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HARD TIMES NO MORE!

That is what you will think when you see our New Goods and get our prices.

You will realize that the road to ECONOMY leads through OUR store.

We have recently returned from Galveston, where we made our purchases, believing on investigation that with deep water for the entrance of the largest vessels and its competing steamship lines giving it very low freights it is today the cheapest market in the United States. Hence we say to the people of Haskell and surrounding counties that they can save a good deal of money by doing their trading at our store. We simply ask them to investigate the question.

We have put in a much larger stock of staple dry goods than we have ever handled before and you will not have to pass our house to get any thing you want in this line from a yard of cheese cloth to the heaviest domestics and jeans, or a pair of blankets. We have also added a line of ladies and misses ulsters, mackintoshes, slickers, ducking coats and vests and overcoats. And you will find the prices all right and quality tip top.

In our dress goods and notions department the ladies will find all the new styles and the latest novelties in dress fabrics, gloves, belts, laces, and a new line of sash ribbons, etc., in fact everything that goes to make up a fashionable modern costume. We flatter ourselves that we have made a choice selection in these lines—one that will be approved by our lady customers.

WE HAVE FOR THE FIRST TIME PUT IN A

FULL STOCK OF CLOTHING

And if woolen goods could be produced by sunshine and showers, gathered by the winds, woven by the fairies and made into garments by magic, then perhaps clothing could be sold under our price, but under no other conditions. Our stock of both men's and boy's clothing is complete.

BOOTS, SHOES AND HATS

For gentlemen, ladies and children in all sizes and styles, at prices as enticing as any one can offer you.

ANOTHER NEW ADDITION TO OUR STOCK IS A NICE LINE OF

QUEENSWARE, TABLE AND POCKET CUTLERY, TINWARE, ETC.

MILLINERY

Last, but not least, we wish to say that we have fitted up a neat room separate from the main store where we will have a complete line of stylish millinery, which will be in charge of a thoroughly competent milliner and where the ladies can have quiet privacy.

We cordially invite all who feel interested in getting goods at the lowest possible prices to call on

T. G. CARNEY & Co., - - - Haskell, Texas.

Professional Cards.

FOSTER & SCOTT,
Attorneys and Counselors at Law.
Practice exclusively, with special attention to land litigation.
Office in all the courts and transact a general land agency business. Have complete abstract of Haskell county land titles.

H. G. McCONNELL,
Attorney at Law,
HASKELL, TEXAS.

OSCAR MARTIN,
Attorney at Law,
HASKELL, - - TEXAS.

E. E. GILBERT,
Physician & Surgeon.
Gives his services to the people of Haskell and surrounding country.
Diseases of Women a Specialty.
Office at McLemore's Drug store.

J. E. LINDSEY,
Physician & Surgeon,
HASKELL, - - TEXAS.
Office at A. P. McLemore's Drug store.

GOOD NEWSPAPERS
At a Very Low Price.

SEMI-WEEKLY NEWS (Galveston or Waco) is published Tuesdays and Fridays. It consists of eight pages. There are 12 advertisements for the farmers, the ladies and boys and girls, besides a world of general news, illustrated articles, etc. The price is 10 cents. It is a pleasure to answer questions. Write any local agent, or D. R. EFFNER, G. P. A., Ft. W. & D. C. R'y Fort Worth, Texas.

A forty pound feather bed for sale, nearly new, cheap. Apply at this office for particulars.
We are informed that with his horse power outfit Mr. W. T. McDaniels has threshed over 70,000 bushels of grain this year. We haven't yet heard a final report from the other threshers that worked in the county.

Mr. J. B. Walton and two sisters from Missouri arrived this week on a visit to their brothers in this county, Messrs G. R. and A. H. Walton. Mr. Walton says that since seeing this country he thinks that a good many Missouri people would come here if they understood its advantages.

Do you want a Mitchell wagon best made; if so see W. W. Fields & Bro., who will sell it to you at Abilene price.

News reached here the first of the week of the death at Cisco of Mr. W. T. Lanier of Stonewall county. He had been suffering for some time with jaundice and an internal abscess and had been to Mineral Wells to try the effect of the water. Mr. Lanier was well known in Haskell and had many friends here who regretted to learn of his death.

The initial number of The Southwestern Industrial News, published at Waco reached our desk this week. It is launched as an exponent as well as a factor in the development of the industrial resources of the Southwest. In its greeting it says: "We believe that the Southwest is the richest in natural advantages of any section of this great country of ours; that it offers the best inducements to homeseekers, the farmer, the artisan, the capitalist, the merchant, the average professional man; that it needs but the advent of money; the expenditure of energy, the display of enterprise, to make it the garden spot of the continent; and to arouse the ambition of its people, to secure to it the attention of investors, to encourage those who labor in its behalf, is the mission to which we devote this publication."

It is a mission in which the Free Press wishes its ample encouragement and unbounded success.

Several of our merchants are showing commendable enterprise and increased faith in our country by putting in the largest stocks of goods they have ever brought here and putting themselves in position to handle the cotton crop of the county on a cash basis and pay the top of the market for it, and are advertising more liberally. This enterprise deserves to be, and should be, met by the people of the county in the same spirit. The way to do this is to do every dollar's worth of their trading here that it is possible for them to do, as well as to sell their cotton here. This sort of reciprocity is what it takes to build up a town and a home market. We refer to our advertising columns for those who are doing this work for their own and the public good, and bespeak for them liberal encouragement.

Mr. W. R. Wilbourn and family are here visiting his uncles, the Messrs Wilbourn of our town. He is but recently back from a trip through the mountain and mining region of Colorado, and gives some interesting descriptions of that rugged country and the life of the mountaineers. He says the mining business there is greatly run down and only the best mines are being worked. He had started to the state of Washington, but the farther he got in that direction the harder he found conditions until he decided to turn back and head for Western Texas, which he knew to be a better country than any he had found. He owns a farm in Oklahoma, near Guthrie, but don't like the negro government there, the county clerk and a number of the other officials being negroes.

Awarded Highest Honors—World's Fair, 'DR. PRICE'S CREAM BAKING POWDER' MOST PERFECT MADE.
A pure Grape Cream of Tartar Powder. Free from Ammonia, Alum or any other adulterant. 40 YEARS THE STANDARD.

ANOTHER SCHOOL FOR TEXAS.

Galveston is the Place—Draughon's Practical Business College Still Spreading Out.
We are confident that the many readers of the Youth's Advocate, especially those who reside in and near Galveston, Texas, will be glad to know that the Draughon Business College Company will, during the next few weeks, open a school in Galveston.

Prof. J. W. Draughon, who has for the past five years held the position of principal of Draughon's Practical Business College, Nashville, Tenn., will locate permanently in Galveston and assume charge of that college. However, Prof. Draughon's Nashville and Texarkana colleges will continue as before. The rapid increase of attendance at these two colleges is such that Prof. J. F. Draughon, president of these institutions, finds it expedient to continue to open additional schools in order to better accommodate the public. We think that nothing we can say commendatory of the superior advantages offered in many ways by Draughon's colleges would be too great.

We advise every one who is directly or indirectly interested in a business education to write one of these schools for a catalogue before arranging to enter elsewhere.—Youths' Advocate, Nashville, Tenn., Sept. 1, '97.
The above is self explanatory. See Prof. Draughon's ad. elsewhere in this issue.

Free tuition. We give one or more free scholarships in every county in the U. S. Write us. Will accept notes for tuition on credit. Money in bank until position is secured. Car fare paid. No vacation. Register at any time. Open for both sexes. Cheap board. Send for prospectus. Address J. F. DRAUGHON, President, 114 North Main Street, Nashville, Tenn.

McELREY'S Wine of Cardui
Has demonstrated ten thousand times that it is almost infallible
FOR WOMAN'S REGULAR WEAKNESSES,
Irregularities and derangements. It has become the leading remedy for this class of troubles. It exerts a wonderfully healing, strengthening and soothing influence upon the menstrual organs. It cures "whites" and falling of the womb. It stops flooding and relieves sup-pressed and painful menstruation. For Change of Life it is the best medicine made. It is beneficial during pregnancy, and helps to bring children into homes barren for years. It invigorates, stimulates, strengthens the whole system. This great remedy is offered to all afflicted women. Why will any woman suffer another minute with certain relief within reach? Wine of Cardui only costs 50¢ per bottle at your drug store.
For advice, in cases requiring special directions, address, stating symptoms, the "Ladies' Advisory Department," The Chattanooga Medicine Co., Chattanooga, Tenn.
Dr. J. W. SMITH, Camden, S. C., says: "I give Wine of Cardui at home for falling of the womb and it entirely cured her."

When the sun of prosperity, whose roscate hues already begin to illumine the east, is fully risen a new era of railroad building for the Southwest will be ushered in, a number of lines long constructed on paper will be laid in steel and wood and stone. Trunk lines will be extended, feeders will be thrown out at various points, missing links will be caught up and concluded, and the neigh of the iron horse will be heard in many localities now virgin to the sound.
It is in another article it mentions and points out cogent reasons why three roads which are pointing toward Haskell should be extended from their present termini at the earliest time possible, that is the Weatherford Mineral Wells & Northwestern, the Texas Central and the Wichita Valley.

F. HAMMAR PAINT CO.
COST LESS THAN CHEAP PAINT OR WHITE LEAD. Guaranteed 5 years.
HAMMAR PAINTS \$1.10
are ground TRIPLE. They are the correct combination of White Lead and Zinc, having good BODY and containing all necessary COLORED DRYERS, ETC. You make YOUR OWN paint PURE, DURABLE and BRIGHT by adding pure FINEST LINSEED OIL. Nothing but Linseed Oil makes any paint or lead durable. A gallon of TRIPLE (Hammar) paint and a gallon of PURE Linseed Oil make TWO gallons of PURE, READY MIXED PAINT costing only 1/2 Per Gallon.
Sold and Guaranteed by
A. P. McLEMORE, Druggist.
Dealer in Paints, Oils, Glass, Etc.
Corner Public Square

Greve's Ointment.
For Preserving A Healthy Skin.
Best Cure for Muscular Pains, Stiffness, Itching, Frost Bites, Burns, Piles, Skin Diseases.
A Healthy Skin is a Treasure Beyond Price.
LUXURY to use for Chills, Chapped Hands, and Sore, Tired and aching feet and limbs. In 5c. bottles. Ask your Druggist for it.

HINDERCORNS
The safest, surest, quickest and best cure for Corns, Warts, Moles, Callouses, etc. Stops all pain. Ensures comfort to the feet. Makes walking easy. Try it and have the pleasure of being free from the distressing annoyances that corns always bring. Price only 15c. at all Druggists.

YOUR HAIR BY NEGLECT
grows scanty and gray. Get back its color and life with Parker's Hair Balm.
Valuable to Women.
Especially valuable to women is Parker's Iron Dimpers. Backache vanishes, headache disappears, strength takes the place of weakness, and the glow of health returns to the pallid cheek when this wonderful remedy is taken. For sickly children or overworked men it has no equal. No home should be without Parker's Iron Dimpers. For sale by All Dealers.

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This is about the ratio of summer tourists who go to
COLORADO
VIA
Ft. Worth & Denver R'y
(Texas Panhandle Route.)
vs. Against All Competitors.
THE REASONS ARE:
Shortest Line, Quickest Time, Superior Service, Through Trains, Instantaneous Treatment.
And the constant descent of the temperature six hours after leaving Fort Worth summer heat is forgotten and balmy, spring like breezes greet you. Try it and be convinced.
It is a Pleasure to Answer Questions.
Write any local agent, or
D. R. EFFNER,
G. P. A., Ft. W. & D. C. R'y
Fort Worth, Texas.
WANTED—TRUSTWORTHY AND ACTIVE gentlemen or ladies to travel for responsible, established house in Texas. Monthly \$65.00 and expenses. Position steady. Reference. Enclose self-addressed stamped envelope. The Dominion Company, Dept. W. Chicago.

A family named Staffbach has been unearthed at Galena with a murder record that promises to rival the Benidors.

Professor Moore of the weather bureau says there is much more crime in hot weather than in cold. For once the weather bureau is correct.

The moral of that story about a New Jersey boy breaking an egg containing a blacksnake is that it is about time for New Jersey to take something besides applejack.

Why didn't the P. M. at Austin, Minn., go to the Klondike instead of taking poison—just because he couldn't balance his accounts? That's the style now. But the postmaster evidently preferred a quick death.

The production of coffee is becoming of great interest to the farmers of Liberia. Its production has greatly increased in the last few years. In 1895 the export of coffee was 3,000,000 pounds, while last year it was 5,000,000 pounds.

Seeing women standing five and six deep around a counter in a city store a few days ago a shopper studied her way thither and found the cause of their flushed faces, excited voices, disheveled hair and uncladly snatching to be a sale of hand mirrors at a possible reduction of from five to eight cents.

Another attempt has been made, this time by Colonel Higginson, to write a suitable national anthem for our country, and to furnish it with music which shall be at once original and dignified.

As surely as he travels faster than the truth, so surely does vice outrun virtue in the race for the occupancy of advantageous mining. The mining headquarters in the British possession near the Alaskan boundary furnish an illustration.

Our consul at Jerusalem makes the following report on American citizens in Palestine: From the consular records it appears that there are 520 citizens of the United States residing in Palestine. Of this number 438 are Jews, who are only nominally Americans, having lived in the United States just long enough to obtain citizen's papers and passports.

Men who went to Alaska and didn't get rich are beginning to make themselves known. Max Duchesneau and D. W. Herbst of Kansas City stayed eight months in the gold field in 1896, and returned with \$5 in gold dust. They put \$400 each into the venture.

It is a high, solemn, almost awful thought for every individual man, that his earthly influence, which has had a commencement, will never, through all the ages, were he the very meanest of us, have an end!

The fact that it was colder than 50 degrees below zero for twenty-seven days last winter in Dawson will not keep people away. If it was a hundred below for sixty days, still people would go and take their chances with the flies in the summer, which, one man writes, are as large as canary birds. We must have gold!

The season approaches when the Hon. Arthur Pue Gorman will read out of the Democratic party and then turn around and run a steam roller over his readers.

THE FROZEN DEEP. A NOVEL BY WILKIE COLLINS.

INTERNATIONAL PRESS ASSOCIATION.

CHAPTER I. HE date is between twenty and thirty years ago. The place is an English sea-port. The time is night. And the business of the moment is dancing.

Honor to the Mayor and Corporation! It is a brilliant ball. The band is complete. The room is spacious. The large conservatory opening out of it is pleasantly lit with Chinese lanterns and beautifully decorated with shrubs and flowers.

For the moment the dance which is in progress is a quadrille. General admiration selects two of the ladies who are dancing as its favorite objects. One is a dark beauty in the prime of womanhood—the wife of First Lieutenant Crayford, of the Wanderer.

The conversation between Captain Holding and Mrs. Crayford, in one of the intervals of the dance, turns on Miss Burnham. The Captain is greatly interested in Clara. He admires her beauty, but he thinks her manner, for a young girl, strangely serious and subdued.

"In very delicate health, Captain Holding." "Consumptive?" "Not in the least." "I am glad to hear that. She is a charming creature, Mrs. Crayford. She interests me indescribably. If I was only twenty years younger—perhaps (as I am not twenty years younger) I had better not finish the sentence?"

"I wish I could tell you what is the matter with Clara. It is a mystery to the doctors themselves. Some of the mischief is due, in my humble opinion, to the manner in which she has been brought up." "Aye! aye! A bad school, I suppose?" "Very bad, Captain Holding. But not the sort of school which you have in mind at this moment. Clara's early years were spent in a lonely old house in the Highlands of Scotland.

"I am waiting to encourage her, Captain, until she is left alone with me—after you have all sailed for the Arctic Sea. In the meantime, will you consider what I have said to you as intended for your ear only? And will you forgive me if I own that the turn the subject has taken does not tempt me to pursue it any further?"

"The Captain took the hint. He instantly changed the subject, choosing, on this occasion, safe professional topics. He spoke of ships that were ordered on foreign service; and, finding that these subjects failed to interest Mrs. Crayford, he spoke next of ships that were ordered home again. This last experiment produced its effect—an effect which the Captain had not bargained for.

"Do you know," he began, "that the Atalanta is expected back from the west coast of Africa every day? Have you any acquaintances among the officers of that ship?" "As it so happened, he put those questions to Mrs. Crayford while they were engaged in one of the figures of the dance which brought them within hearing of the opposite couple.

"May I ask, ma'am, if you have ever seen her in a state of trance with your own eyes?" he inquired.

TALMAGE'S SERMON.

A STORM AT SEA LAST SUNDAY'S SUBJECT.

And There Were Also with Him Other Little Ships, and There Arose a Great Storm of Wind.—From Mark IV. Verse 36.

At the entrance to the conservatory Mrs. Crayford encountered her husband. The Lieutenant was of middle age, tall and comely; a man with a winning simplicity and gentleness in his manner, and an irresistible kindness in his blue eyes.

CHAPTER II. NOW, my dear Mrs. Crayford, be gan, "what does this mean?" "Nothing." "That won't do, Clara. Try again." "The heat of the room."

"That won't do either. Say that you choose to keep your own secrets, and I shall understand what you mean."

"You are entirely mistaken," said Mrs. Crayford. "She is only here tonight to please me. And she is only dancing to please my husband. As a rule, she shuns all society. The doctor recommends change and amusement for her. She won't listen to him. Except on rare occasions like this, she persists in remaining alone."

"Captain Holding brightened at the allusion to the doctor. Something practical might be got out of the doctor. Scientific man. Sure to see this very obscure subject under a new light. How does it strike the doctor now?"

"You know as well as I do that nothing can shake my affection for you," she said. "Do justice, child, to your old friend. There is nobody here to listen to what we say. Open your heart, Clara. I see you are in trouble, and I want to comfort you. When bells clang to play to you in other words, she began to make conditions."

"Will you promise to keep what I tell you secret from every living creature?" she began. "Your husband more than anybody? I love him. I revere him. He is so noble, he is so good! If I told him what I am going to tell you he would despise me. Own it plainly, Lucy. I am asking too much in asking you to keep a secret from your husband!"

"The Eye's Travels in Heading. There seems to be no end to the labor a stevedore will undergo to pile up a lot of figures. Now comes a paragraph in Frenchman with figures that assume to tell the distance traveled by the eye in reading printed matter. He calculates that 1,000,000 letters of the ordinary type used in newspapers, placed in close juxtaposition, extend over 1,500 metres, somewhat less than a mile.

CHAPTER III. The luxury which which Broker Chapman's room is to be fitted at the jail promises to be such that the only way for him to appreciate the gravity of his position will be to take a walk in the yard now and then and look at the building.

It seems as if the Lord had launched one wave of beauty on all the scene, and it hung and swung from rock and hill and ocean. Roman gentlemen in pleasure boats sailing the lake, and countrymen in fish-smacks coming down to drop their nets, pass each other with nod and shout and laughter, or swinging idly at their moorings. Oh, what a wonderful, what a beautiful lake!

Matthew had his life dashed out with a halibut. St. Mark was dragged to death through the streets. St. James the Less was beaten to death with a fuller's club. St. Thomas was struck through with a spear. They did not find following Christ smooth sailing. Oh, how they were all tossed in the tempest! John Huss in the fire; Hugh McCall in the hour of martyrdom; the Abigeneans, the Waldenses, the Scotch Covenanters—did they find it smooth sailing?

My subject also impresses me with the fact that good people sometimes get very much frightened. In the tones of these disciples as they rushed into the back part of the boat, I find they are frightened almost to death. They say: "Master, earnest thou not that we perish?" They had no reason to be frightened, for Christ was in the boat. I suppose if we had been there we would have been just as much frightened. Perhaps more.

In all ages very good people get very much frightened. It is often so in our day, and men say: "Why, look at the bad lectures; look at the various errors societies; look at the Church of God; we are going to founder; the Church is going down to perdition; she is going down." Oh, how many good people are afflicted by triumphant iniquity in our day, and think the church of Jesus Christ and the cause of righteousness are going to be overthrown, and are just as much afflicted as the disciples of my text were afflicted!

"Why, all the storms that ever trampled wrecks, have not been worse than this to you. Yet you have not been completely overthrown. Why? Christ hushed the tempest. Your little one was taken away. Christ says, 'I have that little one; I can take care of him as well as you can, better than you can. O bereaved mother!' Hushing the tempest. When your property went away, God said, 'There are treasures in heaven, in banks that never break.'

There is one storm into which we will all have to run, the moment when we let go of this life, and try to take hold of the next, when we will want all the grace we can have—we will want it all. Yonder I see a Christian soul rocking on the surges of death; all the powers of darkness seem let out against that soul—the swirling wave, the thunder of the sky, the screaming wind, all seem to unite together; but that soul is not troubled; there is no sighing, there are no tears; plenty of tears in the room at the departure, but he weeps no tears, calm, satisfied, peaceful; all is well. Jesus hushing the tempest. By the flash of the storm, you see the harbor just ahead, and you are making for that harbor. Strike eight bells. All is well.

Into the harbor of heaven now we glide. We're home at last, home at last. Softly we drift on its bright, silvery tide. We're home at last, home at last. Glory to God, all our dangers are o'er. We stand secure on the glorified shore. Glory to God, we will shout evermore. We're home at last, home at last.

LINCOLN'S PARTING ADVICE. It is a well known fact that while President Lincoln was by nature a religiously inclined man he struggled for many years against religious disbelief. One of his oldest friends was Joshua F. Speed. He was probably on more intimate terms with the president than any other man. Their friendship began with the earliest dawn of Lincoln's career, and ended only with his death.

A few months before he died the president asked Mr. Speed to spend a night with him at the soldiers' home. The guest arrived just after sunset, and, as was his wont, ran up to the president's rooms. There was the president reading a book. As he came nearer in the twilight the visitor was surprised to see his old friend reading the bible. With the freedom that only a long intimacy could give, Mr. Speed said: "I am glad to see you so profitably engaged."

"Yes," answered Lincoln, looking up serenely. "I am profitably engaged." "Well," said Speed, somewhat sadly, "if you have recovered from your skepticism, I am sorry to say that I have not."

The president for a moment looked him earnestly in the face, then placing his hand gently on the doubter's shoulder, said with unusual solemnity, as if for the moment the premonition flitted across his mind that these might be the last important words he should speak to his friend: "You are wrong, Speed; take all of this book upon reason that you can, and the rest on faith, and you will, I am sure, live and die a happier man a better man."

J. E. POOLE, Editor and Proprietor.

Advertising rates made known on application.

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Saturday, Sept. 11, 1897.

LOCAL DOTS.

—Fresh apples at J. H. Meadors & Co's. —Mrs. A. H. Tandy has returned from Fort Worth. —New Dry Goods at S. L. Robertson's. —Our public school opened Tuesday with a large attendance. —Mr. J. S. Boone has moved to town for the purpose of sending to school. —Mr. G. J. Miller has gone to Gainesville to close up some business matters. —Fresh onions at J. H. Meadors & Co's. —Mr. A. H. Tandy got in this week from a visit to his Indian territory ranch. —They say that Frank Wilfong is showing signs of being tired of keeping back. —New dry goods for fall and winter arriving at S. L. Robertson's. —Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Fox were presented with a boy baby on Wednesday evening. —WANTED—1000 more babies. F. G. Alexander & Co. will explain why. —Mr. W. H. Parsons and family got back last Saturday from their visit to Vernon. —Dr. Gilbert reports the arrival of baby boy No. 1 at Mr. Charley Davis' on Monday. —Boys' knee pants at S. L. Robertson's. —Capt. B. H. Dodson is building an annex to his store for use of the postoffice. —Tax Assessor J. W. Hooker of Stonewall was over trading with Haskell merchants this week. —Fresh lemons at J. H. Meadors & Co's. —Cotton is opening very rapidly, the process being accelerated by the dry weather, and picking is being pushed energetically. —New Shoes! I am getting in a big stock of shoes for men, women and children. Call and see them. I can suit you in quality, style and price. S. L. ROBERTSON. —Do bring on those samples for our county exhibit. Don't forget it next time you start to town. —"Grandma" Tucker arrived on Wednesday from Pecos, where she has been staying for some time. —Mr. J. W. Bell is out again by the aid of a cane after about two weeks confinement to the house with sciatic rheumatism. —Fresh Orange cider at J. H. Meadors & Co's. —Mrs. Carrie Long and child returned a few days ago from Corpus Christi, on the coast, very little, if any, improved in health. —Mr. D. M. Winn, who is traveling for the National Guarantee Loan and Trust Co., of Dallas, is at home again this week. —We suggest that you look through the little ads as well as the big ones as they frequently present matter of equal importance. —Everything in Dry goods and Groceries at S. L. Robertson's. —Rev. J. B. Daniels, presiding elder, held the quarterly conference of the M. E. church at this place on Monday and Tuesday. —Mr. Jones will have his ginning outfit ready for work on Tuesday. He is putting in a very complete outfit and will be able to turn out a first-class sample. —Messrs Keister & Hazlewood have put in a new well back of their saloon and enclosed the rear of their premises with a substantial plank fence. —Fresh green apples, lemons, barrel Pickles, Krout, Potatoes, Hams, Breakfast Bacon, &c., at S. L. Robertson's. —That fearful menace of childhood, membranous croup, invaded the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Owens and took from them their little two year old daughter on Tuesday morning. They have the sympathy of all in their sad bereavement.

—All dry goods that sell by the yard, also all notions, at actual cost at T. G. Carney & Co's from now until their new goods arrive, in order to make room for their immense new stock. This is business, come and see—come quick, while the chance lasts. —A crowd of the young folks went out to the wind mill on the Lomax place Wednesday night and enjoyed another of their inimitable moonlight picnics. —Miss Lillian Brockman, who has been visiting her sister Mrs. W. L. Hills at this place, left Monday for Emma, Crosby county, where she will teach a school. —Mr. W. P. Clark of Knox was here this week and, we understand, purchased Mr. R. H. McKee's stock of cattle of 400 to 500 head. We didn't learn the price paid. —Fresh potatoes at J. H. Meadors & Co's. —Mr. J. T. Smith and family of Stonewall county moved to Haskell this week and are occupying the Mason residence. Our excellent public school was the attraction. —Mr. J. D. Frost and family of Henrietta arrived Wednesday and are domiciled in the Fields residence in the eastern part of town. Mr. Frost has a cattle ranch in Stonewall county. We are glad to welcome them as citizens of our town. —The advertisement of Messrs T. G. Carney & Co. on our first page looks like business, and if you call on them when they get their new goods opened up they will doubtless convince you that they mean business. —Leave your watch work at the McLemore Drug Store. Promptness and satisfaction guaranteed. O. NICHOLSON Wichita Falls, Tex —Messrs Oscar Martin and W. B. Anthony returned on Thursday from Austin, where they went to file applications for the purchase of forfeited school lands for various parties. —Mr. J. A. Clark is illustrating what can be done with a small truck patch. Off of a few rows of tomatoes in his garden he has marketed about \$20.00 worth of tomatoes, selling them at 25 cts per gallon bucket. He furnished a very nice sample lot for our county exhibit. —Remember that S. L. Robertson always makes lowest prices for cash. —The large space occupied by advertisements this week cuts our local space down considerably, but we think our readers will not mind indulging us in this way for a time, as it is not often the Free Press gets such a run. —There is a "Holiness" band here holding services in a large tent. Their meetings have been pretty well attended but so far they have not raised much excitement or made any converts to the sanctification doctrine. —Everything fresh and cheap at J. H. Meadors & Co's. —We learn from Mr. G. R. Couch that Mr. J. A. Calloway of Minneola, who was here prospecting a few weeks ago, has closed a trade for a 450 acre tract of land on Paint creek and will probably move here this fall. —We've got the money to buy your cotton, will pay you railroad prices for it and, if you want dry goods, we'll also sell them to you at railroad prices. Just try us once. T. G. CARNEY & Co. —Mr. Tom Williamson who resided in this county several years ago, but with his family moved to Florida, where they are engaged in truck farming and have an orange orchard, came in a few days ago on a visit to relatives here. —T. G. Carney & Co. are remodeling their store to some extent; moving out their millinery show cases and filling in the space occupied by them with shelving to accommodate their larger stock of goods. And for their millinery department they are fitting up the side room now occupied by the postoffice. This they will repaper, paint and carpet and furnish with show cases, mirrors, sofa, etc., for the accommodation of their customers. —PHOTOGRAPHS 50 and 75 Cents Per Dozen Until Sept. 17th. Come at once and get the benefit of this cut. We guarantee satisfaction. Gallery northeast of Drug store. J. A. HAMMOCK. —Don't Neglect Your Liver. Liver troubles quickly result in serious complications, and the man who neglects his liver has little chance for health. A bottle of Brown's Iron Bitters now and then will keep the liver in perfect order. If the disease has developed, Brown's Iron Bitters will cure it permanently. Strength and vitality always follow its use. For sale by All Dealers.

NEW GOODS! IMMENSE STOCK! Now open and Ready for our customers. No Dingley tariff! We got into the Chicago market just in time to make our purchases before the rise caused by the new tariff law—in fact we had to pay a little advance on only one piece of dress goods. This advantage will go to our customers in lower prices, and we will be able to Defy competition! We didn't buy our goods straight through at one or two houses, but took the most tempting offers made us here and there, paying cash and thus getting our goods at very low prices, besides dodging the tariff, hence we are in position to defy competition at home and to sell so cheap that it won't pay you to go to the railroad towns to buy. We stand ready to prove this if you are enough interested in prices to come and see. Quality all Right. We guarantee the quality of our goods to be first-class all the way through and we invite comparison on this as well as on prices. Staple Dry Goods. Our stock of staple and heavy dry goods is very large and complete—Domestic, Calicoes, Checks, Cottonades, Drillings, Cotton Flannels, Jeans, Linseys, etc., in great variety. Dress Goods. In our dress goods department will be found all the latest fabrics in the most stylish colorings, designs and weaves, as well as the most desirable and serviceable things approved by past experience. The kinds and styles are too numerous and varied to mention here. Notions and Trimmings. A great variety in these lines; something designed to suit the taste and please the fancy of everyone. Shoes. Well, we've got them for everybody! Little and big, common and fine ones. Lots of them on our shelves now and \$2,000 worth more soon to be here. You can't buy shoes anywhere, railroad or no railroad, cheaper than from us—we've got too many and they must go. Clothing. Great stacks of clothing weight our counters down; the biggest and best lot you ever saw in Haskell, and, like our other goods, the prices are right—just step up stairs and we'll fit you in price, style and quality. Other Lines. There are many other lines of goods and various specialties which we have not space to mention, but will be pleased to have you call and let us show you through our stock and quote you prices—they will be so low that you'll think the railroads didn't charge any freight on them. MILLINERY. Miss Wilson is again in charge of this department which is well stocked with hats and trimmings of the latest styles. Yours for business, F. G. ALEXANDER & CO. THE IRON STABLE J. L. BALDWIN, Propr. First class single and double rigs and careful drivers. Commercial Trade A Specialty. Horses boarded by day, week or month at reasonable rates. I solicit a good share of your patronage. FURNITURE Largest Stock West of Fort Worth! Two Car Loads Just In From Factory. PICTURE MOULDING, WALL PAPER, WINDOW SHADES. COFFINS AND ALL UNDERTAKER'S GOODS. EMBALMING A SPECIALTY. I always keep my stock full, and I won't be undersold. Call on me. T.H.C. PEERY, SEYMOUR. THE ANSON ROLLER MILL Is a candidate for your business in its line. It gives you— 33 1-3 lbs. Good Patent Flour and 10lbs. Bran —Per Bushel for Wheat Testing 60 Pounds. Flour and Bran kept constantly on hand for sale. You can save money by buying from us. J. E. JOHNSON, Propr., Anson, Tex. School Books and Supplies ALSO DRY GOODS AND NOTIONS. One price, spot Cash. Respectfully, T. J. WILBURN. East side. Young People. FREE! \$20.00 IN GOLD, Bicycle, Gold Watch, Diamond Ring, or a Scholarship in Druggist's Practical Business College, Nashville, Tenn., given to a student in most any other reputable business college or literary school in the U. S. can be secured by doing a little work at home for the Young People's Advocate, an illustrated semi-monthly journal. It is elevating in character, moral in tone, and especially interesting and profitable to young people, but read with interest and profit by people of all ages. Stories and other interesting matter well illustrated. Sample copies sent free. Agents wanted. Address Young People's Advocate Pub. Co., Nashville, Tenn. [Mention this paper.] PORTER'S AUTOMATIC CHEMICAL Milk Cooler and Creamer Will keep your milk cool and sweet and butter firm in hottest weather. Ripens cream evenly and makes working easy. Works in any climate. Costs nothing to operate it, and will last 10 years. Every one guaranteed. Write for descriptive catalogue and full particulars. PATENTED AUTOMATIC COOLER M'FG CO ROCKDALE, TEXAS. P.S.—Please mention this paper when you write.

A College Education Will be Given away Free by the Free Press TO THE MOST POPULAR Young Man in Haskell County. A Complete Course in Metropolitan Business College at Dallas. Do You Want a Business Course? We have perfected arrangements with the Metropolitan Business College, at Dallas, one of the best institutions of the kind in the South, whereby we can award to the person receiving the highest number of votes by 12 o'clock, noon, on November 1st, 1897, a scholarship in this reliable business college. CONDITIONS. Any man, of any age, married or single, in town or country, in Haskell county, may enter as a contestant for the scholarship, provided his immediate family is a paid-up subscriber to the Haskell Free Press. HOW TO VOTE. Each week there will appear in the Free Press a coupon which may be voted by anyone properly filling it out. Take it to McLemore's drug store and it will be duly registered and deposited in a sealed box. Votes may be mailed to him or to the Free Press and they will receive the same prompt attention as if delivered in person. The votes will remain in the box until November 1st, at 2 o'clock, p. m., when the judges, Messrs. W. W. Fields, R. E. Sherrill and J. E. Lindsey will open the box, count the votes and declare the winner. The vote will be published in the Free Press each week up to October 30th. Each new subscriber to the Free Press will be allowed fifteen coupons or ballots. Each subscriber renewing will be allowed ten coupons or ballots. For each year's back subscription paid up by any subscriber we will allow ten coupons or votes. Persons subscribing for the paper to be sent to friends will be entitled to the coupons as above—15 for a new subscription. Extra ballots may be secured at this office or at McLemore's drug store at following prices: Single ballot 5c; 25 ballots, \$1; 50 ballots, \$1.75; 100 ballots, \$3 and 500 ballots, \$5. Besides the above every subscriber is entitled to use the coupon printed in his paper each week. N. B. All the above will be on a cash basis. The voting has begun and up to date stands as follows: Frank Vernon, 151 Vernon Cobb, 156 Jerald Hills, 114 Free Press Scholarship Contest To have the \$500 Scholarship in The Metropolitan Business College I vote for COUPON. J. F. CLARK, Jeweler and Optician, Abilene, Tex. I Can save you money when you need: MACHINE OILS, CALIFORNIA DOG POISON, WALL PAPER, WAGON OR BUGGY PAINT, TABLETS, WRITING PAPER, LANTERNS, LAMP COODS, or any kind of DRUGS. I want your trade, A. P. McLEMORE. P. S. Condition Powders 15cts lb

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