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The Lone Star.

The Lone Star was adopted as the national standard of Texas, by Congress, then in session at Columbia, December 10, 1836. We copy the description from the Telegraph, of December 22, 1836:

"Be it further enacted, &c., That for the future there shall be a national flag, to be denominated the National Standard of Texas, the conformation of which shall be an azure ground, with a large golden star central."

"Be it further enacted, &c., That the national flag for the naval service for the Republic of Texas, as adopted by the President at Harrisburg, on the 9th of April, 1836, the conformation, of which is Union blue, star central, thirteen stripes prolonged, alternate red and white, be, and the same is hereby ratified and confirmed, and adopted as the future national flag for the naval service for the Republic of Texas."

The glorious flag of the Lone Star is dear to every Texian. It waved proudly over a free country, which true men wrested from the dominion of the savage. Tears flowed from eyes all unused to weeping, when it was hauled down from the flag at the Capitol, on the consummation of annexation. It may yet be raised again. If so, it will not be dishonored. There are many of those sturdy spirits still left, who gloried in that banner. Thousands of others have been attracted hither by the history of this country, by the unexampled advantages, by the love of liberty that dwells among our people. Many of them love the Union, but all of them, we believe, love Texas more. Whatever may be the action of Texas, whatever steps she may take, whether to stay or go, that step once taken, will be supported by a united people.—
Houston Telegraph.

THE RANCHERO [Corpus Christi, TX], December 1, 1860, p. 1, c. 6

Flag of the New Confederacy.—The Charleston Mercury publishes the following suggestion for the flag of the "Southern Confederacy:"

The ground entirely blue, with a golden palmetto in the center; a golden rattlesnake twining around the stem of the palmetto, with its rattle sprung, head erect, and tongue protruded. In the background, to the rear of the tree and snake, a golden spread eagle, and a single golden star in the upper right corner, with the words, "Room for More," on the opposite.

THE RANCHERO [Corpus Christi, TX], December 1, 1860, p. 2, c. 6

Gen. Portis addressed a considerable meeting at Millheim yesterday, on the subject of the present crisis. The Lone Star flag was flung to the breeze.

BELLVILLE [TX] COUNTRYMAN, December 19, 1860, p. 2, c. 1

The Lone Star Flag.

by H. L. Flash.

Up with the Lone Star banner!
Its hues are still as bright,
As when its glories braved the breeze
At San Jacinto's fight;
Its fluttering folds in triumph waved
O'er many a gory brow—
The freedom that was conquered then,
Will not be yielded now.
The honor of that Lone Star flag
That flouts the blue above,
Is held as dear by Texan hearts,
As that of her they love;
As not a stain shall dim its hues,
While yet a man remains
To save this flower-girdled land,
From the ignominious chains.
That banner with the single Star,
Is Freedom's favored sign;
Beneath its unpolluted folds,
Her purest glories shine;
And in the whirlwind and the storm,
Amid the crash and jar,
Her brightest hope still rests upon
That solitary Star.

BELLVILLE [TX] COUNTRYMAN, December 26, 1860, p. 1, c. 2

The News says a Lone Star rifle company, numbering nearly one hundred young men, has been organized in Galveston, and that the old artillery company is also being reorganized, to be composed of some of the older citizens. Many citizens are wearing the blue cockade, surmounted by metallic five-pointed stars.

The Telegraph notices the appearance of the blue cockade on the streets of Houston, worn by numbers of citizens, and gives the following description of it:

It consist [sic] of a neat blue rosette, pinned to the hat, having a silver five-pointed star in the centre. It means that the wearers pledge their lives, their fortunes and their sacred honor to resistance to abolition encroachments, and that they can see no way of successful resistance but in the withdrawal of their State from the Union.

A movement is on foot for the organization of an artillery company.

THE RANCHERO [Corpus Christi, TX], December 1, 1860, p. 2, c. 4

Gen. Twiggs.—This distinguished officer accompanied by his staff, arrived this week on the Matagorda, en route for San Antonio, to resume command of the Military Department of Texas.

INDIANOLA [TX] COURIER, December 1, 1860, p. 2, c. 1

The Lone Star Flag.

We are indebted to Gen. J. J. Good, of this place, who has just returned from Austin, for the annexed copy of the Act of the Congress of the Republic of Texas, establishing the National Standard of Texas, &c.—We published, several weeks ago, an article from the Houston Telegraph, giving what the editor believed to be the flag of the old Republic; but the act given below was passed and approved January 25th, 1839, as an amendment to the act quoted by the Telegraph. It is taken from the records in the State Department, and copied verbatim, and we publish it for the benefit of our friends who wish to have a *real* Lone Star flag flying:

AN ACT, amending an Act entitled, "An Act adopting a National Seal and Standard for the Republic of Texas, approved on the 10th of December, 1836."

Sec. 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Texas, in Congress assembled, That from and after the passage of this act, the National Arms of the Republic of Texas be, and the same is hereby declared to be, a white star of five points on an azure ground, encircled by an olive and live oak branches.

Sec. 2. Be it further enacted, That the National Great Seal of this Republic shall from and after the passage of this act, bear the arms of this nation, as declared by the first section of this act, and the letters, "Republic of Texas."

Sec. 3. Be it further enacted, That from and after the passage of this act, the National Flag of Texas, shall consist of a blue perpendicular stripe of the width of one-third of the whole length of the flag, with a white star of five points in the centre thereof, and two horizontal stripes of equal breadth, the upper white the lower red, of the length of two-thirds of the whole length of the flag; anything in the act to which this is an amendment to the contrary notwithstanding.

Sec. 4. Be it further enacted, That the President be and he is hereby authorized and required to establish such signal and other auxiliary flags for the naval, revenue and land services, also for the use of pilots and costing traders, as the said services may require and he may deem necessary and expedient.

Sec. 5. Be it further enacted, That the National [this should be Naval] Standard of this Republic shall remain as was established by an act to which this is an amendment.

John M. Hansford, Speaker
of the House of Representatives.

David G. Burnett,
President of the Senate.

DALLAS HERALD, December 26, 1860, p. 2, c. 2

Musical Instruments.

Pianos, Guitars,
Violins, Accordeon
Flutes, Fifes, Drum
&c., at
also,
Sheet Music.
New and Popular
Music and Instruction

on books at Forsgard & Norton's.

HOUSTON] TRI-WEEKLY TELEGRAPH, December 20, 1860, p. 4, c. 7

Sheep Raising in Gonzales County.—We have already given several statements of the large profits of sheep raising in our county. We have now another at hand, which we publish merely to show that the business continues remunerative. Our friend, Mr. J. T. Price, living on the Guadalupe, about ten miles above here, informs us that two years ago he purchased a flock of sheep at a cost of \$900. In the two years he has realized from the sales of wool \$500, and his flock is now worth \$3,000—making a profit in two years time of \$2,600. Of course the expense attending the same must be deducted from this amount, but as that is comparatively small, the reader can judge for himself. We rejoice to see that many are increasing their flocks recently. All doubts as to sheep doing well in this country, seem now to be removed, as last winter was a fair test, when all other stock suffered save sheep.—Inquirer.

THE RANCHERO [Corpus Christi, TX], December 1, 1860, p. 4, c. 2

Minute Men.—A company of Minute Men is being enrolled in this city and a subscription is being raised to purchase arms. Both lists are filling up very well. We understand that a similar movement is on foot at Lavaca.

INDIANOLA [TX] COURIER, December 1, 1860, p. 2, c. 1

We understand that there was a live abolitionist in town the other day. He came in a hurry from the interior and took passage by the first steamer for a colder climate. It is rather tropical here for birds of that feather.

INDIANOLA [TX] COURIER, December 1, 1860, p. 2, c. 1

Senator Toombs and the Ladies.—The Columbus (Ga.) Times, of the 30th ult., says:

"[S]enator Toombs wore in the streets of Columbus, Saturday, the "blue cockade" given him by the fair ladies of Montgomery. God bless them! We are for them and a union with them, where love, harmony and good feeling exists, but are opposed to any other sort of Union."

The night that the Senator spoke in Montgomery many ladies wore the same badge of secession.

INDIANOLA [TX] COURIER, December 1, 1860, p. 2, c. 5

Many of our citizens appear on the streets of Dallas wearing the cockade of our national colors, blue ribbon with a golden star. Some wear cockades of red. An aged farmer said in our presence that "he wanted to wear it over his heart and in front, that all the world might see it and know his position." He would wear it with more pride than the "Cross of the Legion of Honor." . . .

DALLAS HERALD, December 5, 1860, p. 3, c. 2

Minute Men.—The minute men of Gonzales county met at Gonzales on the 1st instant, for the purpose of organizing a regiment. So says the Inquirer. Companies of minute men are being formed in nearly every county in the State. Are there none of Corpus Christi's chivalrous spirits ready to take the matter in hand and raise a company of minute men? We shall see.

THE RANCHERO [Corpus Christi, TX], December 8, 1860, p. 2, c. 1

**Report
of the Proceedings of the Gulf Coast
Fair Association at Victoria,
November 14, 15, and 16, 1860.**

On account of the great drouth which has prevailed in this region during the past season—the exciting election returns that were crowding in upon us, the apathy of the part of many of our citizens, and the discouraging state of the weather on the morning of the 14th, fearful forebodings as to the result of the fair might have been heard in all directions. Yet in spite of these the late exhibition may be regarded as a decided success.

It was estimated by competent judges that on the first day at least 1200 persons were present, on the second day 1500 and on the third 1800. Too much credit cannot be awarded to Messrs. Dr. Cocke and Robert Clarke, for their untiring exertions in perfecting the arrangements on the fair ground. Also to Madam Cocke for her extensive picnic supplies which were so generously bestowed during the entire fair.

But our limits will not permit further preliminary remarks, consequently we will proceed to give a list of the premiums and certificates awarded:

Ladies' Department.

Best 6 lbs. Tallow Candles, certificate to Mrs. A. Borland.
 " Quince Preserves, certificate to Mrs. Sanford.
 " Plum Jelly, " " "
 " Cotton Quilt, " " "
 Best Worsted Quilt, certificate to Mrs. Emison.
 " Table Mats, cotton cord premium to Miss Florence Ray.
 " Pearl Bonnet, white paper, premium to Miss Angeline Phelps.
 " Basket, premium to Miss Mary Phelps.
 " Worsted Comfort, premium Mrs. J. Hoard.
 " Ottoman Cover, premium to " "
 " Worsted Quilt, lambs wool, premium to Mrs. J. H. Stanley.
 " Jar Brandy Peaches, premium to Mrs. J. Weisiger.
 " 3 Tumblers of Jelly, premium to Mrs. J. Weisiger.
 " Sponge Cake, premium to Mrs. Joseph Weisiger.
 " 1 Fruit Cake, premium to Mrs. Joseph Weisiger.
 " 1 Jelly Cake, premium to Mrs. Weisiger.
 " 1 Loaf Bread, flour, premium to Mrs. Jos. Weisiger.
 " 1 Piano Cover, cloth, premium to Mrs. E. Keyser.
 " 1 Pair Wool Socks, certificate to Mrs. J. R. Cocke.
 " 1 Fruit Cake, certificate to Mrs. J. R. Cocke.
 " 1 Loaf Bread, flour, certificate to Mrs. J. R. Cocke.
 " 1 Pound Cake, plain, certificate to Mrs. J. R. Cocke.
 " 1 Jar Preserved Peaches, premium to Mrs. J. R. Cocke.
 " 1 Child's Trimmed Dress, premium to Mrs. Brightwell.
 " 2 Pieces Embroidery on cloth, premium to Mrs. Brightwell.
 " 1 Child's Embroidered Dress, certificate to Mrs. Cochran.
 " 1 Jar Orange Preserves, premium to Mrs. L. Arnold.
 " 1 Fly Brush, premium to Mrs. A. Sampson.
 " Gourd of Lard, premium to Mrs. Venable.
 " Bacon, premium to Mrs. W. G. Venable.
 " Mustang Vinegar, premium to Mrs. Venable.
 " 5 lbs Lard, certificate to Mrs. J. R. Cocke.
 " Bacon, certificate to Mrs. J. R. Cocke.
 " Jar Butter, certificate to Mrs. P. R. Rose.
 " 1 Cake of Marble Soap, certificate to Mrs. Shirly.
 " Wax Flowers, premium to Miss Mary Cunningham.

" Fancy Coral Basket, premium to Miss Hattie Cunningham.
 " Zephyr Worsted Basket, certificate to Miss Alice Kibbie.
 " Crape Flowers, premium to Miss Zilla Rose.
 " Alum Basket, certificate to Miss Mary Beaty
 " Calico Quilt, premium to Mrs. M. Jenkins.
 " Crochet Tidy, premium to Mrs. Solaire.
 " Crochet Bonnet, certificate to Mrs. Solaire.
 " Quilt, premium to Miss C. Garrett.
 " Pr. Thibet Cushions, premium to Miss M. Marion Goodwin.
 " Gents. Shirt, premium to Miss Hanover.
 " Worsted Emb. Table Cover, certificate to Mrs. R. Woolfolk.
 " Specimen Silk Embroidery, premium to Mrs. R. Woolfolk.
 " 1 Crochet Chair Tidy, premium to Mrs. R. Woolfolk.
 " Woolen Heart Rug, premium to Mrs. J. R. Sanford.
 " 1 Calico Quilt, certificate to Mrs. Sanford.
 " Jar preserved Citron, premium to Mrs. M. E. Harrison.
 " Oil Paintings, premium to Mrs. Jamieson.
 " 1 Pair Ladies Gaiters, premium to Miss Bettie Troupe.
 " Pair Ladies Buskins, premium to Miss B. Troupe.
 " 1 Pair Gentlemens' Buckskin Gloves, premium to Miss Bettie Troupe.
 " Landscape Drawing, premium to Miss Bettie Troupe.
 " Gents. Shirt, certificate to Mrs. Cocke.
 " 1 Pan Honey, premium to Mrs. Ragland.
 " Jeans Cloth, " " Scott.
 " 1 Fly Brush Peacock Feathers, premium to Mrs. J. C. Scott.
 " 1 Jar Pickles, premium to Mrs. E. Kay.
 " 1 Jar Pickles, certificate to Mrs. E. Kay.
 " 2 lbs Fresh Butter, certificate to Mrs. Tippet.
 " 1 Cheese, premium to Mrs. Tippet.
 " 1 White Quilt, premium to Mrs. Tippet.
 " Chair Tidies, certificate to Mrs. Tippet.
 " Fresh Embroidered Collar, premium to Miss Sarah Tippet.
 " 1 Hem Stitched Handkerchief, certificate to Miss Sarah Tippet.
 " 1 Jar Wild Plum Preserves, certificate to Miss Sarah Tippet.
 " 1 Jar Quince Preserves, certificate to Miss Sarah Tippet.
 " Childs' Embroidered Dress, premium to Mrs. M. L. Evans.
 " 5 lbs. Starch, premium to Mrs. Slaughter.
 " ½ lb Indigo, premium to Mrs. Slaughter.
 " 1 Pr. Yarn Socks, " "
 " 1 Doz. Candles, " "
 " 2 Pieces Worsted Embroidery, premium to Miss M. Dunbar.
 " White Counterpane, (magnificent) premium to Mrs. P. R. Fleming.

Thus we have attempted to give a correct list of the Premiums and Certificates awarded at the late Fair. If our limits would permit, we would speak at length of several features of this exhibition which enlisted our admiration. We will only add, however, that the excellence of the music, as performed by the Hallettsville Brass Band—the delightful condition of the weather after the first few hours of the Fair—the universal cheerfulness which prevailed among all classes, especially the ladies, the absence of all rowdyism, which too often mars the pleasure of similar occasions, the character of the addresses, and the superiority of nearly everything on exhibition, all combined to render this Fair one that will long be remembered.

Enthusiastic Meeting at Dallas Glorious Demonstration!

Last Saturday, according to previous notice, the people of Dallas county assembled at the Court House to give a continued and renewed expression of their sentiments in regard to the position that Texas should now assume. Farmers from every portion of the county, with their wives and daughters, came up and united in one of the grandest demonstrations ever witnessed in Dallas.—It was by far the fullest meeting since the great barbecue in October. The deepest interest was manifested in the proceedings, by both men and women. Fifteen young girls, innocent and pure as the early spring flowers of our prairies, were selected as the representatives of the Southern States, bearing white banners with the names of each State emblazoned thereon, with the motto "Sovereign and Independent" beneath.—New Jersey was also represented with the flattering and appropriate motto, "The Bright Particular Star of the North."

The procession was formed at the Dallas Hotel, headed by the young girls with banners, followed by a large crowd of ladies and gentlemen, then proceeded to the Court house under the inspiring strains of music, & filed into the spacious hall, which was now densely packed with hundreds of eager and expectant auditors. Gen. N. H. Darnell was called to the chair and A. Harwood acted as Secretary. . .

DALLAS HERALD, December 5, 1860, p. 3, c. 1

We have just conversed with Hon. A. G. Walker, of Tarrant county, who reports the people of Birdville as thoroughly aroused on the great questions now agitating the country. The citizens of Birdville recently held a meeting and passed resolutions memorializing the Governor to call the Legislature and expressing strong secession sentiments. Mr. Walker is deeply imbued with the same spirit, and says that the signs of the times are unmistakable, and that every patriot must act. He says that the flag of the Lone Star has been floating at Birdville for weeks. McKinney Messenger will please note this fact.

DALLAS HERALD, December 5, 1860, p. 3, c. 2

Sharpe's Rifles for Georgia.—The Hartford Times, of the 19th ult., says the steamer City of Hartford takes, this afternoon, as freight, one hundred and eighty cases of Sharpe's patent carbines, containing ten pieces each, amounting to arms for one thousand eight hundred men, and forty cases of conical balls, containing each one thousand bullets. These are ordered by the State of Georgia, to be delivered at Savannah, and are only the first shipment of an extensive order.

THE RANCHERO [Corpus Christi, TX], December 8, 1860, p. 3, c. 1

HURRAH FOR THE GIRLS.—The young ladies of Baylor University, at Independence, have made, and with their own hands hoisted the Lone Star from the cupola of the University building. God bless these noble daughters of Texas; their deeds shall live after them, in the hearts of those to come after us.--*Belton Democrat.*

AUSTIN STATE GAZETTE, December 29, 1860, p. 1, c. 8

Beef Packing.—The establishment for packing beef, on Dickinson's Bayou, in Galveston county, is now ready to begin operations. We understand that several hundred beeves are already on the ground, and all the machinery is in readiness for a heavy business.—*Civilian.*

THE RANCHERO [Corpus Christi, TX], December 8, 1860, p. 3, c. 1

Ladies Fair.—It affords us pleasure to comply with the request of our lady friends to publish a notice, headed a shown, to be seen in another column. Here is an opportunity to expend a pittance of money in a cause praiseworthy and dear to us all, for which expenditure we will obtain admittance to choice table comforts and an intellectual banquet. This will be an occasion at which the young and the old will be equal participants; and, the beauty of it is, that neither will have to incur the expense of a prescription from a corn doctor afterwards.

HARRISON FLAG [MARSHALL, TX], December 8, 1860, p. 2, c. 1

Panic.—The money panic is alarming—banks, north and south, are reported as suspended. We are sorry that, for the want of space, we cannot give the readers the benefit of numerous extracts on the subject.

HARRISON FLAG [MARSHALL, TX], December 8, 1860, p. 2, c. 1

We are favored with a visit at our office by Mr. Douglas, associate editor of the Tyler Reporter, on Thursday last, on his return from a tour, taking New Orleans in his route. He sports the cockade, thought to be an ultra secession insignia but notwithstanding, he supports quite conservative in conversation on the ongoing question—advises deliberation.

HARRISON FLAG [MARSHALL, TX], December 8, 1860, p. 2, c. 1

Gallant Horses.—The Jefferson Herald and Gazette speaks as follows in reference to the late races near that place:

"The late races over the Jefferson course have passed off smoothly to the entire satisfaction and edification of all present. A great many ladies graced the track with their smiles and beauty, which seemed to encourage the fleetfooted steed, and bear him on like the winds of a stormy March."

Is the editor certain which accelerated the movements of the horses the most, the smiles of the ladies or the attachments to the heels of the riders?

HARRISON FLAG [MARSHALL, TX], December 8, 1860, p. 2, c. 6

The Memphis Appeal, referring to the organization of Minute men in that place says, after giving their objects as the editor understand them:

Under these circumstances we would feel ourselves recreant to duty, and disloyal to the country under which we live, did we fail to raise our voice against this *treasonable* move.

HARRISON FLAG [MARSHALL, TX], December 8, 1860, p. 2, c. 6

Gabel's Brewery, Table Beer, Ale and Brewer's Yeast.

Manufactured at the Houston Brewery, and for sale by the subscriber. Beer and Ale in whole, $\frac{3}{4}$ and $\frac{1}{4}$ barrels, for larger family use, and the best Brewer's Yeast always on hand.

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Peter Gabel.

HOUSTON] TRI-WEEKLY TELEGRAPH, December 20, 1860, p. 1, c. 3

The Lone Star Flag

Messrs. Editors:--In your Almanac for 1861, is an article on the subject of the "Flag of the Lone Star." The following facts may be worthy of note. Early in April 1836, Commodore Hawkins, the senior officer of the Navy of Texas, made an official visit to Harrisburg, then the seat of government of the infant Republic. He submitted to the President a flag for the marine of Texas, which was adopted without alteration.

This led to a discussion by the President and Cabinet, of the propriety of adopting a suitable national banner. The idea of the "Lone Star" was not new. Where it originated was among the legends of the past.

The Vice-President, Zavala, submitted a device, representing the hill country of Texas, at the staff, with the several principal streams of water flowing from their fountains to the Gulf, a resemblance of which formed the centre margin of the flag.

President Burnet objected to this as too complex; and suggested as more simple, conspicuous and representative. "An azure ground with a golden star central." It was simple expressive and easily discriminated; and was formally adopted by the government as the national standard of Texas.

The hurry and confusion of the times—the want of means of publication, and the impossibility of procuring this Flag's fabrication, prevented its practical introduction. But there are not sufficient considerations why it should not be regarded as the legitimate National Flag of Texas.

One Who Was Present.

BELLVILLE [TX] COUNTRYMAN, December 12, 1860, p. 2, c. 2-3

Ladies' Fair.

The first Annual Fair of the Presbyterian Benevolent Society will be held in Marshall, on Thursday the 26th inst., at which time an elegant Supper will be furnished and a large and fine assortment of Fancy Articles exhibited.

HARRISON FLAG [MARSHALL, TX], December 8, 1860, p. 3, c. 3

So many "Lone Stars" were never before seen in this city—not even in the days of the Republic—as have made their appearance within the past week. [rest illegible, but the article was originally probably in a Galveston newspaper]

DALLAS HERALD, December 12, 1860, p. 1, c. 3

Texas for Secession.—From our Texas exchanges we learn that the Lone Star flag of the Republic floats in majestic splendor from housetop and from steeple, in almost every principal town and city n that State. This can be indicative of but one thing, and that is secession. . . —Turner's Southern Star.

DALLAS HERALD, December 12, 1860, p. 1, c. 4

**Louis Pless,
Cotton, Wool and Hide Buyer,
and
General Commission Merchant.
Houston, Texas.**

Office and Warehouse in New Brick Building
Commerce Street, opposite T. M. Bagby's.
All orders promptly responded to when accompanied
by cash or produce.

[HOUSTON] TRI-WEEKLY TELEGRAPH, December 20, 1860, p. 1, c. 3

Liquorice.—Mr. Poinsard has left with us a bundle of roots of this plant, which he has introduced from France. Of all the plants imported, one alone survived, so luxuriant was its growth, that it radiates, notwithstanding the drouth, covering the ground for a circumference of fifteen feet, proving that irrigation is not necessary to its successful growth.

Indeed so eminently successful has Mr. Poinsard been, both in relation to its acclimature and culture, that he looks forward to the liquorice root becoming speedily as much an article of export from Western Texas, as Ginseng is from Minnesota.—San Antonio Ledger.

HARRISON FLAG [MARSHALL, TX], December 15, 1860, p. 1, c. 4

We are informed by a gentleman just from Fort Worth, that the disunionists of Tarrant county undertook to raise the Lone Star on Monday last. They had a flag made, had hoisted it a few times to see how it would look but when the citizens heard the question of disunion discussed and the vote was taken they could not [illegible] large majority being in favor of the Union. The meeting was adjourned to another day—McKinney Messenger.

HARRISON FLAG [MARSHALL, TX], December 15, 1860, p. 1, c. 4

The McKinney Messenger in remarking of Long John Wentworth's defiant article published in the Chicago Democrat, over which he presides, and over which so much fuss has been made and elsewhere, it says:

A strong secession document, truly, if the people of Texas were as silly as the little boy, who, returning home very wet one cold day, was asked by his mother—"O, my dear, how came you so wet?"—"Why ma, one of the boys said I daren't jump into the mill point, and by jingoes, I tell you, I ain't to be dared!"

HARRISON FLAG [MARSHALL, TX], December 15, 1860, p. 1, c. 7

From the New Orleans Delta. Letters from Jackson, Mississippi.

Jackson, Miss., Nov. 26, 1860.

The capital of Mississippi is at present all alive with excitement, and densely crowded with people, who have been drawn to it by the deeply absorbing nature of the occasion of the assemblage of the Legislature in extraordinary session. . . The people here, young and old, wear the blue cockade, the principal, if not the only, exceptions to the rule being those who are too well known for their ultra Southernism to need such symbols of their faith.

Among the blue cockades I observe not a few quite elderly persons. Prominent among them is the veteran Col. Archer, of Claiborne, who declares that since the death of Senator Tazewell, of Virginia, he has become the oldest disunionist in the United States. . . .

[MARSHALL] TEXAS REPUBLICAN, December 15, 1860, p. 1, c. 6

An enthusiastic meeting was held recently at Belleville. The secession spirit was strongly in the ascendant—so says the Countryman.

The ladies of Marshall are soon to hold a fair, to raise money for charitable purposes.

[HOUSTON] TRI-WEEKLY TELEGRAPH, December 20, 1860, p. 2, c. 1

We would invite attention to the advertisement of a 'Grand Concert' by the Ladies of the Benevolent Society.

HARRISON FLAG [MARSHALL, TX], December 15, 1860, p. 2, c. 1

Judge Watrous Again, and His Impeachment.

We think that the people of Texas have much cause of complaint against the Government of the United States for its delay in bringing to trial this notorious judicial offender. For more than ten years, the press, the Legislature, and the people of Texas, have endeavored, in vain, to bring Judge Watrous to a trial at the bar of the Senate of the United States for the crimes, the corruptions, of which he stands charged. thus far he and his confederates have baffled every effort to procure even a hearing of the complaints of our Legislature and our people before the Senate. Can it be said that our State has in this particular been treated with decent consideration by Congress? Let us suppose that the Legislature and the united voice of the people of New York, for example, had preferred the same charges of corruption against a Federal Judge of that State, who can believe that he would not have been brought to trial long ago? The theory of our Government is that the States have equal rights but we may ask is that the *practice*? The character of the charges are such as would naturally make Congress solicitous to have the matter finally determined. It has been charged that Judge Watrous has been secretly engaged with non-residents "in speculating in numerous tracts of land within his judicial district, the titles to which he knew were in dispute, and where litigation was inevitable."

Second: That he prostituted his own Court to aid himself and his partners in this unprincipled speculation.

Third: "That he sat as Judge in the trial of cases where he was personally interested in the questions involved," and that he participated in the improper procurement of testimony to advance his own and partners' interests, and that this was all done to despoil many of our citizens of their homes.

Fourth: That Judge Watrous has sought to establish the fraudulent land certificates, and so rob the State of twenty-four million of acres of her public domain, when he knows that these certificates were based conclusively upon fraud, forgery and perjury, and that he prostituted his own Court for their establishment.

5th. That he has been engaged in buying and selling these fraudulent land certificates whereby he became liable, under our law, to the ignominious punishment of thirty-nine lashes on the bare back. That by false statements, he procured a Grand Jury of his own court to sign and publish a report, to the effect that he was innocent of this charge; when there has since been discovered what is deemed the most conclusive record evidence of his guilt. It has been strongly insinuated that Judge Watrous and a former officer or receiver of his court, have divided up a large fund that was in litigation in his court and that the United States District Attorney has, term after term, vainly endeavored to procure from Judge Watrous an order to compel this defaulter to pay over the fund or any part thereof. Many confidently predict that Judge Watrous *will never make the order*. It remains to be seen whether he will try the motion made by the District Attorney at this or at any future term.

It would seem to us that a Judge who was innocent of these damning charges, would himself demand a trial. By using their efforts to defeat one, do not he and his friends, (or those who are charged with

being his confederates,) go very far towards an acknowledgement of this guilt? While such charges are pending, who but John Charles Watrous would ascend the bench to try causes between honest men? What other people would have borne with him so long as have the patient and law abiding people of Texas? But forbearance on their part may cease to be a virtue; particularly when it is remembered that he had the insolence to say in his answer before Congress, that our only cause of complaint was, that he was a Judge too honest for the people of Texas. What matter has ever been before Congress which was of more importance than that of keeping pure the judicial ermine? What has been more neglected? But it is a consolation to know that Texas will shortly be delivered from this judicial monster.

What with the treatment of our petitions for frontier defence; the treatment of our petitions for the trial of Judge Watrous; the wrongs done us by anti-slavery raiders; the total neglect of the coast defences of this State; the abuse heaped upon us by northern agitators, is it any wonder that the people of Texas are dissatisfied with their connection with the United States, and are willing to untie under the old flag of independence again?

[HOUSTON] TRI-WEEKLY TELEGRAPH, December 20, 1860, p. 2, c. 2

Handsome Women. To the Ladies.

Hunt's "Bloom of Roses," [illegible]ch and delicate colour for the cheeks and lips, WILL NOT WASH OR RUB OFF, and when once applied remains durable for years, mailed free in bottles for \$1 00.

Hunt's "Court toilet Powder," imparts a dazzling whiteness to the complexion, and is unlike anything else used for this purpose, mailed free for 50 cts.

Hunt's "British Balm," removes tan, freckles, sunburn and all eruptions of the skin, mailed free for 50 cts.

Hunt's "Imperial Pomade," for the hair, strengthens and improves its growth, keeps it from falling off and warranted TO MAKE THE HAIR CURL, mailed free for \$1 00.

Hunt's "Pearl Beautifier," for the teeth and gums, cleanses and whitens the teeth, hardens the gums, purifies the breath effectually. PRESERVES THE TEETH AND PREVENTS TOOTH-ACHE, mailed free for \$1 00.

Hunt's "Bridal Wreath Perfume," a double extract of orange blossoms and cologne, mailed free for \$1 00.

This exquisite perfume was first used by the Princess Royal of England, on her marriage. Messrs. Hunt & Co., presented the Princess with an elegant case of Perfumery, (in which all the above articles were included,) in handsome cut glass with gold stoppers, valued at \$1500, particulars of which appeared in the public prints. All the above articles sent FREE by express for \$5 00. Cash can either accompany the order or be paid to the express agents on delivery of goods. Hunt & Co., Perfumers to the Queen, Regent Street, London, & 707 Sansom Street, Philadelphia.

[HOUSTON] TRI-WEEKLY TELEGRAPH, December 20, 1860, p. 3, c. 8

A correspondent of the Huntsville Item has been seeing sights at the parade of some secret organization. His description of what he saw is graphically indistinct, and it is not altogether certain that his glasses materially aided his wandering eyes as visuals.

We learn from the Gonzales Enquirer that mass meetings of influential citizens have been held at Hopkinsville and Thompsonville, recently, and that each unanimously passed resolutions scouting at the idea of submitting to Black Republican domination.

Grand times were anticipated at the military meeting at Salado, Bell county, on 15th inst. A company was to go from Belton accompanied by fifteen young ladies, on horseback, each bearing a flag with the name of a Southern State. Of course, all went merry as a marriage bell.

A large and enthusiastic meeting of the Lone Star Club, of Fort Bend county was held at Richmond recently. The minute men of that county are organizing as mounted riflemen, and are rapidly preparing to do good service in the cause of the South.

The Dallas Herald says that heavy rains have recently fallen in that neighborhood. A large, enthusiastic and very harmonious meeting of the citizens of Dallas county was held at the Court House on the 1st inst. It was unanimously resolved, that "the people of Dallas county will not submit to an administration of the government by Abraham Lincoln, and we (the citizens of Dallas county) call upon our State to declare its independence, and prepare to defend the liberties of its people, and further, that Abraham Lincoln is a fit President for a community of negroes or their equals, but can never preside over freemen, the descendants of those who burst the bonds of British tyranny and gave freedom to a world."

The Herald will please accept our thanks for its kind notice of our traveling Agent, B. F. Davis, Esq., and of the Telegraph. Our readers are already aware of the high estimation in which we hold the Herald, and therefore we need not reiterate its merits. The Herald recommends the citizens of Dallas to arm, in order to give Montgomery, the Kansas robber and ruffian, a proper reception should he have the temerity to cross the borders of Texas.—Montgomery couldn't possibly come to a better place to obtain his deserts—short shrift and a strong rope—than Texas.

We learn from the Messenger that a splendid company of minute men, numbering over fifty members of the right kind of men, has been organized at Goliad.

Alex. M. Reaves, an estimable young man of Tyler, was shot dead while out pigeon shooting, by the accidental discharge of his gun.

The Sentinel carries at its mast-head a five-pointed star, with the words: "The Lone Star—she will never submit to Black Republican rule." The Tyler Reporter has hoisted a "Lone Star," with the words: "May it never grow dim." The Reporter says that two military companies, one cavalry and the other infantry, are being organized at that place.

The meeting of the people of Milam county, opposed to submission to Black Republicanism, held at Cameron on the 5th inst., was largely attended, and was very decided in its expression of feeling.

The Kaufman Democrat has also hoisted the "Lone Star," with the sentiment "May it never submit to Tyranny." The Democrat men do themselves proud by the republication of over a column of complimentary notices from their cotemporaries of the Texian Press.

[HOUSTON] TRI-WEEKLY TELEGRAPH, December 20, 1860, p. 2, c. 3

The Verandah Hotel is a new brick edifice recently opened in Shreveport La., and is entitled to rank as a first class house in all the region of country North and West after leaving New Orleans. Its table is supplied with the very best that the market affords and that very best is properly prepared.

The landlord, Capt. S. P. Day, is an old caterer, of portly commanding figure, of open countenance, such as tells his guests, "you are at home," without the trouble of repeating it. Mr. Isaac C. Henley, in the office, is a courteous gentleman and seems to take pleasure in having every necessary order of the guest promptly attended to.

This house is every way worthy of patronage, and we take pleasure in noticing it an asking its patronage by our Texas friends. Refer to advertisement.

HARRISON FLAG [MARSHALL, TX], December 15, 1860, p. 2, c. 1

A gentleman remarked a few days ago, in Marshall to a crowd, that this thing of separate State secession, by which the seceding State surrenders her interests in the Army, the Navy, the Treasury and all other rights she has in the sisterhood of States, reminded him of a man well armed meeting a violent personal enemy to whom he hands his double barreled shot gun, revolver and Bowie knife, then pulls of his coat and tells his enemy that he intends to thrash him on the spot.

HARRISON FLAG [MARSHALL, TX], December 15, 1860, p. 2, c. 4

Le Mat's Grape Shot Revolver.—We had an opportunity yesterday of examining the most effective weapon in the shape of a pistol we have yet seen. It is an invention of Le Mat, of Louisiana, and has received the emphatic approval of General Scott, the Secretary of War, and a board of Army officers appointed to test the merits of new inventions in arms. It is about the size and weight of Colt's Army Revolver, upon which it is modeled, all the advantages of which it embraces, but has several more chambers, and a centre barrel upon which the others revolve, which (centre barrel) carries a heavy minie ball, or a cartridge of fifteen buckshot. All of these are discharged by one hammer and trigger, and together deliver ten shots. There is also an extra set of chambers, easily attached, which increase the discharge to nineteen. The weapon is loaded and handled in the same manner as the Army Revolver, and carries the same distance. The pistol is handsomely finished, and can be sold for \$30. The presence of so many military gentlemen in the city, the condition of the country, and the purpose of Virginia to embark in the manufacture of arms, render the visit of Col. Le Mat to our City very opportune, and we commend him to the courtesy of those whose position particularly demands that they should be looking to the defences of the State.—Richmond Whig.

HARRISON FLAG [MARSHALL, TX], December 15, 1860, p. 3, c. 1

Crane's Patent Burial Casket!

The undersigned has, and will continue to keep on hand all sizes, and will be ready at all hours to go with and seal them up perfectly air-tight. The Casket is the most chaste and elegant Burial Case in use. They are padded, lined inside with satin, and furnished with a

Fine French Plate Glass!

which extends the full length of the Casket, giving a full and perfect view of the quiet sleeper within.

They are Well Adapted to Tombs, Vaults, &C.,

as well as the best ever offered to the public for transportation.

We can be found on corner of Milam & Franklin Streets, north-east of the Kelly House, in J. F. Cruger's building, sign of the Burial Casket.

All orders will be addressed to J. F. Cruger, Houston.

M. A. Graves

by L. C. Graves, Agent.

[HOUSTON] TRI-WEEKLY TELEGRAPH, December 20, 1860, p. 1, c. 2

Theatre.—La Senorita Maria.—The largest and most fashionable audience of the season assembled at the Theatre to witness the so highly praised performances of little Maria, the Spanish dancing prodigy. From the notices of the Galveston and New Orleans press we were prepared to expect something more than ordinarily good, but confess to have been surprised to see a beautiful little fairy, lithe, elegant and accurate in every step, self-possessed and fascinating, even as a child. Of course, she was compelled to repeat every performance so enthusiastic was the applause and so imperative the encores of the audience.—The number of ladies in attendance must have been truly gratifying to the worthy manager, who has labored so earnestly to make his theatre a place of fashionable resort. To-night La Senorita Maria will appear in favorite Spanish dances, one La Tarantula, in which she is said to excel, was the favorite and most attractive of Lola Montez, when she starred the States a few years ago.

[HOUSTON] TRI-WEEKLY TELEGRAPH, December 20, 1860, p. 2, c. 1

Frontier Aid.

In response to the call for aid to the Frontier, the committee have had forwarded to Weatherford, *via* Navasota and Dallas, addressed to Messrs. J. M. Lucky, A. J. Ball, and Robert Carson, who are the Committee of Supplies selected at the mass meeting at Weatherford, 6th inst.:

14 revolvers, 10,000 caps; 1 doz. holsters and belts; 1 doz. powder flasks; 575 lbs. lead; 10 kegs powder; 6 half kegs powder; 289 lbs. bacon.

It is confidently expected that all who desire to aid their distressed countrymen, women and children, will speedily do so by calling on some one of the committee and handing in their mite.

C. S. Longcope,

Secretary and Treasurer of Committee,
ity of Houston.

[HOUSTON] TRI-WEEKLY TELEGRAPH, December 20, 1860, p. 2, c. 1

The Lone Star flag was raised, with appropriate ceremonies, at Crockett on the 8th inst. Speeches were made, and an ode, composed for the occasion by Jas. A. Beveridge, Esq., editor, *pro tem.*, of the Printer, was set to music and performed by Prof. Hicks and an excellent amateur band.

The East Texas Times devotes considerable more space to Amthor vs. Evans, than they deserve. The sooner such men are run out of Texas, or otherwise more summarily disposed of the better for the State and its citizens.

[HOUSTON] TRI-WEEKLY TELEGRAPH, December 20, 1860, p. 2, c. 2

Letter from up the Hudson.

From our special correspondent.

Riverside N.Y., November 24th, '60.

... There seems a general disposition on the part of the ladies to economize—less than the usual extravagance in dress. Bonnets are made mostly of silk and velvet together, quite large, and, as in the early fall, projecting in front; cloaks are worn large—some with plaits to the waist, and a small cape, some fitting the figure in front and loose behind, others the reverse.

Nets for the hair are now confined to home wear, while wreaths or half wreaths are worn with evening dresses. In one of my letters, the fashionable color which I had described as "*mauve*" was printed *moir*, and the error resulting from illegible writing is mentioned, lest my authority in these important matters shall be doubted.

Lucy.

[HOUSTON] TRI-WEEKLY TELEGRAPH, December 20, 1860, p. 3, c. 1

Pianos, Melodeons, Sheet Music, Music Books, &c

For Sale By

Miss K. Payne,

At her residence, Milam Street,

Articles of best quality and on reasonable terms.

[HOUSTON] TRI-WEEKLY TELEGRAPH, December 20, 1860, p. 3, c. 3

Come at Last!

W. H. [illegible], arrived and taken rooms over Wilson, Sims & Co.'s., where he would be pleased to see his old friends, and the citizens of Red River County generally.

He is now better prepared than ever to furnish first-class pictures of the various kinds, including the Ambrotype, Melainotype, on sheet iron, and Velvotype on purple glass.

Watches, Clocks and Jewelry promptly repaired in a workmanlike manner.

Also, a select assortment of Watches, Jewelry and plated goods, on exhibition and for sale: every article warranted exactly as represented.

All are cordially invited to call, and examine specimens, whether in want of pictures or not.

Clarksville, Nov. 30th, 1860. no. 46—tf

STANDARD [CLARKSVILLE, TX], December 22, 1860, p. 3, c. 1

A silver star worn on the hat may now be seen in great numbers on the streets of Kaufman. Let them shine on, gentlemen, brighter and brighter unto the perfect day.

DALLAS HERALD, December 26, 1860, p. 1, c. 3

**A Whitaker & Co.,
Wool Factors,
and
Commission Merchants,
And Dealers in
Hides, Pecans,
And All Descriptions of
Texas Produce,**

A. Whitaker, }
R. Whitaker, }
Houston, Texas. C. Whitaker, }
[HOUSTON] TRI-WEEKLY TELEGRAPH, December 20, 1860, p. 1, c. 2

Bastrop Military Institute.

Course of Study Collegiate, and unusually full.
Instruction thorough. Discipline strict.
Eighth Semi-Annual term commences on 21st January.
Institute charge for Board and Tuition \$115, to be paid or satisfactorily arranged at the time of entering and never refunded except in case of casualty or prolonged sickness.
Address at Bastrop, Texas. R. T. P. Allen,
Superintendent.
[HOUSTON] TRI-WEEKLY TELEGRAPH, December 20, 1860, p. 2, c. 7

**Christmas Tree
Music!
And Supper.**

The Ladies of the Episcopal Church, will give an entertainment at the Academy, on Christmas Eve, to which all are invited.
Admission.....\$1 00
Children half price.
Doors open at 7 o'clock.
Tickets may be had at J. H. Evans, Darling & Merriman's, or at the door.
[HOUSTON] TRI-WEEKLY TELEGRAPH, December 20, 1860, p. 2, c. 7

The Feeling in South Carolina.

The following letter from a lady, published in the Charleston Mercury, exhibits the determined feeling in South Carolina in favor of secession, In your paper of yesterday you paid an eloquent, and I would fain believe, a deserved tribute to the patriotic devotion of women.

At this period, our sex at the South have grave duties to perform. We should animate our husbands and sons, strengthen them for the great conflict that is at hand, by every means in our power. Let us, women of Carolina, prove that the same noble spirit which incited the matrons and maidens of '76, is alive and glowing in the spirits of their descendants. I am myself a widowed mother, but I have said to my three sons, that if any one of them should be craven enough to desert their State now, to temporize in her councils, or be backward if her honor should call them to the field—let him never look upon my face again! In the thrilling words of Volumnia to the wife of Coriolanus, "Here me profess sincerity. Had I a dozen sons—each in my love alike, and none less dear than thine, and my good Marcius—I had rather have eleven die nobly for his country, than one voluptuously out of action."

A Carolina Mother.

I think I have done all that I can, in writing, to prove to you that the people of South Carolina are in earnest in this secession movement. Do not accuse me of being prolix, if I am compelled to reiterate this statement. For what with the flaming, exaggerated, and, in some cases, false accounts, published in the New York Herald on the one hand, and the deprecating sneers of the Opposition journals on the other, the people of the North have to-day about as accurate a notion of the state of mind of the inhabitants of interior Senegambia, as they have of the popular feeling in South Carolina and the adjacent States.

[MARSHALL] TEXAS REPUBLICAN, December 22, 1860, p. 2, c. 6

**J. H. Dance & Bro.,
Patent Portable
Corn and Flouring
Mills!**

Patented May 29th, 1860.

Manufactured in Columbia, Brazoria Co., Texas
For all infringements, the maker or purchaser will be held responsible'

Prices & Capacity---Horse Power	
18 Inch German Stone, capacity 5 bus. [? per] hour	price \$120
20 " " " " 6 " "	" \$125
22 " " " " 7 " "	" \$135
24 " " " " 10 " "	" \$150

For Steam or Water Power.

30 Inch German Stone, capacity 20 to 30 bushels per hour, width of band 12 inches, price \$250
36 Inch German Stone, capacity 50 to 60 bushels per hour, width of band 15 inches, price \$300

For Grinding Wheat,

30 Inch French Burr, width of band 12 inch, price \$325
36 " " " " " 15 " " \$40

All orders sent to our address, or to our Agent in Houston and Galveston will meet with prompt attention.

Terms Cash, or undoubted Acceptance, and all Mills Fully Warranted.

For further particulars send for a Circular

Agents,
Houston—Wm. Brady & Co.
J. H. Dance & Bro.,
Columbia, Brazoria Co.

These Mills will remain on exhibition at the offices of our Agents, where persons desiring to see them are invited to call.

[HOUSTON] TRI-WEEKLY TELEGRAPH, December 20, 1860, p. 1, c. 5

Calico by the Million.—The Merrimack Manufacturing Company have made and printed into calico about 11,000,000 yards of cloth, consuming 2,375,838 pounds of cotton during the last six months.

THE RANCHERO [Corpus Christi, TX], December 29, 1860, p. 3, c. 1

From a Texas Lady.

EDITOR GAZETTE:--I love Texas--it is my home; I love her breezes, I love her flowers, I love her people. When I look back to the time when Texas was young, and remember the "days that tried men's souls," I can fully realize the agony she felt, when, straggling with a sparse and scattered population, to throw off the yoke that bound her. At one time I felt hard that the old Texans should discriminate between those that adopted her soil as their own, in favor of her own honored land. I thought she should have welcomed us with open hands and open hearts, since we had come to her, to make their homes our homes, their land our land, their people our people; and if good or evil came upon us, we would share their woes in common. But when I learned their history, and found the dark and stormy times that did surround them in their troubles, when I learned, as one man they stood together, and battled against a powerful foe, and learned that side by side, they laid together, upon the tented field, looking calmly and firmly, when the nightshades came upon them--at the stars, that shone in the Heavens, and felt that He smiled upon them through those little windows, my heart was with them.

I can now fully excuse all that I once thought unkind, when I read of their trials and sufferings, and now know, how each heart answered to another, and how each strong arm was nerved to defend one another, the [illegible] comforts that surrounded them, were shared mutually. Knowing all this, how can I think that there is a single Texian now living who feels the patriotism, that then throbbd in his bosom, but will come now to the rescue. You were once in trouble, stout hearts, and strong arms came to your support, and will you turn over into the hands of northern fanatics--a blind and bigoted people--this fair land. Never! never! The scenes you once witnessed, the troubles you once felt, lead you to cry for freedom without control. The Lone Star banner that once floated above you, flung out its beams, which reached the hearts of your kindred in other lands, must again flutter in the breeze, and receive the adulation, that I know rests, but does not sleep, in your warm, patriotic hearts. I am but a woman, yet shall I not love my country, and love my home. A woman loves her household gods as warmly as men. She loves those that are ready to stand by her, ready and willing to protect her. I do not wish to create in your minds any foolish fear. I only wish to say, be prepared for any emergency. Look for a moment at the spectacle now presented us from our bleeding frontier. Do you think that the depredations there committed are only the offspring of the fiendish Indians that swarm upon our borders. Do you think there is no incentive beyond their hope of livelihood which prompts them to these deeds of darkness. Do you think that the incendiary's torch, kindled in our towns, villages and country homes, are purely accidental. Singular it is that all should have occurred within a few months. I would ask the most conservative, the most Union-loving man: "Stop and ponder upon these events; go and tell your wife and little ones that look to you for protection, help, and sustenance, and say it is all an idle speculation," and answer in your conscience to your God. I know that there are yet men enough, and true enough, to look upon these things as they really exist.

VOLUMNIA.

Austin, Dec. 16.

AUSTIN STATE GAZETTE, December 29, 1860, p. 1, c. 8

The Serenade

On last Wednesday night, we witnessed the largest and most magnificent demonstration of the kind which we have ever seen.--the services of a fine band of music had been previously secured. The procession was formed on the Avenue, under the Chief Marshal and his associates, elegantly uniformed with scarfs [sic] and lone star badges. It comprised a large portion of our most substantial citizens, who expressed the utmost enthusiasm for the ensign of the Republic, and for Southern Independence. The band moved forward in a chariot drawn by four horses gayly [sic] decorated. Many Lone Star banners fluttered, torches gleamed and the transparencies shone brilliantly.

The vast crowd marched first to Judge Wheeler's lodgings, who responded to the loud calls for him, in a calm, deliberate and powerful speech, which stirred to their depths the hearts of the People. We give a sketch of his remarks in another column.

The gallant Capt. Darnell, was also visited. The response of this brave and intelligent patriot was admirable.

Gen. Thos. J. Chambers, was also serenaded, and responded in a noble effort worthy of his high reputation.

Col. Claiborne, and other gentlemen were called upon, but as we did not continue with the procession, we can give no further details. All the speeches we learn, advocated resistance.

AUSTIN STATE GAZETTE, December 22, 1860, p. 2, c. 1

Kaufman County.—A large and enthusiastic Union meeting was held in this county a few days ago. A splendid Flag containing the Stars and Stripes was presented in an elegant manner, on behalf of the ladies, by Miss [illegible], and accepted by Judge B. A. Reese in behalf of the citizens of the county.—The Judge said that he was in favor of a Southern Convention of delegates, for the purpose of tendering to the North the ultimatum our present position demands, in order to secure peace and harmony in the Union.

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HARRISON FLAG [MARSHALL, TX], December 23, 1860, p. 2, c. 3

The Tyler Reporter has the Lone Star at its mast-head. Motto, "The Lone Star of Texas, may it never grow dim."

The Lone Star Flag that was raised at Houston on Friday was in the thickest of the fight at San Jacinto.—Galv. News.

The State Rights Sentinel gives a long list of counties that have taken prompt action in the secession movement. A hundred others could be added to the list. The Sentinel has the Lone Star at its mast-head, with the appropriate motto, "She will never submit to Black Republican rule." [note—the Sentinel was published in Tyler]

DALLAS HERALD, December 26, 1860, p. 1, c. 3

At Cahill's store you can find every style of toys for children. Now is the time to make such presents.

THE RANCHERO [Corpus Christi, TX], December 29, 1860, p. 2, c. 1

Christmas!

Once more we are in the midst of Christmas festivities—once more we hear the ringing notes of happiness from girls and boys—once more we hear the kindly greetings of friends and see their joyous faces radiant with hope and joy, and hear on all sides, from old and young, that sound so welcome to our hearts, "A merry Christmas." The Yule-log burns brightly on every hearth—the Christmas dinner, so carefully prepared by the "gude woman," smokes on every table and all hearts are ready and willing to be happy. Our annual and time-honored holiday comes upon us at this time amidst scenes of national gloom and disquietude,—amidst scenes of unusual interest, and in times that are well calculated to try men's souls. But notwithstanding the alarm that pervades the entire country, we are glad to see that we are not cast down, nor our souls disquieted within us. Altho' a nation is about to absolve itself from its allegiance to a government that might be used to oppress us, as a people we should rejoice that our independence will be achieved before the bonds are placed upon us, and that we are not called upon to carol our Christmas lays nor to sing our joyful songs in a strange land, nor to sit down by the waters of Babylon and weep when we remember our country; nor to hang our harps upon the willows like the captive daughters of Israel.

We have much for which to be grateful during the last year, and especially for that inestimable blessing, a love of Independence and hatred to oppression. The recurrence of Christmas at this crisis seems to be symbolical of the birth of a New and Great People, as it is the anniversary of the birth of the Savior of mankind. We trust that we may, as a people, be a light, a bright and shining light to the nations of the earth, as the home of Liberty, Science and Christianity. We say then, let not this glorious festival pass by unheeded, nor let the prayers of Patriots and Christians for our country's good, be silenced on our altars. Let the hearts of our people send up an incense, as acceptable in its purity and sincerity as are the swelling anthems that to-day peal from the proudest sanctuaries in all christendom. We are reminded, in our hours of ease of happiness,—in the festive hall and solemn church, in prayer and thanksgiving, in joy and sorrow, that the Supreme Ruler of the Universe, directs the ways and destinies of men as well as of nations, and that God, in his Goodness, has spared us another year and permitted us to enjoy the innocent pleasures of another Christmas.

To our readers and patrons, our friends and neighbors, we wish a happy Christmas, and that their lives may be indefinitely prolonged to enjoy unnumbered Christmas dinners and countless bowls of Egg Nogg. [sic]

DALLAS HERALD, December 26, 1860, p. 2, c. 2

Rusk House,

By Mrs. C. Hulbud,
At the Old Stand,

Corner Franklin and Travis Streets,
Houston, Texas.

[HOUSTON] TRI-WEEKLY TELEGRAPH, December 20, 1860, p. 4, c. 7

Encourage Home Manufacture Houston Soap Factory!

Near M. Flock's Brewery, are Manufacturing a superior quality of No. 1 Soap and equal to any manufactured at the North, and sell at the same prices:

No. 1 at.....5 cts.

No. 2 at.....4 cts.

Delivered at any part of the city free of charge. All Fancy Soaps made to order.

All orders left or addressed to McLelland & Co., Druggists, Hutchins new building, will be promptly attended to.

Beaumont & Co.

[HOUSTON] TRI-WEEKLY TELEGRAPH, December 20, 1860, p. 3, c. 3

Arab Cloaks & Jeddo Wrappers!

Also, a large stock of Velvet Cloaks, just received at the Green Store, by

Wm. Clark.

[HOUSTON] TRI-WEEKLY TELEGRAPH, December 20, 1860, p. 3, c. 6

To the Ladies!

New and Fashionable Fall Goods.

Misses E. & S. Behrman,

Invite the attention of their patrons generally, to their beautiful and fashionable assortment of Bonnets, Ribbons, Flowers, Feathers, Rushes, Laces, Head Dresses, Hoods, &c.

All orders from the country promptly attended to.

Store on Main Street, opposite the Old Capital, formerly occupied by Mrs. Nelis.

[HOUSTON] TRI-WEEKLY TELEGRAPH, December 20, 1860, p. 3, c. 5

Encourage Southern Manufactures!

Eliot's

Texas

Family Medicines.

Prepared by W. E. Eliot.

Houston, Texas.

Eliot's

Hygienic Panacia.

Anti-Bilious Pills.

Fever & Ague do.

Cough Mixture.

Diarrhea Do.

Healing Salve.

Pile Ointment.

Texas Vermifuge.

[HOUSTON] TRI-WEEKLY TELEGRAPH, December 20, 1860, p. 4, c. 5

Supper and Fair

On Friday Night, January 25th, 1861

In Freeman's Hall, Jefferson.

To aid in building the Baptist Meeting House. The articles for sale are useful as well as

Exceedingly Beautiful.

The Ladies have performed a great deal of labor to make the Fair attractive. Their taste will be displayed in furnishing a banquet for all who attend.

The Jefferson Brass Band will furnish their choice Music.

HARRISON FLAG [MARSHALL, TX], December 29, 1860, p. 1, c. 4

On Monday night the boys had a great time, shooting and firing off crackers. On Tuesday many of our business men found their signs gone, and different ones in their places. This is bad business, boys. We wish you would not do so. The editor, however returns his thanks to them for their regard in letting *his things* alone. The boys have always treated us well.
BELLVILLE [TX] COUNTRYMAN, December 26, 1860, p. 3, c. 1

The Very Best Thing of the Season.

Ladies and Gentlemen's buffalo over shoes, will keep the feet dry and warm, made of the Buffalo hide and far superior to the India rubber, just received and for sale by

Bradfield & Talley.
Nov. 3, 1860

[MARSHALL] TEXAS REPUBLICAN, December 29, 1860, p. 2, c. 5

Texas.—A correspondent of the Scientific American thus expresses his opinion of this State:

"Having completed my rapid survey of Texas, I suppose you would like to have the briefest possible statement of its prominent peculiarities. Texas is a great, beautiful, dry, windy, cotton, cattle, Methodist, live-oak State."

THE RANCHERO [Corpus Christi, TX], December 29, 1860, p. 2, c. 4

HANG THE BANNER UPON THE OUTER WALL!

On Saturday the 5th of January next, a Flag staff 130 feet high, will be erected in this city, upon Congress Avenue. The Banner will be 60 feet by 20. It is being made by the accomplished lady of Col. George W. White, and others. Our young friend A. T. Logan, has been especially active in preparing this magnificent tribute to the honor and independence of Texas.

AUSTIN STATE GAZETTE, December 29, 1860, p. 2, c. 1

Twenty Cashmere Goats For Sale.

Cashmere buck kids, grade 7 ½-16th. Price 20 dollars.

Persons desirous of purchasing will please call on B. M. Baldwin at his residence. Persons purchasing will be supplied each successive year with a higher grade buck at a moderate price. Call and see the goats.

R. R. Haynes,
Dec. 29th, 1860.

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Cakes for the Holidays.

A lady correspondent of the *American Agriculturist* gives the following receipts for making good cake for the holidays:

Welcome Cake.—Stir a cup and a half of sugar and half a cup of butter together, with three well beaten eggs. Sift a teaspoonful of cream of tartar, and half a teaspoonful of soda with three small cups of flour; this, with half a cup of milk, must be mixed with the above, and baked in a moderately quick oven. By adding raisins and currents, ½ lb. of each, a very good fruit cake may be made.

New Year's Cake.—1 cup of butter, 1 of sugar, 1 teaspoonful of cream of tartar, ½ teaspoonful of soda, and caraway seeds to the taste. Flour must be added till the dough is fit to roll—these require a quick oven.

Spice Cake.—1 cup of sugar, 2 of molasses, ½ cup butter, a teaspoonful of spice, and one of soda dissolved in a little milk; add flour till it is quite stiff; then roll thin and cut in cakes. Bake quick.

Wealthy Cake.—Take ½ pound of butter, ¾ pound of sugar, the same of flour, 4 eggs, 2 lb. of seeded raisins, 1 pound of currants, ¼ pound of citron, 1 gill of brandy. Spice well with nutmeg and ground cloves. Bake slowly three hours. This cake will keep six months. Icing for the cake: beat the white of two eggs to a froth, then stir in half a pound of powdered sugar. Flavor with a little essence of lemon, and spread on with a knife when the cake is cold.

DALLAS HERALD, December 26, 1860, p. 4, c. 1