

The Weekly Banner.

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Minnesota has a school for the education of lady farmers.

About all a woman gets out of "society," is invitations.

When a railroad man is lame, he says he has a flat wheel.

A diamond always looks larger to its owner than to anyone else.

Considering how popular silent men are, it is a wonder that they are not more numerous.

Fathers seem to have as hard a time getting along with their sons as wives do with their husbands.

John D. Spreckels, the California millionaire, has become the sole owner and editor-in-chief of the San Francisco Call.

The next annual reunion of Confederate Veterans will be held in Atlanta, Ga., July 20th, 21st, 22nd and 23rd, 1898.

The fellow who draws his pension does not care much how great trouble it has been to Uncle Sam to get hold of the money.

In a test of sentiment among the statesmen at Washington the Republicans favor Hawaiian annexation and the Democrats Cuba.

A GEORGIA jury recently returned the following extra-judicial verdict: "We the people of Georgia are almost entirely selfish."

A widow recently published a card of thanks to all her friends who "assisted in the bereavement of my dear husband," in the following manner:

"I have decided to wind up my business and go out of business. I am a business opinion and the expression of my opinion on this subject is as follows:

There are eight surviving soldiers of the war of 1812 now on the pension rolls of the government are over 100 years of age. They are Hosea Brown, of Grant's Pass, Ore., 105 years old; Elija Glenn, of Newark, N. J. and Eleazar Smith, of Danbury, N. H., each 101 years old.

HALF a million ties scattered along 115 miles of the Missouri and Kansas railroad have been seized by the Indian police to enforce the payment of over \$60,000 due the Chickasaw nation as royalty on the timber from which the ties were cut. Fully as many ties will be seized along the Choctaw, Oklahoma and Gulf road to enforce similar claims.

GEO. C. ROSS, special attorney for the interior department, and Wm. P. McConnell, United States Indian inspector of Idaho, have gone to Tallequah, Indian Territory, to investigate what is known as the \$126,000 steal. This matter involves the reputation of several prominent citizens of the Cherokee nation, and also two or more prominent residents of St. Louis, and the outcome will be watched with great interest by all the people of the Territory, as well as elsewhere.

JAPAN disclaims any intention of attempting to dominate the Hawaii Island in the event of the failure of annexation to the United States, and considers it hardly fair to attempt to draw Japan into the annexation muddle without just cause; believing that the annexation question should be settled solely on its merits as a national issue, incidentally adding that Japanese immigration in Hawaii involves no other question than that of demand and supply. As soon as the demand for Japanese labor in Hawaii ceases will Japanese immigration cease.

WOULD BENEFIT TEXAS.

The Laredo Times claims that throughout its existence it has favored the devising of some means for confining the State convicts within the penitentiary walls and at the same time make them self-supporting, and has all along advocated the establishing of factories in Texas to manufacture the raw materials of the State; hence it affords us pleasure to reproduce in this issue the remarks of Hon. George W. Glasscock, made in a speech at Georgetown on last Saturday. There is no question, in the opinion of the Times, but what Texas and its people could be greatly benefited by the erection of large factories within walls, sufficiently large to confine and employ all of the State convicts in manufacturing the raw materials of Texas into cloth, furniture, etc. It would give an increased demand for raw cotton, raw wool, timber, etc., save freight both ways, prove profitable to both the people and the State government, render the escape of convicts much less liable and compete far less with the free labor of the State than in working convicts on farm and railroad work. Then the people of Texas could wear cloth made in Texas of Texas cotton and wool, use furniture made in Texas of Texas wood and it would keep many millions of dollars annually from going out of the State, greatly increasing the prosperity and happiness of the people. This proposition will seem selfish from the standpoint of the New England States, but it will not be half as selfish as they are in assisting to have the general government run in the interest of Wall street and English capitalists to the great disadvantage of the whole country and especially of the producing States. Texas is selfish in adopting uniform text books for her public schools at a saving of \$7,500,000 in five years, but the Times is much pleased to see the manifestation of that kind of selfishness in Texas. Let the good work go on.

COL. CHARLEY EDWARDS, the able Washington correspondent of the Houston Post, pays Major Sayers the following neat compliment: "There is no member of the Texas delegation who has as many close friends, perhaps, as Joe Sayers. He is trusted to a greater extent than any man in congress on either side. He is the hardest worker in congress and can always be found in his committee room. He has saved more money for his country than any man who has ever been at the head of the appropriations committee, and it is positively refreshing to see how the republican members of that committee defer to him on all matters before the committee. They are loud in their protestations against his voluntary retirement from congress and proclaim it a serious loss to the Nation. Major Sayers has been in congress nearly fourteen years, and so busy has he been and so closely has he stuck to his duties that he has never made a trip to either New York or Baltimore. He is essentially a worker and not a talker. Those are the men who accomplish results here, and Texas has as many of them as any State. It is a good thing for Buffalo Bayou that Sayers will be here this year. It is largely due to him that that great enterprise is so far advanced as it is and I will soon take occasion to give the history of how that work was done."

It is said that the American Malting Company, of Chicago, has agreed to put up \$60,000,000 with which to purchase the leading breweries of the country. Its aim is also to embrace in the deal the purchase of all the leading distilleries, and convert the whole into one grand trust that will wield a power second to none other in this country.

WILD AND WOOLY SHAVER.

Tom Ransom, a Tonsorial Artist, Tries to Shave the Universe With a Hatchet.

Tom Ransom, colored, an employe of the shaving parlor next door to the Central hotel, began an elaborate celebration of the Christmas festivities at an early stage of the game. He started off brisk enough and while his jamboree jubilee did not last long, he made things exceedingly lively for a season. After getting thoroughly saturated with corn juice and other intoxicants he essayed to take in the city. He imagined himself the only barber in the shaving parlor of creation, and possessing himself of a convenient hatchet and a blacking brush, he sallied forth to lather and shave the universe. The glass windows in the barber shop were the first objects that attracted his attention. These he demolished on short order, dealing each pane of glass a single blow, and at the same time yelling like a conquering Comanche. His next coup was at Lehmann's old corner. Here he tried to shave the plastering off a brick wall, and was succeeding admirably when Policeman Lockett happened along. The official took in Tom and the situation at the same time.

LITTLE BANNERS.

It is not difficult for a man to be a woman's ideal if he lives in another state.

Do not grumble at your fate, for nine times out of ten you have brought it on.

The roads of this state are all right when it rains much.

Last year \$90,900,000 was divided among the stockholders of American railroads.

The low price of cotton did the state one great good—no fake show did the state this fall.

It is said the Knights of Labor are preparing to cut a swath in the next national election.

It is a pretty good idea to live within your income. Try it a few years and mark your prosperity.

The farmers must get more than five cents for cotton, or they will have to change their mode of business.

The largest bronze statue in existence is in St. Petersburg. It represents Peter the Great and weighs 1,000 tons.

THE Greenville Herald insists that the people should not lose sight of the fact that all the financial legislation that a republican president talked so much about "reforming" has been enacted by republicans during the last thirty years. The democratic party is in no way responsible for the existence of the gold standard, nor any part of our unsatisfactory monetary system.

—Charles Johnson, aged 22 years, switchman in the Texas and Pacific yards at Fort Worth, was run over by a train and killed last Saturday morning.

—Mrs. Ella Velverton Blake, wife of J. W. Blake, chairman of the State Democratic Executive Committee, died at her home in Mexia last Saturday morning, from the effects of a paralytic stroke.

—At Beeville last Saturday night John Rape, a young man about town, was shot and seriously wounded by Constable Joe Thornton, who surrendered to the sheriff, waived examination and gave bond.

A vegetable specific for hydrophobia, until recently the secret of the Yaqui Indians, of Sonora, Mexico, has been put upon the market by a California doctor. It is harmless, cheap and sure.

One bank in New York, the National City, has deposits aggregating \$80,000,000. This gives one an adequate idea of the accumulation of wealth in the money centers. The remedy—well, that's a poser.

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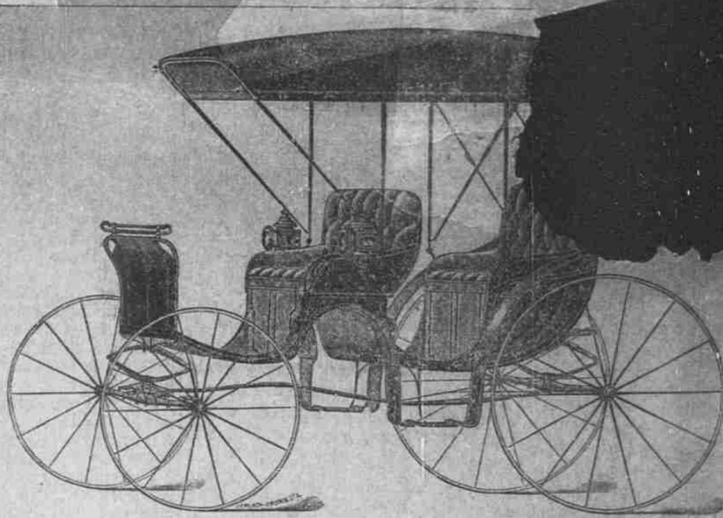


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Germany leads in elegant railway depots. The Grand Central depot, Dresden, cost \$14,000,000; Frankford depot cost \$8,500,000; the depot in Cologne cost \$8,500,000, while the Munich depot cost \$4,000,000.

A football player in Cleveland, during a hot game, got a kick in the head and his "mind is gone." This shows the need of training football players down to a point where they will have no mind.

AND now comes a statistician who claims that since 1893 there have been forty bicycle deaths to every death from football. The Georgia legislature ought to know this.

The New York Journal will soon occupy a thirty-story building. The Journal will try to build a tower to heaven next.

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