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## OUR FALL OPENING Will Begin Friday, September 23, 04.

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All of the fashion centers have contributed most liberally to our Stock, and Hats of all kind are here in great variety. Our Milliners have been kept very busy getting out orders that have been coming in very fast. We invite you to come and be your own judge of the beauty of our Display.



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### ABOUT OUR PRESIDENTS.

What do You Know About Them? Can You Name Them?

Name	Time served
Geo. Washington	1779 8 yrs.
John Adams	1797 4 "
Thos. Jefferson	1801 8 "
Jas. Madison	1809 8 "
Jas. Monroe	1817 8 "
John Q. Adams	1825 4 "
Andrew Jackson	1829 8 "
Martin Van Buren	1837 4 "
Wm Henry Harrison	1841 1 mo.
John Tyler	1841 3y. 11 mo.
Jas. K. Polk	1845 4 yrs.
Zachary Taylor	1849 1 "
Millard Fillmore	1850 3 "
Franklin Pierce	1853 4 "
James Buchanan	1857 4 "
Abraham Lincoln	1861 4 "
Andrew Johnson	1865 4 "
U. S. Grant	1869 8 "
R. B. Hayes	1877 4 "
Jas. A. Garfield	1881 7 mos.
Chester A. Arthur	1881 3y. 5 m.
Grover Cleveland	1885 4 yr.
Benj. Harrison	1889 4 "
Grover Cleveland	1893 4 "
Wm. McKinley	1897 4 "
Theodore Roosevelt	Sept. 14, 1901 -

Grover Cleveland is the only ex-president living.

### CHURCH CONNECTION.

Name	Church
World's Almanac	1902.
Washington	Episcopalian.
John Adams	Congregationalist.
Jefferson	Liberal.
Madison	Episcopalian.
Monroe	"
J. Q. Adams	Congregationalist.
Jackson	Presbyterian.
Van Buren	Reformed Dutch.
W. H. Harrison	Episcopalian.
Tyler	"
Polk	Presbyterian.
Taylor	Episcopalian.
Fillmore	Unitarian.
Pierce	Episcopalian.
Buchanan	Presbyterian.
Lincoln	Methodist.
Johnson	Methodist.
Grant	Methodist.
Hayes	Methodist.
Garfield	Disciple.
Arthur	Episcopalian.
Cleveland	Presbyterian.
B. Harrison	Methodist.
McKinley	Methodist.
Blm.	"

### ROOSEVELT.....Reformed Dutch.

NOTE:—Some contend that Washington was not a member of any church. The World Almanac classes Lincoln as a Methodist. It is pretty generally conceded that he was not a member of any church.

Johnson was not a member of any church though his wife was a Methodist. Some historians claim that both the Adamses were members of the Unitarian church, which is possibly correct, though we give it as published in the World Almanac.

Grant was the only West Pointer. 19 presidents were lawyers by profession. Washington and W. H. Harrison were farmers. Taylor a soldier. Andrew Jackson was a tailor. Theodore Roosevelt is classed as a public official.

Seventeen of the presidents were college graduates and nine were not. Washington, Jackson, Lincoln and McKinley belonged to the latter class, though they rank among the ablest statesmen that have held that high office.

Paste this in your scrap book, it will help you in your study of history.

### TO PECAN GROWERS.

Coleman, Texas, Sept. 20, 1904. Everyone interested in this important branch of horticulture who will write me will be sent particulars of the National Nut Growers' Association, which meets in St. Louis during the Fair—Oct. 26 to 28. Everyone should attend and learn more in three days from the leading pecan growers of the world than it is possible to acquire in ten years of experimenting. I am anxious, as the vice president for the state, for Texas to make a creditable showing in representation and progress in pecan culture. Please report what you have done and are doing along this line if you cannot attend the Association.

The daily and weekly press of the state will please publish this short appeal to pecan growers and advance because of this important industry in Texas and oblige.

H. A. HALBERT,  
Vice-Pres. for Texas, National Nut Growers' Association.

### EULA LOCALS.

Sept. 27.—Well here we come again after a long absence. We have been so busy have'nt had time to write. Our community is still moving. Cotton picking is taking the day. The rain we had last week put a stop to picking for a few days.

Marrion Thaxton left for Mississippi last Thursday. He intends to make Mississippi his home.

Bob Ozment and Jim Baulch made a flying trip to Baird last Thursday.

L. D. Boyd was called to Baird one day last week on business.

Mrs. Grace Hudson is visiting in Eula.

Rob Kelton is very low with slow fever. His brother Frank is with him. Frank is in the cow business in the Pecos country.

John Connolly of the Cove called on Dr. Thaxton one day this week.

Mrs. J. P. Wadkins of Eagle Cove was visiting in Eula a few days ago.

Mr. W. F. Watts and family of Stamford come down two weeks ago and spent several days with old friends.

The Singing Sunday at the M. E. Church was well attended and all seemed to have a good time.

L. D. Boyd went to Abilene Sunday to see "her."

The Eula gin is doing a fine business. Running all the time.

Charley Compton is the champion cotton picker. He challenges any one in the county. He picked 486 one day last week.

Bill Mills has moved to Baird and taken charge of the Light Plant. Bill is a fine fireman. Good luck to you Bill.

Chas. Billard and Walter Mills traded horses by moonlight.

Tommy Edwards is home from a trip west.

W. B. Ferguson made a flying trip to Abilene one day last week.

Mr. Comble was in Eula shaking hands with the boys this morning.

And Baird is still wet and we guess is doing as well as if the pros had won, but they didn't. This ought to prove to the people of Callahan county that most of the voters of Baird are in favor of open saloons instead of something worse probably.

quit the Light Plant at Baird and has accepted a job of cotton picking with Mr. Webb.

Rev. C. W. Young gave us a toast on holiness Sunday. We all like to hear Bro. Young.

Geo. B. Scott and Fayette Jones were out to see Rob Kelton Sunday.

Ruben Smith has bought out Reese Miller. F. & T.

Attend the "Old Maid's Convention."

Callahan & Gray have purchased a new delivery wagan.

W. B. (Will) Scott came in last week from New Mexico where he has taken up a homestead.

There is a merry-go-round in town located just west of the Court House, and as usual seems to be doing a good business.

### NEW OPERA HALL.

Mr. A. Cooke is fitting up the hall in second story in his brick building on East side of Market street for an opera hall. The new hall is the best in town and should be liberally patronized. The season will open Monday night, by The Peterson's Company all the week.

Mistrot Bros. Co. who opened up here last March, are moving to Stamford this week. Mr. C. Mistrot, of Comanche, who has been here superintendent, the packing of the goods, informed us that his company is closing up 27 of their smaller stores of the 50 or 60 stores they own in Texas, and are concentrating their business at different points and putting in large stocks. Mr. Mistrot said he disliked to leave Baird just at the opening of the busy season, but to remain here would require stocking up with new goods, and so do this would interfere with plans already made. Mistrot Bros. & Co. have been among our best advertisers while here and we have never dealt with more honorable men since we have been in business. They know what advertising is worth and know what they want and are willing to pay for it, though they expect a publisher to do his part, which is nothing but right.

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ALL OVER TEXAS.

George McSwain, colored, was drowned in a tank at J. M. Davis' place near Mesquite Friday while in bathing.

The Farmers' National Bank of Hubbard, Tex., has been authorized to begin business with \$25,000 capital. H. N. Tinker, president; Harvey Peacock, cashier.

Vitrified brick for the paving of Austin Avenue, Waco, are arriving and work will commence shortly. Five blocks will be paved, from Third to Eighth Streets.

Walter Staggs, a twelve-year-old boy, who is picking cotton for J. D. Collier, five miles south of Waxahachie, from Monday morning to Saturday noon of last week picked 2365 pounds.

One fireman and Lieutenant Charles Dolhoff are dead and four others are being kept alive by Oxygen for relief from nitric acid fumes which they inhaled at a small fire at Denver.

O. H. Nuckols was given a \$5,000 verdict against the city of Austin because of alleged injuries sustained by coming in contact with a defective wire and transformer of the municipal light plant.

Dr. J. W. Quinn, a retired physician, of Texarkana, aged 70 years, was run over by a buggy driven by a negro boy and seriously hurt. One of his legs was broken above the knee and one arm badly bruised.

Isaac Martin, a business man formerly in the furniture line at Waco, and well known prior to 1896, when he went to California, has just died in Los Angeles and the remains were forwarded to Waco.

An 18-year-old Mexican girl, Marcalfa Lopez, shot herself through the head at El Paso, and died instantly. Her lover, Damio Chipe, who was with her at the time, was arrested and lodged in the county jail.

Arrangements are already under way for the annual banquet of the McLennan County Possum and Tater Club, and the event will probably be pulled off in November this season, which is earlier than last year.

Stilwell O'Neal, a young man, was shot in the head and face with a gun loaded with bird shot, near Chandler, by H. D. Southerland. O'Neal and Charles Hanson have been arrested for shooting into Southerland's house.

Thursday was the coldest September day on record in Philadelphia, according to the weather bureau officials. At 6 a. m. the official thermometer recorded 40 degrees above zero and two hours later it was 42.

The Deaf and Dumb Institute at Austin opened Wednesday with over 200 pupils in attendance, and by the end of the week it is expected there will be fully 500, which will be the largest number ever in attendance.

The Governor has received the resignation of A. R. Eldson of Hamilton, as a notary public. Eldson was selected as a presidential elector and under the federal constitution he was disqualified from acting as an elector.

Met by raids and opposition along other lines, it is said that the gamblers who have been in Waco are fast leaving the place, convinced that they cannot longer continue their gaming there.

The Western Union Telegraph Company has created a new division headquarters in the Southwest and Dallas has been chosen as the point from which the rapidly increasing business in this section will be directed.

The moth hasn't much use for a man who has but one suit of clothes. The Iron Rolling Mill Company of Fort Worth has let the contract for the bolt building, 60 by 200 feet. Contracts for other buildings are to be let later.

While seated in a saloon in Houston Thursday morning Patrick Welsh was assaulted by a man with a knife. His throat was cut from ear to ear. His assailant escaped. Welsh may recover.

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Alcorn of Dallas are parents of three baby girls, born late Thursday night. Reports Friday night said that the trio were doing nicely. Each child has every appearance of being in good health.

Charles B. Metcalf has been engaged by the management of the Festival and Kaliph's celebration to exhibit his "Texas Mule Show" in Dallas during the celebration. The mules were shipped Thursday to Dallas.

The Dresden Bank, in conjunction with the Schaffhausen Bank Union, has, according to a Times dispatch from Berlin, taken up the new Mexican 5 per cent gold loan for the benefit of the Tehuantepec National Railway Company.

# Seventy Persons Killed Through Fatal Mistake

Atlanta, Ga., Sept. 26.—Fifty passengers were killed and 150 more or less seriously injured in a frightful wreck on the Southern railroad at Newmarket, Tenn., Saturday morning, when a passenger train en route from Knoxville to Bristol collided head-on with a passenger train running in the opposite direction. The accident was caused by the misreading of a train order by Conductor W. B. Caldwell of the Bristol train. Hospital and wrecking trains rushed to the scene of the disaster. It will be hours before the wreckage is cleared away.

Train orders were given to Conductor Caldwell of train No. 15, bound from Knoxville to Bristol, to meet a local passenger train, No. 12, at Hodges station.

Conductor Caldwell misread the order and his train ran past the meeting place. One mile and a half west of Hodges station the two trains met head-on, while rounding a curve at a high rate of speed. The impact was terrific and the day coaches and baggage car on the eastbound train were totally wrecked and the passengers either killed or injured. The four Pullmans on the eastbound train remained on the rails and their occupants were unhurt. Both engines were overturned and demolished. Oddly enough, none of the passengers on the westbound train were killed. The engineers were pinned under their engines. The dead and injured were piled in heaps in the wrecked eastbound train. Passengers on the Pullmans alighted and assisted the train crews in rescuing and aiding the injured. Word of the disaster was sent to Knoxville and a wrecking and hospital train were soon on the spot.

Superintendent Loyall, who was in Chattanooga, arrived on a special train and at once took charge of the work of clearing the wreck, which will take eight or ten hours. Passengers on train No. 12 were sent to Knoxville and forwarded to their destinations from there.

Knoxville, Tenn., Sept. 26.—The death list as a result of the fearful wreck on the Southern Road near Newmarket Saturday had grown Sunday night to sixty-two, and it will probably exceed seventy before Tuesday, as many of the injured are in a serious condition, and more deaths will occur at the hospital. Sunday there were six deaths at that institution, the last one at 8 o'clock, when M. T. Gant, a prominent North Carolinian, who resided at Shelby, passed away. Others who died Sunday at the hospital were the two firemen, two little girls and Nep Miller. To the list of dead there must be added an unknown infant found at the scene of the wreck and two other unidentified bodies.

A force of 150 men toiled all day long at the scene of the wreck. Before 2 o'clock Sunday morning the track was cleared for through trains, but it required many hours to clear the debris.

Engineers Parrott and Kane were found beneath their engines, but their bodies were not crushed badly. Small fragments of bodies were found in many instances today, but it is thought they belong to the bodies already found and brought to this city. One little baby was found by the wreckers, but that was all.

The cause of the terrible loss of life in the heavy eastbound train was explained today. It seems that the second coach plowed its way into a bank

### Fannin County Wants a Gusher.

Bonham, Tex.: S. H. Johnson, who lives eight miles northeast of Bonham, was in the city Saturday and reported that he believed oil could be found in paying quantities in his place. He has a well that is so strongly impregnated with oil that the water is unfit for use. He proposes to have an analysis made, and if the report is favorable he will have a deep well sunk at once.

### Vesuvius Goes On a Tear.

Naples: The population of this city is somewhat alarmed by the increased eruption of Mount Vesuvius. Many foreigners have been attracted to Naples by the outbreak of the volcano. Service on the Funicular Railway has been suspended, the operation of the road being thought unsafe. The eruption is accompanied by earthquakes, which are felt to a distance of twenty miles and stones are thrown to a height of 1,500 feet.

### Rare Cause of Death.

Paris: A singular death is reported from Union Grove, Delta County, the victim being a 3-year-old boy, Ira Ellis Thrift. Whenever he received a wound that caused the blood to flow it was difficult to stop it. He fell against the corner of the dining table, knocking two or three of his teeth loose and causing the gums to bleed. A physician was sent for, but failed to staunch the flow of blood, and the child died to death.

In such a manner that the other cars were jammed into it and pushed on by the weight of the heavy Pullman's were crushed like eggshells.

Physicians at the hospital state that of the long list of injured, which they have in their care, it is probable that not more than four will die. The complete list of injured as given out by the railroad officials shows a total of 162, but this includes all persons who were only slightly hurt or scratched.

### STATUS OF WAR.

#### Second Russian Army—Will Not Fight at Mukden.

With the purpose of forcing the war with Japan to a speedy determination, the Emperor of Russia has taken steps to reorganize and reinforce the fighting force in the Far East. A second army is to be created, under the command of Gen. Gripenberg, a veteran of many wars, and it is expected that in a comparatively short time there will be armies of 600,000 to 700,000 men ready to take the aggressive against the Japanese. It is believed that Grand Duke Nicholas Michaelovitch will be made commander in chief of the Russian Armies in the Far East, with a soldier of more varied experience as his chief of staff.

At Mukden it is believed that the Japanese will not make a frontal attack upon that city, but will seek to engage the Russians north or northeast of there, a purpose dictated by strategic reasons as well as by a desire not to offend the Chinese by making the sacred tombs of the Emperors the scene of bloodshed.

Severe fighting at Port Arthur is reported to have taken place Sept. 19-21, and several important strongholds are said to have been captured by the Japanese. Heavy firing was heard also on Sept. 24, but details of the fighting at that time are lacking.

#### A Nacogdoches Tobacco Crop.

Nacogdoches: W. S. Patton has been experimenting with tobacco this year, and has just gathered from four acres 3,200 pounds of fine tobacco, which is now ready for the sweating process. A little of this tobacco, which has been thoroughly cured, was examined by H. S. Edler, a tobacco expert and cigar maker. Mr. Edler rolled a few cigars from it, which he pronounced equal to the best Cuban leaf. Mr. Patton has an offer of 25c a pound on the entire crop, which will net him a handsome profit, as well as add a valuable page in his book of experience with the weed.

#### Some Snakes, Late as It Is.

Sherman: J. W. Bogard, a well-known farmer of the Rockport neighborhood, was in the city Saturday and reported the killing of a monster rattlesnake on his place, the serpent measuring five feet eight inches and having no less than seventeen rattles. The snake was discovered by playing children, who had narrow escapes from its poisonous fangs.

#### Rusk Reincorporates.

Rusk: The election held here Saturday on the question of reincorporating the town was carried by a vote nearly three to one. The old corporation boundaries covered only one mile square, while the new boundaries cover two miles square. It is highly probable that steps will now be taken in the near future to establish a system of waterworks.

#### Got to Have Twelve Cents.

Guthrie, Ok.: At a meeting of the cotton growers of Greer County Saturday it was decided to hold the crop for a 12c market. This is the most productive cotton-growing county in Oklahoma. The plan is to have the cotton ginned, weighed and stored at home, the weigh checks to be used as collateral on which to borrow money until the crop is sold.

#### Big Corn Crop.

Omaha, Neb.: Geo. M. Bidwell, manager of the Nebraska and Wyoming division of the Chicago and Northwestern railway, who has just returned from a tour through the state said: "We will have the biggest and best corn crop Nebraska has ever had. It has not been hurt by frost and is out of danger. I would estimate the crop of the state at 240,000,000 bushels."

F. L. Thomas, aged 70 years, died at his home about fifteen miles west of Crowell. About six weeks ago he was thrown from a wagon by a runaway team, but was not thought to have been seriously hurt. Two days before his death it was found that the fall had caused concussion of the brain.

Pearl Freeman, a little girl at Waxahachie, was so horribly burned Saturday morning while kindling a fire with coal oil, that she died Saturday afternoon.

### JAPANESE FLANKING RUSSIANS.

#### Kuropatkin Reports an Innumerable Army Coming Up.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 27.—The cause of the extreme deliberation in the Japanese advance on Mukden was explained by a dispatch received from Gen. Kuropatkin this morning which indicates that Field Marshal Oyama has not yet concentrated his forces. Fresh troops are constantly arriving at Bentsiaputze, while others which recently reached Liao Yang are marching up the Taitsze River to Sianchan. There reinforcements, presumably, come from Japan.

As soon as the Fourth Japanese Army at Sianchan is sufficiently strong, it is now evident, the Japanese intend to resort to their favorite flanking tactics, move a formidable array against Kuropatkin's left and compel the evacuation of slintsin. They are evidently reconitering the ground over which the Sianchan army will march up and cross the river.

Meanwhile, Gen. Kuroki is trying to seize and cross the Hun River east of Mukden. Thence he will move down the river and co-operate with the Fourth Army from Sianchan, while Gens. Oku and Nodzu engage Kuropatkin's attention south of Mukden. The attack on Da' Pass and San Lungku, Sept. 20, were the first symptoms of this vast flanking movement.

Kuropatkin now reports that Japanese scouts have been encountered near the Hun River, half way to Mukden, trying to seize Koutou Pass, in order to clear the way to Fushan, and that Oku's and Nodzu's outposts have been engaged in skirmishing with Cosacks near Impu, between Bentsiaputze and the railroad.

After reviewing the troops at Odesa, the Emperor will go to Kishineff and bid farewell to the Fourteenth Division, famous for its passage of the Danube under Gen. Dragomiroff. The latter probably will attend the ceremony.

Gen. Dragomiroff is greatly enfeebled in health, which may render impossible his going to the Far East as Chief of Staff of Grand Duke Nicholas.

Gen. Oku's headquarters in the Field, Sept. 24, via Fushan, Sept. 26.—Owing to the fact that the Japanese in their advance to Liao Yang were unable to capture any locomotives, they are using hand power to propel railroad cars in the transportation of supplies. They are also changing the gauge of the railroad and bringing locomotives from Japan. The changing of the gauge has been completed from Dalny to Kalping, and the work north of there is being rushed. The railroad is practically undamaged south of Liao Yang and the bridges north of there are being rapidly repaired.

Telegrams dated at Chefoo bring indefinite reports of heavy fighting at Port Arthur, indicating that the enemy has secured three important and six minor fortresses.

The Japanese losses are estimated at 9,000. The Russians are said to have lost 1,800 men and forty-six guns.

Admiral Wuen is stated to be meditating an attempt to escape from Port Arthur with his fleet. Owing to the activity of the Japanese fire great stress is laid on a report that another vessel has successfully run the blockade at Port Arthur, bringing supplies of provisions and ammunition.

J. H. Caldwell, a farmer at Rice, has gathered ten and a half bales of cotton from ten acres, and will get half a bale more. He planted seed of King's Extra Improved variety and gave it intense cultivation.

#### One Killed and Three Hurt.

Peoria, Ill.: As the result of a washout on the Burlington railroad near Elmwood, two passenger cars were ditched Monday, and one man killed and three persons probably fatally injured. The wreck occurred at the junction of a small stream and Kickapoo Creek. A terrific rainstorm visited this section Sunday night and the roadbed was washed out for a short distance, leaving the rails suspended in the air.

#### A Mysterious Tragedy.

San Antonio: The life of Gus Klamp, proprietor of the Coney Island bar, ended Monday in a tragedy which is all the more shocking because the exact manner of his death is in doubt. He was hot in the back of the head while undoing the combination of his safe. He was found crouched in a chair, a pistol on the floor, his right hand just touching the weapon. The bullet entered the back of the head on the right side, ranging upward.

#### Confederate Pensions.

Austin: It will be but a few days before the Controller will make the regular semi-annual apportionment of the appropriation for Confederate pensions. On Oct. 1 the apportionment is to be made for the next two quarters and \$15,000 will be available therefor, together with the remainder from the last apportionments which was not drawn, the pensioners having died or removed from their former address.

### SUPPLEMENTAL PEACE CONFERENCE.

#### The President will Call a Peace Conference After Conference.

Washington, Sept. 27.—President Roosevelt's announcement to the delegates of the Interparliamentary Union that at an early date he would invite the nations of the world to send delegates to a second peace conference, whose work should be supplemental to that of the conference at The Hague, is regarded as a hopeful advance toward the adjustment of international difficulties through the medium of arbitration.

Quite naturally the question arose as to how soon the President might call the conference. He did not indicate in his address the probable time of its issuance of the call, but it can be stated that he will not await the conclusion of peace between Japan and Russia, both signatories to The Hague convention, before issuing his call. It is his present intention in about six weeks to bring the matter to the attention of the other nations of the world with a view to ascertaining their desires as to the time and place of holding the second conference. These preliminary inquiries will be made through the Department of State. As soon thereafter as the replies received shall warrant the President will issue his formal call for the conference, which probably will be early in the coming year.

Canton: A series of cases were heard and determined in the county court here of more than usual interest, being suits on a liquor dealer's bond. They resulted in judgments for the plaintiffs for \$5000. The cases were styled as follows: W. G. Wiseman vs. J. J. Patterson et al., three cases; judgment in two cases for \$1000 each and in one for \$500. Mrs. M. E. Chalk, two cases; judgment for \$1000 in each. T. J. Tull, one case; judgment for \$500, thus covering the liability on the bond.

#### Improved Cotton in McLennan.

Waco: Dr. K. W. Smith, who has a plantation two miles south of the city, exhibited stalks of improved cotton which were marvels of heavy production. A small limb about eight inches long had eleven bolls of cotton on it, and open save two or three, and the limb was a solid mass of cotton its whole length, on all sides, too. Dr. Smith states that had not the boll weevil cut short the crop on his place he would have had several acres of this cotton.

#### Resume Work at a Lower Scale.

Chicago: Work was resumed Monday after a brief period of idleness in the carshops of the Pullman Company. The company will put 2000 of its former employes at work at wages lower by 10 to 20 per cent than they were receiving previously. The cut in wages to go into effect to-day will be general, extending to employes in the office force. The wage scale at the shops has ranged in the past from \$1.75 to \$7 a day.

#### Big Harvester Plants Resume.

Chicago: Work in the big plants of the McCormick and Plano divisions of the International Harvester Company, which have been closed since Sept. 10, was resumed Monday. The company refused to renew last year's agreement with the organized trades. Hereafter the number of working hours each week will be increased from fifty-four to fifty-seven and one-half.

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#### An Awful Tragedy.

Raleigh, N. C.: A special from Winston-Salem, N. C., says: A horrible tragedy occurred Monday at Kernersville when Louis F. Carmichael, a carpenter by trade, aged 64 years, killed his wife, aged 59 years, seriously wounded his 12-year-old step-daughter and then cut his own throat with a razor and shot himself with a pistol. Mr. Carmichael and his wife separated several weeks ago.

#### Two Tragedies in Alamo City.

San Antonio: The body of Mrs. W. E. Richards, aged 30, the wife of a banker of Fairfield, Tex., was found early Monday morning in the canal in Brackenridge Park. She escaped Friday night from Dr. Moody's sanitarium near the park by slipping the door key from her nurse while asleep. Gus Klamp, proprietor of the Coney Island Saloon, committed suicide Monday morning at 6:30 o'clock. He shot himself through the head.

#### Found Dead with His Throat Cut.

Houston: Monday evening the police discovered the body of a young woman near the corner of German and Buffalo streets. Her throat was cut, the jugular vein being severed and death resulting therefrom. There is a mystery, and the police is as much puzzled as the public. They are unable to state when the wound was inflicted or when the attack was made. She is understood to have relatives in San Antonio.

### Japanese Respect for Superiors.

In Japan there is no such thing as disrespect from youth to age. No Japanese boy or girl could ever think in a light or disrespectful manner of his or her superiors or teachers, and this may account for the earnestness so unusual among young children. When a student enters a master's presence in Japan he bows to the floor, and when the lesson is finished he bows again, with expressions of his deepest gratitude as he takes his departure. The teacher, sitting in most cases upon his feet on the floor, gravely returns each salutation, then lights his little pipe at the inevitable bit of a smoking box, and waits for his next class. There is no hurrying of masters from room to room, as in some of the schools in our own enlightened land. Great imitations as they are, the Japanese are remarkable for knowing instinctively those "foreign" customs which would not coincide with their national characteristics.

### Collecting Old Doors.

Near Pontefract lives a banker who has a museum of old doors. They are from old houses, castles, or abbeys that have some historic interest. Quite lately he bid \$5000 in Paris for a door through which, during the French revolution, Marie Antoinette, Charlotte Corday, Danton and Robespierre passed to the guillotine. One of his doors is said to have shut off Charles II from his Roundhead pursuers, and it bears marks of a battering-ram. A collection of ancient weathercocks is also one of this gentleman's possessions.

### Lesson For Women.

Jersey Shore, Pa., Sept. 26 (Special)—"Dodd's Kidney Pills have done worlds of good for me." That's what Mrs. C. B. Earnest of this place has to say of the Great American Kidney Remedy.

"I was laid up sick," Mrs. Earnest continues, "and had not been out of bed for five weeks. Then I began to use Dodd's Kidney Pills and now I am so I can work and go to town without suffering any. I would not be without Dodd's Kidney Pills. I have good reason to praise them everywhere."

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### The Pope's Watch.

The story of the watch which Pope Pius carries is well worth telling. One of the cardinals was at the Vatican recently, and while talking with him, Pope Pius took his watch from his pocket to see what time it was. The cardinal noticed that the time-piece was a cheap nickel affair, with an old shoestring attached to it in place of a chain. The cardinal drew his own costly chronometer from his pocket and asked the pope to take it as a gift, and give him the nickel one. Then the pope's face lit up with one of those smiles which, if one has been fortunate enough to see, can never be forgotten, and said that the old watch was quite good enough for him. He added that it was given to him when a lad by his mother, who saved up her hard-earned copper until she could buy it, but there was no money left for a chain. One of his sisters gave him the shoestring for that, and he was so pleased with his gift that he promised his mother he would carry it as long as it kept time. The pope has never had another watch, and says that he never will.

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### NINE DIE HORRIFYING DEATHS.

#### Innocent Little School Girls Precipitated into Privy Vault.

Cincinnati, Ohio, Sept. 24.—School closed yesterday at Pleasant Ridge, seven miles north of Cincinnati, with the first quarter of the session, when nine, possibly ten, school girls were suffocated in a vault during the forenoon recess and over a score of others narrowly escaped the same horrible death.

The large building is used for a high school as well as for all lower departments. All of the victims were from primary grades.

On opposite sides of the spacious ground in the rear of the school are outhouses. When recess was given about thirty of the smaller girls were on the side assigned to them, when suddenly the floor gave way, precipitating them into a vault of filth. This vault is twelve feet deep and walled up with stone like a well. There are four feet of water or filth that would have been over the heads of the girls falling in it singly, but those falling foremost filled up the vault partially so that others were not entirely submerged. The girls fell eight feet from the flooring before striking the filth, and the struggles of those who were on top kept at least nine underneath until they were dead.

Those able to climb out on the ladders themselves were rescued by Principal Zimmerman, who finally fainted. Then others went into the vault and kept bringing dead bodies from the filth until the vault was cleared. The firemen drained the vault so as to be sure the rescue was complete.

Those engaged in the rescue work recite the most ghastly experiences.

Even those rescued alive presented such an appearance as to make many in the crowd of spectators faint, but the sight within the vault beggared all description.

#### A Wagon Load of Dynamite.

Cumberland, Md.: Fast freight No. 94 on the Baltimore and Ohio railroad struck a wagon loaded with 750 pounds of dynamite four miles east of here Friday afternoon. Two persons killed and nine were injured, three of them seriously. The Baltimore and Ohio tower was wrecked, as were several residences near by. James Laing, who drove the wagon, escaped with only trivial injury, as did the two horses, although the latter were blown fifty yards into a field.

According to witnesses, Laing, hearing the train, became terrified and stopped on the track. The engine was overturned and stripped and seven cars following, loaded with high grade merchandise, were broken, several being demolished. The tracks were thrown out of bed, while rails were snapped like pipestems. The wires were torn down and relief was telegraphed for after going to Patterson Creek on a hand car.

Engineer Pike was held under scraps on top of the boiler while being slowly cooked to death. It required four men to extricate him. The explosion knocked every person in the neighborhood down, hurled Hunter Bowen through a roof but did not hurt him, and threw parts of the engine 200 yards.

During a storm at Clarksville Wednesday night, lightning struck the Cumberland Presbyterian Church. The church took fire and was totally destroyed. Loss \$6,000; insurance \$3,500.

A new ordinance recently passed by the Waco city council has cleared the streets of popcorn and peanut stands.

#### Dallas Boy Hurt in St. Louis.

St. Louis, Mo.: Jedd Crowe of Dallas, Texas, who was struck by a street car Thursday afternoon, is slightly improved, and the physicians at St. John's Hospital, where the young man is being treated, stated this evening that his recovery was only a question of time. Crowe was knocked down by the car, receiving serious injuries about the head and shoulders and was unconscious when assistance reached him.

### A DISASTROUS BLAZE.

#### Temple Visited by Fierce Fire of Unknown Origin.

Temple, Tex., Sept. 24.—At 2 o'clock yesterday morning fire was discovered in the work room of the two-story building occupied by Tirado & Goodwin, saddle and harness makers and dealers, on Main street, near Avenue A. Despite the efforts of the firemen the flames communicated to the Eagle block, owned by the Lasker Real Estate Association of Galveston, and adjoining the Tirado & Goodwin store on the north. Efficient work confined the flames to these buildings, but not until a loss of over \$20,000 had been incurred.

The Tirado & Goodwin building was owned by H. F. Martin of Austin.

The following is a list of the insurance carried by the various firms and the estimated losses sustained by each:

City National Bank, insurance \$1500, damage by water \$400; George Houghton, paints, wall paper, etc., insurance \$1500, damage by water \$500; J. D. Bright, barber shop, insurance \$300, damage \$150; Robert Smith, pianos and musical instruments, insurance \$1500, water damage \$1000; B. Saffer, dry goods and clothing, insurance \$1000, damage \$500, mostly by water; Cox & Hall, attorneys, insurance \$1500, water and smoke damage \$200; J. W. Kye & Sons, furniture, insurance \$1000, loss (total) \$3000; Tirado & Goodwin, insurance \$6200, loss and damage \$5000; F. M. Hieronymus, job printer, insurance \$1500, loss (total) \$2000; Lasker Real Estate Association, insurance on building \$8370, damage \$6000; Sans Souci Club, no insurance, damage \$50; H. F. Martin, insurance on building \$4000, damage \$200; Temple Book Concern, fully insured, damage to building \$500.

Apart from the knowledge that the fire was discovered in the store occupied by Tirado & Goodwin, there is no clue as to its origin. It was the most disastrous fire that has occurred in Temple in four or five years. The total estimated loss and damage foots up \$21,500.

#### FATE SEEMS SEALED.

#### Final Attack on Port Arthur is Now Being Waged.

Paris, Sept. 24.—The Matin's St. Petersburg correspondent telegraphs as follows:

"Telegrams of which the general staff have as yet no knowledge reached the Emperor at 4 o'clock this morning. I can affirm that they concern Port Arthur, regarding which place the greatest anxiety prevails at court.

"The Japanese are now engaged in a general assault, which is more furious than its predecessors, attacking the town on three sides simultaneously and employing their whole forces, being determined to finish the business. Russian mines blew up whole battalions of Japanese.

"The whole of Admiral Togo's and Vice Admiral Kamimura's squadrons are aiding the struggle, which, it is feared here, will be final.

"The besieged forces are fighting as if in a furnace. A perfect storm of shell is falling on the town, port and fortress from the whole hill and roadstead. Gen. Stossel is going from fort to fort encouraging the defenders in their desperate efforts.

"In St. Petersburg the facts concerning the tragic event, which perhaps will terminate by a glorious fall of Port Arthur, are wholly unknown. At court hope has not yet been entirely abandoned."

#### Engineer Killed and Three Hurt.

Clinton, Mo.: A passenger train northbound on the Missouri, Kansas and Texas road, known as the "Fly-station" by a misplaced switch. The engineer was killed after having reversed his engine, and three others were injured. Among them is T. L. Or, who was wrecked yesterday at Lewis Johnson of Seguin, Texas, whose shoulder and arm were hurt. The switch light had been removed.

# JOHN BURT

By FREDERICK UPHAM ADAMS

Author of "The Kidnapped Millionaire," "Colonel Monroe's Doctrine," Etc.

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CHAPTER XXV.—Continued.

The valet opened the door and John Burt entered. For a moment Blake did not recognize him. The moustache and beard had disappeared, and the strong regular lines of John Burt's face were in perfect harmony with the keen, calm and discerning eyes.

"Hello, Jim; what's the matter with you?" "M'right, John, ol' fellow; m'right! Glad to see ye, dear ol' John! Have a drink, John! Glad to see ye!" Blake swayed and fell into John Burt's arms. His flushed face and reeking breath told their own story without the help of the emptied decanter. Blake weighed two hundred pounds, but John picked him up and laid him on the couch as if he were a child.

"You're knocked out, Jim," he said. "Take a nap, old man, and you'll be all right when you wake up." With a dull smile on his lips Blake sank into a deep slumber. The minute hand of the little clock crawled half its way around the circle before John Burt left the side of his friend. His eyes were fixed on the motionless figure, but his thoughts wandered far away.

Blake groaned and muttered in his sleep. At first his words were incoherent, but as his excitement grew his voice became distinct, and in a higher key he exclaimed:

"This is awful—awful! What shall I do; what shall I do? I love her! I love her, and no one shall stand between us, no one, by God! no one, rot even—" The sentence ended in a moan and again he sank into quiet slumber.

Pacing up and down the room John stepped on a crumpled newspaper. He

picked it up, glanced carelessly at the date and name and ran his eye over the pages.

The first words that caught his attention were "Miss Jessie Carden." John Burt stood like a statue and read the paragraph which had thrown Blake into a frenzy of fear.

Every word burned itself into his brain. Instinctively he drew back like one menaced by a blow struck in the dark. Then the enormity of the thing came to him. Crushing the paper in his hand, he strode across the room and towered over the figure of the man who had requited years of friendship with an act of treachery.

Blake's face was turned toward him—the handsome, clear-cut features of the one he had known since boyhood. For an instant the impulse to strike this man dead in his sleep came to John Burt. Then a flood of feeling checked the swelling tide of his rage.

"How could you do such a thing, Jim?" he exclaimed, unconsciously aloud.

For hours John Burt concentrated his mind on the strange problem which had so suddenly arisen. At times a wave of anger swept over him, but in the end charity won against odds which seemed overwhelming.

It was dark when Blake awoke from his stupor. He raised himself on his elbows and stared wildly about the room until his eyes rested on John Burt. John laid aside the book he had made a pretense of reading.

"Do you feel better, Jim?" he asked, as Blake struggled to his feet, and passed his hand wearily across his eyes.

"I beg pardon for this foolishness!" exclaimed Blake looking ruefully first at John and then at the decanter. "As you know, I'm not given to drinking. I felt very bad this morning and took some brandy on an empty stomach. Are you sure I said nothing to offend you, John?"

"You have said nothing to offend me since that day we had the fight near the creek in old Rocky Woods," returned John, looking Blake frankly in the face. The latter's eyes dropped in confusion.

"We'll say no more about it," added John. "Take your bath, and by the time you are ready, I will see that Roberts has dinner served."

During and after the meal John led the conversation back over the years they had spent together. Blake was strangely silent. As a rule he took the lead over his quiet companion on such occasions, but this evening when he attempted to join in the conversation,

something arose in his throat and choked him.

### CHAPTER XXVI.

#### Hawkins Makes a Discovery.

John Hawkins strode into the office of James Blake & Company at an early hour the following Monday morning, and after greeting the nominal head of the firm was shown to John Burt's room.

"Mighty glad to see you, my boy," his deep voice rumbled as he laid a giant palm on the shoulder of the younger man.

They talked for several minutes on commonplace topics. Mr. Hawkins studied the face of the younger with a scrutiny which did not escape John Burt.

"In your new disguise—or lack of disguise—you strangely remind me of some one," said Mr. Hawkins suddenly. "You told me once, as I remember, that you were born in Massachusetts, didn't you?"

"I did," replied John, "and I also told you that Burton was not my right name. Now, I'm going to tell you who I am, though you must guard my secret for a while yet—a short while, I hope."

"John Burton" is good enough for me," asserted the magnate, grimly. "I know you're all right, and I'll bet a million on it. Don't tell me, my boy, if you run any risk by doing so."

"There is no reason why I should not tell you," said John, after a moment's pause. "Here is an advertisement I recently ran across in a San Francisco newspaper. Read it."

John Hawkins adjusted his glasses and read the following:

"To John Burt of Hingham, Mass.—All rewards offered for your arrest by



THE VALET OPENED THE DOOR AND JOHN BURT ENTERED.

Randolph or Arthur Morris are hereby withdrawn, and you are exempt from prosecution at our hands.

(Signed) "Randolph Morris, Arthur Morris."

John Hawkins read it slowly and looked searchingly into the face of the young man.

"So your name's Burt? Ever have a relation by the name of Peter Burt?"

"My grandfather's name is Peter Burt," replied John.

"Was he a whaling captain?"

"He was captain and part owner of the whaler 'Segregansett,'" answered John.

Hawkins vented his surprise in strange exclamations, and John Burt was silent, in puzzled amazement.

"John Burt, grandson to old Captain Pete Burt! This is too rich! My boy, there's a feud between the houses of Burt and Hawkins, but it shall not extend to your generation. We'll bury it right now! Did the old man ever mention the name of Jack Hawkins to you?"

"Never."

"I suppose not. It isn't likely he would," and again Mr. Hawkins seemed vastly amused. "Well, I was his first mate on the Segregansett. Cap. Burt was nearly sixty years old then, and I was about twenty-six. There was an idea abroad that no man who trod a deck beneath an American flag could lick Jack Hawkins, and, barring one man, I guess they had the facts sized up about right. Do you see that scar?"

He ran his fingers through the iron-gray locks and pushed them back from his forehead. There showed a livid mark with four black circles.

"Those round black marks are the prints of your dear old grandfather's knuckles," he said, letting the hair drop back into place. "They've been there thirty odd years. I'll tell you how it happened. Captain Burt was a very religious man, according to his own standards. He was particularly down on swearing. A cuss word drove him crazy and I've seen him pound a man nearly to death for a harmless 'damn.'"

"We had a sailor named Bilson," continued Mr. Hawkins. "He was one of those clumsy, aggravating fools whose very looks were an incentive to profanity. It came on to blow one night and I sent Bilson aloft. He managed to foul the fore-royal clew lines, and when I yelled at him he laughed in his idiotic way, and I was boiling mad all over. While I was relieving my mind I felt a hand on my shoulder, and it wasn't a sailor's, do you see,

"Not another word from your blasphemous mouth, Jack Hawkins!" said Captain Burt.

"You go to hell!" I said, so mad I didn't know what I was saying.

"He gave me a cuff on the side of the head with the palm of his hand. It was not heavy, but it made me crazy."

"Go below and pray God to forgive you," he said.

"No man had ever struck me before and I swung at him with my right. I caught him a glancing blow above the eye. He didn't even raise his hands."

"Hit me again, Jack Hawkins!" he said, calm as if asking me to pass him the salt.

"I aimed for his chin, but caught him on the neck. It was like striking a brick wall. His arm smashed through my guard, and his fist landed full on my temple. It was a frightful blow and I went sprawling to the deck. Before I could make a struggle he picked me up and hurled me over the rail. As I came up I caught one glimpse of the Segregansett through the mist, as she heeled to port in the gale."

"The water revived me, and I succeeded in kicking off my boots. I swam in the direction of the ship, and by sheer good luck bumped into a hencoop, which some one—Captain Burt most likely—had thrown overboard. I floated around on that hencoop until morning."

"Along about noon I heard a splashing, and a big canoe filled with natives came in sight. I yelled at them and after much palaver they took me in. They were friendly savages on a visit from one small island to another. I went along as a guest, and it was months before the boats of the 'Jane M' came ashore and took me off."

"A year later I landed in Frisco, just in time to be in the gold excitement. That's all. If your grandfather hadn't thrown me overboard in the middle of the Pacific ocean, it's not likely I'd have located the Challenge mine. I forgave him years ago, and you can bet I harbor no grudge against his grandson."

"He has been the one to suffer," said John. "He imagines himself your murderer, and for years has prayed for forgiveness. I expect to go back to him in a few days, and you must go with me."

Then he told John Hawkins the story of his boyhood and of the shooting of Arthur Morris. He told of his love for Jessie Carden, and of his determination to restore to General Carden the fortune filched from him by the elder Morris.

"When last I saw Miss Carden," said John, "she was the heiress to a comfortable fortune. I had nothing but health, strength and ambition, but she believed in my future, and something has told me that she would wait for me. I shall see her in a few days, and I wish her to be as proud and independent of my wealth as on that night I left her side, five years ago. She has been robbed of her birthright, but if my judgment of the value of L. & O. is accurate, it will be restored to the keeping of her father."

"I have news for you about L. & O.," said John Hawkins, "but first tell me exactly how you stand."

"The company is organized with one hundred thousand shares, of a par value of one hundred dollars each," he said, "with bonds to the amount of five millions more. Morris holds thirty-five thousand shares, and his associates twelve thousand. That is three thousand less than control, but he imagines that General Carden cannot exercise his option on ten thousand shares. As I wrote you, I've had Blake acquire this option from General Carden, but of course, Morris knows nothing of this. By private purchase and in the open market, our agents have picked up twenty-nine thousand shares."

"Let's see," mused Hawkins. "I have 7,460, you have 29,000 and an option on Carden's 10,000. That makes a total of 46,460 shares. You yet lack 3,541 of control. Go into the market and buy 'em, my boy! You've done a great piece of work; a bigger one than you realize."

(To be continued.)

Good Reason.

Two little boys and two little girls were playing "house," the boys being the papas, of course. All went well until the papas insisted upon coming home to luncheon, although their wives repeatedly told them that they should stay down town in their offices and kill bears until 5 o'clock. The argument finally grew so noisy that auntie came to investigate.

"Boys, why do you come home when the little girls ask you not to. Is it because you are so fond of them you cannot keep away?"

"No," said Tom disgustedly.

"Is it because you wanted another look at your beautiful children?"

"No," said Rob, with even more disgust in his tones. "It's because the girls eat chocolate for lunch and we want some."

Reason for Marrying.

They were talking about a friend of hers who had married a bishop stationed in Kamchatka, or Timbuktu, or some other heathen land.

"I never could understand why she married him," said the young woman.

"She seemed the last girl on earth to marry a bishop. She can't do so much more for having a good time than she did for church work and sewing circles."

"Girls are pretty wise nowadays," said the young man, "and they generally have a good reason for marrying the way they do. A girl friend of mine married a doctor so she could always be well for nothing; and maybe this girl married the bishop so she could be good for nothing."—New York Tribune.

### Fannin Countian Thinks He Has Oil

Bonham: S. H. Johnson, who lives eight miles northeast of Bonham, was in the city Saturday and reported that he believed oil could be found in paying quantities on his place. He has a well that is so strongly impregnated with oil that the water is unfit for use. He proposes to have an analysis made, and if the report is favorable he will have a deep well sunk at once.

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Owing to the scarcity of seed wheat and rye many will not sow grain in this county this fall. The scarcity of grain and consequent high price is the best reason in the world why every farmer should endeavor to raise a grain crop next year.

The Board of Lady Managers of the World's Fair at St. Louis, as usual, are having a regular Killikenny cat fight. The Lady Managers of the World's Fair at Chicago made a national reputation—or scandal—by their continued hair pulling, and the St. Louis sisters bid fair to equal their Chicago sisters in that respect.

Senator Bailey refused to debate with Cyclone Davis, the Prohibition campaigner in Texas. Davis doubtless feels something like Harry Tracy felt years ago when Senator Mills refused to debate with him. The democratic party has no time to fool away on side shows like the prohibition party, when a great political party like the republican is in front of them demanding all their time and energies.

A prominent W. C. T. U. women of the north recommends that members of the Union refuse to cook for their husbands unless they favor and will vote for woman's suffrage. If this rule should be rigidly enforced it would doubtless bring some of the male degenerates to time, but it is likely that some of the sisters would find themselves grass widows at the end of the "strike."

Last week in an editorial paragraph the Herald stated that Callahan county had gone dry in the recent prohibition election. This week we received a letter from W. E. Gilliland, of THE BAIRD STAR, protesting that we erred and that Callahan had gone wet instead. Mr. Gilliland fined us a half a dozen small bottles to be paid at the next state press meeting, which we guess will have to be paid.—Hallettsville Herald.

Judge Parker has issued his letter of acceptance and it has the true ring of old time democracy. It is honest, straight-forward and should prove satisfactory to every democrat. That the letter will be unsatisfactory to the enemies of the party is to be expected, but democrats, or all who profess to be democrats, should now lend their hearty support to the ticket, and leave captious criticisms to those who oppose the party. Judge Parker shows himself worthy of the hearty support of every democrat and he ought to have it. He is the national leader of the party, made such by the highest authority in the party and the thing for all democrats to do now is to work for the ticket, or at least not work against it.

News Special: Dr. Josiah Strong, addressing the International Congress of Science and Art at Festival Hall at St. Louis, scored the modern ministry, declaring that it has lost power because it has no message. Preachers talk with nothing to say, as the higher criticism has destroyed the faith in the old fundamental truths.

Rabbi Hirsch, at the same meeting, says God created just one man so that future generations could not quarrel over the respective virtues of the first fathers. "Even if we are descended from one monkey," he said, "is there any excuse for one hanging his tail higher than another?"

The condemnation of these speakers is too sweeping. Some ministers doubtless deserve the criticisms uttered, but not all. That the modern church is becoming to be regarded both by the clergy and laity as a place for lectures, church festivals, social and even political meetings, is well known. To the extent that church and ministry becomes worldly—that is permits the church to be used for other purposes than the worship of God, so that extent it loses the confidence and respect of the public.

POEMS WORTH RE-MEMBERING.

HISTORICAL NOTE.—Antonius Marcus [Mark Antony], born B. C. 83, died B. C. 30, one of the most brilliant, though one of the most profligate of the ancient Roman statesmen. About the only redeeming feature of his dissolute life was his unwavering friendship for Julius Caesar. After the death of Caesar, Octavius, the adopted son of Julius Caesar, Mark Antony and Lepidus formed the Triumvirate, so famous in Roman history, and divided the empire between them. Mark Antony on a trip to Asia Minor was met by Cleopatra, the beautiful but dissolute Queen of Egypt, and was completely captivated by her charms. His mad passion for the swarthy Egyptian and neglect of his duty to his country and his wife, Octavia, sister of Octavius, caused an open rupture with the authorities at Rome, headed by Octavius, who was anxious to rid himself of Mark Antony. Civil war resulted and Mark Antony was defeated by Octavius at the battle of Actium. His army was scattered and his fleet destroyed and the once proud dictator, whose eloquence had so often swayed the Roman populace and drove the assassins of Caesar from public life, was alone and helpless. Having learned that his mistress, Cleopatra, had committed suicide, which was not true, as she committed suicide later, he fell upon his sword and died like a Roman soldier, the great Triumvir still as the poet makes him say. Octavius, after the death of Antony and Lepidus, became sole dictator of Rome and later assumed the title of emperor under the name of Augustus. Cleopatra was the daughter of Ptolemy Auletes, born in B. C. 69 and committed suicide after the death of Antony rather than be carried a captive to Rome with her ended the dynasty of the Ptolemies in Egypt that had ruled the country for two centuries. W. E. G.

ANTONY AND CLEOPATRA. BY WILLIAM HAINES LYTLE.

I am dying, Egypt, dying:—
Ebbs the crimson life-tide fast;
And the dark Plutonian shadows
Gather on the evening blast.
Let thine arms, O Queen, unfold me;
Hush thy sobs and bow thine ear:
Listen to the great heart-secrets
Thou, and thou alone, must hear.
Though my scarred and veteran legions
Bear their eagles high no more,
And my wrecked and scattered galleys
Strew dark Actium's fatal shore;
Though no glittering guards surround me,
Prompt to do their master's will,
I must perish like a Roman
Die the great Triumvir still.
Let not Caesar's servile minions
Mock the lion thus laid low;
'Twas no foeman's arm that felled him,
'Twas his own that struck the blow;
His who, pillowed on thy bosom,
Turned aside from glory's ray,
His, who drunk with thy Caresses,
Madly threw a world away.
Should the base plebeian rabble
Dare assail my name at Rome,
Where my noble spouse Octavia
Weeps within a widow's home,
Seek her; say the gods bear witness—
Alters, augurs, circling wings—
That her blood, with mine commingled,
Yet shall mount the throne of kings.
As for thee, star-eyed Egyptian,
Glorious sorceress of the Nile,
Light the path to Stygian horrors
With the splendors of thy smile,
Give the Caesar crowns and arches,
Let his brow the laurel twine;
I can scorn the senate's triumphs,
Triumphing in a love like thine.
I am dying, Egypt, dying:
Hark the insulting foeman's cry!
They are coming! Quick my falchion,—
Let me front them ere I die,
Ah! no more amid the battle
Shall my heart exulting swell;
Isis and Osiris guard thee!
Cleopatra, Rome, farewell!

THE EFFICACY OF PRAYER.

At a prayer-meeting in Mississippi during the civil war, a Presbyterian brother offered this prayer:
"O Lord, we thank Thee for all Thy boundless goodness; for this rich and beautiful land of ours; for our brave women and valiant men. We thank Thee that we are fully able to take care of ourselves on land; but, O Lord, we do most humbly implore Thy assistance when the Yankees send those infernal gunboats to destroy us."
A prominent Southern lawyer who had just repented of his wild ways and joined the church, was called upon in a religious meeting to pray. He started off very well, but did not know how to stop. After asking the Divine blessing on everything he could think of, he finally, with a determined effort, ended with these words: "Yours truly, P. Q. Mason."

MARRIED.

EBERT—JACKSON.—Mr. Harry N. Ebert and Miss Pearl Jackson were united in marriage at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Jackson, near Vigo, Sunday morning, September 25, 1904, Rev. I. C. Underwood officiating.
THE STAR extends congratulations and good wishes to the young people. They left yesterday for Alexander, Erath county, where they will reside for the present.

W. A. Smith, the chief promoter of Opilin spent a day or two in town this week. Mr. Smith believes he is about to strike oil in his well on Tecumseh cak. So note it be!

POPULAR VOTE.

The popular vote for president in the last two elections was as follows:
1896, McKinley.....7,104,779
" Bryan.....6,502,925
Republican majority..... 601,854
1900, McKinley.....7,207,923
" Bryan.....6,358,133
Republican majority..... 849,790
ELECTORIAL VOTE.
1896, McKinley.....271
" Bryan.....176
Republican majority.....95
1900, McKinley.....292
" Bryan.....155
Republican majority.....137

Senator Jas. K. Jones, national chairman of the democratic party for eight years, says he has carefully gone over the ground and that he is convinced that Parker will win. The only thing about this that is not exactly satisfactory is that Senator Jones published numerous forecasts of the elections in 1896 and 1900 in all of which he proved, to his own satisfaction at least, that Bryan would win, but the voters refused to conform to the Senator's forecasts. There is an old saying that the 3rd time is the charm; Senator Jones having missed twice in his forecasts, may win in the third. THE STAR hopes so, at any rate.

Mr. S. W. Hamilton, brother of D. M. Hamilton and Mrs. A. W. Howell of this county, and Mrs. Ray of Corsicana, stopped off in Baird last week on a short visit to relatives. Mrs. Howell accompanied them home and will likely be gone sometime.

BAIRD, TEXAS. Fine Wines, Liquors and Cigars. WRISTEN & DAVIS, Successors to Ben Hasted. Mail and Phone Orders Given Prompt Attention.

A Jap bacteriologist, with an unpronounceable name, is an official visitor at the St. Louis Fair. Here is a significant statement from him—the more significant when taken in connection with the fact that Jap successes are creating enthusiasm and co-operation in China, along with an ambition to also make that empire a great war power. He said: "Japan is in arms to drive the Russians to their own boundaries. China will be given Manchuria and then Japan will civilize China and teach her to resist encroachments on her lands. Now that Japan has drawn her sword she will not sheath it until victory is won. The question is whether Russia will be driven to her natural boundaries or all the Japanese be killed."
The question is, regardless of the tyranny and despotism of Russia, whether it were not better for the world that all the Japs be killed than that the hordes of Asia should advance in arts of war as has Japan in the last half century.—Texas Farmer
N. Circle one of the old landmarks, was in town this week.
Yancy A. Orr, Putnam's popular druggist came up Tuesday evening on a brief trip.

THE FINEST LINE OF FALL GOODS. Ever Seen on Display in Baird, will be seen at H. SCHWARTZ'S DRY GOODS HOUSE. SKIRTS. SHIRT WAISTS. JACKETS. SHOES. GENT'S FURNISHINGS. IN CLOTHING. It is a pleasure for us to show our goods. So come and look through. H. SCHWARTZ.

When A Woman Feels Depressed. It's the Liver. HERBINE. Sold By POWELL & POWELL, Baird, and Y. A. ORR, Putnam, Texas.

LESS THAN ONE FARE RATE To San Francisco California and Return will be effective daily Aug. 15th to Sep. 19 inclusive from all stations on all lines in Texas and the Southwest, via "THE DENVER ROAD".

Moved! We have moved to the Franklin Livery Stable where we can now accommodate the public better than heretofore. C. C. ABBOTT & SON, BAIRD, TEXAS.



# ON TUESDAY, SEP. 27

WE HAD OUR REGULAR SEMI-ANNUAL



## Millinery Opening.



This, like all other seasons, we will try to excel what we have ever done before. Our Mrs. Miller stayed a whole month in the wholesale markets, seeking the Choicest Goods for the Choicest People of America, we think we have found them and at prices lower than any competition can touch. It would be useless for me to try and describe the beauty and style of the hats for this season, but they are very handsome and up-to-date in every particular. You must see them to appreciate them, we invite you to come and examine our stock and our prices whether you buy or not. In conclusion we will say we have everything that pertains to Millinery, all the latest trimmings of every description, you can call for what you wish, Mrs. Miller with her corps of assistants will please you. So we very kindly ask you to call and examine before you purchase elsewhere, and especially to the lady that wants to be up-to-date we are headquarters. If you don't see our stock before you purchase you will regret it. Come and See.



### Shoes

Of every description and our line are the guaranteed kind, we sell them cheaper than you can buy the shoddy goods elsewhere. As you all know we handle the celebrated Hamilton Brown Shoes every pair is warranted to give satisfaction. This is guarantee enough without me saying a word. Buy your shoes from me and you will be pleased.

### OUR CLOTHING DEPARTMENT.

We have the latest, most improved and up-to-date clothing ever brought to Baird before and they were bought at prices that no competition can touch, in fact at less than they can be manufactured to-day, you could appreciate it much better if you would call and see for yourself. This includes boys as well as mens, from the cheapest to the highest.

We want your trade.

We want to please you.

## T. E. POWELL.



### Dress Goods.

We have everything that is needed or could be desired in the way of fine Dress Goods and Trimmings, Etc. Our Department is all complete. Come and See.

### LOCAL NEWS

See the Genuine Hawks specks at Powell & Powell. 35-tf

R. J. Harris of Admiral, was in town Saturday.

Go to "Butch" Wilson's for cooked meats. 37-tf

G. W. Weeks, John Smart, and R. C. Dawkins of Admiral were in town Monday.

None have the Genuine Hawk's specks but Powell & Powell. 35

Get your school supplies at R. Phillips. 40-tf

W. W. Manning was up from the ranch, Monday. He reports "craps" rather short.

Go to "Butch" Wilson's for pure lard and bacon. 37-tf

Our new line of guitars, violins, mandolins and banjos have just arrived. See this new line. R. Phillips

Baird Lodge 522 F. & A. M. met in regular session last Saturday night, with the F. C. degree, Huschel Bryant.

Security, International, LaGear's Uncle Sam's stock foods for sale by Powell & Powell. 35

If you are thinking of getting a watch or clock just look at our stock. We have the largest line in Baird, and we are going to sell them. Save money by buying from R. Phillips. 40

Work must be plentiful in the carpenter line in Baird, as we have wanted some carpenter's work done for the past two weeks, but so far cannot find an idle carpenter.

We have the largest line of jewelry watches, clocks ect. in Baird. R. Phillips. 31-tf

School Books at Powell & Powell's

**WOOD FOR SALE.**

Cord wood or stove wood, in any quantity. Phone me your orders. M. J. PARKS, Phone 78 2 rings. 40-tf

### NOTICE U. D. C.

The Daughters of the Confederacy will meet with Mrs. W. E. Wathen at 4:30 P. M. Tuesday, Oct. 4th.

All members are urged to be present and requested to bring the cushion or material same as promised in order that all things may be ready by Oct. 8th, the anniversary on which they are to be presented.

Mrs. F. W. JAMES Pres.  
Mrs. S. T. FRASER Sec.

Come to us for pure drugs, paints, wall paper, etc. Powell & Powell 35

A. K. Hawke's best crystalized lenses spectacles at half the regular price at R. Phillips'. 40-tf

A new supply of perfumes and toilet articles at Powell & Powell's. 35

We have all the latest kind of shirts We want to sell them. Call and see them. T. E. Powell. 25-tf

W. F. Wilson for premium hams and breakfast bacon. 35-tf

Go to the Baird Home Studio for good Photos of all kinds, and for enlarging work. 42-tf

See the largest assortment of watches in Baird, new designs, at R. Phillips. R. Phillips. 40-tf

Get your magazines, periodicals ect. at Phillips's. 31-tf

School books, tablets, pencils, ect at Powell & Powell's. 41-tf

There are changes and rumors of changes in business circles in Baird. Wristen and Davis have bought out Ben Halsted's saloon. The Mistrot Bros and Co, dry goods is moving away. There is a rumor that T. E. Powell will open branch houses at Clyde and Cross Plains, also a bank by same party at the latter place. There was a halt in the work on the new gin plant Tuesday for some cause; but work was resumed yesterday.

We keep the latest magazines and books. Should you want anything special, or that we have not got in stock we will gladly get it for you. R. Phillips'. 31-tf

If you want to buy good goods cheap go to T. E. Powell's. He has it for less. 25-tf

Every pair of the Hamilton-Brown own make shoes are warranted to give satisfaction or money refunded. Why buy others when you can get a warranted shoe for the same money? T.

We can sell you a good Japanese matting at 15c per yard and upward. We have no competition in this line. Call and see it. T. E. Powell. 25-tf

The largest shipment of musical instruments ever brought to Baird just received at R. Phillips.

We have the only line of men's clothing 25 per cent cheaper than any where else. Buy where you can save money. T. E. Powell. 25-tf

Our prescription department is complete. Bring us your prescriptions. R. Phillips. 31-tf

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**DO YOU NEED ICE?**

If you can't catch the wagon, phone 81, J. A. Christian, and your order will receive prompt attention. 22-tf JESSE RICE.

Be sure to attend the "Old Maid's Convention" at Cooke's Opera House Friday night, Sept. 30th. Admission Reserved seats 35c, Adults 25c, Children 15c.

**CHANGE.**

We now go to press about 5 p. m. Wednesday, and all advertising for the current week must be sent in by 12 o'clock Wednesday. The change is made necessary as the Electric Light Co., have discontinued the day circuit and we must run late in the evening or at night as we get power from them to run the press. Publication day is still the same, Thursday, but we go to press the night before. 42

**ADVERTISED LETTERS.**

The following is a list of letters remaining in P. O. at Baird, Texas for the week ending Sept. 24, 1904. Parties calling for same please say advertised.

W. L. Darlington.  
Sam Mims.  
Mrs. Lilley Magill.  
Mr. A. G. Pipkin. 2.  
Wm. McMANIS, P. M.

See Powell & Powell for school supplies. 41-tf

**MRS. L. S. ADAMS.**  
Of Galveston, Texas.

"Wine of Cardui is indeed a blessing to tired women. Having suffered for seven years with weakness and bearing-down pains, and having tried several doctors and different remedies with no success, your Wine of Cardui was the only thing which helped me, and eventually cured me. It seemed to build up the weak parts, strengthen the system and correct irregularities."

By "tired women" Mrs. Adams means nervous women who have disordered menses, falling of the womb, ovarian troubles or any of those ailments that women have. You can cure yourself at home with this great women's remedy, Wine of Cardui. Wine of Cardui has cured thousands of cases which doctors have failed to benefit. Why not begin to get well today? All druggists have \$1.00 bottles. For any stomach, liver or bowel disorder Theford's Black-Draught should be used.

For advice and literature, address, giving symptoms, The Ladies' Advisory Department, The Chattanooga Medicine Co., Chattanooga, Tenn.

**WINE OF CARDUI**

Tell us the magazine you read and we will get it for you. R. Phillips. 31

**TO THE PUBLIC.**

I have moved to the offices formerly occupied by Dr. Ramsey over Powell & Powell's drug store. See me there when you have law, land, abstract or insurance business. 38-tf JNO. W. WOODS.

**ESTRAY NOTICE.**

The State of Texas | County of Callahan | Reported by W. A. Hinds, Commissioner precinct no. 1 the following described animal: One sorrel horse mule about 15 hands high, about 3 or 4 years old wire cut on right fore leg and right shoulder, unbranded, salt animal ranging in neighborhood of J. B. Brown, near Clyde. If not proven away by the legal owner, will be dealt with as the law directs. Given under my hand and seal of office this 15th day of Sept. 1904. 42-tf W. P. COCHRAN, County Clerk Callahan County, Tex.

We will carry the largest and most complete line of books, magazines, periodicals, stationery ect. in Baird. Call and see what we have. R. Phillips

We have just received a drum of carbon and can save you money in killing prairie dogs. R. Phillips 31-tf

We buy carbon in large quantities and can save you money. R. Phillips

If you want something good to read just look over the new line of magazines and periodicals at Phillip's Drug Store. 31-tf

500 pieces mill end embroidery and insertions in 5 yard lengths. Our bargain price is half the value. Call and see them. T. E. Powell. 25

We have it for less. 5-tf T. E. POWELL.

A full line of sewing machine needles and supplies always at Phillip's Drug Store. 31-tf

Get your toilet preparations, face powders, creams, perfumes ect. R. Phillips's Drug store 31-tf

I will sell you a handsome summer shirt for 50c. Worth twice as much. T. E. Powell.

Mrs. Henry Benham and little daughter, Sarah Maud, have returned to Brownwood.

**NEW BLACKSMITH SHOP.**

Jensen & Dickey have opened a new blacksmith shop adjoining Grant Bowler's carpenter shop. Blacksmithing, horse shoeing and all kinds of repair work on vehicles and farm implements, wood and iron work. Patronage solicited. 43-tf JENSEN & DICKEY.

(OFFICIAL.)  
**DEPARTMENT OF STATE,**  
WASHINGTON, D. C. September 19, 1904  
Information has been received at this department from Mr. Albert R. Morawetz, the Consul of the United States at Nogales, Sonora, Mexico, of the death on or about June 11, 1904, in the District of Montazuma, Sonora, Mexico, of John and J. B. Maxwell, brothers, of Baird, Texas.  
The legal representatives of the deceased can obtain further information by applying to this Department. Per despatch No. 27. Dated July 30, 1904.

**EPWORTH LEAGUE.**

Program Intermediate League, Sunday, Oct. 2, 1904.  
Leader.—Jewell Johnson.  
Scripture Lesson—Leader.  
Reading—Lois McDermott.  
Song. Prayer.  
Reading—Grace Kendall.  
Reading—Fanny Reno.  
Roll call. Benediction.

**Has Sold a Pile of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.**

I have sold Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for more than twenty years and it has given entire satisfaction. I have sold a pile of it and can recommend it highly.—JOSEPH MCELHINEY Zinton, Iowa. You will find this remedy a good friend when troubled with a cough or cold. It always affords quick relief and is pleasant to take. For sale by R. Phillips Baird, Y. A. Orr Putnam.

**PASTURE POSTED.**

All fishing and hunting or trespassing in anyway in my pasture on the Bayou is positively forbidden. 21-tf Wm. McMANIS.

The Baird Lumber Co. have received their stock of lumber and are now ready for business. Yards near the Court House.

**A Boy's Wild Ride For Life.**

With family around expecting him to die, and a son riding for life, 18 miles, to get Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption Coughs and Colds, W. H. Brown, of Leesville, Ind, endured death's agonies from asthma but this wonderful medicine gave instant relief and soon cured him. He writes: "I now sleep soundly every night." Like marvelous cures of Consumption, Pneumonia, Bronchitis, Coughs, Colds and Grip prove its matchless merit for all Throat and Lung troubles. Guaranteed bottles 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottles free at All Druggists.

John Edwards of Eala was in town Monday.

Mrs. H. A. McWhorter and children from the Bayou, are visiting Mrs. McWhorter's sister, Mrs. Charley Likens.

Mrs. Tom Austin and children and Will Rice are visiting their sister, Mrs. Fay Downie, at Fort Worth.



# Japs Nearly to Mukden. Three Sides Are Covered.

Three Armies Making Concerted Advance.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 23, 3:20 a. m.—The Japanese advance toward Mukden continues, according to information received by the authorities here. Both official reports and press dispatches place Marquis Oyama's advance guard thirty miles south of Mukden, while stories printed in the foreign press that a great battle at Mukden has already begun are disposed of by the actual developments at the scene of operations.

There is no question in the minds of the Russian authorities of the importance of Mukden that the Japanese will exert every effort to push out the Russians, but it is thought a serious struggle for the possession of the town is still some days distant. The Japanese probably will have to reckon first with a stubborn defense of the Pushun mines, where the next important fight is expected to take place.

Judging by present developments Marquis Oyama is giving up the idea of cutting Gen. Kuropatkin's communication to the northward, and contenting himself with advancing upon the Russian front and flank in such fashion as to force the evacuation of the two positions and compel the Russians to retreat further north. The whole plan of the Japanese advance shows a considerable difference from the operations at Liao Yang. At the same time it is possible that the Japanese are again making an undisclosed movement as they have successfully done in the past.

According to the best information Oyama has three armies concentrated south and southeast of Mukden, a fourth corps, consisting of two divisions, being detached to Finatung, and thence sending out flanking columns northward and northeastward with the object of protecting Oyama's right and at the same time driving in the Russian outposts. An enveloping movement on such a large scale as Gen. Kuroki essayed at Liao Yang is not expected. Evidently the Japanese realize that their strength is inadequate to justify another attempt to surround Gen. Kuropatkin, who is now stronger by two army corps than he was at Liao Yang.

The report has gained some credence here that it is the intention of the Japanese to winter at Mukden if they can take the town and then hold on until an accumulation of Russian forces on their front compels them to retire to the Liao Tung Peninsula and Korea, the retreat in this direction drawing Gen. Kuropatkin after them. Orders have been issued to prepare seven rifle brigades for service in the Far East.

## Victim To the Gin.

Paris: Charley Gavin, manager of a gin two miles from Prattville, Delta County, had an arm caught in the gin and mangled up to the elbow Wednesday evening while trying to clean the saws without stopping the machinery. It became necessary to amputate the arm above the elbow. His home is at Manchester, Red River County.

Alanson Warner, aged 71, of Everson, Wash., and Mrs. Luca McFarland, aged 59, of Parkland, Ok., were married a few days since at Chandler. They were sweethearts in early life but both had been married.

## Samples of Our Importations.

Grand Rapids, Mich.: In the Justice Court John Tisor and Peter Smiriles admitted being parties to the virtual sale of Tisor's two stepsons to Smiriles, proprietor of several shoe-shining parlors. All the parties are Greeks. Smiriles testified that he paid \$239 for the two lads, who are still in his custody. Smiriles is suing Tisor for \$40 which he claims he loaned him at the same time he paid the \$239 for the boys.

## New Road to the Gulf.

Austin: The Attorney General has approved and the Secretary of State filed the charter of the Gulf, Texas and Northern Railroad Company, with principal office at Marshall, Tex. Capital stock \$500,000. Purpose, to construct a standard gauge railroad from a point on the Gulf of Mexico near Sabine Pass to Oklahoma City, Ok., with a total estimated mileage in Texas of 250 miles.

## Boy Fatally Shoots Himself.

Texarkana: While out hunting squirrels five miles north of town Thursday afternoon, Herman, the 15-year-old son of R. L. Griffin, accidentally shot himself in the abdomen with a 20-caliber rifle. He rode home not thinking he was much hurt, but after the wound was dressed by a physician he suddenly grew worse, and died at midnight. The boy was a leader of a local juvenile military company, known as the Woodmen Guards.

## Great Baptist Meeting.

Dallas: The fourth annual session of the Baptist Missionary Association of Texas will be called to order at the Fair grounds' auditorium in this city at 10 o'clock, Nov. 1. The officers of the association are as follows: Dr. W. H. Parks, of Morgan, president; Rev. H. Y. Lively, of Dallas, and Rev. A. D. Brooks, of Ellis County, vice presidents. The corresponding secretary is Rev. J. M. Newburn, of Jacksonville.

This same body met in Dallas last year, and it is a compliment to the hospitality of the city that they should meet here again. The association had an enrollment last year of 474 churches, and this is expected to be largely increased this year. Besides the messengers it is believed that there will be between 1500 and 2000 visitors in the city during the time the body is in session.

## Practical Joker Will Die.

Estacado: Dr. J. W. Carter of Emma, Texas, was shot by C. L. Lockwood, a druggist, at Estacado. Mr. Lockwood sleeps in his drug store, and at 1 a. m. Dr. Carter went to the window of Lockwood's drug store, with the shell of a watermelon on his head, with a lamp inside, and on Lockwood awakening and seeing the apparition at the window he immediately shot with a 45-caliber pistol. The doctors in attendance hold out no hope for his recovery.

## Counting Chickens Still Unhatched.

Shanghai: It continues to be reported here that the Manchurians at Peking are anxious to secure the assistance of foreign Powers to compel Japan to restore Manchuria to China without conditions, and that they are still urging that a special mission be sent to European courts with this object in view. It is added that if these representations are not successful a renewal of the anti-foreign agitation is not impossible.

## Charles F. Martin Dead.

Fort Worth: The announcement was received here Thursday of the death near Greeley, Colo., of Charles F. Martin of Denver, secretary of the National Live Stock Association. The news was received with sincere regret by a host of friends of deceased in this city, where Mr. Martin and his wife visited many times. The death of Mr. Martin is looked upon by cattlemen as a great loss to the National Association.

## Elkins Not Active in Politics.

Cumberland, Md.: It is positively known that Senator Stephen E. Elkins will take no part in Republican campaign, his appearance at Parkersburg, when he presided over the Republican State convention, being his first and last. Senator Elkins is not criticized by the Republican leaders for his action, although the Democrats are extracting much comfort out of it as far as West Virginia is concerned.

Three cases of smallpox are reported near Pike, in the northeastern part of Collin County.

There are several cases of diphtheria in Paris, but none of them have yet proven fatal.

Monday was generally observed by Jewish merchants as Yom Kippur, or day of atonement.

A new ordinance recently passed by the Waco city council has cleared the streets of popcorn and peanut stands. Miss Ola Licett was killed by lightning near Meridian Wednesday. She formerly lived in Hill County. She was 16 years old.

A two-year-old son of R. O. Nobles, at Deport, was run over by a heavily loaded wagon and received injuries that are believed to be fatal.

Wyoming Valley was visited by heavy frost Wednesday night. At Harvey's Lake Thursday the temperature was twenty-eight degrees.

Vitrified brick for the paving of Austin Avenue, Waco, are arriving and work will commence shortly. Five blocks will be paved, from Third to Eighth Streets.

S. S. Clark, a prominent pioneer of Denison, died Monday night at the age of seventy-seven. He was one of the first business men to locate there when the town was incorporated.

Bob Credille, a negro preacher, fell dead in a pulpit near Leesburg, Cass County, a few days ago while delivering a sermon. Heart trouble is assigned as the cause of his death.

A gang of white men and negroes engaged in a crap game below Cairo, Ill., and a white man lost at the game. Summoning his friends, they attempted to overpower the negroes and take the money away from them. Before the melee ended three whites and three negroes were killed.

## EVENTS OF EVERYWHERE.

There are several cases of diphtheria in Paris, but none of them have yet proven fatal.

At Pleasant Mound, I. T. Luther Ray, aged 5 years was smothered while playing in a wagon full of seed cotton.

Russia has notified Great Britain she has no intention to depart from her original view that coal is absolute contraband.

The contract has been let for the foundation of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church at Denison. The edifice will cost \$15,000.

The Russians are using war balloons southeast of Mukden for the purpose of observing the movements of the Japanese in that direction.

The Trinity and Brazos Valley Railroad is putting in another station between Hillsboro and Malone. The new station is to be known as Bynum.

M. Kirley, living fifteen miles northeast of Lawton, Ok., has a stalk of cotton in his patch which is nine feet high and containing 164 matured bolls.

Felipe Meringo and another Mexican engaged in a quarrel with Atilano Remeres on a farm in Travis County, and Merjingo was struck by Rameres and instantly killed.

While gazing at the dead face of a life long woman friend, the coffin lid having been re-opened at her request, Mrs. Mary Reeves of Brooklyn, fell dead across the casket.

Jeff Jennings fell into the machinery of the oil mill at Georgetown and had his clothing torn from him, but was dragged out by fellow workers and was not seriously hurt.

On account of the price of cotton being off a few points the staple did not roll into Waxahachie very rapidly last week as is indicated by the receipts at the different yards.

A heavy frost is reported from all sections of Lancaster County, Pa., the thermometer dropping in some sections to thirty-two degrees. A large quantity of tobacco was ruined.

Another large Indiana excursion party is booked to enter Texas on the 27th. This party will be composed almost exclusively of well-to-do farmers who want to sell out and move to Texas.

During a very heavy electric storm and rain Thursday evening two children of Mat Edwards, living seven miles north of Athens, a boy and a girl, six and eight years old, were killed by lightning.

The mangled body of J. R. Anderson, aged twenty-eight years, was found lying besides the track of the Texas and Pacific railroad at Dallas early Friday morning with the greater part of his head mashed off.

Russian agents are displaying great activity in securing coal at Liverpool for Vladivostok. They offer \$6 per ton plus 3 per cent upon the ship's departure and another \$3.75 on arrival at Vladivostok.

Rev. C. Laxon, who was an honored local minister of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in Tennessee for half a century, died in McKinney Thursday night. He was 87 years of age.

Two men were instantly killed by an engine in the freight yards at St. George, Staten Island. The dead men were workmen engaged in carrying steel rails across the track, four others narrowly escaped.

George Davis, said to be a wealthy ranch owner of Kansas City, was found dead in bed at a London, England, hotel Friday. An artery of his arm had been cut with a razor. It is supposed that Davis committed suicide.

A special from Grove, I. T., says that through the falling of a scaffold on a bridge three miles west of there three men were killed outright and three fatally and four seriously injured.

An enthusiastic opening of the Democratic campaign was had in Wheeling, W. Va., Wednesday night when former Senator H. G. Davis, the Democratic vice presidential candidate, addressed a large crowd at the Democratic wigwag.

H. M. Magill of Cincinnati, while responding to a toast celebrating the 25th anniversary of the Western Union of Underwriters, at Frontenac, N. Y., fell forward and died soon afterwards.

Commissioner of Immigration Frank P. Sargent of the Department of Commerce and Labor has gone to San Antonio for the purpose of beginning an active warfare upon the smuggling of undesirable immigrants across the border.

The Japanese military authorities, according to the Herald's Seoul correspondent, have executed three Koreans, Russian sympathizers, who were caught August 27 wrecking the Seoul-Wiju railway.

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A. G. WEBB,  
Secretary.

J. B. CUTBIRTH, President.

Note.—All members of the Association are earnestly requested to pay up their assessment, as the Association has some past due bills to pay. Dec. 25, 1902.

## \$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. J. P. MORRIS, Pres. J. RATHMELL, Secy.

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Miss Irene Crosby, prominent in Social Life in East Savannah, Ga., adds her testimonial to the value of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.



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**\$5000** FORFEIT if we cannot forthwith produce the original letters and signatures of above testimonials, which will prove their absolute genuineness. Lydia E. Pinkham Med. Co., Lynn, Mass.

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Gentian, king of the Adriatic, the eastern boundary of the Romans about a century and a half before the Christian era for encouraging pirates and died in custody. He discovered that a certain plant was a very good tonic, and that plant has ever since been called gentian, after him. This plant is generally supposed to have been the tall, coarse alpine, common in mountainous districts in central Europe, and known to botanists as Gheutea, a preparation of which is still in high repute as a medicine.

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Some men are just naturally good husbands; they can't help it. They would if they could.

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Those who don't have to take care of a baby should be awfully good to those who do.

The Marine Eye Remedy Co., Chicago, send Home Eye Book free. Write them about your eyes.

A "hang-dog" look is not always born of conscious guilt; sometimes it is the index of a life of abuse.

**Sensible Housekeepers** will have Defiance Starch, not alone because they get one-third more for the same money, but also because of superior quality.

The "inspired" man is merely the one wholly swayed by his good impulses.

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**How's This?** We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. We, the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions and financially able to carry out any obligations made by him. WALTERS, KEENE & MARTIN, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, O. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Testimonials sent free. Price 75 cents per bottle. Sold by all Druggists. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

Justitia fiat! I don't know what it means, but I'll bet there is a woman in the case.

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**The Best Results in Starching** can be obtained only by using Defiance Starch, besides getting 4 oz. more for same money—no cooking required.

The subject that lies nearest to the heart of a club woman is the one farthest away from her lips.

**WORLD'S FAIR.** For low rates to the World's Fair via the Texas and Pacific Railway ask any ticket agent, or write E. P. Turner, General Passenger Agent, Dallas.

Many a guilty conscience gets along very comfortably until it finds the finger of suspicion is pointing at it.

**Try One Package.** If "Defiance Starch" does not please you, return it to your dealer. If it does you get one-third more for the same money. It will give you satisfaction, and will not stick to the iron.

Women are willing to please men a little in order to please themselves much.

I am sure Piso's Cure for Consumption saved my life three years ago.—Mrs. THOS. ROBBINS, Maple Street, Norwich, N. Y., Feb. 17, 1900.

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**Effect of Caneing.** Owing to constantly living in cañes a race of dwarfs in British New Guinea are losing the use of their legs, while their chests and arms are abnormally developed.

**Many Unfit for Soldiers.** About 9 per cent of young Germans are found to be unfit for military service. Of the beggar and vagabond class no less than 70 in 100 are not fit for soldiering.

**THE STRAIN OF WORK.**

**Beat of Backs Give Out Under the Burden of Daily Toil.**

Lieut. George G. Warren, of No. 3 Chemical, Washington, D. C., says: "It's an honest fact that Doan's Kidney Pills did me a great lot of good, and if it were not true I would not recommend them. It was the strain of lifting that brought on kidney trouble and weakened my back, but since using Doan's Kidney Pills I have lifted six hundred pounds and felt no bad effects. I have not felt the trouble come back since, although I had suffered for five or six years, and other remedies had not helped me at all."



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It is a wise woman who can refrain from reminding her husband of the fool things he said during courtship.

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"They are also convenient to carry and pleasant to take."

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Poets say that life is a flower. Why don't they add that love is the honey in it?

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Women are so punctual! I know of a Monday club that used to meet every Wednesday.

**Do Your Clothes Look Yellow?** Then use Defiance Starch. It will keep them white—16 oz. for 10 cents.

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The quality of the women in a family is an excellent gage of the quality of the men.

**Slightly in Error.** Sir Henry Howarth, the well-known archaeologist and historian, was dining out and found himself sitting next to a young lady, who immediately attacked him by saying: "Oh, Sir Henry, I am so glad to have met you, for I want your advice about a dog of mine." "My dear young lady," quoth Sir Henry, "I know nothing about dogs." "Oh, yes, you do. I have been told that you have written a book on 'Mongrels and mine isn't a really well-bred dog." Sir Henry smiled, for he is a great Asiatic authority and had written on "Mongrels," not mongrels.

**Japanese Wrestlers.** Japanese wrestlers violate every law of hygiene and every rule imposed by trainers of pugilists and instructors in athletics in Europe and America. They are notorious drunkards and gluttons. They eat enormous quantities of the richest of foods; their appetites are amazing; and they drink gallons of beer, wine and sake daily. I saw in a Tokio newspaper the other day an account of a popular wrestler who had drunk a keg of beer at a single sitting. They are irregular in all their habits, yet they retain their enormous strength.

In the end we thank God more for the shadows than for the sunshine.

The more pliant a married man is the tougher he looks.

Every housekeeper should know that if they will buy Defiance Cold Water Starch for laundry use they will save not only time, because it never sticks to the iron, but because each package contains 16 oz.—one full pound—while all other Cold Water Starches are put up in 8-oz. packages, and the price is the same, 10 cents. Then again because Defiance Starch is free from all injurious chemicals. If your grocer tries to sell you a 12-oz. package it is because he has a stock on hand which he wishes to dispose of before he puts in Defiance. He knows that Defiance Starch has printed on every package in large letters and figures "16 oz." Demand Defiance and save such time and money and the annoyance of the iron sticking. Defiance never sticks.

For every one man who creates a grievance there are ten women ready to adjust it.

It is proper to speak of the weather in polite society, if the weather is not too bad, and you speak guardedly.

**Sunshine in England.**

Sunshine is so rare in England that the government takes great care to measure it. The official sunning shows for 1903 as regards the British Isles, with one exception, fell short of the average. The exception was England northwest, including Manchester, that curiously had an excess of 57 sunny hours. In Scotland north, west and east, the deficit was 81 hours, 48 hours and 133 hours. England northeast and east were short by 167 hours and 139 hours, while in England south and southwest the deficit was 68 hours and 115 hours. In Ireland north and south the shortage was 81 hours and 113 hours. Commonly the islands in the English channel have a large share of sunshine, but last year they were 135 sunny hours short.

**A Mexican Millionaire.**

Pedro Alvarado, the Mexican multi-millionaire miner who a few years ago was working in a mine for 85 cents a day, has ordered a train of five Pullman cars, in which he will make a tour of Mexico. He will be accompanied by a bodyguard of armed men. Alvarado has just built at Parral the finest residence in Mexico. More than a year ago he offered to pay the public debt of the republic, saying he had obtained his vast wealth from the ground and therefore he ought to donate that much of it to the government. This offer was declined by Minister of Finance Limantour. The only time that Alvarado has been out of the Parral mining district was two years ago, when he chartered a special train and took his family with him to the city of Chihuahua to have a gold filling placed in one of his teeth.

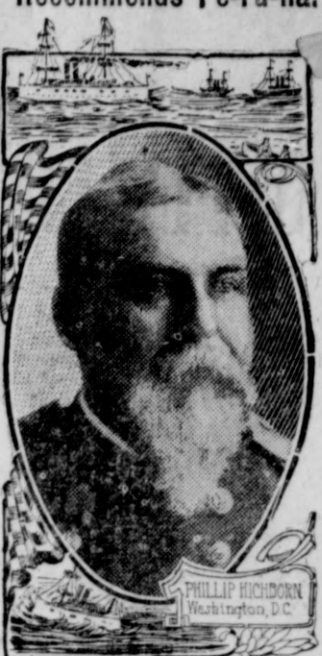
**Hungarian "New Woman."**

Countess Johanna Rheydy, one of the most remarkable figures in Hungarian society, has just passed away at Kronstadt, Russia. She was an heroic advocate of women's "emancipation," appearing always in public with a cigar in her mouth and a thick stick in her hand. She also had her hair cropped short, and wore a man's hat and coat. All her fortune of \$500,000 was mostly lost by gambling, to which she was passionately addicted. She played cards daily with men in the Vienna coffee houses.—Philadelphia North American.

Love at first sight supplies a lot of work for divorce judges.

A man's friends are his enemy's enemies. If he is his own enemy, everybody is his friend.

**Rear Admiral Highborn Recommends Pe-ru-na.**



Philip Highborn, Rear Admiral United States Navy, writes from Washington, D. C., as follows:

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"God, Home and Native Land."

SEPTEMBER.

"The earth is the Lord's and the  
fulness thereof, the world and they  
that dwell therein."

A paper read at a meeting of the  
"Mother's Department" of the W. C.  
T. U. by Mrs. A. G. Webb, Supt.

## RESPONSIBILITY OF MOTHERHOOD.

How few mothers realize the stupen-  
dous responsibility that motherhood  
brings to them in the plastic immortal  
minds of the little ones, and that as  
soon as their eyes are opened to con-  
sciousness in the world they are sub-  
ject to some kind of impression.

When we consider their helplessness  
and dependence upon the mothers'  
care and training and that every de-  
velopment of their little lives both of  
mental and physical habits is influen-  
ced by her, and that the success of  
their future lives depends so largely  
upon the impressions made upon the  
baby mind, and on through youth to  
manhood and womanhood. How  
earnest it should make us in our ef-  
forts to prepare ourselves to meet this  
responsibility—that ends only with  
our existence in this life. I have not  
a doubt that in every mother's heart  
who has met with us this afternoon  
there is a desire to do the very best  
she can for her children, and her great-  
est ambition is to see them useful,  
good men and women. How impor-  
tant then for us to encourage these  
meetings to interchange thoughts and  
ideas and try to help each other in  
this, our mutual life work.

The subject of Intemperance—the  
greatest question that is agitating  
the public today, is one of vital impor-  
tance to the mothers of the land as  
well. Her opportunity to advance the  
great cause of temperance rests in  
the training of her boys—which makes  
it a duty to commence as early as an  
impression can be made upon their  
minds and by every means at her com-  
mand educate them along every line  
of a temperate life. Take time from  
the household cares that press upon  
us and by statistics and object lessons  
show them the evils that liquor and  
all other intemperance has brought  
into the homes of our country.

Shall we arise in our strength and  
do what we can? Or shall we neglect  
the opportunity to develop public  
sentiment against the demoralizing ef-  
fect of intemperance, and treat lightly  
the responsibility that rests upon us as  
mothers. Our womanly modesty  
causes us to shrink from public work  
—but the crisis is here and as has  
been said by the immortal Francis E.  
Willard, "It is not enough that woman  
should be home makers, but they must  
make the world a larger home." Our  
homes are not simply the buildings in  
which we eat and sleep, and perform  
our daily tasks, to keep them bright  
and attractive for the coming of our  
friends and loved ones, but of neces-  
sity include our streets and highways,  
our schools, churches, pleasure re-  
sorts, and places of business where  
our sons, husbands and brothers must  
spend a large portion of their time.  
In view of this fact, how sad the re-  
flection that with four or five saloons,  
and brothels running night and day  
with all the attractions that can be  
suggested by the evil one to lure our  
young people to ruin—we have not a

respectable public school building in  
which to improve their minds and pre-  
pare them to resist the evil influences  
which they cannot possibly avoid.  
Let us hope and pray and labor ear-  
nestly that our people may wake up to  
a realization of present conditions,  
shake off the indifference and lethargy  
that has fastened upon us, and demand  
a better condition of affairs.]

MRS. M. ALICE FLOYD,  
Press Supt.

## ECONOMY.

There was an Old Woman that lived  
in a shoe,  
She had so many children she didn't  
know what to do  
So she bought a dime's worth of steak  
from "Butch" Wilson,  
And it was so tender they eat too  
much  
And it killed all but two—and they  
took the gout.

Phone 26.

Roy Windham left Thursday for  
New Mexico, where he will work on a  
ranch.

## ABSCESS.

W. H. Harrison, Cleveland, Miss  
writes, Aug 15, 1904: "I want to say  
a word of praise for Ballard's Snow  
Liniment. I stepped on a nail, which  
caused the cords in my leg to contract  
and an abscess to rise in my knee, and  
the doctor told me that I would have  
a stiff leg, so one day I went to J. F.  
Lord's drug store (who is now in Den-  
ver, Colo.) He recommended a bottle  
of Snow Liniment; I got a 50c. size  
and it cured my leg. It is the best  
liniment in the world.  
Abscesses, with few exceptions, are  
indicative of constipation or debility.  
They may, however, result from blows  
or from foreign bodies, introduced in-  
to the skin or flesh, such as splinters,  
thorns, etc.—Powell & Powell Baird,  
Y. A. Orr Putnam.

Miss Cornora Moon returned to  
Eastland Sunday after spending a few  
days with the home folks.

YEAST.—Mrs. Kane has fresh yeast  
for sale at all times.

## What is Life?

In the last analysis nobody knows  
but we do know that it is under strict  
law. Abuse that law even slightly,  
pain results. Irregular living means  
derangement of the organs, resulting  
in Constipation, Headache or Liver  
trouble. Dr. King's New Life Pills  
quickly re-adjusts this. It's gentle  
yet thorough. Only 25c at All Drug-  
gists.

Miss Champe Bell, who has been with  
her grand-mother at Culpeper, Vir-  
ginia for the past year, arrived home  
last Monday.

Ed Davis of Admiral, was in town  
Tuesday.

## FRESH BREAD.

Mrs. Kane bakes fresh bread daily  
from the best flour the market affords.

## Buckler's Arnica Salve.

Has world-wide fame for marvel-  
lous cures. It surpasses any other  
salve, lotion, ointment or balm for  
Cuts, Corns, Burns, Boils, Sores,  
Felonis, Ulcers, Tetter, Salt Rheum,  
Fever Sores, Chapped Skin Eruptions,  
infectible for Piles. Cure guaranteed  
Only 25c at All Druggists.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS.

We are authorized to announce the  
following candidates, subject to the  
action of the Democratic primary:  
For State Representative,

W. J. BRYAN,  
of Taylor County.  
For District Judge, 42d District,  
J. H. CALHOUN,  
For County Judge,  
I. N. JACKSON,  
For County and District Clerk,  
GEO. B. SCOTT.

For Sheriff and Tax Collector,  
T. A. (A) IRVIN.  
For Tax Assessor,  
T. J. NORRELL.  
For County Attorney,  
W. R. (Raleigh) ELY.

For Public Weigher Baird District  
JOE MCGOWEN.  
For County Treasurer,  
J. E. W. LANE.  
For Commissioner Precinct No. 2,  
A. E. (Erastus) KENDRICK.  
For Commissioner Pre. No. 1,  
W. A. HINDS.

For Commissioner Pre. No. 3,  
J. H. BURKAM.  
For Commissioner Pre. No. 4,  
JOHN W. AIKEN.  
For J. P., Pre. No. 1,  
L. O. OLIVER.  
For Constable Pre. No. 1,  
JOE ALPHIN.  
For Constable Pre. No. 5—Clyde,  
I. N. McCAMMON

## WEST TEXAS FAIR.

To say that the West Texas Fair  
will be better this year than ever be-  
fore is putting it too mildly for this  
is not a stereotyped meaningless ex-  
pression, but is used to convey the un-  
disputable fact that this year the  
preparations were begun earlier, more  
time has been spent in furtherance of  
the move by our business men, more  
premiums by far have been provided,  
about one hundred have been added  
to the list by our business men since  
the catalogues have been printed.  
This will swell the premium list to  
about \$5,000, which supplemental list  
can be had by the asking.

The exhibits and attractions, too,  
will be larger and better and the finan-  
cial conditions of the county warrant  
us in expecting larger crowds. Come  
and meet your friends and mingle with  
the jolly crowds. The attractions  
secured are clean and high-class—no  
fakes. There will be two days of  
cattle roping and two days of broncho  
busting.

The celebrated Parachute Jumper,  
Madame Creole, will make two bal-  
loon ascensions.  
The races will be better—bigger  
purses and better horses.  
Fine cattle, hogs, poultry, horses  
and products of the soil will be much  
in evidence.

Cheap rates on all lines of travel.  
Abilene's splendid band will furnish  
music.  
Remember the dates, October 18, 19,  
20, 21 and 22, 1904.—Taylor County  
News, Abilene, Texas

The "Old Maid's Convention" at  
Cooke's Opera House Friday night,  
Sept. 30th.

## Fearful Odds Against Him.

Bedridden, alone and destitute.  
Such in brief was the condition of an  
old soldier by name of J. J. Havens,  
of Versailles, O. For years he was  
troubled with kidney disease and  
other doctors nor medicines gave  
him relief. At length he tried Elec-  
tric Bitters. It put him on his feet  
in short order and now he testifies:  
"I'm on the road to complete recovery.  
Best on earth for Liver and Kidney  
troubles and all forms of Stomach  
and Bowel Complaints. Only 50c.  
Guaranteed by All Druggists."

Tom Austin has returned from a  
week's stay at Opalin.

J. B. Harmon is east somewhere  
attending court as a witness.

We have 500 pieces of lace, worth  
10c and 12c. Our bargain price is 5c.  
T. E. Powell. 25-11

"Oh Mama! What will we have for  
dinner?"

"Send to Hadley & James and get  
some of that nice—B-Q meal. It is  
better than I can cook. Be sure and  
get the gravy!"

"John, this is the last time I will  
try to cook—B-Q. This is so nice."

County Commissioner J. H. Burnam  
of the Putnam district, spent Monday  
in town.

See Writton & Davis saloon ad on  
4th page. They ask a share of your  
patronage.

## OLD PAPERS, CASH.

Old papers at THE STAR 25c per  
hundred CASH. Please do not ask  
to have them bargained. We cannot  
afford open accounts on such things.

We have Dr. Masse's book of  
choice Prescriptions and when want-  
ing a prescription filled just bring the  
number and save trouble carrying your  
book. R. Phillips. 31-1f

Remember the Hamilton-Brown shoe  
is the best shoe on the earth. Every  
pair of the brand is warranted. You  
run no risk in buying this class of  
goods, so don't buy cheap shoddy,  
but go to T. E. Powell's and get shoes  
worth your money. 5-1f

Bowyer Bell and Fred Foy left  
Monday night for Bryan, where they  
will enter the A. & M. College.

## Beautiful Women.

Plump cheeks, flushed with the  
soft glow of health and a pure com-  
plexion make all women beautiful.  
Take a small dose of *Herbine* after  
each meal; it will prevent constipation  
and help digest what you have eaten.  
50c. Mrs. Wm. M. Stroud, Midlothian  
Texas, May 21, 1901: We have used  
*Herbine* in our family for eight years  
and found it the best medicine we ever  
used for constipation, bilious fever  
and malaria—Sold by Powell &  
Powell Baird, Y. A. Orr Putnam.

Mrs. J. E. W. Lane returned Mon-  
day morning from the St. Louis Fair.  
She was accompanied home by her  
niece, Miss Jennette Reagan, of  
Sistersville, W. Va., who will spend  
sometime with her aunt.

## SPRAINS.

S. A. Read, Cisco, Texas, writes,  
March 11th 1901 My wrist was sprain-  
ed so badly by a fall that it was use-  
less; and after using several remedies  
that failed to give relief, used Ballard's  
Snow Liniment and was cured. I  
earnestly recommend it to any one  
suffering from sprains. 25c 50c \$1.00.  
Sold by Powell & Powell Baird and  
Y. A. Orr Putnam.

Mr. Zeni Foster and family were to  
leave last night for Mannville. I. T.  
where they will make their home. For  
years Mr. Foster ran the gin here, up  
till it was destroyed by fire a few weeks  
ago. In losing the gin Baird lost one  
of the finest gin plants in the country,  
and in losing Mr. Foster we lose one  
of the best gin men in the state, as  
well as one of our best citizens. The  
very best wishes of THE STAR go with  
Mr. Foster and family to their new  
home. We hope some day he will re-  
turn and make Baird his home.

## Neglected Colds.

Every part of the mucous mem-  
brane, the nose, throat, ears, head and  
lungs etc., are subjected to disease  
and blight from neglected colds.  
Ballard's Horehound Syrup is a plea-  
sant and effective remedy. 25c 50c,  
\$1.00. W. Akendrick, Valley Mills  
Texas writes I have used Ballard's  
Horehound Syrup for coughs and  
throat trouble; it is a pleasant and  
effective remedy.—Sold by Powell &  
Powell Baird, Y. A. Orr Putnam.

County Clerk W. P. Cochran ap-  
pointed Robert Norrell, son of Tax  
Assessor T. J. Norrell, Deputy Clerk  
yesterday.

## In Praise of Chamberlain's Colic Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy.

"Allow me to give you a few words  
in praise of Chamberlain's Colic,  
Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy,"  
says Mr. John "Amlett," of Eagle Pass  
Texas. "I suffered one week with  
bowel trouble and took all kinds of  
medicine without getting any relief,  
when my friend, Mr. C. Johnson, a  
merchant here, advised me to take  
this remedy. After taking one dose  
I felt greatly relieved and when I had  
taken the third dose was entirely cured.  
I thank you from the bottom of my  
heart for putting this great remedy in  
the hands of mankind." For sale by  
R. Phillips Baird, and Y. A. Orr  
Putnam.

## Sour Stomach.

When the quantity of food taken  
is too large or the quality too rich,  
sour stomach is likely to follow, and  
especially so if the digestion has been  
weakened by constipation. Eat  
slowly and not too freely of easily  
digested food. Masticate the food  
thoroughly. Let five hours elapse  
between meals, and when you feel a  
fullness and weight in the region of  
the stomach after eating, take Cham-  
berlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets  
and the sour stomach may be avoided.  
For sale by R. Phillips Baird, Y. A.  
Orr Putnam.

When troubled with constipation  
try Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver  
Tablets. They are easy to take and  
produce no gripping or other un-  
pleasant effect. For sale by R.  
Phillips Baird, Y. A. Orr Putnam.

## EMERGENCY MEDICINES.

It is a great convenience to have at  
hand reliable remedies for use in  
cases of accident and for slight in-  
juries and ailments. A good liniment  
and one that is fast becoming a favor-  
ite if not a household necessity is  
Chamberlain's Pain Balm. By apply-  
ing it promptly to a cut, bruise or burn it  
allays the pain and causes the injury  
to heal in about one-third the time  
usually required, and as it is an antiseptic  
it prevents any danger of blood  
poisoning. When Pain Balm is kept  
at hand a sprain may be treated be-  
fore inflammation sets in, which insures  
a quick recovery. For sale by R.  
Phillips Baird, and Y. A. Orr Putnam.

## School Books and Supplies.

We carry a full line of College and  
State Adopted Books, Tablets, Pencils,  
Inks, Pens and all School Supplies.

BRING US YOUR ORDER.

R. PHILLIPS.

## B. L. RUSSELL, Attorney-at Law, Real Estate Agent, and Abstractor.

I have bought the abstract business from A. G. Webb and now own the only set  
of complete abstract books in the county. I am prepared to furnish you a  
nice typewritten abstract on short notice, and do a general land and law  
business. I thank you for past favors and hope to receive a share of  
your future patronage. I am now located at the City Hall, first  
BAIRD, TEXAS.

## POWELL & POWELL,

DRUGGISTS.

Solicit and will appreciate your Patronage.

DRUGS, PAINTS, WALL PAPER, ETC.

## THE ATLANTA CONSTITUTION'S

# \$10,000.00 CASH CONTEST

UPON THE NEW COTTON CROP OF 1904-05.

How many bales of cotton will be marketed from  
September 1st, 1904, to January 13th, 1905? This  
means the cotton "brought into sight," the total cot-  
ton coming to market, between the dates named by  
the official report of New Orleans Cotton Exchange.

Contest Opened June 1st—Closes December 31st, 1904.

Splendid \$10,000.00 proposition upon the most interesting cotton  
crop ever planted. It involves increased acreage, extraordinary de-  
mand, boll weevil, drought, the season's conditions, and all the vicis-  
situdes of the growth of the fleecy staple.

From September 1st to December 31st last year the official figures  
were..... \$6,529,240

This is the \$10,000.00 Cash Offer.

- For the exact, or the nearest to the exact, estimate of the total  
number of bales of cotton marketed, or "brought into sight,"  
from September 1, 1904, to January 13, 1905, both dates in-  
clusive..... \$25,000.00
- For the next nearest estimate as above..... 16,000.00
- For the next nearest estimate as above..... 7,500.00
- For the next nearest estimate as above..... 5,000.00
- For the next nearest estimate as above..... 2,500.00
- For the five next nearest, \$50.00 each..... 250.00
- For the ten next nearest, \$25.00 each..... 250.00
- For the twenty next nearest, \$12.50 each..... 250.00
- For the fifty next nearest, \$5.00 each..... 250.00
- For the 100 next nearest, \$2.50 each..... 250.00

\$8000.00

SPECIAL EXTRA OFFER FOR EARLY ESTIMATES:  
We will give for the best estimate as above that we re-  
ceive during the calendar month of June..... \$200.00  
During the month of July..... 200.00  
During the month of August..... 200.00  
During the month of September..... 200.00  
During the month of October..... 200.00  
During the month of November..... 200.00  
A total of special extra prizes of..... \$1000.00

These prizes to be awarded for the NEAREST ESTI-  
MATE we receive during each period mentioned of how far it may miss the exact figure, so it is the near-  
est estimate offered.

GRAND CONSOLATION OFFER:  
For distribution among those estimates (not taking any  
of the above 250 prizes) coming within 500 bales  
either way of the exact figure..... \$1000.00

GRAND TOTAL..... \$10,000.00

In Case of a Tie on Any Prize Estimate the Money will be Divided.

HOW TO SECURE ESTIMATES—  
One estimate FREE with every yearly subscription to WEEKLY  
CONSTITUTION at \$1.00, or to THE SUNNY SOUTH at 50 cents a  
year.

Two estimates free with each joint subscription to these two  
papers for one year at only \$1.25. Both papers are household neces-  
sities—one news, the other literary. You need them in your home.  
Remit direct with estimates and subscription price, or—

Send for Samples, Particulars and Blanks for Contest.  
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