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

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ABILENE DISTRICT FAIR.

To Take Place at Abilene, Tex., October 1, 2 and 3—Rules for the Fair—Premiums.

RULES.

1. The fair will be open promptly at 2 o'clock p. m. on October 1, and everything must be in place by that time.

2. An article can only be entered for one premium, and having been entered for a premium cannot be grouped with other articles for a collective exhibit. This article applies only to the agricultural and ladies' departments.

3. Such of the exhibits made by citizens of Taylor county as can be will be shipped to Dallas for exhibition.

4. Premiums will be awarded by committees selected with the greatest care. No one will be permitted to serve on a committee competing for a prize to be awarded by that committee. Citizens of different counties will compose committees as far as practicable.

The premiums will be delivered on the day after the fair.

LIST OF PREMIUMS.

At least 5 good plants dried; also cotton in seed (2 pound lots); also bolls with 4-inch stem (at least 50 in number for each exhibit) raised on one farm; premium by E. S. Hughes & Co., hardware dealers, one \$75 wagon.

Best collection of sheep grain raised on one farm; one Buckeye mow, one \$40; premium by Autman, Miller & Co., manufacturers of Buckeye machinery, through Cameron & Phillips.

Best exhibit by any county in the Abilene country; premium by Abilene National Bank, \$50. (As this fair is given in Abilene, Taylor county will not compete, by order of the fair management.)

Best peck threshed and cleaned wheat; premium by J. A. Boyce, grocer, 100 pounds best fancy patent flour from Pioneer mills.

Best peck shelled white corn; premium by Smith, Woodward & Co., millers and ginners, \$5.

Best peck white milling corn on ear; premium by Roberts & Mackechny, 100 pounds Smith, Woodward & Co.'s roller ground Pearl meal.

Best peck threshed and cleaned oats; premium by G. A. Kirkland, lawyer, \$5.

Best sheaf oats, 12 inches in diameter; premium by H. L. Bently, lawyer, \$5.

Best corn (exhibit to be not less than 10 stalks with ears on stalks); premium by O. W. Steffens, cashier First National Bank, \$5.

Best peck shelled corn; premium by Sayles & Sayles, lawyers, \$5.

Greatest variety of wheat raised by one exhibitor; Cherrygrove Nursery, Ivesdale, Ill., \$10 in flowers and delivered in season.

Best sheaf of wheat, 12 inches in diameter; premium by Pioneer mills, \$5.

Best sheaf rye, 12 inches in diameter; premium by P. H. Grady, blacksmith, \$5.

Best sheaf barley, 12 inches in diameter; premium by J. Rodman, plan and surgeon, \$5.

Half peck wheat threshed and cleaned; premium by Roberts & Mackechny, and Pioneer mills fancy patent flour.

Best general collection of corn, including corn on stalks, on cobs and shelled; premium by Cameron & Phillips, hardware merchants, Standard cultivator, worth \$45.

Best peck threshed barley; premium by C. Evans, lumber dealer, \$5.

Best peck threshed rye; premium by Fred Cockrell, lawyer, \$5.

Best peck German millet threshed; premium by H. A. Porter, county judge, \$5.

Best peck German millet heads; premium by D. W. Wristen, grocer, \$5 in groceries.

Best general collection small grain, wheat, oats, rye, barley, etc., threshed; premium by Roberts & Mackechny, 100 pounds level tea, imported direct from the Japan Tea Syndicate, Japan.

Best German millet, 12 inches in diameter; premium by Theod. resident Abilene National Bank, \$5.

Best Hungarian grass; also Italian grass heads; also Porter, saddlery and hardware.

Best collection of millet of different varieties; premium by E. H. East, cashier First National Bank, \$5.

Best Hungarian grass, 12 inches in diameter; premium by H. A. Porter, \$5.

Best sheaf, 12 inches in diameter; also best bale Colorado 100 pounds premium; premium by Taylor, \$5.

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diameter; premium by Curie & Stith, real estate and insurance agents, \$5.

Best bale alfalfa, about 10 pounds; premium by W. A. Flint, furniture dealer, \$5 rocking chair.

Sorghum—Best sorghum of any variety in bundles of 8 stalks; premium by W. L. Gatlin, dealer in livestock, \$2.50.

Best heads of sorghum (not threshed) one peck; best one-half peck seed, shelled; premium by J. M. Radford, grocer, \$2.50.

Best bale sorghum for stock feed, about 30 pounds; premium by Howard Young, liquor dealer, \$5.

Broom Corn—Best broom corn, at least 10 stalks in bundles; best one-half peck shelled seed; premium by J. J. Clinton, city marshal, \$2.50.

Best one-half dozen brooms; best one-half dozen brushes; premium by L. Caperton, proprietor T. & P. hotel, \$5.

Best collection Milo Maize, Kaffir corn, Dhoorra, Mountain rice, hemp, rice corn, jute and buckwheat—At least 10 stalks in bundles; premium by H. A. Hancock, contractor and builder, \$5.

Best peck of the heads of Milo Maize and Dhoorra corn (not shelled); also one-half peck shelled seed; premium by Pratt Bros., commission merchants, \$5.

Best Dhoorra corn on stalks, at least six stalks to be shown; premium by Alliance association store, one caddy Stabacco.

Castor Beans—Best castor bean plants (bunch to contain at least six plants); also one peck of beans in heads, not shelled; premium by Weatherford Castor Oil mills, manufacturers of pure castor oil, \$5.

Best collection of oak tan bark, sumach for tanning, other tanning material, and medicinal plants (raw in one-half pound lots); premium by G. A. Kirkland, lawyer, \$2.50.

Best collection of peas of every variety (quart quantities to be exhibited of each); premium by O. P. Spaulding, Pacific express agent, \$2.50.

Best collection of beans of every variety, including castor beans, sunflower, seed, etc., (quantity to be exhibited not less than one-half quart for each article); premium by Sayles & Sayles, lawyers, \$2.50.

Best collection of nuts; premium by E. Radford, confectionery, tobaccos, etc., 5 pounds finest candies.

Best collection of mesquite beans, wild roots for stock, in half gallon quantity of each thing exhibited; premium by L. A. Caperan, proprietor T. & P. hotel, \$2.50.

Best collection native wild grasses, volunteer grasses on farms and domestic grasses, in bundles 6 inches in diameter, tied securely at the roots, which must be shown; premium by John Hoony & Co., publishers Abilene Reporter, \$5.

Best bale (at least 10 pounds) cultivated hay of any kind; premium by L. A. Grizzard, surgeon and physician, \$5.

Best bale (at least 10 pounds) wild hay of any kind; premium by Joe Kemp, restaurant, \$5.

Best fleece wool; premium by Pratt Bros., wool dealers, \$5.

Best bale cotton; premium by Smith, Woodward & Co., mill and gin, \$10.

Best sheaf of wheat; premium by Roberts & Mackechny, one 60-pound sack of Berme, Oosick & Co.'s linen soap.

Best collection of the native woods (pieces 24 inches long); premium by Geo. W. Hatch & Co., real estate and loan agents, \$5.

Best collection of building stone; premium by Morgan Evans, contractor and builder, \$5.

Best mineral exhibit; premium by Corley & Henderson, real estate agents, \$5.

Best collection of bricks; premium by E. B. Rowlett, contractor and builder, \$5.

Best collection wild and native fruits, in jars, preserved in transparent liquid; premium by Geo. Clayton, dealer in dry goods and groceries and cotton buyer, \$5 in dry goods; also premium M. C. Lambeth, land agent, \$5.

Best peaches preserved in transparent liquid; premium by D. G. Hill, lawyer, \$5.

Best peck Irish potatoes; premium by Terry & Warnick, grocers, \$5 in groceries.

Best peck sweet potatoes; premium by J. B. Neil, county assessor, \$2.50.

Best peck beets; premium by G. W. Springfield, deputy sheriff, \$2.50.

Best peck turnips; premium by R. E. Busch, constable, \$2.50.

Best three heads of cabbage; premium by Flournoy Bros., grocers, \$5 in groceries.

Best gallon of tomatoes preserved in transparent liquid; premium by W. J. Thompson, city assessor and collector, \$5.

Best watermelon; premium by Rollins & Son, grocers, \$5 in groceries.

Best muskmelon or cantaloupe, at least one-half dozen each exhibit; premium by J. M. Anderson, dentist, \$2.50.

Best chili squash; premium by J. H. Pickens, abstractor of titles, \$2.50.

Best pumpkin, at least one-half dozen each exhibit; premium by J. A. Thomas, county surveyor, \$5.

Best kershaws, at least one-half dozen each exhibit; premium by D. J. Red, county clerk, \$2.50.

Best cucumbers, at least one dozen each exhibit; premium by Ira Border, dealer in liquors and tobaccos, 1 quart fine whiskey.

Best sugar corn, 25 ears each exhibit; premium by T. O. Anderson, county treasurer, \$2.50.

Best peck onions; premium by Goedke & Schultz, grocers, 100 pounds fancy patent flour.

Best general collection of hay and forage plants of every variety, premium by S. H. Leavell, double shovel plow.

Best general exhibit, including any article mentioned above, or any other thing not mentioned; any exhibitor can get together a large number of articles and compete for this premium; the articles exhibited need not be raised by the party exhibiting but must have been produced or found in the Abilene country; premium by John R. Jones & Co., lumber dealers, \$25.

Best general variety of fresh vegetables preserved in transparent liquid; premium by J. J. Clinton, city marshal, \$7.50.

Best general collection of farm products of every kind raised on one farm; premium by Cameron & Phillips, hardware merchants, Acme harrow worth \$25.

Best sorghum syrup; premium by Alex Steele, tobaccos, fruits, etc., one box fine cigars.

Best wine manufactured from native grapes. Diploma.

Best collection of grapes preserved in transparent liquid; premium by Cherry Grove Nursery, Ivesdale, Ill., \$10 in fruit trees, delivered in season.

Best collection nursery plants. Diploma.

Best mill products from the grain in the Abilene country. Diploma.

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Most ingenious thing made by a carpenter. Diploma.

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Best pair of boots or shoes made out of leather tanned in the Abilene country. Diploma.

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MEG.

There was nothing rare or fine about her. On the contrary, there was a great deal of the animal in her face; a touch of the man in her pose, a bold suggestion of the woman in the cheap jewelry at ears and neck, and an unmistakable air of the circus in her teeth and eyes. Her eyes were gray and full. Bold eyes they were, that seemed to belong of right to the over full lips, and sensual curves of the over full lips. Her teeth were white, and when she smiled they glittered, and that was all of brightness about her. Everything else suggested a stolid, easy temperament, thickness of mental fibre, dullness of moral perception.

Suddenly her face was transformed. She was undergoing one of her rare seasons of emotion, and the face she turned to the man before her was full of play and life.

Her eyes sought his boldly, with a kind of snap in them, and when she laughed the snap was communicated to her whole frame, receding it from its low sloth to something keener and higher.

But perhaps it was the man that suggested keenness, and lent a phase of his own personality to her.

Little and tall and dark, with a wiry strength of physique, he gave one the impression of a panther, and a panther just prepared to spring.

From his long, slender fingers to the glance of his eye, everything suggested alertness. Yet his suggestion was that of a panther, and a panther he was marked him as a man to be distrusted.

There was a play of low cunning about his eyes, and the very devilry of jealousy lurked round his thin lips. As the two stood together he felt irresistibly that the elements of domestic tragedy were before you—the brute that would not share his home with a woman; the woman that would tamely submit to be beaten.

"Well," he said, roughly, "are you going to do that cigar business?"

Meg shook her head, fearfully; the vivacity passed from her face and was succeeded by a gray shadow of terror.

The man laughed scoffingly.

"You're a woman," he said, "showing the white feather first off."

She glanced at him deprecatingly, and he returned the glance with an air of swaggering assurance. "Excellent," he said in his power, and both knew it.

"Very well," he said, "with an assumption of easy indifference; I know Liza will do it. 'Flick enough about her!'"

The implied taunt was not lost.

"And what if there is?" Meg cried fiercely. "She don't know what she is doing. She don't know what you are, Jim. You'd just as soon as you'd shoot a temper as soon as you'd shoot at the cigar. And Liza don't know you, and that's how she ain't afraid."

He was silent for a moment, and then he paused to look at her; it was a cruel look, containing in it that implication of secret power.

He did not deny the charge; he simply looked at her, and Meg's face took on a new expression of deprecation, while her attitude became cowed and limp.

"And it's because you know me that you look at me like that," he said, "refuse," he said at last.

Meg glanced furtively at him, and with a slow reassurance answered doggedly.

"Well, I don't mind. You can try if you like, only not today."

This was not enough for Jim. With the obstinacy of the petty tyrant he would not withdraw his challenge.

"You shall do it now," he said, passionately, seizing Meg by the arm. Then he tossed her roughly from him with the words "Get out of here!"

She followed him, yielding involuntarily the obedience of the weaker to the stronger, but he took no further notice of her and continued his walk across the field to the corner where the blue canvas was rising from the circus caravans.

The sun was setting, throwing a red glare upon the gayly painted wagons, whose twinkling lights were visible in the rays, looking like lurid eyes gazing at the approaching night.

The glare fell upon Jim walking jauntily along, with a swaggering air. He touched the chin, murderous looking fingers, and—was it fancy that made them appear red to Meg following behind?

"Jim," she said, slowly, "what's the matter with your hands? You've got blood on them."

He drew his hands from his back and examined them, for it was one of his characteristics that he kept his hands as white and delicate as a woman's.

"Blessed if I know," he exclaimed, "what do you mean? My hands are as white as yours."

So they were, and Meg was not quick-witted enough to see that the red color had been due to the crimson stain in the sun. She followed on a moment, and Jim climbed into his wagon as he walked on to her own, thinking that it was becoming too unreasonable and masterful for her. Nevertheless, when, a few minutes later, he came into the wagon she turned to him with no aversion on her broad, impassive face.

She watched him curiously as he looked at them, and she said to herself that the cigar he held out to her when his preparations were complete.

"Put it in your mouth and stand by the door," he said, coolly retreating to the other end of the van.

"Nay," said Meg sulkily, "I won't do it now; I've told you before, I won't do it."

The ring of terrified appeal in her voice should have aroused what manliness was in him, but he took slight notice of her terror.

"All right," he said carelessly; "Liza will do it. She's a younger woman than you; her nerves will be stronger."

He slouched across the van and down the steps, Meg watching him as he went, and passed out into the red light of the sunset. And she stood watching—not Jim, but something far away and beyond himself, the sun, glancing and red, dipped into "the under world."

Pritchett's Universally Renowned Circus—During European Tour, Melbourne, Perth, Sydney, etc.—Jim, the World's Wonder, Will Shoot a Cigar from a Woman's Lips at a Distance of Twenty Yards.

The bills were posted on the walls of Blessington early on the following day. The excitement in the circus was almost as great as that among the inhabitants of the town. Meg's setting of the trap, spoken of in the "cigar business," none of the company had expected that Meg would consent to stand calmly to be shot at.

Meg was herself surprised to find that she had yielded to Jim's masterfulness. They had been practicing all the morning, and she had set off going on bravely through the ordeal that already it had begun to lose its terror. Why should Meg—with a character elemental, animal, gross—repose in this Jim a passionate confidence in which touched her whole being to finer issues? Who can tell? It may be the divine spark never wholly becomes extinct in any human soul. It is the latter nature loved, the higher trusted.

Jim himself had not given her so much as a word of commendation, but it secretly mattered to Meg. It was enough for her appetitive nature to know that she had proved herself as brave as Liza, and that he could not now turn her with "nerves" or "institute" comparisons between her age and that of her rival.

Alone in her caravan she shuddered and grew cold at the thought of the evening performance, when before the excited spectators she would have to

restored her self possession, and she bowed smilingly to the spectators before she took up her stand at the correct distance.

She glanced furtively at him, and saw, relieved, that he was looking at her in restored good humor.

He nodded reassuringly at her, and signed that he was ready to begin. Meg turned her profile toward him, and put the cigar in her mouth, thinking fully how foolish she had been to make so much of a trifle.

Jim and she were good friends again, so she stood bravely, no emotion on her broad, sensual face, while Jim raised his pistol to his aim.

In the act his hand trembled, his whole face changed, and a fierce glare came into his eyes; he bent forward—nature and eyes alike horribly suggesting the panther about to spring—and gnashed his teeth.

He had caught sight of a yellow glitter in the place of the red sparkle of the trigger by which he had aimed before taken aim.

The whole air seemed to have become yellow, and the strained silence of the spectators to be a blackgreen one which a sentence was embosomed. "They say he has given her a gold brooch."

Meanwhile Meg stood rigidly still, wondering at the delay, and wondering how Jim must have heard from Will how little reason he had for jealousy.

Jim's eyes were staring at the sentence, his ears ringing with the words he had heard heedlessly that afternoon. "They say he has given her a gold brooch." Who had given Meg the brooch that had taken the place of his gift?

For a moment his senses were blank. Then he straightened himself sternly, and accepted to examine again the priming of his pistol.

He raised it at length, and with steady hand aimed—was it at the cigar, or at the brooch Meg wore, at his request, a little on one side?

Steadily and long he stood, his pistol poised, his hand on the trigger, his eye on the woman who had given him her all.

Steadily and long he stood; then sharp and sudden the shot rang out its echo—woman's wild, shrill scream.

In the silence that followed, Meg felt forward.

Almost before the spectators realized what had happened, the curtain fell and screamed from their curious eyes the pitiful thing upon the stage—poor, sinful Meg, lying with the blood flowing from a wound in her neck just above the brooch.

Jim had aimed well, the shot had severed the jugular vein and entered the carotid artery.

The manager stooped to raise her, but Jim pushed him aside and would have lifted her himself. But when he touched her he felt his hands warm with the flow of her lifeblood.

"Oh God!" he cried, shrinking back, "I have murdered her."

Meg opened her eyes at the words, and a world of tenderness in them as she gazed on the man she loved, and who had done her to death.

A great light flashed in her face and transfigured it, so that the divine promise of what she might have been—true, was it not the fulfillment of the promise on which they parted—was revealed to the men around her.

She reached out and touched Jim's red hand, and as the light faded she gasped.

"No, Jim, it wasn't your fault—I did it. Will, do you hear? I moved—on purpose. And Jim—I've been true."

And so she proved her faithfulness—Katie Christie in Belgavia.

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and continue to work for the roads. Corporations are useful servants but very bad masters. THE STAR, as a faithful friend of the roads as well as of the people, presents these views in a spirit of kindly admonition. We regret that wrong and oppression on their part should force the issue as to whether the roads or the people are to be the masters of this country, but there is no uncertainty as to the side of issue we shall take.

THE SOIL OF CALLAHAN COUNTY IS EASILY CULTIVATED.

CALLAHAN IS A FINE COUNTY FOR STOCK FARMING.

CALLAHAN COUNTY HAS SEVERAL FINE VARIETIES OF BUILDING STONE.

CALLAHAN COUNTY HAS ONE OF THE FINEST VINEYARDS IN THE STATE.

CALLAHAN IS ONE OF THE BEST FRUIT-GROWING COUNTIES IN THE STATE.

CALLAHAN COUNTY NEEDS IMMIGRATION TO DEVELOP HER VAST RESOURCES.

CALLAHAN COUNTY PRODUCES AS FINE WHEAT AND OATS AS CAN BE FOUND IN TEXAS.

THE PEACH CROP OF CALLAHAN COUNTY THIS YEAR IS THE FINEST IN THE HISTORY OF THE COUNTY.

IT IS SAID THAT BLIND TOM, THE FAMOUS NEGRO PIANIST, WAS DROWNED AT JOHNSTOWN.

ALL KINDS OF CROPS ARE SPLENDID IN CALLAHAN COUNTY THIS YEAR, WITH ONLY A FEW EXCEPTIONS.

DICK HUBBARD IS AGAIN ON HIS NATIVE HEATH AND WILL BE HEARD FROM IN THE NEXT CAMPAIGN, AND DON'T YOU FORGET IT.

DAVID B. HILL'S BOOM FOR PRESIDENT SEEMS TO BE AS FLAT AS A PANCAKE. WONDER IF GROVER CLEVELAND HAD ANYTHING TO DO WITH THE COLLAPSE?

GOOD LAND, GOOD GRASS AND WATER, CHEAP HOMES, A HEALTHFUL CLIMATE ARE ONLY A FEW OF THE MANY ATTRACTIVE CALLAHAN COUNTY OFFERS HOME-SEEKERS.

SECRET POLITICAL PARTIES ARE A MENACE TO A FREE GOVERNMENT AND SHOULD BE DISCOURAGED BY ALL PATRIOTS WHO LOVE A REPUBLICAN FORM OF GOVERNMENT.

VOLUME ONE, NUMBER TWO OF THE MIDLAND GAZETTE COMES TO OUR SUBSCRIBERS THIS WEEK. THE STAR WISHES BROTHER RAWLINS SUCCESS IN HIS NEW ENTERPRISE.

THE DAY IS NOT FAR DISTANT WHEN THE BIG PASTURES IN CALLAHAN COUNTY WILL BE CUT UP INTO SMALL TRACTS AND SOLD, AND THEN, AND NOT UNTIL THEN, WILL THE COUNTY BE REALLY PROSPEROUS.

CALLAHAN COUNTY IS THE FINEST COTTON COUNTRY IN THE WORLD. THIS IS AN EXTRAORDINARY STATEMENT WHO WILL SAY, BUT INVESTIGATION WILL ONLY PROVE THE TRUTH OF THE ASSERTION.

THE SUMMER NORMAL INSTITUTE, UNDER THE DIRECTION OF THE COUNTY INSTITUTE OF THE COUNTIES BROWN AND COLEMAN, WILL BEGIN AT BROWNWOOD WEDNESDAY, JULY 17, AND CLOSES FRIDAY, AUGUST 16.

WE PUBLISH A FULL ACCOUNT IN THIS ISSUE OF THE RACE WAR IN BASTROP COUNTY. IF THE REPORT IS TRUE IT IS ENOUGH TO MAKE THE BLOOD OF A WHITE MAN BOIL IN HIS VEINS TO CONTEMPLATE SUCH A WASTEFUL DEED BY THE IGNORANT BACK HIND.

MONEY IS SCARCE IN CALLAHAN COUNTY AT THIS TIME, BUT THERE IS NO SCARCITY OF GRAIN, FRUITS AND VEGETABLES; AND CONSEQUENTLY THE PEOPLE DO NOT FEEL THE SCARCITY OF MONEY SO MUCH AS THEY WOULD OTHERWISE. NOW IS THE TIME TO VISIT THIS COUNTY.

CALLAHAN COUNTY RAISED THE BIGGEST SWEET POTATO LAST YEAR OF ANY COUNTY IN THE STATES. IF NOT THE UNITED STATES. A FAC SIMILE OF SAID POTATO MADE IN PLASTER OF PARIS IS NOW ON EXHIBITION AT THE WORLD'S EXPOSITION IN PARIS, FRANCE.

BASTROP IS TWO THOUSAND FEET ABOVE SEA LEVEL, AND HOT SULTRY DAYS ARE FEW AND FAR BETWEEN. WE DO NOT MEAN TO SAY THAT IT DOES NOT GET WARM HERE, BUT THE CONTINUED MOTION OF THE AIR REDUCES THE HEAT WONDERFULLY AND THE NIGHTS ARE ALWAYS COOL.

BLAINE IS DISSATISFIED WITH THE SANGAMON PROTOCOL. STICK TO 'EM, JEEMS, WE TOLD YOU TO WATCH OLD BLIZZY ON THE HOME STRETCH, BUT YOU PAID NO ATTENTION TO THE WARNING. WE REPEAT THE WARNING: LOOK OUT FOR 'BLIZ' WHEN THE COUNT IS ALL IN.

WHEN IT COMES TO ELECTING IGNORANT CORN-FIELD NEGROES TO OFFICE THAT PERPETRATE SUCH ACTS OF BARBARISM AS WAS DONE IN BASTROP COUNTY LAST WEEK IT IS TIME TO CALL A HALT. THERE IS CERTAINLY SOME WAY TO BAR THE IGNORANT, VICIOUS NEGRO FROM HOLDING OFFICE. LET OUR LEGISLATORS FIND THE REMEDY.

THE STATE CERTAINLY HAS THE RIGHT TO PASS A LAW REQUIRING THAT COUNTY AND PRECINCT OFFICERS SHOULD POSSESS AT LEAST AN ORDINARY ENGLISH EDUCATION. THIS WOULD KEEP OUT MOST OF THE NEGROES AND SUCH SCENES AS WAS ENACTED IN BASTROP COUNTY WOULD HARDLY BE POSSIBLE.

THE GRANGE HAS LEARNED BY BITTER EXPERIENCE THAT POLITICS AND A SECRET SOCIAL ORGANIZATION IS NO MORE COGNIZANT THAN FIRE AND WATER. THE ALLIANCE DO WELL TO STUDY THE HISTORY OF PATRONS OF HUSBANDRY.

THE TEXAS ROADS PARSE THE SAME

COURSE FOR THE NEXT TWO YEARS THAT THEY HAVE SINCE THE LEGISLATURE ADJOURNED SUCH A BILL AS THE LANE-FIELD BILL OR COMMISSION BILL WILL GO THROUGH THE LEGISLATURE WITH A WHOOP.

A FARMER IN LAST WEEK'S PRODIGAL SAYS HE RECKONS THE STAR THINKS HE CAN BREAK DOWN THE ALLIANCE, ETC. FARMER ONLY GUESSES AT THIS, AND LIKE ALL GUESSERS, IS WIDE OF THE TRUTH, AND AGAIN HE SAYS THE STAR SPEAKS OF PREJUDICE AGAINST IT AND ASKS HOW DID IT ORIGINATE. AS WE NEVER SPOKE OF ANY PREJUDICE EXISTING AGAINST THE STAR WE ARE AT A LOSS TO KNOW WHAT FARMER IS DRIVING AT. HE MUST HAVE READ BACKWARDS OR GOT HIS INFORMATION SECOND HAND.

TO THE BUSINESS MEN OF BAIRD: WHAT ARE WE GOING TO DO ABOUT THE ALLIANCE SCHOOL? THE TOWN CAN AFFORD TO DONATE GROUNDS AND AT LEAST \$2,000 IN CASH—5,000 WOULD BE BETTER. WE FEAR THE BUSINESS MEN OF BAIRD DO NOT FULLY UNDERSTAND AND APPRECIATE THE IMPORTANCE OF TAKING IMMEDIATE ACTION IN THIS MATTER AS THEY SHOULD. WHO WILL TAKE THE LEAD. AN OFFER OF SOME KIND SHOULD BE MADE TO THE ALLIANCE. THERE NO TIME TO LOSE.

AN ITEM IS GOING THE ROUNDS TO THE EFFECT THAT A KANSAS PREACHER CALLED UPON ALL IN HIS CONGREGATION WHO PAID THEIR DEBTS PROMPTLY TO STAND UP AND THE ENTIRE CONGREGATION ROSE UP EXCEPT ONE MAN. THIS MAN WAS THE EDITOR OF THE VILLAGE PAPER, AND WHEN THE PREACHER CALLED ON ALL WHO DID NOT PAY THEIR DEBTS TO RISE, THE EDITOR ROSE, LOOKING RATHER SEELY, AND TOLD THE PREACHER THAT HE DID NOT PAY HIS DEBTS BECAUSE EVERY MAN IN THE CONGREGATION WAS OWING HIM FOR HIS SUBSCRIPTIONS OF THEM FOR TWO THREE YEARS. THE STORY IS DOUBTLESS THE INVENTION OF SOME SPIRITFUL EDITOR, YET THERE ARE FEW CONGREGATIONS THERE EVEN A MAJORITY COULD RISE UP AND SAY THAT THEY PAID ALL THEIR DEBTS (INCLUDING SUBSCRIPTION TO THEIR COUNTY PAPER) PROMPTLY, WITHOUT DOING VIOLENCE TO THE TRUTH.

THE PEOPLE OF TEXAS PAID IN FIRE INSURANCE PREMIUMS DURING 1888 \$2,330,952. THE FIRE INSURANCE COMPANIES PAID BACK IN LOSSES \$988,357,60, WHICH LEAVES A GROSS PROFIT TO THE COMPANIES OF \$1,351,594.30. DEDUCT FROM THIS THE AGENTS COMMISSION OF 15 PER CENT SAY \$339,642 AND IT GIVES THE HANDSOME NET PROFIT OF \$991,952. WHEN IT IS CONSIDERED THAT THE PREMIUMS WERE PAID IN ADVANCE AND THAT IT WAS OTHER PEOPLE'S MONEY THESE CORPORATION WERE WORKING WITH, ONE CAN'T BLAME THEM FOR KICKING AGAINST A DECISION WHICH WILL THROW THEM FROM COMBINATION INTO COMPETITION.—Houston Tribune.

A COUNTRY EDITOR, SAYS AN EXCHANGE, GOT MAD AND WROTE AS FOLLOWS: YOU MAY LIVE THE STARS IN A MAIL BAG, HANG THE OCEAN ON A FENCE TO DRY, PUT THE SKY TO SOAK IN A GOURD UNBUCKLE THE BELLY-BAND OF ETERNITY AND HANG THE SUN AND MOON ON A BEAN POLE—BUT DON'T THINK YOU CAN ESCAPE THE PLACE THAT LIES BEYOND THE COINAGES OF PURGATORY, IF YOU DON'T PAY FOR YOUR PAPER.

THE LAST ISSUE OF THE BAIRD STAR CONTAINED A VERY COMPLIMENTARY NOTICE OF OUR ISSUE OF THE 16TH ult., WHICH WE GRATEFULLY ACKNOWLEDGE AND WOULD REPRODUCE BUT THAT IT HAS BEEN MISLID IN SOME WAY AFTER BEING CLIPPED. THE STAR HOWEVER, IS IN ERROR IN SUPPOSING THAT TO HAVE BEEN OUR "BOOM" ISSUE, EXCEPT IN THE SENSE THAT ALL ISSUES OF THE STAR ARE INTENDED TO BE "BOOM" WEATHER-ERFORD AND PARKER COUNTY. OUR BIG BOOM ISSUE WAS DATED FEBRUARY 28th, A COPY OF WHICH WE SEND BRO. GILLILAND THAT HE MAY SEE WHAT WE CALL A REAL "BOOM" EDITION.—Weatherford Sun.

THE HOUSTON POST MAKES A SUGGESTION WHICH MIGHT BE DULY CONSIDERED BY THE PEOPLE OF LOUISIANA: THE LOUISIANA LOTTERY OFFICE TO PAY THE STATE DEBT OF \$12,000,000 FOR AN EXTENSION OF ITS LICENSE FOR FIFTY YEARS. IF THE STATE WILL JUST HOLD A STIFF UPPER LIP, THE COMPANY CAN PROBABLY BE INDUCED TO TAKE CARE OF THE ENTIRE POPULATION OF THE STATE FOR THE NEXT CENTURY.—Times-Herald.

THE ORGANIZATION OF THE CONCHO VALLEY FAIR ASSOCIATION, WHICH HAS MET WITH SUCH GREAT SUCCESS IS NEXT TO SECURING THE SANTA FE ROAD, THE MOST IMPORTANT EVENT THAT HAS EVER HAPPENED TO SAN ANGELO AND WEST TEXAS. THE SUCCESS OF THE ENTERPRISE IS ASSURED BEYOND A DOUBT, AND MEETS THE APPROVAL OF EVERY ONE. IT WILL BE TO SAN ANGELO AND WEST TEXAS WHAT THE DALLAS FAIR IS TO DALLAS AND NORTH TEXAS. IT WILL ENCOURAGE THAT MOST IMPORTANT INDUSTRY TO WEST TEXAS—STOCK RAISING—and make San Angelo, without comparison, the best stock market (we know of no better one even now) in the State; it will bring people out here to develop our fertile prairies, and before many years hence it will be known far and wide as the beautiful, flourishing, enterprising, healthy, wealthy, and happy Concho county.—San Angelo Standard.

FROM THE EMPHATIC WAY IN WHICH THE POLITICAL ENEMIES AND FRIENDS OF THE HON. R. Q. MILLS ARE ADDRESSING THEMSELVES TO THE SUBJECT OF HIS RE-ELECTION IT WOULD SEEM THAT THE CAMPAIGN IS ON AND PROMISES TO GROW HOTTER AS THE DAYS PROGRESS.—Farmersville Times.

FOR MANY PERSONS ARE BENEFITED FROM BROWN'S IRON BITTERS. RESTORE THE SYSTEM, CURE DYSPEPSIA, REMOVE EXCESS OF BILE, AND CURE MALARIA. GET THE GENUINE.

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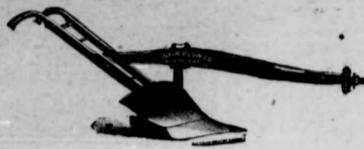
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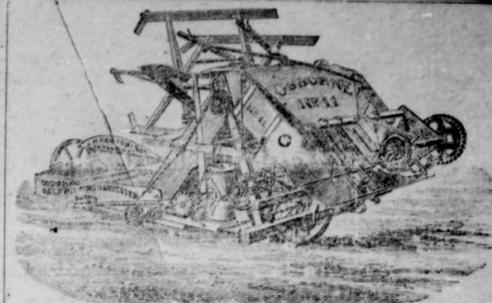
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Mr. and Mrs. Ed Coppins took in the Spring Palace Monday, returning on the excursion Monday night. Mrs. Hudson, of Burnet, Tex., sister of Mrs. J. L. Lea, arrived on the train Sunday on a visit to her sister. We again call the attention of our readers to Dr. LeMond's card. Call on him at the Palace Hotel, Abilene. Mrs. John Laird has the thanks of THE STAR force for a basket of nice peaches raised at her home in Baird. Rev. R. F. Dunn, of Baird, assisted by Rev. Ragsdale, of Cisco, is conducting a protracted meeting at Putnam. We will send THE STAR one year for the best sample of barley, half pint or over, raised in Callahan county, crop of 1889. Prof. F. E. Haynes, accompanied by his sister Miss Armine, arrived in town Tuesday and attended the concert Tuesday night. L. A. Hearn left Saturday for his home after spending a pleasant week with the Baird companions organizing the Baird Chapter. J. R. McCleskey brought in some good samples of oats and wheat; the wheat measures five and a half feet in height and well headed. George Burke, an old resident of Baird, returned Sunday from a trip to Washington territory. He says Texas is good enough for him. W. P. May struck THE STAR Tuesday with a whole load of wood. We like such drubbings as this and have no objections to others trying it on. J. S. Simpson, of Belle Plaine, sent us a cotton bloom last Thursday, which reached this office a few hours too late, John Couch having brought in one early in the morning. Miss Willie Gillespie came in from Buffalo Gap last Saturday. She spent several days with her sister, Miss Zilla, and left yesterday for Dallas on a visit to relatives and friends. Jim Patterson has had a pump put in the cellar since the old man left, because, he says, it was too much trouble to carry the water out that accumulates from the spring in the cellar. Mrs. J. L. Lea's father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Clark, of St. Louis, arrived in town last Saturday and went down to the Spring Palace Monday, accompanied by their son, R. L. Clark. One dollar and fifty cents is a small amount, but three hundred sums of that size makes \$450, and this amount and more is still unutilized on subscription for 1888-89. Subscribers notice. THE STAR received two orders this week for job printing from New Mexico. How is this for high. Verily the fame of THE STAR and its job department is spreading throughout all lands and climes. There is some talk about a new grocery store in town. Wish they would hurry up as they say they believe in printers' ink. As we are a firm believer in groceries no doubt we could make a profitable trade. Sam Henry is at work on the Baptist church, though we understand work will be suspended for a few days until more lumber arrives. This will be the largest church house in Baird when completed. J. R. McCleskey has the thanks of the entire STAR force for a mess of roasting ears, the first we have had this year. The voice of THE STAR outfit is that Mr. McCleskey's shadow may never grow less. Misses Edna and Emma Teeple have our thanks for a real treat. This consisted of a large basket of the best flavored peaches we have eaten this year. We extend our thanks to the young ladies and hope to sample more of this fine fruit. Uncle Dick Merchant has our thanks for some fine peaches grown in his orchard at Belle Plaine. He calls them the "Arkansas Traveller," but we don't think Arkansas or any other state or any county in Texas can beat them. Call again, Uncle Dick, especially when your large peaches get ripe. D. Richardson, commissioner at the Spring Palace, left for Fort Worth yesterday with the finest variety of fruits that have been collected in our town. He carried Amsden and Alexandria peaches, wild goose plums, two varieties of apricots and several clusters of as fine almonds as grow in South America or Spain. He also had several bunches of very fine grapes.

The best sample of wheat, for which a premium is offered, merits best sample as regards size and weight. We want a fair sample. Don't pick out all small grains for weight or all large grains for size. Weight, size and general appearance will all be considered in awarding the prize. Our West Caddo letter came in too late for this issue. It will appear next week. Will correspondents please try and get their communications in not later than Tuesday night. We are always crowded on Wednesday so that it is frequently impossible to publish a communication however much we might desire to do so. Finest line of jewelry ever brought in Baird, and will be sold low down for cash for the next ten days. All kinds of pins, watch charms, rings, breast pins, ear rings, gold pins, etc. Masonic and I. O. O. F. pins in endless variety. Jewelry all solid gold or gold plate warranted. T. E. Powell. Edwin Rowlands left yesterday for North Wales, Great Britain, the land of his nativity, and will be absent for about three months. The best wishes of THE STAR goes with you, Edwin. May you have a pleasant journey and a safe return. THE STAR will make weekly visits to the pilgrim while he is across the big pond. The Star Land Co. is about to perfect arrangements to have all land surveyed for their customers free of charge. Next thing you know they will be offering 640 acres of land free to actual settlers. If a real good man was to come along who was unable to buy shouldn't wonder if they would not make him a donation of a homestead just as a starter. Call on them and see. Mr. N. T. Tucker is not the only man in Baird who steps high and only touches the ground in the most elevated spots. Brown Seny also looks down upon the balance of mankind as upon mere pigmies. Usually in chronicling these events we say "it's a boy" or "it's a girl;" this time it's both a boy and a girl, whose combined weight tip the beam at just nineteen pounds. Mother and children, and especially the father, doing excellently. C. Cummings, Scarff & O'Connor's machine man, was in town Monday and came near selling THE STAR a steam engine, and we will buy it yet if our friends will only aid us a little by straining a point and pay up their subscription. Many of our subscribers owe for two years subscription, while a large majority have paid up for the first volume, but nothing on the second, which is now more than half gone. A little extra exertion upon the part of our friends will be greatly appreciated at this time as we have a chance to buy an engine on better terms than we will probably ever have again and we dislike to let the opportunity pass. Farm containing 160 acres, 44 acres in cultivation, 75 acres under fence; farm house of 4 rooms and out-houses; fine cistern and small tank, small orchard, peaches and plums; situated in Eastland county half mile from Savannah creek, which contains water the year round. School house within half mile; Jewel postoffice within two and a half miles; title clear; no better land in the county. Price, \$1,100 cash. Star Land Co.

1889. SPRING AND SUMMER. 1889. T. E. Powell Clothing, Hats, Caps and Notions. Comes to the Front Again with a Magnificent Stock -OF- DRY-GOODS, And a thousand and one things, too numerous to Mention. COME ALL AND SEE MY BRAN NEW STOCK. T. E. POWELL, BAIRD, TEXAS.

happy couple in Baird in wishing their unalloyed pleasure as they travel life's pathway together. The groom is manager for Wm. Cameron & Co., lumber dealers, and is one of Baird's most popular young men. The bride is a daughter of Mrs. Louisa Norvell, and a sister of Mrs. Frank Dorsey. She is universally loved and esteemed by all who know her.

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LOCAL NEWS.

See Jeff. Dean's new ad. The jail roof is about completed. Go to Coppins' for fancy candies. J. H. Peters is building a nice barn. J. W. Jones went to Abilene Monday. F. S. Bell returned from Austin yesterday. We are receiving some fine samples of grain. Harry Meyers went to Fort Worth yesterday. T. E. Powell took in the Spring Palace this week. J. D. Dean went down to the Spring Palace yesterday. W. Jones is building a new house in Bayou farm. 'ck candy a foot wide and 18 s long at Coppins'. din Cook sold his saloon this to J. B. Maxwell. din Cook shipped one carload of Monday to Chicago. you want to buy or sell land to the Star Land Co. Rushing has just returned a trip to Stephens county. Yra McMurray, of Cisco, Tuesday to attend the concert. Young shipped a train-load to the Indian Territory Monday. Shelby Norvell, of Baird, visiting in Abilene this week. Floyd, of Belle Plaine, was in Thursday and made us a pleasant call. J. Wilson went to the Spring Palace Saturday and returned Monday. Reported that W. H. and J. E. Willard have sold their Colorado ranch for \$29,000. Mrs. Mary Jane Lee, one of the STAR's staunch friends, made us a nice call yesterday. The left goods have gone he boys say they cannot on hand. E. Solomon went down to Palace Saturday and re-day night. ad returned from Fort H. His family came in days earlier. Annis was in town Satson has some fine bulls local. decorated the graves ased brethren in the y last Sunday. of the Baird school plicants for every va-riety of teachers. Richardson went down Palace, yesterday, with Richardson. Baird Baptist associ- one in Baird June 29 sion two days. son again places us This time it is a one of them nearly town from the

At the close of the Chapter last Thursday night the following resolution was unanimously adopted: Resolved, That this Chapter tender a vote of thanks to Companions D. L. Middleton and C. W. Roberts of Abilene Chapter No. 159, for their kind and able assistance in our organization; and that the BAIRD STAR be requested to publish this resolution. Prayer Meeting. The members of the Young Ladies' Union, Presbyterian and Methodist prayer meetings are cordially invited to attend the young men's prayer meeting at the Methodist church next Monday night; June 24. The public are also cordially invited to attend. By request of the young men's prayer meeting. Masonic Notice. Abilene Lodge No. 159 A. F. & A. M., will lay the corner stone of the new school building at Abilene June 25. All members of the Masonic Fraternity in this county are cordially invited by the Abilene lodge to attend and assist in the ceremony. Felled Angus Bulls For Sale. Four grade Angus bulls for sale cheap. Now is the time to buy. Inquire at this office or on ranch. CHAS. F. ANNIS.

MUSICAL CONCERT. An Interesting Ceremony Not Down on the Program--The Concert a Grand Success. Two of Baird's Most Popular Young People United in Marriage, to the Astonishment of the Audience. A large audience greeted Miss Zilla Gillespie and class last Tuesday night. The court room was littered packed, many being unable to secure seats. The program was well arranged and carried out admirably and the people of Baird are certainly indebted to Miss Gillespie and assistants for the best musical concert ever given in Baird. Miss Gillespie is a skilled performer on both the piano and organ and her class showed clearly that she thoroughly understands the art of teaching music. We would like to give a more extended notice, but time and space forbid, and if we were to mention a few of the class without mentioning all perhaps some would think we were partial. We will, however, mention one little Mamie Burrell recited a piece that brought down the house. From where we were sitting we could not hear much of the recitation, but from the way of the professional and business men of the town were mentioned in the recitation the audience were evidently pleased from the way they cheered. Able assistance was rendered by Prof. Holwegler, T. J. Dean, Martin Barnhill, James Maxwell, Harry Cook, Tom Dean and others. The crowning event came next to the last act on the program when Mr. N. T. Tucker and Miss Shelby Norvell appeared as master and pupil. Few people in that large audience dreamed that Mr. Tucker and Miss Norvell would leave the stage as man and wife, so closely was the secret guarded; but such was the case. Just at the close of the act mentioned all of the performers began to form on each side of the happy couple on the stage. The audience thought this only a part of the program. When all the arrangements were completed Maj. Richardson stepped forward and informed the audience that a ceremony would take place not down on the program, which would be understood after it was over. Rev. R. F. Dunn, pastor of the M. E. Church, then took his place in front of the couple, and in a few and impressive words united the happy couple as husband and wife. All this time a large majority of those present were wondering if this was a sell or was it real. After the last song was sung good night was said and the people dispersed with the unanimous opinion that the musical concert was a grand success throughout. The many friends of the

MARRIED. TUCKER-NORVELL--Married at the court house Tuesday, June 18, A. D. 1889, by Rev. R. F. Dunn, of the M. E. Church, south, Mr. N. T. Tucker to Miss Shelby Norvell; all of Baird. DEBT-PAYING RELIGION. The New Gospel That Reads Your Title Clear to Mansions in the Sky. (Dr. Tuttle in Methodist Advance) Just at this time our country needs a religion that will make a man pay his debts. Shouting don't settle old notes or accounts with God or man--cash up. We want to pounce right on a fellow and put him out of the church if he goes to a ball, or theatre or goes on a drunk, never say a word to the pious scamp who never pays his debts. Preachers and people who do not pay their debts are doing the church more harm than dancers and drunkards--there are more of them in the church. Reader I am getting close to you? Then lay down the paper and go and pay up and you can read on in ease. And don't you stop paying because the "statute of limitation" excuses the open account you made for your bread and meat--God's law knows no statute. You pay it in cash or God will make you pay in fire and brimstone. God knows no such excuse to keep from paying your debts and you can stop singing--"When I can read my titles clear to mansions in the skies." You've got none up there. You would say I would pay up if I could. How hard have you tried? If dying at this moment could you say, "I've done all in my power? Have you tried to save a little each week or month for your debts? Are you not spending money for things to eat and wear that you can do without? How much do you spend a year for cigars and tobacco? Make the calculation. Put that to your debts. Do you eat dainties and luxuries? Plainer diet would keep you from making doctor's bills that you wouldn't pay, and leave you money to bring up back accounts with. Do you strut about with an umbrella while your creditors work in the broiling sun? Don't you cut shaves in hired turnouts (maybe they are not paid for) when you might walk and use the money to make your creditors smile? A plainer suit

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