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THE DAILY GAZETTE. PERSONAL.

J. M. Robbins is home again from Henrietta. Miss Mary Scoble, a lovely young belle of this city, has returned from school in Austin.

W. T. Rogers, traveling agent of the N. C. & St. Louis railway, was in the city last night and called on THE GAZETTE.

LOCALETTES.

The Good Templars will give a grand picnic at Aledo station July 4. A marriage license was issued in the county clerk's office yesterday to H. F. Cox and Mrs. S. H. Davis.

Munroe Simpson, for whom the officers have been searching for many months, has been caught by Officer John Thompson. He was wanted on a capias pro fine, and is now playing checkers with his nose from the confines of the county jail.

Prof. Theodore Bauer, a music teacher, died at the Bell house yesterday morning. He has been in Fort Worth some time and is well known in Dallas. His burial will take place from Germania hall at 8 o'clock. His former friends and acquaintances are invited to attend.

The society boys can now begin to retire at sundown or resort to "stag parties" as their inclination may dictate. Many of the Fort's belles are leaving the city for the summer and society will be quiet for some time to come. Don't look so blue, boys, when you are on the street, for if you do, it will compel THE GAZETTE to put the society column in mourning.

THIRD AND FOURTH WARDS.

The "road racket" is very light. That "social club" is highly spoken of on the South side, and so the ball is rolling!

Cattle shipments are to begin in earnest on the Texas & Pacific in about ten days.

T. J. Ray, trainmaster of the Missouri Pacific Base Ball club, was expected in the city last night.

Arthur Prickett, one of the main-line T. & P. passenger brakemen, was in the city yesterday. Mr. P. is quite a popular young man, and we predict for him a successful career.

The office of L. L. Keller has been discontinued and will be moved to Big Springs. Mr. Keller will have charge of both the transportation and road departments on the Rio Grande division.

The brakemen's brotherhood is a needed and valuable acquisition to the boys of the road. They propose to admit none to membership who do not pay all debts justly owed, or who have no character to sustain them.

Mr. James Drummond, an old time operator in "N. Y." office at Union depot, leaves to-night for Marshall to report to the superintendent for promotion. As captain of the Missouri Pacific Base Ball club and a courteous gentleman, Mr. D. made many friends who will join in good wishes and congratulations.

Mr. R. R. Carlin, late chief clerk in the Texas & Pacific general roadmaster's office, left last evening for Big Springs to take the same position in the superintendent's office. He leaves many friends here who will regret his departure. Mr. Carlin was one of the founders and active members of the Missouri Pacific base ball club, and the boys all part with him with reluctance. Good luck to you, Ralph.

Died.

Last evening at half-past seven o'clock, at Sherman, Texas, of heart disease, Thomas H. Fleener, son of G. W. Fleener. Remains will be brought home at 8:30 this evening. Due notice of the funeral will be given.

Lost!

Round Rock Lime Works manufacture white lime of the very best quality. Orders solicited. For prices, etc., address MAXWELL & WALKER, proprietors, Round Rock, Texas.

net Tennessee reports the best wheat crop for fifteen years.

The "Little Joker" is the best smoking tobacco.

COAL! BOOKS MAX ELZER, ORGAN. 300 TONS West Virginia Forge Coal, 200 TONS New River Steam Coal, AT FAVORABLE PRICES Fort Worth Gaslight Co. Fuel Department, BOOTS AND SHOES. Lewis Bros. & Co. No. 315 HOUSTON ST., FORT WORTH, TEXAS.

WEBER PIANOS, HALE PIANOS, CONSERVATORY OF MUSIC, CHOICE THINGS. In Hats and Bonnets will be offered at temptingly low prices during the present week. Our object being to close out every imported Hat and Bonnet on the premises.

THE CONVENTION.

Great Crowds of Delegates Arriving in the City. Scenes at the Hotels and Engine-Houses Last Night.

The indications are that the State Firemen's convention will be a great success. Great crowds of visiting firemen came in last night on the early trains, and a large number arrived on the trains this morning. Everything and all the home firemen were in readiness to receive them; 'bus-load after 'bus-load of the visitors were brought from the trains and carried either to the city hall or the carriage-house in the Fourth ward, where tables loaded with refreshments were spread.

THE DECORATIONS. The two different headquarters are in good taste and have a most pleasing effect. Pictures adorn the walls and the different companies have their emblems on the walls. At the city hall the members of the hook and ladder and protection companies entertained the guests while the E. B. Daggett and Peter Smith companies held a reception in the Fourth ward carriage house.

THE PETER SMITH HOSE CARRIAGE ARRIVED YESTERDAY, and the members of the company are correspondingly proud. The carriage is of elegant design and Mr. L. Boer, foreman of the company, is delighted with it. The wheels on this carriage are taller than those on the other carriages, and Mr. Boer claims that it will be of easier draft. It is a marvel of finish and fine work.

RECEIVING THE GUESTS. The committee on reception had their hands full, but did their work well. Don Adams, with his accustomed zeal and enterprise, seemed untiring in his efforts to make everybody feel at home. Jas. W. Swayne made a short speech of welcome to a large crowd in the City hall. Chief Matkin was conspicuous among the visitors, and each member of the department exerted himself to be useful in the reception of the visitors.

THE CONVENTION ASSEMBLES. At 10 o'clock this morning in the opera-house, and it is probable that at least one hundred and fifty firemen will be in attendance. They will first meet at the city hall and march to the opera-house. In the evening, after the convention adjourns, there will be in readiness twenty-four hacks to take the visitors over the city.

THE TORCHLIGHT PARADE. The torchlight and the arrangements for it are complete. The route of the proposed march could not be obtained last night.

THE TOURNAMENT. commences Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock and will be continued on Thursday. The distribution of the prizes will take place at the banquet which occurs Thursday evening at Godwin's hall. All the prizes are to go to the visiting companies, as Fort Worth will not contest for them, though they will give an exhibition drill.

THE DELEGATES. The delegates and all citizens who will attend are requested to meet at the opera-house this morning at 10:30 o'clock. Mayor J. P. Smith will deliver an address of welcome, and Henry M. Furnam will address the delegates. The ladies of Fort Worth are tendered a special invitation to grace the opening of the convention with their presence.

THE DELEGATES. The following are among the delegates who arrived last night, thought it impossible to gather all their names: H. F. Holland, Hillsboro, K. Miller, Taylor, A. M. Prescott, San Antonio, Chief Hogan, Frank Waco, Robt. Morris.

No Unfair Opposition. (Avarado Bulletin.) The manner in which certain of Mr. Patton's friends are conducting his campaign is doing that gentleman no good.—Boston Post. Mr. Patton nor any of his friends have ever resorted to anything but fair and legitimate competition. They have done in no vituperation or abuse—they have universally spoken of Mr. Walsh, the present incumbent of the land office, in commendable terms as far as he deserved it. They have thrown no mud, neither do they intend to, but when his work as one of the members of the land fraud board is assailed by one organ, and all the rest of the press in honor of it, it is certainly right and proper for the friends of Mr. Patton to show the falsity of the one and the injustice of the other. The indignation of Mr. Walsh became one precinct in Dallas county instructed for Mr. Patton will not be diminished as the returns roll in from all parts of the state. South Texas already greets North Texas, and Goliad county has already instructed for Mr. Patton. The ball is in motion—it is growing. His strength is increasing in every part of the state, and the only trickery or unfair thing, that has thus far developed, is the effort of correspondents of the Houston Post to give Mr. Walsh credit for his work as a member of the land fraud board. Mr. Walsh started out to be informed with the intention "to run upon his record"—let him confine himself to that record and let his friends not try to appropriate that of others. If Mr. Walsh deserves credit for any assistance he rendered the land fraud investigation he would have deserved more credit, if as a guardian of the school lands, he had not permitted about two million acres of these lands to be illegally and fraudulently appropriated as the News says "in open and contemptuous violation of law." To the people of Texas we can say Mr. Patton is not manipulating a boom or directing a canvass, but is in the quiet discharge of his professional business as an attorney.

KNOCKING AT THE DOOR.

The Independents Seeking an Alliance With the Democrats. BOSTON, June 11.—The Transcript this evening says: The independents propose a programme which would revolutionize the Democratic party and make it an organization really worthy of encouragement. They will ask the Democratic convention to declare for civil service reform, extending into every department of the government, revenue reform to the extent of removing the burdens of war taxes; an honest currency, good the world over and not the local currency of Colorado and Southern Illinois. If the independents of New York can induce the iron-bound Democracy, which is almost starved to death by its long abstention from office, to declare in good faith that patronage should be eliminated from political canvasses, and that only merit should determine the possession of government positions, and also to renounce protection while protesting against the further accumulation of silver money in the treasury vaults, there will be no need of a third party provided the candidate for the presidency fits the platform.

George William Curtis, Carl Schurz, George Haven Putnam, R. B. Howler, ex-Gov. D. H. Chamberlain, and other independent Republicans have united in preparing a call for a meeting on Tuesday next to consider what action should be taken with reference to the Republican nominations. Concerning names to be presented to the Democrats, Mr. Putnam said: "In the event of their availability they are Cleveland, Carlisle, Maynard and Harrison. Cleveland and Carlisle would be an ideal ticket, both as a matter of reform and as a matter of practical politics—that is, to secure support where it is most needed." "Suppose the Democrats nominate Mr. Tilden?" "That event they will throw away their opportunity, so far as the Independents are concerned."

Actual Sales.

Senator Gibbs' pen graph to the Abilene Magnetic Quill expounds the feelings of his inmost soul on the question of lease and actual settlement, so we suppose. But it is remarkable to us that a man of so much intelligence should evade the question of actual settlement by basing a calculation on such erroneous grounds as that taken by the senator as his basis for ascertaining how long it would take at the present rate to sell school lands to actual settlers. He says that there are only 10,000 acres sold annually to actual settlers. The facts of the case present a different phase. There have been sold to actual settlers within the past twelve months in this county alone more than 10,000 acres, to say nothing as to the amount of school land sold in counties attached to this for judicial purposes, and of other counties that have sold more or less. Mr. Gibbs should come down to facts and base his calculations on them. Our people are too intelligent to believe that in the great and growing West there are only sixteen sections of land sold in twelve months to actual settlers. If the land office shows this, then it has not the data that we have, for we have seen with our own eyes and we know. Politicians should conform their calculations to the facts as they exist. We must look to the near and not the remote past for data as to settlement of the West. Certainly every one will admit that a few years ago, ere the railroad plowed this unknown country, there was no land being sold to settlers. But come to the present, take the facts and from them draw conclusions, and then we will listen. We believe in actual settlement and that it ought to be encouraged by all. But if some politicians should have their way and could introduce their honied but mistaken policies of lease, to the time would soon come when the facts would bear out Senator Gibbs' calculation—and the great and growing West would not sell per year more than sixteen sections of its leased land to actual settlers.

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A Munchausen Correspondent.

Somebody has been writing to the Fort Worth GAZETTE from Cleburne pretending to give truthful and correct reports of local news. Who he is, we do not know, but certainly has a most vivid imagination. In THE GAZETTE of the 6th this brilliant rhapsodist had a letter giving an account of the damage caused by the rain of Monday last. He states that Johnson county was not damaged less than \$500,000, and under glaring headlines, so that no man who opened the paper could fail to know that this county had suffered a loss of half a million of dollars. The statement could have been made only by one totally unacquainted with the facts. It is absurd on the face of it, and is estimated, with the crops in this county, to be \$1,500,000 in value. The loss in all other parts of the state certainly not have exceeded \$1,000,000. The result is the same, and it is out to the readers of THE GAZETTE that paper owes to the tradition of the time county is desirous of immigration and investment and not afford to allow such a loss of its condition to be rectified. This erratic correspondent's letter in THE GAZETTE of the 6th contains several errors. He says: "Cleburne has sold works to the company. We do not know how much was sold. It is hard to tell." It is for the city has not sold works. He then proceeds to give a list of names, and admits that THE GAZETTE, and the GAZETTE's course on "CLEBURNES" question and as with "untrue; the people of Johnson are overwhelmed in the state's getting the worth of by leasing them."

Notice Land for Lease.

Sealed proposals for the lease of certain lands owned by the county of Tarrant, Texas, for a term of not less than five years and not more than ten years, will be received by the county judge of Tarrant county, Texas, at his office in the city of Fort Worth, Texas, on Thursday, June 17th, 1890, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon. The lands are situated in the 10th and 11th ranges of the 36th and 37th townships of the 10th range of the county. It is said to be supplied with grass and water, and is well adapted for stock raising. The lease money to be paid in advance. The commission on the bids at the August term will be the right to reject any and all bids. Address G. L. Beatty, county judge, Fort Worth, Texas.

Mr. A. K. Hawkins—Dramatic spectacles purchased from anything I ever saw with my eyes. To read for hours with William Chambers, Twenty-first district, druggist, agent, Fort Worth.

Ice Cream. The ladies of the "Evelyn" will hold their support meeting on Tuesday evening in the Eastwick hotel. There are many in Fort Worth who are glad to know that the "Evelyn" has been established in Fort Worth where the "Evelyn" of its class was never before. Mr. A. K. Hawkins is a druggist for a large city in Texas. C. F. Hall.