

The Hesperian Gazette.

CLAUDE V. HALL, EDITOR AND PROPRIETOR.

Senator Roger Q. Mills, who is a candidate for reelection to the United States Senate, issued an address to the people of Texas last week in which he sets forth his views on some important questions of the day. He is rather brief on the money question, but promises that he will vote with the party on the question. He reviews his record on the money question since 1873, stating that he has always opposed the demonetization of silver and had advocated its coinage at the ratio of 15 1/2 or 16 to 1 until 1893 when he thought silver had been abandoned by so many nations until its consequent depreciation had rendered unsafe to the country its coinage at such a ratio.

He reviews his record during the past 25 years in Congress and the part he has taken on the Tariff question. His views on this question are well known by all who have taken any interest in public affairs. Mr. Mills advocates unmanufactured products being placed on the free list and quotes a number of authorities including Judge Reagan corroborating his position, and shows from the speeches of Gov. Culberson that there is an issue between the two candidates for the Senate.

Mr. Mills, it seems, has pitched the campaign on the Tariff question, while the Silver question is considered by the people as the paramount and overshadowing issue. If Gov. Culberson sustains his position on the Tariff question Mr. Mills will make it lively for him, while Gov. Culberson can make Mr. Mills squirm over the fact that he voted with the Cleveland administration for the repeal of the Sherman Act.

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WE HAVE THE The Largest and Most Complete Stock of Groceries ever brought to Floydada or any Other Town in Floyd County.

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Menonite Courtship.

In view of the fact that a large number of Menonites are moving from Colorado and Kansas to this section or a few counties south of us their novel manner of courtship will perhaps interest our readers.

When a brother in the church wants to marry a sister, he does not make his wish known directly to her, but goes to the minister and tells him his secret. The minister, if pleased with the match, carries the lover's message. The sister is usually surprised, as this is supposed to be her first intimation of the young man's love. If the proposal is received with favor, the negotiations are carried on by the minister. The ceremony always takes place in a church. No invitations are issued, but the bonds are proclaimed from the pulpit two weeks beforehand. During this period the groom is permitted to visit his intended without the intervention of a third party. After the wedding a dinner is always served, after which bride and groom go to their respective homes, and remain apart for several days. The marriages in the church are generally happy ones, and there is no record of any of the members ever suing for divorce.—Brenham Weekly Press.

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Strongly Wrong.

Louisville Post. While recounting experiences of his long career in the legal profession, the aged barrister, Judge Lee Brown, told the following: "An amusing incident connected with a murder trial in which I represented the defense is recalled just now. My chief witness was an Irish woman and I was particularly anxious to make her testimony strong. I led her almost with a halter, was well pleased with the result, and handed her over to the prosecution. The following dialogue ensued: 'Mrs. Kilrey, you say you saw the murdered man write this threat?' 'Yes, sor, I did, sor.' 'Did he know you were standing near and that you overheard him read his letter threatening the life of the defendant?' 'Yes, sor, he did.' 'Do you mean to say the victim of the defendant's wrath deliberately planned to kill the defendant and wrote a letter embodying such a threat to the prisoner over there in the box?' said the commonwealth's attorney, in thunder tones. 'Yes, I did, sor, and any man as contradicts it contradicts as straight a lie as ever was.' Well, sir, I had to do a lot of talking to counteract the effect of that bad break on the part of my leading witness."

Ex Congressman W. H. (Howdy) Martin died a few days ago at his home in Hill county of pneumonia. His remains were interred in the Hillsboro cemetery. He was an ex-confederate soldier and served in Congress from an East Texas District, Athens being his home.

El Paso, Tex., Feb. 5.—The White Oaks railway contractors crossed the New Mexico line with their track today and are pushing for White Oaks and Liberal, Kansas, with all possible speed. A race is on between the White Oaks and the Pecos Valley as to which shall connect with the Rock Island and Santa Fe at Panhandle respectively.

Whatever is a cruel wrong, Whatever is unjust, The honest years that speed along Will trample in the dust, In restless youth I railed at fate With all my puny might, But now I know if I but wait, It all will come out right.

HOW TO FIND OUT.

Fill a bottle or common glass with urine and let it stand twenty-four hours; a sediment or settling indicates an unhealthy condition of the kidneys. When urine stains linen it is evidence of kidney trouble. Too frequent desire to urinate or pain in the back, is also convincing proof that the kidneys and bladder are out of order.

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Gordon Returns.

J. D. Gordon, the populist who made the race for congress against Jo Bailey two years ago, has returned to the democratic party, and gave the following reasons for his action:

"In the face of political conditions that confront us, I can conceive of but one consistent course for those patriotic men who quit the democratic party under the Cleveland leadership and co-operated with the populist party, and that is to support the present democratic party. In the South eight out of every ten populists are democrats who rebelled when the democracy repudiated its historic tenets and surrendered to its enemies, that is, they refused to be surrendered. They did not cease to contend for the faith, party or no party. They have preached principle and professed to eschew partyism. All fairminded men must give them credit for this. But now shall it be said that these men who have battled for principle under the most trying circumstances have become the bitterest and most execrable partisans? As for me, I shall at least be consistent, and, as I see it, I would reach the climax of inconsistency to support the middle-of-the-road populist organization, for the simple reason that it is powerless to effect anything of itself and its existence is the most potent aid to its professed enemy. From my point of view I could with better conscience support the republican party outright than to support it tacitly through the middle-of-the-road populist party. I am not now and have never been believer or advocate of any other than the principles of democracy."

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Though vice may don the judge's gown And play the censor's part, And fact be cowed by falsehood's frown, And nature ruled by art; Though labor toils through blinding tears, And idle wealth is might, I know the honest, earnest years Well bring it out all right.

Though poor and loveless creeds may pass For pure religion's gold; Though ignorance may rule the mass While truth meets glances cold— I know a law complete, sublime, Controls us with its might, And in God's own appointed time It all will come out right. —Ella Wheeler Wilcox.

Abilene, Tex., Feb. 2.—It seems that the panhandle has decided to ask for a share of the state offices this year. A prominent citizen of this place is in receipt of a letter from Hon. R. T. Miller of Floydada, Tex., in which Mr. Miller announces his determination to run for commissioner of the general land office. He says he has been district and county clerk of Floyd county since it was organized in 1890, and that he "has studied the matter all that time."—Dallas News.

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That I have purchased the Entire Stock of Dry Goods, Groceries and General Merchandise belonging to I. H. SIDDENS At a Reduced Price and that I propose to give those who trade with me the benefit of the bargain.

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ANNOUNCEMENT.

For County and District Clerk. M. F. BARBER.

Local and County News.

A full line of patent medicines at R. C. Scott's. Jas. Griggs was in town this week.

Some snow fell yesterday, but melted as fast as it fell. Miss Ruby Reeves is visiting in the city this week.

Commissioners court convenes next Monday in regular session.

Monday was almost a real summer day, the thermometer registering at 78.

Jeff Hall is erecting additional rooms to his house on the east side of Floydada.

Mrs. J. M. Powell and niece, Miss Stella Ford, were callers at our office last Monday.

Capt. W. P. Young has been suffering intensely this week from a swollen jaw caused from toothache.

No need to go to the railroad for millinery goods, when you can get them so cheap at Miss Anderson's.

The Hesperian Gazette will soon be two years old. Eight years hence it will be ten years old and a whizzer still.

Have you seen the new hats at Miss Susie Anderson's? If not you had better call soon for they are going fast.

Miss Myrtle King returned this week from a visit with her parents in Motley county and was accompanied by Max.

See the new and enlarged display ad of Snodgrass & Nelson elsewhere in this issue. They have an eye to business and are making their business known to the people through the medium that always catches the trade.

Why send away for your drugs and medicines when you can get any thing you want in that line at just as low prices at R. C. Scott's drug store?

Dr. Hugh Harkey and Dr. Andrews returned Monday from a visit to Dickens City attending Mrs. T. G. Harkey, who was quite sick last week. She is reported much improved.

Keep your mind on a high plane when you read the Hesperian Gazette. It is not intended for low-minded persons to read, and we hope Floyd county has not many such characters.

Lloyd Nichols of Lockney was in town Thursday and had the Hesperian Gazette force wondering what could have induced him to come to town on such a disagreeable day. We will wait and see.

A fine girl made its appearance at Rufus Stoker's this week. Floyd county continues to populate, and a fellow who takes issue with us on the matter is a knave, a fool and is liable to be mistaken.

Jas. B. Posey, Floydada's wide-awake merchant and banker, had his residence moved from the west side of town nearer his place of business, so that his business may receive his undivided attention hereafter. He proposes to push his business and make the people realize the fact.

The Hesperian Gazette job office ran off 500 cards for R. T. Miller, candidate for Commissioner of the General Land office this week. Mr. Miller will shortly have his platform published and wants the people to bear in mind that he is in the race to stay.

There Is Nothing So Good.

There is nothing so good as Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption, coughs and colds, so demand it and do not permit the dealer to sell you some substitute. He will not claim there is anything better, but in order to make more profit he may claim something else to be just as good. You want Dr. King's New Discovery because you know it to be safe and reliable, and guaranteed to do good or money refunded. For coughs, colds, consumption and for all affections of Throat, Chest and Lungs, there is nothing so good as Dr. King's New Discovery. Trial bottle free at R. C. Scott's Drug Store. Regular size 50c and \$1.

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JAS. B. POSEY.

Floydada, Texas.

For pure drugs and chemicals go to R. C. SCOTT'S.

Tuesday night a light rain visited this place and has continued since and promises farmers a good ground soaker before it ceases. This is the first rain this county has had since last fall and farmers will now have an opportunity to till the soil as never before. Our people are realizing that our rich soil will most always handsomely remunerate them in their toils.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Bartley gave the young people of this place a social Tuesday night which was highly enjoyed by all present. Among the most interesting features of the evening was the contest among our young men and old bachelors in heming the young ladies' aprons. The judges decided that Mr. Ed Burrus and Mr. Walter Burrus excelled.

We Masons will meet tomorrow night at our lodge hall and will feast on lightbread, cucumber pickles and ham, and sip coffee from tin cups. We are all strong believers in bodily nourishment and never fail to partake of a wholesome meal of such edibles as we can get. Saturday afternoon we Masons will have an Eastern Star Chapter organized so that our wives, daughters and sisters may be permitted to know of the works of our Lodge. We Masons want it understood that we are not selfish creatures as some people who do not belong to our Lodge have charged against us. We are always pleased to have our wives share with us the grand lessons of Masonry. In fact we make our wives second to nothing save our Lodge meetings and then we always try to have them with us.

Estray Notice.

Taken up by A. C. Bowers and estrayed before J. D. Starks J. P., Precinct No. 1, Floyd county, Texas, on the 5th day of Nov. 1897, one horse about 4 years old, unbranded; one bay mare about 4 years old, unbranded; one bay colt about 4 months old, unbranded; and appraised at \$35.00. R. T. MILLER, Clerk Floyd County, Texas.

Notice.

Notice is hereby given that the mercantile firm of McMannis & Posey is by mutual consent dissolved, Mr. McMannis withdrawing therefrom, and the Banking business of said firm will, on the last day of this month, be by mutual consent dissolved, Mr. McMannis withdrawing. Mr. Posey will continue said business assuming all responsibilities and liabilities of said firm after said date. Jas. B. Posey, S. A. McMannis.

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Curlew News.

The health of the people is good generally, though coughs and colds are still quite prevalent.

We had some pretty bad weather over here in the latter part of January the snow drifted three and four feet in places, and the wind was melodious.

Wolves are getting to be very pestiferous, destroying a great many young calves and poultry.

Mr. U. S. Crum and wife who have been on an extended tour through East Texas and Indian Territory are expected home next week.

Mr. Smart who is encamped in the brakes 15 miles from everywhere mourns the loss of two fine shepherd dogs. They went over the strychnine route.

Miss Julia Harris is spending this week at Lockney visiting her many friends there.

J. D. Childress has traded for Uncle Isaac Hamilton's section, and Uncle Isaac is going to move near Lockney so he can have the benefit of the Christian College there. We are sorry to see him go as he is a good citizen and splendid neighbor, but our loss is Lockney's gain.

Tom Neaves, a former resident of the Plains, was out here not long since settling up his affairs.

A certain young man in our neighborhood has a two-year old horse that trots before, racks behind and paces in the middle.

Tell Kate—Miss Nevil—that she shouldn't contradict an aged person like me regarding the boy's Xmas spree, for I was there and know whereof I speak. Some of the boys who had blue eyes now wear black ones, and some of the blackeyed fellows now have red eyes, all caused, of course, by drinking too much coffee(?).

What has become of Henry Hughes? The last time we heard of him he had purchased a newariat rope and was on the road to the brakes, we fear for the purpose of hanging himself.

What has become of the Question and Answer Column? Hope it isn't snowed under. MOSES.

[Oh; no, the Question and Answer Column is not "snowed under." There has been such a great demand for our available space for other purposes that we have been forced to keep the Question and Answer Column in the background, but this week it partially emerges and will next week give us old bachelors a send off that will cause our brains to boil and gurgle for ten days without cessation.—Editor.]

Estray Notice.

Taken by T. E. Dawson and estrayed before G. L. Fawver J. P., Precinct No. 7, Floyd county, Texas, on the 26th day of Jan. 1898, one two year old filly, light bay, white in face, both hind feet and left fore foot white, not branded; one colt, light brown, small white streak in face, and appraised at \$12.00. R. T. MILLER, Clerk Floyd County, Texas.

Dr. Andrews returned Sunday from a professional trip to Motley county attending Mr. Jeffries, who died of bilious colic.

The editor has not yet fully recovered from his trip to Childress, but as soon as he can quit sporting a crippled foot his imagination will begin to evolve new and queer thoughts for the amusement of his readers.

Col. John R. Karner, the four-legged poet laureate of Floyd county, was in the city Sunday exchanging yarns with the boys. The Colonel has recently written some verses which are models of the highest order of literature. Shakespeare's best productions cannot equal the Colonel's play in which Colonel Massie, Raleigh Scott, Frank Elston, Samuel Bennett McCleskey, Old Black Henry, Billie Montgomery, H. A. Storey and others are the characters. Some of the boys wanted this masterpiece of Col. Karner's published in the Hesperian Gazette, but as the Hesperian Gazette only prints doggerel we had to decline.

Lockney Locals.

W. A. Hobbs of Gatesville, Texas, is enroute for Lockney with his family. Mr. Hobbs expects to locate his family here for the present, and it is likely that it will be his permanent home.

Judge P. F. Brown of Lubbock was here Monday and Tuesday. He visited the school while here and expressed himself as well pleased with the management and work of the College.

Mr. and Mrs. Thornton have returned from Briscoe county. Mrs. Thornton has been quite sick but is better.

E. M. White of Petersburg was in town Monday on business.

Homer Howard has improved his home by the erection of a windmill this week.

The L. C. C. D. C. will give a public program next Friday evening, Feb. 18, all are invited.

Uncle Jesse Bryant expects to put up a windmill soon.

The past month the public school here made an average daily attendance of 78.

Lockney expects to have another school building and a newspaper soon.

The weather has been unusually warm for some days.

S. T. Cooper went to Tulia last Saturday on business.

Messrs. Hicks and King with their families of Comanche county came into Lockney yesterday. They expect to locate in the vicinity of Lockney.

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Quiteque, Texas, Feb. 1.

Please kindly inform me whether the editor of the Hesperian Gazette wears needlepoint shoes.

Emphatically we do not While we do not make it any of our business as to what people wear, we feel proud of the fact that we live in a free land and possess the happy privilege of wearing whatever we choose so long as we keep ourself within the pale of decency. If our readers will kindly excuse us, we will state that our pedal extremities are not shaped to fit some mercantile articles shoemakers have inflicted upon the human family called fashionable and up-to-date shoes with sharp points. Nature may have shaped some people's feet different from ours, but, be as it may, we venture the prediction that our will never need any corn salve.

"Who is Marcus A. Hanna?"

"Who is Marcus A. Hanna?" was one of the questions asked applicants for teacher's certificates in the county examinations in every county of Kansas recently. The answers are beginning to be sent to the State superintendent's office. It is not hard to guess the political views of most of those who answered. Here are a few: "Marcus A. Hanna is a plutocrat."

"Marcus A. Hanna is the terror of populists and democrats, and the most able worker in the republican party."

"Marcus A. Hanna is the most pernicious political slyster in the republican party or any other party."

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The State of Texas. To the sheriff or any constable of Floyd county—Greeting:

You are hereby commanded, that you summon, by making publication of this citation in some newspaper published in the county of Floyd, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the 50th Judicial District; but if there be no newspaper published in said Judicial District, then in a newspaper published in the nearest district to said 50th Judicial District, for four consecutive weeks, previous to the return day hereof, Unknown Owner, whose residence is unknown, to be and appear before the Honorable District Court of Floyd county for the 50th Judicial District, at the next regular term thereof, to be holden at the court house of said county, in the town of Floyd City, on the 3rd Monday after the 1st Monday in February, 1898, the same being the 28th day of February, 1898, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court, on the 18th day of November, A. D. 1897, in a suit numbered on the Docket of said court 93, wherein The State of Texas is Plaintiff, and Unknown Owner is Defendant.

The nature of the demand set out in said petition being an action to recover of the Defendant the sum of Sixty-two cents (\$0.62) being the amount due Plaintiff for taxes, interest and costs for the years 1895 and 1896, on the following described property, to-wit:

Lot No. 2, in Block No. 67, in the town of Floyd City, situated in the county of Floyd and state aforesaid.

And to foreclose Plaintiff's lien on said property, and Plaintiff further prays for cost and general relief.

Herein fail not, but have you then and there before said court, on the said first day of the next term thereof, this writ, with your endorsement thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and seal of said court, at office in Floyd City, this the 22nd day of November, A. D. 1897.

R. T. MILLER, Clerk District Court, Floyd county, Texas.

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The nature of the demand set out in said petition being an action to recover of the Defendant the sum of Thirty-one

Cents (\$0.31), being the amount due Plaintiff for taxes, interest and costs for the year 1895 on the following described property, to-wit: Lot No. 2, in Block No. 92, in the town of Floyd City, situated in the county of Floyd and state aforesaid.

And to foreclose Plaintiff's lien on said property, and Plaintiff further prays for cost and general relief.

Herein fail not, but have you then and there before said court, on the said first day of the next term thereof, this writ, with your endorsement thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and seal of said court, at office in Floyd City this the 22nd day of November, A. D. 1897.

R. T. MILLER, Clerk District Court Floyd county, Texas.

Citation by Publication in Tax Suits.

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The nature of the demand set out in said petition being an action to recover of the Defendant the sum of Sixty-two Cents (\$0.62), being the amount due Plaintiff for taxes, interest and costs for the years 1895 and 1896 on the following described property to-wit:

Lot No. 16, in Block No. 58, in the town of Floyd City, situated in the county of Floyd and state aforesaid.

And to foreclose Plaintiff's lien on said property, and Plaintiff further prays for cost and general relief.

Herein fail not, but have you then and there before said court, on the said first day of the next term thereof, this writ, with your endorsement thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and seal of said court, at office in Floyd City, this the 22nd day of November, A. D. 1897.

R. T. MILLER, Clerk District Court, Floyd county, Texas.

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ed on the docket of said court 141, wherein The State of Texas is Plaintiff, and Unknown Owner is Defendant.

The nature of the demand set out in said petition being an action to recover of the Defendant the sum of Thirty-one Cents (\$0.31), being the amount due Plaintiff for taxes, interest and costs for the year 1895 on the following described property, to-wit:

Lot No. 10, in Block No. 80, in the town of Floyd City, situated in the county of Floyd and state aforesaid.

And to foreclose Plaintiff's lien on said property, and Plaintiff further prays for cost and general relief.

Herein fail not, but have you then and there before said court, on the said first day of the next term thereof, this writ, with your endorsement thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and seal of said court, at office in Floyd City, this the 22nd day of November, A. D. 1897.

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The nature of the demand set out in said petition being an action to recover of the Defendant the sum of Thirty-one Cents (\$0.31) being the amount due Plaintiff for taxes, interest, and costs for the year 1895, on the following described property, to-wit:

Lot No. 6, in Block No. 2, in the town of Floyd City, situated in the county of Floyd and state aforesaid.

And to foreclose Plaintiff's lien on said property, and Plaintiff further prays for cost and general relief.

Herein fail not, but have you then and there before said court, on the said first day of the next term thereof, this writ, with your endorsement thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

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City on the 3rd Monday after the 1st Monday in February, 1898, the same being the 28th day of February, 1898, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 18th day of November, A. D. 1897, in a suit numbered on the docket of said court 90, wherein The State of Texas is Plaintiff, and Unknown Owner is Defendant.

The nature of the demand set out in said petition being an action to recover of the Defendants the sum of Sixty-two Cents (\$0.62), being the amount due Plaintiff for taxes, interest and costs for the years 1895 and 1896, on the following described property, to-wit:

Lot No. 16, in Block No. 99, in the town of Floyd City, situated in the county of Floyd and state aforesaid.

And to foreclose Plaintiff's lien on said property, and Plaintiff further prays for cost and general relief.

Herein fail not, but have you then and there before said court, on the said first day of the next term thereof, this writ, with your endorsement thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

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R. T. MILLER, Clerk District Court, Floyd county, Texas.

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The nature of the demand set out in said petition being an action to recover of the Defendant the sum of Sixty-two Cents (\$0.62), being the amount due Plaintiff for taxes, interest and costs for the years 1895 and 1896 on the following described property, to-wit:

Lot No. 10, in Block No. 57, in the town of Floyd City, situated in the county of Floyd and state aforesaid.

And to foreclose Plaintiff's lien on said property, and Plaintiff further prays for cost and general relief.

Herein fail not, but have you then and there before said court, on the said first day of the next term thereof, this writ, with your endorsement thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and seal of said court, at office in Floyd City this the 22nd day of November, A. D. 1897.

R. T. MILLER, Clerk District Court, Floyd county, Tex.

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The nature of the demand set out in said petition being an action to recover of the Defendant the sum of Sixty-three cents (\$0.63), being the amount due Plaintiff for taxes, interest and costs for the year 1895, on the following described property, to-wit:

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The nature of the demand set out in said petition being an action to recover of the Defendant the sum of Sixty-two Cents (\$0.62), being the amount due Plaintiff for taxes, interest and costs for the years 1895 and 1896, on the following described property, to-wit:

Lot No. 1, in Block No. 44, in the town of Floyd City, situated in the county of Floyd and state aforesaid.

And to foreclose Plaintiff's lien on said property, and Plaintiff further prays for cost and general relief.

Herein fail not, but have you then and there before said court, on the said first day of the next term thereof, this writ, with your endorsement thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and seal of said court, at office in Floyd City, this the 22nd day of November, A. D. 1897.

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The nature of the demand set out in said petition being an action to recover of the defendant the sum of Sixty-three Cents (\$0.63), being the amount due Plaintiff for taxes, interest and costs for the years 1895 and 1896, on the following described property, to-wit:

Lot No. 1, in Block No. 66, in the town of Floyd City, situated in the county of Floyd and state aforesaid.

And to foreclose Plaintiff's lien on said property, and Plaintiff further prays for cost and general relief.

Herein fail not, but have you then and there before said court, on the said first day of the next term thereof, this writ, with your endorsement thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

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The nature of the demand set out in said petition being an action to recover of the Defendant, the sum of Sixty-three Cents (\$0.63), being the amount due Plaintiff for taxes, interest and costs for the years 1895 and 1896, on the following described property, to-wit:

Lot No. 7, in Block No. 112, in the town of Floyd City, situated in the county of Floyd and state aforesaid.

And to foreclose Plaintiff's lien on said property, and Plaintiff further prays for cost and general relief.

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