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THE HARDWARE MAN,
 OF BALLINGER,
 CARRIES THE BEST STOCK OF

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Fine line of Glassware and Chinaware for the fastidious trade and cheaper than ever sold before. Call on us and we will save you money.

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When in San Angelo Call on us.

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Hardware, Stoves,

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SAN ANGELO

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When You Drive over to San Angelo, Put your team in

J. Douglas' Wagon Yard

IT IS THE OLD CAMPBELL YARD, NEXT TO HOTEL SAN ANGELO. Jack Douglas has years of experience, and will treat you properly.

Pearce's Pharmacy,
Robert Lee, Texas.

Annual Exhibit of Coke County's Finances.

Annual Exhibit of the Aggregate amount received and paid out of each Fund for the year ending Febr'y. 13th. 1899, and the balance to the credit or debit of each Fund, and indebtedness of Coke County, TEXAS.

JURY FUND.	FIRST CLASS.	
	DR.	CR.
Balance,	166.79	
To Amount received during year,	457.40	
By Amount paid out during year,		587.34
" " Commission on Amount received,		11.44
" " " " " " paid out,		12.92
Amount to Balance,		42.68
Totals,	\$ 624.38	624.38
To balance to debit of Jury Fund,	\$42.98.	

ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND.	SECOND CLASS.	
	DR.	CR.
To Balance,	2,114.20.	
To Amount received during year,	5,573.96.	
By Amount paid out during year,		1,006.09.
By Amount transferred to other funds,		2,038.30.
By Amount per cent Commission on amount received,		96.70.
By Amount per cent Commission on amount paid out,		30.14.
Amount to Balance,		1,918.73.
Amounts added,	5,590.19.	5,990.19.
To Balance,	\$1,918.73.	

GENERAL COUNTY FUND.	THIRD CLASS.	
	DR.	CR.
By Balance,		108.53.
To Amount received during year,	3,652.47.	
By Amount paid out during year,		793.13.
By Amount transferred to other funds,		2,166.07.
By per cent Commission on Amount received,		89.09.
By per cent Commission on amount paid out,		9.19.
Amount to Balance,	3,652.47.	3,962.47.
To Balance,	\$93.49.	

COURT HOUSE AND JAIL FUND.		
	DR.	CR.
To Balance,	3,497.57.	
To Amount received during year,	3,499.48.	
To Amount transferred from other Funds,	32.85.	
By Amount paid out during the year,		3,505.77.
By Amount transferred to other Funds,		100.00.
By per cent Commission on Amount received,		81.27.
By per cent Commission on Amount paid out,		87.95.
Amount to Balance,	6,991.88.	6,991.88.
To Balance,	\$3,211.19.	

FUNDING BOND FUND.		
	DR.	CR.
To Balance,	577.98.	
To Amount received during year,	1,509.97.	
By Amount paid out during year,		475.00.
By Amount transferred to other Funds,		156.09.
By per cent Commission on Amount received,		32.79.
By per cent Commission on Amount paid out,		12.87.
Amount to Balance,	1,211.33.	1,211.33.
To Balance,	\$1,211.33.	

CONTINGENT FUND.		
	DR.	CR.
To Balance,	298.93.	
To Amount transferred from other Funds,	3,275.74.	
By Amount paid out during year,		2,519.38.
By per cent Commission on Amount paid out,		62.08.
Amount to Balance,	3,574.67.	3,574.67.
To Balance,	\$992.31.	

AMOUNT OF INDEBTEDNESS OF COUNTY.		
To Whom:	For What:	Amount.
Robert Lee Court House	21 Bonds	22,250.00.
Holders of 3rd Class Scrip	19 Funding Bonds	3,993.00.
Tom Green County	Our part C. H. & Jail debt	7,532.39.
Tom Green County	Our part R. & Bridge debt	5,510.82.
Registered Road and Bridge Scrip outstanding		101.31.
Registered Court House and Jail Scrip outstanding		24.05.
Registered General County Scrip outstanding		11,261.27.
Registered Jury Scrip outstanding		1,543.09.
Total Amount of indebtedness of County		\$51,662.88.

The State of Texas, County of Coke. The foregoing is a true and correct exhibit of the finances of said County for the year ending the 13th day of February, 1899. Dated at Robert Lee, this 28th day of February, 1899. (Signed) J. W. Barnett, County Clerk, Coke County, Texas. Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 28th day of February, 1899. L. S. M. H. Davis, County Judge, Coke County, Texas.

WHITE'S CREAM WORMS! VERRIFUCE!
 For 20 Years Has Led all Worm Remedies.
 SOLD BY ALL DRUGGISTS.
 Prepared by JAMES F. BALLARD, St. Louis.
 For Sale at Pearce's Drug Store.

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H-H-Pearce

Bronte News.

We had a genuine sand storm Saturday.

Mr. M. McCutchen has finished a dug well, 21 ft. with abundance of good water.

After a long and lingering illness, grandpa Pruitt died, Friday morning. His remains were interred in the Bronte cemetery, Saturday morning.

We have fine prospects for a good fruit crop, don't get uneasy about a season. We are having a nice dry season just now, rain will come in time to make good crops.

Frank Hickman's house and contents was destroyed by fire, Monday evening, the fire was not discovered in time to save but a very few articles.

D. E. Scott and son made a fishing trip to Sweetwater, last week.

Mr. W. W. McCutchen had his wood pile, axe handles and chip pile burned, caught from fire around the wash pot at night.

Photographer Simpson is circulating in and around Bronte, seems to be quite busy. He gave us his experience of his first sand storm; says he awoke from sound sleep and heard the rushing of a mighty wind, on looking through his window, the moon and stars was visible, he knew at once it was not a cyclone; his next thought was, Could it be the Judgment Morn! he had failed to hear Gabriel's trumpet; so he hastily dressed walked out in the yard to ascertain what was the matter, finding Mrs. Good and Mr. Bezzell, her father, up he inquired, what was the matter, the answer was, "Oh, nothing but a sand storm," so he quietly went back to his room and retired for the remainder of the night, that much wiser, being his first intimation of a sand storm in West Texas.

Several parties passed through Bronte last week in hunt of land for pasturage and homes, they invariably fall in love with the Kiepoo and Colorado Valley farms.

Ye scribe enjoyed a night on the banks of the Colorado, in company with Shook Bros, we caught five nice cat fish, two weighing 8 lbs. each.

LUCENE.

Strayed!

One brown pony horse, five years old, branded, diamond, on left jaw. Will pay liberal reward for information leading to recovery.
 G. J. Moore,
 Robert Lee, Tex.

Next Friday night, March 10th, at Court House, will be a debate on the question, "Should Texas have Compulsory Education?" Every body invited. In addition several young ladies will recite, or read essays.

Coke County Stock Notes.

W. E. Ingram bought of John Lovelady, 5 head 2's and 3's, average \$18.00.

J. L. Ross to W. E. Ingram, 2 2-year old steers at \$15.00 each.
 B. L. Acery to W. E. Ingram, 20 2's and 3's at p. t.

Fine weather in Coke this week.

J. W. HARRIS, Druggists Sundries, Paints and Oils.

SAN ANGELO, TEXAS.

COKE COUNTY RUSTLER

OFFICIAL ORGAN OF COKE CO.

HUBERT H. PEARCE,
Editor.

FRIDAY, MARCH 3, 1899.

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Made known on application.

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Attend the Teachers Institute at Hayrick, next Friday and Saturday.

Some time ago, a pleasant talking man who wore a "rabbit foot" watch chain, sold groceries to the consumer for an Omaha, Neb. firm in these parts. He worked his "rabbit foot" on a few of our Coke County people who are now sorry he came.

Some of the "boys" have been in the habit of riding horseback on a "run" through the streets. We understand that business is a little dull with the County Attorney these days, and would advise our friends to go a little slow.

"A Coke County rain," means a first class sand storm.

Each Tom asked us last week to give all the news from the Phillipses, we could. We have them on the "run" over there, is about as we can learn.

A "South Wester" shook the corners of Coke last Saturday.

A Narrow Escape.

Thoughtful words written by Mrs. Ada E. Hart, of Groton, S. D. "Was taken with a bad cold which settled on my lungs; cough set in and finally terminated in Consumption. Four Doctors gave me up, saying I could live but a short time. I gave myself up to my Saviour, determined if I could not stay with my friends on earth, I would meet my absent ones above. My husband was advised to get Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds. I gave it a trial, took in all eight bottles. It has cured me, and thank God I am saved and now a well and healthy woman." Trial bottles free at Ed M. Mobley's Drug Store.

A Guaranteed Medicine.

Burkhardt's Vegetable Compound is positively guaranteed to cure Kidney and Liver diseases, Rheumatism, Sick and Nervous Headaches, Constipation, etc. etc. Six months treatment for one dollar. Manufacturer's Guarantee to refund cash with each box.

For sale by Pearce's Drug Store, Robert Lee Crayton & Robbins Bros. Bronte, J. L. Durham, Sanco, J. D. Collier, Edith, R. B. Douglas, Ft Chadbourne, W. B. Jones, Tennyson, Mrs. J. N. Padgett, Silver, J. I. Westfall, Nanhattie, Mrs. M. Marshall, Maverick.

Beautiful sunshine, in our Sunny Southland.

Valley View Letter.

Mr. Raymond Lowe is home again.

Did you experience such a sand storm, as we did last Saturday? We haven't time to sologquize, for we haven't recovered and sustained our natural appearance and "grit." But try not to feel hopeless for everything is "gritty" now.

We attended the Exercises at our School last Wednesday evening, and were entertained by the following program, to wit: Opening Address,—Stevens Moore.

Song—My Country. The World was not made for you.—Recitation by Miles O'Daniel. The Meeting of the trees, by Author Struman. If I were a Rose, by Walter Storey. Daisies, by Ellen Jackson. Which Tree I like best by Jim Phillips. Song. A Recitation, by Joe Phillips. Violets a recitation, by Hosey Casey.

The Flag of our Nation; Fred Havins, Elbert Phillips, and Silas Bradshaw. Don't be too late, dialogue; Roy Green, Willie Hux, Ella Clemons. Salvation of Flag, Frank Casey, Roth Havins, Cleveland Casey, Jimmie Hux, John

Jackson; Annie Storey, Mattie Moore, Willie Green, Ella Anders. Red, White and Blue; Ella Lowe, Willie Green, Mattie Moore. A Bunch of Flowers; Myrtle Sturman, Glad's O'Daniel, Emma Hux, Mattie Storey.

Recitation, Geo. Washington's Birthday, by Jamie Phillips. A Story of Geo. Washington's Birthday by Emma Moore. Recitation, The New Church Organ, by Bannum Lowe. Clarade, Washington; Della Phillips, Oga Moore, Ollie Green, Bannum Lowe, Will Phillips. Seven Little Fairies; Bell Casey, Eva Havins, Neely Casey, Mattie Anders, Eunah Clemons, Ethel Storey, Bell Clemons. VERITAS.

Free delivery to any part of the city, of all heavy goods, purchase of D. L. Buchanan.

Brother William Pruitt is Dead.

On Friday morning, Feb. 24th, after confinement of 44 days, to his bed and very great suffering, he fell asleep in Jesus. We realize that in his death the Church has lost a devoted member; the community, a worthy citizen; his children, a kind and loving father; and the writer, a warm personal friend and brother. I have known Brother Pruitt for the past 22 year, and have only known him to love him as an humble man o God. We laid him away in the Bronte Cemetery, Sunday, Feb. 26. A large concourse of people having gathered to witness the burial of our dear brother who was loved by all who knew him. The funeral services were conducted by the writer at the request of our departed brother. Sleep on dear brother till Jesus shall come to call the dead from the tomb.

Asleep in Jesus blessed sleep From which none ever wake to weep.

A calm and undisturbed repose Unbroken by the last of foes.

R. M. Cambie.

J. D. Collier and Co., the Edith merchants, have sold more goods since Jan. 1st 1899 than ever before in the same two months of any preceding year. Why? Because, their prices are bed rock, and would be competitors are not in it.

PROFESSIONAL CARDS.

Merchant & Patteson,
LAWYERS, LAND AND COLLECTING AGENTS.
Office, North Side Square,
Robert Lee, — — Texas

J. B. Latham, M. D.
Physician and Surgeon.
ROBERT LEE, — — TEXAS.
Office at Mobleys' Drugstore.

Dr. G. W. Martin,
PHYSICIAN AND OBSTETRICIAN.
Offers his professional services to the people of Robert Lee and surrounding country.
Leaves calls at residence of Pearce's Drug Store.
Robert Lee, — — Texas.

LAND OFFICE BUSINESS.
School Lands Bought and Leased.

Have able Attorneys to represent you in person before the General Land Office, Ward & James, able resident lawyers and land agents of Austin Texas, will represent you in person before the Commissioner General Land Office. Have W. C. Merchant, our local agent, at Robert Lee, Texas, prepare your applications, etc.

WARD & JAMES, Austin Texas.
W. C. MERCHANT,
Robert Lee, Texas.

R. C. DUDLEY,
Is the man to employ to transfer you in San Angelo. He meets all trains, and has a comfortable carriage. GIVE HIM A TRIAL.

Among the orders of the Com. Court, printed last week, was one ordering an election in the Silver school District, for the purpose of seeing whether or not they desire to take off the special School tax. If the Silver people do vote this tax from their district it will be the only one in the County that has no special tax, for school purposes. By abrogating this special tax, the people of that district will diminish their already small school facilities and term. Keeping the school tax is like investing fifty cents and getting back a dollar for every half dollar invested. Only those living in the school District get the benefits, while the non resident tax payers are compelled to share the expense. The Houston and Texas Central Rail Road Company will be helped more than any citizen in that district by the abrogation of that school tax. The RUSTLER has only good wishes for the Silver people, one and all, and we desire to see that school district take its place right along with other school districts in this County which have turned out and are now furnishing teachers for other schools that were slow to take advantage of opportunities afforded. Keep the special School Tax.

Nussbaumer's - Antiseptic Stock Ointment.

The best Stable and Stock Ointment in the world for branding, altering, marking and sneering, for wire cuts, old sores, collar saddle or harness sores, scratches mange, scab, ticks, sand fleas, etc. It prevents Sew worms, and at the same time heals the wound. We will send a free sample box, post paid, by mail to any one sending their address to The Nussbaumer Chemical Co., San Angelo, Texas.

Crayton & Robbins Bros.

BRONTE, Coke County, TEXAS.
DEALERS IN

General Merchandise

Call on this enterprising firm for any thing in their line.

Lewis Brothers,

Dealers in

DRY GOODS AND GROCERIES.
ALSO CARRY HARDWARE, TINWARE, QUEENSWARE,
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Call and Examine our Goods and Prices.

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New Blacksmith Shop,

TOM CROSS, Proprietor.

Every thing new, and all work guaranteed First Class.
Call on me when in need of anything in my line.

OPPOSITE LEE LIVERY STABLE, ROBERT LEE, TEXAS.

Monarch Cycle Stable,

FRED LEWIS, PROP.
BICYCLES Rented
Sold or Repaired, at
Reasonable Rates.

WEST SIDE SQUARE, ROBERT LEE, TEXAS.

FURNITURE!

Large line and low prices.

Bed room suits, \$15.50 up. Rocking Chairs, \$1.50 up.
Solid Oak High back Cane seat dining chairs, 90c up.

A GOOD LINE OF WINDOW SHADES AND MATTINGS.

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Mrs. E. C. Fitzgerald,

Opposite Post office, — — San Angelo, Texas.

The Parlor SALOON.

Is the cheapest place in San Angelo for Liquors.

FRED SCHMIDT,
Proprietor.

SECOND HAND STORE,

H. Y. Ketteler, Prop.
Chadbourne St. San Angelo, Texas.
We BUY and SELL all kinds of Iron or Wooden-ware and will handle anything. Call on us.

J. J. VESTAL

Blacksmith, Woodworker and Wheelwright.

Robert Lee, — — Texas.

Stockholders Meeting.

The Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of the Colorado Valley Railway Co. will be held at Sweetwater, Tuesday, March 14th 1899, at 11 o'clock A. M. all Stockholders are especially requested to be present.

D. S. Arnold Jr.,
Sec.



J. E. STEWART

keeps

a line of good

GLASSWARE.

Call and take

A LOOK.

Read your County Paper,

DAVIS & CO., Headquarters for Groceries and Cotton Buyers,

BALLINGER, TEXAS.

LOCAL CHIPS.

"Minstrel Show" at the School House tonight.

The Coke County people are invited to patronize Frank Gibbons wagon yard when they visit San Angelo.

The "Western Minstrel Club" gave an entertainment last night at the school House which was well patronized. They have a Stereopticon and some good songs and amusing dialogues. They will play tonight again.

To kill sand fleas on your dog or your chickens use Nussbaumers Antiseptic Stock Ointment.

Mr. Temp Whitesides was doing business in town Monday.

To kill the mange on your dog use Nussbaumers Antiseptic Stock Ointment.

W. C. and R. L. Hayley visited our "burg" last Monday.

C. L. Hughes made a visit to San Angelo first of the week.

All heavy goods delivered FREE to any part of the city, by D. L. Buchanan.

R. B. Blair, from below Hayrick, was in town last Monday.

Call on S. J. Carpenter, Ballinger, when you want a good hand made stock saddle. No machine in shop.

There was no Church services last Sunday night. Our young people enjoying a singing at Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Laswell's.

W. R. Boykin was in town Monday. He was able to make a trip to San Angelo last week.

For rope burned horses use Nussbaumers Antiseptic Stock Ointment.

Prof. Fletcher and young Mr. Presslar were down from beyond Saeco, to the debate, last Friday night.

The Debate on Territorial Expansion last Friday night was won by the Expansionists, Bro. Berryman and H. H. Pearce. Those opposing were Mr. Will Laswell, Bro. B. F. Meek, and Mr. Jack Couch, each of whom made excellent talks. Several speakers were absent, or caused to be so, from La grippe.

Arkansaw can and will sell you groceries cheaper than any house in San Angelo, "and that's no lie" either.

Mr. Jones, of De Leon, Texas was prospecting in our town latter part of last week. He thinks of going into the drug business here.

Mrs. H. D. Pearce, and little daughter Hattie, of Ballinger, mother and sister of the editor, are visiting in Robert Lee.

Arkansaw Smith is doing a fine business in San Angelo, and can save you money on groceries. Try him.

Bert Sheppard and J. C. Newton came in last Saturday during the rain of sand.

E. Meneille and wife drove over to town last Sunday.

Charley Esau and Larkin Hayley, both of Hayrick, belong to the Robert Lee Sunday School.

Frank Gibbons is doing a good wagon yard business with the old Elkhorn wagon yard in San Angelo. Try him.

The gentle (f) breeze last Saturday turned over some stables and sheds in town.

Professors J. L. Ross and O. W. Gardner, and Misses Alvia Ingram and Lucy Kornegay were representing this County at the Teachers Association at San Angelo last week. They report a grand time, and the program rendered just splendid.

Stop at the webb Hotel when in Lee

Mr. L. F. Scarborough and wife of Saeco, were shopping in town last Monday.

S. J. Carpenter has opened up a new stock of Saddles and Harness, at Ballinger.

A drummer, selling boots and shoes and hats, made this territory this week.

No ranch, farm or stable can afford to be without a can of Nussbaumers Antiseptic Stock Ointment.

Floyd Shock, of Dallas, was in town yesterday, to collect some interest from our County.

W. C. Barron, Robert Lee's most extensive dealer in cattle made a business trip to San Angelo, first of the week.

Grandpa Keller paid us an appreciated call last Wednesday.

A. K. Meek has moved to the Harris farm, across the river.

Notice.

I have now a large stock of Coffins on hand; but must have cash or good security.

Respect,
J. H. Burroughs.

W. F. Cathey and family, were shopping in Lee, last Wednesday.

Dr. G. W. Martin and wife paid Cedar Hill a professional and social visit this week.

Bro. Berryman conducted prayer meeting, at the M. E. Church, Wednesday night. There was a good attendance. All are invited to attend next Wednesday night. Bro. Bates will lead the exercises and the subject will be "Prayer."

Our friend, Wm. Winans was in town Wednesday.

Wanted!

A wife, that can cook, wash, iron, and milk three cows.

T. C. Jackson,
Robert Lee, Tex.

Mr. Snyder and son, of Ballinger, are in the county, this week looking around.

BORN to Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Fry, on morning of Feb. 28th, a girl.

Mr. S. M. Archer and Mrs. Sallie Williams, of Bronte, were married at the M. E. Parsonage, at Highnoon, March 1st, 1899, by Rev. Eugene T. Bates. The RUSTLER extends congratulations.

Notice.

To the Tax payers of Coke County Texas, who are Delinquent for taxes of 1898. I will close the tax books on March, 15th, 1899. Please settle before that time, and save cost.

Respectfully,
Ir. B. Murray.

Tax Col., Coke Co.

Mr. Albion Hayley is spending the week with his parents near Hayrick. He has not visited Coke since last July, and has headquarters near Christoval, Tom Green County.

Dr. Martin, President of the Friday Evening Entertainment Club, postpones the programme for tonight, one week. Every body take due notice.

Read EVERY page this week.

For Sale.

A four section pasture, four miles east of Robert Lee. Good grass and good protection. This pasture takes two miles of Indian Creek and Mechatch Springs; it affords plenty of water except in very dry times; I have a drilled well and a 12 foot Aermoter windmill, it is now watering 253 head of stock. A good ranch house; a small horse pasture; 16 acres of land in cultivation, and some other improvements. For further particulars call on

Wiley Byrd,
Robert Lee, Tex.

At Cost!

Having dissolved partnership with Mrs. T. Brown, I am now located next door to Gantt & McNeese. I invite the public to call and examine my stock of MILLINERY goods, which I will sell at COST for the next sixty days. Also first class dressmaking in connexion.

Yours, to Please,
Mrs. ZI WILLIAMS,
San Angelo, Texas.

S. J. Carpenter has one of the best Saddle and Harness maker and repairer in the state, at Ballinger.

Epworth League.

Sat. evening, March 18, 1899. Opening Address.—Judge G. W. Perryman.

Prayer.
Song.
Poem.—Miss Ina Vestal.
Recitation.—Miss Roxy Ingram.
Solo.—Mrs. D. T. Averitt.
Essay.—Prof. O. W. Gardner.
Song.
Recitation.—Mr. Will Laswell.
Select Reading.—Mr. Jack Couch.
Duet.—Miss Ada Fry and Mrs. Jeff Davis.
Recitation.—Miss Lillie Trammell.
Song.
Business Meeting.
Benediction.

4-IMPORTANT GATEWAYS-4



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For St. Louis, Chicago and the EAST.

Superb New Pullman Vestibuled Buffet Sleepers. Handsome New Chair Cars. (Seats Free.)

Only Line Running Through Coaches and Sleepers to New Orleans Without Change...

DIRECT LINE TO Arizona, New Mexico AND California.

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We carry the finest line of Watches, Clocks and Jewelry in West Texas. Call and inspect our stock before buying. We do fine Watch work and Jewelry repairing.

Crawford & Crawford.

"THE JEWELERS."

SAN ANGELO and TEMPLE, TEXAS.

J. W. REED & CO.

ROBERT LEE, DEALERS IN TEXAS.

General Merchandise.

DRY GOODS, NOTIONS, HATS, SHOES, TRIMMINGS, GROCERIES, HARDWARE, HARNESS, ETC., ETC. GIVE US A CALL, AND YOU ARE OUR CUSTOMER.

MONEY SAVED

On your Plow Tools, Windmills, Hardware Glassware, Chinaware Aermoter Wind Mills, Well Supplies of all kinds, Pipe, Casing, Cypress and Galvanized Tanks, Horse Power and Pump Jacks, Steam and Power Drilling Machines, Hacks, Buggies, Bala, Old Hickory, and the Celebrated Deere Steel Wagon, Coal, Buggy and Hack Taps, Etc.

C. & G. Hagelstein Co.,

SAN ANGELO, TEXAS.

I am prepared to furnish 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, and 16 foot Steel Star Mills, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20, 22 1-2 and 25 foot of the Celebrated Eclipse Mills, and all kinds of Well supplies at close figures. My office is at Hagelstein's.

CHAS. CHAMBERLAIN.

MRS. M. B. INGRAM.

Dealer In

All Kinds of MILLINERY GOODS.

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South Side Square. Robert Lee, Texas.

G. W. LEE.

Contractor & Builder

Will contract Wood or Rock Work, and Cisterns, Etc.

If in need of anything in my line let me know and I will call and figure with you.

Residence Robert Lee, Texas.

M. A. ADAMS,

DEALER IN

STAPLE AND FANCY GROCERIES & PRODUCE

COKE COUNTY TRADE ESPECIALLY SOLICITED. Chadbourne Street, — — — San Angelo, Texas.

Stewart & Son.

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Dry Goods, Notions and Feed.

When in need of anything in our line give us a call, we won't lose your trade and will treat you right.

ROBERT LEE, TEXAS.

WE HANDLE GOODS ONLY OF RELIABLE VALUES.

The Famous "CROWN" Organ is a among them. We want your trade in Sheet Music and Music Books. Our discounts are larger than will be given you elsewhere. Send for our catalogues.

Geo. Allen, MUSIC DEALER. SAN ANGELO, TEXAS

"English Spoken Within." In many of the stores of Havana, says the Times of Cuba, "signs are displayed announcing that English is spoken within, in this way: 'Ingilis spoken. Our very good friends will come in and received many excellent treatment.' Another example of Havana's new English is shown on a card which a Cuban shirtmaker has been sending out, and which reads as follows: 'The Cuban tailors made shirts are made to order. Our friends who find touse houses the most reduced prices that can be obtained at the present. Great stoke of pecket hand-karchiefs under shirts of all kinds goods which belong in our stock.'"

In College and Senate. Speaking of the coincidence of the two college classmates representing Vermont in the United States senate at the same time, the Chicago Tribune recalls the fact that Hitchcock and Ingalls, who served in the senate together, were not only members of the same class at Williams, but had been roommates. In the senate after March 4 there will be two members who were born within a farm or two of each other—Evered and Foraker.

Incorrectly Described. Here's the latest self-inflicted joke on the London Times. Having referred to a certain lady as a widow, it printed a correction the following day, thus: "We regret that Mrs. Holiday was incorrectly described as a widow."

Is Not Twins. Johnnie (whose mamma has a headache)—Am I really so bad, mamma? Mamma—Yes, Johnnie, you are a very bad boy. Johnnie (reflectively)—Well, anyhow, you ought to be glad I'm not twins.

Engaging Girl. Clara—Mr. Spooner said if he was sure you would accept him he would propose. Maud—What did you say? "I told him to try it. If you wouldn't now, you would some time."

Filipino Sharpshooters.
Manila, Feb. 25.—The enemy's sharpshooters have been particularly active about Caloocan all day. Special attention was paid to the three gun batteries near the railroad and improvement of the rebel marksmanship was very noticeable. The rebels fired volleys at the battery, their bullets frequently skimming the tops of the sand bags. A lieutenant of the twentieth Kansas volunteers and three other men were slightly wounded. A man was killed in the trenches yesterday.

The rebel battery has not been used since a shell from the United States double-turreted monitor Monadnock exploded over it. The enemy's fire was so hot during the night in the vicinity of the Higgins house that the headquarters was removed to a church, 200 yards inside the line.

A few small fires have destroyed native shacks in various parts of the city.

The twentieth infantry is being disembarked from the transport Scandia. The regiment will be encamped on the water front at the former quarters of the Tennessee volunteers, temporarily.

From Dewey.
Washington, Feb. 25.—The following dispatches have been received at the navy department:
Manila, Feb. 24.—For political reasons the Oregon should be sent here at once.
DEWEY.
Manila, Feb. 24.—Yorktown arrived. Charleston and Petrel cruising around the Philippine islands. Affairs more quiet.
DEWEY.
San Francisco, Cal., Feb. 24.—The Oregon arrived at Hilo Feb. 4 and at Honolulu Feb. 5. Iris and Scandia arrived on 12th.
GIFFEN.
Mr. Giffen is dispatch agent of the department.

Junta Again Speaks.
The Filipino junta in Hong Kong published a venomous anti-American tirade, in part to the following effect: "Chaos and pandemonium reign at Manila; trade is paralyzed and provisions are at famine prices. The American officers are afraid to exercise authority over the recalcitrant soldiers. While fighting is in progress both military and police defy their officers and proceed to the front to see what they style 'fun.'"

"In order to push the scandal of a wanton night bombardment of a foreign consulate (name not given), the American authorities practically paid the damage, hoping to avoid publicity. The escape of the consul's family was miraculous."

The manifesto alleges that Maj. Gen. Otis is "incapable of filling his position," and then proceeds in a rabid denunciation of the American soldiers, declaring that "their conduct is bringing disgrace upon the white race."

Hundreds Killed.
Washington, Feb. 25.—Gen. Otis cabled the war department as follows:
Manila, Feb. 24.—Scandia arrived last night. On the nights of the 21st and 22d and yesterday morning insurgent troops gained access to the outskirts of the city behind our lines. Many are in hiding, and about 1000 entrenched themselves. They were completely routed yesterday, with a loss of killed and wounded of about 500 and 200 prisoners. Our loss was very slight. The city is quiet, confidence restored and business progressing.

Shoe Jobbers.
Atlanta, Ga., Feb. 25.—Southern jobbers have formed an association to be known as the Southern Shoe Jobbers' association. The association includes representatives from Baltimore to Dallas. The objects are the advancement and promotion of the welfare of the shoe trade in the south and the cementing of bonds of good fellowship. All the members pledge themselves to do all in their power to further the interests of trade and correct as far as possible all abuses which may come under their notice.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Robinson of Cameron, Tex., were poisoned by drinking coffee. Prompt use of emetics saved them.

Scored President.
Washington, Feb. 25.—During the general debate upon the army appropriation bill in the house yesterday Mr. Johnson (Rep.) of Indiana, who made several notable speeches, violently attacking the policy of the administration during the consideration of the army reorganization bill a fortnight ago, returned to the assault and delivered the president and some of his advisers some of the most scathing philippics heard in the house for months.

He sneered at the president and at the influence which he alleged controlled him, impugned his motive, scored his sincerity and likened him to Dickens' most contemptible character, charged his secretary of war with incompetency and predicted that the president would in the end be engulfed by adverse public sentiment. Although his utterances were far more sensational than those in his former speech and dazed some of his auditors by the epithets he hurled at the president and the livers, the speech did not raise about him the storm of his former speeches.

Mr. Landis, one of his Republican colleagues from Indiana, briefly stated to the house that Mr. Johnson's constituents had repudiated him and the two members had a wordy duel.

Later in the day Mr. March (Rep.) of Illinois replied to some of Mr. Johnson's restrictions, but the Republican leaders had evidently decided to ignore the attacks of the Indianan, and no general reply was made to his speech yesterday. The army appropriation bill yesterday was lost sight of in the discussion of the Philippines and several notable speeches were made, particularly that of Mr. Settle (Dem.) of Kentucky.

The general debate upon the bill closed.

Bill Passed.
Washington, Feb. 25.—After a session of nearly eight hours yesterday the senate this evening at 6 o'clock passed the river and harbor bill by the decisive vote of 50 to 3. The measure was under consideration throughout the day and on several of the committee amendments a determined fight was made, but in every instance the opposition availed nothing. The sharpest contest arose over the Nicaragua canal bill amendment. A point of order was made against it that it was general legislation, but the senate, to which the vice-president submitted the point, overruled it. It was then attacked as not being relevant to the river and harbor bill, but this, too, was overruled by the senate. Mr. Pettigrew (sil. rep) of South Dakota, Mr. Rawlins (dem.) of Utah and Mr. Teller (sil. rep.) of Colorado vigorously attacked the bill, their opposition being directed especially against the canal amendment. The statement was made that the measure would never see the light of day in the house and that the canal would not be built under the proposition inserted in the bill.

Addressed by Depew.
Chicago, Ill., Feb. 25.—The large army of the first infantry was filled to the doors by an audience composed of members of the congress of railway employes to hear the address of Senator-elect Chauncey M. Depew of New York last night. The speaker was warmly received and the expressions of approval were numerous and frequent. He recounted at some length the history of the railroad men in this country, and spoke of the power they can wield in politics when they are determined upon the carrying of some measure that they believe is for good of the country or the betterment of their own condition.

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Will Not Resign.
Washington, Feb. 25.—Secretary Alger returned to Washington and when asked concerning the reports that he intended to resign from the cabinet said he never entertained such an idea and so far as his own disposition was concerned he would remain in the cabinet until the end of the present administration.

Totally Destroyed.
Minneapolis, Minn., Feb. 25.—The five-story building on Fourth street near First avenue, owned and occupied by the Tribune Publishing company, was totally destroyed by fire.

Nothing was saved, mailing lists, files, account books, contracts with all the costly presses and type and linotypes were destroyed. A large part of the west wall fell outward an hour after the fire was discovered. Fortunately not a single life was lost nor a man injured.

Legislative.
Austin, Tex., Feb. 24.—In the senate house bill by Caldwell granting the city of Austin a new charter was finally passed.

Gough's bill authorizing the Missouri, Kansas and Texas Railway company to purchase and operate the Sherman, Shreveport and Southern railroad was passed to engrossment.

Turney's bill repealing the Jester amendment, which transfers annually 1 per cent. of the permanent school fund to the available was passed to engrossment, though its author was absent.

Bill by Goss providing that the venue in suits upon written contracts where the amount in controversy is less than \$500, the suit shall be brought in the county in which the principal obligor defendant resides. The favorable minority report was substituted for the adverse majority report.

Lewis spoke in opposition to the bill and Goss defended it. Miller also opposed the bill and Stafford spoke in advocacy of its passage.

Atlee offered an amendment providing that the provisions of the act be applicable only to suits on contracts made for sale or purchase of farm supplies, agricultural implements or machinery, lost.

The following amendment by Lewis was adopted: "Provided this act shall not apply to contracts executed for money loaned, for dry goods and groceries purchased, or for effects and belongings for household or family use."

The following amendment by Dibrrell was adopted: "Provided that it shall not be lawful in such contracts to provide for the payment of expenses or for attorney's fees for a greater sum than 10 per cent on the principal and interest due upon such contracts." The bill was then ordered engrossed.

The constitutional rule was suspended and the senate finally passed Gough's bill authorizing the Missouri, Kansas and Texas Railway company of Texas to purchase and operate the Sherman, Shreveport and Southern railway.

In the house the rules were suspended and the house concurred in senate amendments to the boll weevil bill.

An hour's time was consumed in trying to make special orders, when the general occupation tax amendment bill was laid before the house as a special order.

The committee report was adopted. Childs moved to indefinitely postpone the bill. He thought the bill unwise. The comptroller thought the bill ill-advised at this time. He thought the new revenue agency should be given a trial. This bill would cut down present taxes \$28,815. Lillard favored considering the bill at once, as did Schluter.

The house refused to indefinitely postpone by a vote of 15 to 92, and the night was on. The bill was ordered considered by subdivisions.

A proposition to make the taxes payable either annually or quarterly at the option of the taxpayers, elicited a great deal of discussion, but was finally adopted—yeas 67, nays 43.

Texas' Flag.
Galveston, Tex., Feb. 24.—Many people noticed the magnificent flag floating from the flagstaff of the Y. M. C. A. building but few probably knew that the flag was the famous battle flag of "our own" Texas, which Commodore Philip presented to the Sunday-school children of Texas on his recent visit. A little Sunday-school girl came into the Y. M. C. A. building yesterday morning and most earnestly asked: "Ain't you all going to fly the Texas battle flag to-day?" The appeal was irresistible, and the flag was flown.

It will soon be placed in a glass case and will doubtless be an object of interest to thousands of people during the coming years.

Mustered Out.
Galveston, Tex., Feb. 24.—One hundred and eleven artillerymen, members of battery G, stationed at Camp Hawley, were mustered out of the service and received their pay at the hands of Maj. L. Knapp, paymaster, yesterday. The men mustered out were those who enlisted during the war with Spain. When the battery is on a peace footing sixty-four men make up a full complement. This number was increased to 175 during hostilities.

Maj. and Mrs. Willey Jones celebrated their golden wedding on their farm on the North Bosque on the 16th. Mrs. Jones was Miss Maggie Ellison. The couple were united in wedlock fifty years ago at Cameron, Milam county.

Libel Bill Passed.
Austin, Tex., Feb. 23.—In the senate substitute house bill to authorize private corporations created or that may be created under the general laws of Texas to extend or renew their corporate existence where the same has expired or may be about to expire by lapse of time, and prescribing the condition and mode of such extension or renewal, was passed to a third reading and on motion of Burns was passed finally under a suspension of the rules.

Grinnan's concurrent resolution petitioning the congress of the United States to call a convention proposing amendments to the constitution was adopted.

Bill by Lewis abolishing the limitation of 5 per cent. in the purchase of county bonds for the permanent school fund and leaving the purchases entirely discretionary with the state board of education was engrossed and passed finally under a suspension of the rules.

Dibrrell's libel bill was next considered and the committee substitute was adopted in lieu of the original bill.

An amendment by James was adopted adding a section which provides, that malice expressed in a communication is assumed by the publisher.

An amendment was adopted allowing criticism of the official acts of public officials and another adding "and without malice" in the section which provides for the publication of the truth without intention to injure.

An amendment was also adopted adding after the word "defamation" in section 1 the words "statement or publication."

An amendment by Lewis was adopted leaving subdivision 4 read as follows: "Statements made in a communication to a person interested therein by one who is also interested." This is a subdivision in regard to communications published by newspapers.

An amendment was adopted adding after the word libel in section 1 the following: "In order to be the basis of a civil action for damages."

An amendment was adopted striking out the qualification of libel in section 4 of the bill, which relates to a mistake made in publication and an apology.

An amendment was adopted adding in subdivision 4 after the words "made in a" the following: "Letters or other private."

Lewis secured the adoption of an amendment adding the following to subdivision 4: "Provided that the publication of such letter or other private communication in a newspaper or circular shall not be privileged."

Grinnan offered an amendment striking out the enacting clause, and on motion of Burns it was tabled by a vote of 15 to 6 and the bill was ordered engrossed by the following vote:

Yeas—Atlee, Burns, Dibrrell, Goss, Hanger, James, Johnson, Kerr, Lewis, Odell, Potter, Ross, Stafford, Terrell and Yett—16.

Nays—Gough, Grinnan, Lloyd, McGee, Miller and Morris—6.

In the house the bill investing the permanent school fund in various kinds of bonds.

The pending amendment was by Henderson of Lamar to strike out the bonds of "incorporated cities."

Smith of Grayson offered a substitute providing that all possible investment in United States, State of Texas and county bonds should be made before resort is made to "city" bonds. Adopted.

An amendment by Smith of Grayson providing the bonds shall not bear less than 3 per cent interest was adopted.

An amendment by Henderson of Lamar to strike out the option of the board to pay a premium was adopted.

Sulphur Mines.
El Paso, Tex., Feb. 23.—County Surveyor Parker has returned from El Paso county sulphur mines, where he laid off a road from Chouteauville where the immense sulphur deposits are located to a point near Guadalupe on the Pecos Valley railway, the distance being twenty-one and a half miles. It is the purpose of the sulphur company to use the new roadbed either for a railway track or wagon road.

The sulphur works, which cost \$15,000 are now in full blast.

Governor Speaks.
Brenham, Tex., Feb. 23.—At the reunion of Green's brigade Gov. Sayers made an address on the old soldiers of long ago. The address was listened to with interest and loudly applauded.

The Munson steamship line has resumed business between Havana and Galveston.

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Recommend Discontinuance.
The secretary of war has sent to the senate a tabulated statement showing the increased expense of the recent advancement in grades provided for by the act of July 7 last be discontinued upon the termination of the war with Spain. He says the advancements are unnecessary and that they are unjust discrimination in favor of the quartermaster's and subsistence departments.

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Secret Societies.
 A. P. & A. M.—Hayrick Lodge No. 605, meets Saturday night or before the first full moon in each month. Visiting brethren invited. Bert Sheppard, W. M.
 H. E. Johnston, Secretary.

I. O. O. F. Lodge No. 357, meets every Thursday night at hall in Robert Lee.
 I. J. Good, N. G.
 H. H. Hayley, Secretary.

Robert Lee Mail Directory.
 Robert Lee and San Angelo, daily except Sunday. Arrives 5:30 p. m. and departs 7:30 a. m.
 Robert Lee and Ballinger, daily except Sunday, arrives 7 p. m. and leaves 7 a. m.
 Robert Lee via Sando to Silver, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday. Arrives 7 p. m. and leaves 6 a. m.
 Robert Lee and Ft. Chadbourne, Monday, Wednesday and Friday, arrives 6 p. m. and leaves at 7 a. m.
 Robert Lee and Tennyson, Tuesday and Saturday, arrives 7 p. m. and leaves at 6 a. m.
 Robert Lee and Edith, Monday, Wednesday and Friday, arrives at 12:30 p. m. and leaves at 7 a. m.
 Robert Lee and Sweetwater, Monday and Friday, 8 p. m. arrives, Tuesday and Saturday, 6 a. m. leaves.

Church Directory.
 Baptist—Each First Sabbath at 11 a. m., and at night. At Methodist Church.
 Eld. G. C. Berryman, Pastor.
 Christian—Services on Second Sunday in each month at 11 a. m. and at night, at School House.
 Rev. Hooton, Pastor.
 Methodist Episcopal South—Services Third Sunday in each month at 11 a. m., and night.
 Eugene T. Bates, P. C.
 Methodist Protestant—Services on Fourth Sunday in each month at 11 a. m., and at night, at Methodist Church.
 A. S. Miller, Pastor.
 Methodist Sabbath School at 3 p. m. each Sunday.
 J. O. Turner, Supt.
 Primitive Baptist—Second Sunday and Saturday before in each month at Valley View School house.
 Gid Graham, Pastor.

Plan of Robert Lee Circuit of the M. E. Church South.
FIRST SUNDAY—Bronte 11 a. m. & 7:30 p. m.
SECOND SUNDAY—Rock Springs 1 a. m.; New Hope 3 p. m. and at Olga 7:30 p. m.
THIRD SUNDAY—Robert Lee 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.
FOURTH SUNDAY—Sanco 11 a. m. and at Hayrick 3:30 p. m.
 Eugene T. Bates, P. C.
 Eld. G. C. Berryman, Baptist, preaches at Cedar Hill school house on Second Sunday and Saturday before in each month.
 Eld. Walker W. Smith's appointments: Indian creek School house third Sunday and Saturday before in each month. Antioch Church, Rock Springs school house on the fourth Sunday and Saturday before, at 11 a. m. and at night.
 Eld. A. M. Lackey's appointments: Bronte—Third Sunday and Saturday before, 11 a. m. and night.
 Valley View—First Sunday at 11 a. m.
 Tennyson—Fourth Sunday 11 a. m. Saturday night.

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 Sheriff..... L. B. Murray,
 Clerk..... J. W. Barnett,
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 Sheriff..... L. B. Murray,
 Assessor..... W. W. McCutchen,
 Treasurer..... C. L. Hughes,
 Surveyor..... A. C. Berryman,
 State & Animal Inspector, Will Perry.

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Ft. Chadbourne Notes.

Regular Correspondent.
 There is so much gripe in our neighborhood that there isn't anything doing but trying to look after the sick. Mr. Chas. Henderson is very low. Mr. Asa Garry is quite sick; and in fact most every family has one or more sick ones.
 Mr. Jas. Lindley has sold out to Mr. Tom Smith; Jim has moved in the house with Uncle McLindley; Smith has moved into the Jim Lindley house.
 Mr. Faucher has bought Jerry Reed's place, just across the line in Nolan County.
 Mr. Ike Billingslea came in from San Angelo with more goods, Saturday, Ike said, Angelo was quite lively on account of the soldier boys, who had been mustered out and on their way home; he said the boys were glad to get home and their friends were more than glad to have them at home.
 Mr. T. C. Baldwin sold 150 bu. of cotton seed to Mr. Stephens of Hayrick, at .18 per bushel.
 Messrs. S. S. and Bert Cosper took 80 bales of hay to sweetwater.

Mr. Haywood Christian is the only man in our neighborhood but what has stopped plowing.
 Mr. Baldwin says his wheat is all right so far; he is going to beat the rabbits this year out of his garden stuff, he has bought wire netting for his garden.
 Our Baptist brother, Rev. Smith preached for the Rock Springs people, Sunday at 11 a. m.
 Hoping the good people of Coke may get well of the gripe and have a good rain soon, I will say good day.

UNCLE TOM.

No Trespassing!
 I have bought the W. P. Smith pasture on the line of Coke and Sterling Counties. All trespassers for the purpose of cutting timber, or hauling wood, will be prosecuted to full extent of the law.
 This Jan. 24th, '99.
 H. G. Beason.

Honor Roll.
 The following is the list of pupils of the Robert Lee Public School, higher grades, that averaged 95 per cent in recitations, 98 per cent in deportment, and 100 per cent in attendance, for last week, Feb. 20th to Feb. 24th inclusive:
 May Stewart, Pearl Hamilton,
 Roxey Ingram, Dollie Stewart,
 Edith Montgomery, Lydia Roe,
 Maude Chaney, Emma Stickney
 Ina Barfield, Ellen Gardner,
 Elsie Laswell, Lile Roe,
 Ollie Finch, Edie Murray,
 Pearl Murray, Jessie Stickney,
 Stella Reamer, Fanny Laswell,
 Earl Johnson, Braxton Toliver,
 Charlie Perry, Roy Hamilton,
 Howard Monteith, Neely Gardner,
 Fines Walters, Jack Coneb,
 O. W. Gardner,
 Prin.

Following is a list of the pupils of Paint Creek school, whose average in attendance, deportment and recitations for the week ending February 24th, is above 95 per cent:
 Joda Key, Preston Blackwell,
 Ora Collier, Lutie Blackwell,
 Ella Blackwell.
 Emma Merchant,
 Teacher.

C. I. Hood and Co., of Lowell, Mass., sends us a pretty calendar for 1899. They put up a good Sarsaparilla, which can be bought from nearly any of our dealers. By sending them six cents in stamps, you can get their pretty calendar.

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Twenty five head, six yearlings; past, the others coming yearlings; of cows from seven-eighths to fifteen-sixteenths, and sired by the finest (registered) Short-horn bull in Runnels County. Well grown and fine colors; inoculated against Black-leg and on feed since December first 1898. See them at my Ranch, near Ballinger, and write me for terms.
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 Four cash prizes of from \$5 to \$20 will be awarded the coast country of Texas, four in the central, four in the western, four in the eastern and four in the northern portion of the state.
 Farmers throughout Texas are cordially invited to write their experience, based upon this year's crops, specifying total number of acres in cultivation, stating how many acres for each product; total amount realized, stating average, gross and net results per acre with mode of cultivation, etc. Send your articles to THE NEWS for publication. By so doing you will not only stand a good chance of winning a cash prize of \$5, \$10, \$15 or \$20, but you will also be aiding in a great movement for the betterment of the southern farmer's condition.
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Estray Notice.
 Returned by G. W. Payne, commissioner, precinct No. 4, Coke county, Texas, on 15th day of February, 1899. One black and white pided cow, about six years old, branded < S on left shoulder, marked under-crop right ear. Also one yearling, branded same as cow.
 The above described stock at Mrs. Milt Tucker's, on Yellow Wolf Creek.

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