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The Mississippi river is said to be only about 36 miles wide in some places and still rising.

It is reported that E. H. R. Green of the Midland will be in control of the H. & T. C. before the close of this year.

Congressman Baily, of Texas had the empty honor of being the Democrat nominee for the speakership of the house.

The St. Louis Republic says that 10 pound piece of beefsteak sold for \$480 in Circle City, Alaska—the first ever brought to that city.

The laws of the state of Texas put the construction of Railway in the hands of resident citizens for the protection of local interests. Think of it will you?

The result of the "mill" on the 17th will probably be quite satisfactory to a majority of the people.

With such rains and a railroad beam on hand it would seem that a wave of "McKinley prosperity" might soon be realized.

This "non political" business may "sorter" work with a newspaper during an off year, but it can never last through a campaign—never.

As the present session of congress was convened for the express and sole purpose of raising taxes there is but one thing more to be expected of it; that is for the members to draw their salaries.

The Snyder Coming West found its way to our sanctum this week. And as Lively and Crump are at the helm it goes without saying that it is a well edited, newsy paper. We are glad to place it on our X list. But, Brother Lively, how are you going to survive that "non-political" business?

Interest, freight rates, taxes and most other things for which the masses have to pay and which are controlled by the few, remain at about the same price as before a single gold standard was adopted, but, as stated before election, a dollar will buy twice as much—of what is produced by the toiling masses.—Texas Farm and Ranch.

Send the RUSTLER to your relatives and friends out of the county and keep them up with the railroad news and development of the county and thereby help to induce them to come and make their homes amongst us.

There is some talk, even by some of the directors of the railroad company, of the proposed Colorado Valley road running 5 or 6 miles west of Robert Lee and locating a town where it crosses the Colorado. Now, this kind of thing might do for a foreign syndicate who is not supposed to have the welfare of our people at heart to talk but when it comes to those of our own citizens even considering such a thing, it looks

a little hard, to say the least. And Robert Lee will not be left out unless the directors consent to it, because they can see that the charter calls for Robert Lee.

At the proper time, when our people are able to see through the project, they will give a reasonable bonus for the road. They will give more for it to come to Robert Lee than elsewhere in the county—they can't afford to do otherwise. The directors need not become impatient and "huffy" if the people fail to see through the thing as quick as they do and therefore fail to rush up and plank down \$30,000 or \$40,000 on the first yell from the company.

Do those directors who talk of leaving Robert Lee out want to give the company what the people of the town and county would loose in the operation? That would be a nice job for our home folks to put up on us. Have these directors lost sight of everything but the railroad company? If so, let us remind them that they have some neighbors who do not belong to the railroad company who have done all in their power and are still willing to do what they can for the road without being hoo-dooed and monkeyed with.

Let the survey come on to Robert Lee, where it ought to come, and don't try to gull the friends to the enterprise, and the editor of this high toned, classic publication will guarantee that our people will do the right thing at the right time.

C. C. Merchant.

A bill has passed the Texas house vesting the Land Commissioner with power to declare forfeited any any public lands on which interest is unpaid. It is estimated that the law would save the state of \$100,000 in suits, which is quite a recommendation. Still, in case of injustice, under this act, the injured party will have no appeal.

There is a mad man in Indiana. He recently attended a social, and during the evening the ladies inaugurated a hugging bee, the proceeds to go to the Sunday School. Prices were graded according to the person hugged. For instance, for hugging a young inexperienced girl the bidder had to give up 10 cents, married women brought 15 cents and widows 25 cents. Well, our friend was blindfolded, and giving up 15 cents said he would take a married woman. After he had hugged 15 cents worth the bandage was removed from his eyes, and lo! and behold he had been hugging his wife! Then he kicked himself and wanted his 15 cents back.—Ex.

He was in the habit of coming in tipsy at night, and his wife decided to frighten him as a cure. The other night she arrayed herself in frightful apparel, and as her boozy hubby entered the door she said in sepulchral tones: "Come with me. I am the devil." "Zat so?" said the husband. "Shake! I'm your brother-in-law, M—married your sister."—Ex.

J. F. Deats is still in the push when it comes to groceries and grain.

THE FAMOUS NEW BOOK. "DARKNESS AND DAYLIGHT," OR Lights and Shadows of New York Life.

In this new and superbly illustrated work a noble Christian woman tells the thrilling story of her personal experience in Gospel, temperance, Mission and rescue work in a great city. No recent publication is now commanding so much attention nor has any other called forth such ringing word of "God-speed" from ministers and eminent women. It has been preached about from famous pulpits, read by tens of thousands of subscribers, and made the subject of many a clergyman's Sunday evening lecture. Its authorship is fourfold, its four authors being no less than:—Mrs. Helen Campbell, Rev. Lyman Abbott, D. D., Col. Thomas W. Kuox, and Inspector Thomas Byrnes, Chief of the New York Detective Bureau.

Mrs. Campbell, the principal writer certainly was a woman commissioned of God, and "In His Name" spent many years as a city missionary literally "In Dark New York." What a wonderful work she did. How devoted and blessed her labors were. It is a story never to be forgotten. This unique volume presents these thrilling experiences of Christian endeavor with the hundreds of pathetic and amusing scenes that were packed into them: it portrays life in a great city by day and by night "As Seen by a woman"; it shows the power of the Gospel to redeem souls from the lowest depths; it gives striking testimonies of the redeemed; and from all these rich and varied experiences it draws living truths for head and heart that are worth to any reader ten times the price of the book. Mrs. Campbell's account of rescue work is full of wonderfully touching incidents. Stranger stories are here told than romance ever dreamed of, every one of them drawn from real life by a woman's hand. In every chapter she weaves in anecdote after anecdote, incident after incident, story after story and the reader's attention is held breathless to the end of the volume. "Strange, but most suggestive is the fact," says Bishop Cox in warmly commending this volume, "that Christ is to be visited in these dens and dives there are these whom He will bear in mind when He says: 'Ye visited me; or, when he says: 'Ye did it not to me.' Rev. Dr. Lyman Abbott's life-long interests in City Mission work, and his personal share in that work, pre-eminently fitted him to write for this book. In his introduction to it he says:—

"My interest in these phrases of city life dates from my college days. From that day this—over a third of a century—I have continued the studies then begun, and the subject of this book has been one of the great subjects of my study—sometimes in literature, often in life."

No appeal from temperance advocates can do more to promote the cause of temperance than the thrilling scenes and incidents so well described; at least so say Mrs. Mary A. Livermore and Miss Francis E. Willard.

One of the most absorbingly interesting portions of the book is that written by Inspector Byrnes giving the ripe experiences of thirty years of detective life. Many of the startling revelations he makes are taken from his private diary. They have never been published.

This fascinating volume is indeed a wonderful tale of Christian love and faith, all rife with intense and striking reality. The best of it is that it is a pure and elevating book from beginning to end—a volume for the family circle. On this point the words of Rev. Dr. Twichell (who has a family of ten children) and Rev. Dr. Magoun, President Iowa College, are worth quoting here: Dr. Twichell writes,—"My wife says that she is going to set our young people on the book right off, for the good it will do them"; and President Magoun says,—"My family finds, where other books on our shelves lack interest, this one always holds rewards attention." It contains 253 superb engravings,

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LOCAL CHIPS.

R. E. Douglas, the Ft. Chadbourne post master, was in town Thursday.

Go to J. F. Deats' Free Wagon Yard.

Standard Cultivators, Avery and Jno. Deere Plows at Hagelstein's, San Angelo.

Fish in the Colorado river seem to be plentiful and anyone can catch all he wants.

Hoes, Rakes, Shovels and all other kinds of Farm tools at Hagelstein's, San Angelo.

Ed Good and family visited relatives and friend in town Sunday and Monday.

This is probably the earliest spring this country ever knew.

Go to J. F. Deats for cheap Groceries.

Arch Blackwell, the Edith sheepman, was in the burg Thursday evening.

Buy your groceries of J. F. Deats. He will deliver them to any part of town.

W. S. Tripp, of the Divide was in town Wednesday with fresh meat for sale.

Double Shovels, Georgia stocks, Sweeps, Bull Tongues at Hagelstein, San Angelo.

Grand Ma Perry and Mrs. Marvin Perry are visiting relatives and friends at Sweetwater this week.

We publish the financial statement of Coke county in this issue. Read it.

Champion and John Deere cotton and Corn Planters at Hagelstein, San Angelo.

W. H. Robinson, one most successful farmers of the Ft. Chadbourne country was in town trading Wednesday.

Miss Delora Lamb, of the Cedar Hill community has a position in the Edith store.

Silus and Fletcher Connor of Silver were in town a few hours Thursday.

High Prices hammered down by J. D. Collier & Co at the Edith store.

Capt. Barnett, of Hayrick was in town one day this week.

Grand Ma Higgins spent several days in town week visiting.

More Goods, better quality for less than any house in Coke county, is the way they do business at the Edith store.

Mrs. Weathers, of near Hayrick was in town yesterday attending to business.

J. H. Turner and family of Hayrick are visiting in the city to-day.

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Fitzsimmons Reported Dead.

Manager Armstrong, of the Western Union, informed The Press Thursday afternoon that a report was going over the wires that Fitzsimmons died just after leaving Carson city, Nev., the scene of the contest, of lung trouble, and that Corbett was getting along nicely. The championship was awarded to Fitzsimmons, confirming the first report to that effect.—San Angelo Press.

THE LEGAL TENDER

San Angelo, Texas.
HARRY BENNETT, PRO.
Wishes all his Coke Co. friends to Call on him when in San Angelo.
Restaurant in connection with the Bar.

Judge Perryman brought the news San Angelo Thursday that Fitzsimmons knocked Corbett out the 14th round. Another "scientific question" settled.

L. D. Sheppard has traded his farm and ranch down the river to Kearney Mayes for his ranch on Grape creek. They have been moving this week.

TOM HENING.
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Jno. Lovelady, of San Angelo was in town Thursday on business for The Chicago Livestock Commission Co., of which he is agent.

Several witnesses from Coke and Nolan counties attended court at Garden City this week, in the Wm. Yardley case, which was again continued.

To The Public.

I am now prepared to supply the public with good fresh groceries, in large or small quantities, at close figures. I propose to offer you inducements to trade with me. Come and see my stock and get prices.

J. L. Barron.

W. F. Buchanan is again able to be out on the streets after several days sickness.

Two good rains this week, grass is fine, crops and the railroad are coming and everything is lovely.

Wm. Childress was in town Monday, paying taxes.

J. H. Turner called in to see us yesterday and informed us that he was progressing nicely on the farm: had milo maize up, corn planted and is going to try planting a few acres of cotton next week as an experiment.

Col. T. L. Odem is now lying very low at the residence of his son, Garland Odem, of this city where he was stricken down seriously with partial paralysis the first of this week. He sustained a severe fall about two months ago and since that time he has been gradually going down. There seems to be but little hope for his recovery, as he is quite old.—Ballinger Banner Leader.

Election Notice.

It Appearing to the Commissioners that a majority of the votes at the Election on the 27th day of February 1897, were for Prohibition. It is therefore ordered by court that the sale Intoxicating Liquors be, and the same is hereby absolutely prohibited in said subdivisions of Coke county, Texas and that a copy of this order be published in the Coke County RUSTLER for four consecutive weeks.

The report comes to town this week that Justice Morris of Ft. Chadbourne, and County Attorney W. C. Merchant sentenced a man to penitentiary on last Saturday and that Morris had sent Merchant off to the pen with the prisoner. The report has not yet been affirmed.

I have received a fine lot of samples from one of the Chicago Tailors, and when wanting a nice suit of clothes just call at J. H. Burrough's hardware store and see my samples. Your patronage is solicited.

Yours very truly,
PLEASANT STORM.

Read in this issue the "ad" of McGregor & Francis. They have opened up a large and new stock of groceries in one of the newly constructed stone buildings in Ballinger, where they propose to accommodate all comers with the very best goods at closer figures than ever before for their town. That they appreciate the Coke county trade is shown by their card in this paper. Go and see them when in Ballinger.

W. L. Lowe and R. Y. Haggerton, of Robert Lee and H. c. Adams, of Ft. Chadbourne, escorted by John Guess called on the Press Tuesday night and exchanged compliments with the pencil pushers.—Press.

H. P. Eancher, of the Ft. Chadbourne country was seen on the streets yesterday.

J. P. Angel one of Sanco's prominent stockmen was in the city yesterday.

Pleas Childress and Ralph Harris are to start to the Nation on the 24th with 2500 head of Harris Bros. cattle—cows and steers.

Confederate Veterans held a meeting at the court house last Saturday eve. Capt. J. L. Robinson, J. F. Connor, A. J. Payne and others out town attended. Messrs Payne and Tom Williams were elected delegates to the W. c. V. association at Nashville, in June. Miss Lula Douglas has promised to go as camp sponsor. H. H. Haley informs us that the old Veterans will wake things up here next summer.

Tabular Statement County Finance.

Receipts and disbursements of Coke County for the Quarter ending February 8th 1897.

JURY FUND—FIRST CLASS.		
To am'ts on hand and am'ts received during Quarter	\$102.75	
By " paid out		\$29.68
Balance on hand	\$73.07	
ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND—SECOND CLASS.		
To am'ts on hand and am't received during quarter	\$971.97	
By amounts paid out		\$77.26
Balance on hand	\$894.71	
COMMON COUNTY FUND—THIRD CLASS		
To am't on hand and amounts received during quarter	\$1181.25	
By " paid out		\$1374.36
" " over paid		123.11
COURT HOUSE AND JAIL FUND—FOURTH CLASS.		
To amount on hand and am'ts received during quarter	\$1654.04	
By " paid out		\$128.06
Balance on hand	\$1525.98	
FUNDING BOND FUND—FIFTH CLASS		
To amount on hand and am'ts received during quarter	\$308.44	
By " paid out		\$25.59
Balance on hand	\$282.85	
CONTINGENT FUND—SIXTH CLASS.		
To amount on hand and am'ts received during quarter	\$42.75	
By " paid out		\$26.24
To Balance on hand	\$16.51	

Statement Of Registered Indebtedness.

JURY FUND		
To amount outstanding at beginning of quarter	\$1252.65	
" " Registered during	234.42	
By " Canceled		\$201.33
" " to Balance		\$1315.74
Amount outstanding	\$1517.07	\$1517.07
ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND.		
To Total Green county	\$5880.76	
Bridge Bonds	6500.00	
To amount of Scrip outstanding at beginning quarter	114.70	
" " registered during	9.00	
By " canceled		\$12510.46
" " to Balance		\$12510.46
To amount outstanding	\$12510.46	
COMMON COUNTY FUND.		
To Funding Bonds	\$5000.00	
" Scrip outstanding at beginning quarter	11665.76	
" " registered during	420.79	
By amount Canceled		\$993.12
" " to balance		11093.43
Amount outstanding	\$1208.55	\$1208.55
Amount outstanding	\$11093.43	
COURT HOUSE AND JAIL FUND.		
To Tom Green County	\$7600.30	
" Court House Bonds	21000.00	
" Hayrick court house bonds	1000.00	
" Scrip outstanding at beginning quarter	57.05	
By amount balance		\$29657.35
Amount outstanding	\$29657.35	\$29657.35
By amount outstanding	\$29657.35	
RECAPITULATION of Amounts Outstanding at Close of Quarter.		
Jury Fund, 1st Class	\$1315.74	
Road and Bridge Fund, 2nd Class	12510.46	
Common County Fund, 3rd Class	11093.43	
Court House and Jail Fund, 4th Class	29657.35	
Total	\$54576.98	

STATE OF TEXAS }
COUNTY OF COKE }
I, J. W. Barnett, Clerk of the Commissioner's Court of Coke County, Texas, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct statement of the Receipts, Disbursements and Indebtedness of Coke County for the quarter ending February the 8th, A. D. 1897, as shown by the records in my office.
Given under my hand and seal of said court, this the 16th day of [SEAL] March, 1897. J. W. BARNETT,
Clerk Commissioners Court of Coke County, Texas.


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STOCK NEWS

From San Angelo Standard.
 E. R Long, whose ranch lies south Garden City, sold 3,500 head of mixed sheep, muttons, ewes and lambs to Price Henry at \$2.47 1/2.

James Turner bought from J W Berry 500 stock sheep, wool on, at \$1.50.

The prospects are that the lamb crop of this section will be nearly 100 per cent.

McMullen Bros. sold to McMullan & Myers 3000 sheep at \$2.25.

John R. Nasworthy bought L. C. Dupree 70 mother cows \$700.

Buster Gardener sold to John Lee a small bunch of steer yearlings at \$9.

R. P. Aldman sold to Piper 100 steer yearlings at \$3.

Charles Collins has again assumed management of his fathers cattle and ranch interest in this section.

From West Texas Stockman.
 Jim Smith last week sold 50 yearlings to W. W. Brannon, a \$15

Bert Simpson last week bought 9 cars of steers, 3's and up, from Leatherman & Latum, of Kent, at \$20.

Butler Bros., of Scurry county last week sold 100 2 and 3 year old steers to Vandiver, of Kans., at \$18 and \$19. The same party also has an option on their yearlings at \$15.

Joe Nunn and J. H. Lagow brought in a bunch of cattle from Fisher county Saturday, numbering 175 head, which were sold to F. B. McClelland, of Kansas City, at private terms. We understand a lot of suckling calves in the bunch brought \$14.

From Stanton News.
 Jim Pulliam sold to John Scarbauer 200 heifer yearling at \$10.

Crowley Bishop & Co. bought of Wm. Derling, of Big Springs, 65 coming 2's spring delivery, at \$17.

Andrew Allen bought 100 head of steers of Jim Pulliam at \$14 for 2's and \$16 for 3's.

S. A. Ingram sold to Eugene Clark to be shipped from Abilene at once, a small bunch of stock cattle at \$14.

S. V. Stokes sold to J. W. Quinn about 175 head of stock cattle at \$20.

R. R. Wakefield sold his stock cattle, about 800 head to Dave Brunson, counting calves to June the 1st at \$16.

Connell and Garrett bought the Harrington ranch and 600 head of cattle at \$14.

E. M. Graham sold to Connell & Garrett 200 yearlings at \$13 per head.

Text Book Resolutions.

FOR THE RUSTLER:
 The Coke County Institute met at Paint Creek March 12 and 13 according to adjournment..

Owing to the tardiness of the chairman G. C. Berryman was chosen chairman protem, which position he amply filled until the afternoon session.

All subjects taken up were ably discussed, but we would call particular attention to the action of the Institute upon the "Text book" question. It is of vital importance to every school patron, pupil and teacher in Coke county.

The question was discussed both pro and con, which resulted in the adoption of the following resolutions. We give in full the report of committee.

We, your committee on resolutions, beg leave to submit the following report on County Uniformity of Text Books:

Whereas, it is the conviction of this Institute that the rural schools can never attain that degree of excellency which should characterize them, until there is a provision for suitable and sufficient text books, and,

Whereas, though varied opinions of teachers as to what books are best suited to our common school cause many unnecessary changes, and,

Whereas, the present prices of books are entirely too high to require such frequent changes, thereby taxing patrons far more than is necessary; Therefore be it resolved that we, the teachers of Coke county in Institute assembled, request the ex-officio Co. Supt. to appoint a committee of five first grade teachers, actually engaged in teaching school in Coke county to examine and adopt a series of text books to be used in said county. Resolved further, that said committee be required to report to the Supt. not later than the 1st day of July 1897, a list of books adopted. Resolved further that said series is to go into effect in the fall schools of 1897 and to continue through for a term of five years.

E. U. SMITH,
 O. W. GARDNER.

Said resolutions have been submitted to Judge Chapman and approved by him, and he authorizes the publication of the names of the committee appointed as follows: F. K. Popplewell; O. W. Gardener, A. P. Stone, B. U. Smith and Frank E. Thomas.

Each member of the above committee will please notify S. J. Chapman at once as to whether they will assume the duties imposed upon them. After which the committee will be called together at a time convenient to all as near as may be, to examine text books from which to select a Uniform series according to above resolutions.

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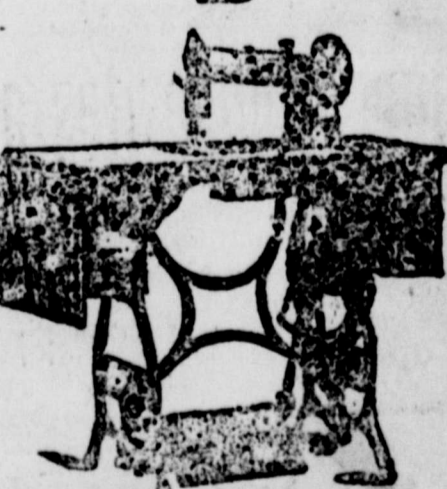
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