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FRIDAY, JANUARY 27, 1893.

KEEP DOWN the cotton acreage.

INCREASE the acreage in feed-stuff.

The Hatch Anti-Option Bill will probably pass the Senate.

RAISE hogs and the stuff to feed them and be your own man.

The canoes seem mighty good for the republicans to again control the Senate.

The Senatorial fight will not come till next year when Coke's successor is to be chosen.

Gov. Hogg makes some valuable suggestions on the assessment of property and the collection of taxes.

A first-class democratic row is imminent between Cleveland and his friends and Hill and his friends.

There are still over two millions acres of land in Texas belonging to the homestead domain and subject to location for homesteads only.

The opposition to Senator Mills at Austin didn't materialize except in the populist caucus. Both the Senate and House caucuses unanimously for Mills.

SUPERINTENDENT Carlisle recommends the establishment of a normal school in North Texas; the wiping out of the community system; the increase of the school tax etc.

There is no necessity for increasing the school-tax. It is a large enough to now to run the schools nearly or quite six months in the year and that is long enough.

The people expect the state to be reapportioned into new judicial districts and another thin they expect that the number of their districts shall be reduced at least twenty-five per cent.

Pass the constitutional amendment authorizing the establishment of State Banks and let the people vote on it. It will be adopted by a big majority and will in a great measure help to remedy the financial evils that are complained of.

Who in the thunderation is Hoke Smith of "Jawgy" spoken of as a possible Attorney-General under Cleveland? Is he one of Ex-Congressman Hams' "snolly gosters" a "mugwump" in "jeans" or a what? That is one on us.

ERSKINE, the lobo statesman, will walk off with the state-house unless watched. He is an enterprising genius and withal a good fellow. But he is back to get something for his section and the chances are decidedly in favor of his getting it, if trade and traffic will fetch it.

There is no sound reason why the state should not accept the sugar bounty. It is simply a matter of business and not of politics. By accepting it, the party in Texas is not committed to the principle of bounties or a high-tariff. The legislature should accept it.

The legislature is making too many felonies. Instead of increasing the number, it should be cut down. Representative Townsend's bill to send every purloiner of a razor-back to the pen, we think is going too far. Ten per cent of the state's population would soon be inside of the walls.

ERSKINE, the great lobo and cayote hunter of the Wild West, is in the legislature again. His constituents want him there before to play and they sent him back this time to undo it. Before the legislature adjourns, Erskine will do something to distinguish himself and make his constituents proud of him.

The Commission Law will come up on appeal before Judge Maxey of the Federal Court at Austin in February. The probabilities are that the McCormick injunction will be dissolved and the commission will again go to work. It is also quite probable that Judge Maxey will hold the fifth section unconstitutional in which case the legislature will have to do some amending.

SENATOR CARLISLE has tendered his resignation as senator to accept the secretaryship of the treasury under Cleveland.

WHEN meat gets up to twenty-five cents a pound, the people will go to raising hogs. And it is getting there or thereabouts now.

THE farmer who depends on cotton and cotton alone, or even cotton mainly, will depend and continue to depend and do nothing else.

THERE is not a farmer in Houston county who can't plant besides his corn crop, from five to ten acres in goobers and other edibles and make meat enough to supply two families.

WHEN the campaign opened the populites said they wanted Mills' scalp. Instead of getting Mills' scalp, they lost their own. Of 159 members in both branches of the legislature, the populites got only nine.

THE democrats gained a senator by the election of White in California last week. They now have 42 senators certain, but must have forty-four in order to organize and control the next senate. To get the other two, they must look to Kansas, Montana, Wyoming, Nebraska and North Dakota. The chances are that the democrats will elect senators in Wyoming and Montana.

SENATOR John Cranford was chosen to place Mills in nomination in the Senate. We are proud to see this for two reasons. First because it will be done as few others can do it, and secondly, because John was disappointed a year ago by the withdrawal of Culbertson in not getting an opportunity to deliver the speech of his life. Cranford is a "spellbinder" and those who hear him will hear a treat.

WE hope the senator from this district as well as the representative and floater will do all in their power to scotch those bills creating new judicial districts. It is an imposition on the people for the legislature to create districts just to serve the ambition of some aspiring lawyer or help along the boom of some overgrown town. Scotch them and instead of increasing the number of districts, reapportion the state and cut down the number.

SPEAKER Cochran enjoys the reputation of being a skilled parliamentarian. We have never been able to determine just why he does enjoy it but he does nevertheless. His admirers have recently had their faith in him shaken. His ruling last week that a legislative proposition, after being acted on affirmatively and a motion to reconsider tabled, can be reopened at any time on another motion to reconsider is a parliamentary monstrosity.

THE death of Ben Butler recalls, among many anecdotes, one which occurred while the General was making a canvass in his own state of Massachusetts. Across one of the main thoroughfares of a Massachusetts town in which there was a big demonstration on the occasion of Butler's speaking, a banner was stretched with the inscription: "Here is to the hero of Five Forks." During the night some one of a historic and waggish turn of mind added below, the following: "And God only knows how many spoons."

IF Buck Kilgore gets the Mexican Mission he will not be in Mexico two months before he is heard from. He is bound to raise a senator of some sort wherever he may be. Kilgore's foot and Howdy Martin's mouth have given Texas and Texas a wider notoriety abroad than Culbertson's brains and Mills' magnetic eloquence. Kilgore's kicking down the door of the House of Representatives and Howdy Martin blowing out the gas have furnished a clever playwright the cue and the material for satirizing Texas, Texas and Texas ways in the roaring and picturesque comedy of "Mr. Potter of Texas."

THE farming class is in better condition than they have been for years. This results from a reduction of the cotton acreage last year and an increased acreage in the direction of feedstuffs. The question that every farmer is confronted with to-day is shall he throw away the advantage gained the past year by a diversification of his crops and a cutting down of the acreage in cotton or shall he hold it by pursuing the same wise course as last season and even going farther? If the former, then the country next fall will drag along in the same old groove that has brought dependence and poverty for years. If the latter, then we may expect better times, greater progress and greater independence.

THE farmer who increases his cotton acreage this year doesn't deserve to get over five cents for his cotton.

The State of Virginia has an income tax and has had for years. It was passed by democrats and last year brought \$54,000 into the state treasury.

If you want to see Cochran's engineering genius display itself, wait till Bowser's Bill establishing a Court of Civil Appeals at Dallas comes up.

UNCLE SAM's treasury at Washington is busted. Uncle Sam can now sympathize with his subjects who have a "busted" pocket book and have been appealing to him for financial relief for years. Something will be done now.

TO the farmers—How does eighteen, sixteen or even fifteen cent bacon strike you? That is the picture now. Next fall, how will five and six cent cotton strike you? That will be the picture then if you persist in increasing your acreage.

WE invite attention to an appeal published elsewhere from the ladies of Richmond, Virginia. The cause in which they are enlisted is a noble one and should appeal to every one to whom the Lost Cause and its heroes are dear and grow dearer as the years pass by.

THERE may be democrats who, as sugar-planters, would decline a bounty from the Federal Government of forty-thousand dollars. Then again there may be democrats who, if they saw a forty-thousand dollar roll of bills in the road, would walk around and wink at it. We say there may be democrats who would do these things. But we have never seen them and we have seen a great many democrats too and among them was the present executive at Austin.

REPRESENTATIVE MOODY has introduced a bill to reduce the tax rate from 15 cents to 12. This will not work. A bill is pending to appropriate \$300,000 for deficiencies and another to appropriate \$300,000 more for convict farms. If these pass, the little surplus in the treasury will be knocked out and there will be nothing left on which to make a reduction of the tax rate. Fifteen cents is as low as it can be made with the threatened increase in the appropriations.

THE SUGAR BOUNTY.

Texas is entitled to about forty thousand dollars from the Federal Government in the way of bounty on sugar produced by the state on convict farms. Two years ago the legislature passed a law authorizing the Superintendent of Penitentiaries to receive it. Gov. Hogg interposed and vetoed the bill on the ground that the bounty law was in contravention of sound principles of democracy. Gov. Hogg was conspicuously correct in stating that such a principle was undemocratic. But the question involved was not one of politics. The position of the democratic party on this and kindred policies is settled, is known and needs no illustration. The acceptance or non-acceptance of the bounty due the state was not, as we have said a political question, but a simple, plain, every-day business proposition. That was the question, that and nothing more. Would the acceptance of the bounty compromise the democratic party in Texas or carry with it the idea that the party endorses such a principle? Obviously not. Was it necessary to reject such bounty in order to emphasize the high ground on which the party stands with reference to such questions? Manifestly not, because the declarations of the party are known. It is a business question and not one of doctrinaire statesmanship. It is a question that should be considered and acted on by the state just as an individual sugar planter, though rock-ribbed democrat, would consider and act on it. Has anybody heard of any democratic sugar planter in Texas or Louisiana who declined the bounty for fear of compromising his democracy? Were Governor Hogg a sugar planter and entitled to a bounty of forty-thousand dollars annually, would he reject it? Would "Old Hickory" himself reject it? Would any sensible democrat decline it? Would any individual commit himself to an endorsement of the principle by accepting the bounty? If an individual can do all these things and do them without impropriety, why can't a state do the same? The question is too simple to discuss. The state has already lost seventy-five thousand dollars by Governor Hogg's veto of the bill two years ago. We hope the present legislature will pass another and then, if vetoed, pass it over the executive veto.

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GRAPELAND.

ED. COURIER.—Mr. John Horn has sold out to Messrs. Lively & Wright who will open a stock of general merchandise in a few days.

Miss Emma Ferguson, daughter of widow Ferguson, died last week.

Mr. Willie Neil has bought the Brooks residence.

The Grape Land Literary Society has selected the following for discussion at the next meeting. "Resolved, That the present Texas Legislature should make an appropriation for representation at the World's Fair." There are about a dozen debaters on each side, pro and con, and the question will be handled with thoroughness and permanently settled.

Mr. Frank Faris is on the sick list this week.

The members of the Christian church are requested to meet at the school house next Sunday at 11 o'clock a. m.

KEYSTONE. AN APPEAL.

Issued by Richmond, Va., Ladies in Retal of a Monument to the Confederate Soldiers and Sailors FOR THE SAKE OF "AULD LANG SYNE" In behalf of the monument to the Private Soldier and Sailor of the Confederate States, whose valor and devotion have won alike the undying gratitude of our people and the admiration of the world; and in behalf of the Memorial Museum to be established in the mansion occupied by President Davis in this appeal is made, to which every citizen of the Southern States is earnestly asked to give sympathy and support.

Perhaps no one spot so speaks of the people of the Confederacy, or is more associated with their unparalleled heroism, than Richmond, the Capital, on whose most lofty hill overlooking those fields once drenched with the blood of the soldier from every State, and that on sweeping river so gallantly defended by the intrepid sailor, it should be our pride and glory to rear this unique monument—the combined offering of love and gratitude from the entire Southern people. And surely within the walls where so often gathered the valiant men; and true, these lasting memorials of the noble sons and daughters of all the South should be sacredly guarded, that the Past may be ever held in honored remembrance, and our children's children may learn—

"How noble a thing it is To suffer and be strong"

To this end, there will shortly be held in this city a Memorial Bazaar. In it there will be a table, or tent, for each State, bearing its name, shield, colors, and motto; and it is earnestly desired that each State shall assist its own table with contributions of all kinds. This bazaar will be under the auspices of the Memorial Association and Confederate Camps, and direct appeals will soon be sent out by them to enlist the active cooperation of those who were failed to honor what now is only a memory dear to every heart—the cause they believed to be right.

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CHURCH DIRECTORY.

METHODIST.—L. M. Fowler Pastor, Services the 2d, 3d and 4th Sundays in each month, morning and evening. Sunday school every Sunday. Prayer meeting every Tuesday night. First Sunday at Lovelady. Sacramental services at the Crockett church the second Sunday in each month.

COURT DIRECTORY.

DISTRICT.—District Judge, Hon. W. Q. Reeves. District Attorney, Hon. D. A. Nunn, Jr. District Clerk, Hon. W. A. Champion.

COURT CALENDAR.

Court convenes the first Monday after the 4th Monday in February, and first Monday after fourth Monday in September.

LOCAL AND COUNTY NEWS.

Don't forget the Saddle Shop. Joe Long has been seriously sick. Ike Daniel is out after a spell of sickness.

Judge Davis continues seriously sick.

Widen the streets and set out shade trees. Commissioner's Court will meet Monday week.

Hon. F. H. Bayne is expected home tomorrow.

Come to the Racket Store for cheap goods and good goods.

Major W. H. Cundiff of Decatur, has been in the city several days.

N. J. Mainer of Lovelady, spent Saturday in Crockett on business.

Late Decision: It is now decided that the Racket Store is the cheapest store in Crockett.

Don't forget to visit the Racket Store when you come to town and have your eyes opened on prices.

John Goolsbee took out carpenter the other day to put up a new residence for himself in the country.

HOWARD, THE BARBER gives a soft, smooth, clean shave and a stylish hair-cut. Call and see him.

Mrs. F. A. Williams and Miss Cora Jones of Galveston will be up this week on a visit to Col. Nunn's family.

We acknowledge pleasant calls from Geo. Calhoun, Juno E. Allbright of Ash, and T. A. Clinton of Pennington.

Turn your attention to raising hogs and stuff to feed them. If you haven't got a start get one at once.

Highest Cash prices paid for all kinds of country produce such as chickens, eggs, sweet-potatoes at JONES & DOUGLASS.

The farmer who raises hogs this year and raises the stuff to feed and fatten them, will be the man who is independent next fall.

Notice. I am selling out my clothing at cost; come to see me.

B. M. JONES. If you have a saddle or harness that needs repair take it to E. A. Nichols at old grange store stand he is the nearest workman in this part of the state.

Stolen. E. Winfree's saddle horse was stolen out of his stable on Monday night. It was a dark, iron-gray pony about 14 hands high with flax tail. Look out for him.

For Sale. I offer my residence property for sale, cheap for cash. It consists of fourteen acres of land, all improvements new and complete, consisting of an elegant residence and all out-houses.

Notice. We have a fine lot of young mules from 3 to 5 years old that we will sell cheap for cash or on time to suit purchaser.

Apply to A. LeGory or J. W. Hail. We call attention to the proclamation of Mayor J. W. Hail to be found in this issue of the COURIER.

We are glad to note that the mayor and City Council are waking up to the importance of having better and wider streets. It is a move in the right direction and we commend it unqualifiedly.

The doors of the Baptist church were opened for new members Sunday night. Rev. J. E. Kennedy, wife, three sons and daughter united themselves by letter with the church. Rev. Mr. Kennedy is an ordained Baptist minister. He has moved to Crockett and will serve several churches in the county.

Answer This Question. Why do so many people we see around us seem to prefer to suffer and be made miserable by indigestion, constipation, dizziness, loss of appetite, coming up of the food, Yellow Skin, when for 75c we will sell them Shiloh's Vitalizer, guaranteed to cure them. Sold by J. G. Harrington.

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E. A. NICHOLS.

For Sale or Exchange. I have fifty head of good North Texas horses which I will sell or exchange for stock or steer cattle, allowing a fair price for cattle. The horses are from 15 to 15 1/2 hands high. Call to see me at my farm eight miles east of Crockett.

T. F. SMITH.

Anybody Lost a Horse? Taken up by the undersigned, one gray horse about 12 years old 16 hands high, shod all round, saddle and harness marks, branded half-circle with a curve over it on right shoulder. Address me at Weldon.

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Lost or Strayed. One red roan cow, no mark, branded (G) on left hip, F on shoulder. One red roan heifer no mark nor brand when last seen; half jersey 2 years old.

One blue cow, no brand, marked crop and two splits in left ear, crop and two splits in right ear and underbit in left ear; also one pale red heifer yearling, 2 years old, no mark nor brand when last seen, half jersey. A liberal reward for their recovery.

Oh, What a Cough. Will you heed the warning. The signal perhaps of the sure approach of that more terrible disease Consumption. Ask yourselves if you can afford for the sake of saving 50c., to run the risk and do nothing for it. We know from experience that Shiloh's Cure will cure your cough. It never fails. This explains why more than a Million Bottles were sold the past year. It relieves Croup and Whooping Cough at once. Mothers, do not be without it. For lame back, side or chest use Shiloh's Porus Plaster. Sold by J. G. Harrington.

Improvements. The old town continues to move forward and in a year or two will be one of the most attractive towns in East Texas. Property is changing hands every week and contracts being let for new buildings.

There was a meeting of prominent members of the Methodist Church Wednesday morning to devise ways and means for building a new parsonage. We are glad to see this step taken and hope to see a really elegant building go up in the place of the one now used. It is proposed to tear out the old one or the most of it and put in one that will be a comfort to those occupying it and a credit to the town. It is a worthy enterprise and appeals to all citizens interested in the up-building of the town for generous support.

J. E. Downes had bought the property in East Crockett formerly owned by R. S. Willis. On a part of it Mrs. Emma Brown will build a residence.

J. E. Downes proposes to build a new residence during the summer, but has not decided whether to build where he is or on the property purchased from Willis.

J. W. Hail commences building in about a month. Col. Davis new residence is under construction.

Wilson Edwards is getting ready to build. Doc Wootters thinks the west side of the square will be built up solidly in a year.

Bill McConnell Says. Mythologically speaking, as the goddess of love holds within her right hand all that is fair, bright and beautiful, so openeth up the new year in excessive effulgence beseeching as it were the despondent, careworn and weary to take new energy, drive the dismal clouds to the rear and henceforth look upon the bright side of life.

Our spring stock has not yet begun to arrive and we are still dealing in winter goods, but putting them at such close figures that all who price them seem astonished. Have just received a car of flour, a complete line of rubber boots and shoes and a full supply of coffee, sugar, rice, grits, seed potatoes, oat meal, dried apples, peaches and grapes and other delicious edibles.

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The Cotton Market.

Cotton since our last issue has shown but little strength. All grades have been marked one 1/4 to 1/2 middling selling in Crockett for 8 1/2 to 8 1/4.

Notice to Creditors of W. F. Breiting

All persons having claims against the estate of W. F. Breiting dec'd. will have their claims authenticated and filed with me by the 10th of February as I will then make a pro rata division of said estate.

W. W. DAVIS, Ag't of creditors.

To the Mayor and City Council. You have made a splendid start in the way of better streets. Now, can't you go one step further and see to it that the High School Campus is enclosed and set out in shade trees. As suggested by Judge Wall last week, if the city council will enclose the grounds and furnish the trees which can be had for a small amount of money, the citizens will turn out and set out the trees.

If it is done, it must be done within the next 30 days or it will be too late.

The ramps at present is a resort for cows, calves and horses and is neither comfortable nor beautiful.

Swinging Song.

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Incendiarism at Lovelady.

About one o'clock on Sunday morning last, the store-house of Gantt & Rayburn at Lovelady was discovered on fire by the R.R. porter at that place.

The porter on rushing to the fire discovered and recognized a colored boy near the fire. He was arrested and gave away the plot to burn the house. His statement implicated John Rains, a boy about eighteen years of age living there. Deputy Sheriff Watts brought up Rains Tuesday morning and placed him in jail and also a couple of negro boys were brought up Tuesday evening and lodged in jail. The attempt to fire the town seems to be the result of an organized effort on the part of quite a number of boys, and it is said that further developments will involve some eight or ten more. The building was fired from the outside by kerosene oil. Fortunately the citizens rallied and extinguished the fire before any serious damage was done.

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SHILOH'S CURE. The best investment on earth is the purchase of a bottle of Shiloh's Pectoral Balm. It cures a cough or cold. Don't take desperate chances when the first day of the exciting medicine will relieve you. A bottle will cure any ordinary cough or cold. Sold everywhere.

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There are two officials to each post, in order that one might spy upon the other. The rule being that an official shall report what he has done, but only what the other has done. From the highest official to the lowest all practice a system of unblinking robbery, called "squeezing." The salary of a vicary in some cases is \$50 a year; the regular draws not less than \$5,000. The salary of a judge is \$40 a year; he regularly draws at least \$2,000. There are 1,500 post in Canton.

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