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## A THANKSGIVING SERMON.

By F. C. Merrill, in Our Daily Animals, Boston. [At the request of two of the largest contributors to our humane work we send to all Massachusetts clergymen this Thanksgiving sermon.]

He was a minister and the morrow was Thanksgiving. An eloquent, flowery sermon lay finished on his desk, and in the early twilight, well satisfied, he turned an easy chair to the fire and settled himself to rest. But the mind never rests and soon he was busily engaged in counting up the successes and blessings of the year.

"It's been an uncommonly satisfactory year," he mused, "but an uncommonly busy one. Let me see. I have preached at least seventy-five sermons, and touched on every vital question."

"No you haven't!" said a decided voice beside him. Turning in surprise he saw a sweet creature, angelic in appearance, who certainly did not look capable of contradicting a man so flatteringly.

"Why, what's this? Who are you?" "I am the angel of mercy."

"Eh! Anybody dying, or in need. Did you want me?"

"Plenty of people are dying and in need; but for none of them am I here. Yes, I want you; get ready for we have a long journey."

"But 'tis chilly out; I am tired, and tomorrow we dine at Judge L's," remonstrated the man of God.

"Are you a Christian?" asked the angel.

"Most certainly; why I am a minister of the Gospel."

"Did you not say that, as such, you had touched on all vital questions during the past year?"

"I did."

"Some of us angels of mercy have hovered over your pulpit as well as all other Christian pulpits, every Sabbath during the past year, and you have never mentioned in either sermon or prayer one of the most vital questions of the day."

Astonished, the good man could only stare and mutter, "What can you mean?" "Come with me, and I will show you."

Impelled against his will, the minister made ready and accompanied his guide, who, strangely enough, led him to a large livery stable. With supernatural sight he beheld, as he passed from stall to stall, the diseases that made life a torture for many of the horses there. Some were troubled with toothache, exaggerated by having a bit in the mouth all day, some could not eat well, on account of torn and bleeding mouths, irregular teeth and other ills. Others held up their feet and moaned with pain. Shoes put on haphazard—in most cases their feet cut down to fit the shoe.

"Nobody to speak a word for us, and we can't speak a word for ourselves," wailed one, whose neck was swollen in knots from the use of the over-draw checkrein.

"And yet there is a class of people calling themselves Christians, who pretend to give their lives to helping the helpless and doing good," said another, who shivered so he could hardly make himself heard.

"Here I suffered from insects untold tortures all summer because my master cut off my tail and mane, and how they have clipped close all the hair on my body, and I'm so cold!"

"What did he clip you for?" asked another.

"I don't know. My mistress is a very devout woman, and they've been decorating the church for Thanksgiving services tomorrow, and I had to stand in the wind—my head drawn clear back and every bone in me aching—for three long hours."

"Is she a Christian?"

"Yes; they say so."

What the minister saw was both astonishing and painful. But the angel hurried him on, showing him horses, cattle, dogs, cats and birds, suffering every species of pain and privation. A great many were being starved, or in some way tortured, through mere thoughtlessness.

It was broad daylight and mid-summer weather when they paused at the stock yards. Long lines of cars, packed with their living freight, stood everywhere. Hundreds of miles some of them had come without one drop of water—a wild-eyed, bellowing piteous throng, the weaker ones trampled beneath the feet of the stronger, the whole suffering indescribable torture. To the right were the yards, acres of shadeless dust. Presently they began unloading the cars and then the minister turned away. It seemed to him that every bloodshot eyeball was fixed on him in mute reproach, and though he had oftentimes watched the "unloading of stock cars"—never before had it come to him that those swollen, lolling tongues could form no word to speak for themselves.

"What a terrible thing!" he cried.

"Even so," said the angel. "Come. If the minister's overcoat had been as hard as the stock yards, it was not on the icy, wind-swept western plains, where next he found himself and if the misery of the shipped stock was indistinguishable, the suffering of the starving herds here was more so."

"Do they never feed them?" he asked.

"No; thousands upon thousands pass through the snow for months,

with no food save the dry grass that they paw from under the snow. See, their hoofs are worn until blood marks every step. These represent the wealth of the cattle kings who are rolling in splendor in their eastern homes today. When the sleet storms come the herd will be one writhing mass of ice, driven desperately before the gale. Thousands will die before spring."

The minister remembered two rich men in his church whose wealth was said to consist in "cattle out west," he had been very courteous to them, for they paid well into the church fund.

Along the Pacific slope they went, pausing to view long lines of mules engaged in the heaviest drafting, with shoulders one mass of sores and sides laid open with the pitiless whip—through the south it was even worse—hundreds of slights so shocking that the good man begged to go home.

"Ah, no," said the angel, "we must visit (some of) our institutions of learning."

Thither they went, and despite his entreaties the angel conducted him from one laboratory to another, from one vivisection table to another, where every species of torture that science or curiosity could invent he saw applied to the helpless dumb creatures, whose cries seemed to pierce his very soul. Others were mute, but conscious of their suffering.

"Is this Inferno?" he cried.

"No; these are schools where our rising generations are taught."

"But why tear living creatures asunder; why flay and burn; why—?" but he could get no further and the angel simply answered:

"They call this 'scientific research.'"

"Let me go home," wailed the divine.

"No; we must cross the ocean and visit Pasteur's Institute, and—"

"Is it worse than this?" he groaned.

"O yes, a great deal. Thousands upon thousands of living creatures have been sacrificed there."

"Don't," cried the poor minister; "don't tell me any more. What will you have me to do? Is there no help for all this?"

"Noble men and women are at work," said the angel, "but only a few. The press, too, is coming to the front; but what we need most of all is the pulpit. If only ministers would wake to their responsibility along this line; if only they could see that Humanity is essential to Godliness, what a change there would be. The people must be aroused."

"I will do my part!" cried the reverend gentleman, so loudly and emphatically that he awoke.

The congregation of the First church listened in mute wonder to the stream of impassioned eloquence that poured from their pastor's lips the next morning. His text was "As ye mete, it shall be measured to you again," but he treated it in an unusual way, and every one declared afterward that it was an "unusual sermon;" not the "correct thing" perhaps for Thanksgiving, but—well, it was not the last of the kind they listened to, and in time the pastor and people came to see how utterly lacking is the religion that takes no account of the rights of the helpless and dumb.

## The Question of Marriage.

If these gay, light-hearted girls, commonly called "boy-crazy," would give as much careful thought to the question of marriage as they give to a new gown and its trimmings, innumerable sad marriages would be avoided. It is the one thing that really counts in a girl's whole life. For almost everything else she may do there is a remedy; there is none for a luckless marriage. "Oh, yes," says some one, "there is a divorce." Is divorce a remedy? Is a girl's life as sweet and unspotted after living a miserable life with a miserable man as when she was a happy, care-free girl in her father's home? Are her name and reputation unscathed after having dragged them through a divorce court?

No, divorce is not a remedy. If a woman marries unhappy she has much more to lose than the man, and divorce is but the lesser of two evils. Even divorce is often not to be thought of for the woman who has children; these commonly make her dependent on the husband for support, and there is nothing to do but bear the burden the best she can. There is but one thing more terrible to a sensitive, pure-minded woman than the continued living with a man for whom she has neither love nor respect; that one alternative is the horrors of a divorce court, and a modest, pure-minded woman shrinks from this as from nothing else.

It is well for the girl who wishes to marry to ponder well what she is about to do, and not marry the first man who asks her, whether good, bad or indifferent, merely for the sake of getting married. If she has been blessed with the proper training, and has a wise father and mother, she will look deeper than the mere surface matter, and will learn to regard marriage as the most grave and important step she will ever be called upon to take. Its influence for weal or for woe is far-reaching as life itself.—Selected.

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**SAVINGS OF CHRIST.**  
Old Manuscripts Discovered Buried Below Cairo, Egypt.

London, November 14.—Many hitherto unknown sayings of Jesus Christ have been discovered in Egypt by archaeologists, who say they have been buried since the second century, 100 miles south of Cairo.

Dr. Bernard P. Grenfell, who has been engaged in Egyptian excavations since 1894, at the general meeting of the Egypt Exploration fund here yesterday gave the following details:

Accompanied by Dr. Hunt, Dr. Grenfell found a rich Ptolemaic necropolis at El Hibes. The bulk of the document found consisted of sayings of Jesus Christ. They are all introduced with the words: "Jesus saith," and for the most part are new. The ends of the lines, unfortunately, are often obliterated. Apparently all the sayings were addressed to St. Thomas. One of the most remarkable is:

"Let not him that seeketh ease for his search until he find, and when he finds he shall wonder; wondering he shall reach the Kingdom (i. e.), the Kingdom of Heaven, and when he reaches the kingdom he shall have rest."

Dr. Grenfell remarked that enormous interest would be aroused by the discoveries, on account of the variations they disclosed from accepted text. One variant of the mystical saying, recorded in St. Luke, "The kingdom of God is within you," was of great value, as the saying in the papyrus appeared in quite different surroundings from those attributed to it by the evangelist, and extended far into another region.

According to Dr. Grenfell, these sayings formed the new gospel, which is traditionally associated with St. Thomas. An interesting variation of the gospel, according to St. Luke, xi, 32, "Woe unto you lawyers. For ye have taken away the key of knowledge; ye entered not in yourselves, and them that were entering in, ye hindered," reads in the papyrus:

"Ye have hidden the key of knowledge; ye entered not yourselves, and to them that were entering in ye did not open."

Another fragment contained a discourse of Christ closely related to passages of the Sermon on the Mount, and a conversation between Christ and his disciples, in which Christ answers a question as to when his kingdom will be raised, saying:

"When ye return to the state of innocence which existed before the fall." A valuable find was made in papyrus written in Latin, giving the text of the Epistle to the Hebrews, and an epitome of Livy's six last books. This, with other papyri covering the period 150-187 B. C., threw much new and valuable information on the history of the world, and marked the recovery of hitherto lost classical literature of Egypt.

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**COOKING THE THANKSGIVING TURKEY.**  
Steamed Turkey (like mother used to cook).—All poultry should remain in cold water from twenty minutes to half an hour, to extract the blood, then hang in a cool place for twenty-four hours, or longer. Hen turkeys are much nicer flavored and more tender than the gobblers. See that every pin-feather is taken out, rinse, wipe dry inside and out, rub the inside with pepper and salt, and fill with oysters carefully washed in their own liquor and all bits of shell or sand removed; sew up the turkey, skewer the wings and legs close to the body, set in a large dish or pan and set in a steamer over boiling water. Lay a thick cloth over the steamer and shut the cover tight, steaming until tender—two and a half to three hours, according to size and age. To test, run a fork into the breast, and if it seems tender, and no reddish juice flows out, it is ready to take up; strain the gravy (the drippings in the pan in which the turkey lay) and put into the oyster sauce, which should be made ready while the turkey is cooking, like stewed oysters, and thickened with butter and flour; let this boil up and add, if you like, a little cream; pour this over the steamed turkey and serve hot. Or, if preferred, the turkey may be stuffed as for a baked turkey, and steamed; or it may be stuffed with pounded, parboiled chestnuts, and the gravy made with the giblets chopped fine, adding a little flour as you chop, stirring the drippings from the pan into it, set over the fire and allowed to boil up. While the gravy is being made, rub butter and flour over the turkey and set in a hot oven to brown slightly. A turkey can be steamed to perfection in a steam cooker.—Mrs. Helen Watts McVey in the Commoner.

**IN DAYS GONE BY.**  
When we used to sit cramped up on an old horse made desk in school trying to find the capital of Turkistan on an old geography map, or learn how to parse a sentence in grammar, it seemed very foolish, all of it, to us. We wanted to get out of school, and leave such idiotic things to others. But now we feel the need of an education—we are sorry that we did not study harder and stay in school longer. The old desk wasn't near so uncomfortable to our boyish bones then as our ignorance is to us now, when we rub up against the world. Oh, if we could see things in the future as we see them in the past, how different we would not. Boys, the very best thing you can do is to take somebody's advice and study hard. While the mind is young and active have it grab all the good things possible.—Oscar Tamm.

## RECOGNIZES SECESSION.

Forty years ago the Southern states asserted and contended for the right of secession. Every body knows the result of that contention. And in the light of that result, what are we to think of this action of the Washington government in the Panama matter? In the telegraphic instructions sent to Consul General Sherman at Panama the state department says:

The people of Panama have, by an apparently unanimous movement, dissolved their political relations with the republic of Colombia and assumed their independence. When you are satisfied that a de facto government, republican in form and without substantial opposition from its own people, has been established in the state of Panama, you will enter into relations with it as the responsible government of the territory, and look to it for all due action to protect the persons and property of citizens of the United States, and to keep open the isthmian transit in accordance with the obligations of existing treaties governing the relations of the United States in that territory.

Which leads the Nashville Banner to remark: In 1861 a number of Southern states "dissolved their political relations with the republic" of the United States, "and assumed their independence." Those states formed a government "republican in form and without substantial opposition from their own people," a government which had all the necessary machinery and methods for conducting its own affairs, and which had an army and navy that won the admiration of the world. The language used by our state department in regard to Panama could have been still more forcibly applied to the republic known as the Confederate States of America.

The right of secession claimed by the Panama people is the same right insisted upon by the people of the states that seceded in 1861. The United States government denied this right, and the great civil war was the result. That war is supposed to have forever settled the question of secession in this country as a practical means of severing the relations of a state with the Union, but the principle of secession as one form of revolution, which is declared to be an inalienable right by our Declaration of Independence, remains unalterable, and this principle is not to be abandoned by the United States.

The fact that the South did not establish a permanent Confederacy does not disprove or alter the principle of right upon which its action was based. The issue was settled on the policy of expediency and force. That settlement has been accepted in good faith, and it is well that it was so settled. But while the Southern Confederacy is dead, never to be again revived and the South is one of the most loyal and patriotic sections of the great American Union of states, and a section which in some essential respects is to be most depended upon for the maintenance of the truest ideas and traditions of the Republic, time and the logic of events are vindicating the sincerity of the Southern people in their contention in those frightful days of strife that they were acting within the scope of the reserved and inalienable rights, to which our revolutionary fathers appealed.—Ft. Worth Record.

A polar wave swept down upon us Sunday night and knocked out everything green. Monday night the temperature sank to nine degrees and the weather continued quite cold until Thursday morning, when it began to moderate. For the first cold snap of the season, it is universally pronounced the most severe ever experienced here. Prior to this we had experienced some very light frosts but not sufficient to more than "bite" the tenderest vegetation, so that gardeners were practically uninjured until the blizzard of Sunday night put them out.

**Local Option Association.**  
There will be a meeting of the friends of local option regarding politics, at the city hall, Dallas, on Wednesday, Nov. 25, 1903, at 8 p. m., for the purpose of forming a partisan local option association, the State of Texas. If you are in the movement consider your delegate, and come. Reduced rates on all railroads.

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Dallas is to have a Scottish Rites Temple to cost \$100,000 or more.  
The Cuban congress convened in regular session Nov. 2. President Palma's message shows a peaceful and satisfactory condition of affairs.

A small German garrison at Warmbad, Southwest Africa, was massacred a few days ago by the native Hottentots. Now it will be just like some paragon to ask what a warm time could the Germans have expected in a place with such a name and surrounded by a people with such a name?

Waverly, Iowa, has the distinction of having the youngest grandmother in the United States. She is Mrs. Fred L. Davis, who was the mother of a daughter at the age of 13. This daughter married S. L. Palmer at 15 and at 16 became a mother, making her mother, Mrs. Davis, a grandmother at the age of 29 years.

If the negro question cuts a caper in politics next year President Roosevelt will be the man to blame for it. He has outraged the feelings of half the nation in trying arbitrarily to force the negro into political, official and social equality with the whites in a white man's country, and it will not be strange if they try to take his official scalp.

An item in a daily paper the other day made much of the fact that there was an exhibition at the Denver Railroad office in Fort Worth a head of kaffir corn grown on the Goodnight ranch in the Panhandle that weighs six ounces and an ear of corn that weighs fourteen and three quarters ounces. The Denver people ought to send to Haskell county for some respectable samples of milo maize, kaffir corn and corn and quit representing West Texas as with scrub stuff.

An Austin correspondent of the Fort Worth Record in forecasting state politics says that it is not believed among leading politicians of the state that Gov. Lanham will have a democratic opponent for the gubernatorial nomination next year, as it is recognized that the people are with him, but that as it will be a presidential year the republicans will put out a state ticket for form's sake. The same writer says that it is pretty certain that Senator Culberson will be returned to the Senate by the next legislature.

We gather from data given out by the Railroad Commission that the railroad mileage in Texas on June 30 last, exclusive of yard tracks and sidings, was 11,029.25 miles. The earnings of the roads for the year, including passenger, freight and express, were \$62,633,946. Operating expenses were \$51,666,448, leaving net \$10,967,498. The number of passengers carried was 10,682,119—counting each ride by a person as one passenger, that is, one person may have ridden fifty times during the year and would be counted in the estimate as fifty passengers. These passengers rode 528,942,983 miles, and 29,624,948 tons of freight were hauled.

The Sunday edition of Fort Worth's new paper, The Record, was a record breaker in Texas daily journalism. The paper contained fifty-two pages, including four pages of comic cuts printed in colors. It contained the news from everywhere, several special features of interest and much miscellaneous reading matter and a fine advertising patronage. A page of press notices clipped from papers in all parts of the state shows it is meeting with a hearty welcome over the state. It is what the people have been wanting, in North Texas especially, a sound democratic news-sheet with strength and vigor.

Some explaining in a previous letter Books of service in and since the great many things as to about which this administered says: "Condemned by the consti- tution for authority to make expenditures; now it consults the policy of the republican party to determine how much it will appropriate. Then it represented the people; now it represents the republican party and the monopolies and trusts. Then men ruled the government; now money, trusts and corporations rule it. Then the jurisdiction of congress was controlled and limited by the constitution; now that instrument is by construction so enlarged and broadened as, in practice, to permit congress to do whatever it pleases." Again, "the grand old man" has the situation sized up to a nicety—correctly, too, more's the pity.

**AN ASTONISHING STORY.**  
No less a personage than Ex-Secretary Long of the U. S. navy makes an astonishing statement in an article contributed by him and published in the current issue of a leading magazine, The Outlook. Mr. Long was President McKinley's Secretary of the Navy and had for his assistant until May 1897 Mr. McAdoo, when the latter retired and Secretary Long appointed Theodore Roosevelt as his assistant. In the article referred to Mr. Long says: "He (Roosevelt) was zealous in the work of putting the navy in condition for the apprehended struggle, and his ardor sometimes went faster than the president or the department appreciated."  
[The following was handed in last week but with several other items was crowded out by our lengthy write-up of the street fair.]  
As the Farmers Institute first suggested the Street Fair, which proved so successful, I wish in its name to thank every man who contributed his money and energies to its success, as, also, the ladies who so industriously collected for their fruit and flowers and greeted the affair with their presence. Our thanks are also due to the gentlemen who brought in such fine displays of farm produce of every variety, including poultry, hogs, horses, mules and cattle for, after all, there could have been no success without them.  
Believing as I do that combined farming and stock raising is the true basis of all prosperity, I most earnestly commend the Farmers' Institute to all engaged or interested in these pursuits as a school in which they may learn much to their interest and profit. While our county Institute has not received the attention it ought to have had and, therefore, has not produced as great results as it could have done had there been a more general interest and participation in its meetings by those whom it is designed to help, we hope that it will henceforth take on new life and prove a more potent factor in the prosperity of our people. To that end we are endeavoring to secure competent scientific and practical lecturers from the Texas Agricultural and Mechanical College to deliver addresses at the next regular meeting of the Institute on the first Saturday in December and assist the Institute in getting on a thorough working footing. All members are urged to attend this meeting and to bring as many of their neighbors as possible to join us, as we want all to partake of the benefits.  
Respectfully,  
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**BAPTIST CHURCH.**  
You are commanded to "worship God."  
"God is a spirit and they that worship him must worship in spirit and in truth."  
You cannot do this so well at home as you can "with all saints" at the appointed places of worship.  
The Sunday school hour is 10 o'clock, W. P. Whitman, Supt.  
Young people's meeting at 7 P. M.  
Ladies' Missionary Society Monday at 4 P. M., Mrs. S. A. Gregory, president.  
Prayer meeting Wednesday at 7 P. M.  
"I was glad when they said unto me, let us go unto the house of the Lord."  
L. L. LUCK, Pastor.

**B. Y. P. U. Program.**  
The B. Y. P. U. meets every Sunday evening at 8 o'clock at the Baptist church. The following is the program for next Sunday, November 15, 1903.  
The Gospel in the Psalms.  
Lesson:—"Loving God's Word," Psalms 19th, 1st, 19th.  
Poetic Parallelism. Psalms 19th.—Miss Eula Poole.  
Psalms 19th, as a whole.—Miss Hazle Hudson.  
Why We Should Love God's Word: 1st. God's Word a Lamp to Guide. Psalms 119:18, 99, 100, 105, 130.—Miss Sibyl Collins.  
2nd. God's Word a Spring of Comfort. Psalms 119:50, 52, 67, 71, 82, 92, 107, 143, 165.—Mr. Charlie Williams.  
3rd. God's Word a Fountain of Hope. Psalms 119:116.—Mr. Jesse Foster.

**HOW SPECIAL INTERESTS GET A CINCH ON PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES.**  
The trusts and money power are getting Mr. Roosevelt cinched good and strong. A little while back Wall Street pretended to balk and rumors were out that the financiers were going to make a fight against the nomination of Mr. Roosevelt, that in fact the financiers thought that Mr. Gorman or Mr. Cleveland would be a safer man for the financial interests of the country. As these rumors grew ominous Mr. Roosevelt sought a conference with some of the leading financiers and almost immediately reports came out that the Wall Streeters had nothing against Mr. Roosevelt and that the financial interests expected to support him. It is morally certain that they received satisfactory assurances that such legislation as they desired would be furthered by Mr. Roosevelt should he again occupy the presidency.

Now for the tariff and trust interests. Recently it has been given out that it is Mr. Hanna's intention to retire from the position of republican campaign manager, in which he has been so successful, being the mogul of trust magnates and protective tariff beneficiaries, through whom, more than any other man, a big campaign and slush fund can be commanded. It is well known that there is no special personal love between Mr. Hanna and Mr. Roosevelt, but the latter knew that it would not be in his interest for Mr. Hanna to drop out as campaign manager so a few days ago he obtained a conference with Mr. Hanna and urged him to continue as campaign manager during the approaching campaign, urging that as the head of the organization he would inspire great confidence throughout the country. It is said that no definite conclusion was reached, but a further conference was agreed upon. It is also said that when Mr. Hanna left the White House he declined to discuss his intentions with reporters, or to comment on recent reports that he might be a candidate for the presidency.

Mr. Hanna is simply doing as Wall Street did, bringing Mr. Roosevelt's terms before he commits himself and the interests of the country to the issue.

**NOTICE.**  
The way some people are dead-beating the Telephone company for local service is growing well nigh intolerable. We are glad and willing that you use our phones for doctors, and emergency calls, but when it comes to twelve or fifteen non-subscribers calling for from three to six connections each, daily, it is too much. The time it takes for our operator to wait on you is that much time taken from our patrons who pay for it and to whom it justly belongs. It is not a matter of accommodation from your neighbor but it is how much you are willing to take for nothing and how much we are willing to give. Respectfully,  
HASKELL TELEPHONE CO.

presented by him to his support, and it is safe to say that before he is done with it Mr. Roosevelt will promise all they want in return for his support.  
If Mr. Roosevelt is elected he will take his seat bound hand and foot to the trusts, protective tariff policy and financial interests. So it has been with every republican president for a generation.  
Some of them have at the start wanted and intended to be men of their own, but they could not be and be elected.

**STATE NEWS.**  
San Domingo has a fresh attack of revolution.  
Brownwood had a street fair and flower show this week.  
Blind staggers in horses has been prevalent and fatal in the country around Taylor for several weeks.  
G. T. Ball was convicted of criminal assault and given a sentence of fourteen years in the penitentiary in the district court at Weatherford Tuesday.

The prohibition election October 31st, in two precincts in Nolan county, including the towns of Sweetwater and Roscoe went in favor of prohibition.  
A Hill county man killed a great owl the other day which measured forty-eight inches from tip to tip of its wings. It had entered the upper story of his house through a window.

S. H. Adams, ginmer statistician, reports only 5,153 bales of cotton ginned in Henderson county up to the latter part of October as against 16,000 bales to the same date last year.  
Through extension of railroads through the upper Panhandle country and opening of additional shipping points, Amarillo has lost much of the cattle shipping business it formerly enjoyed.

The Board of Education at Sherman has ordered that all teachers and pupils in the city schools be vaccinated. Those failing to comply with the order will be excluded from the schools.  
The yellow fever has apparently taken a turn for the worse at Laredo. Twenty new cases and five deaths were reported Tuesday. San Antonio also had a new case. All towns in that section of the state are maintaining strict quarantine.

Waco's great annual chrysanthemum show began on the 11 and closes today. It was held in new building, 100x200 feet, erected by the State Floral Society for the purpose. It is said that there were exhibits of flowers from all parts of Texas and from fifteen other states.  
A survivor of Sam Houston's army and a veteran of San Jacinto, celebrated his ninetieth birthday in Temple a few days ago, as has been his custom for years. Uncle Lovie P. Moore is the time-worn warrior, and he claims to be good for at least one hundred years of age. He is the only survivor of the army of the Texas Republic in Bell county, is in excellent health, active and energetic, displaying a keen interest in the affairs of the world, upon which he keeps fully informed, and is an ardent Democrat. He makes his home with his son, David Moore, living near Temple.

**Picture of the Alamo.**  
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The money derived from the sale of this picture will be devoted to the work of representing Texas creditably at the St. Louis World's Fair. It is not expected, of course, that enough can be got in this manner to defray the cost of the work; the best that is hoped for is that from the sale of them the Commission will get enough money to pay the current expenses of the work, leaving the money got from private subscriptions for the cost of erecting the Texas building and collecting the exhibit materials. But the one is no less a necessary expense than the other, so that a person buying one of these Alamo pictures will be contributing to the success of the undertaking as well as one who makes a personal subscription.  
The manner of selling the picture is to send it through the mail, together with an addressed envelope arranged for the return of the purchase price, which is 50 cents. Whether those to whom the picture is sent shall keep it and pay for it, is left optional with them. If they elect to keep it, and thus contribute their mite to the work of making a creditable showing of the State's resources at the World's Fair, they will place a 50 cent piece in the envelope which accompanies it. If they feel that they do not want the picture and do not care to contribute toward the success of a public movement they may return the picture by mail.

**HER REASON.**  
Maud—They say that Charley is awfully sweet on you.  
Clara—Oh, nonsense! I wouldn't be seen in his company.  
Maud—You suppose that is the reason he won't turn the light down on you?  
Clara—No, I don't suppose so. I believe it will be the result of his own stupidity.

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That's Our Strong Point  
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Of the best quality to be had in the market. Our plan is to keep New Goods coming as fast as the old ones go out, thus keeping our stock fresh all the time—no over-stock on anything to become stale or lose flavor.  
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Which we believe to be as good as any on the market, and on which we can make you very inviting prices. Soliciting your trade, we are, yours truly,  
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Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. See.  
**RESIDENCE FOR SALE.**  
My home place on North Main Street is for sale. If you want a good residence come and see what I have.  
B. H. DODSON.  
Pastors can get the notice at the office.

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**POWDER PAINT.**  
Messrs. W. H. Wynian & Co. Haskell have secured the exclusive agency in Haskell and Knox county for this excellent and economical paint.  
"POWDER PAINT" is weather hardening like cement after being applied, and does not crack or chip.  
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It comes in the form of a powder and is mixed with water only, and is applied with an ordinary brush, or coat making as good a covering as the best of any ready mixed oil paint and being much cheaper.  
It is furnished in white and all the desirable tints.  
For further information, samples and testimonials, call at the  
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# FLOTSAM AND JETSAM.

If you have hides for sale go to J. N. Ellis at the City Meat market, and get the highest market price for them.

Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Griffin have a new daughter, dating from Oct. 31. It had been a boy we would have gotten the items for last week's issue—for Gene would have been bragging about it and we would have heard of it.

All kinds of you need celery seed, nutmeg, paprika, pepper, mustard, turmeric, your catsup and fix-up. You will find the best quality at Cunningham's.

Born Sunday, 8th, to Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Mooneyham, a fine girl.

When you need paper napkins or fine crepe paper, go to Cunningham's.

Mrs. A. H. Tandy, who has been spending some weeks here with her daughter, Mrs. S. W. Scott, left Monday for her home at Woodward, O. T.

The best Fort Worth bread constantly on hand at Ellis' meat market.

Mrs. J. W. Meadors and little son Virgil left Monday for Fort Worth, where she will visit her brother Jerald for a few days, after which she will go on to Austin, where she will spend a month or two with her sister, Mrs. W. B. Anthony.

If you wish nice cakes and dainty puddings, you must use the best spices and flavoring extracts. The best will be found at Cunningham's drug store.

Mr. J. F. Vernon is assisting in the bank during the absence of Cashier Couch.

A new lot of latest style stationery and writing tablets at the Racket Store.

Judge H. G. McConnell visited Throckmorton this week on professional business.

Cunningham, the druggist, has what you want in peppers, spices and flavoring extracts.

Miss Laura Phillely, of Avoca, daughter of Rev. W. G. Phillely, arrived here Thursday to attend school. She will make her home at Mr. Marshall Pierson's.

A supply of new Louisiana sugar house molasses just received at S. L. Robertson's.

Mrs. J. N. Ellis and little daughter Hecle left Sunday on a visit to the family of Mr. R. A. Wilkerson at Sweetwater. She was accompanied by Mr. J. R. Pennington of Louisiana, father of Mrs. Wilkerson.

P. D. Sanders is prepared to make loans on farms and ranches, and take up and extend Venues Lien notes. See, or write him at his office in Court House, Haskell, Texas.

Elder J. C. Stephens and wife, who have been visiting the families of their sons at this place, left Thursday for their home in Reguter, Col.

I am over stocked on tobacco, if you want low prices see me. T. G. Carney.

Mrs. S. A. Gregory returned Tuesday from a visit of several months with relatives in Grand Prairie, Gatesville, McGregor and other places. She also attended the great Baptist convention at Dallas as a messenger from the Haskell church.

Sandy land sweet potatoes, \$1.00 per bushel. T. G. Carney.

Miss Edith Howell returned Saturday from Gorman, where she has been visiting with relatives for a month or two.

Do not sell your cotton before you see me. I will give you a raise for your cotton and pay the cash for it. T. G. Carney.

Messrs. W. T. Hudson and Booth English left Monday for Fort Worth with a shipment of eight or nine car-loads of Lumsden and Hudson cattle.

New line of pants, ladies skirts, jackets and many other things. Come and see. T. G. Carney.

Miss Jesty Hills took charge of the Ballou school Tuesday as teacher.

Big 5-cent school tablets at the Racket Store.

Mr. Joe Dixon and sister, Miss Lillie, of Stamford, visited in Haskell this week.

Children, get your school tablets, pencils, pens, ink, etc at the Racket Store.

Rev. Haley of Collin county has bought Uncle Dan Mooneyham's place two miles east of town and has returned home to close up his affairs and move here. He expects to arrive here December 1st with his family.

Notice is hereby given that all persons not to hand wool for the winter to Messrs. McConnell, Moore, four miles east of Haskell, L. A. Pritchard, owner.

Judge L. M. Hale of Stamford was here Thursday and closed a deal with Mr. C. D. Crissman for his ranch of 175 acres in the eastern part of the county.

Williams & Whitaker are going to move to the Keister & Hazlewood corner in a few days. It takes a little more to properly grease the wheels of this progressive step, therefore you are invited to call and settle your account.

Dr. W. M. Crume of Munday reports the birth of a son to Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Sherman of the northern part of this county on Oct. 31st.

Dr. E. E. Gilbert reports three cases of scarlet fever at Mr. W. A. Jackson's in the northwestern portion of the county. He says there is also a case at Mr. Yarbrough's and that all are under quarantine. As scarlet fever is extremely contagious great should be used to prevent its spread.

## REMOVAL SALE.

Messrs. Williams & Whitaker have secured the Keister & Hazlewood building on the southeast corner of the square and as soon as it can be fitted up for a general store will move their stock into it, which will be about December 1st.

In order to save as much trouble as possible in the work of moving goods they will begin a special low price sale today, 14th, and continue same for ten days. This sale will include all shelf goods and broken packages both in staple and fancy groceries and in dry goods. This will be a great opportunity for bargains during the next ten days. "Money saved is money made," go and save some by buying cheap.

After their removal Messrs. Williams & Whitaker will have one of the most commodious stores in the town and it is their intention to fill it with a complete stock of fresh family groceries and an up-to-date stock of dry goods, notions, boots, shoes, etc., which they expect to have on display by December 1st, as shipments are now being made.

### One Farmer's Earnings.

Seeing Mr. T. P. Martin in town one day last week and hearing him say that he had sold his ninth bale of cotton, we thought the pretty good for a single handed farmer, such a year as this, and concluded to tackle him for an item. Although he seemed reluctant at first to answer questions and expose his private affairs, we succeeded by dint of quizzing in unearthing a better item than we anticipated. Mr. Martin lived in Haskell county several years and moved away but moved back last year.

He bought an improved farm of 165 acres last fall for which he paid \$1800, (about \$11 per acre). On this farm he made a crop this year, cultivating 88 acres himself and renting 32 acres to a neighbor, the remaining 45 acres being used as pasture. He had gathered nine bales of cotton, which he has sold at an average of \$48.00 per bale, and says he is certain of eight bales more, total seventeen bales. His other crops are all gathered, and he gave us the following statement:

9 bales cotton, \$48.00 per bale, \$432.00	87.00
230 bushels corn, at 39 cents, 90.70	
40 bu. kafir and milo matre, 35 cents, 140.00	
100 bushels oats, 40 cents, 40.00	
1000 bushels oats, 4 cents, 40.00	
200 bushels sorghum, 2 cents, 4.00	
1250 bushels kafir corn, 2 cents, 25.00	
Melons sold, 10.00	
Value of cotton seed, 85.00	
Total value, \$632.70	

His part of rent crops on the 32 acres, which was planted in cotton and oats, 132.00  
Total, own crop and rents, \$464.70  
Paid for help, only 21.00  
Net proceeds, \$443.70

It will be seen that his net proceeds for one year lack only \$36.13 of paying for his entire 165 acres. If that isn't pretty good where will you go to find pretty good? Remember, also, that a drought of three months duration struck the middle of our crop season this year. Pretty good for a fourth year in Western Texas, eh? You can refuse to believe this and stay among the boll weevils and bugs of Central and East Texas, if you want to!

Mrs. J. L. Jones spent several days in Fort Worth this week.

Get your share of the bargain on the 5 and 10 cent counters at the Racket Store.

Mr. R. R. Davis of the northern part of the county marketed his thirtieth bale of cotton in Haskell Thursday. He thinks he will gather about two bales more, completing his crop off of 85 acres in cotton, being a yield of a little over a third of a bale per acre. Mr. Davis has had some sickness in his family this fall and he spoke in warm terms of gratitude to his neighbors for their kind attention.

Mr. F. G. Alexander, head of the Alexander Mercantile Company of Haskell and Munday, will leave today for Chicago, where he will purchase a full stock of winter goods and a handsome line of holiday goods. The company of which he is the leading spirit and which has grown out of his individual efforts, is doing a fine business both at Haskell and Munday and is growing in popularity and strength.

Mr. B. B. Gardener of the south part of the county, former county commissioner for his precinct, while in town Thursday paid THE FREE PRESS a call and agreed himself on our books. Speaking of crops he said his part of the country had done pretty well on corn for a drought year.

In gathering his corn he estimated the yield at fully twenty bushels per acre, but thought it might exceed that.

Dr. C. L. Terrell left Tuesday morning for Dallas where, besides replenishing and enlarging his general stock of drugs, etc, he intends purchasing a choice line of holiday goods, including silverware. Dr. Terrell has been in business in Haskell something over five years and has established the reputation of handling only good goods and of dealing fairly with his customers, hence he is doing an increasingly prosperous business.

On Saturday, October 31, the Magazine Club was entertained by Mrs. L. T. Cunningham. The subject for the afternoon was Bestow and the program was as follows: Life of Beethoven—Mrs. J. F. Posey. Instrumental Solo—Miss Belle Rupp. Vocal Solo—Mrs. John B. Baker. Instrumental Solo—Mrs. H. B. Jones. During the diversion hour the hostesses served to the members the most delicious chocolate wafers and at the same time conducted the game, which consisted in giving out a number of questions for the members to answer.

Afternoon was spent to all profit to all.

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We have a new pump, so there is no danger of having to wait. We are paying \$9.50 a ton, or fifteen cents a bushel for seed. Haskell's buyers are paying railroad prices for cotton. Come, gin with us and get rid of your cotton and seed at the very best prices. We will do you good work and will appreciate your patronage.

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Owing to the change in the schedule of the Texas Central Railroad, the public will please take notice that my mail and passenger hacks now leave Haskell at 7 o'clock A. M. and in ample time for passengers to reach Stamford and take the eastbound passenger at 11 o'clock. I wish to state also that my drivers will take passengers to the depot when desired, and will take special care in seeing to the comfort of ladies and children going down and that their baggage is properly checked and put on the train, and will render any other service in their power.

The Haskell hack will leave Stamford directly after the arrival of the 5:45 P. M. passenger train and will bring passengers and express matter. I have given my stable and equipment a thorough overhauling and can now furnish the best of accommodation in the way of good teams and vehicles and careful drivers, or outfits without drivers, to the country and surrounding towns.

I will also run hacks to Marcy, Cliff and Munday and carry passengers at regular hack rates, \$1 per trip. When you want any service in the livery line give me a call.

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# Gone Again--For Something New

It is with pleasure that we announce the satisfactory business we have enjoyed during the Fall, and we extend to our customers our hearty thanks for their liberal patronage....

We have been able to keep before you a full, clean stock of Staple Dry Goods and all the novelties of the season, having received new goods each week. However, we find in going through our stock that it is not as complete as we wish it in order to meet the demands for the Winter and Holiday trade. Therefore our Mr. Alexander leaves today for Chicago, where he will spend a few days in selecting such goods as will meet the demands of all....

We wish to state that we will add to our regular stock a complete line of Holiday Goods, consisting of suitable presents for both old and young, at prices that will be a happy surprise. We feel confident that it will pay you to wait for our Opening, which will be the first week in December, before making your selections of holiday goods....

Our new stock will be ready for your inspection by November 25, and we feel confident that we will have just what you are looking for....

# ..Alexander Mercantile Company..

## READ THIS.

Is your life insured? Every man should carry a policy to protect his family in case of his death, and to fall back on in his old age in case he should get broke and need money. I represent the Prudential, which is as financially strong as the Rock of Gibraltar, and writes the most liberal policy of any company in existence, and gives you more for your money. If you want a policy, see me before you take it, and get the best. I live here and cannot afford to make misrepresentations in order to sell you a policy.  
P. D. SANDERS,  
Haskell, Texas.

## NOTICE.

All parties who owe me accounts for blacksmithing are requested to come forward and settle. I have worked for you when you needed it, and now I need my money and I trust you will not forget me, but will come in and pay up.  
Respectfully,  
J. F. STEPHENS.

## The Dude and the Cow.

The dude, who was spending a few weeks at a summer resort in the country, was persuaded by some of the mischief-loving young women to go and look at the cows in the barnyard while the hired man was milking. "Do you think you could do that?" asked one of the young women. "Is it that where the milk comes from?" he said, languidly. "Yes. See if you can do it. Jacob, will you let Mr. Lopsicome try his hand?"

With a sly wink at them the hired man headed the pail to Mr. Lopsicome and stopped aside.

The dude carefully parted his coat-tails and sat down on the milking stool.

Then he placed the pail in position. And then he awkwardly milked a stream all over the young woman.

"See!" he said, "I've got the good deal of the milk I need to see where I was a boy and did all the milking for a large family down in Missouri County."

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## FARMERS....

Are beginning to think about their fall work in preparing their land for another crop, and we are getting the Implements and Machinery ready for them. Among these will be found the

## Success Sulky Plows and Canton Disc Plows.

These plows are recognized as First Class in their line of work, and are growing more popular as they become better known, many farmers in this section preferring them to any others.

### Superior Disc Drill.

We are handling the Superior Disc Drill, with or without the Gang Press Wheel attachment. With this attachment this Drill is without doubt superior to any other for putting in a grain crop in this country, insuring a good stand, even though there may be but little moisture in the ground...

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We do a general line of Blacksmithing and Wood Work, and guarantee satisfaction. Horse Shoeing a Specialty. We handle the celebrated PLANO Harvesting Machinery. The prices are very reasonable. Give us a trial and be convinced.

## TO THE LADIES:

We will certainly interest you if you will come in and look at a few articles that were bought especially for your use and convenience, such as,—

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—AND— great many things of utility and convenience about the house and kitchen.

RESPECTFULLY,

## HASKELL RACKET STORE.

### DEMAND FOR PONIES

High Prices for Trained Polo Ponies.

A San Angelo correspondent writes the following to the Dallas News: San Angelo, Texas, October 30.—A source of revenue to the stock country, one which has arisen in recent years, is the sale of well-trained cow ponies for use as polo ponies. An ordinary cow pony is worth, perhaps, \$50 to \$75 as a cow horse, but if the animal meets the requirements of the polo pony buyers it readily brings a price of \$100 to \$125. In fact, from \$75 to \$500 apiece is paid here for well-trained ponies, free from defects, and otherwise meeting the requirements.

Ponies must be from 14 to 14 1/2 hands high, with round, barrel bodies, free from defects, and, above all, well reined. In the parlance of the West, a cow pony, to deserve his name, should be able to run at full speed, "stop and turn on a silver dollar." Those are the ponies which are wanted—well-trained cow horses that can stop instantly and wheel about—and for such ponies the buyers are glad to pay handsome prices, for they are sure to realize handsomely on their investment when they sell the ponies East for sale as game ponies.

The buyers who come out here and buy polo ponies stop them East, where, it is said, they often get \$500 to \$1,000 for a good animal. Some few shipments have been made from this country to England.

There are some famous roping horses in this country, horses from the back of which many big roping purses have been captured. These horses have been eagerly sought by the polo pony buyers, but their owners are so attached to them that they will not part with their intelligent animals for any price.

There are many crack ropers in the Concho country and such men has his own roping horse. They are not large, as a rule, and most of them would fall within the requirements of the polo pony buyers. These horses of the crack ropers are as near human as it is possible for a horse to get, and it is a pleasing sight to see them carrying their rider to the roping of a steer, for they thoroughly understand their part of the game and appear to relish it very much. After the steer is roped and the roper runs to the him, the horse stands pulling the rope taut to prevent the steer from getting up.

Such horses find a ready sale, but are not easily procured, except, as sometimes happens, their owner gets hard up, in which case he parts company with his horse, though it almost tears his heart strings to do so.

Fred Baker, a famous roper, has refused offers of from \$500 to \$750 for his noted horse Necktie. Jimmie Barron, it is said, recently refused an offer from the polo pony buyers of \$300 for his roping horse, and John Murray refused an offer of \$500.

The buyers on their recent trip here secured about ten good ponies and paid good prices for them.

### A Runaway Bicycle.

Terminated with an ugly cut on the leg of J. B. Orner, Franklin Grove, Ill. It developed a stubborn ulcer anydoctor to doctors and remedies for four years. Then Bucklen's Arnica Salve cured it. It's just as good for Burns, Scalds, Skin Eruptions and Piles. 25 cents, at L. T. Cunningham's Drug Store, Haskell, Texas.

### In the Restaurant.

Talkative Proprietor—The apple crop this year is reported to be unusually short. Crabbed Customer—Yes, but the shortness hasn't affected the crust on this apple pie I'm worrying over.—Baltimore American.

### Doesn't Respect Old Age.

It's shameful when youth fails to show proper respect for old age, but just the contrary in the case of Dr. King's New Life Pills. They cut off maladies no matter how severe and irrespective of old age. Dyspepsia, Jaundice, Fever, Constipation, all yield to this perfect Pill. 25 cents, at L. T. Cunningham's Drug Store, Haskell, Texas.

### Conundrum.

A man is twice the age his wife was when he was the age that she is now. When she reaches his present age their combined years will be 100. Find the age of each.—New York World.

### For a Bad Cold.

If you have a bad cold you need a good reliable medicine like Chamberlain's Cough Remedy to loosen and relieve it, and to allay the irritation and inflammation of the throat and lungs. For sale at Terrells Drug Store, Haskell, Texas.

### JUST WHAT YOU NEED.

Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. When you feel dull after eating. When you have no appetite. When you have a bad taste in the mouth. When your liver is torpid. When your bowels are constipated. When you have a headache. When you feel bilious. They will improve your appetite, cleanse and invigorate your stomach, and regulate your liver and bowels. Price 25 cents per box. For sale at Terrells Drug Store, Haskell, Texas.

### Fine Texas Clay.

The finest quality of clay to be found in the United States for the use of the potter is in Texas. The deposits in the vicinity of Milano Junction, in Milano County, have been shown to excel all other clays yet tried in the manufacture of fine chinaware. Some time ago F. W. Buser of Dallas sent a quantity of the Milano clay to the pottery at Sebring, Ohio. The amount of the deposit in the vicinity of Milano Junction, in Milano County, have been shown to excel all other clays yet tried in the manufacture of fine chinaware. Some time ago F. W. Buser of Dallas sent a quantity of the Milano clay to the pottery at Sebring, Ohio. The amount of the deposit in the vicinity of Milano Junction, in Milano County, have been shown to excel all other clays yet tried in the manufacture of fine chinaware.

### Stepped Against a Hot Stove.

A child of Mrs. Geo. T. Benson, when getting his usual Saturday night bath, stepped back against a hot stove which burned him severely. The child was in great agony and his mother could do nothing to pacify him. Remembering that she had a bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm in the house, she thought she would try it. In less than half an hour after applying it the child was quiet and asleep, and in less than two weeks was well. Mrs. Benson is a well known resident of Keller, Va. Pain Balm is an antiseptic liniment and especially valuable for burns, cuts, bruises and sprains. For sale at Terrells Drug Store, Haskell, Texas.

### A Memory of Ticonderoga.

The historic colors of the first Shropshire Light Infantry, which a hundred and twenty-five years ago were borne with Burgoyne's invading army down through Northern New York, are to be sold at public auction. The city of Edinburgh presented them to the regiment, which was then the fifty-third in 1774, and after the outbreak of hostilities they crossed the Atlantic, where the regiment took part in the relief of Quebec. At the battle of Ticonderoga three of its companies were captured on Lake George, where Burgoyne surrendered. It is related of one of the officers of the Fifty-Third that in order to prevent their falling into the hands of the Americans they cut the colors from their poles and wrapped them around his person. Anyhow, on being replaced by new colors on the regiment's return to England in 1790, the old banner, following the custom, became the property of the regiment's Colonel, and since remained at Lodge Elphinstone, in Eberdishire. Some little indignation is expressed that the regimental colors should come under the hammer, and especially as they are colors with such a history.—London Correspondent.

### A Dangerous Month.

This is the month of coughs, colds and acute catarrh. Do you catch cold easily? Find yourself hoarse, with a tickling in your throat and an annoying cough at night? Then, you should always have handy, a bottle of Ballard's Horehound Syrup. J. A. Anderson, 354 West 5th St., Salt Lake City, writes: "We use Ballard's Horehound Syrup for coughs and colds. It gives immediate relief. We know it's the best remedy for these troubles. I write this to induce other people to try this pleasant and efficient remedy." 25 cents, 50 cents and \$1.00 at L. T. Cunningham's, Druggist, Haskell, Texas.

### Believes in Alfalfa.

Fort Worth, Texas, October 31.—Robert Durringer, who lives in this county, was not an alfalfa enthusiast until he heard R. E. Smith of Grayson County lecture on alfalfa and its culture last spring at the College Station Farmers' Congress.

Then he was converted and has kept well posted since and will demonstrate his faith by putting in 200 acres on a fine bottom farm he has up on the west fork of the Trinity, about ten miles from Fort Worth.

He said in a recent address made by Mr. Smith in Oklahoma the latter had stated that from his Grayson County alfalfa farm—about eight hundred acres—he would realize this year about forty-eight or forty-nine thousand dollars, and that was a satisfactory return from even such valuable farm land as 800 acres of Grayson County black waxy.

Mr. Durringer also said Baker Brothers of Fort Worth had newly planted alfalfa farm out on the Little Falls, which would make a return this year of about eighty or ninety dollars an acre, and that Capt. H. C. Holloway had stated to him he would make about \$100 per acre from his alfalfa lands near the old race track just northeast of the city.

As one seeding, well established, does for a generation or two, and may be more, Mr. Durringer thinks the alfalfa business is better and easier than corn, cotton, wheat and oats.

### The Best Remedy for Croup.

(From the Atchison, Kan., Daily Globe.) This is the season when the woman who knows the best remedies for croup is in demand in every neighborhood. One of the most terrible things in the world is to be awakened in the middle of the night by a whoop from one of the children. The croup remedies are almost as sure to be lost, in case of croup, as a revolver is sure to be lost in case of burglars. There used to be an old-fashioned remedy for croup, known as live syrup and tolu, but some modern mothers say that Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is better, and does not cost so much. It causes the patient to "throw up the phlegm" quicker, and gives relief in a shorter time. Give this remedy as soon as the croupy cough appears and it will prevent the attack. It never fails and is pleasant and safe to take. For sale at Terrells Drug Store, Haskell, Texas.

### Effect of Kindness on Milch Cow.

If you want your cow to yield milk of the best quality and the greatest quantity you have only to treat her kindly. This is the sum and substance of a discovery made by Staff County Technical College, at Chelmsford. The cow is a very nervous animal, and very susceptible to kind or harsh treatment. The amount and quality of the milk she gives depends on her preference for persons with whom she has to deal. Following up the theory, a rigorous experiment was tried at a farm in Essex. Four cows were tried with four different milkers. The favored milker was honored with nearly nineteen pounds weight of milk one morning, while another less favored got only a trifle more than fifteen pounds. The next morning another cow which had yielded badly the first morning increased in supply, as well as in quality, with a change of milkers.

### For sick headaches try Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets.

They will ward off the attack if taken in time. For sale at Terrells Drug Store, Haskell, Texas.

### HUGHES AND TURNER SCHOOL.

A training school located in Weatherford College. Weatherford is one of the cleanest, healthiest towns in the country. No saloons, fine moral atmosphere. Many beautiful homes and churches. School prepares for Vanderbilt, Texas, and all first class Universities. Teachers are experienced college men. Individual attention. Send for catalogue, Principals, A. H. Hughes, J. P. Turner, Weatherford, Texas.

### Provided Half the Seat.

It was on a Spruce street car in Philadelphia. All the seats were occupied. At Broad street the car stopped to allow an enormously stout woman to get on. Not seeing any vacant seats, she clung to a strap right in front of a rather thin man, who was tightly wedged in between two other men. The man's innate politeness could not let him see a lady stand, but it was out of the question that she should occupy the small space he was filling. However, he was equal to the occasion. With a look at his neighbors and half rising he said: "I'll be one of two to get up and give this lady a seat."

### She got it.—New York Herald.

Any one wanting a residence in Haskell should investigate Capt. B. H. Dodson's offer to sell his place, as it is one of the handsomest and most conveniently arranged homes in this country. The house is a large one-story frame building presenting a nice appearance from the exterior view, and the interior is conveniently arranged as to the location and communication between the various rooms, all of which are neatly finished up, and the entire building is substantially built and rests on a solid brick and rock foundation. The well furnishes an abundance of good water, which is raised by a windmill to an elevated tank, from which it is piped to all parts of the house and to the lot or barn in the rear, besides furnishing a supply to water a lot of nice fruit trees and shrubbery in the yard and irrigate a vegetable garden. The out-buildings consist of a two story barn affording bins for grain and comfortable protection for horses and cow and for buggy stall above. Besides the improvements mentioned there is a conveniently located storm house 12x18 feet, nicely celled and fitted up inside. While this place as it stands is a commodious and comfortable home, it can, with its water facilities and advantageous location on the main street of the town, be made an ideally beautiful one by some family with taste and leisure to devote to the adornment of its ample grounds.

### Special Round Trip Excursions from Stamford.

Special Sunday excursions from Stamford to Cisco, Texas, until further notified the Texas Central Railroad Company will sell on every Sunday round trip tickets at One Fare to all stations from Stamford to Cisco. Train leaves Stamford at 8 a. m. returning same day at 3:30 p. m.

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640 acres, all fenced, 100 acres in cultivation, balance in timber and grass. Twelve miles northeast from Haskell. \$6.00 per acre, one-third cash, balance in three annual payments.

640 acres fine level prairie land, 15 miles northeast of Haskell, all fenced; 120 acres in cultivation, 50 acres in wheat, \$9.00 per acre.

Eighty acres of land, one mile northwest of Haskell; all in cultivation; good house, barn, lots and etc. Price \$2,000.

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### To Notaries Public.

THE FREE PRESS is prepared to fill your orders for seals, acknowledgment and protest records and all blanks required in the discharge of your official business.

I have good Mediterranean seed wheat, free from Johnson grass, at 70 cents per bushel at my place one and a-half miles southeast of Haskell. I also have Texas Red Rust-proof oats at 35 cents per bushel. J. H. Cunningham. 421F

A violent thunder and hail storm passed over Wishaw and Mrs. Fred Rybhan was struck by lightning while standing on the porch with her baby in her arms. Mrs. Rybhan was instantly killed, but the baby was not injured.—Philadelphia Record.

Prof. Burt, the old reliable pebble spectacle man who was with us two years ago, will be with us again in the near future. He is now at Stamford; ask your doctor who he is. He will make any of his work good, done two years ago. Look for him and get honest work. He carries the largest stock of any one ever in this part of the country and has all the necessary instruments for testing and fitting glasses to the eyes. Examinations free of charge. (801F)

Get your share of the bargains on the 5 and 10 cent counters at the Racket Store.

Hot. "Why," cried the Christian Powers, in some impatience, "do you keep us in hot water all the time?" The attendant, a dark man, of sinister aspect, smiled grimly. "Hot water is the very essence of the Turkish bath," said he.

### Best Liniment on Earth.

I. M. McHany, Greenville, Texas, writes, November 2, 1900: "I had rheumatism last winter, was down in bed six weeks; tried everything, but got no relief, till a friend gave me a part of a bottle of Ballard's Snow Liniment. I used it, and got two more bottles. It cured me and I haven't felt any rheumatism since. I can recommend Snow Liniment to be the best liniment on earth for rheumatism." For rheumatic, sciatic or neuralgic pains, rub in Ballard's Snow Liniment, you will not suffer long, but will be gratified, with a speedy and effective cure. 25 cents, 50 cents and \$1.00, at L. T. Cunningham's, Druggist, Haskell, Texas.

His Mistake. The young man with the bundle under his arm looked at the sign over the door of the laundry and stepped inside.

"Wong," he said to the meek-looking Oriental who seemed to be in charge of the establishment, "got me here. Two shutes, six colls' J. E. Clobs, 'an' do' 'ond premium' 'an' do' 'Best pig any other.' 'I me to thim, W. D. Kemp. 'I have to 'POULTRY. (EDMOND D. W. FIELDS, W. W. KITTLE, AND A. G. WALKER.

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Most of these remedies have been in use for 20 years and are offered to the sick under a strict guaranty that they will cure if used according to directions, or money back. No one medicine is a cure-all, as the patent medicines are claimed to be, and Old Stager Family Medicines are not offered as such, but each one has been compounded for a special malady, and are the result of the experience of a physician of 20 years active practice. Following is a brief description of the Old Stager Family Medicines:

Old Stager La Grip Specific is a certain and speedy remedy for La Grip, Colds, Hoarseness, Sore Throat, and Fever. It has cured hundreds of cases of these distressing complaints and we have so much faith in its curing effects that we offer your money back if you try it and it does not cure you.

Old Stager Cough Medicine is a safe, speedy and harmless remedy—no narcotics in it to stupify the patient and give only temporary relief, as is the case with so many cough medicines, but this is guaranteed to give prompt relief and afford a permanent cure when its use is persisted in. If you have a troublesome cough TRY IT.

Old Stager Catarrh Medicine is better than all the nostrums and patent medicines so much advertised and listed as Catarrh cures. It will cure Catarrh, Hay Fever and Cold in the Head. Chronic Catarrh of long standing is slow in yielding to treatment, but Old Stager Medicine will cure it. Try it and Dealers wanted to handle these medicines in every town. Address, McLemore & Ellis, Props., Haskell.

Old Stager Fistula Cure is a cure that cures. We have heard of many bad cases being cured by it, and no failures. It is easy to apply. Guaranteed.

Emollient soothing and elegant remedy for chapped hands, feet and lips. Makes the skin smooth and soft.

McLemore's Prairie Dog Poison. This is a death shot on Prairie Dogs. It has been used in Haskell and adjoining counties for several years and has given complete satisfaction wherever used as directed. Can give any number of first-class testimonials.

Old Stager Catarrh Medicine is a safe, speedy and harmless remedy—no narcotics in it to stupify the patient and give only temporary relief, as is the case with so many cough medicines, but this is guaranteed to give prompt relief and afford a permanent cure when its use is persisted in. If you have a troublesome cough TRY IT.

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