

# BRENNHAM

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FRIDAY, JANUARY 19, 1877.

Grand Duke Alexis arrived at Hampton Roads, on the Russian flagship, Sveclan. The ladies of Norfolk ought to be in having so distinguished a personage in their midst. It is to be hoped they

A YOUNG MAN named Allen was shot in the fore arm one week, not far from the city. The pistol that did the mischief was in the hands of a young man named Bell. But whether it was fired accidentally or intentionally, is not a settled question.

THE PAPER warns against taking a thousand dollar counterfeit. It shows an utter indifference on this subject, we advise shop keepers to examine the small change in their drawers and see if they have had any of the bogus passed off on them. One can't be too careful in small matters, in these hard times.

SLY OLD FOX.—Wheeler's visit to Hayes was simply a new old friendship. Of course, Wheeler has no idea of Hayes to visit Washington, or he could have easily obtained his friendly feelings for the inauguration, even as he had been as ardent a supporter of a youthful

of Medical Examination of the 15th Judicial District, presided over by Dr. Denton. Dr. Lockett, of Barton, and Dr. Morris, of Annapolis, met in the town of Brenham on the 23 day of January. The mean time the gentlemen named, will be very cordial.

THE LAW OF the State is being promoted by the Hon. J. P. Sharp, who has been promoted to the position of Paymaster in the army, with the rank of Major. Now who will dare to say that kin-in-law should be objects of especial consideration if Ulysses had a law?

SHARP'S eight years been doing business, as U. S. Marshal for the District of Columbia. As paymaster in the army, he has a wide field for sharp picking, and he will do doubt improve the shining hours.

CHARIE O'-TOO, according to the *Examiner*, recently married a white girl, 13 years old, named Talitha Johnson. Dr. Burleson performed the ceremony, the girl's parents being present and approving. Mr. O'-Too is a cook at a restaurant, so Talitha need not spoil her pretty hands, by dabbling in dish water. Two years ago, her sister married a Chinese farmer named John Foa Hang. We are beginning to mix with the Heathen Chinese. At any rate the McLennan county Johnson family are setting an example in that direction.

W. S. TROOP of Cleveland, Tenn., advertised last year a new kind of sugar cane, Canadian, we believe. Some of our citizens invested. It proved to be nothing but African cane, and very inferior to that. He is now advertising "Buden prolific corn," pretty extensively in this State. It may be well enough for people to investigate, before investing largely. Humbugging is so easily practiced, that people cannot be too guarded in their purchases of "new notions."

## A WORD OF COUNSEL.

Good advice is about the cheapest thing in the market, and the best too, if scrupulously followed, when it is sound and judicious. In the fall of the year, when a plethora of cotton becomes an assured fact, affording unmistakable demonstration that prices must, according to the inexorable laws of supply and demand, rule low, nearly every farmer is ready to exclaim, and does exclaim: "Well, I shall certainly plant less cotton next year, than I have planted this."

It will be necessary in a very short time, for every farmer to come to a determination for himself, on the much mooted question of pitching a crop. It is not the fault of government, that the cotton market is literally choked and glutted with this article, by an over production of the snowy staple. The farmers have no one to blame for the low prices, but themselves. According to the present civilization of the world, and until the necessity of distributing "morning pocket handkerchiefs," among the heathen by missionaries, shall cease, and this same heathen shall assume full toilets, cotton must and will rule low, as long as four millions of bales are annually made in America. This is as inevitable, as if the fiat had been pronounced by Jehovah himself.

Will our farming communities, in spite of all the bitter experience through which they have passed in the last few years still persist in over production? We have heard intelligent farmers assert, time and again, that it cost more than ten cents a pound to make cotton. Cotton has not averaged this much, during the present commercial year, by more than a cent. It was hoped and believed by many, that the new organization, known as Grangers, could, and would do something, to prevent the suicidal policy pursued by the cotton planters. As yet, so far as the general public are advised, they have accomplished nothing in the direction alluded to.

The truth is, every farmer must determine this question of cotton planting for himself. Every farmer must act for himself, just as he would on a question involving morals. Let every planter apply the moral quotation, with a slight variation, when about to determine the amount of cotton he will plant: "I know not what course others may take, but as for me and my house, we will plant less cotton than heretofore!"

We are glad to learn that our old Louisiana friend, Henry E. Williams, Esq., has been elected County Judge of Washington county. Judge Williams is from one of the best families in Louisiana, and held several offices of trust in his Parish. We are pleased to know of his popularity, and feel confident he will make a good officer.

We copy the above complimentary notice of our new County Judge, from H. E. Williams, from the "Fairfield (Texas) Recorder," and written by one who has known him from boyhood.

Mr. R. C. Wood and Miss Eva Day were married the 1st instant, at Content, the residence of W. W. Cochran, Esq., the bride's brother. Rev. Dr. Ridley of Hempstead performing the sacred rites.

We beg leave to congratulate the happy couple, and wish them many happy returns of New Year, the Day that united two hearts in one.

During the late severe snow in Texas, none of the editorial fraternity said "O! the snow, the beautiful snow!" except the Fairfield Recorder man. He not only said the words quoted, but gave the poem entire, and a brief history of the fair but frail unfortunate who composed it, which, like all such histories, is set in the extreme.

## NOT SO POOR AS THAT.

The Houston *Telegraph* of the 13th inst. has a short article about Ben Hill, and the conflicting allusions to his present and prospective political position. The *Telegraph* is evidently an admirer of Mr. Hill. It says: "The Democratic party can never give up such a man as Ben Hill until he forswears the faith in which he has long lived and wrought, and the people with whom he has much to do."

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## WHO WILL INVEST?

There is no place in all the broad limits of our great State, that holds out better inducements, or offers greater certainty of success, for the establishment of a manufactory for turning of agricultural implements, than does BRENNHAM. In the centre of the richest and most highly cultivated portion of the State, situated on the Western Branch of the Central, the number of wagons and farming tools that would meet with ready cash sales, can hardly be over-estimated by even a very sanguine calculator. Timber of the very best quality for the manufacture of the articles indicated, abounds in great abundance in the Brazos bottoms, and on the creeks contiguous.

If a few enterprising mechanics would organize a joint stock company, having for its object the manufacture of articles of indispensable utility on the farm, the money, necessary for starting it, would not long be wanting. Scores of intelligent farmers, residing in Washington county alone, would readily take shares in a stock company of the character named, if a few skilled, reliable mechanics and machinists would take the initiative in such an enterprise, affording evidence that skill to conduct it would not be lacking. There is "a rich place" in Brenham inviting energetic mechanics to work it. It is not reasonable to suppose that it will long remain unoccupied.

The New York *Sun* says: "The shipments of freights West and South have fallen off greatly since the Republican office-holders to seize the Government has been developed. We fear that before the Republican merchants in New York who have tacitly encouraged this criminal attempt to subvert our free institutions, will have deep cause to regret that they did not take a more manly stand against the revolutionary movements of their political leaders."

What the public demand is a twenty-five cent hat to pay election bets with.

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