indications of a severe storm.

**A Strange Disease.**  
Glasgow, Ky., Nov. 30.—A singular and deadly malady, which baffled the skill of the physicians, was broken out in the Coral hood in this county, and spreading within the neighborhood which embraces an area of miles square, are greatly alarmed. The disease broke out two weeks ago and do people whose premises are in the neighborhood of the physicians to be highly contagious disease, and in some cases the lower extremities of the patients are first affected, the disease then spreads to the wrists and arms, and in some cases the tongue turns black and the patient dies. The skin turns black and the tongue turned purple. The disease was terribly swollen and cent of the cases have recovered.

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**Li Hung Chang is Troubled.**  
San Francisco, Cal., Nov. 30.—The steamship Doric arrived last night from Hong Kong and Yokohama bringing the following oriental news:  
Plague has made its appearance in Formosa and the Japanese there dying in large numbers.  
Yokohama society is torn up by a mysterious poisoning case.  
Carew, a gentleman occup over a social position and as Mr. R. H. Yokohama United clubbing a good ried to a lady of society of the was taken ill Oct. 22, who was married. The coroner's inquest into the case was discovered and died Oct. 22, and the best was held and it was found that he had been poisoned.  
Carew, just previous to his illness and after he was sick had purchased arsenic in such quantities as to alarm the druggist. She said she wanted it for malarial fever.  
Mrs. Carew told a remarkable story of a mysterious veiled woman dressed in black who called on her husband Oct. 10. Mr. Carew was not at home, and the woman left, after making an appointment to meet him. Mr. Carew appeared to be greatly worried when the woman failed to keep the appointment and wrote her a letter addressed to Annie Luke. Mr. Carew was taken ill Oct 15 and on Oct. 20 while Mrs. Carew was out the same mysterious woman called at the home. She asked where Mr. Carew's bed room was situated, and the servant after telling her, went to bed. That was the last seen of the mysterious woman, but Mrs. Carew received from her a letter written by Mr. Carew which had been thrown in a waste basket. After Mr. Carew had died and the inquest was in progress the woman wrote to Messrs. Lowder and Hall, saying that she had fooled the chemist, the doctor, and that "silly little wife." The police have been unable to find any trace of the woman in black.  
The coroner's jury brought in a verdict that Mr. Carew died from the effects of arsenic poisoning, but by whom the poison was administered there was no evidence to show. Mrs. Carew was then arrested and charged with the murder of her husband, but was later released on bail. Her trial was in progress when the steamer left.  
Viceroy Li Hung Chang is again in disgrace. He entered the imperial park and hunting grounds without sanction. The punishment for this offense is to be deprived of all his ranks and decorations, but the emperor has decided to be lenient with him and has merely deprived him of a year's salary, amounting to 26,000 taels. The count, it is believed, will ask to be allowed to retire to his native province on the plea of ill health, and he has been disappointed in the hope of obtaining a position of influence in the Pekin government. Should the efforts of the empress dowager in his behalf succeed, it would be easy for him to become viceroy of Pe Chi Li.  
It is stated the Chinese minister to London, Kung Chow Yuan, has petitioned the emperor to be recalled. He does not like London.  
Cholera is prevalent in Tokio and appears to be on the increase.

**Maniac's Work.**  
Marion, O., Nov. 30.—On Oct. 30 last Henry Powers, a farmer residing five miles north of here, escaped from the insane asylum at Columbus. The asylum was notified by Sheriff Shaw, and he was told to allow Powers his liberty and wait developments. This was found to have been a serious error, as yesterday morning about 6 o'clock while the family were at breakfast Powers went to the barn, secured an old musket and placing the barrel close to his wife's head, blew the top of her head off. Three of the three children fled to a neighboring house, leaving an infant in bed. After killing his wife Powers reloaded the musket, went into a potato patch 300 yards away and shot himself. Upon seeing her father leave the house the eldest child, a girl of 15, re-entered the house and carried off the baby. After shooting himself the maniac walked back to the house and fell beside his wife's body.

**Froze to Death.**  
New Orleans, La., Nov. 30.—A result of the cold snap that struck here Saturday night was the death of John Barker, head bookkeeper of the rice firm of Christopher, Crowley & Co. Baker was an enthusiastic and expert hunter. Saturday night he went to the rigollets on a duck hunting expedition in company with his friends. He went out into the water, and accidentally overturning the boat, got wet to the skin. The weather was bitter cold but he continued to hunt instead of returning to camp to change his clothing. He did not appear for dinner and his friends instituting a search for him, found him dead in the marsh. Beside him in the boat lay a dozen ducks which he had killed. He had taken in his decoys and it is supposed had started to return, when he was seized with a congestive chill.

**Burned to Death.**  
Perry, N. Y., Nov. 30.—The home of Luther Greenman, a farmer, four miles north of this village, was destroyed by fire yesterday morning and the entire family, consisting of five persons, were burned to death.  
The dead are: Luther Greenman, aged 40; Mrs. Greenman, aged 37; Aimee Greenman, aged 8; Lottie Greenman, aged 3; Arthur Greenman, aged 11 months.  
The building was entirely consumed. All of the bodies were recovered and horribly charred.

**Keen Repartee.**  
Now, what do you want?" asked the sharp-tongued woman. "I called to see if I couldn't sell you some bakin' powder, ma'am," said the seedy gentleman with the straggling whiskers. "Well, you can't sell no bakin' powder here, and I ain't got no time to waste on peddlers, anyway." "Come to think of it, ma'am," said the seedy gentleman, as he fastened his bag, "I wouldn't care to sell you any powder. This here pokey little kitchen of yours is so low in the cellar that the bread wouldn't have no chance to rise."

**IN THE SICK ROOM.**  
Give the room which has the best means of ventilation and the most sunshine to the invalid.

Have dark-green Holland shades at the windows. Green tempers the glare of the sun in a way very soothing to tired eyes.

Change the bed linen as often as possible. Once a day is not too often. In making the bed be sure that the under sheet is stretched as tight and smooth as a drum cover. Wrinkles in the under sheet cause continual discomfort and sometimes sores.

Keep the medicine bottles, glasses and spoons out of sight of the patient. Every sickroom should be provided with a small bottle cabinet where medicines may be kept. If this is out of the question a couple of swinging shelves curtained in silk may be used.

Banish creaking chairs from the sickroom. Nothing so grates upon the patient's nerves and so irritates him as unnecessary harsh sounds. Don't whisper outside the door. That is intensely aggravating to him, and conversations with the doctor may be just as well carried on outside the invalid's hearing.

Do not ask the patient what he wants to eat. Ask the doctor what he should eat, prepare it daintily and in small quantities and serve it to him, arrayed as temptingly as possible. Cover the tray with a spotless linen cloth, use the prettiest china and the brightest silver and glass, and adorn the tray with a flower or two. Daintiness is a great appetizer.

Follow the doctor's instruction religiously about the number of visitors to be allowed in the sickroom. Keep out doleful and reminiscent persons, who can always remember a similar case which ended fatally. Repeat only cheerful gossip, and never allow the conversation to be either exciting or depressing.

Piso's Cure for Consumption has been a God-send to the Wm. B. McClellan, Chester, Florida, Sept. 17, 1895.

Loud conversation is hardly necessary, and annoying to others.

**Gifts For Ladies and Gentlemen.**  
Write at once for the great Catalogue, 3,000 engravings, of the finest Watches, Diamonds, Jewelry, Silverware, Cutlery, Plastic Boxes, Silk Umbrellas and Lamps. It also tells the low prices asked by the MERIT & JACARD Jewelry Co., Broadway, cor. Locust, St. Louis, who will also send you a beautiful pair of Solid Silver Sleeve-link Buttons, if you will enclose 35 cents.

**Honored in His Own Country.**  
Two jokes are being told by Methodists on the Rev. Dr. J. M. Buckley, editor of the Christian Advocate. The other day the agent of the Methodist book depository of Boston received a letter reading, "Would you please send me the price of your cough medicine called, 'J. M. Buckley's Hereditary Consumptive's Successful Battle for Life,' as I would like to try a bottle."

And news comes from Denver that a volume of lectures to young men, entitled "Oats or Wild Oats," which Dr. Buckley published some years ago, is classified among "Cereals" in the public library in that city.

**Deafness Cannot Be Cured**  
by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound, or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

We will give one Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafness (caused by catarrh) that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars, free.

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Sold by druggists, 75c.  
Hall's Family Pills are the best.

A tear in your trousers will not worry you as long as you are ignorant of it.

**1 OUT OF 3 EVERY 3 WILL DIE OF BRIGHT'S DISEASE**  
or some trouble of the kidneys, urinary or female organs.

Persons you meet every day, WILL DIE OF BRIGHT'S DISEASE

or some trouble of the kidneys, urinary or female organs.

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**WHAT CAN BE DONE?**

In such a serious condition you must secure the best remedy you can find in the market

**AT ONCE.**

There is only one absolutely sure cure for these troubles, and that is

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"It has stood the test of time."

**FARM AND GARDEN.**

**MATTERS OF INTEREST TO AGRICULTURISTS.**

**Hints About Cultivation and Yields Thereof**  
Viticulture and Floriculture.

**IN A STUDY** of the effect of deep and shallow cultivation and of root-pruning on the growth of the corn plant, a knowledge of the number, length and position of corn roots is essential. To this end a few hills, at the Illinois station, were examined just as they were found growing in the field, and a trench beside the hill and washed with water. The particular object of the inquiry was to ascertain the number and their depths at the points where they were disturbed by cultivation; what proportion of all the roots was sufficiently near the surface to be so injured; and whether by deep pruning, three inches deep, would be cut, so considerable effect should be expected therefrom. Only a portion of the roots, necessarily, could be traced by the method used. Such delicate corn roots are easily broken by the digging of the dirt from them.

They grew on a heavy loam, which is one or two feet deep, and is permeable yellow clay. The land has been fall-plowed about six inches deep, and well prepared beneath the disc and common

plant, which averages high to tip of leaves, had about an average of 10 inches long, the plant being 4 1/2 inches high. A plant 4 1/2 inches high had a root 13 inches long. Twenty-five plants were examined (some of them mentioned in the preceding article) at 6 inches deep; five, 4 inches deep; two, 3 inches deep; and one 2 1/2 inches deep at this distance from base of root. Three-fourths of the roots would not have been broken by cultivation to this depth.

**Summation.** In all, altogether over 100 plants were traced, being 22 inches high, a root 13 inches long. Twenty-five plants were examined (some of them mentioned in the preceding article) at 6 inches deep; five, 4 inches deep; two, 3 inches deep; and one 2 1/2 inches deep at this distance from base of root. Three-fourths of the roots would not have been broken by cultivation to this depth.

**Vegetable-marrows.** In many instances, are only just becoming really productive. A few plants might, with advantage, be protected with frames and lights or with benders and mats. Since the soaking rains have fallen globe artichokes have recommenced active growth, and numerous flower heads are just showing. Protect these either with a framework of stakes and mats, or stakes fixed over them and matted round gipsy-tent fashion, and in all probability several good dishes of this high-class vegetable will be the outcome. It is yet full early to move lettuce and endive to frames, and only fully grown plants of the latter need protection as yet. Cauliflowers will also be tolerably safe for a few weeks longer, but the precaution should be taken to keep the advanced and advancing hearts protected with old leaves tucked over them, these serving to protect and to blanch.

**A Neglected Cold.**  
Results in Chronic Catarrh and Bronchitis. Cured by Pe-ru-na.

The following testimonial is an old, old story. We receive a great many letters like this. Some one has had a cold. He neglected to take Pe-ru-na for it as he should have done. It runs on until chronic catarrh, bronchitis or consumption results. If he begins to take Pe-ru-na before it is too late, he is sure to be cured. Even after it is too late to receive a cure, great relief from suffering is experienced. Bernard King, National Military Home, Leavenworth, Kas., writes a few words which every one should heed:

"I will write you a few lines for publication to make known what Pe-ru-na has done for me. I took a severe cold which I neglected. It developed into catarrh and bronchitis and in a short time became chronic. I tried everything I saw advertised, which did me no good. I saw the great tonic, Pe-ru-na, advertised. I bought one bottle. I found myself so much better after taking it I wrote you for advice, which you kindly continued to give me, free of charge, for five months. Now I am happy to inform you and the public that I am perfectly cured of catarrh and bronchitis. I make this statement in hope that some of my comrades will see it and be benefited thereby."

Send to The Pe-ru-na Drug Manufacturing Company of Columbus, Ohio, for an illustrated book on chronic catarrh of 64 pages, written by Dr. Hartman.

There are many men living who have never received more than one telegram during their lives.

Many an American who boasts of liberty is a slave, and can hear his chains every time he steps.

**American Clydesdale Association.**  
Janesville, Wis., Oct. 30, 1896.  
To the Stockholders of the American Clydesdale Association:

The eighteenth annual meeting of the American Clydesdale Association will be held at the Sherman house, Chicago, Wednesday, November 18, 1896, at 8 p. m. Business: Secretary and treasurer's annual reports; bi-annual election of officers, and such other business as may properly come before the association. It is important that the utmost interest be manifested at the present time by all engaged in the breeding of Clydesdales, and a full attendance of members at this meeting is most earnestly requested. The executive committee trust you may find it convenient to be present, but should you find it impossible to attend, kindly sign and forward the enclosed proxy blank, either to the secretary or some other officer or member, who will be present, giving full instructions as to your wishes in voting.

Alex. Galbraith, Secretary.

**Celery Blight.**—Celery blight is encouraged by leaving refuse celery on the ground to harbor the germs of the disease. The blight appears in the form of small, yellowish-green spots, that grow larger and darker, withering the leaves and causing the plants to die. It is not easy to kill the disease, but it may be prevented from spreading by the application of a weak Bordeaux mixture, the application of which must be discontinued fifteen or twenty days before blanching.

Oats alone are very likely to cause crop-binding, therefore they should not be fed before other grain.

edy for this pest when on cabbage that is headed or nearly headed. Kerosene emulsion will taint the leaves of the head and should, therefore, not be used after the plant is well headed. It can, however, be used on most garden plants to destroy this insect and is the best remedy when there is no danger of tainting the parts to be eaten. Pyrethrin can be successfully employed either as a dry powder or as a spray. When used dry it should be mixed with from five to eight times its weight of flour. As a spray it should be well stirred in water in the proportion of one pound of pyrethrin to fifteen to twenty gallons of water. The pyrethrin should be fresh and pure to be of any service.

**Protecting Vegetables.**  
Severe frosts are sometimes experienced about the middle of September, and if several kinds of vegetables are not greatly damaged then they frequently remain in a productive or serviceable state for several weeks afterwards, says Farmer and Stockbreeder of London. Runner beans are among the first to suffer, and at least one long row, or a few short ones, ought to be roughly protected as often as need be either with branches of evergreens, mats, blinds, or strips of scrim canvas. The stopped rows, grown market growers' fashion, lend themselves the most readily to protective measures, as it is a comparatively simple matter to fix a single running wire on series of stakes on them, mats thrown lengthways over effectually protecting the beans. Late rows or breadths of dwarf or kidney beans should be similarly treated, and will most probably pay well for the trouble taken with them. Tall peas will stand a moderately severe frost, or more than those close to the ground, and good results sometimes attend the practice of covering the latter whenever severe frosts are anticipated.

**Arable Land in England.**  
During the last twenty years the area of land in England under the plow has been diminished by nearly 2,000,000 acres, or over fourteen per cent. The amount of arable land in Wales has diminished twenty-one per cent in the same period. In Scotland, on the contrary, it has increased by 78,000 acres.

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**ST. VITUS VANQUISHED.**

**What Cured Little Stanley Nichol of Chorea.**

From the Republican-Journal, Ogdensburg, N. Y.

A letter was lately received at the office of the Republican-Journal from Hammond to the effect that the cure of an extraordinarily severe case of St. Vitus' dance had been effected on the person of little Stanley Nichol, the 8 year old son of Mrs. Charles Nichol of that village.

A reporter was accordingly dispatched in that direction who, after some inquiry, found Mrs. Nichol's residence about a mile outside the village. Mrs. Nichol said: "A little over a year ago my boy, Stanley Nichol, who is now only eight years old, alarmed me one day by being taken with a strange gurgling in his throat. After the first attacks became quite frequent. Stammered he did not complain of any pain, but said that he could not help making the noise. At that time there was a New York doctor stopping in the village who was a specialist on throat and nasal diseases. I took my son to him and after a careful examination he said that there was nothing the matter with the boy's throat. The gurgling in his opinion was caused by a nervous contraction of the muscles of the throat. He asked who our family physician was and said that he would consult with him before he prescribed."

"Stanley rapidly grew worse. He was always a sickly boy. One day I noticed that he was jerking his arm up in a very peculiar manner. A few days later he seemed to lose control of his legs, first one and then the other would be pulled up and then straightened out again. He was a perfect bundle of nerves and was rapidly losing all control of himself. When eating at the table or drinking, his arm would often twitch so as to spill what he was drinking. One day he seemed me terribly by throwing back his head and rolling his eyes up so that only the white parts showed. I took him to our family physician who pre-

pared some medicine for him. He took it and commenced to improve. The dose, however, had to be increased and Stanley rebelled against taking it. It was very disagreeable medicine and I don't blame the boy for not wishing to take it.

"Our physician went to New York city on business and while he was away the medicine became exhausted and we could get no more. Stanley was still very bad. About that time I read about a little girl who had been cured of St. Vitus' dance by taking Pink Pills. I thought I would try them and procured a box. I followed the directions that came with the pills, and gave only half a pill at a dose. I did not see much improvement and increased the dose to a whole pill. The effect was none in a day. Since then I have taken them and commenced to get better and did not object to taking the pills as he had the other medicine. He took seven boxes of the pills and to-day appears to be perfectly well. He discontinued taking them sometime ago. He weighs nearly 15 pounds more than he did and is strong and hearty. A year ago when he was out of school but he is so much better now that he is going to begin again this fall."

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills contain in a condensed form, all the elements necessary to give new life and richness to the blood and restore shattered nerves. They are also a specific for troubles peculiar to females, such as suppressions, irregularities and all forms of weakness. They build up the blood, and restore the glow of health to pale and sallow cheeks. In men they effect a radical cure in all cases arising from mental worry, over-work or excesses of whatever nature. Pink Pills are sold in boxes (never in loose bulk) at 50 cents a box or six boxes for \$2.50, and may be had of all druggists, or direct by mail from Dr. Williams' Medicine Company, Schenectady, N. Y.

**Spry Old Folks.**  
Lee, Mass., prides itself considerably on its spry old people. Mrs. Swan celebrated her 103rd birthday recently, Captain Norton is 99 years old, Mrs. Harriet Hinckley is 94, and Mrs. Baker is 93. Octogenarians are too young to be taken seriously there.

Gossip seldom injures a man who is not a little guilty.

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For children teething, softening, allays pain, cures whooping cough, cures whooping cough, cures whooping cough.

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Is it? Then... saparilla and... it? Then... parilla and... fact is posit... and that is... parilla will... more perfect... cally and m... any other r... ket. There... cures behind... record no... show. You... money whe... to purify th...  
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Cured Dr. J. L. S.

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Look at this good cotton checks for 21-2cts. Jeans from 1 Oct. up. Why pay others 33 1-2cts. when you can get the same goods at Powell's for 25cts. Finest line of Dress goods ever seen in Baird and cheaper by 25cts. on the Dollar. Good shirting 7cts. Men's Landies and Children Shoes the cheapest seen in good goods. Best bargain in Men's Clothing ever bought in Baird, my \$20. \$18. \$16.50 and \$15. Suits for only \$10.00. Men's BARGAINS. I WANT YOUR TRADE AND I WANT TO SAVE YOU MONEY AND I WILL DO SO. COME AT ONCE AND GET BARGAIN BARGAINS.  
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"Vivi La Cuba Libre"  
Christmas is near at hand.  
Cotton is still rolling into Baird.  
Angels one vote from Calitor-Isa.  
President Cleveland will live at least 100 years, N. J. when his term as president expires.  
Don't you delude yourself with the idea that the democratic party will ever be re-organized and turned into gold standard party. The democratic party is and always has been a party and when it ceases to be a party a double standard it will cease to be a democratic party.  
It is reported that Senator Dan Boothe, the brilliant Indiana statesman, has completely lost his mind, and that he is slowly dying. This will be good news to his most of friends throughout the country. Daniel W. Voorhees, "Tail-scamour of the Wabash" has been prominent in Democratic councils for thirty years, and his death will remove one of the Democratic party's ablest leaders.  
Cory Watterson says the Democratic party will have to be re-organized on the lines of the Indianapolis convention, and that he thinks those who supported Bryan will go over to the populist. The democratic party will see Uncle Henry and his brothers damned before they will deliver. The democratic party is organized and if Uncle Henry gets a seat in the councils we will have to report of his success in fighting the organized

The democracy of Texas is invincible.  
Culberson beat Kearby for governor 67,000 votes.  
Rev. J. Morgan Wells, a prominent Baptist divine at Ft. Worth, is dead.  
Culberson received 81,000 more votes this year than he received in 94.  
Bryan and Sewall received 543,000 in the state of New York. Who says there are no silver men in the east?  
Palmer and Buckner should have received 15 votes in Callahan county, but two of the boys reneged and either voted for Bryan or McKinley.  
Nothing serious has happened to the battleship Texas within a week, though Capt. Glass her commander, has been relieved of his command of the ship.  
The Palmer and Buckner and Bryan and Watson tickets had a close contest for the rear end of the presidential procession and the B. & W. won, but the P. & B. ticket gave them a close rub.  
**WOOD WANTED.**  
Several of our subscribers have promised us wood on subscription. We hope those who have promised and all those who wish to pay their subscription in wood will bring it in at once.  
**NOTICE**  
Now is the time to have your house painted before hot weather. W. A. Barnhill is now ready to do you a good neat job on short notice either in painting or paper hanging, try him.  
**Great Danger in Coughs.**  
A neglected Cough is source of imminent danger to all. Ballard's Horehound Syrup is guaranteed to cure the worst cough, Whooping Cough, sore throat and all other coughs, Nelson & St John.  
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Fresh bread baked daily, and can be had in any quantity desired. My bread is made of the best flour the market affords. **MRS. E. K. KANE.**

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Baking Powder is the most economical ever used: A little of it goes a great way and because it is light the pounds are large. Handled by Norton only.


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It asks no odds of any rival whatever? The price. It just goes right on giving the very best possible results at the lowest price known—does Jack Frost Baking Powder. Sold by Norton. 511f

**WORLD'S FAIR MEDALS.**  
A cup of Chase and Sanborn's coffee is a delightful ending to a meal. It brings that feeling of contentment which is so much desired and so seldom attained. Julius Norton has it.

**AT LAST.**  
A perfectly clean and chemically pure process of preparing sage for the use of husbandry has at last been discovered by that eminent chemist—Mr. Eddy—where by the full strength and original flavor of this pleasant herb is fully retained and Wristen & Co. handle the product. Eddy's Sage, absolutely pure, finest flavor on earth, unapproached and unapproachable.  
Don't forget the place—Wristen & Co. 471f

**EVERY ONE KNOWS!**  
That to secure the best results in bread and cake it is not only best but absolutely necessary that pure ingredients be used.  
In the selection of flour, great care should be exercised and nothing but select, soft winter, wheat flour should be used.  
There are but few flours that meet this demand, but in the "Magnolia," we have it in all of its strength and purity.  
This popular brand is manufactured in the heart of the finest wheat country on Earth (Hannibal, Mo.) from select soft winter wheat. D. W. Wristen & Co. are sole agents for this exceptional fine flour, in Baird and they guarantee every pound to give entire satisfaction. 471f

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**T. & P. R'y SCHEDULE.**  
**TAKING EFFECT SEP. 25, 1896.**  
 EAST BOUND.  
 No. 4. . . . . 11 37 a. m.  
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 No. 3. . . . . 3 15 p. m.  
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**MAILS.**

**TOMATO, COTTONWOOD, CADDO PEAK CROSS PLAINS.**  
 Leaves Baird. . . . . 8 A. M.  
 Arrives. . . . . 5 P. M.  
**PUTNAM AND CLYDE.** Train schedule.

**TECUMSEH AND EAGLE COVE.**  
 Daily, except Sunday.  
 Leaves. . . . . 8 a. m.  
 Arrives. . . . . 6 p. m.

**LOCAL NEWS.**

**Boydston sells Hamilton Brown Security school shoe for a dollar and ten cents.**

John Babb was in the city Monday.

L. J. Cook, of Putnam, was in the city Tuesday.

W. E. Gillitt, of Caddo Peak, was in the burg Tuesday.

Nelson & St John will sell you Xmas toys cheap. 52tf

Cotton has been coming in at a lively rate this week.

Henry Lambert was up from the Bayou Wednesday.

J. D. Bryson, of Cottonwood, was in the city Wednesday.

Santa Claus has headquarters at Nelson & St John's 52tf

Alden Bell went out to El Paso, Tuesday on business.

S. S. Ramsey, of Cottonwood, was in the city Thursday.

Fire crackers and Roman candles at Nelson & St. John's. 52tf

If we are not mistaken we saw Jim Cook in town Tuesday.

Mose Jones from near Cross Plains, was in the city Tuesday.

Geo. Scott is sporting a handsome mustache—nine on a side.

J. M. Bailey and son of the Cove, brought in cotton Wednesday.

Some of our boys took a notion to have a scrap, and scrap they did.

Mr. Hembree, of Cottonwood, was in the town with cotton Thursday.

Phillip Yost and sons of Tecumseh, were in town with cotton Wednesday.

Nelson & St John carry a full line of up to date Christmas presents and toys. 52tf

Nice line of tops and jewelry suitable for Christmas present at H. F. Foy's. 52tf

Rev. J. M. Harlow, from near Cross Plains, was in the city with cotton Tuesday.

Lee Champion from near Cottonwood was in the city with cotton Thursday.

Ross Norton, one of Cottonwood's handsome young men was in the city Thursday.

If you want to please Santa Claus buy your Xmas presents from Nelson & St John. 52tf

Dolphus Robinson and J. H. Breeding, of Cottonwood, were in town this week.

J. M. Cunningham and S. T. Edwards, of Putnam, were in the city Wednesday.

"Uncle" Abe Cochran, one of Callahan county's old settlers, was in the city Thursday.

L. N. Jackson has moved back to town and can now be found at his office regularly.

Miss Emma Nelson is employed by Nelson & St John, during the holiday's to help dispose of their Xmas goods

Christmas goods too numerous to mention and prices to compete with any West Texas house. R. Phillips 51

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Jackson were in town Wednesday. The last we seen of Mr. Jackson he was hunting Dr. Powell to split open a felon on one his (J's) fingers.

Hon. J. N. Rushing, Grand Captain of the Host of the Grand Chapter of Texas, and delegate to both Grand Lodge and Grand Chapter is in Houston attending the annual meeting of these bodies.

A. G. Webb visited Ft. Worth last week.

J. H. Finch, Jr. was in the city Thursday.

Rev. W. A. Bentley, of Cottonwood, was a pleasant caller at THE STAR office Thursday.

Say pard, are you going to buy any Christmas goods? If so, see R. Phillips stock. 52ts

Otto Steffins, the well known Abilene Banker, was on the west bound train Thursday.

When you come to town always go away loaded—with Christmas goods from Phillips. 52tf

Go to R. Phillips, he is headquarters for Christmas goods. Cheaper than ever offered before. 52tf

Will Boydston, who chaparoned a bunch of cattle east last Saturday returned Tuesday, after a visit to Dallas and Rockwall.

Don't buy elsewhere before you see Phillip's immense stock of Xmas goods if you do you will regret it. 52tf

A. W. Boothe, one of Callahan county's early settlers and prosperous farmers from near Cottonwood, was in the city Tuesday.

Christmas comes but once a year and R. Phillips is always prepared for it with an immense stock, at astonishing low prices. 52tf

Rev. W. H. and Mrs. Harris left Thursday for their home in Snyder after spending a few days visiting friends and relatives in Baird.

The most superb and up to date stock of Xmas goods ever seen, at R. Phillips and and at prices to astonish the wisest. 52tf

Sam Webb returned from South America Thursday. We are only guessing at the place Sam hailed from by the large bunch of bananas he brought in.

Rev. W. V. Dorman and family left last Wednesday for Bruceville, McLennan county, where Brother Dorman is stationed for the ensuing conference year.

THE STAR job office turned out some nice work for R. A. Speer this week. Mr. Speer believes in the use printers ink and we are glad to note he is building up a nice trade.

Editor Griffith, of the Cottonwood Call, was a pleasant caller at THE STAR office Wednesday. Mr. Griffith informed us that he was getting along well enough for a new beginner.

Uncle Henry Jones says some one from down east was kind enough to send a cash order to Julius Norton to pay for a Thanksgiving turkey for him so Uncle Henry's Thanksgiving turkey escaped until Christmas.

Mrs. Julia Matthews, sister of Capt. J. W. Jones, who has been living in Baird for over a year, has moved back to Comanche. The teams left yesterday with the household goods in charge of Henry Lambert.

Don't fail to read Nelson & St John's handsome display holiday ad on local page. They have received lots of new and attractive holiday goods and when you go to buy something for the little folks remember Nelson & St. John have what you want.

Jean and Ben Bowtel, Bonnie Sigal and Lane Barton, of Tecumseh, went fire hunting the other night. They killed several deer, one of them a large ten point buck. The boys are greatly elated over their splendid success and will no doubt make another drive soon.

Hon. J. F. Reiger, member of the 24th and re-elected to the 25th legislature, was in town Thursday. Mr. Reiger is a member of the firm Henry & Reiger cigar manufacturers of Dallas, and travels regularly in the interest of his firm. He went to Springs from Baird.

This issue completes volume nine of THE STAR making 468 issues and 27,600 copies all told. This paper weighs over thirty thousand pounds and cost over two thousand dollars. Three hundred and sixty pounds of ink and millions of type used to print them. Who says a local paper does not amount to anything or that it is mere frolic to run one?

Pork was sold on the west bound train as low as four cents. The farmers contend that this is the lowest price of production which is not correct. It would pay better to sell bacon out of it than to sell pork for four cent. If those who have the pork would make arrangements to sell to local butchers or commission men, before they kill their hogs, they would probably get better prices.

**SIMMONS LIVER REGULATOR**

ASK the recovered dyspeptics, bilious sufferers, victims of indigestion and ague, the medicinal disease that purged, how they recovered health, cheerfulness and good appetite, they will tell you by taking SIMMONS LIVER REGULATOR.

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For DYSPEPSIA, CONSTIPATION, Jaundice, Biliousness, SICK HEADACHE, Colic, Depression of Spirits, ACID STOMACH, Heartburn, etc. This unrivaled remedy is warranted not to contain a single particle of MERCURY, or any mineral substance, but is PURELY VEGETABLE.

Containing those Southern Roots and Herbs which an all-wise Providence has placed in countries where Liver Diseases most prevail. It will cure all Diseases caused by Derangement of the Liver and Bowels.

The SYMPTOMS of Liver complaint are a bitter or bad taste in the mouth; Pain in the Back, Sides or Joints, often mistaken for Rheumatism; Sour Stomach; Loss of Appetite; Bowels alternately constipated and lax; Headache; Loss of Memory, with a painful sensation of having failed to do something which ought to have been done; Debility; Low Spirits; a thick yellow appearance of the Skin and Eyes, a dry cough often mistaken for Consumption.

Sometimes many of these symptoms attend the disease, at others very few; but the LIVER is generally the seat of the disease, and if not regulated in time, great suffering, wretchedness and DEATH will ensue.

The following highly esteemed persons attest to the virtues of Simmons Liver Regulator: Gen. W. S. Holt, Pres. Ga. S. W. R. Co.; Rev. J. R. Feider, Perry, Ga.; Col. E. K. Sparks, Albany, Ga.; C. Masterson, Esq., Sheriff Bibb Co., Ga.; Hon. Alexander H. Stephens.

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Patronize Geo. Dean's barber chair.

For real bargains go to Stern's. 8tf

School books at Nelson & St. John's

Try John Trent's dairy this month.

For nice meats go to L. O. Oliver's. 29 tf.

John Trent keeps his milk nice and clean. 39

Bologne sausage at the City Meat Market. 35tf

La Belle carpet tacks 500 in a box only a nickel. H. Meyers 50tf

Buy your meat at the City Meat Market. 35tf

Japanese carpet tacks in nice wooden box only 10 cts. H. Meyer 50tf

Bulk oysters, daily for family use cheap at the Palace Restaurant. 49tf

School books spot cash at R. Phillips. Don't ask for credit. 38 tf

Nelson & John have a complete supply of art material. 34tf

If you want anything in the drug line call on Nelson & St John. 34tf

Go to Nelson & St John for your paints, oils, wall paper, etc. 34 tf

Furniture and coffins at Stern's, H. Schwartz, manager. 8tf

WANTED—10,000 customers with plenty of silver. H. SCHWARTZ.

**OLD PAPERS**

For Sale at THE STAR office

For a first-class shave, or hair cut go to T. K. Brazell, on Rudmose' old stand. 42tf

I will do my best to please all who will honour me with their trade. J. B. WILT.

I sell goods at low away prices. If you don't believe it, call and see. H. Schwartz. 22 tf

Give your order for coal at Vaughan & Co's. before the blizzard comes. 49 tf

I have a new line of wall paper and atrices to assist you. R. Phillips. 49 tf

Give me the honest weight, the best meat to be had, the best treatment, call at the City Meat Market. 46tf

Make your headquarters at R. Phillips, who has the only first-class goods at the lowest prices. Come and invest—reasonably. 50tf

Black Jack stove polish, finest in the world for parlor stoves, pipes ranges 3-4 lbs. can for only 10 cts. H. Meyer. 50 tf

I must sell goods and any one that wants a bargain can get it by coming here now. Cost is no object. 40tf

T. E. Powell.

Trent guarantees his milk to be pure, and that if you want good milk for your coffee or tea from his milk. 37 tf

Received a new line of goods and ask you to call before buying elsewhere. H. CUNNINGHAM. 41 tf

Proprietor of the local market. Having made a good officer and retires from office with the respect of all parties. John Hart was appointed jailer by Capt. Jones.

**We Help Those Who Help Us.**

**We Want Your Trade**

FOR

**CHRISTMAS GOODS.**

**SANTA CLAUS**

Has Made Headquarters at

**Our Store.**

**Come Early**

And reap the best and that with the least money.

**Every Article**

Is filled through and through with attraction, merit and worth. Nothing now to hinder you from having a merry Christmas as you can get the very present you want.

**Our Profits**

May be smaller than our competitors; but if we are satisfied they ought not complain.

**GRANDEST DISPLAY EVER SEEN IN BAIRD.**

**OUR STOCK IS COMPLETE.**

Bring in the good wife and dear little ones and let them enjoy the sights and make their purchases.

Wishing You a Merry Christmas We are Yours to Please

**Nelson & St. John.**

**Come to Our Store--We Will Please You.**

**Our Prices. Competitors Can't Touch**

Kearby received 69,000 more votes for governor than Nugent received in '94 yet Culberson defeated Kearby by a larger majority than he defeated Nugent.

W. B. Hughes one of the old time cow men of Coleman county, was in town yesterday. It was reported that Mr. Hughes had purchased L. N. Jackson's steers.

The new Commissioners were sworn in Monday W. A. Hinds, R. E. Merchant, A. M. Sprawls and H. D. Baum Mr. Hinds is the only member re-elected. The others are all new members. Without intending any disparagement whatever to any former court, we believe this is one of the best Commissioners court Callahan county has ever had, and think they will prove it before their term is out.

There are a great many of the unfortunate ones in this world, greater in number than those who are blessed with good digestion. To some people the greatest misfortune is not to be able to eat everything set before them. "I suffered for years with Dyspepsia, and everything I ate disagreed with me. I was induced to try Simmons Liver Regulator and was cured. I now eat everything."—M. Bright, Madison Parish, La.

Though the Twice-a-week Republic of St. Louis excelled all other Western weekly papers in publishing the news of the campaign, it now announces that it has extended its news service, and hereafter it will give its readers the best paper in the country. This means much, because the next twelve months will be crowded with news of big events. With all the improvements to its service the yearly subscription will be the same—one dollar a year, by mail, twice a week.

All the county officers were sworn in this week. Capt. Jones was the only new one, Mr. Russell, the new Co. Atty., having been sworn in some time ago. It looks like old times especially about the sheriff's office with Capt. Jones at the helm and J. E. W. Lane office deputy. Mr. Lane, however, has been at work for Mr. Hadley since Don Martin retired some months ago. T. B. Hadley, the retiring sheriff, has made a good officer and retires from office with the respect of all parties. John Hart was appointed jailer by Capt. Jones.

**Do You Carry Insurance?**

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Over \$125,000.00 Represented.

The Mutual Reserve Fund Life Association	\$48,000,000.00
Liverpool and London and Globe	45,000,000.00
Hartford, of Hartford	2,500,000.00
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American Central of St. Louis Mo.	2,000,000.00
Mechanic and Traders	2,000,000.00
Fidelity & Casualty Accident of New York	1,000,000.00

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**A WICKED MAN**

Is he who sells a cheap, shoddy piano at the price of one of reliable make, or who represents a cheap one as equal to, or as good, as a first-class instrument.

**PIANO BUYERS**

As a rule, know nothing about the relative merits or requirements of instruments, hence the necessity of purchasing from the most reliable and responsible dealers. We have been over thirty years in the Piano business in Texas. We do the largest business of any Piano house in the South. We refer to any bank in Texas.

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**READ The Star AND KEEP POSTED.**

When in doubt, say nothing.  
A season of rest is sure to follow all great struggles.

Election prophecies are not worth fifty-three cents on the dollar.

It is reasonably safe to judge a man's habits by the appearance of his shoes.

The world seldom fails to decide that you ought to have known better.

Scandal requires no eloquence or poetic language to secure an eager audience.

Do not think for a moment that the weather regulates itself either to please or thwart you.

If people would only reflect that it is more trouble to do wrong than right the world would be happier.

What this country needs most is a practical scientist who can invent an attachable steering apparatus for bicycles.

The suggestion to give each member of congress a clerk might be improved by an amendment allowing the clerk to take his seat.

If a man lies clumsily to a woman about a few little things, he can lie cleverly about a lot of big ones and she will never suspect him.

From infancy to old age humanity must have appreciative words from time to time. They are wholesome and stimulating; but to depend upon praise and flattery for one's happiness, to sink into gloom without them, to allow one's cheerfulness to lapse when the outside world seems to be unaware of one's important presence—this is simply deplorable.

Bank clerks, like other mortals, make mistakes. Of the packages of paper money sent to the treasury last year for redemption a small number did not contain the amount marked upon them. Strangely enough, the surplus amounts exceeded the deficits, the former, in a nominal total of \$87,000,000, aggregating \$7,500, while the latter came to only \$2,000.

The London Daily Mail has had a correspondent in Chicago, it seems. He describes it as "the queen and gutter-snipe of cities, the cynosure and cesspool of the world, the most beautiful and the most squalid, widely and generously planned with streets of twenty miles, where it is unsafe to walk at night; where women ride straddlewise and millionaires dine at midday; the chosen seat of public spirit and municipal boodles."

William A. Eddy, the kite photographer, is much elated over the success of his most recent experiment. He obtained seventeen practically perfect negatives of the great sound money made in New York in a short time of seven hours. The kites were attached to a height of 100 feet by strings of six kites harnessed together and the shutters worked directly by electricity. The space covered is so large in the picture that Eddy claims he has conclusively proved the advantage of kite photography in making pictures of the movements of armies in warfare.

There is a new story around Chicago about Whistler. It is claimed that he painted a portrait of Miss Marion Peck, daughter of the late Harlan Peck, was paid for it, and now refuses to send it to "such a place as Chicago." The story is singularly lacking in verisimilitude, for despite all Whistler's eccentricities he is anything but dishonest. Moreover, the added detail that Miss Peck gave the great painter "99" sittings for the portrait at one shows the improbability of the whole matter, as Whistler is known the world over as the most rapid painter living, and he never in his life gave half or quarter that time to a portrait.

No less a person than Julian Ralph, ordinarily a man of strict common-sense, argues by special cable that the reason why the Duke and Duchess of Marlborough will undertake a trip to this country in order that their child may be born here, as because they wish the child (whom Mr. Ralph prophetically refers to as "a member of the British peerage") to be safe from any chance of its being declared an alien, and thus barred from inheriting American land. This is sheer midsummer madness—of whatever sex the child may be, it will be English, no matter where it is born, and should Mr. Ralph's prophecy be correct, and the child is a boy, it will be hard to argue that the Marquis of Blandford—which will be his title—is anything else than an alien in this country, no matter if he be born in the capitol at Washington.

Two more Vanderbilt divorces have been passed through the New York courts. William Kissam, a relative of the millionaires, failed to get a divorce from his wife, but her counter suit was granted; and Mrs. Mary Vanderbilt's suit against her husband, Jacob H. Vanderbilt, was also granted. Other families would lose social standing if their members appeared as persistently in the divorce courts as do these plutocrats, and perhaps the fact that they start to secure from the bankruptcy courts helps them out in their domestic troubles. No doubt!

### THOUSAND DOLLARS' WORTH OF PROPERTY

Went Up in Smoke and Flames—The Fire Started in a Drug Store, and Before It Could be Controlled a Block Had Been Destroyed.

Itasca, Tex., Dec. 2.—Fire did \$100,000 damage here yesterday. The flames were discovered at 12 o'clock in W. L. Simmons' drug store, and before they could be controlled one whole block was destroyed.

The following stores were consumed: W. L. Simmons, drug store. J. Z. Noble, furniture. Burgess & Hooks, general merchandise.

W. W. Weatherell & Son, groceries. Wilkinson & Kerr, real estate. Clark & Reynolds, law offices. Young, Bryant & Young, doctors.

Knights of Pythias hall, Knights of Honor hall and paraphernalia. A vacant store adjoining Simmons' drug store.

The origin of the fire is unknown. Nearly all the losses are covered by insurance.

Hillsboro, Tex., Dec. 2.—At 12 o'clock Monday night fire broke out in the Hooks block at Itasca, and in an hour the entire block was in ashes. The block consisted of five two-story buildings. They were built in 1894 by W. I. Hooks, T. C. Carlisle and the K. of P. lodge, Hooks owning four of them.

Word of the fire reached here about 1 o'clock, and the engine and fire company were ordered out, and a special placed at their disposal by the Katy, but just as they were ready to start a message was received stating that they had the fire under control. Some of the buildings and occupants were protected by insurance, but the loss will be very heavy, not less than \$50,000.

Hillsboro, Tex., Dec. 2.—Late yesterday evening news was received from Itasca that it was thought the fire there Monday night was incendiary. Mayor Wesvor wired Sheriff Bell to come up there last night to assist in the investigation which is being made. Sheriff Bell and deputies went up about 9 o'clock, but late last night nothing had been heard from them.

### Took Morphine

Denison, Tex., Dec. 2.—Ten days ago a young man about 30 years of age, who gave his name as J. G. Krug, Jr., and his home as Russell, Kan., came to this city and took a room in the Ourand building, on West Main street.

Krug represented that he was looking for employment. He was short of funds, and after making an effort to get work and failing, he took an overdose of morphine Monday night, and when discovered yesterday morning was beyond the power or needs of money.

Inside the room appeared undisturbed, but on the washstand, a few feet from the bed, sat a morphine bottle partly emptied of its contents, and on a small writing table a lead pencil and two notes, one of which was addressed to members of the Masonic lodge of this city, asking them to care for his remains and wire Charles E. Hall, Russell, Kan., for instructions. The other was addressed to no one in particular and read: "For God's sake tell my wife that I loved her till the last."

There was no clew left as to the cause of the rash act on the part of the man, and the only theory advanced is that he was out of employment and moneyless, which caused the despondency that induced him to take his own life.

### Chased a Thief

Sherman, Tex., Dec. 2.—Monday night shortly after 12 o'clock residents in the vicinity of the intersection of Pecan and Crockett streets were awakened by the firing of several shots in rapid succession. It proved to be a lively but bloodless chase given a wood thief by Wallace Lewis. Mr. Lewis has been missing wood from his winter supply, and Monday night kept watch and discovered a fellow at work throwing wood out into the alley. The fellow refused to halt, and Lewis opened up. The man fell once as he ran off, but there is no blood or other evidence that he was hit.

### Admitted to Bail

Huntsville, Tex., Dec. 2.—Mr. Jones, who killed C. B. Pearce, of Pine Valley, on Thanksgiving day, was admitted to bail in the sum of \$500. Mr. Jones is now in this city, and is recovering from the gunshot wound which he received. The load of buckshot which lodged in his arm and body was extracted.

### Mayfair

Mayfair is a fashionable quarter of London, so called because of a fair held there which began on May 1st and lasted sixteen days, under a grant from James I. It was suppressed in 1708.

### Reports to be Printed

Austin, Tex., Dec. 2.—The state printing board met yesterday, and besides transacting important business, ordered the reports of the following state officials printed: Superintendent of penitentiaries, state health officer, superintendent of public buildings and grounds, superintendents' reports of the following asylums: Southwestern insane asylum, North Texas insane asylum, state lunatic asylum, Austin, and colored deaf and dumb and blind asylum. No other reports were presented to the board to be printed.

Yesterday morning between 2 and 3 o'clock the quarters occupied by Chaplain Blaine and family at Fort Ringgold, about one and a half miles below this town, were burned down. Mrs. Blaine and daughter were asleep up-stairs, while the chaplain had his sleeping quarters down stairs. Chaplain Blaine, in attempting to rescue his 11-year-old daughter from up-stairs, was suffocated by smoke, as was also his daughter. Mrs. Blaine alone escaped. Yesterday morning the charred remains of father and daughter were found in the ruins. The cause of the fire is unknown save that it originated in the dining room.

At present it is snowing and sleeting here.

### Burglars at Work

Corsicana, Tex., Dec. 1.—Yesterday morning about 4 o'clock Will Cheney, bookkeeper for M. Drane & Son, was awakened by the light from a flash of dark lantern being thrown through a window into the room occupied by him and his wife by a man who stood on the gallery just outside. Mr. Cheney seized his revolver and fired twice at the man, who broke to run, and afterwards sent another bullet after him as he dashed across the street, but neither shot took effect. Mr. Cheney described the man as being of medium stature and heavily muffled.

Sunday morning about 3:30 o'clock a burglar was discovered in the residence of Capt. A. Harris, but the barking of a small dog which was in the house frightened the robber, and he ran out through the par of the house, where he had gained entrance through one of the kitchen windows.

### Serious Shooting Affray

Denison, Tex., Dec. 1.—Prof. D. H. Johnson came in from Emet yesterday and brought the news of a shooting scrape at that place last Wednesday night. The circumstances, as far as could be learned, are that two men, one named Wadsworth and one a Mr. Duffie, leased a body of land jointly for a term. Duffie made a contract with some darkies to move into the house with Wadsworth. This led to trouble, with an appeal to arms. One bullet passed through Duffie's breast and then through the hips of one of the negroes, and another bullet struck one of the negroes on the head, the bullet glancing and striking a little negro child, killing it instantly. Duffie and one of the wounded negroes will likely die. Wadsworth surrendered to the federal authorities and will have a hearing.

### Was Badly Scared

Corsicana, Tex., Dec. 1.—While Constable Will Carroll, of Merens, was attempting to arrest a negro, John Lawson, on a charge of perjury, in this city Saturday night, the negro broke to run. John Neville, a negro, who has been in the employ of the sheriff of this country for several years, was with Constable Carroll, and fired at Lawson, who fell to the earth badly scared, but uninjured. It was some time, however, before he could be convinced that he had not received a mortal wound. Neville claims that he saw Lawson draw a pistol before he fired, but on searching the prisoner no weapon was found on him, though a pistol was picked up Sunday near the spot where he fell. Lawson claims that he is not the party wanted on the charge, but he was placed in jail.

### Bids for a Mortar Battery

Galveston, Tex., Dec. 1.—Bids for the proposed fort or mortar battery at Fort Point were opened at the United States engineer's office yesterday morning. They were in the totals as follows: Henry L. Breneman, Paris, Tex., \$96,491; Isaac Heffron, Galveston, \$131,022; John A. Davis, Galveston, \$176,477; Thompson & Gray, St. Louis, \$124,579; Lawrence V. Elder, Galveston, \$241,000. The bids will be sent to Washington. Work is to be commenced within thirty days.

### Convention of Land Agents

San Antonio, Tex., Dec. 1.—A convention of land agents along the line of the San Antonio and Aransas Pass railway was held in this city yesterday to formulate plans for inducing immigration from other states to the country along this road. It was decided that each member of the convention should at once gather data about lands in his vicinity, letters from actual settlers, etc., and present same at another meeting to be held in San Antonio.

### Slot Machines

Paris, Tex., Nov. 30.—The recently installed county attorney, Mr. T. W. Carlock, has issued a subpoena that has notified all business fortune and slot machines, wheels and other devices in their places of business, that such devices will be unlawful, and that the owners of such machines are to be removed from their premises.

Avoid drumming with the feet: It is the height of impoliteness.

### Courthouse Burned

Eastland, Tex., Nov. 30.—The courthouse and all furniture were destroyed yesterday morning. Records, contents of vaults thought to be safe in law libraries and other property many citizens who owned in court house were destroyed. J. H. Johnson and J. H. Frost saved most of their books. The Masons, Knights Pythias and Odd Fellows occupied rooms in the building, and lost the entire paraphernalia, furniture, etc. Cost of building \$50,000. Insured \$40,000.

Dallas, Tex., Nov. 30.—The lock in the court house struck 12 last night the discharge of firearms in the vicinity of the court house attracted the attention of those who were aboard at that hour, including the guests of a hotel across the way on Commerce street and the frequenters of all-night saloons in the neighborhood. There was a rush for the court house. A bright light was burning in the office of the county treasurer, which is located in the southwest corner of the building on the first floor. Several entered the building through an open window.

They found County Treasurer W. N. Coe seated in a chair in an apparently normal condition, the blood trickling down his neck from a wound in the back of his head. The door of the big vault was wide open and papers of all sorts were strewn about the floor. James Chapman was one of the first arrivals.

Mr. Coe said: "Mr. Barry, my assistant, worked all day, and I came to the office about 4 o'clock. For a week or ten days we have been busy getting the office in shape to turn it over to my successor, Mr. Edward Prather. Mr. Barry went home in the evening, and I remained to complete the work. Just at the hour of 12 o'clock my lamp went out, and I climbed upon the railing to light the gas, when I heard a noise, and, looking down, to my horror, saw two men, strangers to me. One covered me with a big pistol. Under penalty of instant death he ordered me to open the door of the big vault. I did so, and then he forced me to open the smaller vault door. He had the pistol against me all the time. I opened the door and took the papers, bonds, receipts and money out of the upper and lower vaults. He picked up eight bonds, Dallas county school fund bonds, of the denomination of \$1,000 each. I said to him, 'Those bonds have been canceled. They are worthless.' He threw them outside, and I kicked them under the inner vault. He took a sack and threw the currency in it, and they walked out of the vault.

"My pistol was within each reach, and I clutched it as I followed the robber out of the vault into the office. He turned to the left and made for the open window facing on Commerce street.

"His partner, who had stood guard during the sacking of the vault, was in the act of stepping out. I raised my pistol and it was discharged prematurely, the ball lodging in the ceiling overhead.

"The robber turned and drew his gun and I ran up, lowered my head and fired. Just as his gun was discharged I felt a burning pain in the back of the head, and knew that he had shot me. There were five shots fired all told, two by me and three by my assailants.

"Including the bonds I had \$16,000 on hand in the office; of this amount I had checks amounting to \$11,200.

"The one who covered me with the pistol was the only one that I got a good look at, but my experience for the last few minutes has so unnerved me that I could not describe anything or anybody. I did all I could to save the bonds, eight in number, and tried to kick my checks aside when they were dragged out of the lower vault, but they are gone, too."

Deputy Fon Simpson, Chief of Police Arnold and a force of police officers and deputy sheriffs took charge of the case, and at 2 o'clock this morning had not been successful in locating the two robbers or the \$6,000 stolen.

### Commanded Big Pay

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Smithson—Don't know anything! Why, Vansock is paying her big wages just to keep her from telling what she knows.

El Paso, Tex., Nov. 30.—Propose Ramon Rojo, leader of the Mexican surgents who attacked the September custom house at Palomares last, has been captured and placed in jail at Las Cruces, N. M. His capture has been kept very quiet Saturday night, known in El Paso until an insurgent captain understood that the Santa Teresa in the Palomares affair, and that end has written her since his imprisonment.

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Rank My, ecstasy, seems to be willing to be virtuous when it comes easy. When all the summer visitors left, the saloons means pretty much the whole population, the saloons have been closed, and the prohibitory law enforced, and now the Sunday law is being used to compel storekeepers of every kind to shut up shop over Sunday.

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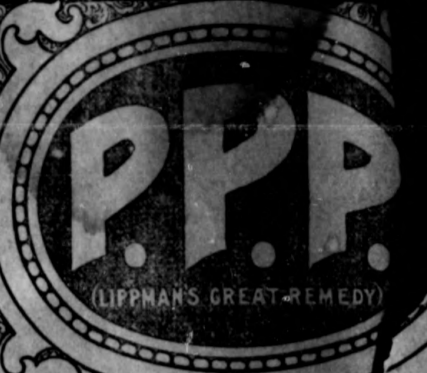
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