

The "lilly white" Republicans will nominate a full county ticket in Bexar county.

The people have shown very plainly both north and south that they do not want the force bill.

The fourth annual meeting of the Assessors and Collectors Association of Texas will be held at San Antonio on September 30.

A bold attempt was made to wreck a fast train on the New York Central at Poughkeepsie, Monday night. The miscreants escaped.

The negroes of the South have, since the war, earned \$131,000,000 worth of taxable property. Throughout the entire country, they own their own property worth \$263,000,000.

It is a matter of tradition in Japan that fruit grows upon the bamboo when there is to be a famine in that country. This year bamboo trees are bearing fruit.

The original package dealers in most parts of the Union have signified that they will obey the United States law which forbids them to continue business. This is really very kind of them.

The expenses of the Government for the year were estimated by Mr. Plumb Monday at \$450,000,000 and its revenues at \$400,000,000. The Kansas Senator predicted a deficit as sure as the rising of the sun.

By action of a law which went into effect September 1, the small boy of the state of New York is under the cruel necessity of concealing his cigarette when in the presence of a policeman who looks as though he would enforce said law.

The republicans got a black eye in Vermont. The majority was the smallest in the history of biennial elections in that state. The result may be taken as an index of the favor with which the present policy of the republican party is regarded.

Corn is selling at St. Louis and Chicago at 41 and 44 cents, and at Austin and Dallas at 75 cents, while the last mentioned cities are in the center of a good corn growing region. Corn in Brenham is selling for 65 cents while it is in one of the very best corn growing sections.

The riotous conduct of returning cattlemen on shipboard is so great that the Anglo-American vessels refused some time since to take them as passengers. The Amsterdam Company has just issued an order denying the cowboys passage on vessels of that line.

The "White Republican" is the name of a campaign paper started recently in San Antonio. It is a four column four-page paper published by Jas. P. Newcomb. It wants to make Republicanism respectable by leaving the negro, if not out of the party, back of the party.

A writer in the Coleman Voice begins an obituary notice with the following beautiful, though somewhat extravagant imagery: "It would be fitting to write with a plume from an angel wing dipped in the dew of the violet on a tablet of lily leaves the obituary of—"

The cigarette smoking dude is threatened with more trouble. In case French wines should be excluded from this country in retaliation for France's treatment of the American hog, the cigarette fends will be in hard luck. They will either have to drink plain corn whiskey with a foreign label on the bottle or manage to worry along with a few quarts of diluted vinegar.

The leaf tobacco board of trade of North Carolina met on the 8th. There was a large attendance from all over the country. Garson Mayer, president, explained that it would end in disaster to the tobacco interests if the McKinley bill was passed in its present shape, and it would be impossible to get it out of bond in the time proposed by the bill. The meeting unanimously passed resolutions protesting against the passage of the bill. It must be a huge monstrosity, for every interest is kicking against the bill, except the fat manufacturers of the effete East.

The man who wipes his nose on his sleeves, picks his teeth with a fork, squirts tobacco juice on the cook stove hearth, rides to mill with corn in one end of the sack and a stone in the other, drives to market with hickory bark lines, deposits his money in his last winter's socks, insists on paying his taxes in coin skins and wild honey, fastens one gallow with a wooden peg, and and "possum belly" pants, is the same old rooster who has no use for his home paper, and his brother is the fellow who tries to do business in town without advertising.—Ex.

THE AUSTRALIAN BALLOT SYSTEM.

In view of the fact that many do not thoroughly understand the workings of the Australian ballot system the following from Louis F. Post in the N. Y. Standard may prove of interest to BANNER readers: "In the Australian system of voting the voter turns to the right at a place marked 'entrance,' and there, upon proving he is entitled to vote, receives from sworn officers one ballot, containing upon the back an official endorsement, and upon the face the names of all the candidates. He is then required forthwith to enter one of the booths back of railing where, secluded from observation, he prepares to vote by marking a cross on the face of his ballot opposite the name of the candidate of his choice; and while still in the booth he must fold the ballot in such a manner as to conceal the face and to expose the official indorsement. Proceeding then directly to the ballot box he identifies his ballot as official by exhibiting the indorsement of the inspectors, and, having cast it, passes out at the gate marked 'exit.' From the time he enters at the first gate until he withdraws at the second the voter must hold no communication with any but the election officers, and with them only for official purposes, and none but election officers and citizens actually engaged in voting are admitted within the railing.

A voter who declares he cannot read, or from blindness or any other disability is unable to mark his ballot, is entitled, upon request, to the assistance of one or two of the election officers, who are prohibited from giving information as to how he votes.

No ballot without the official indorsement may be cast, and none but those provided according to law can be counted.

A voter who willfully exposes his ballot after marking it, or places a distinguishing mark upon it, or makes a false statement as to his inability to mark his ballot, and any person who attempts to interfere with a voter when he is within the rail, or endeavors to induce him to show how he has marked his ballot, is liable to a heavy fine. For falsely marking or willfully defacing or suppressing certificates of nomination, or forging the official indorsement of ballots, or removing any ballot from within the rail, or delaying the delivery of ballots, or willfully neglecting to perform an official duty, or performing it in such manner as to hinder the objects of the law, the penalty is both fine and imprisonment.

THE COTTON CROP.

Statistical returns of the department of agriculture for September are less favorable to cotton than those of August. On the Atlantic coast, rains following a season of drouth have caused rust and a shedding of leaves and fruit. The impairment of condition has been 8 points in South Carolina and Georgia, and 9 in Alabama. Local reductions are reported in North Carolina, though the average condition is but slightly lowered through heavy rains and cool nights. The high condition of Tennessee has also been well maintained, and the crop there is still growing and fruiting. In Mississippi rain in July and early in August caused local injury, but not as serious as in the more eastern States. The overflowed districts of Louisiana report improvement and the average condition for the State is higher notwithstanding local reductions. Arkansas' average has also slightly advanced. Texas has suffered from drouth in the Central and Western counties, which was reported last month, and has caused a slight further impairment of the condition. The general average is reduced from 89.5 to 85.5, which is a fraction lower than the record of September, 1889. State averages are: Virginia 93, North Carolina 95, South Carolina 87, Georgia 86, Florida 90, Alabama 84, Mississippi 87, Louisiana 93, Texas 74, Arkansas 89, Tennessee 94. There is very little mention of the caterpillar, but the boll worm has been usually prevalent and active from Georgia to Texas and more injurious in the more western portions of the belt.

The national crop report shows that the injury to the corn crop reported last month was intensified by the continuance of drouth in August until rains came to its relief, but too late for full recovery. The average is 70.1 against 73.3 last month. It is the lowest average since 1881. Returns of the condition of winter wheat at the time of harvesting are less favorable than those of the first of July. So far as the season has progressed, results are generally disappointing. The July average was 76.2, present average 73.5. The general average of spring wheat has also been reduced from 83.2 to 79.8. The average for wheat of both kinds is 75.5. In 1888 the September average for both wheats was 77. It was 73 in 1881.

BETTER LATE THAN NEVER.

It is not an uncommon thing to hear middle-aged or even young men

complain that their early schooling was insufficient—poor in quality, deficient in quantity, that they neglected the opportunity they did have—at the same time admitting that, but for this fact, they would succeed better in life. Such men do not see that they are daily wasting opportunities whereby they could make up for their deficiencies, and, even at a late period of life secure a good education. Regular, steady application of one hour per day—much more the two or three which most young men could give—would go very far to secure a good education, and one that would be of value in any position in life. A man who has reached mature years ought to be able to judge wherein his education is most deficient, and what branches of study will most conduce to assist him. Such judgment is especially necessary in these days of specialties and division and subdivision of labor. Having made his selection of studies, the young man should make systematic use of his time and opportunities, that he may become master of the subject he has chosen.

STATE TICKET.

The following report was adopted unanimously at the meeting of the State Democratic Executive Committee, and was handed to the BANNER by Mr. Stone, chairman of the County Executive Committee with the request to publish.

- For the Amendment to Article 10, Sec. 2 of the Constitution relating to railroads.
- For Governor, Jas. S. Hogg.
- For Lieutenant Gov. Geo. C. Pendleton.
- For Attorney General, Chas. A. Culberson.
- For Comptroller Jno. D. McCall.
- For Treasurer, W. B. Wortham.
- For Land Commissioner, W. L. McGaughey.
- For State Superintendent of Public Instruction, H. C. Pritchett.
- For the amendment to Section 9, Article 8, of the Constitution.
- Against the Amendment to Section 9, Article 8, of the Constitution.
- For District officers.
- For County officers.

The commissioners recommend that no other form of the State ticket be recognized or promulgated for the November election, except the above form and that the chairman of the Democratic Executive Committee be requested to furnish each county chairman through the executive committee with a correct copy of this ticket.

BEAUREGARD BRYAN,
EDWARD DWYER,
R. W. HUDSON.

THE COLUMBIAN EXPOSITION.

Citizens of Houston recently held a meeting to consider the advisability of forming an organization for the purpose of sending invitations to the various counties, and holding a State convention there on December, at the same time of the meeting of the grand lodge of Masons. An invitation will be sent the county judge of every county in the state to send delegates there on the date mentioned to form a permanent organization, such as already exists in other states, to see that the exhibit of the Lone Star State is second to none at the Columbian Exhibition in Chicago in 1893. With the co-operation of each city and county and proper legislative aid, it is believed that Texas will have one of the grandest exhibits at the World's Fair.

The convention is expected to be presided over by the governor of the State, and will be attended by representative men from all over the State.

SOUTHERN BEAUTIES.

It is reported that Southern beauties are sweeping everything before them at the summer resorts, and some Northern exchange says "beware of them, if they do not crown you they will strangle you." Yet reason can do little against the face of a Southern beauty: the first impulse, the irresistible instinct of man's nature is homage to physical beauty. It has a mystic power that sweeps down all before it, the strongest and the wisest. A French writer says, with the eloquent extravagance of his nation and idiom: "What can equal a woman's beauty? Nature made the planets and the stars—well enough in their way—and the flowers and the waving trees and the red sunset crimsoning the ocean—very praiseworthy effects all of them and evidences of a soul endowed with fine sensibilities: but to have invented woman, with the rosetinted white of her complexion, her hair, her lips, her eyes, her hand, the marble roundness of her arm—this was beyond the power of nature, with all her skies and sunsets and suns and stars. To create woman required the genius of a God."

A CHANCE TO BOOM THE TOWN.

The following letter from Lampasas bearing date of September 10th addressed to Mr. Wm. Watson, of Rosedale, being a matter of public concern has been sent to the BANNER for publication:

DEAR SIR:—Presuming upon my long acquaintance with you, and your knowledge of the advantage of such an enterprise, I propound a

few queries, which I would be pleased to have you answer.

1st. Would your people consider proposition, looking to the establishing of a canning factory, for canning fruits and vegetables?

2nd. The plant to cost not more than \$5,000 exclusive of grounds and buildings. The latter need be only a rough board building?

The plant to have a daily capacity of one carload, employing from 150 to 200 hands daily, mostly women and children, and creating a demand for fruit and vegetable, that would turn your cotton fields into highly cultivated gardens and vegetables which necessitates a large increase in the farm labor.

We enclose labels used by the factories at Alford and Pilot Point Texas. The product of Texas canning factories, compare favorably with the best on the market.

Hoping to hear from you soon, and if favorable, will be glad to visit your town and confer with your people.

I am Yours &c.,

SIM R. CAROTHERS,
Box 31, Lampasas, Tex.

If there are capitalists here who want to buy anything to "boom the town" this affords them a magnificent opportunity. A canning factory will do all that the gentleman claims for it, and those who profess to want to "boom the town" are offered an opportunity to show how far reaching towards their bottom dollar is their desire to "boom the town". Start the canning factory. How much stock will you take?

EVERY MAN TO HIS TRADE.

A blacksmith is a brawny muscled man, usually of ruddy features indicative of his health, clever in the art of horseshoeing or shaping a plow, useful to his fellow men and in small places can sometimes make a success of carpentering and doing a little wood work in connection with his trade, but he can't run a newspaper and a job office, hold the mirror up to nature, shape the destinies of nations and make statesman, after having spent so much of his time at the former occupation as to become an expert in that line, as evidenced by the demise of the Mirror at Thornton, which some of our exchanges announce has ceased, and the proprietor Mr. Parker, gone back to his trade at which it is added he was an expert. He was a good carpenter, but like a great many other people thought he could run a newspaper without experience. He tried it and the result is the history of thousands that have gone before. He failed. Running a newspaper is like any other business. You must learn how, and the apprenticeship takes time to those that succeed, and oftentimes a lot of cash for those who think they know before they find out their mistake.

WHO WANTS A PRETTY WIFE AND \$10,000.

A recent announcement by Fred Dupree, the Cheyenne river squaw man of Pierce, S. D., who is reported to be worth \$180,000, that he would give some young business man \$10,000 to take in marriage his daughter, Swift-as-the-wind has brought a flood of letters from every section of the country. Two years ago Douglas F. Carlin, a son of an ex-governor of Illinois, married Dupree's eldest daughter and the old man made him independently rich. Swift-as-the-wind is the finest looking maiden in the great reservation, but old man Dupree must alone be consulted in bargaining for her hand in marriage. He says he picked a model young man for the older girl, and the man who gets Swift-as-the-wind must be of the same make-up as Carlin. His daughter has French negro and Indian blood in her veins. There will be all kinds of fellows apply for the hand of Swift-as-the-wind and the handling of her cash, but a man that would sell himself for that amount is not much.

IN AN INVENTOR'S ROOM.

While the reporter has not much of a turn for machinery, having been a machine so long himself, grinding out copy by the column or sticking type by the thousand, Mr. Edward A. Franklin is such an interesting talker and has so many new and wonderful machines in the rear of his store here that the reporter drifts in occasionally to see the latest, and many of those on the market that he has never seen and is always entertained. On a recent visit to his nicely fitted up little shop the reporter was shown his very latest, on a siphon for transferring kerosene from the can to a lamp, or other liquids from one vessel to another which is a great success and far in advance of anything of the kind now in use. It properly pushed there is money in it, but he is more enthusiastic over his nut lock, which is regarded by all who have examined it as the best invention out recently. He will probably sell a half interest in this in the next few days.

Mr. Franklin is an inventor of world-wide reputation already, his cartridge loader being perhaps the means of bringing him more prominently before the public, as this invention was fought by almost unlimited capital in the

courts to prevent his getting a patent, but to no avail. He succeeded by the backing of Baily, Farrell & Co., Pittsburg, Pa. An article all the way from London, England, in the Shooting Times and Kennel News describes the machine, with an illustration of it, which shows the wide spread reputation it has made for the inventor, which Brenham is proud to claim as one of her citizens. Many of the smaller machines have been sold in Texas but as many of the readers of the BANNER may not have seen the machine a brief description of it, may not be amiss.

The machine for loading cartridges has a stationary bed-plate mounted on a stand and an oscillating plate beneath it, with a revolving plate arranged beneath the oscillating plate and carrying a pair of shell-holders at opposite sides, powder, shot, and wad charges, together with a plunger for charging the cartridges, mounted on the bed plate, and a feeding device comprising a shell-hopper, chute and guide having a plunger, all arranged in conjunction with and operated from the movable plates for charging the empty shells with the holders. It is safe, sure, accurate in its measurements and will load any size shell. In fact it is a daisy, and every sportsman that sees the small loaders want one.

County Court.

Cunningham vs. Voss Bros., Eagle & Phoenix Manufacturing Co. vs. Voss Bros., J. S. Newbourn & Bro. vs. D. Jackson, Schmidt Bros. vs. Celestin Suter; Judgment by default in each case.

The last will and testament of E. Kieburg was admitted to probate and E. Langheimer appointed guardian. M. Anslor, R. Krug and H. R. von Beiberstein were appointed appraisers.

See the advertisement of Messrs. Reichard & Seelhorst, dealers in hardware, which appears this morning. This firm carry a large line of everything usually kept in a first-class hardware store, and if you need anything in their line it will pay you to see them before making your purchases.

BREHAM is to have an ice factory. The ground has been purchased for the site, and while it is most too late to do much business this season it will be ready for the next. Brenham needs it. It ought not to have to send off for its ice.

REMEMBER

your "Loved One's" gone before, and if you are ready to buy a Monument or Headstone in either Granite or Marble to honor them, and mark their last resting place, go and see your home Marble and Granite dealers, Messrs. Jaeggli & Martin, before buying elsewhere, as they will sell you anything in the Marble and Granite line MUCH CHEAPER than any dealer or agent for such from a distance.

A Present To Our Subscribers.

It is with pleasure that we announce to our many patrons that we have made arrangements with that wide-awake, illustrated farm magazine, the AMERICAN FARMER, published at Fort, Wayne, Ind., and read by nearly 200,000 farmers by which this great publication will be mailed direct, FREE, to the address of any of our subscribers who will come in and pay up all arrearages on subscription and one year in advance from date, and to any new subscriber who will pay one year in advance. This is a grand opportunity to obtain a first-class farm journal free. The AMERICAN FARMER is a large 16-page journal, of national circulation, which ranks among the leading agricultural papers. It treats the question of economy in agriculture and the rights and privileges of that vast body of citizens—American Farmers—whose industry is the basis of all material and national prosperity. Its highest purpose is the elevation and enabling of Agriculture through the higher and broader education of men and women engaged in its pursuits. The regular subscription price of the AMERICAN FARMER is \$1.00 per year. IT COSTS YOU NOTHING. From any one number ideas can be obtained that will be worth thrice the subscription price to you or members of your household, yet you get IT FREE. Call and see sample copy.

Since the notice which appeared in the BANNER a few days ago in reference to the removal of the train dispatcher's office from Bellville to Galveston, the officials in charge have decided to let it remain at Bellville.

In the District court yesterday the case of the State vs. Wm. Leak charged with manslaughter, consumed the day. The jury returned a verdict of guilty and assessed the punishment at two years in the penitentiary.

PREPARATIONS are being made for a big camp hunt by a crowd of Brenham sportsmen, who will probably leave here Saturday evening.

The two days past have been pretty for gathering the fleecy staple, and in consequence very few farmers are coming in.

MR. HARMON FISHER has purchased the Mensing property and is having it repaired to use as a warehouse.

The cotton receipts were light yesterday. The pretty weather is keeping it away.

SEE notice of Messrs. Jaeggli & Martin in this morning's paper.

LUSK & PARKS,



Livery and Sale Stables,
UNDERTAKERS & DIRECTORS.



Dealers in Grain.

Have just received several car loads of Corn, Oats, Bran, Cotton Seed Meal and Cotton Seed Hulls.
FREE DELIVERY TO ANY PART OF CITY.

H. W. GRABER,

The Leading Jeweler,

Is now receiving the largest and finest line of
Diamonds, Watches, Clocks, Jewelry,

Solid Silver and Plated

That has ever been brought to the city. Do not pass
and examine my stock and prices before purchasing
where.

WE DEFY COMPETITION

Having secured the services of Mr. L. G. I. maker of large practical experience in the
watches, we solicit your repairing and
class work.

West Side Courthouse