

Elections and Miscellaneous Notices – 1850-1851

By Bill Page

Married, on Sunday, the 17th of February instant, by the Rev. L.S. Friend, Hon. Elliott M. Millican, of Brazos County, to Mrs. M.E. Triplett, of this county.
Texas State Gazette (Austin), 16 Feb. 1850, p.197

The Steamer Brazos recently ascended the Brazos River as high as Munson's Bluff near the mouth of Little River about one hundred miles above Washington. The trip was made on a rise of the river without difficulty and we learn from some that with some little expense, the navigation of the Brazos may be extended to that point but not beyond. The falls just above Washington are by most persons, however, deemed a serious obstacle, except at high stages of water. Galveston Weekly News, 11 March 1850, p.1

Banner office receipts ... Mr. Dunlap, Millican's, Texas, \$2.00
Texas Wesleyan Banner (Houston), 10 Aug. 1850, p.67

The rains that caused the late sudden rise in the Brazos, must have fallen high up in the Indian country, as we cannot hear that any considerable showers have fallen any where within the settlements, and none of the lower tributaries of the Brazos have been out of their banks. The water rose about ten feet at the Waco village, and from five to ten feet at Washington in a day and a half, and subsided almost as rapidly as it rose. The river is again quite low. Democratic Telegraph and Texas Register (Houston), 11 Sept. 1850, p.2

Northern Mail, Via: Boonville, Wheelock, Keloggs, Franklin, Springfield to Meltons – Arrives on Wednesday at 5 p.m. Departs Thursdays at 6 a.m. Carried on horse-back.
The Texas Ranger (Washington), 2 December 1850, p.

Banner office receipts ... Mr. Elliott Millican, \$2, Millican's P.O., Brazos Co.
Texas Wesleyan Banner (Houston), 1 March 1851, p.179

Assassination – Mr. J. L. Williams, of Brazos County, was cruelly assassinated by some unknown person on the night of the 24th ultimo. He was, about eight o'clock, sitting at a table in his house engaged in writing, when some one shot him through a cavity in the chimney, passing two rifle bullets through him just below his heart. He immediately sprang to his feet and observed to his wife that he was dying, and on being placed on a bed, expired in a few minutes. The assassin has not yet been discovered.
State Gazette (Austin), 3 May 1851, p.1

Taken up by William Farquhar of Boonville and estrayed before G. H. Love, Esq., a bright bay or chestnut sorrel horse, blaze face, small white spot on the left hip; some saddle spots, about eight years old, heavy built – appraised at \$85. Taken up by W.L. Bolton, fifteen miles south-east from Boonville, and estrayed before J.M. Price, Esq., a flea-bitten gray horse, scarred on the left thigh, white nose – No brand, supposed to be about eight years old. Appraised at \$50. R. Johnson, Cl'k. Texas State Gazette (Austin), 5 July 1851, p.362

We are authorized to announce Hon. E.M. Millican of Brazos County, as a candidate to represent the 14th Senatorial District, composed of the counties of Milam, Leon, Brazos, Williamson, Burleson, Bell and McLennan, in the next Legislature. Texas State Gazette (Austin), 2 Aug. 1851, p.390

Representatives ... Leon, Robertson and Brazos – John Patrick. Texas State Gazette (Austin), 16 Aug. 1851, p.406

Senators elect ... Brazos, Leon Burleson, Robertson and Williamson – James Armstrong. Texas State Gazette (Austin), 6 Sept. 1851, p.19

The State of Texas: County of Brazos

Jas. M. Webb, Assignee of John T. Earl, vs. Samuel M. White

Whereas, affidavit has been made before me, Arthur Edwards, Clerk of the District Court of Brazos County, by the attorney for the plaintiff, that the residence of Samuel M. White is unknown. These are therefore to command you to summon Samuel M. White, by publication in a public newspaper published in this State, to be and appear at the next term of the District Court to be holden at the courthouse in the town of Boonville, Brazos County, on the eighth Monday after the fourth Monday in September A. D. 1851, to answer the petition of Jas. M. Webb, assignee of John T. Earl. The petition alleges, that he is the owner of 200 acres of land, by a regular chain of assignments, from John T. Earl, and that defendant executed John T. Earl his title-bond for the conveyance of said 200 acres by a good and sufficient deed, and that defendant has failed and neglected to comply with the terms and stipulations of said contract, and prays for the usual citation by publication and for a decree of the court for a specific performance of the contract, and for general relief, costs and damages.

Herein fail not, under the penalties of the law, and have you then and there this Writ at my office, on or before the said 8th Monday after the 4th Monday in September, certifying how you have executed the same.

Attest, Arthur Edwards, Clerk of said District Court ...

Texas State Gazette. (Austin), 30 September 1851, page 5

Valuable Lands for Sale

Brazos County

600 acres, off the north-east corner of three-fourths of a league originally granted to A. D. Houston, situated on the Navisoto River.

South-Western American (Austin), 6 Dec. 1851, p.3