

The Weekly Banner

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GERMANY declines to support Turkey's claim to Thessaly.

TOM WATSON, the great Pop agitator, seems to be afflicted with a "running off at the mouth."

FIVE deaths have occurred in New Orleans this week from heat, and a large number of prostrations are reported.

THE short wheat crop in some parts of Europe is almost certain to cause an extra demand for American wheat and flour.

THE Galveston News says: "Secretary Sherman is not the only great American statesman whose views changed as soon as he got into an office."

SPAIN is threatened with another cabinet crisis and Captain General Weyler is likely to be weighed in the balance and found wanting at any moment.

It is said that the members of the sugar trust in America are ready to "put up the stuff" necessary to purchase Cuba, provided Spain decides to sell.

DURING the present month the department employes will try the State's strong box for nearly half a million in back rations. Austin has a temporary wave of prosperity at any rate.

NOBODY ever thought that bicycles would come into prominence in the navy department. Our latest gun boat is called the Wheeling, and an exchange says "the Wheeling is good."

THE postoffice department has entered an order that hereafter all postmarks must be legible. An order requiring that all addresses be fashioned in the same manner would greatly facilitate the rapid handling of mail matter.

GEN. JOHN B. GORDON was unanimously re-elected Commander-in-Chief of the United Confederate Veterans at the Nashville reunion. The old vets would not listen to his resignation, believing him to be the right man in the right place.

St. Louis has passed an ordinance requiring the Western Union Telegraph company to place all its wires underground before the end of next year. A similar ordinance in New York city was not complied with until the municipal authorities chopped down the poles.

THE Galveston Tribune says: President McKinley has paid a compliment to Hon. D. B. Culberson in naming him as one of the commissioners to codify the criminal laws of the United States. Judge Culberson is one of the greatest lawyers in congress and no man knows his ability better than the president, who served in the house with him. The position pays \$5,000 a year.

The people of Florida are recovering nicely from the loss of their orange orchards during the big freeze some two years ago. That loss is likely to prove a blessing in disguise, for the people have turned their attention to the raising of garden truck and grain, and they find the state is so well adapted to such products that many farmers are making more money than they did with their oranges. They have also found that a quality of tobacco equal to that raised in Cuba can be grown all over the state and the people are going into the work with enthusiasm.

The new board of supervisors of Marion county has requested the county officials to buy all blanks, envelopes and letter heads from Marion county printers, and threaten to cut foreign printing bills until they will not want to do work for Marion county. The resolution cites that home printed letter heads and home printed blanks may have no red streaks around them but they are good enough for poor folks and the money is kept in circulation in Marion county and not vaulted away in the coffers of some city printing company; that we would rather see a home printer have \$2 to buy a pocket knife than to have a traveling representative march in with a half-dozen \$2 knives to give away. The Marion county board is evidently composed of a solid, sensible lot of men.—Hillsboro Journal.

BETTER TIMES.

The BANNER is not exulting over the fact that the Republicans are rapidly falling into disfavor because of their failure to bring prosperity and redeem their oft repeated promises. We could afford to endure for awhile Republicanism if we could see any change for the better in the business conditions of the country. But, as the promised prosperity has not yet arrived, and there is no immediate prospect of its coming; with none of their promises redeemed, it is the height of folly to expect sensible men to again be deceived by such silly and demagogical promises. Nothing but individual economy and the readjustment of credits can bring prosperity again, and that will require time and patience. It is the history of panics that they come lightly once in about 10 years and severely about 20 years apart, and the latter last about 5 years before a material and notable improvement sets in. Why this is, the most learned and careful students are unable to fully explain, but it is pretty well known that all things in nature move in cycles, and the time will probably come when these apparently inexorable laws of nature will be better understood than they now are. At present the only men who claim to fully understand them are those who are notoriously ignorant on all other things. But panics come and go without regard to theories or assertions. The one of 1873 lasted for about 5 years and then the return to prosperity slowly began and slowly progressed, although there was a high protective tariff all the time and for several years before and after. These facts are fresh in the memory of all old and middle aged men. It was probably the result of national sickness brought on by an overstrain of credit and other excesses, exactly analogous to illness brought on the individual by over exertion and a violation of the laws of health. The day to stop and settle came again in 1893, and in the natural order of things the time for recuperation to commence is near at hand. That it will come slowly no thoughtful man doubts, but that it will come surely is just as certain. There probably will be no boom but rather a gradual betterment of conditions until fairly prosperous times prevail. Many of the old conditions have so changed that it can hardly be expected that any great boom will be felt. The day for the surplus population to go west and grow up with the country and thus relieve the competition among the laboring classes has largely passed, and the world's competition in the production of breadstuffs and manufactured goods is daily and hourly growing sharper. These and a thousand other conditions have materially changed, and if the same conditions never repeat themselves the same result cannot follow. But approximate guesses may be made, and the time seems to be about due for a start for better times.

Deafness Cannot Be Cured by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure Deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube gets inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed Deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever. Nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafness caused by catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars, free.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by Druggists, 75c.

If, as he claims, Gen. Weyler has succeeded in pacifying Cuba, he should now try his powers of pacification on the Spanish senate.

The position that most young men of today are desirous of filling is that of heir to some man of wealth.

Read the Cut Prices, And Come and See For Yourself.

Staple Department.
Dress Calico, will cut to..... 4c
Apron Gingham, cut to..... 3 1/2c
Dress Gingham, cut to..... 5c
Lonsdale, Domestic cut to..... 5c
Best Brown Domestic cut to..... 4 1/2c
Good Brown Domestic cut to..... 3 1/2c
Outings, reduced to..... 6 1/2c
Good Cotton Stripes cut to..... 4c
Mattress Ticking, cut to..... 4 1/2c
Good Jeans, only..... 10c

NEW YORK STORE.

THE BIG CUT, COMMENCING MONDAY, MAY 17.

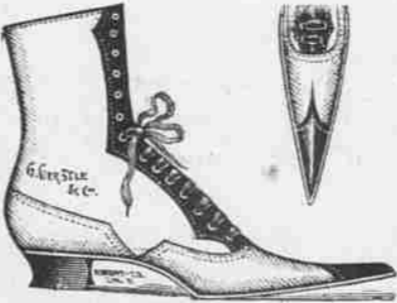
In order to reduce our Large Stock, we have decided to make one Big Cut in all Departments that will reduce our Stock in a hurry.

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A Full Line of Ladies' Accordeon Plated Skirts.

Shoe Department.



Ladies' Black Tan Oxfords, cut to..... 50c
Our \$1.00 Ladies' Strap Sandal cut to..... 75c
Our \$1.00 Ladies' Oxford Ties, cut to..... 69c
Our \$1.25 Ladies' Oxford Ties, cut to..... 98c
Our \$1.50 Ladies' 20th Century Ties, cut to..... \$1.25
Our \$2.00 Ladies' Dongola Oxfords, cut to..... \$1.50
Our \$2.50 Ladies' French Kids cut to..... \$1.98
Our \$3.00 Ladies' Ox Blood Ties, cut to..... \$2.49
Our \$4.00 Ladies' Black and Ox Blood, cut to..... \$2.98

3000 French Organdies, worth 20 cents will be cut to 5 cents per yard.

2000 Yards Imported Dentim, worth 15 cents, will be cut to 5 cents per yard.

Our Shoe Department is the Largest in the City, comprising all the late Style Colors in the late Gola and Needle Ties.

Gent's Furnishing Department.

Men's Negligee Shirts worth 90 cents..... only 50c
Men's Fancy Bosoms, worth \$1..... only 50c
Men's Undershirts, worth 50 cents..... only 25c
Men's Fast Black Hose, only..... 5c
Men's Linen Collars, only..... 8c
Men's Bleached Drawers, only..... 25c
Men's Working Shirts, worth 50 cents..... only 25c
Men's French Balbriggan, worth \$1..... only 50c
Men's Laundered Negligee Shirts, only..... 25c
Men's Hemstitched Handkerchiefs, worth 10 cents at..... 5c
See our pretty line of Neckwear, new and up-to-date.

Clothing Department.

Our Boy's Clothing Department is the largest ever seen in Brenham. We have cut the Price on each and every suit.

Mens' all-wool suits, were \$10.00, cut to..... \$5.00
Mens' Black, Clay Worsted, cut to..... 6.00
Mens' Linen Suits, cut to..... 4.00
Youths' Suits, were \$8, cut to..... 5.00
Youths' Suits, were \$10.00, cut to..... 7.50
Boy's all-wool Suits was \$3.00, cut to..... 2.00
Boy's Nobby Suit was \$4.00 cut to..... 2.98

White Goods Department.

1000 yards Nansook cut to 3 1/2 cents
2000 yards Figured Lawn, now..... 3 1/2 cents
1,500 yards Figured Dimity, cut to..... 5 cents
1000 yards Figured Dimity, cut to..... 8 cents
2000 yards White Lawn cut to..... 5 cents
Colored Organdies cut to..... 12 cents
White Organdies from 45 cents to \$1.50
Muslin de Soi and Embroidered Chiffon from 25 cents to \$3.50 a yard.

We will also make a Cut in Our MILLINERY DEPARTMENT. Agents for Butterick Patterns and all Publications. Don't miss this Cut Sale if you are looking for Bargains in our line. Respectfully Yours, CATHER & BUSTER.

LITTLE BANNERS.

In Oregon there are 25,000 acres of prune orchards. It cost Boston \$108,875 last year to care for its poor. Every unmarried woman is weak on the marrying question. In fifteen months the Standard Oil Company has paid its owners \$40,000,000. Each square inch of the human skin contains no less than 3,500 perspiration pores. No business can stand still; if it does not improve, it goes backward. Germany has twenty-one universities, with 1,920 professors and 28,700 students. The American Baptist year book reports 27,257 ministers, 40,658 churches and 3,824,038 members. The citizens of Portland, Me., have voted against giving women representation on the school board. The public debt of France is the largest in the world, and amounts to about \$8,000,000,000. At a distance of seven miles above the earth the air is so rarefied that no human being can breathe. The torpedo fish sometimes weighs eighty pounds, and a single shock from this fish will kill the strongest horse. A South Carolina man has forty acres of tea plants. The shrubs are about three feet high and planted in rows six feet apart. After all, the appearance of a shirt waist depends largely upon the girl or woman who is inside it. Since the year 1380 the Paris police have arrested as many as 29,000 children who were being trained for begging and vice. PRESIDENT MCKINLEY advocates an appropriation of \$50,000 for starving Americans in Cuba, but says nothing about the starving Americans in the United States. If the "advanced" woman would pay less attention to her suffrage societies and more to the society of her husband there would be more happy homes.

—Cotton picking will commence at Skidmore next week.
—Lavaca county is to have a new \$80,000 courthouse.
—Pure water appears to be a scarce commodity at Austin.
—Recent rains assure a tremendous corn crop in Southwest Texas.
—It is reported that 250 head of cattle have died from charbon in the Tacquard pasture, near Hitchcock.
—The old Aransas Pass railway depot in the suburbs of Houston was burned Wednesday afternoon.
—McLennan county commissioners have adopted the plan of utilizing convict labor in improving the county roads.
—Although no election will occur until November 1898 candidates are already announcing themselves for local offices at Austin.
—The last of the legislative solons have left Austin for their homes and many of the hash-houses of that city have had to close down in consequence.
—Irrion Clark, a young man from Nacogdoches, was shot in Henderson last Tuesday night and badly wounded by a negro, who has not yet been apprehended.
—The revival meeting which has been in progress at Chriesman, Burleson county, for the past 12 days closed last Sunday night, resulting in fifteen conversions.
—A Fort Worth special of June 21st states that L. B. Imboden, known as "Charley," was arrested this afternoon to answer two indictments presented by the grand jury charging forgery.
—Mrs. Sarah Hahn has secured a judgment against Blair Brothers, saloon men of Fort Worth, for \$500, defendants having sold her husband liquor after her written protest had been filed with them.
—The Garitty Rifles, of Corsicana, have gone into camp where they will remain one week, drilling twice a day in all company movements and the manual of arms, so as to be in readiness for the San Antonio drill.

—Dr. M. D. K. Taylor died in Jefferson last Tuesday morning after a lingering illness, aged 78 years. Dr. Taylor represented Marion county a number of times in the legislature, and was several times speaker of the House; and was always considered a superb presiding officer, being a fine parliamentarian.
—The San Antonio police department has declared war against fakirs and grafters, and during the past few days a number of suspicious characters have been arrested and heavily fined and sentenced to hard labor on the streets. An influx of such characters is expected about the time of the interstate drill in July, and from now on until the close of the drill all persons without visible means of support will be apprehended. The police are determined to get rid of all suspicious characters and give every protection possible to the visitors.
—Prohibition was defeated at Cisco by 11 majority.
—Land in Southwest Texas continues in active demand at fair prizes.
—S. M. Jones has received notification of his appointment as postmaster at Kosse.
—Hebrew Mary was fined \$10 in Galveston last Tuesday for felling lottery tickets.
—Colonel Uriah Lott is again contemplating the building of railroads in West and East Texas.
—A Corpus Christi mother has given birth to a healthy-looking baby weighing only two pounds.
—Mr. A. Goldman, of Victoria, has ordered a round bale system of ginning cotton, costing about \$3,500.
—Railroads propose constructing a big levee at El Paso which will protect that city from future overflows.
—The Sealey Rifles have ordered new uniforms and expect to receive them in time for the San Antonio drill.
—Summer visitors are arriving at Rockport, Ingleside and Corpus Christi in quest of pleasure and recreation.
—A sea turtle weighing one thousand pounds was caught near Port Lavaca last week and shipped to St. Louis.

—Mr. Albert Beck was found dead in a gin lot at Weimar last Monday. Supposed to have been overcome by heat.
—Negotiations are under way having for its object the removal of a cotton mill from Little Rock, Arkansas, to Corsicana.
—Moses Johnston, under indictment for the murder of Louis Dougherty at Goldthwaite in 1895, has been arrested and jailed.
—There are seven hundred acres of land planted in tobacco in Montgomery county this year, and the yield is said to be very heavy.
—Two negroes, W. H. McConnell and H. Collins, were convicted in the U. S. Court at Dallas of robbing the postoffice at Allen, in Collin county, of \$100 in small change and stamps.
Tough on the Girls.
An exchange expresses a few important points of weakness in some women in this language:
A Pacific Junction belle is too modest to be sympathetic. She can not tolerate a fellow feeling.
A Tabor seminary girl refuses to walk up a steep hill for fear her breath will come in sort pants.
A Malvern woman will not bathe in the same room with potatoes until she has picked their eyes out.
A Philadelphian is so modest that she will not go to bed while a Christian Observer is in the same room.
A Hamburg maid refuses to wear a chateleine watch chain attached to her person, because the watch has hands.
Bay City has a young lady who is so bashful that she refuses to eat at the table where lettuce is served undressed.
Bakersfield has a young lady who always goes without gloves because she don't want any undressed kids about her.
An Emerson girl locks herself in her room every time she hears a brass band approaching. She vows she will never look at a drum major who parades in his bear skin.
There is a time in every man's life when he wants nothing on earth so much as some woman to stroke his hair and say, "Poor boy."
New York may have some new social swells as soon as the son and daughter of Joseph Richardson, late an eccentric contractor, can finger the \$10,000,000 each that has been left them by their father.