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We Thank You

for the liberal response you bestowed upon us as an answer to our ads last week announcing the fact that we would start a special sale last Saturday to continue until Dec. 24th for the purpose of reducing our fall and winter stock. All day Saturday we were kept busy filling the wants of the many buyers who had come to our store in response to the ad we had last week. With the roads in such bad condition we were really surprised that so many people came in, but we know that when we advertise to do a thing we always do it, and we believe that the people have discovered this and for that reason,

D. EGGER & SON'S

ads always meet with a liberal response.

We have cut the many lines in our store to get rid of them and every article we sell you now is worth more than the money you pay for it.

Until December 24th this sale continues and it will well repay you to lay aside your work long enough to attend this sale and get your share of the countless number of genuine bargains that are to be found here.

D. EGGER & SON

"HAVE IT FOR LESS"

HASKELL, TEXAS.

ROBERT P. DIMMITT DEAD.

Member of House of Representatives from the Haskell District.

Sherman, Tex., Dec. 7.—Robert P. Dimmitt of Benjamin, Knox County, aged 59 years, member of the House of Representatives from the One Hundred and Fourth District in the last Legislature and respected at the November election, died yesterday at Ft. Worth of Brights disease and was buried at West Hill Cemetery in this city this afternoon, following services held at 3:30 o'clock.

The body was accompanied from Fort. Worth to Sherman by Mrs. Dimmitt and Mr. and Mrs. Allan McBee and taken from the station to the home of J. J. Mitchener, 524 South Montgomery street. His aged mother, Mrs. W. C. Dimmitt, makes her home with her daughter, Mrs. Mitchener.

The deceased was a native of Kentucky and was only surviving son of Elder W. C. Dimmitt, for years one of the ablest ministers in the Christian Church in Texas and who died several years ago.

When quite young Robert P. Dimmitt was married to Miss Lucy Williams of Livingston County Ky. To them were born three children who reside as follows: Mrs. Allan McBee, Sherman; Mrs. G. C. Beaver, Benjamin, Knox County; Charles L. Dimmitt, Vindell, Wash.

After the death of his wife he came to Sherman in 1879 and in 1883 was married to Miss Kate Polk of Sherman. To them were born one daughter, Miss Leonora Dimmitt, who is teaching school at Hereford.

There are three surviving sisters, Mrs. C. P. Gregory and Mrs. J. J. Mitchener of Sherman and Mrs. S. M. Berry of Knox, Benjamin.

Mr. T. E. Matthews, of Mineral Wells, Texas, who is interested in the addition to Haskell, south of town, has arranged with the Texas Land Co. to office with them, and will be general manager of the company.

Santa Claus

—AT—

TERRELL'S

THE RIGHT GIFTS FOR EVERYBODY

The Best Of Everything For CHRISTMAS
COME AND SEE FOR YOURSELF

Our Stock is New, Bright fresh and Clean. Come early and make your selections.

You are especially invited to inspect our Jewelry, Cut-Glass and Fine China Departments.

GOODS RIGHT,
VALUES RIGHT
PRICES RIGHT.

Santa Claus Invites Everybody

—TO—

TERRELL'S

COTTON PICKER EXHIBITION.

Machine's Work Shown by Inventor Near Taylor.

Taylor, Tex., Dec. 7.—On the Howard Bland farm, southeast of Taylor, yesterday afternoon there was given a public demonstration of the Childress cotton picking machine which was attended by quite a number of planters and cotton men from this city, Austin, San Antonio, New York City and other points. The inventor, H. P. Childress of New York City, who has been in Taylor for some weeks past, explained the different parts of the machine to those present and demonstrated its cotton picking utility. The demonstration yesterday was not entirely satisfactory to Mr. Childress' anticipation, but he says he hopes to have the machine in full operation next season.

THE USE OF CHECKS

Ninety per cent of modern business is transacted without actual money passing hands at all, and all by means of checks.

A owes B a hundred dollars and gives him his check for it. B endorses it over to C in settlement of an account. C deposits it in the bank to his own credit. The actual cash has never left the bank. In this way payments are made more conveniently and each party saves the risk of losing the actual cash. A lost check, if not endorsed, is valueless to any but its owner, and if lost to him it can be replaced with a little trouble.

Every man who wants to transact his business in a modern manner and protect himself against loss, should open a checking account in the

FARMERS NATIONAL BANK

and then pay all his bills etc. with checks. It is not only safe but it is so convenient that once tried will never be discontinued.

More Complaint About Roads.

Mr. F. A. Klose who was in town Thursday, complained to the FREE Press reporter about the bad condition of the Throckmorton road and asked that the paper call attention to it. He suggested that those whose duty it is to look after this road ought to go to work and put it in good condition. In this connection we call attention to what the grand jury said about roads in their report, which we published last week. Mr. Klose says it is nearly impossible to get to town with a loaded wagon over this road and that he had already broken his wagon and singletrees in trying to do so.

In view of such facts and the trade coming, or that would come, from Throckmorton county, which is referred to in another article in this paper it is very important that this matter be looked after promptly.

Mr. Klose told us that from his forty acres in cotton he had gathered twenty big bales, nearly all weighing 600 pounds, and that there was enough unpicked to make ten or twelve more bales. Reducing this to a basis of 500 pounds to the bale gives him a yield of nine-tenths of a bale per acre.

NEW CURE FOR EPILEPSY.

J. B. Waterman, of Watertown, O., Rural free delivery, writes: "My daughter, afflicted for years with epilepsy, was cured by Dr. King's New Life Pills. She has not had an attack for over two years." Best body cleansers and life giving tonic pills on earth. 25c at Terrell's Drug Store.

NOTICE TO TEACHERS.

To All teachers of Public Schools in Haskell County, Texas:

The Teachers Institute for Haskell county has been called for the first week after Christmas, beginning on Monday, December 31, 1906, and ending Friday, January 4, 1907.

The school laws require me to call this institute, and provide that the certificate of any teacher who has a school in this county may be cancelled on account of their failure or neglect to attend such institute.

Therefore, each and every teacher who expects to teach school in this county after January 1, 1907, and for this term, must attend said institute for the time above mentioned.

JOE IRBY,

E. O. County Supt. of Public Instruction,
Haskell County Texas.

FLOUR, Big "M" FLOUR

The Best on Earth.

ELECTED



ELECTED. If a vote were taken on the most famous flour, our Big "M" Flour would receive a handsome majority. It is the choice of bakers and house-wives who KNOW, because it goes farther and gives better results than any other flour ever milled.

C. C. MILL, ELEVATOR and LIGHT CO.

SEYMOUR,

TEXAS.

NATIONAL BANKS OF TEXAS.

Splendid Is the Showing Made in Reports Made Public Today—Resources of \$197,773,015.

Washington, Dec. 8.—The abstract of the reports showing the condition of all the National banks in Texas under the Controller's call of Nov. 12 was made public today.

The report shows that there are 464 National banks in Texas, which is a larger number than any other State has except Pennsylvania.

Following are some of the items making up the report: Loans and dis-

counts \$92,273,367, overdrafts \$16,391,781, due from other National banks \$12,889,779, due from State and private banks \$3,156,303, due from approved reserve agents \$31,257,810, aggregate resources \$197,773,015. Among the items of liability are these: Capital stock \$208,929,375, surplus \$10,535,354, undivided profits, less expenses, \$6,100,000; National bank notes outstanding \$16,047,072, dividends unpaid \$12,038, individual deposits \$117,166,234, United States deposits \$1,262,245, notes and bills rediscounted \$863,366.

Notice of Stockholders Meeting.

Notice is hereby given that the regular annual meeting of the Stockholders of the Haskell National Bank of Haskell, Texas, will be held on Tuesday, January 8, 1907, between the hours of 9 a. m. and 4 p. m., at the office of said bank in the town of Haskell, Texas, for the purpose of electing a Board of Directors for the ensuing year, and for transacting such as may properly come before such other business meeting.

Haskell, Texas, Dec. 14, 1906

G. R. Couch, Cashier.

District Court.

Following is a summary of the proceedings of the district court since our report last week:

H. C. Dozies vs. J. E. Wooten, verdict and judgment for plaintiff.

T. G. Carney vs. L. C. Page et al, suit to foreclose Vendor's lien, judgment for plaintiff.

A. T. Richie vs. K. C. M. & O. Ry. Co., suit for damage to crop from over flow caused by railroad embankment, judgment for plaintiff for \$523.

State vs. J. W. Collins, sheriff, charged with negligently permitting prisoner to escape. Defendant plead guilty and fine of \$5 was imposed.

State vs. Otis Osborn, charged with theft of a horse. Verdict of guilty and penalty of four years in penitentiary assessed.

State vs. Lester Power, charged with murder of Robt Walker, Dec.

20, 1905. Defendant failed to appear for trial and the State took a forfeiture on his recognizance in the sum of \$5,000. Friends of the defendant said that he was anxious for a trial but was sick and could not come to court, being strongly advised against so doing by his physician. The State's attorney states that he nor the court had any official or legal notice of defendant's sickness or other legal cause of failure to appear.

State vs. John Davis, charged with seduction. Case continued.

The grand jury returned into court 23 indictments, three of which were for felonies and twenty for misdemeanors. The body filed its final report and was discharged for the term on Saturday.

We are still selling as much property as any concern in the county. West Texas Development Co.

Special HOLIDAY Sales

always create excitement and interest and we propose to participate in it in a way that means much to the buying public. As an old saying has it "Money saved is money made," and we'll give you an opportunity to save some of yours.

We have the most complete stock on this market, and you will always find us right when quality is taken into consideration, so don't be led off by some low prices on cheap quality goods. We can and will meet any competition that is legitimate. We call attention below to some of our offerings:

LADIES DRESS GOODS.

We intend to close our fall and winter line out before the season for them is over, so come along and be first to select and get what you want—a very good assortment yet on hand and

THE PRICES ARE RIGHT.

FASCINATORS AND SHAWLS.

Our stock is quite complete in this line and consists of the most stylish designs and patterns on the market. Don't buy before you look them over.

They are Money Savers at Our Prices.

LADIES FURS.

Our stock of these is not excelled in this section. Prices range from \$3 to \$6.50.

Buy From Us and Save Money.

LADIES CLOAKS.

We have just received a new lot of ladies' and children's cloaks for the Christmas trade. If you haven't already purchased, it will pay you to call at once and be fitted up in style at our

Greatly Reduced Prices--\$2.50 to \$2.50.

Ladies Skirts.

We have kept this line constantly filled in and it is consequently complete at this time. If prices will interest you you won't pass these by without a purchase, as they must go now

Regardless of Profit to us.

Clothing.

SCHWAB'S IS THE BEST.

You can't afford to pass us if you are in need of a stylish and up-to-date suit, as we intend to run our stock of fall and winter weights out.

Come right along and let us talk to you about it; we'll interest you.

PROFITS CUT TO BED-ROCK.

Overcoats.

We still have a few good ones left and others not quite so good, and both kinds go at

Prices That Can't be Beaten.



STAR BRAND SHOES

LEAD THE WORLD.

We don't ask any one any odds when it comes to shoes, as we claim to sell the leading and most up-to-date shoes on the market. We guarantee our line--the "Star Brand," there are none as good. Try them and prove it. We especially recommend the "Patriot" for men and the "Society" for ladies.

WEAR OUR SHOES AND SAVE MONEY.

S. L. ROBERTSON & CO.

THE MOVEMENT SOUTHWARD.

The Southern Farm Magazine of Baltimore estimates that in the past year between 150,000 and 200,000 settlers have been attracted to the south and that between 2,000,000 and 3,000,000 acres have been bought by them. The further statement is made that this immigration is not made up of foreigners, but of people from the older States, native or naturalized, who were drawn southward by the cheaper lands, milder seasons and larger crops.

Of this tide of immigration, there is no doubt that Texas has received the lion's share. The chief immigration agent of one of the greatest railroad systems of the country, one who is engaged in colonizing the Southwest on a large scale, estimated lately that on the special homeseekers' excursions run during the past twelve months no less than 50,000 tickets were sold to Texas by the railroads, and that besides these special excursions, a low estimate of homeseekers coming on regular trains would be 25,000, making a grand total of 75,000 who have come into Texas seeking homes in the past twelve months. Of these the immigration agent says long experience has taught that at least 40 per cent become permanent settlers.

The percentage of these settlers that have come into Southern Texas is as large, if not larger, than for any other section of the State.

These statistics, though confessedly only estimates, are conservative and under, rather than over, the fact. The situation revealed by them is very encouraging to those engaged in developing this great section of the State. It is conclusive evidence that the tide has turned this way, and the people of this section can keep it turned this way, and insure an unprecedented growth in population and appreciation in value, if they will do two things—advertise and keep advertising their resources, and refrain from forcing a fictitious value upon their lands.

Because raw lands in other sections more thickly populated bring from \$40 to \$75 an acre, is no argument that they will bring that here. Some day they will, no doubt, when we get the people and the transportation facilities. In the meanwhile, by asking something reasonably near the market value, we shall be able to hasten that good day when the inherent producing value of our lands will give them a corresponding mar-

ket value. To try to force the slow process of growth by a system of inflated, fictitious values would be disastrous.

So far, fortunately, little of that is being done, and Texas has now the golden opportunity of health and rapid growth that ultimately will make her the foremost State in the Union; but it is an opportunity that must be seized and furthered by prudent, energy and judgment.—Southern Industrial Review.

No section of the state has received a heavier immigration than West and Northwest Texas. The larger portion of it, however, has been of persons who have sold their farms in Central and East Texas to immigrants from other states for good prices and then come west to get cheap land.

OUTWITS THE SURGEON.

A complication of female troubles, with catarrh of the stomach and bowels, had reduced Mrs. Thos. S. Austin, of Leavenworth, Ind., to such a deplorable condition, that her doctor advised an operation; but her husband fearing fatal results, postponed this to try Electric Bitters; and to the amazement of all who knew her, this medicine completely cured her. Guaranteed cure for torpid liver, kidney disease, biliousness, jaundice, chills and fever, general debility, nervousness and blood poisoning. Best tonic made. Price 50c at Terrell's Drug Store. Try it.

Mr. A. A. Frierson and family moved to Haskell county this week from Milam county. Noticing some odd looking hay that he had shipped in with his other effects, he informed us that it was yankee hay that he had raised in Milam county. He said that he plowed the vines up and when they were properly cured, baled them like ordinary hay. He says stock is very fond of it and it is very nutritious, as much so as alfalfa hay.

Mr. S. W. Falkner, who was once a citizen of this county and moved to McLennan county, has returned to Haskell county to locate permanently.

Mr. W. F. Pate from Hubbard City has purchased a tract of land out of the Wm. Walker league and moved to Haskell.

Bois D'Arc.

It was asserted land accepted as a fact at a meeting of the National Association of Agricultural Implement and Vehicle Manufacturers, recently held, that the supply of hickory in this country will be exhausted within a few years. A steady advance in the price of both raw material and finished product will be the natural result, and in the meantime the vehicle manufacturers will turn their attention to the discovery of a substitute for hickory. In Texas we have a native timber which can be substituted for hickory for all purposes, and is vastly superior to it for most purposes, says one who speaks as if by knowledge and authority. In fact, for general use it is doubtful whether anything that grows is equal to bois d'arc. If it were grown as a crop the possibilities of its production is almost unlimited, and it would be more remunerative than any other staple crop. Valleys of streams subject to overflow and for that reason uncultivated, could be used to produce bois d'arc, and within a period of from seven to ten years each acre of land of this fertility would yield timber worth on the market from \$600 to \$1000. It would not be a quick crop, but its profits would be larger and more certain than any other product of the soil.

The probabilities are that within the period required to grow a crop of this sort the price of bois d'arc timber will greatly advance, and by marketing time the owner of five acres of such timber will have a snug little fortune. Any land owner can afford to make the venture, because he can utilize waste land for it and the labor required would be hardly noticeable.—Southern Industrial Review.

Bois D'Arc grows well in West Texas, as is witnessed by a few trees we have seen here and there, though the growth may be a little slower than it is where there is more rain. Besides the merchantable timber it would yield enough firewood to pay for the planting out and attention it would require afterwards.

A modern Eutopia has been discovered in a small village of Switzerland, Marchesi. The villagers number about 150, and many of them live luxuriously on \$40 per year. Many

of the villagers own their homes and farms. They do not pay local rates nor taxes. In addition to what their farms produce, the villagers receive free wood, cheese, milk and butter, and sometimes meat and wine. The explanation is that the community has acquired ownership of large tracts of tilled land, forest, cattle, hogs and poultry, and the produce from these is carefully apportioned among them. Most of the work of the farmers is done by paid outsiders who do not share in the utopian conditions, but are well paid.—Denton Record-Chronicle.

In other words, the socialistic colony of Marchesi is a close corporation owning sufficient assets to allow its stockholders to live easily and labor little. We have scores of them in this country, the chief of which is presumed to be the Standard Oil Company. The "outsiders," who do most of the work for the Marchesi magnates, are on a plane with the salaried employes of American and other corporations. They earn their wages and get them. When they tire of working for others they have the privilege of forming themselves into communal colonies or corporations and experimenting for themselves along the lines of their preference. Socialists who are given to picturing the joys of the communistic state are not barred from putting their theories into practice in any civilized country. But when we have all become Socialists, and all the unequals are made equal, who will volunteer to act the part of the "outsiders" of Marchesi and do the work?—Dallas News.

THAT'S IT!!!

Cough yourself into a fit of spasms and then wonder why you don't get well. If you will only try a bottle of Ballard's Horehound Syrup your cough will be a thing of the past. It is a positive cure for Coughs, Influenza, Bronchitis and all Pulmonary diseases. One bottle will convince you—at your druggist, 25c, 50c 1.00. Sold Terrell's Drug Store.

Mr. C. L. Travis, one of the progressive farmers of the Cliff neighborhood was in the other day and favored us with a call and a renewal of his subscription.

Mr. J. A. Cresser was in Monday from his ranch in the southern part of the county.

Largest in History of The Institution.

Judging from the very large correspondence and other information pouring in, the Tyler Commercial College of Tyler, Texas, will open in 1907 with the largest enrollment in its history. More than 200 new students will be added to the already large enrollment. Our young people should feel encouraged in taking a course of Bookkeeping, Shorthand, or Telegraphy, for notwithstanding the fact that we enroll more than a thousand students annually, there is not a single graduate who has been out of employment two weeks, unless it is on his own accord. Good positions are awaiting them when they finish their courses. During the past week we have been asked to fill many good positions, seven of which we had no graduates to recommend. This is conclusive proof that the professions for which we are training young men and women are not overcrowded. We are receiving calls almost daily from all classes of business firms throughout Texas and adjoining states for our bookkeepers and stenographers. Different railroads are seeking our graduates of telegraphy; we could place 50 today if we had them, at salary from \$600 to \$1500 per year, and these figures do not represent the salary they should be drawing twelve months after graduating. Students, who less than two years ago, started at \$50 per month, are today drawing from \$175 at \$200 per month.

Young man, young woman; will you give us the opportunity to give you a practical knowledge that will place you in demand in the business world, and then give us the opportunity of placing you in a good position, where you can use that practical knowledge, or will you refuse to sacrifice a little time, pleasure, and money and continue where you are and what you are? Make up your mind promptly; the longer you postpone a practical education, the longer you postpone the increased salary it will bring. You can enroll with us at any time; we have no vacation; new students are enrolling daily throughout the year.

\$45 pays for an unlimited life scholarship in either course. \$85 pays for any two courses, and \$125 pays for three courses. Books and material for Bookkeeping course complete. 12m shorthand \$5; telegraphy \$5. Board and lodging with private family from \$10 to \$12.50 per month. Average time for completing a course of

Bookkeeping or Telegraphy 3 1/2 months; shorthand three months; any two courses when taken together, five months.

Upon arriving in the city of Tyler, come direct to the College, where you will receive prompt attention and be given choice of boarding places. If further information is desired, write, stating just what you want to know, and we will reply promptly, also send you copy of our large illustrated catalogue, if you so desire.

HUSBAND AND WIFE DISAGREE.

Husband and wife often disagree about some matter that concerns each other, and frequently the husband finds that his wife's judgement is the better. The case of Mr. John W. Young of Lincoln, Ill., is, however an exception. He says: "My wife and I both had a severe cold and we decided to get some kind of medicine. I bought for myself a bottle of Hart's Honey and Horehound, and taking it as directed, was well in a short time. She wanted another kind and with the result that she still has a bad cough. I advised her to take Hart's Honey and Horehound and think she will have to do so if she gets well this winter." 25c, 50c and \$1.00 bottles sold at Terrell's Drug Store.

Christian Endeavor Program.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 16.

Subject.—Chief Truths In The Years Sunday School Lessons.

Study.—Matt. 13:52; Isa. 52: 13-15, 53: 1-12.

Leader.—Miss Eva Fields.

Song.

Prayer, sentence, lead by Mrs. Jno. B. Baker, and closed by Mr. Snow.

Reponses by members.

Clippings.

Paper.—Object of the Scripture.—Miss Mammie Draper.

Music.—Misses Boone and Wilfong.

Reading.—Mrs. Daisy Watts.

Talk by members.

Mizpah Benediction.

CURE FOR SORE NIPPLES.

As soon as the child is done nursing, apply Chamberlain's Salve. Wipe it off with a soft cloth before allowing the child to nurse. Many trained nurses use this with the best results. Price 25c per box. For sale by Terrell's Drug Store.

ALEXANDER MERCANTILE CO'S.

GREAT Xmas CASH SALE

OF DRY GOODS

Is Now on and Will Continue Until After THE HOLIDAYS.

All of our Old Customers know what this means, and the new ones will find out when we put on a "SPECIAL CASH SALE," that we save you money and lots of it. We have, as you all know, the largest stock in Western Texas, and every article in our Dry Goods Department will participate in

This Great Sale.

The doors are open, the bars are down, prices taken off, and you will feel like you have had a real genuine Xmas treat when you see the prices we are making.

This does not apply to old shelf worn stock, for we don't keep it. We have the cleanest stock of Goods in Haskell, and all of them are included in this sale. We offer you bright, clean new goods at

**Greatly
Reduced
Prices.**

We call your special attention to our entire stock of Men's Clothing, Over Coats, Rain Coats, Ulsters, Stetson Hats, Lion Hats, Roelofs Hats, in fact our entire stock of Hats. Also an immense stock of Shoes and Boots. Everything in Men's wear going at "UNHEARD OF PRICES." Not an article put back, but each and every one on sale and a Rare Bargain.

Every article of Ladies Wearing Apparel included in this sale. New Assortment of Skirts just arrived, included in this sale as stated above, not an item left out. Cloaks, Jackets, Belts, Fascinators, Beautiful Back Combs, Fancy Hosiery and a great many other things that will only last a few days. Our Entire Stock of Millinery Will go in

THIS SALE AT

50 Per Cent Discount.

If you have not bought your Winter Hat now is an opportunity to get a marvelous

BARGAIN.

Our Mammoth Stock of

Wool Blankets

will only last a few days the prices we have put on them. We would advise you to buy them early, as all who see them will recognize them as rare bargains. Come early and share in this

**GREAT
CASH
SALE.**

We have the exclusive sale of the Celebrated Hamilton Brown Shoes. They are made of Leather and by the people who keep the quality up. It is the Shoe our competitors would like to have.



**SALE COMMENCED
Thursday, Dec. 13th
and Lasts
Through the Holidays**

THE BIG STORE

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THE FREE PRESS.

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One Year \$1.00 Six Months .50c
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HASKELL, TEXAS, Dec. 15, 1906.

AS TO MR. BAILEY.

Senator Bailey has sinned or he is being grievously sinned against, which? It is impossible to form a definite and dispassionate conclusion with the light now before the country. It is exceedingly difficult for us to believe that he has done anything flagrantly or culpably wrong, although we believe that he has been indiscrete in some of his employments and private transactions. In other words, has failed to avoid the appearance of evil, and has thereby laid himself open to suspicion and given his enemies a club with which to beat him.

There is a great furor up over the state for and against his reelection to the United States senate by the legislature which is to convene in January. We believe that, before a vote is taken, in justice to Mr. Bailey, to the people of Texas and to the legislature, there should be a thorough and exhaustive investigation into the whole matter, such an investigation as will lay every fact and circumstance and motive, if possible, bare. Such an investigation, which would necessarily involve going largely into his private affairs and business, must be very repugnant to a man like Mr. Bailey, but considering the situation into which the direct charges and worse insinuations or inferences have thrown him, we do not believe that he should or will shun it.

If such investigation should exonerate him we shall be exceedingly glad, for as a Texan we have felt proud of his ability as the representative of our great state. He is recognized throughout the United States as equal, if not superior, in oratory, in logical debate and as a statesman to any man in the senate from any state. And no one has ever charged that either in the lower house or senate during his fifteen years of service he has never spoken or voted on any measure contrary to the interest of the people, and that is saying much for him—more than can be said for many of our representatives and senators.

The people need the services of men of Mr. Bailey's ability to do battle against the trust and corporate encroachments and we hope that he will be able to so vindicate himself that they will still be justified in retaining his services and proud to honor him.

Because of an idea said to be prevalent in the state that Texas salt is inferior to Michigan salt and will not cure meat so well, the chemist of the Texas A. and M. College has made thorough comparative analyses of the two and he states that there is no justification in the statement that it will not cure meat. It is said that five hundred or more car loads of Michigan salt are annually sold in Texas for \$50 more per car than Texas salt. The chemist says that there is a slight objection to the Texas salt in that it hardens in the barrel more quickly than the Michigan product, but that is due only to the fact that it is finer grained and absorbs moisture more readily, causing it to run together. Buy Texas salt and save \$50 a car at the same time help a state industry.

Mr. Hartly, representing the South-Paper Co. of Dallas, was in Haskell Thursday.

The Christmas Proposition IS EASILY SOLVED.

Only a visit to the STORE WITH THE GOODS is required. There you are sure to find the appropriate thing. No need to worry about what to give, we have such a variety of nice, new things that you are certain to find something that will appeal to you, something that will make an excellent gift.

SIDE BOARDS These were once a luxury, now they are an almost necessity. Nothing adds to the attractiveness of the dining room more, nothing will make a better gift. We have a new shipment.

PRICE--\$22.00 to \$40.00

PICTURES. Our selection of pictures is unequalled and the people say they are the best values they have ever seen. PRICE, 25c to \$3.00.

LINENS What nicer? There is nothing that would be more acceptable, nothing that adds more to the social side of the meal, nothing that tends to make the repast a genuine pleasure. Our selection is new and large. PRICE PER YARD 40c to \$1.75.

SHOES. It must be remembered that something useful give the greatest satisfaction and pleasure, what is more useful than a good pair of stylish shoes. They are quite a popular Christmas gift now days. Just issue an order on us for a pair of shoes, and let the receiver come do the selecting.

Art Squares, Carpets, Rugs. We have made a reputation on art squares this season. Every one says they are the prettiest they have seen. We have just received a new lot. Some one would appreciate one for Christmas. Also a Carpet or Rug would be appropriate.

Art Squares, \$10 to \$25, Rugs, \$1 to \$5.

We have too many nice things to mention them all here. Just come down some day and let us show you through, you are certain to find something you want.

HUNT & GRISSOM,

THE STORE WITH THE GOODS

The biennial report of State Revenue agent F. S. Bell, filed with the governor a few days ago, shows a list of one hundred and four counties in the state that are entirely under prohibition and forty-five partly under prohibition. These counties embrace considerably more than one-half of the area of the state.

May it not be that Pierce or some employe put up a job on the Waters-Pierce Oil Co. and made it appear on the books that money was paid to Bailey for services in Texas when in fact it was pocketed by them?

A thousand live turkeys went in one shipment the other day from Italy, Texas, to northern markets. They were purchased in the country around Italy at eight cents per pound.

Some of the weather prophets are predicting that very ugly weather, with storms and blizzards will set in about this date. It is also predicted that very rough weather will prevail through the holidays. Prepare for the worst.

A walk around the square in Haskell and a peep in at the several places where holiday goods are displayed reminds one that Christmas is near. In art goods, fancy articles, pictures and toys displays are quite extensive and pretty. And some of the places are showing beautiful lines of china ware in pieces and sets, while one house has a beautiful display of red cut glass. In the general stores extensive displays of articles of personal apparel and adornment are shown suitable for Christmas presents. Surely no one can come to Haskell in search of something suitable for a Christmas present, can go away disappointed.

A large line of plain white and decorated table ware at Racket Store.

W. J. Evers, the new saddler at Haskell, gives you a better buggy whip for 25 cts. than you have ever bought before. 34tt

With a \$3 purchase at Racket Store you get free a nice cake plate.

A coated tongue, foul breath and clogged condition of the bowels suggests the use of Prickly Ash Bitters. It is just suited for such ailments. C. E. Terrell Special Agent.

The Organ, Ring and Watch Contest.

VOTES FOR ORGAN

W. O. W., Haskell	101,305
Ballew School House	110,022
Haskell High School	10,232
Methodist Church, Haskell	350
Cook Spring Church	25
Presbyterian Church, Haskell	62
Baptist Church, Haskell	61
Baptist Church, Knox City	32
Foster School	11
Pleasant Valley School, No. 1	40
Rochester Church	3
I. O. O. F., Haskell	18,407
Rochester School	9
Rule Baptist Church	1
Tanner School	11
Gray Mare Church	7
K. of P. Lodge	393
Christian Church	10,103
Brushy No. 2	10
Lake Creek School	3,081

VOTES FOR DIAMOND RING AND GOLD WATCH.

Miss Cutie Hughes	981
Mabel Wyman	13,436
Addie Thompkins	2,659
Ola Hollis	24
Kate Lemmon	21,884
Jennie McCulloch	10
Juttie Carroll	10
Ora Buchanan	77,168
Jestany Ellis	2
Gertrude Cummings	12
Lola Wallis	69
Beaulah Hill	64
Mary Lee	7
Emma Nicholson	224
Loulie Mary Thorp	1
Alice Williams	15
Myrtle Hubbard	1993
Meda Clayton	3,240
Bell Rupe	400
Lettie Bishop	10
Ora May	1
Mary Johnson	298
Mildred Brook	4,735
Della Courtney	29,525
Slydell Wyche	58,322
Dulin Fields	31,955
Cecil Hughes	2
Saillie Olephant	8
Ruby Poole	547
Imogene Bishop	63
Brazell Hubbard	5,778

IN PRAISE OF CHAMBERLAIN'S COUGH REMEDY.

There is no other medicine manufactured that has received so much praise and so many expressions of gratitude as Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It is effective and prompt relief follows its use. Grateful parents everywhere do not hesitate to testify to its merits for the benefit of others. It is a certain cure for croup and will prevent the attack if given at the first appearance of the disease. It is especially adapted to children as it is pleasant to take and contains nothing injurious. Mr. E. A. Humphreys, a well known resident and clerk in the store of Mr. E. Lock, of Alece, Cape Colony, South Africa, says: "I have used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy to ward off croup and colds in my family. I found it to be very satisfactory and it gives me pleasure to recommend it." For sale at Terrell's Drug Store.

W. J. Evers who runs the new saddle shop at Haskell does all repairing in leather at reasonable prices and makes goods to order. All his work is guaranteed. 34tt

The News reports that seed dealers in Dallas state that orders received by them for cotton seed this fall and winter are larger than they have had for several years. They say that these orders indicate that the cotton acreage in Texas next year will be from one-fourth to one-third larger than was planted this year. The quantity of seed being purchased would seem to be a pretty accurate indicator of the acreage to be planted. If the average increase is to one-fourth to be one-third, then it strikes the FREE PRESS that the farmer who plants but little cotton and much of the other things with which to feed the big cotton raisers and other people will be the wise man of the bunch.

The published reports of the National banks of Texas, showing their financial condition on Nov. 12, showed that the people of Texas had on deposit in them on that date \$117,166,234. The report of the State banks and trust companies of the state, made on the same date, showed deposits amounting to about \$12,000,000, making a total in bank on that date of \$129,000,000. This is quite a different condition to that which prevailed a few years ago when the business interests of the state had to be at the beck and call of Wall Street and other Eastern money centers for the means of moving the cotton crop and transacting other business.

EARLY TO BED

and early to rise, makes one healthy, happy and wise—especially if you take Herbine before retiring. A positive cure for Constipation, Dyspepsia and all liver complaints. Mrs. S., Columbia, Tenn., writes: "I always keep a supply of your Herbine on hand. Am so pleased with the relief it gives in constipation and all liver complaints, that words can't express my appreciation. Sold at Terrell's Drug Store."

Young Mares for Sale.

We have a lot of good young mares for sale at reasonable figures. They are in charge of J. A. Davis one mile west of Rule. Mr. Davis is authorized to make prices and terms.

(tt) Jones Bros.

The J. M. Lively Jewelry Co., of Stamford, Texas, will open up a first class jewelry store in Haskell, in the building formerly occupied by the Farmers National Bank, at the southwest corner of the square. So don't be in too big a hurry about buying your Xmas presents.

J. M. Lively, Jeweler and Optician.

The Right Sort.

We print the following letter, which explains itself, from a man who has respect for his obligation and a sense of fairness towards others.

It is in sharp contrast with the treatment received by the FREE PRESS and many other paper from parties who allow the papers to go to them indefinitely and then object to paying for it because, they say, they did not want it. And all the time the publisher thought he was doing them a favor by sending the paper until it became convenient for the party to remit or call and settle. What they should do when they find they do not want a paper that is going to them is shown in the letter below. They would then have the good will and respect of the publishers as well as retain their own.

Munday, Tex., Dec. 10, '06.

HASKELL FREE PRESS, Haskell, Texas.
Dear Sirs—Please stop my paper, and if I am in arrears with you notify me and I will settle same.

Your paper is all right and a good county paper, but as I do not live in Haskell county and do not know many of the people, I do not feel interested in continuing my subscription.

Yours respectfully,
James Partridge.

NO OPIUM IN CHAMBERLAIN'S COUGH REMEDY.

There is not the least danger in giving Chamberlain's Cough Remedy to small children as it contains no opium or other harmful drug. It has an established reputation of more than thirty years as the most successful medicine for colds, croup and whooping cough. It always cures and is pleasant to take. Children like it. Sold at Terrell's Drug Store.

Great danger of fires these winter months—better let the Haskell Real Estate Co. write you some insurance and feel safe.

See the Christmas goods at Collier-Andrus Co's, before you buy.

KING OF ALL COUGH MEDICINES.

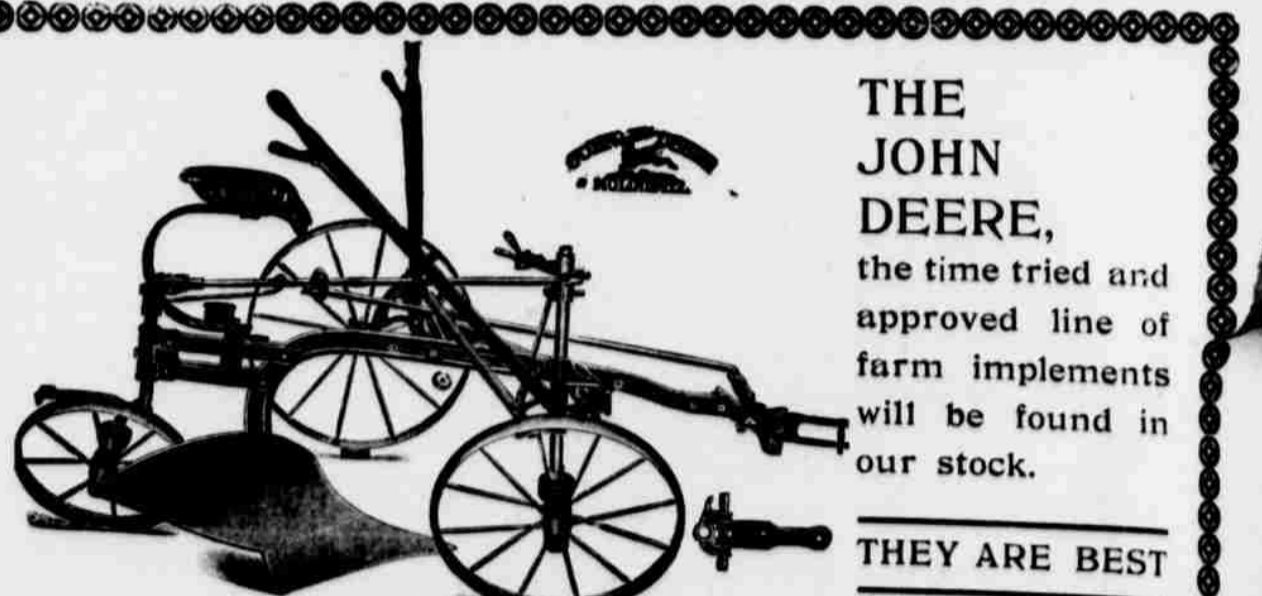
Mr. E. G. Case, a mail carrier of Canton Center, Conn., who has been in the U. S. Service for about sixteen years; says: "We have tried many cough remedies for croup, but Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is king of all and one to be relied upon every time. We also find it the best remedy for coughs and colds, giving certain results and leaving no bad after effects." For sale at Terrell's Drug Store.

A SPECIAL BARGAIN.

We have 1½ acres with well of good water, in desirable part of town for sale. This will not last long, call on West Texas Development Co.

Big lot of fascinators, bought cheap and are on the market at the lowest prices, at Alexander Mercantile Co's.

Lot 3, block 1, B. & R. addition, at a bargain—West Texas Development Company.



THE JOHN DEERE, the time tried and approved line of farm implements will be found in our stock. THEY ARE BEST

OUR FURNITURE

department is now very complete, carrying a full assortment of about everything needed in any home, at prices to suit any purse and taste. We call special attention to our line of
Bedroom Set in Solid Oak at \$20 to \$100
" Veneered Oak at "
PARLOR SETS, 3 to 5 pieces at \$20 to \$40
Rocking Chairs \$1.50 to \$12.50
Bed Springs 2.00 to 4.50
Cane and Dining Chairs 55c to \$3.50
SEE OUR ROLL TOP OFFICE DESKS \$20.00 to \$25.00

In Hardware
we carry everything from tacks to cooking stoves, cutlery and carpenters tools and have full stock of
Corrugated Iron Roofing

Our line of Implements, Wagons and Buggies is unsurpassed. We lead with the **John Deere Sulkey**, which experience has proven to be the plow for this country.

CASON, COX & CO.

STONEWALL County Section Bargain LIST

Stonewall makes more cotton to the acre in 1906 than any one adjoining counties.

If any one of the following properties fail to come up to our description of them as given here, we pay you back your expense money when you have come to look at them: EVERY SECTION offered here is a bargain, the like of which you cannot buy in West Texas for the money. Read:

- No. 1. 640 acres, unimproved, 225 acres good agricultural land, located 3 miles from Aspermont; fine grass and timber; \$5.00 per acre, 1/2 cash, balance in 1, 2 and 3 years at 8 per cent. Purchaser assume \$1.00 due State.
- No. 2. 654 acres, 450 acres finest agricultural sandy loam (the golden yellow mellow kind), 125 acres in fine state of cultivation, all fenced, large lake containing abundant water, 2 room house, fine grass, good timber, on public road, 9 miles from Aspermont, in good neighborhood; price \$10 per acre and purchaser assume \$1.00 due State in 31 years at 3 per cent., 1/2 cash, balance in 1, 2 and 3 years. There is no better farming land in Texas than on this tract; let us show it to you.
- No. 3. 640 acres, unimproved, 480 acres fine level agricultural land, 2 1/2 miles from Aspermont at \$8.00 per acre, 1/2 cash, balance in 1, 2 and 3 years at 8 per cent. Note the near location to county site.
- No. 4. 664 acres, 9 miles from Aspermont, 65 acres in good state of cultivation, 125 acres tillable land, balance fine grass land, good two room house, tank of good water, all fenced, cribs, pens, etc.; a fine stock farming proposition. Price \$6.50 per acre, \$1.00 of which goes to the state in 34 years at 3 per cent interest, the remaining \$5.50 per acre can be paid at \$5.50 cash, balance in 1, 2, 3 and 4 years at 8 per cent. It will pay for itself on these terms.
- No. 5. 656 acres 9 miles from Aspermont, the very best EDGE OF THE SHINERY sandy loam (no deep shiner, but just scattering shiner brush among the mesquites), 122 acres in fine state of cultivation, 585 acres best mellow agricultural land. TWO GOOD FREE-STONE WELLS OF WATER, tank, three room house, cribs, pens, etc., all fenced, on public road, in good neighborhood, good roads to town (no rivers to cross). Price \$10 per acre and purchaser assume \$1.00 due state in 30 years at 3 per cent. Terms 1/2 cash, balance in 1, 2 and 3 years.
- No. 6. 640 acres, 500 of which is good mesquite tillable land, 65 acres in cultivation, the best grass in Stonewall County, good two room house, well, tank, all fenced, 6 3/4 miles from Aspermont (no rivers to cross). Price \$7.00 per acre, 1/2 cash, balance in 1, 2 and 3 years at 8 per cent interest. A fine bargain; the kind that we love to show.

WE ARE THE EXCLUSIVE AGENTS FOR THE ABOVE LANDS--No Other Agents Can sell Them.

Men of good common sense know that the above tracts of land will sell quickly; only last week, we offered you three sample bargains--now two of them have been sold by us; we have sold \$20,000.00 worth of land in the last three weeks. Why do we sell more than all others together? Because we only offer bargains, and KNOW our lands when we offer them. Come direct to our office, and lets do business in a business way. RESPECTFULLY.

HOLCOMB & ALLISON,

ASPERMONT, STONEWALL COUNTY, TEXAS.

ATTORNEY GENERAL R. V. DAVIDSON THE MAN OF THE HOUR IN TEXAS

Sketch of Career of Texas' Public Servant, Who is At Head of State's Legal Department, and Who Has Made Fame in the Oil Trust Suit

During the dying hours of the Democratic State Convention held in Dallas last August a number of candidates for office appeared before the few remaining Democrats assembled in the Fair Grounds auditorium and thanked the convention for the honors the Democracy of the State had bestowed upon them. Among these was Attorney General R. V. Davidson, who had been nominated for a second time. The delegates were worn out from the terrific battle which had been raging for two days, and they were not in a mood for oratory. They did not accord any of the speakers an "enthusiastic reception" and what the attorney general had to say to them was not then regarded as significant or of unusual importance. But now, in view of the subsequent legal events that have absorbed the Texas people's attention and has interested the rest of the world, Attorney General Davidson's speech can now be turned to his interest.

His Convention Speech. Among other things he said: "I want to tell you, gentlemen, that it is very easy to criticize the attorney general's department for inactivity in prosecuting anti-trust cases. I want to say to you that we have not been inactive, but it is useless to bring suits unless you have the proof. When you hear that Davidson has brought an anti-trust suit you may be sure that Davidson has the proof and he will prosecute the action with all the vigor and ability at his command." This may not have been the exact verbiage of his speech, for the reporters were too tired to record promises in their reports of the convention proceedings, and the writer reproduces it from memory.

At present Attorney General R. V. Davidson is the man of the hour in Texas. His name is on the lips of every man who has taken an interest in the political affairs of Texas. "Will Davidson make good," was the much-mooted question for a time, but now the minds of many have passed from the interrogative to the affirmative stage. Has he all the proof that he claims? He says wait and see. He is the personification of confidence and his equilibrium seems not to be in the least disturbed by the political eruption that has occurred as the result of the attorney general's department bringing the present "anti-trust" suit. No matter what the outcome of the Bailey controversy or the "anti-trust" suit is, Mr. Davidson at present has not suffered in reputation and his dignified manner in keeping up his end of the controversy has won him the respect of many Texans who had not been his political friends.

Fatal Three-Cornered Shooting. El Paso: In a shooting affray in a saloon in this city Monday afternoon, three men were shot and two of them will probably die. The wounded men are Bob Culpepper, a railroad man; Tom York, horse trader, and John Nelson, a switchman. The man who is alleged did the shooting has been arrested and is in jail.

AT THE CAPITAL
SOLONS TAKING IT EASY.

Washington, Dec. 10.—The National House of Representatives will give the greater part of its time during the present week to the consideration of the legislative and judicial appropriation bills, while the Senate will pay special attention to the report of the Senate Committee on Privileges and Elections on the right of Senator Smoot of Utah to retain his seat. In the House the appropriation bill will be taken up Monday immediately after the close of the routine morning business, while in the Senate consideration of the Smoot question will be postponed until Tuesday. The Senate proceedings on that subject will be intermittent, after one day's discussion, to give place to the Algebras treaty, which is set for Wednesday. Representative Tawney, chairman

Winds Wreck Frisco. San Francisco: A southeast gale sweeping along the coast at a registered velocity of forty-eight miles an hour resulted in the death of one man and in the severe injury of several others. Shipping in the harbor was damaged considerably, and in all quarters of the city tottering walls were blown down, blockading streets and interrupting traffic. Owing to the danger from falling walls, the street cars were stopped.



ATTORNEY GENERAL R. V. DAVIDSON.

Courtesy Dallas Daily Times Herald.
Excellent Start For Second Term.

Mr. Davidson has given his whole life in Texas to the practice of his profession, and while in Galveston devoted much of his time to the public free schools of that city as president of its school board for a number of years and a member for some fifteen years. While in the senate he signed the passage of the act providing for the great sea wall at Galveston of which he is quite proud.

Much Work in His Department. General Davidson, during his term in office as attorney general, had to deal with an enormous amount of litigation to which the State was a party, especially in land suits involving the constitutionality of the numerous revenue laws passed by the last legislature, and has had the satisfaction of seeing every one of them sustained by the appellate courts of the State in the face of a brilliant array of opposing counsel.

Before Mr. Davidson's election as attorney general he was senator from the Seventeenth senatorial district for two terms, resigning that office when elected attorney general. Prior to his election as senator he was for years city attorney of the city of Galveston.

Recently a company headed by Maj. B. S. Wathen asked for a franchise to furnish natural gas to the city of Dallas at \$1.10 per thousand feet. Now comes W. H. McGoldrick, president of the Abilene Gas and Fuel Company, and proposes to supply Dallas with natural gas at 50 cents per thousand feet, and alleges that plenty of gas is known to exist near Dallas.

Countess Eugenia Bertinatti, aged eighty years, is dead in Nashville. She was born in Sumner County Tennessee, and was a niece of the late Senator William B. Bate, of Tennessee. Judge Russell has introduced a bill to appropriate \$50,000 additional to the work of the Department of Agriculture in searching for means of the extermination of the boll weevil.

Salton Sea Again Filling. Yuma, Ariz.: The entire Colorado River has found a channel around the Hynd dam and is flowing back into Salton Sea. Unless the flood can be stopped very soon the main line of the Southern Pacific will have to be rebuilt for 200 miles on higher ground, and a thousand people in Salton Basin will lose their homes. No less than \$25,000,000 depends upon the success of the efforts to close the break.

Comin in Blocks of Fourteen. Houston: On family of fourteen people, consisting of father, mother and twelve children, of which the eldest child was not over sixteen years of age, passed through Houston for Hallettsville, where they will make their home. The couple are Mr. and Mrs. John Slocum, and they came to Texas from Minnesota. They have bought two hundred acres of land near Hallettsville, and will settle there. Mr. Slocum was a well-to-do farmer in his own section.

Love Tax Matter Goes Up. Austin: It has been decided by the railroads to appeal to the United States supreme court the injunction suit of the Texas and Pacific railway against the State officials, in the Love tax matter, and it was agreed with the State that the other injunction suits may remain upon the docket of the supreme court to await the decision of the supreme court of the United States.

Plans for New Depot at Texarkana. Texarkana: The plans and specifications for the Kansas City City, Shreveport and Texarkana, and Southern office building, to take the place of the one destroyed by fire last March, have been received here from Kansas City. It is understood that bids will be asked for at Kansas City, Shreveport and Texarkana, and that work on the new structure will begin some time in January. The new building will be of brick and will be three stories high.

Haskell Telephone Company.

Has Long Distance Connection with All Points, and Direct lines to the following local places.

Ample, Aspermont, Branch Ranch, Shinnery Lake, Marey, Brazos River, McDaniel Ranch, Pinkerton, Child, Irbey Ranch, Throckmorton, Stamford, Rayner, Orient, Gatlin, Munday, Seymour.

Local Exchanges at Haskell, Aspermont and Munday. Telegraph messages received and transmitted.

J. F. POSEY, Manager, Haskell, Texas.

PRESSED BRICK

I am representing here the

Lone Star Pressed Brick Company OF FERRIS, TEXAS.

I will take orders for not less than carload lots for delivery at any railroad station in the country.

The above company is making excellent brick which are giving good satisfaction to builders. The company has a capital of \$10,000.

Phone No. 50. J. P. O'DANNEL, Local Agent.

OPERA HOUSE STABLE

HASKELL, - - TEXAS.

Bring DAILY HACK TO RULE—Leave Haskell 7:25 still Meet northbound train at Rule at 10:58 a. m.

We will furnish good rigs to all surrounding points. Charges Moderate. TRY US FOR PROMPT BUSINESS

SIMMONS BROS.

CITY MEAT MARKET....

MARSH & ENGLISH, Prop'r's.

Your Patronage Solicited.

We Keep all Kinds of Fresh Meats Obtainable in Their Seasons.

The Free Press and Dallas News, \$1.75 a year.

JUNIOR LEAGUE

Song. Leader.—Almedia Camp. Topic.—Missionaries Called in Childhood, Eccl.12: 1-6. Song. Prayer. Reading.—Gertrude Cummings. Duet.—Ruby Touchstone and Fay Parsons. Responsive Reading: Psalm 139. Meditation.—Willie Calloway. Talk by Superintendent. Song. Benediction.

A Holiday Entertainment.

We learn that Miss Ella Day has, at the solicitation of numerous friends and lovers of high-class literary entertainment, consented to give a recital during the holidays, probably on the night of the 27th inst.

Our people have learned that when Miss Day gives an entertainment, whether in the capacity of principal performer or director, it is bound to be a good one, so that we confidently predict an overflowing house for the coming event.

While Miss Day is known among us as a business woman, she is by profession an eloquist of superior ability. She is a graduate of Columbia School of Oratory, and until coming among us a little more than a year ago, had followed her profession of reader and teacher, in which she achieved an enviable reputation as is attested by many press notices which have come under our observation, for her dramatic force in the delineation of various characters as well as for her easy and natural transitions from the grave to the gay and humorous side of life.

Miss Day has an extensive and varied repertoire, and she will give a program entirely new to Haskell audiences, which will probably be announced next week.

A TEXAS WONDER.

There's a Hill at Bowie, Tex., that's twice as big as last year. This wonder is W. L. Hill, who from a weight of 90 pounds has grown to over 180. He says: "I suffered with a terrible cough, and doctors gave me up to die of Consumption. I was reduced to 90 pounds, when I began taking Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds. Now, after taking 12 bottles, I have more than doubled in weight and am completely cured." Only sure Cough and Cold cure. Guaranteed by Terrell's Drug Store. 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free.

When you want to buy a house and lot come and see the Haskell Real Estate Co. at their new office east of the Lindler hotel.

U. E. Terrell

CHRISTMAS TIME!!

As the time draws near for Christmas about the most perplexing question to solve is--What shall I get for a present?

To most people it is a hard question to decide as the thoughts of many things come up in your mind and it is not always an easy matter to decide which will be best. To make the gift something that will prove both attractive and useful should be the one that should be the most considered.

In looking through our stock we find many things that would be appropriate for the occasion and at the same time useful to the one to whom it is given. Many of the things shown here were bought special for this season of the year, and we know we can show you many things that will be appreciated by anyone who receives them.

For grandmother—Umbrellas, Sofa pillows, lace collars, shoulder shawls, jackets, shoes, cloth for dresses, silk for dresses, etc.

For grandfather—Silk muffler, handkerchiefs, hose, umbrella, night shirts, etc.



For mother—Wool dress pattern, silk dress pattern, sofa pillows, muslin underwear, silk petticoats, handkerchiefs, gloves, purse, collar, etc.

For father—Suit case, club bag, hose, shoes, handkerchiefs, neck ties, etc.

In fact you can find things here suitable for every member of the household.

"Queen Quality"

A pair of shoes is as useful a present as you could give to your wife or mother. They are the ideal shoe for women and the styles are exclusive.



Any man or boy would appreciate a gift from our clothing department. If it is either a suit or an overcoat you want we have the goods.

Our line of novelties for men and women embraces a wide and varied assortment of smaller articles.

For the ladies our line of novelty goods is made up of all such articles as belts, combs, bags, gloves, neckwear, etc.

Our stock of Gents' furnishing goods is very complete in every detail and we show you a splendid assortment of shirts, ties, underwear, gloves, hose, hats, supporters, fancy suspenders, cuff buttons, collar buttons, scarf pins, etc.

Our big special sale which we started last Saturday has so far met with unbounded success, and from now until the 24 of December the sale continues. The prices on all winter goods have been greatly reduced, as we want to clear the premises of all such goods.

Come in and let us show you
D. Egger & Son

HAVE IT FOR LESS

HASKELL,

TEXAS.

DIDN'T KNOW OF THE BOY.

But Man Who Married Widow Had to Pay the Penalty.

"It seems very hard that I should be called upon to pay for the boy," was the remark of an elderly man who was announced under curious circumstances at Lambert, Missouri.

The proceedings were taken by the industrial school's officer with the view of obtaining an order for a contribution toward the maintenance of the son of a woman whom the defendant married two years ago.

The boy, it was said, had been sent to the school before the marriage took place, and the defendant now protested that he had never seen the lad, and was quite unaware of his existence at the time of the marriage.

"You have heard of the danger of marrying widows?" remarked Mr. Hopkins, the magistrate.

"Unfortunately, I know it," replied the defendant.

"It seems hard lines, I know," said the magistrate, "to call upon you to pay for the boy. But men do such foolish things. Two years ago you didn't mind marrying this woman."

"Yes, sir, but I didn't know what she was then," was the reply.

An order was made for the payment of 50 cents a week.

CLAY EQUAL TO EMERGENCY.

How "Great Commoner" Satisfied Disgraced Constituent.

One of the best stories told of Henry Clay relates to his dealing with an old Kentucky mountaineer who accosted the "great commoner" after one of his speeches and said: "Well, Henry, I have always voted for you before, but I can't do it this time."

"Why, now, what's the trouble?" asked Clay. "I don't like your vote on the bank bill," replied Tom. "Is that all? I have suited you generally, have I not?" "Oh, yes, always, but this time, but I don't like that vote."

"You think I was honest in giving it, don't you?" "Yes, but you made a mistake."

"Say, Tom, you are a hunter, and sometimes your gun misses fire, what do you do then—throw it away?" "No, I just load the flint and try it again."

"Of course you do, Tom, and all I ask of you is to treat me as well as you do your old gun. Will you not do it?" "Yes, by thunder, Henry, I will! I'll try you again."

Uniforms of Chinese Students.

The establishment of government schools in China and the equipment of students in uniforms is furnishing a market for military clothing.

According to the British consul at Wuchow, 20 of these schools have been opened in that prefecture alone. The uniform consists of a coat and trousers of foreign cut with brass buttons and peak caps, and shoes of foreign pattern.

In the strictly military schools khaki is worn. All the uniforms seem to appear to be of British cloth, but there is a rule, which is evidently ignored, that only native material be used. Caps, buttons and braid come from Japan.

The shoes are said to be of Hongkong manufacture, but a very nice kind is made locally of native leather.

Stunner for the Manager.

When Manager Henderson was in possession of a certain metropolitan theater a would-be patron, obviously well bred, but rather too well primed by stimulant, called at the box office and demanded an orchestra seat.

His wish was regretfully declined. He was not forthcoming, and the last Manager Henderson was summoned. Pressed for the reason of his refusal, the latter finally said: "Well, if you must know, it is because you are drunk!"

Unabashed, the visitor replied: "Why, of course I'm drunk. Do you think I'd—hic—come to your hic—blessed theater if I wasn't drunk?"

Strenuous Treatment of Children.

A Milwaukee physician, Dr. John E. Worden, has adopted this strenuous treatment to prepare his babies for the rigors of life, and up to the present his methods have been abundantly justified by their success, says a article in Good Health for October, the little daughters, Shirley and Jane, aged respectively eight and three years, are two of the strongest and healthiest bits of humanity, to whom disease of all kinds is unknown.

During the cold weather these children may be seen barefooted and bareheaded, clad only in their cotton garments, thoroughly enjoying the sun in the snowdrifts, and without a good pimple on their skin.

Turkey Talk.

"My dear," remarked Mr. Grouch, "this turkey is unusually tough. May I ask where you got it?"

"Certainly," returned Mrs. Grouch, sweetly. "I purchased it at a stationery store. Do you suppose I got it from the butcher-shop?"

"No, indeed," replied Mr. Grouch, jabbing the carving knife into the hard flesh of the bird. "I have been under the impression the last ten minutes that you procured it from a hardware store."—Woman's Home Companion.

The View of Experience.

"What I want," said the constituent, "is a nice, easy position."

"My friend," answered Senator Sorghum, "I've got the idea. When an easy position is discovered so many people are a little slow to get on to it."

