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PROHIBITION NOTICE.

HASKELL, TEXAS, Oct. 29, 1903. MESSRS. POOLE & O'BRYAN, Publishers Haskell Free Press. This will authorize you as successors to J. E. Poole in the publication of said newspaper, to proceed with the publication of the notice declaring the result of local option election held in precincts 1, 3 and 4 in Haskell county on Sept. 8, 1902, and putting prohibition in effect in said precincts, publication of which was heretofore suspended by an injunction, and complete the publication of same in the three succeeding issues of your said newspaper. D. H. HAMILTON, County Judge, Haskell Co., Tex.

THE STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF HASKELL.

IN THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT. Be it remembered that on this the 19th day of September, A. D. 1902, while in special session for that purpose, the Commissioners' Court of Haskell County, Texas, opened the polls and counted the votes of an election duly and legally held at all the regular voting places in Commissioners' Precincts numbers one, three and four, said precincts being a subdivision of said Haskell County, on Monday the 8th day of September, A. D. 1902, to determine whether or not the sale of intoxicating liquors shall be prohibited within the limits of said subdivision, embracing Commissioners' Precincts numbers one, three and four of said Haskell County, herein after described by metes and bounds, which said election was held in pursuance of an order of this court made and entered on the 13th day of August, A. D. 1902. And it appearing to the court after fully and fairly counting the votes and ascertaining the result of said election that 346 votes were cast for prohibition and 335 votes were cast against prohibition and that a majority of the qualified voters of said subdivision of said county, embracing Commissioners' Precincts numbers one, three and four, voting at said election did vote for prohibition.

Now, therefore, pursuant to Article 3390, Title LXIX of the Revised Statutes of the State of Texas, the Commissioners' Court of the County of Haskell in said State of Texas, does hereby declare that a majority of the votes cast at said election so held as aforesaid were cast for prohibition and that said election has resulted in favor of prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors within the limits of said subdivision of said Haskell County, embracing Commissioners' Precincts numbers one, three and four, of said county, and described by metes and bounds as follows, to-wit:

Beginning at a point in the east boundary line of Haskell County where the public road leading from the town of Haskell to the town of Throckmorton intersects said county line; thence west with said Haskell and Throckmorton road along the lines and through the following surveys, to-wit: Along the N. line of Sect. 26, B. B. & C. Ry. Co. and the N. line of Sect. 11, Abst. 56, B. B. & C. R. Co. to its N. W. corner; thence S. with its W. line to the N. line of Sarah Smith sur. Abst. No. 372; thence W. with N. line of said Smith to its N. W. cor.; thence continuing westerly through Sect. 2, G. H. & H. Ry. Co. Abst. 687, and Sect. No. 1, same survey, Abst. 159, to N. E. cor. of D. Casanova sur., Abst. No. 93; thence W. along N. line of said survey and N. line of T. G. Box survey, Abst. No. 11, and N. line of M. Butler, Abst. 12, to N. E. cor. of J. M. Cass survey and S. E. cor. of John Campbell sur. Abst. 91; thence N. with E. line of said Campbell and E. line of Chas. Irwin sur. Abst. 294, to its N. E. cor.; thence W. along N. line of said Irwin, and N. line of Amos King, Abst. 902, and along the S. line of John Huffman survey, Abst. 155 and through Wm. Brander sur. Abst. No. 35, to intersection with the Haskell and Benjamin road; thence N. with said road to the north boundary line of Haskell county, where said road crosses same, and runs through the following surveys, to-wit: Along W. line of said Wm. Brander, the W. line of J. M. Montgomery, and the W.

Abst. 663, and the W. line of W. J. Thornton, Abst. 668, and along W. line of M. Waggoner survey, Abst. 671, to L. corner of C. C. Speer survey, Abst. 477; thence through said Speer and J. H. Bond, Abst. 457, to S. line of said Waggoner survey, through said Waggoner and J. C. Chester survey, Abst. 649, to S. line of Sect. 180, Bl. 45, H. & T. C. Ry. Co.; thence continuing N. with Benjamin road as it runs through said section 180 and through sections 181, 182 and 183, Blk 45, H. & T. C. Ry. Co. to where said road intersects the N. line of Haskell county; thence west with N. line of Haskell county to N. W. corner of same; thence south with W. line of Haskell county to S. W. corner; thence east with south line of Haskell county to its S. E. corner; thence north with east line of Haskell county to place of beginning.

It is further ordered, published and decreed by this court that the sale of intoxicating liquors within the limits of said subdivision of said county embracing said Commissioners' Precincts, numbers one, three and four, described by metes and bounds above, be, and the same is hereby absolutely prohibited, except for the purposes and under the regulations specified in said Title LXIX, until such time as the qualified voters of said subdivision of said county embracing Commissioners' Precincts numbers one, three and four, and as described by metes and bounds above, may at a legal election held for that purpose by a majority vote decide otherwise, and it is further ordered that this order be published for four successive weeks in some newspaper published in Haskell County, Texas, to be selected by the County Judge, and the clerk of this court is hereby directed to furnish the County Judge with a certified copy of this order for publication in accordance with the law.

THE STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF HASKELL.

L. C. D. Long, Clerk of the County Court of Haskell County, Texas, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the original order of Commissioners' Court declaring the result of the local option election held in Haskell County, Texas, on September 8th, 1902, and prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors within the limits of Commissioners' Precincts Nos. 1, 3 and 4 of said county as the same appears of record in the minutes of the Commissioners' Court of said Haskell County, Book 2, pages 277 to 279.

Given under my hand and seal of said court, at office in Haskell, this 22nd day of Sept., 1902. C. D. LONG, Clerk, County [L.S.] Court, Haskell Co., Texas. By J. W. Meadors, Deputy.

Prohibition finally went into effect in Kaufman county Oct. 30th, and all the saloons closed.

Twenty-five people, mostly Italians, lost their lives in a burning tenement house in New York Sunday.

Severe earth quakes in Persia Monday killed several hundred people and did a large amount of property damage.

The grand jury at Belleville, Ill., has returned eleven bills of indictment against persons believed to have taken part in the lynching of the negro school teacher, Wyatt, who last June shot, but failed to kill, Chas. A. Hertel, county superintendent of schools.

The life of the poet Edgar Allan Poe has been dramatized in a play called "The Raven," which is to be presented in New York this winter. It is said that the play represents the romantic and picturesque life of Poe from his early manhood until his death.

Dr. John W. Ross, medical director of the navy, who was recently quoted as favoring a return to the canteen system in the army, is out in a new opinion; other things being equal, he thinks that the improvement in the morals of the navy has been the result of its prohibition.

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WESTERN RANGE CONDITIONS

As Seen and Described by Col. Slaughter.

GREAT CHANGES NOTED.

An Explanation About Where "Western Texas" Is.

An interview with a Dallas News reporter: Col. C. C. Slaughter, who has a cow or so grazing around on the West Texas Plains, has just returned from that country, where he has been making an investigation of conditions. The Colonel is not overburdened over the result of his trip. When seen at his office the other day and asked for a comparison between the old days on the range and those of the present, he launched instead into a description of his journey over the Plains.

"I started from Stanton on the Texas and Pacific," said Col. Slaughter, "and drove overland in a four-horse ambulance, taking a northwest course through to Portales, New Mexico, on the Pecos Valley Railroad. Part of the way we drove a herd of cattle. The drive was a matter of 250 or 300 miles. The trip took nearly three weeks in all, but I made a good many stops, examining the grass on the range, and so forth.

"The grass is short and scarce on the range, on account of scarcity of rain in that belt. There is only about half the usual amount of grass, and it is only about half as long as usual. Many places show the marks of fire, and in many places the range is burned up with drought. There have been numerous fires, either incendiary or accidental, on the range.

"On my range north of Midland and Big Springs I found the grass so short that it was a foregone conclusion that I could not winter all my cattle there, so I sold 4,000 cows, weaning their calves, and 200 bulls, and drove the whole lot to Fort Sumner, New Mexico.

"Then I let Sam Cutworth of Stanton have 700 cows and calves to winter on his range, paying twenty-five cents a month for the cows and twelve and a half cents for the calves. There has been plenty of rain on his place, and they have had surface water for the cattle.

"I found several places on the range where the drought had been broken, but the areas, as a usual thing, were not large. On the range of the old Nunn headquarters, north of my range, there has been no great scarcity of water, and in parts of Garza County the range has not suffered from drought. They made good sorghum and Kafir corn and some little Indian corn. They had a good rain last spring.

"But the greater part of the range is in a very deplorable condition, as far as grass and feed are concerned. If the winter is at all severe, the cattlemen expect big losses. However, is a great difference in spots, however, for I found that where one man reported good grass his neighbor often had none. The rainfall has been of small compass. I might say that one hundredth part of the country has had showers enough to keep up the range, while all the rest is suffering.

"From Portales, New Mexico, I went to my farm near Roswell, New Mexico, where I found everything in prosperous condition. I then went over to Carlsbad and down the Pecos Valley. All this country is, except for small spots, very dry, having had no rain since last June, and the stockmen are feeling very blue.

"However, what grass there is seems to be very strong and nutritious, and that helps out the cattlemen to some extent.

"The range now, as compared with the old days? Well, there is a great difference. I could not help thinking, while I was making my long, overland drive, of the contrast between the past and the present on the great Western plains. On this trip I had to open gates every few miles, whereas, when I first went out there there were no such things as gates, hardly, and one could move over the range without stopping for anything.

"I first moved cattle there in 1878. The wire fences came about 1885, and with them came the end of the old-fashioned cowboy. Most of the cowboys of the range now are merely fence riders, who ride along the wire fences to see if there are any breaks. Of course, there is some herding, but the old-fashioned cowboy has almost passed out of existence.

and beat out the flames that are left after the body of the animal is dragged over them. It takes quite a large force of men to command a fire on the range, for it spreads very rapidly, often going faster than a horse can run.

"The cattle business is not what it used to be by a good deal. The cattlemen feel the pressure of droughts and financial depression, and the fact that more cattle have gone to market than should have gone is generally deplored. Men who owed money were compelled to ship cattle during the depression, and many shipments were not of good quality. Others, cattlemen who were not lightly pressed for money, were also forced to ship because of the drought.

"I have heard it stated, and I do not think it much of an exaggeration, that the cattlemen of West Texas have lost at least \$20,000,000 this year as compared with last year on account of various depressions.

"The actual settlers in the range country are feeling very blue, and I am sorry for them. They have raised nothing in the way of crops because of the drought, and so have nothing to sell. Many of them have to borrow seed, and numbers are fixing in small habitations badly for the coming winter, and with no wood for fuel. What little sorghum they had grew up twelve to eighteen inches high and then burned out.

"Where they have had rain the settlers are doing very well, but the places where there has been rain are few and far between. I heard many of the settlers say that the cattlemen who had told them all along that the range was not a farming country were right; and the settlers realize that if it was not for the money they got from the cowmen being compelled to release their lands, they would be in even a worse state than they are now."

EXPLANATORY.

Texas is so big that with many people the term "West Texas" presents a vague idea. Even in the minds of many central and eastern Texas people "West Texas" begins soon after they pass Fort Worth going west, but as a matter of fact Fort Worth is less than 200 miles west of the eastern boundary of the state and more than 300 miles east of the line of New Mexico and about 550 miles east of El Paso, so that properly speaking Fort Worth is in the eastern part of the state—or central division, to say the most. Again the majority of eastern Texas people in thinking or speaking of Haskell, Stamford and Abilene, have them in mind as being in the "far west" when in truth they are but fifty or sixty miles west of the half way point between Arkansas and New Mexico. The country changes radically in climatic conditions as you go west from about the center of the state, so it will be understood that the conditions spoken of by Col. Slaughter as prevailing in the plains country along the border of New Mexico, nearly 200 miles west of Haskell, but which is indefinitely spoken of as "West Texas," may be, and in fact are, very different from the conditions in this (Haskell) section. This habit of newspapers and individuals vaguely designating sections or divisions of the State and the vague way so many people have of thinking about them has much to do with the misconception so many have as to the agricultural standing or adaptability of this part of "West Texas." It is a misconception that has operated to the injury of thousands who, but for it, might long since have been settled in happy and prosperous homes in "West Texas."

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The Farms, Gardens and Orchards Of Haskell County Make an Excellent Showing.

LIVE STOCK WELL REPRESENTED

Large Attendance from All Parts of the County, and Many Citizens Agreeably Surprised.

The Haskell Street Fair held on Friday, October 30, was a demonstration of facts that the doubting Thomases who saw it can not get around, and pity it is, that all of them did not see it, for some of them are so thick-skinned that they do not believe what THE FREE PRESS tells them about it. Although they had passed through a summer drought that lasted over three months and, except for a few showers earlier, only ended the latter part of September, the exhibits proved that excellent wheat, oats, corn, milo maize, kaffir corn, sorghum, millet, and other forage crops and various fruits and vegetables will grow here even under such adverse conditions, and proved the claim of many of the oldest settlers that the soil of this section possesses a peculiar power of holding moisture and will carry growing crops longer under drought conditions than any other known to them.

Many of our people have been slow, or failed entirely, to grow fruits and vegetables for their own use, as is perhaps the case in most new countries. There are various reasons for this; with some it is a lack of energy or inclination to take the necessary exertion, with others it is the lack of knowledge of the proper methods of cultivation under local conditions, while others have never gotten over the notions they had when they came west that the tenderer garden vegetables and fruits would not succeed in this country, hence have never tried to grow them. To all of these some of the exhibits of fruits and vegetables, produced without irrigation under such conditions as prevailed this year, were a genuine revelation and, it is hoped, will prove an inspiration that will impel them to better efforts in this direction in the future.

We give below detailed lists of some of the exhibits. Taking first W. E. Underwood's exhibit, which took the first premium as the best general display of vegetables, we find: Irish potatoes, (fall grown), sweet potatoes, pumpkins, cabbages, squashes, Hubbard and bush scalloped, beets, onions, okra, tomatoes, snap beans, green peas, and turnips—thirteen varieties and every one of them first-class in size, shape and quality. Mr. Underwood also exhibited corn (three varieties), milo maize, sorghum and millet, taking first premium on varieties of corn and second on half bushel in ear. Mr. Underwood was asked a number of times if he irrigated his garden to raise these vegetable and he declared that he did not, that they got no water except what fell as rain.

S. R. Ramsey's vegetable exhibit took second prize and consisted of sweet potatoes, Irish potatoes, pumpkins, squash (two varieties), beets, snap beans, green peas, turnips, okra (two varieties), tomatoes (two varieties), satisfy or vegetable oyster, asparagus, onions and radishes. This exhibit was a close second to Mr. Underwood's, but some of the specimens were not as good or well developed.

J. R. Johnson exhibited a general collection of field and garden stuff, embracing the following list: sweet potatoes, pumpkins, cabbages, watermelons, cantaloupes, pie melons, gourds, white beans, dry, snap beans, black eyed peas, tomatoes, turnips, cabbage, collards, pepper, corn, onions, milo maize, kaffir corn, cotton.

J. M. Hunt exhibited Irish potatoes, snap beans, butter beans, onions, tomatoes, radishes, tobacco stalk, varieties of corn, milo maize, chickens, and took premiums on some individual articles.

Mrs. J. A. Griffin entered a variety of vegetables but we failed to get a list of them. They were said to be very nice.

G. W. Flippin exhibited several varieties of corn which, while they did not reach the premium mark, received favorable mention.

had longer straws than we see in brooms in the local stores. W. M. Wood exhibited good specimens of corn, oats and milo maize, the latter taking second premium. We failed to find Capt. Wood and, as his stuff was close to others of like varieties, we may not have separated and listed it all properly.

J. G. Miller's exhibit, entered as a general collection of feed stuffs and which took first premium as such, consisted of corn, (three varieties, including Mexican June corn matured in ninety days), oats, kaffir, corn, milo maize, sorghum, millet, pennicaria, California wheat (a forage plant resembling a loose headed sorghum) alfalfa (first year's growth), peanuts.

He also exhibited tomatoes, onions, cabbages, beets, cabbage, okra, cotton, a calf, hogs and chickens. His exhibit attracted much attention, being attractively arranged on a wagon. He had placed a large hay frame on top of a low wagon bed and floored this and enclosed and covered it with woven wire fencing, making a pen 6x12 feet. This was partitioned and held his calf, hogs and chickens and around the sides were fastened his farm products, and vegetables, bundles of the taller varieties of forage plants extending above all at the four corners and the whole placarded with the sign "Haskell County Diversification." Mr. Miller's farm is two miles east of town.

M. A. Clifton, of the northern part of the county, also had a fine exhibit of feed stuffs, which contained fewer varieties than the last mentioned, but several of them as fine as any on the grounds and some of which took premiums as individual specimens, and the whole took second as a general collection. His list covered: Corn (four varieties), oats (two varieties), wheat, milo maize, kaffir corn, African millet, sorghum, peanuts. He also had a few varieties of vegetables.

Mrs. M. A. Clifton exhibited along with the above twelve varieties of canned and preserved fruits, consisting of Japan and common plums, peaches, grapes, blackberries and other kinds which we failed to get the names of. She also showed two varieties of fresh October peaches, a bucket full of each. She was awarded first premium for best general collection of fruits.

Mrs. Clifton also took first premium on best coop of varieties of poultry. Mrs. R. E. Sherrill made a beautiful display of canned and preserved fruits and fruit jellies, all in glass jars, and all showing in perfect condition. The varieties included white and yellow peaches, several varieties Japanese plums, pears, grapes, blackberries all grown in the home orchard in the town of Haskell.

B. F. Ash, twelve miles northwest of town, exhibited fine specimens of milo maize and African millet and captured a premium. J. C. Draper of the Wild Horse prairie exhibited sweet potatoes and took first premium on "variety other than yellow yams."

E. D. Avari, another Wild Horse prairie farmer, also exhibited sweet potatoes, taking second premium on "other than yellow yams."

W. P. Whitford showed a good specimen of sweet potatoes. A. C. Lewis, farm a few miles northwest of town, showed the best half bushel of corn in ear and captured the premium on it.

Theo. Scharff and A. P. Bailey showed good oats but didn't quite touch the premium mark. Mrs. H. G. McConnell sent in from her garden a big pumpkin and a limb from a fig bush and some ripe figs—just to show that figs will grow here.

J. B. Tomkins, five miles north of town, showed some good oats, but not quite good enough to catch first premium. He was also represented in the mule and chicken department, his mule colt under one year old taking first premium in that class. His mule between one and three years was fine and large, but one a little larger got first in that class.

J. W. Johnson & Son, breeders of Hereford cattle, showed a pair of bulls, taking first and second premiums on the latter. Their cattle were not specially prepared for show purposes but were taken off the grass on short notice. They showed up all right all the same, showing the effects of high blood and the characteristics of that popular breed.

A. P. McLemore, who is raising pure bred Durham cattle, showed several good specimens of these and took first premium on bull under two years old.

J. S. Post and S. R. Ramsey showed Jersey cows. Mr. Post's cow took first premium and Mr. Ramsey's second.

In the horse and mule department there were 21 entries, but, as THE FREE PRESS reporter was unable to visit that department long enough to find and identify the several animals with their owners, we are unable to give individual descriptions of the different animals. From a general observation of the lot as a whole, however, it was readily seen that there were some extra good animals on exhibition. Especially were some of the horse and mule colts fine, and Messrs. Atehison's and Sims' jacks were as fine animals as any country produces. To give a list of the entries is about the best we can do in this department, and reference to the premium awards will show where the premiums went:

HORSES.

- No. 1, A. A. Oliver, colt over 1 and under 3 years.
- No. 2, M. A. Clifton, colt over 1 and under 3 years.
- No. 3, John Mitchell, colt over 1 and under 3 years.
- No. 4, Walter Moreman, Stallion.
- No. 5, J. E. Culberth, colt under 1 year.
- No. 6, J. W. Blake, colt over 1 and under 3 years.
- No. 7, A. H. Bryant, colt under 1 and over 3 years.
- No. 8, C. E. Vaneleave, stallion.
- No. 9, J. X. Avari, colt under 1 year.
- No. 10, I. D. Killingsworth, colt over 1 and under 3 years.
- No. 11, A. P. McLemore, colt under 1 year.
- No. 12, J. C. Bohanan, colt under 1 year.
- No. 13, W. B. Barker, colt over 1 and under 3 years.

MULES.

- No. 1, J. T. Nicholson, colt over 1 and under 3 years.
- No. 2, H. Vaneleave, colt over 1 and under 3 years.
- No. 3, Walter Moreman, colt over 1 and under 3 years.
- No. 5, J. B. Tomkins, colt over 1 and under 3 years.
- No. 6, W. B. Roberts, colt under 1 year.
- No. 7, P. M. Florence, colt over 1 and under 3 years.
- No. 1, T. J. Sims, Jack.
- No. 2, T. L. Atehison, Jack.

HOG DEPARTMENT.

In the hog department we find about the same difficulty as to describing individual animals and will refer the reader to the list of premium awards. The judges in this department stated that some of the hogs shown were as fine as they ever saw in any country and were a sufficient proof that hogs can be successfully raised in this country. Following is a list of the hog entries:

- No. 1, C. H. and D. Mooneyham, pig, cross-bred.
- No. 2, J. E. Cloud, Poland China boar.
- No. 3, H. H. Nesbitt, pair Duroc Jersey pigs.
- No. 4, M. T. Griffin, Poland China pigs.
- No. 5 and 6, G. E. Courtney and Henry Free, Poland China sow and boar, registered.
- No. 7, W. D. Kemp, Poland China pigs.
- No. 8 and 9, T. A. Pinkerton, Berkshire boar and sow.
- No. 10 and 11, T. A. Pinkerton, Poland China boar and sow.
- No. 12, J. C. Bohanan, Berkshire pigs.

POULTRY DEPARTMENT.

Chickens were the only kind of poultry shown, although it is known that there are many fine turkeys and some ducks, geese and guineas in the country. Of the pure bred chickens shown, there were Barred and White Plymouth Rocks, Brown and White Leghorns, Buff Cochins and White Wyandottes, the others were mixed breeds. There were 17 entries, as follows:

- No. 1, Levi McCollum, Jr., pair Barred Plymouth Rocks.
- Nos. 2 and 8, M. T. Griffin, Plymouth Rock and Buff Cochins.
- No. 3, J. M. Hunt, White Wyandottes.
- No. 4, I. D. Killingsworth, Buff Cochins.
- No. 5, Frank Robertson, Brown Leghorns.
- Ralph Storra, White Plymouth Rocks.
- Mrs. W. T. Hudson, Barred Plymouth Rocks.

- No. 9, Frank Neal, Buff Cochins.
- No. 10, Mrs. M. A. Clifton, Coop varieties.
- No. 11, J. W. Underwood, Buff Cochins.
- No. 12, J. G. Miller, Coop varieties.
- No. 13, A. M. Allen, Brown Leghorns.
- No. 14 and 15, J. M. Betts, Brown and White Leghorns.
- No. 16, Charley Steenson, White Leghorns.
- No. 17, Phil Marchbanks, Buff Cochins.

See list of awards for premium winners.

This being the first attempt ever made at holding any sort of a fair in Haskell County the work was new to the committeemen and there was a lack of system in the arrangement of the things according to kind and class which made it difficult for us to see and get correct lists of everything. We did the best we could in that direction and if anything has been overlooked, or there has been a failure to give proper credit in any instance it was because we could not get the information.

In closing we will add that during the day many farmers and stockmen signed an agreement to take part in, make an exhibit at, and contribute to a premium fund for another fair to be held in the fall of 1904, and it is believed that we will then have a fair that will be a hummer. Let everybody work toward that end.

PREMIUMS AWARDED.

Following is a report of the premiums awarded to exhibitors in the different departments at the Haskell Street Fair, Oct. 30: FARM, ORCHARD AND GARDEN. JUDGES: W. P. MCARTY, T. D. WHITEFORD AND G. T. McCULLOH.

Wheat—first premium, best peck, M. A. Clifton. Wheat—second premium, J. F. Pinkerton.

Oats—first premium, best peck, J. F. Pinkerton. Oats—second premium, M. A. Clifton.

Rye—none shown.

Corn—first premium, best half bushel in ear, A. C. Lewis. Corn—second premium, half bushel in ear, W. E. Underwood.

Kaffir Corn—first premium, best display of varieties, six ears of each, W. E. Underwood. Corn—varieties, second premium, M. A. Clifton.

Sweet Potatoes—first premium, half bushel yellow yams, S. R. Ramsey. Sweet Potatoes—second premium, any other variety, W. E. Underwood.

Sweet Potatoes—second premium on last above, J. C. Draper.

Irish Potatoes—first premium, best half bushel, J. M. Hunt. Irish Potatoes—second premium, half bushel, W. E. Underwood.

Milo Maize—first premium, best 25 heads, I. D. Killingsworth. Milo Maize—second premium, J. Sloan.

Kaffir Corn—first premium, best 25 heads—Kaffir Corn—second premium, W. M. Wood.

African Millet—first premium, best 25 heads, B. F. Ash.

Millet—first premium, best 3 bundles, —.

Sorghum—first premium, best display of two or more varieties.—.

Feed Stuffs—first premium, best general display, J. G. Miller. Feed Stuffs—second premium, M. A. Clifton.

Vegetables—first premium, best display garden vegetables, W. E. Underwood. Vegetables—second premium, S. R. Ramsey.

Fruit—first premium, best general display, including fresh, canned, dried and preserved specimens, Mrs. M. A. Clifton (12 varieties). Fruits—second premium, Mrs. R. E. Sherrill.

HORSES AND MULES.

JUDGES: J. W. JOHNSON, J. F. PINKERTON AND J. S. ROOSE.

Stallion—first premium, any breed, Walter Moreman. Stallion—second premium, C. E. Vaneleave.

Colt—first premium for best under one year, John Mitchell, on a Steel dust colt. Colt—second premium, J. E. Culberth.

Colt over 1 year and under 3 years old, first premium to J. W. Blake. Colt—second premium to A. H. Bryant.

Jack—first premium, Jack any breed, T. L. Atehison. Jack—second premium, C. R. Marchbanks.

Mule Colt—first premium, colt under 1 year, J. B. Tompkins. Male Colt—second premium, W. B. Roberts.

Male Colt—first premium, colt over one year and under three years old, M. P. Miller. Male Colt—second premium, Walter Moreman.

CATTLE.

JUDGES: T. E. BALLARD, M. S. SHOOK AND J. S. ROOSE.

Hereford Bull—first premium for best under two years old, J. W. Johnson & Son.

Durham Bull—first premium for best under two years old, A. P. McLemore.

Jersey Cow—first premium, J. S. Post. Jersey Cow—second premium, S. R. Ramsey.

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BAPTIST CHURCH.
My Dear Brother:—Your pastor has a special sermon for you at 11 o'clock Sunday morning. Do not let anything but sickness or like providences keep you away.

ASLEEP IN DEATH.
Sister M. M. Tanner, the wife of Brother G. W. Tanner, one of the early settlers of Haskell county, after an illness of short duration passed to her reward on the 20th day of October, 1908. Sister Tanner has been a resident of Texas since the year 1869, having moved from Louisiana. She became obedient to the Gospel in 1885 under the ministry of Brother Grubbs and, since that time until the hour of her death, has endeavored as best she could to walk in the footsteps of the Master. God called her home in the sixty-second year of her life. The brethren and friends of this country wish to extend to the bereaved their deepest sympathy in the loss of this their dear one. C. N. WILLIAMS, Minister.

SHERIFF'S SALE.
By virtue and authority of an Order of Sale issued out of the Honorable the District Court of Dallas County, Texas, on the twelfth day of October, 1908, in favor of Jot Gunter and against W. T. Hudson in cause No. 2294, and to me directed, commanding me to make certain moneys in said Order of Sale mentioned, I have levied on and seized all the right, title and interest of the above named W. T. Hudson, in and to the following described Real Estate situated, lying and being in the County of Haskell, State of Texas, to wit: Being the South half of the W. J. Thornton 1280 acre survey patented to R. M. Thomson and Third A. Thomson by patent No. 168 Vol. 36 recorded in Haskell County Deed records Vol. 9, Pages 586 and 587 to which patent reference is here made for a more particular description. And Whereas said Judgment provides that the lien upon the property above described is a second lien and subject to the lien securing two certain notes dated September 18th, 1901, made by the said W. T. Hudson payable to Jot Gunter or order on September 15th, 1904, and September 16th, 1905, respectively, together with interest thereon from date at the rate of 8 per cent, use for sale as public outcry, to the sum of \$750.00 and now owned and held by the defendant, The Texas Land & Mortgage Co., Limited. Any sale made by virtue of this Order of Sale shall be made expressly subject to the lien securing said two notes held by The Texas Land & Mortgage Co., Limited; And the deed to the purchaser by the Sheriff shall so recite. Taken and levied on as the property of the above named Defendant W. T. Hudson, and I will on the First Tuesday in December, 1908, the same being the first day of said month, at the Court House door, in Haskell County, Texas, between the hours of ten o'clock in the forenoon and four o'clock in the afternoon of said day, offer for sale as public outcry, to the highest and best bidder, for cash, all of the above described property, more or less, according to the terms of said Order of Sale, in favor of Jot Gunter with interest from date of suit and cost of suit and other disbursements of such. His Honor the

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EXTRA COPIES.

Several persons have spoken for extra copies of this issue of THE FREE PRESS, and we will have a few left over—you can have them to send to your friends at 3 cents per copy.

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. G. R. Couch, cashier of the Haskell National bank, is looking after business in the Panhandle this week, while assistant cashier, M. Pierson is holding down the bank.

You need celery seed, nutmeg, allspice, pepper, mustard, turmeric in your catsup and fix-up. You will find the best quality at Cunningham's.

Just received a big line of men's hats, new and up-to-date. Prices lower than the lowest. T. G. Carney.

Mr. A. B. Mason and family left Tuesday to make their home in Stamford. They have resided here for twelve years and have many friends who regret their going but wish them success in their new home.

When you need paper napkins or fine crepe paper, go to Cunningham's. The best Fort Worth bread constantly on hand at Ellis' meat market.

Mrs. J. T. Nicholson of Wild Horse prairie, received a telegram Saturday informing her of the serious illness of her daughter at Maugum, O. T., and she left at once to see her.

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.

Just received an elegant line of ladies' misses' and children's cloaks by Alexander Mercantile Co.

County Clerk C. D. Long reports for month of October, births, 15, nine males and six females. Deaths, three, two males and one female—all white.

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

Mr. W. L. Hills has moved to the Lomas residence, recently vacated by Mr. Mason.

To our lady trade we wish to say, \$5.00 will buy the best ready-to-wear skirt to be found on any market, at Alexander Mercantile Co's.

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

Mr. J. U. Fields was looking after business in Stamford Wednesday.

The Alexander Mercantile Co. will take your measure and get you a suit made to order.

Ed. J. C. Stephens arrived last Friday on a visit to his sons at this place, Messrs. R. D. C., W. M. and J. F. Stephens.

The largest line of buggy and riding whips every brought to Haskell, just received at the Racket Store, direct from factory. You will be surprised at the prices.

Judge P. D. Sanders visited Abilene this week on professional business.

The Alexander Mercantile Co. are showing the latest line of tailor samples ever shown in the town.

Tomorrow will close Rev. R. S. Heizer's pastoral year with the Methodist church at this place, and he will leave Tuesday to attend the annual conference at Fort Worth. His sermon tomorrow night will be on "The Fulfillment of Prophecy."

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

Our inquisitive reporter wants to know what Willis Buchanan and L. D. Morgan are "dinking" up to go to Stamford for tomorrow.

Alexander Mercantile Co. guarantee every tailor made suit to fit perfectly.

Mr. F. G. Alexander looked after business in Stamford Thursday.

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

Mrs. G. A. Morgan and Mr. F. N. Chapman of Weatherford are visiting the family of Messrs. J. L. Oatell and C. D. Morgan.

See Williams & Whitaker before you sell your outfit. They pay cash.

Treasurer Stephens and wife and father are visiting relatives in Jones county.

The Alexander Mercantile Co. are making a speciality of tailor made suits.

Rev. I. N. Alvis and son Vestus were here this week closing up some business matters.

See the new line of school shoes at T. G. Carney's—now is the time to buy—may cost you more later than we ask for them now.

Mr. M. S. Pierson left Thursday morning for Dallas, as a messenger to the Baptist State convention. After the convention he will go to Emery and look after his business there for a few weeks before returning home.

THE FIDDLERS' CONTEST.

An extra large crowd attended the Old Fiddlers' Contest, which was given at the Court House Friday evening of last week, under the auspices of the ladies of the Home Mission Society. The district court room and the galleries were well filled by the appreciative and liberal hearted people of Haskell. The door receipts amounted to more than one hundred dollars. Twenty per cent. of the net proceeds go to the ladies of the cemetery association, and the balance will be expended in the purchase of a lot in Haskell, upon which a home for the Methodist minister will be built in the near future.

The ladies of the Home Mission Society are especially thankful to the members of the band for their choice music to Mesdames H. R. Jones and W. E. Sherrill for their sweet songs, and to Mr. Oscar Martin, who conducted himself gallantly as master of ceremonies.

The old fiddlers were each permitted to play two pieces of their own selection, and were allowed five minutes to each piece. The judges were Dr. A. G. Neathery, Messrs. W. P. Whitford and M. D. McCreary. Following is the program as rendered:

Instrumental music by the band—"New Bury." Mrs. H. R. Jones, organist; Dr. M. T. Griffin, violin; C. B. Terrell and Ross Hemphill, guitars; John Thomason, bass viol.

B. F. Yates—"Durang's Hornpipe" and "Bill Owen's Favorite."

C. R. Peters—"Brown Jug" and "A Big Bass in the Family."

Song—"The Sweetest Story Ever Told." Mrs. W. E. Sherrill.

D. T. Parks—"Walk Along John" and "Arkansas Traveler."

John Howard—"Cotton Eyed Joe" and "Gall on a Log."

J. W. Bell—"Soldier's Joy" and "Arkansas Traveler."

Song—"Fare Thee Well, Molly Darling." Mrs. H. R. Jones.

W. T. Simpson—"Snow Bird in the Ashbank" and "Cottage Hornpipe."

Instrumental music by the band—"Over the Waves."

G. D. Flowers—"Fall of Paris" and "The Irish Washerwoman."

Instrumental Duet—"When You and I Were Young, Maggie." Mrs. H. R. Jones, organ, and Dr. M. T. Griffin, violin.

H. P. Whitman—"Sugar in the Coffee" and "Old Molly Hare."

Song—"Hiawatha." C. B. Terrell.

While the judges were considering to whom the prizes should be awarded the band favored the already delighted crowd with that beautiful piece entitled "The Old Oaken Bucket." Sheriff J. W. Bell was called for by the crowd, and with fiddle and bow executed in an old time manner the "Raccoon on a Rail." Mr. Oscar Martin responded to a call from many and played "Durang's Hornpipe" on a borrowed fiddle. But for the fact that Mr. Martin was not in the contest he might have won a prize.

Before making their verdict known the judges expressed a desire to hear Mr. B. F. Yates play the "Arkansas Traveler." At the conclusion of this piece the first prize—a Stetson hat—was presented to Mr. Yates. The second premium—a pair of gloves—was awarded to Mr. W. T. Simpson.

Mr. John Howard was called for in an extra loud and vociferous manner. As he made his appearance the applause became prolonged and deafening. He remembered that Mr. Howard is but little short of seven feet in length and by no means fat. It was also apparent to every one that Mr. Howard was not a sockless man. The piece played was familiar to the lovers of old time fiddle music. It was none other than "Lucindy." It was interspersed with bits of singing, and was so well executed that there was much cheering, even during the rendering of the music. The crowd was evidently well pleased with Mr. Howard, for on the following day a Stetson hat was also presented to that gentleman.

The winner of the second prize—Mr. Simpson—is the owner of a homemade fiddle. A representative of this piece examined the instrument. It is made of white pine, mesquite and wild cherry.

The ladies of the Home Mission Society, through the columns of THE FREE PRESS, wish to thank the citizens for their liberal patronage, and to thank especially all those who took part in the contest, and others who so kindly assisted in the program.

A First Class Livory Business.

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.

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Respectfully,
J. L. BALDWIN.

A Junior Christian Endeavor was organized on last Sunday afternoon at the Christian church. The following officers were elected: Maggie Hattie Williams, president; Ira Decker, vice-president; L. L. Dick, secretary and treasurer; Pearl Gleason, organist; Mrs. W. G. Williams, superintendent. The society will meet November 23 (p. m. Maggie Hattie Williams, leader.

NOTICE.

The way some people are denouncing 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,
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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.
(39 tr)

MESDAMES Hubbard & Choate have formed a partnership in the dress making business and will have their sewing room in the east end of Dr. Neathery's office at the southwest corner of the square. They will be pleased to have the ladies or any one desiring sewing done call on them there. They guarantee their work to give satisfaction in fit and in workmanship.

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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.

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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 carry a full line of Cooking and Heating Stoves, and can please you in style, price and quality. A trial will convince you....

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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,—

Hammocks, Croquet Sets, Carom and Crokinole Boards, Step Ladders, Fly Traps, Vegetable Presses, Shredders and Slicers, Bread Boxes, Flour Blenders, Steam Cookers, Roasting Pans, Cook and Receipt Books, Toilet Soaps, Powders and Perfumeries, Visiting Cards, Finch Cards, Fancy Stationery, Pens, Pencils, Ink, Jewelry, Combs, Hair Pins, Books of many standard authors in cheap form

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

RESPECTFULLY,

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INDIAN PRAIRIE DOG HUNTS.

These Little Animals Deemed a Delicacy Dish by the Navajos.

Denver, Dec. 18.—The Navajo Indians will be unable to prevail upon to eat a rabbit is greedily fond of the prairie dog. Large communities of these animals abound on the western plains, and the Navajo has resorted to many ingenious methods for trapping his coveted delicacy. One of them is by the aid of a bit of mirror placed at the entrance of a burrow. When the animal ventures from his bedroom, deep under ground, he sees a familiar image looking him at the front door and he carries out to confront the impudent intruder when he is panned to the ground with an arrow. But the most effective method is what the Indians call the rain hunt. As soon as the steady downpour of summer rains begins every Navajo who can walk repairs to the prairie dog village with howl, sharp sticks, or any digging implement. With these they hollow out trenches that will lead the storm water into a little stream as possible. Soon a little stream is pouring down each small hole and the animals, mouth disturbed, jump out to see what the matter can be. Many of the animals remain under ground until they are drowned and their bodies float to the surface.

Bibles in China.

Dr. John R. Hykes, agent of the American Bible Society in Shanghai, reports that more Mandarin Bibles have been issued in the last three months than would have been an ample stock for eight years a decade ago. The demand for Bibles and Testaments comes from all parts of the Chinese Empire.

Do You Want to Yawn?

Feel cold shiverings, aching in the bones, lack of energy, headache, and great depression? These symptoms may be followed by violent headache, high fever, extreme nervousness, a condition known as malaria. Herbin's cures it. Take it before the disease gets a fair hold, though it will work in any stage. J. A. Hopkins, Manchester, Kan., writes: "I have used your great medicine, Herbin, for several years. There is nothing better for malaria, chills and fever, headache, biliousness, and for a blood-purifying tonic, there is nothing as good." 60c at Baker & Cunningham's, Haskell, Tex.

Before Rome was Founded.

In one of the tombs recently excavated in the Roman Forum a vase was discovered, the inscription on which shows that it belongs to the twelfth century before Christ, or 400 years before the reputed date of the founding of Rome. Signor Boni, the director of the excavations, believes the tomb to be a relic of a city which existed and had disappeared before Rome was founded.—The Boys' World.

It Goes Right to the Spot.

When pain or irritation exists on any part of the body, the application of Ballard's Snow Liniment will give prompt relief. "It goes right to the spot," said an old man who was running a farm, "to cure his rheumatism, C. H. Smith Prop., Smith House, Tebban, Wis. writes: "I have used Ballard's Snow Liniment in my family for several years, and have found it to be a fine remedy for all aches and pains, and I recommend it for pains in the throat and chest." 25c, 50c and \$1.00 at Baker & Cunningham's, Haskell, Tex.

A Maiden's Troubles.

Helen—Gertrude lay awake almost the whole night last night worrying. Clifford—What was she worrying about? "Oh, she is afraid the man she is going to marry may love her more for her money than for herself." "Why, Gertrude hasn't any money to speak of." "I know, but she has a rich relative somewhere in the old country, and she thinks he may leave her something."

A Challenge to Vigilance.

A story is told of a famous American humorist, which is good enough in itself without mentioning the name of the man of whom the New York Tribune tells it.

Gambler's Superstitions.

Habitual gamblers are perhaps the most superstitious persons in the world. They invariably carry a portable mascot in their pockets, and it would be impossible to persuade them to enter into a game of chance if by some inadvertence their mascot were not with them. Lumps of lead, color, snake rattles, locks of hair, curls, bits of bone, hairpins, are some of these charms.

Fairy Tales Becoming Realities.

The century is beginning with the great achievement of wireless telegraphy. With what it will end passes the imagination of man. It progresses into the secrets and mysteries of nature continues at the same rate. We have already realized in common business life some of the wonders of the ancient fairy tales.—Baltimore American.

The Partridge Dusted in Turkey.

In Turkey the partridge is dusted because once it betrayed the prophet to his enemies, and its legs are red because they were dipped in the blood of Hassan. If a man kills a partridge he is imprisoned for twenty-four hours and then is handsomely rewarded. The crane is respected and it is a crime to kill it.

Nicholas' Superstition.

The Fear of Russia is said to be very superstitious and to have great confidence in relics. He wears a ring in which he believes is imbedded a piece of the true cross. It was originally one of the treasures of the Vatican, and was presented to an ancestor of the Czar by diplomatic

Confessions of a Priest.

Rev. John S. Cox, of Wake, Ark., writes: "For twelve years I suffered from Yellow Jaundice. I consulted a number of physicians and tried all sorts of medicines, but got no relief. Then I began the use of Electric Bitters and feel that I am now cured of a disease that had me in its grasp for twelve years." If you want a reliable medicine for Liver and Kidney trouble, stomach disorder or general debility, get Electric Bitters. It's guaranteed by Baker & Cunningham, Druggists, Haskell, Texas. Only 50 cents.

The Inference of It.

"I'm told your wife is very pretty," said Miss Peppery.
"Yes, indeed!" replied Mr. Consett.
"Several of the guests at the ceremony were pleased to call it a 'wedding of beauty and brains'."
"Well, well! She must be a remarkable woman; that's an unusual combination in one person."—Philadelphia Press.

Beautiful Complexions.

Are spoiled by using any kind of preparation that dries the pores of the skin. The best way to secure a clear complexion, free from sallowness, pimples, blotches, etc., is to keep the liver in good order. An occasional dose of Herbin will cleanse the bowels, regulate the liver, and so establish a clear, healthy complexion. 60c at Baker & Cunningham's, Haskell, Tex.

Dwait in Marble Hall.

"Yes," said the unwashed nomad, "you ain't makin' no mistake in thinkin' I've been better days. Once I lived in our horse up granite, and—"
"And how did you happen to lose such a home?" said the kind lady.
"Twas like dis, ma'am," replied the laborer. "Me term expired and dey turned me out."—Chicago News.

A Love Letter.

Would not interest you if you're looking for a guaranteed Salse for Sore, Burns or Piles. Otto Dand, of Ponder, Mo., writes: "I suffered with an ugly sore for a year, but a box of Buckhorn's Archa Salse cured me. It's the best Salse on earth." 60c at Baker & Cunningham's Drug Store, Haskell, Texas.

Fatal Silence.

Tom—She says you're an "imperfect son." What have you ever said to her that—
Dick—Nothing. That's the trouble. When we were out walking yesterday the wind blew her hair about most becomingly. She said, "I know I'm a perfect fright" and I didn't say a word.—Selected.

Ran a Ten Penny Nail Through His Hand.

While opening a box, J. C. Mount, of Three Mile Bay, N. Y., ran a ten penny nail through the fleshy part of his hand. "I thought at once of all the pain and soreness this would cause me," he says, "and immediately applied Chamberlain's Pain Balm and occasionally afterwards. To my surprise it removed all pain and soreness and the injured parts were soon healed." For sale at Terrells Drug Store, Haskell, Texas.

Of Men and Women.

Man admires woman, but loves himself; woman loves man, but admires herself.
He who thinks to please her by kissing her at her word, is either a born fool or a self-made one.
Man is logical, but unreasonable; woman, irrational, but convincing.
If a man observe a woman carefully, he will learn everything about her—that she wants him to know.
The best cure for a man's conceit is woman's laughter.—L. de V. Matthewsman, in Smart Set.

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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 external view, and the interior is conveniently arranged as to the location and arrangement 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 below and for forage stall above. Besides the improvements mentioned there is a conveniently located storm house 12x18 feet, nicely cecid 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.

LAND FOR SALE.

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.

840 acres fine, level prairie land, 18 miles northeast of Haskell, all fenced; 120 acres in cultivation, 50 acres in wheat, \$8.00 per acre.

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Advertised Letters.

Following is the list of uncalled for letters remaining in the Haskell post-office for the month ending September 29, 1908:

Mrs. Mattie King — Mrs. Calvin Dykes
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For further information address: THOS. F. FARMER, Agent T. C. R. R. Co., Stamford, Tex.

She Read the Signal.

A romantic story is told in London about Lord Kelvin's second marriage. In the early 70s, he then Sir William Thomson, was in West India waters on board his schooner yacht, the Lalla Rookh. As a recreation he took up the question of simplifying the method of signals at sea. He had been talking of it at the dinner table of a friend in Madeira and the only apprehension that seemed able to grasp it was that of his host's daughter, a lady he greatly but absently admired.

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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, Headache, Neuritis and Fever. It has cured hundreds of cases of these distressing complaints and we have so much faith in its curing power that we offer you 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 stupefy 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 indeed as Catarrh cures. It will cure Catarrh, Hay Fever and Colds in the Head. Chronic Catarrh of long standing is slow yielding to treatment, but Old Stager Medicine will cure it. Try it and you will be satisfied.

Old Stager Plaster Cure

is a cure that 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, face and lips. Makes the skin smooth and soft.

McLemore's Prairie Dog Poison.

This is a dead 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.

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