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### Dr. CHAS. A. TURNER, DENTIST.

City and Tip-top.

All day long they come and go, City and Tip-top.

Dr. W. H. Wakefield, City and Tip-top.

Dr. Arthur E. Leebetter, City and Tip-top.

Take Notice.

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### Ben Thompson.

The most notable Englishman who ever came to Texas, was Ben Thompson. But he arrived there at so early an age and became so thoroughly Western in his mode of life that Texans claim him as their own. I imagine, however, he always retained some of the traditions of his birth place, as there is a story of his standing with his hat off to talk to an English nobleman when Thompson was the most feared and best known man in all Texas. The stories of his recklessness and ignorance of fear and utter disregard of the value of others lives, as well as his own are innumerable. A few of them are interesting and worth keeping, as they show the typical had man of the highest degree in his different humors, and also as I have not dared to say half as much about bad men as I should have liked to do. Thompson killed eighteen men in different parts of Texas and was for this made Marshal of Austin, on the principle that if he must kill somebody it was better to give him authority to kill other desperadoes than reputable citizens. As Marshal it was his pleasure to pull up his buggy across the railroad track just as the daily express train was about to start, and covering the engineer with his revolver, bid him hold the train until he was ready to move on. He would then call some trembling acquaintance from the crowd on the platform and talk with him, and until his thought he had sufficiently aired the engineer, and established his authority. Then he would pick up his reins and drive on, saying to the engineer, "You needn't think, sir, any corporation can hurt me." The position of the unfortunate man to whom he talked must have been most trying with a locomotive on one side and a revolver on the other.

One day a cow-boy who was a well-known bully and a would-be desperado, shot several bullet holes through the high hat of an eastern traveller, who was standing at the bar of an Austin hotel. Thompson heard of this, and purchasing a high hat, entered the bar. "I heard," he said, "facing the cow-boy, "that you are shooting plug hats here today; perhaps you would like to shoot at mine." He then raised his revolver and shot away the cow-boy's ear. "I meant to hit your ear; did I do it?" The bully showed pride that he had "got out of here," and catching the man by his cartridge-belt, and throwing him out into the street, so put an end to his reputation as a desperate character forever.

Thompson was naturally unpopular with a certain class in the community. Two bar-keepers who had a personal grudge against him, lay in ambush for him behind the top bars of the saloons, which straddled each other. Thompson entered the room from the street in ignorance of any plot against him until the two men halted him surely at their pleasure that he made no effort to reach his revolver, but stood looking from one to the other and smiling grimly. But his reputation was so great and their fear of him so actual, that both men missed him, although not twenty feet away, and with shot guns in their hands. Then Thompson took out his pistol deliberately and killed them.

A few years ago he became involved in San Antonio with "Jack" Harris, the keeper of a gambling house and variety theatre. Harris lay in wait for Thompson behind the swinging doors of his saloon; but Thompson, as he crossed the Military Plaza, was warned of his hiding place and shot him through the door. He was tried for the murder, and acquitted on the plea of self defense, and on his return to Austin was met at the station by a mob and all the first companies. Inspired by this, perhaps, he returned to San Antonio, and going to Harris' theatre, then in the hands of his partner, Joe Foster, called from the gallery. Foster for some time up and spoke to him. Thompson had with him a desperado named King Fisher, and against him every man in San Antonio, for Harris had been a very popular man. Foster sent his assistant, a very young man named Bill Sims, to ask Thompson to leave the place as he did not want trouble.

"I have come to have a reconciliation," said Thompson. "I want to shake hands with my old friend Joe Foster. Tell him I won't go till I see him, and I won't make a row."

Sims returned with Foster, and Thompson held out his hand, although he was afraid. "I have no doubt," said Foster, "that the Brooks lynched Mr. Cleveland, if nominated for the State committee. The only man who resigned from the organization to be less rather than support Mr. Cleveland, and you will find me on the stump when the ticket is named."

Thompson declared that "Tanny" Foster gave the exalted communitarian and honest support. If these men mean anything, what be- lieves in the assertion that Cleveland was a very worthy man? The only man who resigned from the organization to be less rather than support Mr. Cleveland, and as these men are, I will support Mr. Cleveland, and will give the independent vote to Cleveland for every New York.

Foster shook his head.

### Some of Our Candidates.

#### LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR.

Rufus A. Doughton, the nominee for Lieutenant Governor, was born in Allegheny county, January 10, 1854. He was raised on the farm, his father being a successful and influential farmer. In 1880 he took an optional course at the State University, and the same year obtained license to practice law. The following year he was elected superintendent of the public schools of Allegheny county, and later became chairman of the county board of education. In 1886 he was elected to the lower house of the Legislature and became a popular and useful member. He held positions on the judiciary and other committees. In 1888 he was re-nominated by acclamation and re-elected without opposition to the House, serving during the session of 1889-90.

#### SECRETARY OF STATE.

Thomas A. Edgerton received the distinguished honor of being nominated to this office by acclamation. The convention entertained no other thought or purpose; it came as the spontaneous expression of every man in the convention. It could not have been otherwise, for his trumpet voice had so often sounded in the cause of his party and his country, that his reverberations ring unawakened in potency in the ears of those he has long led or urged to victory. When the lamented Saunders passed away, it was eminently proper that the distinguished gentleman who then occupied the executive chair should call for his vacancy, one he had known long and well, the wisdom of whose counsel he had profited by, the value of whose advice he had recognized, the fullness of whose requirements he had learned to value. As Secretary of State, Capt. Edgerton has the highest military rank in the State, and his ability to do all the office made so distinguished by his predecessor. There could have been no question as to the propriety of his retention in the office he so briefly filled. To his honor, and to the honor of those entrusted with the power and duty of nomination, not a voice was raised in the convention or out of it, to impeach his triumphal record as the choice by the convention by acclamation and the people, with like unanimity, will ratify the choice.

#### U. S. Marshal.

Thomas A. Edgerton was in Hazlet, Pa. recently and a reporter who sought to interview him found it very uphill on account of his features.

"How did you come to be so deaf?" asked the reporter.

"Well, that is something I have not told and have not been asked to tell."

"Well, that will be the more a matter of news."

"I suppose I can tell it now with safety. When I was a boy I sold newspapers, peanuts and the usual line of merchandise on the Grand Trunk line. One day the Detroit baggage-master, a big hunky fellow, took offense at what I said and lifted me up by the ears. I accuse my deafness to that."

"Then there was a great deal of action in the stories of your great ability as a telegraph operator?"

"There was. I had more difficulty in holding a place than the world ever imagined. I drifted from one place to another and finally came to the conclusion that the possibility of success was to be found in the improving of the telegraph service than in improving my ability as an operator."—St. Louis Republic.

Every man expects to get his reward in the hereafter, but none his desert in the here and now.

### Well, then," cried Thompson.

"But man who won't drink with me but shake hands with me, fights for me."

"He reached back for his pistol, and some one—a jury of twelve intelligent citizens decided it was not young Bill Sims—shot him in the forehead three times. They say you could have covered the three bullet holes with a half-dollar, but so great was the desperate courage of this ruffian that as he fell he fired, holding his revolver at his hip, killing Foster, and then, as he lay on his back, with every nerve jerking in agony, he emptied his revolver into the floor ripping great gashes in the boards about him. And so he died, as he would have elected to die, with his boots on, and with the report of his pistol the last sound to ring in his ears. King Fisher was killed at the same moment, and the Express spoke of it the next morning as 'A Good Night's Work.'—R. H. D. in Harper's Weekly.

### STATE NEWS.

#### The Little Blue Shoe.

A little town of faded blue lay up in the quiet rear. Waiting in vain to see daylight again it had waited for many a year. And it wondered as only a little shoe can.

"Now what has become of my little town, who were me around in the mud and dirt. And did to my feelings full many a hurt. But I'll not complain, little man, if but will only come back to go to little blue shoe."

A mother sits sobbing her heart away, Dreaming of a day gone by. When down from the throne of the great unknown, Out of the azure sky, A sweet little cherub was borne to her breast. And she held it there in her arms close pressed. Watching its growth with a tender care, And she held it there in her arms close pressed.

Long years have passed since that baby lay Laid down in twilight's gloom, And as with a sigh to the shoe close by, "I'll turn play widdy pitty soon," And so it's been waiting—'s waiting still In that darksome place so dreary and chill. But the mother sees thro' her tear-rimed eyes. As they yearningly gaze toward the smiling skies. The same sweet face she was wont to view When he toddled around with the little blue shoe. HANNA DENNIS.

The Official Vote.

The official vote by States was as follows:

State	Democrat	Pro-Union	McKean
Alabama	15	1	1
Arkansas	10	1	1
California	1	1	1
Colorado	2	1	1
Connecticut	4	1	1
Delaware	1	1	1
Florida	1	1	1
Georgia	26	1	1
Idaho	1	1	1
Illinois	21	1	1
Indiana	10	1	1
Iowa	20	1	1
Kansas	10	1	1
Kentucky	22	1	1
Louisiana	8	1	1
Maine	12	1	1
Maryland	11	1	1
Massachusetts	18	1	1
Michigan	7	1	1
Minnesota	14	1	1
Mississippi	1	1	1
Missouri	28	1	1
Montana	1	1	1
Nebraska	15	1	1
Nevada	1	1	1
N. Hampshire	1	1	1
New Jersey	18	1	1
New York	27	1	1
N. Dakota	17	1	1
Ohio	2	1	1
Oregon	1	1	1
Pennsylvania	19	1	1
Rhode Island	3	1	1
South Carolina	13	1	1
South Dakota	12	1	1
Tennessee	17	1	1
Texas	12	1	1
Vermont	1	1	1
Virginia	13	1	1
Washington	1	1	1
West Virginia	1	1	1
Wisconsin	19	1	1
Wyoming	1	1	1
Alaska	1	1	1
Arizona	1	1	1
British Columbia	1	1	1
India Territory	1	1	1
New Mexico	1	1	1
Oklahoma	1	1	1
Oregon	1	1	1

#### WAINESVILLE, June 15.—

The Democratic Convention of the Ninth District met here today and Representative W. W. Crawford was unanimously re-nominated for Congress. Lacking of Asheville was nominated for elector. The convention was harmonious and enthusiastic. Cleveland's name was cheered.

#### WINSTON, June 15.—

Mary Ellen Hoggard, a little girl aged 14, was taken suddenly sick yesterday evening, went to bed and died within ten minutes after lying down. The cause of her death is unknown, as her parents were not able to call in a physician. She was one of the healthiest children in this community and was never sick a day in her life.

#### Mr. D. McD. Grady, who has taken the road for the Keeley Institute, at Greensboro, reports highly satisfactory results thus far. The number of men and women who are now being cured and emancipated from the slavery of the whiskey habit, and cocaine habit, he says, is simply wonderful. The Institute is well patronized, some coming and going all of the time.—Fm. Observer.

#### ASHEVILLE, June 15.—

Mr. Betsy Chambers, living in Haywood county, attempted suicide yesterday by cutting her throat with a razor. Three ugly gashes were made in her throat, exposing but not severing the jugular vein. Physicians say she will die from nervous prostration if the wound does not kill her. The reason given is that she could not sleep at night and didn't feel well. She is 90 years old.

#### Evangelist Fife closed one of the most successful meetings in Goldsboro the past week he has ever conducted since he entered the evangelistic fields. The Goldsboro Argus places the number of converts at 502; 317 of whom have connected themselves with the church as follows: Methodist, 144; Baptist, 80; Presbyterian, 55; Episcopal, 15; undecided, 21; Quaker, 2. Besides this about 200 backsliders were reclaimed and great and lasting good done in a thousand ways. Mr. Fife is at his home now for a few days rest.—Fm. Observer.

#### Mr. R. S. Overby is in receipt of a letter signed "Whitecaps" threatening his life and property on account of his outspoken opposition to the illicit whiskey traffic that disgraces the town of Laurinburg. The writers request Mr. Overby to inform several other gentlemen that the letter is his; for them; we are to be one of the victims.

#### Now for the information of "Whitecaps" we desire to say this: Our campaign against whiskey has just commenced and will not end until all the infamous and cowardly scoundrels like "Whitecaps" are kicked bodily out of the street of this town. "Whitecaps" will find that hustling braggarts will not deter us from our duty, but will make us more diligent in searching out every infraction of the law by devils like "Whitecaps." We hope our position is clear.—Laurinburg Enterprise.

#### CHAPEL HILL, N. C., June 15.—

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