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Dry Goods, Clothing, Ec.

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BAIRD, CALLAHAN COUNTY, TEXAS, THURSDAY, NOV 28, 1901.

NO. 52.

WE WANT YOUR TRADE.

WE TRY TO PLEASE YOU.

B. L. BOYDSTUN,

Good Quality Goods. Immense Stock. Very Low Prices.
TRADE MADE BY BUSINESS PRINCIPLES!
New Customers Made Most Every Day.

Childs Suit 75c to \$5
Boys Suits \$2 to \$10.

The largest and most select stock of Boy's Clothing that can be found in the West, bring your boys here and turn them over to me. I will see they are well clothed at lowest prices.



Mrs. JANE HOPKINS Double Breasted Suit

UNION MADE GOODS.

The best Union Made Goods, Hamilton Corhort, we are exclusive agents. Men's Work Shirts, Pants, Jumpers and Overalls, come let us show you our large assortment of Fall Goods.



Ladies Tailor Made Suits. \$10 to \$20.

Ladies Capes, Furs and Collarettes, from \$1 to \$10.

Handsome Flannel and Silk Waist. Children's Reefers. INFANTS LONG CLOAKS.



Extra Ordinary Millinery Offer. --

\$15.00 PATTERN HATS \$12.50
10.00 " " 7.50
8.50 " " 6.00
7.50 " " 6.00

Large Assortment of Childrens ready trimmed hats.

Prices to Please.

We are prepared to show you the most pleasing and comfortable line of Men's Ladies and Misses Shoes, it has ever been our pleasure to show. Visit our shoe department and have my clerks show you the best line of shoes ever carried in the west. B. L. BOYDSTUN, Baird, Texas.

PALACE DRUG STORE.

We carry a full line of

Drugs, Patent Medicines, Etc.

Paints, Oils, Varnishes, Paint Brushes, Books, PERIODICALS, TOILET ARTICLES, ETC.

R. A. SPEER, Proprietor.

Baird, Texas.

CLYDE CLIPPINGS.

Nov. 27.—The doctor says the health of the community is distressingly good.

The Literary Society met Friday night. Had a good crowd, interesting program and a good time.

Members of the community are at the school house at the 27th inst. to back Crowers Association. It will no doubt be a good community, as this country is especially a growth of vegetables.

Plans are still going on. Lovelady is building a new north of the depot. Humphry is building one east part of town. Mr. J. is building a house north also. Lee McCammon is house painted this week.

Plans are going to have another season and probably two. In brethren are making to build right soon, and brethren talk of building house and parsonage.

Plans are selling fast now, our has sold quite a number week.

Plans went to Cisco this week. Think he is working factory interest. McKnight, of Dyerville, are visiting friends this

shire, of Tebo, was here with old friends this KIRK.

Rev. Irl R. Hicks Not Dead.

Notwithstanding a widely current rumor that the Rev. Irl R. Hicks was dead, he never was in better health, and never did a harder and more successful year's work than that just closing. He has just completed his large and splendid Almanac for 1902 and, with his staff of able helpers, has brought his journal, Word and Works, justly forward into international reputation. For a quarter of a century Mr. Hicks has grown in reputation and usefulness as the people's astronomer, and forecaster of storms and the character of coming seasons. Never were his weather forecasts so sought after as now, his timely warning of a serious drought this year having saved the people from loss and suffering. Millions of bushels of wheat were harvested through his advice to plant crops that would mature early. The American people will certainly stand by Prof. Hicks, when it costs them so little and the benefits are so great. His fine Almanac of 200 pages is only 25c, and his splendid family journal is only one dollar a year including the Almanac. Send to WORD AND WORKS Publishing Co., 2201 Locust St., St. Louis, Mo. 52-1f

Mrs. Burson, who has been visiting her brother, H. J. Lambert and family returned to her home near Putnam, Monday.

Miss Grace Whitley has returned from a visit to Sweetwater.

R. Phillips.

Has just received a fine line of first-class, high grade Musical Instruments, such as:

Guitars,
Violins,
Banjos,
Mandolins

BAIRD, TEXAS.

Queen of the Pantry flour not coming, but here at Scott & McFarlane's only 46-1f

We haven't many gent's furnishing goods left, but what we have go at cost. Come and see. J. H. Terrell. 48

Mrs. Kane has Fresh Yeast for sale.

Best flour in the world Queen of the Pantry. Scott & McFarlane. 45-1f

Get the best "Security" stock and poultry powders, 25c, 35c, 50c and \$1 packages at Powell & Powell's.

Plantation Sarsaparilla 50c.

Is composed of sarsaparilla, yellow dock, stillingia, poke root and iodide of potash and cures all impurities of the blood. Has cured thousands and will cure you. One million bottles sold annually is sufficient to convince any one of its worth. Manufactured by the Van Fleet-Mansfield Drug Co. For sale by Powell and Powell. 50-3

Include in your next order a sack of Queen of the Pantry at Scott & McFarlane's. 46-1f

Cord Wood Wanted.

Five or six cords of wood green or dry at THE STAR office. If any want to pay their subscription to THE STAR in either cord wood or stove wood, remember we will always take it at the market price. Those who are owing us on subscription are requested to bring in wood or pay the money so we can buy wood. 46-1f

ESTRAY NOTICE.

THE STATE OF TEXAS, County of Callahan. Taken up by J. H. Cunningham and estrayed before T. A. Jackson, Justice of the Peace, Precinct No. 8, Callahan county, on the 23rd day of November 1901, the following described animal: One bay horse 12 years old, 14 1/2 hands high, star in forehead, branded U on left shoulder, appraised at Ten dollars. If not legally proven away will be dealt with as the law directs. Given under my hand and seal of office this 12th day of November A. D. 1901. W. P. COCHRAN, County Clerk. 50-1f pd

HOTEL SEAY BAR.

J. B. SEAY Proprietor.

The Finest Whiskies, Alcohols, Wines, Cigars. ALWAYS ON HAND.

Sacramental Wine Always kept in Stock. Ice Cold Beer 5cts. a Glass. Baird, Texas.

A Mexican from the steel gang at Vigo and a young man by the name of Phillips, from Cottonwood, had a little difficulty near the depot Monday night, in which the Mexican got the worst of the deal. Dr. Powell was called to Vigo Tuesday morning to see the Mexican, who had a severe wound on the side of the head.

The entertainment at the Athletic Hall last Wednesday by the "Little Tots" of the Baird Kindergarten was well attended, and everyone present seemed to enjoy the entertainment.

"Lunce" Howell, from the neighborhood, was in business Wednesday.

Powell & Powell, Druggis Want

Drugs, Patent Medicines, Jewellery, Sponges, Mustard, Chicken Powder, for all the ailments, various kinds of ointments and W. P. COCHRAN, County Clerk.

The Baird Weekly Star

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

W. E. GILLILAND, Editor and Proprietor.

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One year..... \$1 00
Six months..... .50 cts
Terms: Cash in advance.

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1 inch, 12 months..... 12 00
2 inches Double Column, 1 month..... 2 50
2 inches Double Column, 3 months..... 6 50
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1/4 Page, 3 months..... 30 00
1/4 Page, 1 month..... 30 00
1/4 Page, 3 months..... 45 00
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Local reading notices (in Brevier type type only) 5 cents per line each insertion.
No reading notices to run among reading matter in black type or larger or smaller type than regular body type will be received at any price.
Our rates are reasonable and will be strictly adhered to.
We make a specialty of handsome display ads, and press work on THE STAR is acknowledged by experts to be equal to the very best weekly papers in Texas. People can read ads in this way because the print is clean and clear. New material is being added nearest time. Try an ad this month and watch results.

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They seem to have a race question in Cuba also.

The democrats have as much to be thankful for as the republicans. Holding office is not the chief object in life, so let us all be thankful.

President Roosevelt can charge up and down San Juan Hill as often as he feels like it. The United States government has bought the famous battle ground.

Hon. V. W. Grubbs, of Greenville, announces that he will put a grub in the path of the candidates for governor, that is he is going to run himself. There is no law in a free country to prevent any one from becoming a candidate for the highest office within the gift of the people.

They tell us that the days of oratory have passed, that the newspapers have usurped the place of the once all powerful orator who swayed the multitudes with their matchless eloquence, yet Mr. Raynor, Schley's chief counsel, has made a national reputation by one speech. True, the press did much to make him famous, for while he spoke to comparatively few persons yet through the press he has been heard by millions of people.

Some fifteen or twenty men have been announced as candidates by themselves or friends for congress in this district. Eastland heads the list with three candidates, and not one third of the county has been heard from. Jones, Mitchell, Midland, Pecos, Paso in the west and Palo Pinto, Eastland and Shackelford counties in the east all have favorite sons already the race and the outlying brush is to be full of dark horses. The and south-west part of the been heard from.

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NOT A CANDIDATE.

When it comes to talking about congressional timber in this end of the district, we may enquire what is the matter with Senator Sebastian of Breckenridge, H. P. Brelsford, of Eastland, O. T. Maxwell, of Cisco, S. Webb, of Albany, or W. E. Gilliland, of Baird? The Democrat is in favor of making a fight for the plum, and there is a good chance to win by uniting our forces.—Breckenridge Democrat.

We thank the Democrat for the compliment paid us, but will not be a candidate for congress or any other office at the next election. The other gentlemen can speak for themselves.

NOTICE.

All knowing themselves indebted to the firm of R. E. (Cub) Hadley are requested to call and settle the same at once. We have assumed control of the entire business and outstanding accounts of the above firm and wish to have them all paid up at once as we need the money.

HADLEY & SUMMERS.

EX-CONFEDERATES.

Camp Albert Sidney Johnston U. C. V. met at the Court House Saturday.

The following old confederates answered the roll call: L. Ainsworth, Jno. Couch, C. L. Gunn, W. R. Harral, J. H. Huffman, R. A. Kendall, J. E. W. Lane, J. N. Rushing, Jno. Trent, Jno. R. Wilson, M. L. Wilson, Levi Hancock, G. W. Duncan, W. H. Parry, W. E. F. Shelton, H. F. Williams.

J. T. Respass and W. H. Rudder were admitted to membership. Routine business transacted.

The old Veterans are anxious for all Confederates in the county to attend the National Encampment at Dallas next April.

A vote of thanks were tendered the Baird Band for music furnished. Next meeting will be held on the 4th Saturday in December. Come out.

CROSS PLAINS LOCAL.

Nov. 25.—Another wedding Sunday Mr. Harvey Farmer and Miss Gussie Baugh were married Sunday afternoon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James McDaniels. Mr. Summers said the words that made the two hearts beat as one.

There has been nothing definite learned of Mr. Jake Westerman who disappeared so mysteriously on the 8th inst. His young wife is almost distracted. They had been married only about three months. We sympathize with his parents and wife in their trouble and trust all will come right yet.

Mr. and Mrs. Hughes have been at Burkett at the bedside of Mr. Hughes' mother, who has been seriously ill the past week.

Uncle Ep Bond is able to be at his business after being confined to his room several days with a carbuncle on his neck.

Mr. Summers has the lumber on the ground for his new dwelling and the carpenters will begin work in a few days.

Several of our citizens will go to Baird with cotton this week. They all take their cotton to that place as they get better prices there than at other places.

J. M. Coffman went over Sunday to see Grandpa Lovett, who is very feeble. Grandpa Lovett is an old citizen of this county and is seventy-six years old. He has been enjoying very good health until recently, but it is feared the old fellows' days here on earth are not many now.

Jim Nations, of Admiral, was down to see friends and relatives Saturday. We learned that he has bought out Mr. Burch and will soon move to that place and Mr. Burch will go to Oklahoma.

The Teacher's Institute proved a success though was not as largely attended as was expected, but they organized and got in good working order. The night session was the most interesting part. Papers were read by Profs. Allen and Walker and Misses Eula McGowen, Helen Gilbert and Viola Hazlewood recited also little Rubie Gilbert and Prof. Watson's little daughter. They will meet at this place again the 3d Saturday in Dec. We should have mentioned that Prof. Hall gave the welcoming address at the night session.

Mrs. G. B. Swan has been sick several days, but is now convalescent.

The new barber shop that is being erected for Mr. Hughes is about completed.

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Br'er Williams Troubles.

"De ways 'er Providence," said Brother Dicoxy, "is past findin' out. Take Br'er Williams for instance. For six days en dat number er nights he constant prayed for rain, en w'en de rain come hit drowned de only mule he had en washed his house sideways! Den he let in fer to pray for dry, and de sun shine so hot dat his co'nfel' was burnt ter a frazzle, en de new mule what he buyed on a credit wuz sunstroked, en what wuz lef' er his ketchid fire, en sence de well done drid up he didn't have no water to put it out! Den he got so mad he gone off in a corner to swear in private en de preacher comin' dat way, hearn 'm swearin' en had 'm befo' speshul committee, en turned 'm out de church; En de las' time I seen 'im he was settin in de place whah his house use ter be, a readin' er de book er Job?"—Atlanta Constitution.

A Japanese matrimonial advertisement reads thus: "I am a beautiful woman. My abundant hair, undulating hair envelopes me as a cloud. Supple as a willow in wrist. Soft and brilliant is my visage as the satin of the flowers. I am endowed with wealth sufficient to saunter hand in hand with my beloved. Were I to meet a gracious lord, kindly intelligent, well educated and of good taste, I would unite myself with him for life, and later share with him the pleasures of being laid to eternal rest in a tomb of pink marble."

The Children's Friend.

You'll have a cold this winter. Maybe you have one now. Your children will suffer too. For coughs, croup, bronchitis, grip and other winter complaints One Minute Cough Cure never fails. Acts promptly. It is very pleasant to the taste and perfectly harmless. C. B. George, Winchester, Ky., writes "Our little girl was attacked with croup late one night and was so horse she could hardly speak. We gave her a few doses of One Minute Cough Cure. It relieved her immediately and she went to sleep. When she awoke next morning she had no signs of hoarseness or croup."—Powell & Powell. Nov.

GOATS FOR SALE.

From 10 to 150 goats for sale. Address all inquiries to ALDER BROS. Eula, Callahan Co. Tex. 51-5t.

Don't take something just as good, but be sure you have Mastie Mixed Paints. R. Phillips. 49-tf

NOTICE.—Mrs. Kane requests us to say that she is now able to furnish her customers with fresh bread. 38

ADVERTISED LETTERS.

The following is a list of letters remaining in P. O. at Baird, Texas for the week ending Nov. 23, 1901. Parties calling for same please say advertised.

J F Atchison
Mr. J H Browning
R A Curry
Miss Bianch Eggleston, 2
E Martin Knapp
Miss Jannet Luther
Mr W C Scott
Mr. J N Watson
WM. MCMANIS, P. M

LAND.

I have for sale the best unimproved 330 acres of prairie land in Callahan County. Cheap and on easy terms. The best business lot in Baird, and some of the best farms in the county. Money to lend. Abstracts furnished quick. See me. 44-tf A. G. Webb, Baird, Tex.

FULTON'S BARBER SHOP.

For An Easy Shave and Stylish Hair Cut SHAMPOOING, HAIR DYEING, etc. Nice clean place, 2nd door south of Scott & McFarlane's Store. Courteous treatment and Satisfaction Guaranteed. Agent ABILENE Model Steam Laundry Basket Returns Saturday. Hot and Cold Baths.

Kodol Dyspepsia Cure Digests what you eat.

This preparation contains all of the digestants and digests all kinds of food. It gives instant relief and never fails to cure. It allows you to eat all the food you want. The most sensitive stomachs can take it. By its use many thousands of dyspeptics have been cured after everything else failed. It prevents formation of gas on the stomach, relieving all distress after eating. Dieting unnecessary. Pleasant to take.

It can't help but do you good Prepared only by E. C. DeWitt & Co., Chicago. The 8c. bottle contains 2 1/2 times the 30c. size. For sale by Powell & Powell, 41, 1000.

POSTED.

My pastures are posted and any one found hunting or fishing therein, will be prosecuted according to law. R. MACDONALD.

COURT HOUSE NOTES.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

J J Sigler et al to Luke Cathey, 4-5 interest in a tract of land described by metes and bounds, \$880.
T J Sprayberry et al to J C Nordyke a tract of land adjoining town of Cottonwood, \$235.
W J Rylee and wife to J C Nordyke all of block 9 and part of block 10, Cottonwood, \$1000.
T & P Ry Co to F P Shackelford lots No's 1 to 12 in block No. 16 Putnam, \$150.
J A Gober and wife to G W Russom E 1 of N E 1 of section 33 Lunatic Asylum lands, \$294.
J H Surles and C W Conner to T A Littlepage lots 10, 11 and 12, in block 27, Putnam, \$1250.
T A Littlepage and wife to O D Horn lots 11 and 12 in block 27 Putnam \$1250.
Mose Jones and wife to W C Williams 25 1/2 acres of the Walter Conners survey, \$2250.
Charles H Ditson et al to Thomas Windham the Geo Hancock survey No 348, \$2998.
B C Clemer and wife to T J Davis T E & L Co survey No 2383, \$1800.
J L McCammon and wife to B C Clemer S E 1 of survey No 43 and W 1/2 of N W 1 of Survey No 51 B B B & C Ry Co, \$1242.35.
W J Kennedy and wife to James Littlepage, lot 6, block 7 Putnam, \$360

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

John Bedwell and Miss Ora Payne.
J S Booth and Miss Nettie Lilly.
J E Austin and Miss Ollie Swafford.
C E Bryson and Miss Maud Evans.

It Was a Bad Break.

"My wife will be careful hereafter how she takes liberties with the truth," said Jones with a grin. "We had our minister with us the other day for dinner, and the conversation turned upon absent-mindedness, and my better half had to tell her story. 'I am dreadfully absentminded,' said she, 'remember some six or seven years ago a friend of mine gave me her celebrated recipe for making jam. When I reached home I carefully put it away where I would be sure to find it when I wanted it. But do you know a few weeks later when I needed it I could not remember for the life of me where I had put it, and to this day I have never been able to find it.' 'After dinner she turned to the Rev. Mr. Thirdly and said sweetly: 'Would you mind reading a chapter in the Bible? We make it a rule to read at least one chapter every night.' 'This statement caused me to look her in surprise, for it was news to me. 'The reverend gentleman consented graciously, and she brought the family Bible, which had been dusted and placed in a conspicuous spot before he had arrived. 'As he turned the leaves a paper fluttered to the floor. 'Goodness!' grasped my wife as she picked it up, not realizing how her words were going to sound, after her somewhat pious statement, 'It is that recipe for jam!'—Detroit Free Press.

A noted physician says that the habitual whistler never commits suicide. That may be true, but how about the habitual whistlers' neighbor.—Ex.

4 IMPORTANT GATEWAYS 4

NO TROUBLE TO ANSWER QUESTIONS.

2-Fast Trains-2 DAILY For St. Louis, Chicago and the EAST.

Superb New Pullman Vestibuled Buffet Sleepers. Handsome New Chair Cars. (Seats Free.)

Only Line Running Through Coaches and Sleepers to New Orleans Without Change.

DIRECT LINE TO FAMOUS HOT SPRINGS OF ARKANSAS, ARIZONA, NEW MEXICO AND CALIFORNIA.

L. S. THORNE, E. F. TURNER, Third Vice-Prest. General Pass' and Gen'l Mgr. and Tra. Agt. DALLAS, TEXAS.

Reaching The Top.

That's what we are doing. We attribute our success to the fact that we sell only Honest Goods At Honest Prices.

We Recommend The Implements and Vehicles we sell and we place our name back of them Yellow Kid and Hancock Disc Plows—Weber Wagons. HARRY MEYER.

THE DEACON. A COMEDY IN FIVE ACTS To Be Played in Baird College Hall, Wednesday, Dec. 18th.

CAST OF CHARACTERS.

Deacon Thornton.....Horrah Phillips.
Geo. Darrah, alias Wheeler.....Weaver Taylor.
Tom Road.....Owen Leverett.
Parson Brownlow.....Brodie Lyster.
Geo. Graef.....Justin Anderson.
Billy, the Deacon's boy.....Eddie Lambert.
Mrs. Thornton's servant.....Mrs. Thornton, Sister-in-law of the Deacon.....Miss Amelia Fawcett, her sister.....Mrs. Helen Thornton, her daughter.....Mrs. Darrah.....Little Nellie, her daughter.....Daisy Dean.....Mary Bowyer.

SYNOPSIS OF INCIDENTS.

ACT I: SCENE.—Eastville Hotel garden. The robbery—Pete delivers an invitation—"By golly, he's mad already!" Meeting of Graef and Wheeler. "I'm no coward; I'll either live down the stigma attached to my name, or die in the attempt."—A promised reward—The Deacon's arrival—"Won't you kiss me, my pretty miss?" "I'm a gentleman, sir."—"Be sure to put a little stick in it." The Deacon gets hilarious.—Pete imposes upon Billy—The Deacon is sick—"Oh, my head, my head!" Triumph No. 1. The little villagers dance. Curtain.

ACT II: SCENE.—Mrs. Thornton's sitting room. Pete promotes himself—"I spruced up to do de honors ob de 'casion"—Miss Amelia is anxious about her dear little pet—"Horrid men, but dear doggy woggy." The Deacon makes a mistake—Everything lovely admires me.—"Deacon you are drunk!"—Miss Amelia prescribes for the Deacon. Triumph No. 2. Curtain.

ACT III: SCENE I. A street: "Mama, will we never reach Papa's house?"—The meeting of husband and wife—"What, you here?"—Accused of many bitter things—Left in the streets. SCENE II: George Graef's lodgings—Graef meditates.—The finding of the diamonds—"Minnie, is this you?"—"Welcome, little coz."—The photo. SCENE III: The treasure hunters—"Oh, Loe! I'm dead!"—"Let's go home, and git the mules."—The treasure found—Caught by the spirits—Tableau.

ACT IV: Mrs. Thornton's sitting room. Daisy shows Pete what she would do—Miss Amelia's heart is in a flutter—"I know I will rebuke him." Pete at his old tricks—"Then kiss me."—Consternation—Pete continues his tricks—"Tis he, by Jerusalem!"—The Deacon taken by surprise. "I was insulted by a colored woman."—"In one of my dresses?"—"Billy creates some excitement. Curtain.

ACT V: Mrs. Thornton's sitting room. The Deacon in clover—"Hang the Parson."—The interrupted marriage ceremony—"That man has a wife living"—An attack.—Pete to the rescue.—No, it is forgery." The villain foiled—Mrs. Darrah and Nellie forgiven—"Oh, Deacon, don't be silly."—"Let de ban play, fo' we's all ready fo' de dance." Curtain. Reserved Seats, 25 cts. Children 25 cts. Unreserved Seats, 25 and 15 cts. Come out; laugh heartily; and enjoy a pleasant evening. Curtain rises promptly at 8 o'clock. Tickets on sale at Phillip's Store.

T. E. POWELL, Presdt. HARRY MEYER V. P. FRED LANE, Cash.

The Home National Bank OF BAIRD.

The above bank solicits from the people of Baird and Callahan County a share of their patronage.

PROMPT AND COURTEOUS TREATMENT TO ALL.

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

Modern Fire Proof Vault. Fine Fire and Burglar Proof CASH AND SEE US.

FOR SALE OR TRADE.

Two Norman Stallions, fine animals for stock purposes. Also ten head of full blooded Durham bulls, one and two years old, in fine condition. Ranch 15 miles south of Baird, Texas. 48-1f Wm. McMANIS.

Geo. A. Jamison, formerly of Baird but now residing at El Paso, was in the city Wednesday night on his way to Mineral Wells, where he will spend a week or more. He will visit friends in Baird before he returns home.

Have you seen the immense line of musical instruments such as mandolins, guitars, violins, banjos, auto harps, French harps, jews harps at Phillips. Call and see what we have in this line. We hope to please you. 49-1f.

Mrs. A. S. Cox, of Peecos, was in the city last week visiting her parents Dr. and Mrs. Jno. Collier, she left Saturday to visit friends in Dallas.

BRAIN-FOOD NONSENSE.

Another ridiculous food fad has been branded by the most competent authorities. They have dispelled the silly notion that one kind of food is needed for brain, another for muscles, and still another for bones. A correct diet will not only nourish a particular part of the body, but it will sustain every other part. Yet, however good your food may be, its nutriment is destroyed by indigestion or dyspepsia. You must prepare for their appearance or prevent their coming by taking regular doses of Green's August Flower, the favorite medicine of the healthy millions. A few doses aids digestion, stimulates the liver to healthy action, purifies the blood, and makes you feel buoyant and vigorous. You can get Dr. G. G. Green's reliable remedies at R. Phillip's. Get Green's Special Almanac. 44-1f.

The County Treasurer's quarterly report for August and November both appear in this issue. The cause of the delay in publishing the August report was the omission of some of the Commissioners to sign the report though it was approved, but in the rush of business the matter was over looked.

See the nice line of clocks and watches at Phillips. 49-1f.

A fine line of strings for musical instruments at Phillips. 49-1f.

YEAST.—Fresh yeast for sale at Mrs. E. K. KANE'S.

FOR SALE.

Several thousand bushels cotton seed for sale at Clyde gin.

49-1f JAS. GULFOLL, Clyde, Tex.

All toilet preparations at Phillips.

For the Seth Thomas, Ingram and alarm clocks, sold on a guarantee, go to R. Phillips 49-1f.

If Its "Batavia," It's The Best.

HARDIN HAS "BATAVIA"
"Batavia" Corn, packed in the State of Maine.
"Batavia" Extra Fine Peas—better than French.
"Batavia" Strawberry Sugar Beans.
"Batavia" Stringless Beans—all whole, not scraps.
"Batavia" White Asparagus Tips.
"Batavia" Salamon Steaks—flacons with key.
"Batavia" Extra Sliced Pineapple 1lb. cans.
"Batavia" Extra Grated Pineapples 1lb. cans.
"Batavia" Roly Poly Red Pitted Cherries.
"Batavia" Red Antwerp Raspberries.
"Batavia" Extra Sliced Lemon-Cling Peaches, heavy syrup.

BESIDES
The above, which are the finest products of the packers and preservers art and skill, I offer the various "standard" brands of goods, lower in price and lower grade but NOT poor in quality.

Don't Overlook

"Swan's Down" Cake Flour.
IN PACKAGES.
HAVE YOU TRIED JERSEY CREAM FLOUR, CHEAPEST AND BEST.

ALL GOODS GUARANTEED Phone No. 44.

George S. Hardin, GROCER. Baird, Texas.

THE SCOTT CASE.

This case occupied almost the entire week, ending last Saturday night in conviction of murder in the second degree. Motion for a new trial was overruled and Judge Lindsey in accordance with the verdict of the jury, sentenced the defendant to twenty-five years in the penitentiary.

The evidence closed Friday at noon and the lawyers began speaking at 1:30 p. m. and the last speech was not concluded until 1:30 p. m. Saturday and the case submitted to the jury. In two or three hours a verdict was reached as above stated. Notice of appeal was given.

The verdict was rather a surprise, as most people believed the jury could not agree in the limited time until the adjournment of court, which at farthest was at midnight Saturday night.

This trial has excited considerable interest in this county as both parties were known to some of our people, and the large number of witnesses for the State and defense, seventy-five in all, many of whom expressed themselves for or against the defendant. Friends of both sides were active during the trial, as evidenced by the opinions expressed by those who a week before the trial did not know anything about the case.

It is strange what diverse opinions different people will form from hearing the same testimony given by the witnesses, or discussed by the lawyers.

Some favorable to the State say the verdict was too light, while some favorable to the Defendant believe he should have been acquitted, or at least have got not more than five years. The verdict practically means life imprisonment as R. W. Scott is now 52 years old and if he lives to serve out his time he will be 77 years old.

The closing scenes late Saturday night were sad in the extreme for the defendant. He stood the ordeal splendidly until Court was adjourned and he began to talk to his boy, when he gave way to his feeling and wept. We know nothing of the case against him except what we heard in the discussion by the last four attorneys, but from what we heard of the defendant, and what we knew of him personally in Brown county near twenty years ago, his reputation as a peacable, law abiding man up to this trouble was good, but seems to have availed him nothing in the trial. He is a poor man and a cripple and has had a hard struggle all his life to make a living, and when past the meridian of life, and the shadows are lengthening as the sunset of life approaches, to be forever separated from his loved ones is enough to appal any one. Possibly he is as gully as some believe, who think the jury was too lenient, and possibly there are extenuating circumstances in his case unknown, or not understood by the public. It must be remembered his main evidence was the testimony of himself and his family, that discredited, as is always the case more or less, on account of being by interested parties, the corroboration either whole or in part by outside parties availed nothing, when the main evidence was not credited. This was the theory of the State in the case and was so believed by the jury. The jury was composed by good men, and prior to entering the jury box could not have been prejudiced either way, as all parties were strangers to them, and they heard all the testimony. Taking this view of the case the jury ought to be, and no doubt are better judges of the merits of the case than those who formed opinions from hearing friends or enemies of the defendant discuss the case. Outside of the district judge the defendant, jury and attorneys in the case possible not a single person in Baird heard all the evidence, consequently opinions formed from hearing only part of the evidence, or from hearing interested parties talk, who in some instances perhaps were not even witnesses, is worth but little.

The dead man, Mr. Hayley was said to have been a good man by those who knew him, and R. W. Scott is a good man, then why could not this tragedy have been averted and saved two families and their friends the anguish that this killing has brought upon them? It is an awful thing to have to kill a fellow being in self defense, and to kill without justification is tenfold worse. Whether this was a case of self-defense or otherwise, of course, not having heard but little of the evidence, we are not competent to express an opinion, and we do not care to do so any way, as there is a possibility that the case may be reversed and come back here for another trial, and THE STAR does not wish to say anything that would prejudice the case either way and make the case harder for the state or defense to get justice.

Some of the attorneys for the defense are confident they will get the case reversed, but Judge Lindsey's reputation as a lawyer is such that those who know him best believe he would have granted a new trial had he believed there were any grounds for reversing the case.

The defendant will remain in jail here until the case is acted upon by the Criminal Court of Appeals sometime in January.

T. J. Davis living south of Putnam, was in town Wednesday.



Filling Up!

That is exactly what I am doing, "fill-up" my immense store house with the choicest line of Goods at Bargain Prices, that I could procure in the Eastern Markets. The goods are arriving daily and we are arranging for a share of your trade this fall. Don't disappoint us, come and see our immense line of goods before you make your purchases. Respectfully.

H. SCHWARTZ.

Our Prices Always Please.

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CITATION FOR PUBLICATION.

THE STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF CALLAHAN. In the Justice Court Precinct No. 1 November Term 1901.

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Callahan County, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded that by making publication of this Citation in some newspaper published in the county of Callahan, if there be a newspaper published in said county, (but if not, then in the nearest county where a newspaper is published, for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, you summon J. H. Peters to be and appear before the Justice Court, to be holden for Precinct No. 1 in the County of Callahan, at the court house thereof in Baird on the 25th day of November 1901, File Number being 530, then and there to answer the complaint of J. W. Jones and I. N. Jackson filed in said Court on the Third day of October, A. D. 1901, against the said J. H. Peters and alleging in substance as follows, to wit: Suit on promissory note executed by said defendant June 25th 1898 amounting to \$61.25, principal and interest and for cost of suit and 10 per cent as attorney's fees.

Herein fail not, but have you then and there before said Court this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand officially this 25th day of October A. D. 1901.

L. O. OLIVER, Justice of the Peace Precinct No. 1, Callahan County Texas. 48-1f.

Spreads Like Wildfire.

When things are "the best" they become "the best selling." Abraham Hare, a leading druggist of Belleville, O., writes: "Electric Bitters are the best selling bitters I have handled in 20 years." You know why? Most diseases begin in disorders of the stomach, liver, kidneys, bowels, blood and nerves, Electric Bitters tones up the stomach, regulates the liver, kidneys and bowels, purifies the blood, strengthens the nerves, hence cures multitudes of maladies. It builds up the entire system. Puts new life and vigor into any weak, sickly, rundown man or woman. Price 50c. Sold by Powell & Powell. Nov.

DO YOU ADVERTISE?

A merchant, pound foolish, but pennywise, in business said "ways no use to advertise. On his goods did gather many flies. While waiting for customers who did not surmise.

That such a man lived beneath the skies. Everything with him went contrarywise because he was not wise. Intending to compete with those who did advertise.

MORAL: You may have the best and cheapest goods in town, but if you do not tell the people about it how will they know it? The cheapest advertising is newspaper advertising. THE STAR has advertising space for sale. Phone No 8 when you want to act wise and advertise.

Cures Blood Poison—Treatment Free.

Blood poison is the worst disease on earth yet the easiest cured when B. B. B. (Botanic Blood Balm) is used. Many have pimples, spots on the skin, ulcers, mucous patches, falling hair, itching skin, bone pain, rheumatism, catarrh, eating, bleeding, festering sores, scrofula, scabs and scales, cancer and don't know it is blood poison. Get Botanic Blood Balm (B. B. B.) \$1. A few bottles guaranteed to cure the worst cases. Sold at drug stores. Treatment of B. B. B. sent free and prepaid by writing to Blood Balm Co., Atlanta, Ga., Describe trouble and free medical advice given until cured. B. B. B. thoroughly tested for 30 years Cures when all else fails. B. B. B. makes the blood pure and rich heals every sore, and stops all aches and pains. B. B. B. improves the digestion, Oct.

For nice visiting cards go THE STAR office.

\$100 REWARD.

The Stock Raisers' Association of Coleman and adjoining counties hereby offer a reward of \$100 for information that will lead to the arrest and conviction of any person or persons who are guilty of stealing or killing any stock belonging to any member or members of this association. To be paid when satisfactory proof is made to the executive committee of this association. R. H. OVERALL, Pres. J. RATHMELL Sec'y. 12-1f.

PUBLIC RECITAL.

The Elocution Class of Baird College will give a public recital, at the College Friday evening, Nov. 15, 1901. A sword drill will be an attractive feature. The proceeds will go toward a Library fund. Admission 25 and 15 cents.

BLACKSMITH SHOP FOR SALE.

My entire blacksmith shop, tools, site, etc, located at Sabano, Eastland county, Texas, is for sale. Sabano has two stores, gin, etc, surrounded by fine farming country. A very desirable location. Address ALBERT BAKER, Sabano, Texas.

See the new line of wall paper just received at R. Phillips. 49-1f.

Best meal in West Texas for 25 cts. Hotel Seay. 33-1f.

To the Public.

Allow me to say a few words in praise of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy I had a very severe cough and cold and feared I would get pneumonia, but after taking the second dose of this medicine I felt better, three bottles of it cured my cold and the pain in my chest disappeared entirely. I am most respectfully yours for health Ralph S. Moyers, 64-Thirty-seventh St Wheeling W. Va. For sale by R. Phillips, Baird and Y. A. Orr Putnam

Eczema Itching Humors, Pimples, Treatment Free.

Does your Skin Itch and Burn? Distressing Eruptions on the Skin so you feel ashamed to be seen in Company? Do Scabs and Scales form on the skin, hair or scalp? Have you Eczema? Skin Sore and Cracked? Rash form on the Skin? Prickly Pain in the Skin? Swollen Joints? Falling Hair? All run down? Skin pale? Old sores? Eating sores? Ulcers? To cure to stay cured take B. B. B. (Botanic Blood Balm) which makes the blood pure and rich, then the sores will heal and the itching of eczema stop forever the skin become clear and the blood pure. B. B. B. sold at drug stores \$1. Trial treatment sent free and prepaid by writing to Blood Balm Co. Atlanta Ga. Describe your trouble and free medical advice given. Over 5000 testimonials of cures by B. B. B. Nov.

IS IT MATTRESS BEDS

You want cheap? If so be sure to see my line before you buy, as I have all kinds at bottom prices. Yours for trade. J. T. SANDS, Baird, Tex. 51-1f.

THE MINSTRELS

Fun Fun Fun Fun



At Athletic Hall, Friday, Dec. 13th.

- FIRE BOYS -

Baird Volunteer Fire Dep't.

The entertainment will consist of Negro Songs, Gags, Funny Acts, Jokes and Farce Plays. A good laugh will do you good. Come, the Boys will do their best to please you and make a pleasant 2 hours entertainment.

Free Street Parade at 4 O'Clock.

See the new Hook and Ladder Truck that the boys recently purchased, they are trying to make a First-class Fire Department for Baird, why not help them? Admmission 15 and 25c RESERVED SEATS 35 CENTS. Tickets on sale at R. Phillips. Buy Early to get Choice.

OFFICERS. Mayor: J. B. Harmon. Secretary: H. Schwartz. Marshal: J. M. Aycock. Aldermen: H. Schwartz, H. H. Ramsey, W. E. Mayes, Martin Barnhill, C. H. Mahan.

SOCIETY DIRECTORY.

CHURCHES. M. E. CHURCH, OUTH. Preaching every Sunday at 11 a. m. and at night. Rev. W. W. Moss, Pastor. Sunday School at 11 a. m. J. H. Walker Superintendent. BAPTIST CHURCH. Preaching 1st and 3rd Sundays at 11 a. m. and at night. Rev. J. Frank Leake, Pastor. Sunday School at 10 a. m. W. M. Coffman, Superintendent. EPISCOPAL CHURCH. Services 2nd and 5th Sundays. Rev. J. W. Keeble, Pastor. Sunday school at 10:30 a. m. Mrs. F. W. James, Superintendent. CHRISTIAN CHURCH. Preaching every 2nd Sunday. Church meeting at 2 p. m. every Sunday. W. A. Barnhill, Elder. PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH. Sunday school every Sunday at 10 a. m. J. C. Gray, Supt. Services at Presbyterian Church 3rd and 4th J. M. Brooks. CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH. Preaching 1st and 3rd Sunday at 11 a. m. and at night. J. A. Ward, Pastor. Sunday School at 10 a. m. J. N. Rushing, Supt. LODGES. BAIRD LODGE, No. 522. A. F. & A. M. Meets every Saturday night on or before full moon at 7:30 p. m. R. G. Powell, W. M. Geo. B. Scott, Secretary. BAIRD CHAPTER, E. A. M. No. 182. Meets 3rd Friday night in each month. HARRY MEYER, H. P. B. L. RUSSELL, Secretary. BAIRD LODGE No. 47. K. of P. Meets in Castle Hall Odd Fellows building every Thursday night at 8 p. m. Visiting Knights always welcome. H. SCHWARTZ, C. of C. H. SCHWARTZ, K. of C. BAIRD CAMP No. 28. W. O. W. Meets in the Odd Fellows Hall. 1st and 2nd Monday nights of each month. JAS. H. WALKER, C. C. JNO. W. WOODS, Clerk. BAIRD LODGE No. 271. I. O. O. F. Meets every Saturday night. J. H. ALLEN, N. G. H. SCHWARTZ, Sec. ABILENE COMMANDERY, K. of T. No. 27 Meets 2nd Monday of each month. J. H. PIERCE, E. C. C. W. ROBERTS, Rec. BAIRD LODGE No. 142. A. O. U. W. Meets First and third Tuesday in each month. Visiting brethren fraternally invited and members expected to attend. J. A. EDMONS, M. W. JOHN J. ALLEN, Recorder. BAIRD LODGE No. 806. BANKERS UNION of the World meets in the Odd Fellows hall 1st and 3rd Monday nights in each month at 4 p. m. S. T. FRASER, President. J. H. COCHRAN, Sec. CAMP ALBERT STONEY JOHNSTON, No. 1. U. C. V. Meets at Baird at 1 p. m. 4th Saturday of each month. JNO. THENT, Capt. J. E. W. LANE, Adjut.

Don't fail to hear and see the "little folks" tell the difference in the Old and New Thanksgiving, 1620-1801, at the Athletic Hall, Wednesday evening Nov. 27th.

We still have some shoes, suits hats, etc, that we are clearing out at cost. Money saved is money made. Come to see me. J. H. Terrell. 48-1f.

Lowest prices on wall paper and paints at Phillips. 49-1f.

Better buy a ticket now to the Fire Boys Minstrel to insure a choice seat. Friday, Dec. 13.

Notice.

All persons indebted to the firm of S. M. Moon & Co. are requested to settle up. The undersigned has the books and notes of said firm who are anxious to close up the business.

ED. COPPINS, At Barnhill's Shoe Shop.

The entertainment at the Baird College last Friday night, by Miss Adkins' Elocution Class, for the benefit of the College Library Fund, was a success, and quite a crowd attended considering the weather and other attractions in town that night.

Ready for paints, get istic Mixed Paints, painting material. 49-1f.

Paint is what you st. R. Phillips. 49-1f.

Weber wagons. H. 43-1f.

ing to A. L. Vaughn's furniture at excursion 45f.

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A WORLDWIDE PEACE.
Czar of Russia Tells How It Can Be Assured.
WAR PREPAREDNESS MUST STOP.

Nicholas II. Declares Great Armies and Navies Must Be Reduced or a Conflict Involving the Whole World May Come Sooner Than Expected—Advocates General Disarmament.

The czar of Russia has within the present month declared that great armies and navies, instead of guaranteeing the peace of Europe, will be powerless to avert the war of the future which may, he adds, involve the whole world. He asserted that the powers, now staggering under the burdens of overtaxation, are rushing to disaster and that the catastrophe may come sooner than people expect. The ruler of all the Russias sees permanent peace for the world only by general disarmament, and he declared that he regretted it as his sacred duty to persuade the nations to disarm.

The views of Nicholas II. were expressed during the recent maneuvers of the German fleet in the Baltic sea while he was a guest on board Kaiser Wilhelm's yacht Hohenzollern. The czar was in earnest conversation with the German admiral commanding the fleet, and this conversation is reported in the Frankfurter Zeitung, copies of which have just reached the United States. The Frankfurter Zeitung is looked upon as the most reliable and honorable newspaper printed in Europe, and in consequence of the high position it holds in the political world its report of the interview between the czar and the admiral has attracted general attention on the continent. The conversation between the czar and the admiral as reported by the Zeitung follows:

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The Czar—There I differ with you, admiral. According to my own views, the ideal thing to do would be to reduce standing armies and navies instead of keeping on increasing their strength. This so-called preparedness for war—arming on a great and ever greater scale—is overburdening the peoples of Europe. All governments should strive to lessen their expenses for the army and navy. As long as they do the opposite they are simply upholding and perpetuating an intolerable situation.

Admiral—A humane and extremely generous thought, your majesty, but—
 The Czar—(interrupting)—Not a thought only, admiral. I am devoting my life to the realization of the peace idea.

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Admiral—May I please your majesty, don't you think that a perfect army and navy, an army and navy ready to move against the enemy at a moment's notice, so to speak—doesn't your majesty think that such weapons as those constitute the best guarantee of peace?

The Czar—In order to establish true and permanent peace it is absolutely necessary that the nations' war preparedness, as constituted by their armies and navies, be limited. The nations must not go on forever increasing their war strength and building up war material. They must stop, be no further progress, so called, in the art of killing men and animals, destroying ships, interfering with commerce and laying waste provinces. All that has to stop. The nations want a rest. They want to be engaged in the construction of the peace, produced by the announcement that A has better guns than B or that C is building more and better ships than Y can afford to do. They have demanded a let up in war preparedness for twenty years! On that point the civilized nations are fully agreed, and international policy, my dear admiral, will eventually compel the permanent peace—policy, I say, and not armies and navies.

Admiral—I beg to assure your majesty that my government, like that of St. Petersburg, strives for peace not only because it is its sincerest wish, believe me, your majesty, but to preserve peace our army and navy must be in the best possible shape. We must increase and augment them steadily to keep pace with the growth of population and the armament of other peoples. Your majesty knows the old saying: Si vis pacem para bellum. God forbid that we increase the army and navy with the idea of carrying war into our neighbors' land. It's all done in the interest of peace. For peace's sake we are willing to make any sacrifice.

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The Czar—Yes, I heard this story before. You compel your people to bleed itself to death to furnish ways and means for keeping up a tremendous force on land and sea and for adding to it constantly in a manner heretofore, happily, unknown to the world. I, nor Frederick the Great, neither Alexander nor Peter, neither Louis XIV. nor our own Catherine, ever dreamed of such armies and navies in wartime as are now established while Europe enjoys the blessings of peace. That all your armaments and the whole immense apparatus of war, costing millions of dollars every day, don't amount to a row of pins as an actual guarantee of peace. The nations of Europe are today as far as ever from declaring the permanency of peace. Despite your armies and navies the blessings of a world's peace are not yet within reach.

Admiral—True enough, your majesty, armed peace demands great sacrifices. We have to pay heavily for the maintenance of peace by a grand army and navy; but, your majesty, the people are glad to contribute to the welfare of Europe even at considerable expense.

The Czar—Maybe, admiral, but the thing can't go on! The sacrifices demanded of the taxpayer are constantly growing. Financial troubles, owing to the expense of the army and navy, are increasing day by day. I tell you this thing spells disaster. The public welfare is threatened at its roots.

Admiral—Your majesty is pleased to leave many things, stamping armed preparedness as a blessing to the people, out of your calculations. Big armies and grand navies compel the nations to work and strive. They banish idleness and call for honest competition. Nowadays every people in Europe is trying to produce the best weapons, the finest ships.

The Czar—But it's not humanity's business to produce means of destruction. We were put upon this earth to build up, not to do the other thing. All the money spent for the army and navy above a certain necessary amount is money diverted from its real purpose, money invested in unproductive labor.

Admiral—Your majesty was pleased to admire our quick firing guns. You have seen those mysterious of the sea—boats that travel under water, the ironclads yonder, our incomparable fleets of torpedo boats—all these wonders of twentieth century technique. Are they not evidence of marvelous progress? Doesn't your majesty recognize that our people give their best thought, their brightest endeavors, to the fatherland? I repeat it, in my humble opinion our army and navy are the best guarantee of peace, while the money in-

vested therein pays abundant interest by the maintenance of peace. The people's money could not be more profitably invested than in securing peace as we do.

The Czar—(shaking his head)—Indeed, and what about those hundreds of millions you are spending for means of destruction, today labeled the "best and latest," while tomorrow you must admit that they are valueless because something new, something to offset them, was invented? A few inventions, admiral.

Admiral—I will not deny that we are frequently doomed to disappointment of the sort your majesty referred to. But if your majesty will permit me I dare say the competition of inventors benefits our own industry and consequently the people that live by industry and commerce.

The Czar—Your argument is illogical, admiral. Powder and guns, torpedoes and submarine vessels, ships not destined for commerce—all such things are false values. The persons engaged in their manufacture contribute neither to the world's betterment nor to their own happiness. Ironclads, grape-shot, swords and lances are not agents of progress by any means. Their wholesale manufacture presupposes a deficit in the making of articles that stand for culture and economical advancement. Besides, it is easy to prove that the system of armed preparedness is largely responsible for the financial depressions that crop up from time to time in all countries turned into camps.

Admiral—But, your majesty, what has preserved peace during the last twenty and more years if it was not our grand army? If we hadn't been so well prepared as to number of soldiers and ships, as to the latest pattern of guns and other war material, hostilities might have broken out on several occasions.

The Czar—Hypothesis, my dear admiral! There isn't an atom of proof for what you say. I am convinced, on the other hand, that your grand collection of war material is a permanent menace to peace.

Admiral—On that point I beg to differ with your majesty, and the people, I am sure, think as I do. They love the army and value it for the protection it renders the nation. And for these services they are willing to pay.

The Czar—It is unfortunate that you and armed war preparedness enthusiasts generally will not see things in their proper light. As a matter of fact, standing armies and big navies are obstructing national development everywhere, and the people, staggering under the weight of overtaxation for any purpose, hate and loath the institution, while fearing it at the same time. I tell you, admiral, if things go on as they have been going, the catastrophe which you hope to avert will occur sooner than you think. The disaster will be awful. The thought of it might make an honest man shudder.

Admiral—I beg your majesty's pardon. I am only an old sea dog trying to do my duty. Now, duty, as I take it, compels the state to do everything in its power to keep the army abreast of the times, increasing and equipping it in the best manner possible, so that, in the hour of danger—
 The Czar—No, no, no. It's the state's duty to avert war by other means than by laying up war material that must necessarily lead to war. Don't you know that the war of the future, of which we stand in such dread, may involve the whole world?

STORY OF COL. MAPLESON.
How the Famous Impresario Carried a Prima Donna in His Arms.

That an impresario's lot is not a happy one the misadventure in this story gives abundant evidence. The late Colonel J. H. Mapleson, the famous operatic impresario, related that the first performance of "Lohengrin" in New York city gave him a great deal of fatiguing work to do, and it was nearly 7 on the opening night when he sat down to dinner.

He had scarcely begun when he was summoned to the Everett House, where the prima donna, Mme. Gerster, was stopping, says the New York Journal. He found her insensible from the result of taking chloroform for a toothache. The manager was in despair. He flung open all the windows and by the aid of soda water and salt volatiles succeeded in bringing the singer to a state of semi-consciousness. It was then 7:15, and ruin was staring him in the face. Before the astonished family he flung a shawl about Mme. Gerster, and carried her bodily (she was no lightweight) to the carriage. Borne into her room she swooned over her dressing table.

While efforts were being made to bring her to, Mr. Mapleson directed the stage hairdresser to fix her hair. It was twenty minutes of 8 when Ardit and the call boy entered the room, and both looked upon the case as hopeless. But the orchestra began to play, and Mme. Gerster was finally stood up on her feet in a half unconscious condition.

"How can I sing when my hair is not fixed?" she murmured in a dazed way. She was informed that this had been done while she was in the swoon. Mr. Mapleson led her toward the entrance, and, half supported by her attendants, she made her appearance on the stage. Colonel J. H. Mapleson's optimism, his ignorance of the value of money, his expressive smile, his portly presence, were well known in this and every other country where opera lovers congregate.

As far back as 1875 Colonel Mapleson led operatic enterprises here. He introduced to the United States many singers whose fame was and is worldwide. In his long career he directed no fewer than 8,500 operatic performances and 3,700 concerts. He was fond of telling how, in 1890, he first gave Adeline Patti an engagement. She agreed then to appear four nights without pay, the understanding being that if he approved her she should have a regular engagement.

"After those four nights," Colonel Mapleson would say, "I agreed to give her \$200 a week, and she had to sing six nights a week. Twenty-five years later I was paying her \$8,000 a night."

COL. HARRISON A LAWYER.
Late President's Son to Secure Justice For Dismissal From the Army.

Colonel Russell B. Harrison of Indianapolis, son of the late Benjamin Harrison, was admitted to the practice of law the other day in the circuit and superior courts of Marion county and will at once become a member of the firm of which his father was for many years the senior member, says the New York Sun. He was introduced to the court by former Attorney General Miller, with whose firm he will now be identified. Speaking of his admission to the bar and the motives for it, Colonel Harrison said:

"This step, a consummation of a long cherished intention, has been hastened by my own desire and my father's dying wish that I should carry out his intention to fight to the end the unjust, unimpartial and outrageous treatment meted out to me as a soldier by the war department. To carry on the case successfully I found it necessary to have a complete training in law, and as my father's sudden sickness and death deprived me of his assistance and advice I at once gave my entire time to completing my final studies and examinations."

"In order better to discharge my military duties, which included the inspection and supervision of military and civil justice in connection with the establishment and maintenance of military and civil military governments in Cuba and Porto Rico and the operations of our army, I devoted much time while in the service to the study of law, including Spanish law, and the last eight months I have given uninterruptedly to the study of law in day and night classes."


SUICIDE TRUST STARTED.
Promoter Expects to Have Branch Offices All Over New Jersey.

A suicide club has been formed in Atlantic City, N. J., by a man from Newark named Bragie, says the New York Sun. It is reported that he will organize similar organizations in various parts of the state. The local society has thirty-four members, and over a hundred applications for membership have been received and will be acted upon at the regular weekly meeting.


The bylaws declare that once each year the members shall assemble at the place of meeting and each member draw one bean from a jar. He who receives the black bean must between the time of drawing and the next yearly meeting commit suicide. A sum of money, it is said, will be set aside to defray the funeral expenses of each departed member.

Mark Twain and the Hymnbook.
 Mr. Carnegie told the reporters about this letter he had received from Mark Twain while abroad:
 Dear Andy—I hear you're prosperous. Send me a dollar and a half for a hymnbook. The Lord will bless you, and so will I.
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