



The Graham Leader.

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Justice White, of the United States supreme court, rides a bicycle and wears a mustache.

Mary a self-made man, says a Georgia paper, would have done better had he let the contract to some one else.

The sovereign grand lodge J. O. O. F. will meet in Dallas next September and the Odd Fellows of Texas are already making arrangements for the meeting.

The university of Virginia, at Charlottesville, has been destroyed by fire. Last estimates place the loss on the university building and annex at \$250,000; insurance \$25,000. Steps are being taken to rebuild at once.

A Georgia editor is responsible for the following column on his brethren: "A pickpocket robbed a North Georgia editor at the exposition last week. He got a free pass, a red bandanna and a pair of dirty socks. It is presumed the editor was barefooted when robbed."

The total sugar crop of Louisiana this year is estimated at 710,000,000 pounds, an increase of 57,000 tons over that of last year in spite of the repeal of the bounty.

The shipments of American wheat to England during September were surpassed by the combined totals of India and Argentina as well as by the combined totals of Russia and Roumania.

The growing harmony of the races at the South was illustrated at Atlanta by the formal opening of the building devoted to exhibiting himself of the negroes since our acquisition. The display to locate in the South, without whose gods will it would have been impossible.

Judge Straughn of the Palo Pinto District has cited the County Commissioners' Court of Palo Pinto county to appear before him in Stephenville on November 1st, to show cause, if any they have, why a writ of mandamus should not issue to compel them to open the polls, count the vote and declare the result of the prohibition election held in that county on September 14th.

H. H. Holmes, or Herman Mudge, which he says is his baptismal name, is on trial at Philadelphia for the murder of Benjamin Fietzel. When the case was called Holmes had a row with his attorneys and is conducting his own defense, having refused the assistance of counsel appointed by the court.

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Prize Fight or War.

Little Rock, Ark., Oct. 28.—It looks now as if Arkansas was in for something, a prize fight or a war. The developments here to-day have thrown everybody into a fever of excitement, and nothing short of the governor's militia, it is claimed, will be able to keep Corbett and Fitzsimmons apart.

One night last week in the village of Tolosa in the southern edge of Kaufman county Mr. Brazell's went from home and a neighbor's girl, to have some fun, put on a "false face," to visit Brazell's residence and stuck her head in at a window.

The man who claims to be a Populist and refuses to take a people's party paper from the office when he knows it is paid for by another is not worth much to any party.—Weatherford Leader.

Has the poor old granny become so utterly worthless that you can't make it go even among the Populists when offered as a gracious gift? We knew it was a poor thing as a local newspaper, a time-server as a political sheet, and an all-around chronic gambler, that drew its inspiration from the misfortunes of the past few years that are now only a memory, but we hardly thought returning prosperity would so soon make it such a back number as that it could not be sent gratis into the homes of its own party.

An advance in the price of silver, caused by the demand from China, is now at hand. Japan is quite willing to accept China's war indemnity in silver, and as the production of silver during the last year has been limited, there is a scarcity of that product.

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Frank Ware, charged with the murder of Engineer Black at Fort Worth was given a life term in the penitentiary. Mrs. Black turned state's evidence and by agreement with the state's counsel will escape prosecution. She admitted that Ware administered the poison to her husband in a systematic manner and that she was cognizant of the fact.

Dr. Price's Cream Baking Powder. Awarded Gold Medal Midwinter Fair, San Francisco.

Smith County and Saloons.

Tyler, Tex., Oct. 28.—Mentioned below most peaceful homes of a murder about sundown the side of the road that ever occurred here.

The victim is the wife of Leonard Deal-Bell, who lives five miles east of last Tyler, one of Smith county's most prosperous farmers.

Mrs. Bell was returning alone from a visit to her mother's. She had only gone a few minutes when she was seized by some one now unknown. Her throat was cut from ear to ear. The fiend not being satisfied, cut her entire body wide open.

Great excitement prevails. Everywhere men are seen with guns and if the guilty party is caught a lynching will follow. It is reported that a special train has left Tyler for Rusk for bloodhounds. Mr. and Mrs. Bell had been married two years.

LATER.—A negro named Jim King was arrested near Kilgore Tuesday morning and was immediately conveyed to Tyler. He confessed to having committed the horrible crime and was burned at the stake on the public square in the presence of 5000 people.

Teachers' Institute. At Father, Nov. 8th and 9th. Program—Friday 10 o'clock a. m. Opening exercises to be arranged by resident teacher.

The Young County Nursery. I desire to inform the good people of Young and adjoining counties that the Young County Nursery is now being conducted by Mr. Geo. S. Clark, who is an experienced nurseryman and comes to be recommended by the leading nurserymen of the state.

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**THE LEADER.**

W. H. GRAVES, local Editor and Manager.

**LITTLE LOCAL LEADERS.**

A big, white frost.  
The dust is now settled.  
Winter will be here soon.  
A welcome, ground-soaking rain.  
E. H. Wade is back from the Dallas fair.  
Walter E. Price is taking in the fair at Dallas.  
Judge R. F. Arnold left Thursday morning for Dallas.  
Trade has been quite satisfactory with the merchants this week.  
Chas. B. Gant began his school at Indian Mound last Monday.  
Travis Eddleman is taking in the great fair at Dallas this week.  
New Crop Molasses just received. GRAHAM MERCANTILE CO.  
Geo. H. Craig has returned from Dallas and other eastern points.  
Jerry Stinson and Pat Hunter of Eliasville were in the city Saturday.  
The rains have descended at last and the heart of the farmer is made glad.  
Our subscription list is showing a gratifying increase of new subscribers.  
Best shirts in Graham for the money at S. B. STREET & Co's. Cheapest House in Graham.  
J. H. Cochran is building a residence for A. J. Kidney, seven miles east of town.  
Mrs. J. T. Rickman and son returned Monday from a visit to Weatherford.  
D. A. Ford is rejoicing over the advent of a brand new girl baby at his residence.  
J. W. Graves and wife left Tuesday morning for Mineral Wells and other points east.  
On Sunday the postoffice will be open from 8 a. m. to 9 a. m. Let the boys of Weatherford and Miss Stinson returned on Tuesday from the Dallas fair.  
Stetson Hats, all shapes. We have the largest stock of them ever shown in this market. GRAHAM MERCANTILE CO.  
The physicians report comparatively little sickness since the cool weather commenced.  
J. D. Short and family have returned from the fair and a visit to relatives at Weatherford.  
Andy Benson, who left here a few weeks ago for New Mexico, has located at Matador, Texas.  
Look out for more weddings. There are several pairs of hearts preparing to beat in unison.  
All Standard brands of prints at 5c. per yard at Jno. E. MORRISON & Co.  
The first is here again and the man with a bill is making the usual inquiry, "How are you fixed?"  
Miss Sallie Johnston was a passenger on Monday's east-bound stage—bound for the Dallas fair.  
The Young County Teachers' Institute will meet at Farmer on next Friday and Saturday.  
Buy our heavy wear Shoes. Best and nearest on the market. S. B. STREET & Co's. Cheapest House in Graham.  
Chills are now the prevailing complaint and several pupils of the public school have been "shaking."  
E. L. Dukes, a substantial citizen of the Eliasville neighborhood, was a pleasant caller at this office Tuesday.  
Frank Graham returned to Gertrude Monday after a week's attendance upon federal court as a witness.  
Everything in the GROCERY line at BED ROCK prices can be had at Jno. E. MORRISON & Co.  
Last Monday was the regular term of justice court. The docket being light the term was a short one.  
The Graham gin had turned out 1250 bales up to Thursday morning and it is still "getting there" at a lively rate.  
While you are thinking about job printing remember that THE LEADER can fill your bill for anything in this line.  
See our Plaids for ladies' waists and children's wear. S. B. STREET & Co's. Cheapest House in Graham.

J. L. McLaren was in from Goose Neck the other day and was pawing up the earth. It's a girl baby.  
W. R. Johnson, of Foard county has been visiting relatives in this county during the past two weeks.  
Dr. J. W. Gallaher and his little son, Tommie, boarded the stage Wednesday to see the sights at the Dallas fair.  
Mrs. Eva Manger, who has been visiting her aunt, Mrs. W. O. Clark in this city, returned to her home at Van Alstyne last Monday.  
Buy a pair of Ladies' Kid Driving Gloves, at S. B. STREET & Co's. Cheapest House in Graham.  
J. R. Harris has been on a trip to Hillsboro this week, having gone to take G. W. Wilhoit as an attached witness for Sheriff Williams.  
Cotton picking is nearly over and schools are commencing. All the schools in the county have been supplied with teachers except the Murray school.  
Thos. F. West, one of the leading legal lights of Fort Worth, and Joe H. Eagle, a talented young attorney of Houston, were here attending federal court.  
We are headquarters for Overcoats, Macintoshes, Ducking Coats and Vests, Leather Coats, Wool Shirts, Gloves. GRAHAM MERCANTILE CO.  
J. A. Montgomery of Memphis has returned home after serving Uncle Sam as a juror and visiting his daughter, Mrs. F. M. Burkett, for ten days.  
The residence of Mrs. Maupin in South Prairie was totally destroyed by fire last Sunday. Mrs. Maupin is a widow and the loss is a severe one to her.  
The forests are beautiful now. The sturdy oaks are wearing foliage of scarlet, of orange, of crimson, and of brown, strongly indicative of the approach of winter.  
Call and see our Dress Goods. Full line of Suitings, both foreign and domestic. S. B. STREET & Co's. Cheapest House in Graham.  
H. M. Berry of Mineral Wells has been driving the stage for Mr. Dewey this week. Mr. Dewey, we are glad to learn, is improving rapidly and will be at his post again soon.  
Adelphi Lodge I. O. O. F. has been resuscitated and is now in thorough working order. The membership is increasing and the prospect is encouraging for a flourishing lodge.  
The postoffice department has established a postoffice just beyond the McCann bridge, near Col. P. B. Hunt's place. The office will be known as Drummond and V. E. Curtis has been appointed postmaster.  
Rubber Boots for men and boys. Arctics, for men, ladies and misses. Rubber Shoes for all. GRAHAM MERCANTILE CO.  
The farmers have been blessed this fall with the most propitious weather for gathering their crop of cotton that they have had for many a year and as a consequence the end of the harvest is being rapidly reached.  
It is said the Texas and Pacific will put on another passenger train from Weatherford east, commencing to-day, and that the schedule on the Mineral Wells road will be changed so as to make close connection.  
Keep yourself warm. Buy underwear, both ladies' and gent's, at S. B. STREET & Co's. Cheapest House in Graham.  
Sheriff Williams will to-day sell at public outcry a fine, "matched" team of horses, levied upon as the property of Thos. Cook, to satisfy the demands of the commonwealth for three years' poll tax due by said Cook.  
Deputy U. S. Marshal Cornelius left Wednesday for Dallas with A. M. Winn, who received a three years' sentence in the federal court for robbing the postoffice at Haskell in 1888. Marshal Love left Thursday morning with three other prisoners convicted for counterfeiting and passing counterfeit money. These prisoners will serve their respective terms in the federal prison at Leavenworth, Kansas.  
Prints, Prints, Prints! Besides our stock now in we will receive this week: 25 pieces American Indigo Blues, 50 " Simpsons. Call and look at the pretty patterns. All go at five cents. GRAHAM MERCANTILE CO.

Henry Schlittler informs THE LEADER that Dr. W. A. Threlkeld of Mineral Wells was shot in the leg and seriously wounded by Dr. McCracken, also of that city, on Tuesday evening. The shooting was accidental.  
V. M. Hale had the misfortune to lose one of his horses this week. The horse didn't run off, nor did some one find a rope with the horse on the end of it; but Mr. Hale says the horse just laid down and died from an aggravated case of bots.  
Our school is increasing in numbers all the time. Miss Alice Lindsey came in from Anson last Monday and immediately took charge of one department. Miss Lindsey is a good teacher and the management is to be congratulated upon securing her services.  
V. F. Gorrissen's Bargain House is the place to buy your Galvanized and Granite Ironware, Tinware and Woodenware at bottom prices.  
The slight slump in the cotton market last week did not seem to affect receipts to any appreciable extent. It gave the Graham gin a chance to catch up with its work, however, for the first time this season, as all the cotton in the gin was turned out Saturday night.  
M. A. Stewart, one of the solid citizens of Markley, was here several days attending federal court and gave THE LEADER some substantial encouragement. Mr. Stewart does not come down often, he says, but he was an attached witness this time and "almost had to."  
Flour.  
Just received, a car each of Zenith and Golden Wedding Flour. Get our prices before buying. GRAHAM MERCANTILE CO.  
A number of our citizens have been going to and returning from the Dallas fair this week; but the attendance from this place was not as large as it was last year. Federal court being in session and the rush of business in all lines of trade prevented many from attending.  
W. L. Chandler and wife of Murray were in the city Tuesday. "Street" Chandler is one of those solid citizens who never comes to town unless he has urgent business. He is usually here about court time, but his "little tale of woe," whispered into the ear of the judge, usually excuses him from jury service.  
Wheat sowing is now in order since the magnificent rains. Many farmers have been waiting patiently for rain before planting, while others had their wheat in the ground. There will be a considerable acreage put in wheat in this county, particularly in the southwestern portion, where Donnell Bros. have supplied a car load of seed wheat to farmers having none.  
Speaking of groceries, and the sharp competition now permeating all lines of trade, the Sub-Treasury wants you to know that it is in the ring with a choice stock of fresh groceries, consisting of everything you need, from choice fruits, confectionery and fancy groceries to the heavy staples, which they are supplying to the public at the lowest possible prices. They also handle home-made Flour, which is guaranteed to give satisfaction in every particular. All kinds of feed stuffs kept constantly in stock. If you want to feed yourself, your family, your horse, cow or hog, go to the Sub-Treasury. They have it. They are courteous gentlemen to deal with and will treat you right.  
Great Combination Offer.  
We will send THE LEADER, the Fort Worth Weekly Gazette and the American Farmer (monthly), all one year for \$1.25 in advance; or the above three papers and the New York Thrice-a-Week World for \$2.00. Just think of it, 272 papers for \$2.00. This offer will be withdrawn after the expiration of sixty days. Send in your orders now.  
When in Mineral Wells buy your Groceries from Cogdell Bros.

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A pure Grape Cream of Tartar Powder. Free from Ammonia, Alum or any other adulterant. 40 YEARS THE STANDARD.

**Federal Court Notes.**  
Allen M. Winn, who was given four years last week for embezzling postoffice funds, had his sentence reduced to three years and the fine of \$500 remitted, in consideration of his youth and of the fact that the money has been repaid by the defendant's brother.  
All of the cases against A. M. Britton et. al., for wrecking the Vernon bank, were continued.  
The case of the U. S. vs J. T. Staton was dismissed. He was charged with embezzlement.  
Case of U. S. vs James Grant, intimidation of witnesses, continued.  
The cases against Wm. F. Erice, defaulting cashier of the Quenah bank, were all continued for the very good reason that the defendant is in Mexico or some other country unknown to the officers of the court.  
The case of U. S. vs James L. Knight was tried and resulted in a conviction of defendant having counterfeit moulds in his possession and the court sentenced him to 18 months imprisonment.  
Walter Williams pleaded guilty to the same charge and got a year and a day.  
Bob Keen was next tried for obstructing the U. S. mail and was found guilty and given a \$50 fine, which he paid and left rejoicing.  
Jim Counts, charged with illicit liquor dealing, was acquitted.  
M. Mandeville's case, for using the mails to defraud, was dismissed.  
Angelo Pio, a native of the sunny land of Italy, was convicted of passing counterfeit dimes and the court required the Italian gentleman to enter the service of Uncle Samuel for a period of two years hard labor.  
A large number of civil cases were disposed of at this term and it is said by the court officers that more business was transacted at this term than at any previous term of such short duration.  
Judge Rector and the court officials all left on Tuesday. Marshal Love took four men from here to the penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas.

**Young County Teachers.**  
In close relation to the educational interests of Young county is the Graham High School, now in its fourth session, under the present superintendent and principal. Several teachers holding first grade certificates are now employed in the schools of the county, among whom are T. K. Timmons, Miss Georgia Jewell, Miss Etta Wilkinson, Miss Florence Colston, Mr. G. A. Hill, Prof. G. A. Gray.  
Other teachers holding certificates of competency and teaching in Young county are Misses Emma LeGrand, Lizzie LeGrand, Clara Ellis, Eunice Ellis, Missoury Ellis, Marvie Johnson, Maggie Starrett, Lee Blakely, Grace Darling, Mrs. Rebecca Greenwood, E. T. Higgins and Miss Bettie Bottoms, in Jacksonville.  
Others in Young county who have attended one or both of the summer normals at Graham are: Prof. R. Lindsey, Olney; W. A. Davis, Farmer; Miss Martha Elkins, Eliasville; Miss Holmes, Liberty; Miss Lily Ernest, Connor Creek; Miss M. F. Fields, Birdwell; Miss Ella Porter, who holds a state certificate, Prof. Compton, Putnam school.  
Miss Mary Graves graduated at the Huntsville state normal and will teach the Tonk Valley school; Mr. W. P. Stinson will teach the Eliasville school; Prof. Moreland teaches at Belknap; and Chas. B. Gant at Indian Mound.  
There are many other teachers who have attended the Graham school either in the normal or regular terms. Of the six graduates last term three will not teach: Miss Olive Norris, Joseph Ayneworth and Robt. Fowler. Mr. Ayneworth is attending Baylor University at Waco, and Robt. Fowler is in the State University at Austin.  
The Bargain House of V. F. Gorrissen is the place to buy your Cups, Sauces, Plates, Knives and Forks, Glass Dishes, Lamps, Dippers, Spoons, Dish Pans, Ironing Boards, Buckets, Sad Irons, Bread Boards, and a thousand other articles at lowest prices.

**Facts From Farmer.**  
Farmers quiet now; nothing of particular interest going on.  
Rev. Ewing of Grayson county and Rev. Metcalf of Seymour were guests of Eld. W. H. Farmer this week.  
Prof. R. Lindsey visited the village this week.  
S. M. J. Benson returned a few days ago from Burleson county, where he has been on business.  
Joe Wear has a Chinese advertisement on his store door that is attracting considerable notice.  
The school has suspended this week for repairs on the house.  
Rev. J. A. Burks of Mineral Wells is visiting in this neighborhood this week.  
P. A. Martin of Graham was in town on business last Saturday. Mr. Stark, an attorney of Jacksboro, was here also the same day.  
A. L. Donnell has sold his farm to J. D. M. Martin.  
Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Hunt are rejoicing over the advent of a new baby at their house.  
Rev. J. J. Harris preached an interesting sermon here on Sunday.  
Miss Eliza Wann will commence her art school here next Monday.  
Rev. E. W. Simmons is making some improvements on his dwelling.  
Mr. Charley Graham, in company with Misses Gorenor and Keen of Archer county, was visiting at Farmer the first of the week.  
Ep Simmons is getting pretty "Keen" since he has become the city barber vice Peters, resigned.  
No more. S. W. P.

**What Eliasville Has.**  
Eliasville has three distinct lines of trunk rail fence, one calf bell telephone line, Eupeon magno reflector lights, 120 yards of graded streets, 10,000 square yards of deep sand streets, water-works in sight of everybody's door, one water power roller flouring mill with a capacity of 10,000 barrels per annum, one cotton gin with capacity of two bales per hour, one brass band of sixteen pieces, one dry goods store, one grocery store, one hardware store, one drug store, one dry goods and grocery store, two blacksmith shops, a daily mail, a postoffice building, one fine steel wagon bridge, one suspension foot bridge, one stone school building 22x60 feet, preaching seven or eight times a month, four couples who are going to marry soon, three doctors, seven months school, thirty-seven troublesome town cows, three sprightly old widowers, thirteen privileged hogs, sixty-five inhabitants, one hog ranch, four ant beds, 185 musical serenade cats, three shot guns, and one dump of broken boot-jacks. JERRY S. MIAH.  
P. S. Please hold this out as long as possible, as we may have overlooked some important enterprise. J. S. M.

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