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The Boston savings banks are now being subjected to a run.

The Austin greenback convention was substantially a fizzle.

The conviction that peace will be maintained is general at St. Petersburg.

Six thousand persons have been attacked with measles at Lyons, France.

There has been a very heavy and disastrous snow storm in the interior of Ohio.

The Fort Worth Daily Post is the name of the latest journalistic enterprise at that city.

Hon. J. E. Leonard, member of Congress from Louisiana, died of yellow fever at Havana.

It is considered probable at Washington that the resumption act will be repealed by a two-thirds vote.

The medical department of the University of Louisiana has turned loose fifty-six full fledged doctors.

The Dallas Morning Call politely calls the late greenback convention the great political "job-tail flush."

The Dallas Commercial is responsible for the assertion that Brick Pomeroy is the "sick man" of Texas politics.

The civil service reform committee of the House voted 7 to 3 to remove Col. Polk, door-keeper of the House.

Tax State Treasury has resumed specie payments. Ten thousand dollars in silver half dollars was paid out a few days ago.

Commodore Vanderbilt started on the journey of life without money and without friends, yet his made and owned at his death \$100,000,000 worth of property.

A number of men have been arrested at Tewksbury, Mass., charged with living in open polygamy. They were trying to establish a Mormon settlement.

The Secretary of War says one detail for the Agricultural College in this State having already been made Lieut. Flipper cannot be detailed for the colored branch.

Neal Dow has recently introduced in the Maine Legislature a bill which punishes "drummers" for liquor houses by a fine of \$1000 and imprisonment for one year.

The News-Echo, of Lockhart, Caldwell county, is responsible for the assertion that the anti-prohibitionists are about to get up a petition to the Legislature for local option on "snuff dipping."

Daniel McFarland, of New York, the murderer of Richardson, has been at work as a mechanic in the Studebaker wagon works at South Bend Ind. He is a total wreck and was discharged on account of his drunken habits.

The demand for government bonds has been steadily increasing in all the leading cities. This is brought about by a want of confidence in banks and savings institutions, and also by the silver law, which has, to a considerable extent, restored public confidence.

The Dallas Morning Call is only about five weeks old, yet it has met with sufficient encouragement to justify an enlargement and appears as a six column paper. The Call is a live and newy paper and in point of typographical appearance is not surpassed in Texas.

Freedmen.

It is charged by some of the ultra Republican papers that the reaction of the last year or two reminds the freedmen of the old days of slavery. The colored man no longer sits in the legislature to make laws for his former master, and fill his pockets with money paid for bribes. In short he has to work for a living, and with some of the colored people the idea of freedom and work is incompatible. Because of this feeling there is an active movement going on in the States where the freedmen predominate, looking to an exodus to the land of equality and liberty, Liberia. The St. Louis Republic says the freedman wants any more or better "equality" than what he has here, by all means let him go to Africa and find it. Negro supremacy in this country is dead, never to live again; such performances as those in South Carolina and Louisiana, from 1867 to 1877 will never be re-enacted. The negro has all the "rights" he will ever get. It concludes: "It is not satisfied in America, Liberia will welcome him with open arms to a hospitable grave."

A PARAGRAPH states that a Memphis merchant bought \$10,000 worth of Mexican dollars in New York at 92 cents each, and taking them to Memphis paid them out over his counters as change, dollar for dollar, making \$800. Mexican dollars are quoted in Galveston at 94 cents buying, and 96 cents selling. Brenham dealers only receive them for 90 cents. If they can only get enough of them they will make a very handsome profit.

The order of the Legion of Honor has been conferred upon a blind man in Paris. He has been for thirty years a teacher of the blind, and has taught many pupils the art of tuning pianos, whose cleverness was equal to that of piano tuners who are in possession of their eyesight.

In consequence of hard times the salary of Col. Tom Scott, as president of the Pennsylvania railroad, has been reduced from \$30,000 to \$24,000. The colonel takes the reduction philosophically. The vice-presidents and other officers receive \$10,000 and \$12,000 and the section hands about \$1 a day.

Mr. Robbins, of South Carolina, from the Committee on Ways and Means, reported a bill for refunding the national debt. Deposits may be received, in sums of not less than one dollar, at any postal money order office of the United States. When such deposits amount to \$50, they shall, at the option of the depositor, be convertible into four per cent. bonds.

There are three reports on the Southern Pacific Railroad, one in favor of the Texas Pacific. The majority of the others favoring the California Southern Pacific, and a report signed by Wm. R. Morrison, of Illinois. This report probably represents the balance of power and will defeat both parties, and indefinitely postpone the construction of the road.

The Waco Telephone says there are 36,000 Grangers in Texas of whom 10,000 are females, leaving 26,000 Grangers who are voters. There are 210,000 voters in Texas, 150,000 of them are Democrats. The grangers compose less than one-eighth of the voting population of the State.

A new daily paper is to be started at Brenham; to be called the Sentinel soon as 250 subscribers can be obtained. The town has a most excellent daily paper now, and has no earthly use for another. -Houston Telegram.

Correct, go up head. The Templeton's played to a good house at Houston on Saturday night. They are en route to New York.

Is It Degrading?

The Dallas Morning Call is opposed to the establishment of the whipping post in this State, on the ground that "the object of punishment for law-breakers is not so much to degrade them as it is to reform them." It may be granted that this is true, but if the present means of punishment, the county jail and the penitentiary, prove as they have, to make the offender worse instead of better, is it not right and proper that some other means be resorted to? Experience has proven beyond any doubt that a large majority of the graduates from the penitentiary come out worse than when they went in. With a certain class of trifling freedmen it is esteemed an honor to have served a term in the penitentiary. It gives the ex-convict caste. He is looked upon as being particularly smart, and is, to a certain extent, treated as a hero. It makes no difference if he has been convicted of a common theft, or the more exalted calling of horse and cattle stealing. It might, perhaps, be well enough to bury all mawkish sentimentality upon this subject, and assume that when a party is guilty of committing an offense that he has already fallen to the lowest grade of degradation, and that if the whipping post will cure him his reformation will have been accomplished, and thus it will be a reformatory institution instead of one promotive of degradation.

The Galveston Journal of Commerce calls attention to the fact that the canning of oysters and fish is as profitable a business as can be engaged in with a small capital. Oysters and fish are both abundant in Galveston yet there is no one there engaged in the business. The quantity of canned goods sold in Texas is absolutely enormous. They form a considerable item in the sales of every dealer in groceries. Vegetables such as peas, corn and snap beans could and should be canned in Texas where they are produced in unlimited quantities.

From the Galveston Citizen of a recent date we learn that a large drove of fine and fat hogs from the interior were shipped to New Orleans by a Morgan steamer. A few days ago the steamer took occasion to say that by the improved modes of packing, hogs are slaughtered at all seasons of the year. New Orleans affords a larger market for fat hogs than will probably be supplied by Southern Texas for several years to come. The fact, however, exporting hogs from the southern part of the State, instead of importing bacon, is certainly encouraging.

The New York Herald of Sunday the 10th inst., had sixty-five columns of advertisements containing over three thousand advertisements. It says confidence in the commercial future is being rapidly restored. It makes this remark on the subject of advertising: "An old merchant when asked for the secret of his great success in life replied, 'Advertising. If you want to get on in business advertise'."

Chicago has recovered a judgment against the bondsmen of the defaulting ex-treasurer Gage, for delinquency in 1874. The amount of the original deficiency, \$507,703, without interest, and for \$1,000,000 penalty. The bondsmen are among the most prominent citizens.

The Russians are gradually closing up on Constantinople and seem determined to settle the terms of peace their own way. Meanwhile England and Austria are making active preparations for a war footing. The outlook is gloomy.

STRANGE to say the moon is nearly full, and nothing is heard of Indian raids on the frontier. What's the matter with the "Injuns"?

STATE NEWS.

Horse stealing seems to be epidemic all over the State.

The first green peas are now ready for use in Victoria.

A building and loan association has been organized at Waco.

The stock raisers are holding a convention at Fort Graham.

The hog ordinance is inoperative in Dallas. The same in Brenham.

Morris Dunn killed Jack Lumbass near Bonham on Saturday last.

The San Antonio water works will be completed within two months.

The Dallas Herald complains of the hotel runner nuisance at the depot.

Candidates for county offices are beginning to announce in Victoria county.

Wheat in Victoria county looks fine. There is every indication of a heavy yield.

Navarro county has \$1521.42 in her treasury and county script is as good as greenbacks.

Several hundred head of corn-hol steers are ready for market in the vicinity of Victoria.

The Houston Telegram has been presented with strawberries nearly the size of hen's eggs.

JOHN BILLINGS was to have lectured at Fort Worth on the 14th inst., under the auspices of Y. M. C. A.

Mr. Seyburn Cadenhead, of Jacksboro, was killed at that place by the accidental discharge of his gun.

In Houston thieves visit gardens and steal valuable plants and shrubbery, which they afterwards sell.

The latest report from the Hawpe murder case, which has been on trial for a week at Dallas, is a hung jury.

Dr. Levi Jones, one of the original settlers of the city of Galveston, died there on Thursday, aged 82 years.

An estimable and still good looking widow lady, of Houston, has just fallen heir to property in Cuba worth half a million dollars.

Hereafter the Waco branch trains will transfer at Calvert instead of Bremond. This is done on account of smallpox at Bremond.

The grand jury of Dallas county has adjourned after a three weeks' session. It found one hundred and twenty-five indictments.

The city of Paris is progressing. A gaslight company, with a capital of \$15,000, has been organized, and a street railway is to be built.

A mad dog in Dallas attacked a man, and severely wounded his boot-leg. The dog then hit a cow, after which it was shot and killed.

A quadroon woman entered a Houston barber shop and opened war on a colored romantic artist with a cowhide. Jealousy was the trouble.

A Gossip special to the Galveston News says: "The news of Bill Longley's sentence being confirmed is received with great satisfaction."

Moss Chapin and Col. T. C. Bass had a misunderstanding in Sherman. Bass fired three shots at Chapin, who stopped two of the bullets.

The Missionary colored Baptists are publishing a monthly paper at Dallas. It is said to be quite an interesting paper. Such efforts are praiseworthy.

How many gentlemen has Gov. Hubbard appointed to represent Texas at the Paris exhibition? The names of at least half a dozen have been published.

Eight miles of the Dallas and Wichita railroad have been built, and now a vigorous controversy is to who shall have possession of it, is in progress in Dallas.

The old rusty pistol that was not loaded has again made its appearance in the town of Victoria. A small negro boy was shot in the thigh, and it is thought fatally wounded.

The Dallas Morning Call relates the manner in which a twelve year old negro boy beat his way on the railroad from Houston to Dallas. The little rooster is bound to succeed at something, maybe getting into the penitentiary.

Ward Taylor, Jr, editor of the Jefferson Jimp, officially announces himself as a candidate for Mayor of Jefferson and publishes his platform. It appears that the city is hopeless in debt. Mr Taylor proposes to serve without pay.

The examination of John P. and Morris Griffin, at Paris, charged with robbing the express company of a \$10,000 package terminated in their being held in bonds of \$2000 each to answer before the criminal court which meets the first week of April.

The Hempstead Messenger has an editorial on the great one-legged railway, from which it appears that it is not an assured fact that the road will be brought to Hempstead, the citizens of that place being somewhat backward about taking stock in it. The road may yet be taken to Courtney or Navasota.

Parker county comes to the front with the oldest man in the State. His name is James James. He was born in Prince William county, Virginia, May 10, 1784, and is now 114 years old. In his 109th year he raised a crop of watermelons, realizing \$125 from the sale of them. He served in the war of 1812, and receives a pension from the government.

The city Council of Denison, with one dissenting voice, has passed an ordinance limiting the fine for running a gambling house to \$5. They say it will bring money into the city treasury and that gambling cannot be stopped anyway. The State laws against it are stringent but up there seem to be inoperative.

The San Antonio Express says a large and profitable business might be done from that section of country by the shipment of early peas, cucumbers, snap beans, corn, potatoes, squashes, etc., to the northern markets, but that the exorbitant rates of freight demanded by the G. H. and H. railroad company precludes the possibility of doing so and realizing any profit.

Early last spring a young man named Dixon was found murdered in Bosque county by old man Swafford and his son-in-law, Marksbury. They were tried and convicted of murder in the first degree; appealed, and the verdict was affirmed. Subsequently both escaped from the Bosque county jail. The Waco Telephone says Marksbury was recently recaptured in Springfield, Ill., and that he will be brought back. The prospects for a judicial hanging are brightening.

Some days ago the BANNER published an item relating how a jealous husband shot at a man in a room at a hotel, and caused him to jump out of the second story window. The shooter was arrested and tried by a justice for assault. The justice decided that the shooter was justified, and discharged him. The Marshall Herald remarks: "This is common sense, and what almost any man would do, but we did not know it was law."

Denison News: Considerable cotton has lately been shipped to Galveston from this city, destined for the Liverpool market.... The ordinance relating to gambling adopted by the council, Tuesday afternoon, is not legal, not having been passed at a regular meeting. The \$25 fine is still in force.

Chappell Hill Locals.

March 16, 1878.

Fishing parties are in season. They have the usual success attending that specialty.

The temperance council is flourishing like a green bay tree.

Carl Schuitze, county attorney, was down to-day before Justice Oains in the interest of the State.

Crum Morgan, assault; fine, \$1. G. F. Wisenant, assault; fine, \$10. Case appealed to the county court. Henry Ellison, and William Morgan, defaulting road workers, acquitted.

Mr. White, black, or Leroy, who has for the last six months been teaching the colored youths new ideas of social equality, and who has been boarding with a colored lady and keeping shady, was for the first time seen on the streets to-day. He was in charge of Constable Cook, and attracted as much attention as a live "scientist."

Leroy had been arrested on a charge of having "cremated" a pair of shoes belonging to a colored lady, and at the same time using sacrilegious language. One dollar and trimmings appeared the wounded honor of the State of Texas.

Our fellow townsmen, Messrs. Billingslea and Carter, left for Austin on the 12th as delegates to the Greenback Convention. The next day the wires brought the news by private dispatch that Hon. W. H. Billingslea was elected chairman and R. E. Carter secretary. Communion triumphant. Three cheers for liberty. This was, however, a little plesantry coming from a friend of Mr. B's. The club held its regular meeting there being about a hundred present. Several have joined the club. Mr. Billingslea delivered an address, explaining the object of the greenback movement. In the course of his remarks he intimated that there was an inclination among unthinking people to condemn the movement, and even him for joining the party. In this he is wrong. No one here doubts the honest intentions of the club. If success attend their effort and relief comes to the country, as a matter of course the move will have the applause and admiration of the people. But should defeat stare them in the face and the move prove disastrous to the finances of the country, to say nothing of the ruin of the Democratic party, the errors of the reformers might be challenged and even condemned abroad. But at home sympathy might or would prevail, because knowing our personal friends to be honest in the step they have taken, charity says it is but human to err.

Mrs. E. D. Pitts, in charge of a portion of the music class of the Chappell Hill female college, went down to Travis Friday for the purpose of giving a concert for the benefit of the parsonage at that place. The effort was an entire success, realizing something near \$100. Several Chappell Hillians were present, and not only had the success of the young ladies, but tender their thanks to the Travisites for the courtesy and hospitality which met them in every manner possible to add to their comfort.

L. E. C.

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PROFESSIONAL CARDS.

BREEDLOVE & EWING, Attorneys-at-Law, Brenham, Texas.

BEN. S. ROGERS, Attorney-at-Law, Main Street, Chappell Hill, Texas, mh3-w

C. C. LOCKETT, Attorney-at-Law, Brenham, Texas, Office in Alcona building, opposite public square. mh3-w

P. H. & J. T. SWEARINGEN, Attorneys-at-Law, Brenham, Texas, Office in Abbott's building, East of Public square, Feb. 8, 1878 ly.

L. B. McFarland, Bates McFarland, MCFARLAND & MCFARLAND, Attorneys-at-Law, Brenham, Texas, Office—Upstairs in Gruber's building west side of Public Square. juel3-w

Seth Shepard, C. C. Garrett, SHEPARD & GARRETT, Attorneys-at-Law, Brenham, Washington county, Tex.

Seth Shepard, C. C. Garrett, N. A. Rector, SHEPARD, GARRETT & RECTOR, Attorneys-at-Law, Giddings, Lee county, Texas.

N. B.—Business for Lee county should be sent to Giddings office; for Washington county to the office at Brenham. [ly20-dwif

W. C. BAIRD, M. D., Physician and Surgeon, Wesley, Washington County, Texas, mh3-w

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