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LOCAL DOTS.

-Call at F. G. Alexander & Co's and see big reduction in price of tailor made clothing.
-Mr. Sam Donahoo reads the Free Press henceforth.
-Mr. R. P. Simmons went on our subscription list this week.

EXAMINATION FREE.

Prof. Burt, the old reliable optician from southern Texas, is with us for a short time and can be found at the Lindel hotel. He carries his stock with him and makes examinations free. No sending off for spectacles. He does not go around telling people that if they do not purchase glasses from him they will lose their eyes, nor to compel them to keep glasses that don't suit. Those needing "helps to see" will do well to call upon him.

-Saturday night of last week was the twenty-fifth anniversary of the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Wilbourn—the anniversary usually celebrated as the silver wedding. While they had made no preparations and had no intention of celebrating the occasion in any unusual way, some of their friends who knew the date got together and prepared a surprise for them. And it was a genuine surprise when at about 7:30 Judge McConnell and wife, Judge Jones and wife, Mr. S. W. Scott and wife, Mr. R. P. Simmons and wife and Mr. Oscar Martin and wife marched in on them followed a little later by some choice cakes, fruits, whipped cream etc., which the ladies had prepared. Needless to say the evening was very pleasantly spent by all and that testimonial of good feeling and esteem by their neighbors marked a happy milestone on the journey of the couple who have traveled life's pathway so far together.

Announcement... To The Public:— I wish to say to the people of Haskell and adjoining counties that, accompanied by my wife who assisted me in making selections, I have just returned from market, where I bought a complete stock of Dry Goods, Notions, Boots, Shoes, Hats, Men's Clothing and Furnishing Goods, and to assure you that all of my goods are of the newest styles and latest patterns—not a single dollar's worth of old, out of date goods in my stock—no job-lots of samples or carried over stock, therefore when you buy of me you will know that you are getting everything new.

THE GOSSETT HOTEL, Haskell, Texas. Having taken charge of this Hotel and refitted and refurnished it, it now offers to the Local and Traveling Public the best and most comfortable accommodations to be had in Haskell, but without a corresponding advance in prices. Your Patronage Respectfully Solicited. M. H. GOSSETT, Proprietor.

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THE COMMONER, William J. Bryan's new paper. We have made an arrangement to club the FREE PRESS with Mr. Bryan's paper. The FREE PRESS, \$1.50 THE COMMONER, \$1.00