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COLQUITT CALLS CONFERENCE



GOV. O. B. COLQUITT.

Austin Texas—Governor O. B. Colquitt has called a State conference of Charities and Corrections to meet at Austin Tuesday and Wednesday, January 28th and 29th, to consider measures which will have been submitted to the Legislature up to that time, and other measures which in the opinion of the conference, should be submitted.

The delegates will be requested to present suggestions for legislation along the following lines:

- (1) State and county institutions, public and private eleemosynary and reformatory.
- (2) Public health and sanitation.
- (3) Welfare of Children.
- (4) Industrial Welfare of Women.
- (5) Labor legislation (social aspects).
- (6) General and miscellaneous subject.

The Governor has invited a full and free discussion of the above subjects by the conference and will incorporate in a message to the Legislature such views as meet with his approval.

The movement comprehends the betterment of the social welfare of all the people, and the Governor is seeking the counsel of organizations engaged in promoting the public welfare.

Civics in Newark Schools

All the course of study which come to our desk interest us. One came recently which is so interesting and suggestive that our readers should know about it—"Newark in the Public Schools of Newark," a book of some 200 pages, prepared by Assistant Superintendent J. Wilmer Kennedy and published by the Board of Education.

Newark has been studied in the schools of Newark for several years. It now occupies a prominent place in the curriculum. The important place given it is due to the rapid growth among the citizens in recent years of interest in the city's welfare, beauty and healthfulness. Citizens have brought to pass great improvements in the water system, parks, hospitals, library, court house, city hall, shade trees, museums, streets, police and fire departments and schools. They felt that the school children should know about these improvements so that they might appreciate them. The public library about seven years ago began to collect books, pamphlets, clippings and pictures that might be used in studying Newark. These are lent to children and teachers. Mr. Urquhart wrote a history of the city, at the request of the library, which is used in the schools. Thousands of children and many parents visit the annual

exhibitions of books, pamphlets, manuscripts, pictures and relics having to do with Newark's history, institutions and industries.

Mr. Kennedy's course of study outlines in detail work in local geography, civic hygiene and civics, which includes "Sanitation of the Schools." "Experience of Other Cities in Cleaning Streets" and "Labor of Women and Children." "Government as an Organized Community Action." "Billboard Nuisance." "Noise in the Cities and Our Noise-Fests on the Fourth of July." "Juvenile Courts and the Trial of Criminals." "Milk Supply and the Slaughter of Innocents." "What Texas Do" and "Newark City Government," biography, which includes sketches of the lives of men and women who have been a credit to Newark: local history and local literature.

Is there anything impractical or unimportant in such a course for every city? Is there any time when it is easier to arouse civic enthusiasm than when our citizens are growing and being educated along other lines? Are not other subjects in the curriculum made more valuable, more impressive, more easily understood and more attractive when concrete illustrations for them are found in one's own city?

Let us have more of this healthful patriotism and let us see to it that a city is not without honor among its own children.—Journal of Education.

Measuring Men

The people should have correct standards by which to weigh the ability of those whom they authorize to shape their destinies and the citizenship should be able to distinguish a holy zeal in the cause of humanity from a selfish thirst for power.

The plow and hammer are a pretty good yardstick for measuring the deeds of those to whom we delegate power and the representative who cannot point to the upturned soil, a smokestack or an industrial enterprise as a part of his achievements, falls short of his high calling.

Notice

I have recently purchased the Wm. Wells stock of new and 2nd hand furniture and wish to announce that I will remain at the same old stand. I have a nice line of new furniture and am able to do all kinds of repair work. Bring your secon hand furniture to me and exchange it for new goods. I'll treat you right.
G. F. Ingram.
4t Prop.



The Basis of All Wealth Is Land

Money simply represents the things which come out of the land. If you have money to invest

Buy Good Farm or Timber Land
No man ever bought good land at the prevailing market price and lost money continually. Buy land in Haskell county it is not a speculation but an investment pure and simple.

T. C. CAHILL
PHONE 51
Haskell, - - Texas.

HASKELL HAS CHANCE FOR ANOTHER RAILROAD

Several years ago an effort was made to build a railroad from McCauley to Roby. But after the project had been successfully carried out a few miles, work was stopped on account of insufficient funds. Roby has never had a railroad, and the citizenship of that splendid town looked with anxious and hopeful hearts for the coming of the Estacado & Gulf Railroad as this new road was called and their disappointment was great when it was learned that work had stopped. But with an interest and earnestness and indomitable will that knows no such word as fail, Roby citizens said they would have a railroad, and the dispatch below proclaims such a fact. Read it:

"Roby, Jan. 12.—A deal has been closed here whereby L. C. Eastland of Oklahoma City purchased the Estacado & Gulf Railroad company property, which was recently disposed of by receiver's sale. Mr. Eastland has reorganized the company, with the following stockholders: L. H. McCrea, H. C. Hughes of Sweetwater; R. L. Lovett, W. R. Timmons, J. McWhirter, O. C. Walker, J. G. Hambricht, A. W. Callahan, H. C. Smith, J. Eucke, P. R. McWhirter, C. M. Pinkin, M. A. Hobson and L. C. Eastland. "Nine directors were elected and they selected officers as follows: L. C. Eastland, president; L. H. McCrea, first vice presi-

dent; R. L. Lovett, second vice president; J. McWhirter, Secretary; O. C. Walker, treasurer; and H. C. Hughes, attorney. The capital stock is \$100,000.

"The purpose is to complete the road into Roby at once. Six and a half miles of the road is already completed from McCauley toward Roby, about four and a half miles remaining to be built. After the road is completed to Roby it will be extended east and west to make connections with other lines."

There is an announcement made in the dispatch that is of paramount interest to Haskell people, which is, that it is the purpose of the promoters after completing the road to Roby, to extend it east and west to make connection with other lines. A glance at the map will disclose the fact that the road can be run by Haskell with very little expense and connection made with good lines east, and in so doing it will traverse a territory of undeveloped country rich in opportunity for minerals, gas, oil, stock raising and agricultural industry. If the proper interest and effort is taken in it, there is no doubt but that the promoters might be induced to come this way. The matter is at least worthy of consideration, if the people of Haskell desire another railroad. If they do not, of course there is no need to notice the matter further.

He Laughed 'Till He Died

Taylorburg, Ohio.—Abe Skinner, the village pessimist laughed himself to death from reading BIFF! the Great American Magazine of Fun which is making greater strides than any other magazine before the American public today. It is a magazine that will keep the whole family in a good humor. The staff of Biff contains the greatest artists caricaturists, critics and editors on the continent. It is highly illustrated and printed in many colors. It will keep the whole family cheerful the year 'round. You can afford to spend \$1.00 a year to do this. Send this clipping and a one dollar bill today to The Biff Publishing Co., Dayton, Ohio, for one year's subscription. 3-3t-adv.

The Value of Co-Operation

The farmers of Texas can learn lessons in marketing from rice growers of the Coast Country. The farmers and the millers organized a Rice Growers' Association and marketed their rice through the association and as a result this year's yield was 27,000 bushels more than last year and the increase in the farm value was \$2, 324,000.

The Farm Life Commission of Texas is undertaking to afford the Texas farmer facilities for marketing all his crops at better prices and if the farmers of the state will organize as the rice farmers have done, it will mean millions of dollars saved to the farmers of the State.

Let the Free Press do your job printing.

TEXAS LEGISLATURE DIFFERENT

Austin, Texas, Jan. 16th. That the Thirty Third Legislature of Texas, when it convened on Tuesday, January 14th, differed in many respects from any previous legislative body that the state has ever known, is disclosed by a pamphlet containing a roster of the members of the Legislature, State Officials and Members of Congress just issued by the Texas Commercial Secretaries and Business Men's Association. The absence of lawyers from the personnel of the assembly and the large number of farmers and business men who have taken up the legislative burden is a striking feature of the body and marks a departure from established custom. In fact, there are scarcely enough lawyers in the Legislature to give the necessary legal advice in framing the bills that will be introduced. After thirty-two sessions of this august body with lawyers usually in the majority, the Thirty-third starts life as a strictly business man's legislature and from the material selected to make our laws during the coming session will be found the man who can wield the hammer and guide the plow, as well as those proficient in legal lore.

Many newspaper men are also shown on the list of members, several prominent editors representing their districts in both houses. Several commercial Secretaries are to be found among the members, Galveston, Uvalde, Grand Saline and several other towns having sent their local secretaries to represent them in the Legislature.

A glance at the list of names

comprising the Upper and Lower houses, members of Congress and State officials shows a variety of peculiar names and that the common cognomen of Jones, Smith and Brown is conspicuous by its absence. Should the daffydil craze strike Austin this winter again, the daffydil enthusiast will find a verdant field in the Legislative halls. For instance if Martin Dies Young, would L. A. Colquitt or if Hudspeth likes Lattimore more than Paulus, what would Willacy? Birds of the air, flowers of the field and beasts of the jungle are represented in the names to be found on the list as attested by the Eagle, Robbin, Dove, Hawk-ins, the Oleander and the Savage shown thereon, while a Harp and a Horn-by lend a musical tone to the list. A group of contrasting names includes Sam J. Hunter and Geo. Herder; J. B. Furrh and M. C. Fields, Pat. F. Dunn and D. B. Householder, A. S. Grisp and James Greenwood, R. T. Burn and J. F. Coffey, Hunter P. Lane and J. B. Long, Harp and Harper, B. F. Looney and E. R. Kone.

In a class to themselves in the way of peculiar names are: Real, Schwegmann; Wahrung, Bierschwale, Burmeister, Boehmrr Lewelling, Grindstaf, Heilig, Ridgell, Raiden, Haxthausen, Ricker-son. In the entire list only two Smiths and one Brown are shown.

Two of Them

His companions bent over him with pitiful earnestness, and stared beseechingly into his waxen features. Again came the flutter of the eyelids, but this time his will mastered approaching death. His lips weakly struggled to execute his last commands, and the friends bent closer to hear the faltering whisper: "I am—gone? Yes—er—I know. Go to Milly. Tell her—er—I died with—her name on—my lips; that I—er—have loved her—her alone—er always. And Bessie—tell—er—tell Bessie the same thing.

"Do I understand that your son wants to be a doctor?"

"Yes."

"What for?"

"He wanted to follow a profession that would furnish him with a good excuse for staying out late nights I think."

HOW DO YOU SPEND TIME

In a little article entitled "Sixty Minutes of Salary," in January American Magazine, William Johnston said:

"Did you ever reduce your income to hours? You make, say, \$2,500 a year, or fifty dollars a week. You are at your desk eight hours a day and four on Saturdays. For each of the forty-four hours you receive one dollar and thirteen cents.

"Do you earn it?"

"If you are honest with yourself you will have to admit that you do not—at least not every hour. Just for the fun of it keep tab some day. As you go out of the office at noon ask yourself what you have done in the last four hours. More than likely you were a few minutes late that morning. How much time did you spend chatting? Was it a square deal to your employer to be writing those personal letters? It will amaze you to find how much time you have frittered away. You will be glad that your employer is not looking over your shoulder. Perhaps you will even understand, why he does not raise your salary.

"Watch men who are getting ahead in the world, men who are working their way up or who are in business for themselves. You'll find most of them working sixty-one minutes to the hour.

"To attain success a man doesn't have to work twenty-four hours a day. If he works eight hours of sixty minutes each he can do it. Relaxation and play and a proper amount of sleep are as essential to success as work is. It's the man who works when he works and plays when he plays who gets the most out of life.

"It is making the minutes count that makes life profitable.

"By the way, how did you spend the last sixty minutes? Let's hope it was on something worth while"

"Your husband seems less care-worn than formerly."

"Yes, now that the baseball season is over, he hasn't anything but his business to worry him."

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No wonder he looks so unpleasant he has not been a customer of E. A. Chambers for the year 1912.



Why, he is a regular customer of E. A. Chambers. He buys his coal, corn chops, brats and oats of him, and his dealings have always been pleasant. Coal is scarce, buy now while you can get a nice selection at Chambers Phone 157.

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Your health this year

We will appreciate your business and can give you good and prompt service. We have what you want in

DRUGS--ASK US

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"Your Druggists"

The *Rexall* Store

LOCAL NOTES

Our drays are always subject to call. Pinkerton & Loe.

G. B. McGuire was in Abilene Monday.

C. W. Ramey had business at Anson Tuesday.

Call up Pinkerton & Loe when you need a dray.

Try the Northside Jewelry and Variety Stores. 2-tf

A. N. Grindstead left Wednesday for Wichita Falls.

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Lynch are visiting at Grandview.

Bruce Holland, of Stamford, spent Sunday in the city.

Judge H. G. McConnell attended court in Vernon this week.

Mrs. J. U. Stanton and Miss Elliott are visiting at Abilene.

D. M. Cogdell was up from Abilene Wednesday on business.

Good farm to rent 4 miles south of Rule. See J. D. Kinnison 2-2t

Mrs. W. E. Spencer left Tuesday night for Albany to visit relatives.

Bill McDonald and Homer Liles made a trip to Stamford Tuesday.

F. M. Todd made a business trip to Naples in east Texas this week.

W. H. Parsons, (the jeweler) has two well improved farms for rent.

Mrs. Josephine Collier, of Stamford, spent Wednesday in the city.

County Commissioner Riddling had business in Fort Worth Monday.

A fine baby boy was born unto r. and Mrs. Joe Pace a few days ago.

WANTED—A small dog. Who will bring us one on subscription? 1-tf

Mrs. L. C. Eaton, mother of Mrs. Ed McNeely, is visiting at Bridgeport.

Arbor Vitae for sale, home raised. M. H. Gilliam, Haakell Texas. 4tpd

Try G. F. Ingram, the new and 2nd hand man for all kinds of repair. 4t

J. E. Johnson and son, Herbert, of Stamford, had business in our city Monday.

A fine boy was born unto Mr. and Mrs. Lee Pierson on Friday the 10th instant.

J. M. Ferrell who has been visiting his son here has returned to his home at Denton.

See W. H. Parsons for Testing Eyes and fitting glasses. Twenty five years experience. 2-tf

Mrs. Booth English returned Wednesday morning from a visit to friends at Stamford.

When you are in Haskell call on G. F. Ingram for new and second hand furniture. 4t

Mrs. T. R. Reynolds has returned to Abilene after a visit to the family of J. L. Johnson.

We take the greatest care of your goods hauled by us. Pinkerton & Loe.

Those baths at the White Front Barber Shop are fresh and fine. 2-2t

Want to buy—A second hand saddle. Also have a milk cow to trade. W. T. Boatwright. 2tpd

Mr. M. Pierson of Rule attended the Stockholders Meeting of the Haskell National Bank here Tuesday.

W. L. Curd, of the Weinert country, was in the city Thursday and called to pay up his subscription. 2-2t

Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Morton left Wednesday night for Velasco and other coast towns to spend a while.

Sam and Sanford Hampton, who have been visiting in this city, returned to their home at Gore Tuesday.

B. Cox and family left Thursday morning for Stillwell, Okla., and points in Arkansas, to visit relatives.

Get your stove wood from Pinkerton & Loe.

Ernest Langenegger, of Wichita, Kans., after a visit to friends near here, left Wednesday to return home.

Mrs. M. Rogers, of Abilene, who had been visiting at this place, left Wednesday for Munday to visit friends there.

For Rent—A farm 10 miles north of Haskell, consisting of 100 to 120 acres. W. F. Draper. Haskell, Texas. 4t

If you need anything in the way of new or 2nd hand goods call on G. F. Ingram at the Win. Wells old stand. 4t

Hold your orders for winter coal and save 50 cents per ton, by taking coal from the car, delivered by M. A. Clifton. 38-tf

Mrs. H. C. Scott returned Tuesday evening from Dallas where she had been to have her little son's eye treated.

Wanted—Family to cut and haul wood on halves. No wood for sale under other conditions. Kate Snyder, 3-tf.

Sheriff W. C. Allen went to San Antonio the early part of the week, to place a patient in the insane asylum in that city.

Maurice Durst and family, of Rochester, spent Saturday and Sunday in the city, the guests of James A. Greer and family.

Mrs. J. B. Davis, who has been visiting her mother, Mrs. D. L. Cummings of this city, has left for her home in Bell County.

Judge J. W. Kelley and J. M. Hickey, of Rule, came over Wednesday morning and took the train for Vernon on business.

Miss Ida Parrott, of Stamford, visited a while in Haskell Wednesday on her return home from nursing a patient at Rochester.

Go to the White Front Barber Shop for your baths. They have a stove in each room, and you can be warm and comfortable. 2-2t

Come to the Haskell Bakery for your fresh bread, pies and cakes baked every day. North Side Square, at McKelvin's old stand.

Bring your old stoves and furniture to the Wm. Wells old stand and exchange for new goods. G. F. Ingram, Prop. 4t

G. E. Robbins and family, of Eldorado, Okla., left Thursday morning to return home after a visit to relatives in Throckmorton county.

Improved Rowden Cotton seed at Sims & Harris Feed store. 1400 pounds of seed cotton of this variety is guaranteed to make a 500 lb. bale. 3-4t.

If you want a nice bath, go to the White Front Barber Shop, where they have them at a small price compared with the comfort you receive. 2-2t

Mrs. F. P. Ferguson, who has been with her daughter, Mrs. F. M. Morton, for some time, left Wednesday night for Temple to spend a while.

Mr. and Mrs. Garfield Daniels of Waco, who have been visiting with Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Ramey of this city have returned to their home at Waco.

175 acres farm near Batesville Ark., to trade for Haskell property or farm. If you want to go to Ark., see me at once. J. D. Kinnison, 2-tf

I am leaving Haskell. All repair work, watches, clocks and jewelry not called for, will be left with W. H. Parsons.

R. M. Craig.

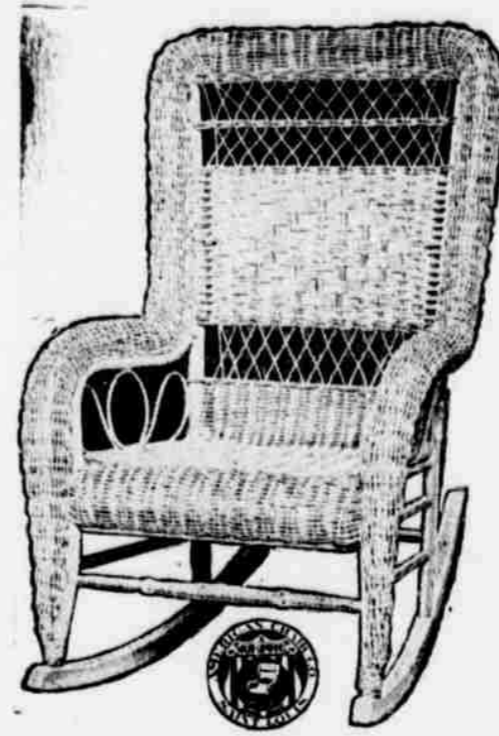
Paul Zahn returned last week from a trip to his old home at Austin. He reported that there was a great difference in the temperature there and at Haskell.

The Free Press calls attention to the advertisement of Hancock & Co., on eighth page. There is something of interest to you in that advertisement, and you will miss it if you don't read it.

FREE TO YOU

THIS BEAUTIFUL "SOLID COMFORT" REED ROCKER

WE WANT TO PUT AT LEAST ONE OF THESE FINE ROCKERS INTO YOUR HOME. YOU CAN GET ONE FOR EVERY ROOM IF YOU DESIRE



A good Reed Rocking Chair is one piece of furniture for which you always have a place. That's why we have arranged to give these fine Rockers as premiums to our customers. Without a supply of Rockers no home is complete.

We have secured from the American Chair Company, of St. Louis, Mo., the exclusive control for this locality of their celebrated "Solid Comfort" Reed Rocking Chairs, like illustration.

These Rockers fairly breathe rest and comfort; they are appropriate for all rooms and are also an attractive addition to the porch, veranda and lawn.

They are beautiful, comfortable and durable; strongly made of Singapore Reed, supported by well seasoned wood, and are finished with the finest Japanese Shellac. They have full, continuous roll arms, well braced, and a solid reed seat in basket form. The back is woven reed, and is restful as well as attractive. The stretches are neatly turned. The chairs are long and roomy, gentlemen's size. These chairs sell regularly for \$6.50.

Pasted on one of the stretches underneath the seat of every chair made by the American Chair Company you will find their trade-mark, as shown in the illustration, which is your safeguard against imitation and inferior goods. This trade-mark is a sign you are getting the best reed furniture made. Look for it.

We make this liberal offer to secure new customers and to increase our trade with old customers.

HERE IS THE OFFER

With every \$25.00 worth of goods you buy from us for cash, whether bought at one time or different times, we will give you one of these Rockers for \$1.50. Get as many Rockers as you wish, one Rocker for \$1.50 with every twenty-five dollars you trade.

HOW TO GET A ROCKER ABSOLUTELY FREE

If your cash purchases from us amount to \$50.00 during a period of twelve months, that is, \$25.00 additional, we will refund the \$1.50 you have paid for the Rocker, thus giving you the Rocker absolutely FREE. Remember that a Rocker will be delivered to you for the small amount of \$1.50 just as soon as you have purchased \$25.00 worth of goods for cash, and it will be optional with you as to whether you trade the additional \$25.00 and get the Rocker FREE.

The Rockers are now on exhibition at our store. You are invited to call and see them and get a punch card. Have all your purchases punched on your card. Do all of your trading with us and you will soon have a Rocker for every room.

You will always find a choice selection of dependable merchandise at our store, and our prices mean a saving to you.

We will begin this proposition MONDAY, JANUARY 20th, 1913. In the meantime we would like for you to come in and take a look at these beautiful chairs, and let us explain more fully how you can secure one ABSOLUTELY FREE.

HANCOCK'S

Lost—A box containing a handkerchief, two silver thimbles and a gold clasp pin. Finder return to this office and get reward. M. H. G. 2-4t

Lost—On side walk of Methodist Church street between residences of Ira Ellis and I. P. Carr a Diamond ring. Finder return to this office and receive reward.

For Sale—A good horse, harness and buggy, for \$100. Horse gentle and trustworthy. The buggy and harness in good condition. H. F. Bredthauer, Haskell, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Reynolds have moved back to this place from Anson. Mr. Reynolds will have charge of the grocery department of Robertson Bros. Co.

Mrs. John Carothers and Miss Moran left Monday night for Waco. Mr. Carothers left Thursday to join his wife there, where they will make their future home.

The Free Press regrets to announce the illness of Commissioner, Bunk Rike, who is suffering from an attack of pneumonia. The latest news reports that he is doing well.

B. A. Turk, of Hillsboro, came in Sunday night to visit his wife who had been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Graham for a week or more, Mr. and Mrs. Turk left Wednesday night to return home.

Mrs. T. C. Steward, of Holland, who has been visiting her brother, Judge Emory Menefee, left Tuesday night to return home. Judge Menefee accompanied her as far as Stamford, returning Wednesday morning.

Oscar Martin, our versatile senior editor, left Tuesday night for Corpus Christi to visit his son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Woodward. If the paper does not come up to the standard this week our readers will please attribute it to his absence.

Geo. Courtney has returned from a trip to Denton, Texas. Mr. Courtney is going to move his broom factory to Denton. We understand this is on account of the fact that he will have capital-ist of that city who will take stock in his company and put in some capital.

We are getting in the renewals.

Rev. S. D. Roberts left Thursday with the car containing his household goods enroute for Kirkl-land, Childress county. His family left Friday to join him. The Free Press regrets to see this estimable family leave, but we wish for them happiness and prosperity in their new home. The paper will visit them every week and tell them about their many friends here.

R. M. Craig and sister left Wednesday night for Ennis, their future home. Mr. Craig has been a resident of Haskell about seven years, conducting a jewelry business. By his gentlemanly conduct and honest business dealings he won a large host of friends who regret very much to know that he has left Haskell, but whose good wishes will attend him wherever he goes.

Office over Spencer & Richardson's, call and see the New Policies. Can insure both married and single women, as well as married men and old bachelors.

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Haskell, Texas

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PRESCRIPTIONS OUR SPECIALTY

DOWN ON THE COAST

Our Senior Editor is enjoying a few days
Down on the South Texas Coast,
The people of Corpus Christi will like his ways
Of that you may boast.

Oscar is known both far and near,
For his wonderful versatility,
He'll tell all about this country so dear
And of the soil's fertility.

How the coyotes' howl and cattle's low,
That once made the Welkin ring
Have been displaced by the man with the hoe,
And Cotton now reigns King.

Their onions may make their potatoes weep,
Their salty breeze may be all right
But out here among cotton and corn, our sleep
Is undisturbed by the mosquito bite.

So tell it to them good and strong Oscar,
Draw the picture in your own way,
Tell them how the West does prosper,
Even when the rains stay away.

—FREE PRESS STAFF POET.

Left Mrs. Smith Thinking

"I have been reading a very interesting article on coffee," said Mrs. Small, as Mr. Hunter passed by his cup for refilling.

"Being about a beverage, the article couldn't be dry," observed Mr. Hunter, playfully, and then added: "Three lumps of sugar, please."

Something like a frown passed over the landlady's face at her boarder's remark, but she continued:

"The article was one which deserves a large circulation. I think, for the good of the race. It was on the injurious effects of coffee drinking. The author said that we were becoming a Nation of coffee toppers. The pernicious effect of too much coffee drinking he set forth in an exceedingly strong light. Among the serious results likely to follow he enumerated is a sallow skin, shattered nerves, a weakening of the eye sight, loss of will power and in some cases he thought consumption might

be traced to the inordinate use of the beverage. The author said that appalling statistics could be produced of the ravages of the coffee-drinking habit among the American people."

"It was coffee he was talking about, was it?" asked Mr. Hunter, as he rose to go.

"It was Mr. Hunter."

"Then I don't think we need worry ourselves."

When you have a bilious attack give Chamberlain's Tablets a trial. They are excellent. For sale by all dealers.

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Abilene, Texas

Practice Limited to diseases of the Eye, Ear, Nose, Throat and the scientific fitting of glasses.

Next visit Monday February 3rd office at
WRIGHT HOUSE

HASKELL PUBLIC SCHOOL ITEMS

Enrollment and Attendance.

It may be of interest to Haskell patrons to learn the present enrollment in the various grades of the Haskell Public School and also to note the average attendance for the past month.

East Ward

(1) Grades-1st & 2nd-Miss Parks' Room-Enroll. 48-Attendance 45
(2) Gras.-3rd & 4th. Miss Boynton's Room Enroll 49-At. 35

South Ward

(1)Gras. 1st & 2nd.-Miss Davis's Room Enroll-54-At.-38.
(2)Gras. 3rd & 4th.Miss Baldwin' Room Enroll-36-At.-33.
(3) Gras. 4th & 5th Miss Bell's Room Enroll. 39-At.-35.

North Ward

(1)Gras. 1st & 2nd Miss Lipscomb's Room Enr. 53-At.-40.
(2)Gras. 3rd & 4th Miss Weedon's Room Enroll 48- At.-42.

(3)Gra. 5th Miss Randel's Room Enroll, 36-At.-42.
(4) Gra. 6th Miss Ellis' Room Enroll 39- At.-x
(5) Gra. 7th Miss Gillam's Room Enroll 25- At.-24.

High School

Gras. 8th, 9th, 10th, & 11th- Enroll 112-At.-36.

(Note: The average monthly attendance in Miss Ellis's room before she was transferred to North Ward was 12. She has been on the North Side only two weeks)

Grades--High and Low

Many of the pupils are getting low grades and some are being placed in grades lower than they have been. Parents of such pupils are requested to require much work in the home. It is a mistake to complain of the teacher for low grades and for the child failing to make the grades. Teachers require a certain quantity of THOROUGH WORK before they give pupils high grades and before they promote pupils. This work can be done by the pupils ONLY. The greatest weakness in the Haskell Public School is that children are in grades where the work is too hard for the children. This is due very largely to the fact that parents are constantly urging teachers to promote children. This is a sad mistake. The teachers need not be called on and criticized because the child reports low grades or because he failed to pass the grade. If the call is made it should be to complement the teacher for her demand for THOROUGH WORK and for her honesty in grading the child accurately. Many teachers--in order to please some parents and almost all children--will grade children too high and promote too soon. Haskell teachers desire to be useful and to give honest grades for the necessary quantity of THOROUGH WORK. To be popular as a teacher and to be useful as a teacher mean two very different things. Parents, if you are displeased with the grades of your children or with the grade in which they are working, please help the teacher to be able to grade higher by requiring more Haskell's Intermediate Grades.

In the intermediate grades--Fifth, Sixth, & Seventh--in the Haskell Schools the enrollment is as follows: Fifth Gr. 54; Sixth Gr. 39; Seventh Gr. 25. No thinking man or woman would agree that it is wise to place these three grades in three different parts of the town. To do so would call for more than twice the amount of work which should be given to the pupils of these grades and it would mean much poorer opportunities for the pupils. A class of 25 divided into three groups means school suicide.

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HASKELL, TEXAS, Jan. 18, 1913.

Have you paid your poll tax?

No town need hope to prosper and grow whose citizenship will ignore the existence and importance of the home industries within its confines. We must be loyal to the institutions of our town if we desire the town to grow.

We know people who are the most miserable financial failures who can at all times give advice how to acquire a fortune. Many times their advice is good and could be heeded with profit, but it seems rather inconsistent that they do not practice what they preach. Usually such advice falls upon deaf ears because of the fact that they have never tried any of their own remedies for the poverty evil.

When the citizenship of a town or community becomes so inoculated with the spirit of "Me and my wife and my son John and his wife; us four and no more," a selfishness in a superlative degree, you will soon see a divided community and nothing good can ever be predicted for it. Don't let such a spirit live. Let's counteract it with the antidote of brotherly love, co-operation, a desire to see our fellows prosper and enjoy the blessings of life.

How many Haskell citizens are going to build sidewalks this year? Nothing adds more to the appearance of a place than nice, clean sidewalks and well-kept yards. Of course pretty trees, shrubbery and flowers add greater attraction. You can make the most humble and dilapidated looking house look pretty and inviting with such surroundings. Every home in Haskell can be made more attractive with very little expense, time and labor because of the splendid opportunity in adaptability of soil and abundance of good water.

Some are ever ready to complain at and criticize the efforts of others when they endeavor to do something for the public weal if they happen to not conform with their idea of how things should be done. And yet these same self-appointed critics may never offer an effort or suggestion to aid in the upbuilding of the town. If you are unwilling or incompetent to render aid, the best thing you can do is to keep your criticisms to yourself. You have no right to meddle unless you are able and willing to help.

The Free Press has entered the new year with a broad, co-operative spirit. It will be our aim and effort to encourage every laudable enterprise with more vigor in the future than we did in the past, and strike a death blow to the little bickerings that arise to retard the progress of the town; to uphold, abet and promote the moral welfare of our town, and to discourage, overthrow and eradicate every tendency to lower the morals of our town; to foster and encourage everything that has for its object the upbuilding of your town in every way. At the same time we shall exercise a tolerant spirit towards those who may oppose us. Will you not join us in these aims and efforts?

HONESTY IS THE BEST POLICY

We have all heard the oft-repeated expression, "Honesty is the best Policy," and some have added "even for Policy's Sake." We believe this to be true, that it is best to be honest, even for Policy's sake, but believe it is better to be honest because it is right. There was never a truer expression uttered than the warning given by the good book, "Be sure your sins will find you out." A man may cover up his misdoings for a while, but sooner or later his sins will find him out, or rather "give him away." How oft have you heard people say, "If I had my life to live over, it would be different." Naturally it would not, unless you could live it over after having experienced the misspent part of it. But why do we have to live our lives over to improve them now? It is never too late to mend, unless it be on our death bed when there is not time left for us to show by our works the repentance that is in us. We may not be able to recall our misdeeds, but hardly a week passes that we do not read of the misdoings of others, who yielded to Temptations' alluring invitation to do wrong in order to benefit themselves personally. If we are sincere in desiring to retrieve, why not profit by our own experience as well as that of others, and make the future different from the past. The time to begin is the present. The past is dead and the future may never come. Every thought and inclination should be weighed well before put into word or action, if we expect to escape shame and degradation. We have a fitting example of this contention of recent date. For a year Judge Robert A. Archibald has been in the limelight, standing trial for impeachment, and a few days ago the U. S. Senate rendered a verdict of guilty of the charges against him. The evidence plainly showed guilt. The unholy love of money ruined this great man, and what would have otherwise been a great life is wasted. He had power and honor but failed to withstand the temptation placed before him. No doubt when his career began he would have been offended at the suggestion of ever being called dishonest, but with the power attained by the lofty and honorable position, he allowed the love of money to influence him to misuse his position to gratify personal lust. This is only one instance in many hundreds that we see to warn us against useless expenditures, living beyond our income, in order to be called powerful, influential, and to keep up with "modern society." Not only those who are honored by our country should live within their means, but others in the more lowly walks of life should heed the warning as handed to us through the conviction of this man. What shall it profit us if we gain the whole world and lose our honor and good name, to say nothing of the loss of our soul?

To Regulate the Practice of Optometry

The State Optical Association, which brought its annual session to an end in Dallas Tuesday, put itself on record, of course, in favor of a law regulating the practice of optometry. The noteworthy feature of its resolution was the passage commending the declaration of Charles F. Prentice, M. E., of New York that "no profession or class of men should be exempted from compulsory optical education." The Bill which was presented to the last Legislature in the name of this association proposed, as we recall, to exempt physicians from its requirements, and this declaration must signify therefore, that the measure which will be presented to the next Legislature will not allow that exemption.

The exemption was made in the former bill admittedly out of considerations of expedience. It was thought that without it the physicians who in small towns fit glasses without being able to satisfy the conditions which the bill sought to impose would unite in opposing it, and that their opposition would destroy all chance of its passage. Either the physicians were not conciliated by this concession or there was enough opposition independent of theirs to defeat it, for the measure failed.

Whether it is good strategy or not to invite the opposition of this multitude of physicians, it does not lie within our province to consider. But we have no hesitation in saying that there can be no valid reason for exempting any one if it is so important as the opticians assert to impose tests of capability on those who fit glasses. The News supported the measure presented to the last Legislature despite this inexcusable flaw in it, and such consideration as it has given to the matter since then has confirmed it in the opinion that there is abundant reason why the State should interpose its authority to safeguard the people from the malpractice of spectacle peddlers who have neither the competence nor moral responsibility to perform this service acceptably. The consequence of using ill-fitted glasses is too important to excuse the failure of the state to impose conditions for the practice of optometry. Twenty-seven States, Massachusetts being the latest to en-

act it. That fact alone is sufficient to commend the subject to the earnest consideration of the next Legislature.—Dallas News.

Look Out Below.

I shot an arrow in the air; it fell in the distance, I knew not where, till a neighbor said it killed his calf, and I had to pay him six and a half.

I bought some poison to kill some rats, and a neighbor swore it killed his cats; and, rather than argue across the fence, I paid him four dollars and fifty cents.

One night I set sailing a toy balloon, and hoped it would soar till it reached the moon; but the candle fell out on a farmer's straw and he said I must settle or go to law.

And that is the way with a random shot, it never hits the proper spot; and the joke you may spring that you think so smart may leave a wound in some fellow's heart.—Exchange.

The World is Growing Better.

Sometimes we say the world is cruelly uncharitable. Then we are uncharitable to the world. In a great number of cases people are cruel to themselves and then try to shift the blame on their fellows. Almost daily we find instances of the world's charity, its willingness to help the worthy unfortunates and its desire to lift up the man or woman who has found life's path too hard to walk alone. In Fort Worth the other day a poor woman who had been hiding her poverty from friends finally gave up the effort to support her four-year-old daughter. She went to the police station and told her troubles to a kind hearted police matron. The mother suggested that if the child were adopted by kindly people she could be better able to make a living. The report was published in the newspaper. A few hours later more than a hundred persons had applied for the child. In other words more than a hundred homes in Fort Worth are ready to welcome a victim of adversity. And what is true of Fort Worth is true of every other city in the land.—Dallas Times-Herald.

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Defective Vision and Hearing Causes Stupidity in Students

The appalling statement is made by Dr. Daly of Abilene that two-thirds of all the children in the public schools can be classed by their teachers as stupid and who have lagged behind in their classes are not stupid at all. Twenty-nine per cent of them have defective vision and the reason they do not learn to read or write as readily as their companions is that they cannot see the characters distinctly. Twelve per cent of them do not learn rapidly because they have defective learning and do not understand what is asked of them. Others have adenoid growths that impede the circulation of the blood to the brain so that they appear dull, whereas a little treatment would suffice to restore them to a normal condition.

The Free Press is no prophet, nor are its editors sons of prophets but we will risk the criticism of those whose delight is to criticize, in saying that Haskell county will be blessed with another good crop this year. Fact is, it is our opinion that west Texas is on the eve of another wave of prosperity, and that those who have stayed with the country under the trying conditions that have been our lot the past several years will reap their reward, and many of those whose faith was not as large as a grain of mustard seed may be seen wending their way back to the land of peace and plenty and a citizenship that can not be surpassed.

Two conservative ladies of old-fashioned notions were traveling in the West and becoming interested in a young girl on the train, finally asked why she was making so long a journey alone. They were greatly shocked at her blithe explanation: "Well, you see, my mother an step-father live at one end of the journey, and my father and stepmother live at the other. They send me to each other twice a year, so there isn't a bit of danger with four parents all on the lookout!"

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CONDEMNS WOMAN'S SUFFRAGE

Published by request.]

From my earliest boyhood I have had a very exalted opinion of woman and hope and pray that she will be guilty of no improprieties in the future which will in the least change that opinion. There has always appeared about her a sweetness and delicacy of soul which seemed to lift her far above man in the roughness and coarseness of his nature. I shrink from anything and everything which lowers her to the level of my own sex. For this reason, and for Bible reasons, I abominate the whole modern heresy of "woman's rights," and everything which squints that way. A female politician makes my flesh crawl. "Woman's suffrage" is nauseating. Even to think of a woman on the rostrum and "on the stump" is disagreeable to me, for woman's sake and for God's sake. As I read the Scriptures I can not admit that her great Creator would have the native modesty of the gentler sex disfigured or the blush taken from her cheek by anything that even looks to the obliteration of the sexes.

I do not believe her heavenly father ever intended her to invade the sphere of work given to man tearing down and distorting all the best influences for which God intended her.

This question is one involving the entire relationship of man and woman. It is a movement which may best be described as an attempt to obliterate all except the purely structural distinction between man and woman and to establish a complete identity of duty and functions in place of the separation that hitherto has existed. Seeing, then, that such results will ultimately follow the granting of woman the right to vote and hold office, is it not strange that there are to be found those who advocate it?

God gave woman her proper place when He made her, and if she will remain in it she can rule like a Queen all around her; but let her desert her God-given place and she will lose forever her power and influence.

I am opposed to woman suffrage because, first, the majority of women do not want to vote or hold office, and I, therefore, do not want to force on them something that they do not want. In this matter, as in all others, I believe the majority ought to rule. There are a "few short-haired women and long-haired men" I know who think that the future success of this Nation depends on women voting. The great majority of women, I am happy to think, look with disfavor upon those "hikes" to Albany those fights with the police of England and attacks on men in authority.

The writer is opposed to women voting, in the second place, because he knows they will not stop there. Soon they will aspire to fill offices and they will want to canvass and be voted for like men. This will bring them into all the cliques, tricks, rings and pulls of corrupt politicians, and will do women no good, but a great amount of harm. There is a great deal of human nature about women, and they are not entirely free from influence and bribes. Should they go into politics they would use the same methods to receive the nomination and election that men do. They can not do this and keep their skirts clean.

My third argument is based on the old Southern idea that women as mothers, wives, sisters and daughters, can exert more influence over men for good than they can as politicians. It will be a sad day for this Nation when women lose their softening, refining, elevating and purifying influence which they

wield in the home and the church. If they cannot influence men to vote right by their womanly influence at home they will not do it on the stump and at the polls. For pure, refined, womanly women, men will vote, fight and lay down their lives. But for coarse, unrefined, masculine women, men have little patience and very little respect.

Women voting and holding office might for a while, I grant you, help politics. But it would soon hurt both women and politics. There are times in the lives of women when they cannot sit for days in the jury box, act as police, Sheriffs, Judges, etc., for woman is so constituted by nature that she has to be quiet and at home during certain days of each month, and when she is expecting to become a mother. Modest women shrink from publicity during these periods. The writer is opposed to woman's suffrage in the fourth place because it completely destroys our old-fashioned home. If mother wyl. wife are away from home meddling with politics and in office what is there to draw husband and children to the home? There can be no home. Why do husbands, sons and daughters hasten home from their work and the school when the day's work is done? Wife and children and mother are there. Any place is "Home Sweet Home" with these present. But a fine mansion well furnished is not home with mother and wife gone. I hate woman suffrage, because I see in it the ruin of the home.

Lastly, I am opposed to it because it seems to show a distrust in man. Why do women wish to vote? Can't they trust their husbands, brothers and sons? Have they lost faith in them? Let those women who are clamoring to vote cast about them and see if there is not something wrong with their home influence. Let men feel that they have a sacred home to protect. Let them feel that wife, mother, daughter and sister are expecting them to cast their votes for pure men and good measures and they will vote right. A young man in the town where I am writing expected to vote in the last election for anti-prohibition but he received a telegram on the day of the election, which read: "Son, cast your vote for mother." He said immediately, "I'll vote for prohibition." Mothers, you can rule as Queens at home. Do not, for your own sakes, and for the sake of your loved ones, destroy your influence by meddling with politics. Influence your husbands, fathers, sons, brothers and friends to vote right by a sweet, womanly life, that can not be resisted. If you cut yourselves loose from your womanly moorings men will deal with you as men and not as women. You will have to stand up on street cars and all other places and "enjoy your rights."

May heaven protect our homes from these "short-haired women and long-haired men."

A. P. TERRELL.

Brady, Tex.

A Card of Thanks.

We wish to express our thanks and appreciation for every thoughtful kindness shown us in the recent illness and death of our son, husband, and brother. To those who were with us in this sad hour of bereavement we pray God's richest blessings on you.

Especially do we wish to thank Doctors Cockerell and Kimbrough for their constant care and watchfulness unto the end.

Mrs. Alice T. Nolen.

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Notice of Sheriff's Sale

By virtue of an Order of Sale issued out of the Honorable District Court of Haskell County, on the 9th day of January, A. D. 1913, in the case of G. W. Logan vs. J. A. Henson et al. No. 508, and to me, as Constable directed and delivered, I have levied upon the 9th day of Jan., A. D. 1913, and will, between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 4 o'clock p. m., on the first Tuesday in February, A. D. 1913, it being the 4th day of said month, at the Court House door of said Haskell County, in the town of Haskell, proceed to sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash in hand, all the right, title and interest which B. W. Gay, J. R. Sledge, Administrators of the estate of J. D. Miller, deceased, J. A. Henson and W. B. Harrison had on the 1st day of May, 1898, or at any time thereafter, of, in and to the following described property, to-wit:

416 1/2 acres of land, being Subdivisions No. 1, 2, out of the 68 acre tract of land conveyed by S. H. Johnson and W. E. Johnson to J. D. Johnson on Jan. 2nd, 1896, said land being out of the T. D. Owings League and Labor survey, Abstract No. 367, Cert. No. 1321-1022, Survey No. 111, Patent No. 528, Vol. 17, being about 5 miles Southeast of Haskell, Texas, and formerly known as the old George Mason place, but later known as the J. D. Johnson place.

Said property being levied on as the property of B. W. Gay, J. R. Sledge, Administrators of the estate of J. D. Miller, deceased, Jas. A. Henson and W. B. Harrison to satisfy a judgment amounting to \$7,375.79, in favor of G. W. Logan, and costs of suit.

Given Under My Hand This 9th day of Jan., A. D. 1913.

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By Virtue of an Order of Sale issued out of the Honorable District Court of Haskell County, on the 9th day of Jan. A. D. 1913, in the case of First State Bank of Haskell, Texas, vs. Fred E. McClung, J. E. McClung, J. M. Watkins and J. C. Farley No. 1776, and to me, as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I have levied upon and seized this 9th day of January A. D. 1913, and will, between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 4 o'clock p. m., on the first Tuesday in February, A. D. 1913, it being the 4th day of said month, at the Court House door of said Haskell County in the town of Haskell, proceed to sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash in hand all that certain tract, lot or parcel of land, lying and being situated in the county of Haskell and State of Texas, and more fully and particularly described as follows: Being lots Nineteen (19), Twenty (20) and Twenty One (21) in block Twenty Two (22) of the town of Rochester, Texas, as the same appears upon a map or plat of said town, July 2nd for record in the office of the county clerk of Haskell County, Texas, same being a foreclosure of the vendor's lien on said property as it existed on the 15th day of April, 1909.

Given Under My Hand This 9th day of January A. D. 1913. W. C. ALLEN, Sheriff Haskell County, Texas.

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By virtue of an order of Sale issued out of the Honorable District Court of Haskell County, on the 9th day of January A. D. 1913, in the case of Lee Pierson versus J. C. Walter as Principal and A. Tonn as Endorser, No. 1390, and to me, as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I have levied upon this 9th day of January A. D. 1913, and will, between the hours of 10 o'clock A. M. and 4 o'clock p. m., on the first Tuesday in February, A. D. 1913, it being the 4th day of said month, at the Court House door of said Haskell County, in the town of Haskell, proceed to sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash in hand, all the right, title and interest which the said J. C. Walter had on the 1st day of February A. D. 1909, or at any time thereafter, of, in and to the following described property, to-wit:

Situated in Haskell County, Texas, and being a certain tract or parcel of land, being in all 50 acres, except those portions hereinafter expressly exempted, out of the Thomas Early survey, known as Survey No. 39 by virtue of Certificate No. 108, issued to Thomas Early and known as Abstract No. 126, patented to Henry J. Munson, assignee, on January 31st, 1874, by Patent No. 45 Vol. 26, said 50 acre tract being described by metes and bounds as follows: Beginning at a set rock 1008 vrs. South and 1050 vrs. West of the Northeast corner of the said Thomas Early Survey; Thence South 336 varas to a rock from which a mesquite bears North 11 1/2 West 10 varas; Thence West 840 varas to a rock from which a mesquite bears North 50 West 11 7/16 varas and a double mesquite bears North 41 3/4 East 8 3/8 varas; Thence North 336 varas to a rock from which a leaning mesquite bears North 82 East 14 3/5 varas, another bears South 42, West 30 4/10 varas; Thence East 840 varas to the place of beginning, containing 50 acres of land. However there is excepted and exempted from the operation of said judgment two tracts of land which constitute a part of said 50 acres, said two tracts being as follows: First: Beginning at the Northeast corner of said 50 acre tract; Thence West 420 feet a stake; Thence South 148 feet a stake; Thence East 420 feet; Thence North 148 feet to the place of beginning and containing 1 1/4 acres of land.

Second: Beginning at the place where the center line of the Stamford & Northwestern Railway intersects the North line of the said A. Tonn tract said point being 533.3 feet South 80 degrees 36 minutes W from the NE cor. of said A. Tonn tract; Thence with the N line of the said A. Tonn tract, South 80 degrees 36 minutes West 106.6 feet; Thence 100 feet from and parallel to said center line South 29 degrees 41 minutes East 994 feet; Thence North 80 degrees 36 minutes East 213.2 feet to a point 121.4 feet South 80 degrees 36 minutes West along South line of A. Tonn tract from Southeast corner of A. Tonn tract; Thence 100 feet from and parallel to said center line North 29 degrees 41 minutes West 994 feet; Thence North 80 degrees 36 minutes West with the North line of A. Tonn tract 106.6 feet to the place of beginning, containing 4 5/8-100 acres of land, more or less, so that eliminating the two tracts of land exempted and excepted from said judgment the remaining portion of said 50 acre tract consisting of 4 1/8-100 acres, and is the foreclosure of the Vendors Lien thereon.

Said property being levied on as the property of J. C. Walter to satisfy a judgment amounting to \$2,495.65, in favor of Lee Pierson and costs of suit.

Given Under My Hand This 9th day of January A. D. 1913. W. C. ALLEN, Sheriff Haskell County, Texas.

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The State of Texas, To the Sheriff or any Constable of Haskell County, GREETING:— You Are Hereby Commanded, That you summon, by making Publication of this Citation in some newspaper published in the County of Haskell, for four weeks previous to the return day hereof, R. W. King whose residence is unknown, to be and appear before the Hon. District Court, at the next regular term thereof, to be holden in the County of Haskell, at the Court House thereof, in Haskell, Texas on the 26th day of May 1913 then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 7th day of January A. D. 1913, in a suit numbered on the docket of said Court No. 1433, wherein Jefferson Johnson, Executor, is plaintiff and R. W. King is defendant. The nature of the plaintiffs demand being as follows, to-wit:

Suit for title to and possession of lots Two (2) and Three (3) in block Fifty-four (54) in the town of Haskell, Texas, as same is shown from a map or plat of said town recorded at page 400 of volume M7 of the deed records of said county; plaintiff alleging that his title to said property is as follows: (a) The same was patented by the State of Texas to the heirs of Peter Allen on December 31, 1866, by patent No. 365, volume 17. (b) That thereafter on the 25th day of June, 1907, the plaintiff, Jefferson Johnson, acting as agent and attorney in fact for W. M. Walton, as well as executor of the estate of N. S. Walton, deceased, executed a deed to the defendant, R. W. King, conveying him the land and premises above described, and as part of the consideration therefor the said defendant, R. W. King, executed three notes for one hundred dollars each, payable to the order of Jefferson Johnson, executor, aforesaid, all dated June 25, 1907, bearing interest at the rate of 8 per cent. per annum from date, payable annually, due respectively on or before June 25, 1908, June 25, 1909, and June 25, 1910, and in the deed executed as above alleged the vendor's lien was reserved to secure the payment of said notes, and the superior title to said property remained in the said Jefferson Johnson, executor of said estate, and continues to so remain until the full and final payment of said notes, and said notes having all fully matured, and the said Jefferson Johnson, as such executor, being the legal holder of said notes, has elected to rescind the sale of said property, evidenced by said deed and said notes, and brings this suit to recover the title to and possession thereof. And plaintiff also alleges that defendant, R. W. King, has only such title as he acquired under the aforesaid purchase and having failed and refused to pay said notes or any part thereof plaintiff is entitled to recover said property.

Herein fail not, and have you 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 Haskell, Texas, this, the 8th, day of January A. D. 1913. Guy O. Street, Clerk District Court of Haskell County, Texas.

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Notice of Sheriff's Sale

By virtue of an Order of Sale issued out of the Honorable District Court of Haskell County, on the 8th day of January A. D. 1913, in the case of S. G. Dean versus J. B. Whitaker and H. S. Wilson No. 1425, and to me, as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I have levied upon and seized this 9th day of January A. D. 1913, and will, between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 4 o'clock p. m., on the first Tuesday in February A. D. 1913, it being the 4th day of said month, at the Court House door of said Haskell County, proceed to sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash in hand, all that certain lot, tract or parcel of land lying and being situated in the county of Haskell and State of Texas and more particularly described as follows: Being a part of the James Scott League and labor survey, abstract No. 588, certificate No. 154, survey 118, further known as subdivision No. 47 of the said James Scott League and Labor of land in said Haskell County, Texas, same being foreclosure of the vendor's lien on said property as it existed on the 16th day of September, 1909.

Given Under My Hand This 8th day of January A. D. 1913. W. C. ALLEN, Sheriff Haskell County, Texas.

MARY SIMMONS

By T. L. BURBANK

I was the only unmarried man in the settlement and I was powerful handsome. When evening came on each family got under their own roof and sat around the open adobe fireplaces and was comfortable. I didn't have no friends and if I'd got one I'd had to set by it alone, not havin' any wife or children. Consequences was I was thinkin' o' diggin' out when sompin' happened to keep me.

I was ridin' along a road when I seen a gal on horseback ahead of me. I caught up with her and said, "Howdy," and "It's a fine day," and neighborly things like that. She was good lookin' and cottoned to me to onc, askin' me where I come from, where I was goin' and all that. I tol her I'd come from the settlement and I was goin' after some horses that was neede there and I'd bought 'spectin' to make a reasonable profit on 'em.

Waal, we talked a lot, and I got kind a confidential. I tol her that I was alone in the world and livin' among married people. She allowed it was kind a lonesome livin' alone. I axed her if that was her fix and she allowed it was. We got thicker and thicker, and at last I up and fired a question at her if she would hitch onto me and set up a home with me.

She said it was kind o' sudden, but wa'n't a bad idee, and she'd think it over. She was livin' with an aunt on a sheep ranch and was goin' there then. If I'd wait a spell she might decide to double up, and if she did I'd hear from her. When we come to the cross roads we separated and I went on and bought my hosses.

Comin' back with a dozen hosses, I brought some men with me, well armed, for hoss thieves was mighty thick thereabouts, and I didn't know what might happen. Sure enough, when we got to the crossroads, lookin' down the road we crossed, we saw a lot o' men gallopin' toward us. But we was too quick for 'em and reached a wood before they could git near us, and in there we had the advantage over 'em, for we could see 'em and they couldn't see us. So we got our hosses away.

The day arter I got back Mary Simmons, the gal I overhauled on the road, come into the settlement and when she found me said she'd been thinkin' o' my proposition and was favorably inclined to it, but it seemed unnatural to make up with a man on such a small acquaintance, and she jest thort that if she could get some sort of a job in the settlement for awhile so's we could do some courtin' it would be all right. I tol her the only thing I knowed there was plenty of washin', and she said she was a good washer and ironer. So I got board for her on Mrs. Finnegan's, she payin' her own board and keepin' independent.

"I've had been so much hoss stealin' goin' on that we concluded to keep all the hosses in the settlement in one barn when not usin' 'em, and we wouldn't keep 'em in any one barn two nights runnin'." We thort that in that way we'd keep the thieves from findin' jist where the hosses was and they wouldn't know where to go to get 'em. But one night they run in on us and made straight for the barn where the hosses was. There happened to be only six hosses in the settlement that night, but the thieves got 'em all.

THE WIDOW'S GOAT

By M. QUAD

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Deacon Carter of the village of Romeo was a good man and a good neighbor. He never refused to lend his hoe or his wheelbarrow, and his wife just doted on lending her hairpin or washboard. The deacon would have no more hurry a person's feelings than he would have jumped off the bridge into Thornapple creek, and that he was ever to be threatened with a lawsuit was the last thing to be thought of.

One day the deacon got a message to the effect that his widowed daughter over at Glen Dale was dying, and he borrowed a horse and buggy and drove over. The daughter had no children to mourn her. The father got there in time to receive her last instructions and to close her eyes.

The widow had neither dog nor cat, but in place of either or both had a goat. It had been sent to her when young from a distance, and they had learned to love each other. The goat had made no trouble at all, and the daughter charged her father to take Billy home with him and watch and guard him and treat him with loving kindness.

The goat was brought home and made to understand that it's future home were to be cast in pleasant places. It was given the run of the yard, and for three days its attitude elicited sympathy and commendation. It really shed tears over the mistress and the home it had lost, and then it braced up and became playful.

The deacon had a tomato patch, and he went out one morning to pick two or three tomatoes to go with his breakfast. As he gathered them there was a concussion, and it was ten minutes later when his wife came out and found him just coming to himself again.

"W-what is it, Jephtha?" she gasped. "The—the goat!" "What about him?" "Come on the run and struck me with his head!" "But I don't see how he"— "But she did see. The goat came bounding on like a cyclone and bowled her over and over until she struck the row of sunflowers.

Two days passed quietly, but on the evening of the second the goat quietly slipped his collar and slipped out to see the sights of Romeo. While ranging around he encountered six different persons on their way to prayer meeting. He took them in as fast as he came to them. Some went rolling into the ditch and some against the fence, but all underwent the same sensation. They thought a tree had fallen on them.

Even a good man can't escape consequences if he is the owner of a butting goat. Next day six limping people wanted to know what Deacon Carter was going to do about it. Like the square man that he was, he offered them \$3 apiece and made settlements. "If it wasn't that I had promised Hanner on her dyin' bed," he said to his wife as the last victim limped away.

How the Run on the Bank Was Stopped

By EVELYN TISDALE

When I was married I had \$50,000 in hard cash and had been assistant cashier in a bank. I concluded to go west to some promising town and open a bank.

There was one bank where I settled. Barton's, that previous to my entering the field had done all the business there was to do. Barton was very much disgruntled at having to give up any of it to me and did all he could covertly to injure me and my credit. He was not liked, being considered a skindiv, and I gradually cut into his business. This gain on my part was partly due to my wife, who made herself very popular with her acquaintances and brought me many valuable accounts.

The town was growing, and there was business for two banks. If I had not occupied the field some one else would have done so. But Barton wanted it all and acted accordingly. All went well enough till the panic of 1893 came on, when we were all in for hard times. Barton was known to have much more capital than I, but most of those having deposits with me felt friendly to me or to my wife or to both of us, and I was able to keep a pretty steady rein on them. A few drew their accounts and placed them with Barton. This would have been all the detriment to me that would have occurred during the panic had not Barton, through others in his interest, circulated reports that I would not pull through.

One morning when I went to business I found a crowd waiting for the opening of my doors and knew that the blow had fallen. I was in for a run. Calling the employees together, I gave them instructions in practicing the usual delays resorted to by bankers while standing a run. Then at the opening hour the paying teller's window was thrown up—there was no likelihood of the receiving tellers having anything to do—and the struggle commenced.

I had got in some gold the night before by express after banking hours and had kept it at home. I thought it might be advisable to leave it there for awhile, for in case my bank should go by the board I would need something to put me on my feet again. When I went home at noon to dinner I told Lizzie that in case I should send for the money to bring it to me herself, carrying it in such a way that the waiting crowd of depositors would presume that she was bringing me gold.

Two days after this, when most of our ready cash had been paid out and it appeared that we would have to go under, I looked over a list of depositors still unpaid and decided to put in my reserve, hoping with it to weather the storm. So I sent a messenger to Mary to bring it to me.

In due time, looking out the window of my private office, I saw her alight from a cab with the messenger, who came in and said he wished a man to assist in removing treasure. The two went back to the carriage and brought in a sack that it required both of them to carry. I was astounded, for the amount I had at home could easily have been carried by Lizzie. The crowd, seeing the load going into the bank, set up a cheer, and some of them left the line and went away.

The sack was brought into my office. I opened it and found my gold on top of several hundred pounds of nut coal. I threw my arms about Lizzie's neck, praising her inventive genius, then ordered the gold—not the coal—dumped in a heap on the paying teller's desk. Those nearest the window set up another shout, and the paying teller, by my order, began paying out the gold with considerable alacrity. More of those in line went away without waiting to be paid, and I was pleased to see they were those to whom I owed the largest balances. Before the closing hour the line had dwindled to a few persons having merely household accounts. The backbone of the run had been broken.

But Barton in undermining me had destroyed confidence even in himself, and while I was feeling the tail end of a run, he was in the hottest part of one. Lizzie, who had gone home, returned, passing Barton, and, seeing the crowd, conceived the idea of extending to him the succor she had given me. Continuing on to the bank, she confided her plans to me, and placing \$1,000 in gold on top of the coal, I sent two of our messengers with it to Barton. They were recognized by the crowd in line as our messengers, and the depositors, presuming they came with a loan, went wild with delight. I sent a note by the messengers to Barton suggesting that he pay out the gold as I had done.



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County News Items

Interesting Facts Gathered During the Week by Our Regular Correspondents.

The letters of Rosebud, Brown Eyes and Two Jolly School Girls came in time last week but we were compelled to leave them out for lack of space, for which we are sorry. We hope we will not have to do so any more. We appreciate their good letters just the same, and so will our readers when they read them this week. We are glad to welcome Red Headed Rag to our happy circle.

Whitman

Hello Mr. Editor and Chats. How are you all enjoying this cold weather? Its fine for Hog-killing isn't it?

Mrs. Russell is still on the sick list, but we are hoping for her a speedy recovery.

Mrs. Oscar Hutchins spent Saturday eve with Mrs. Jim Ferrell. The Misses Hayes spent from Wednesday until Saturday with their sister Mrs. C. G. Burson of near Sayles.

The party at Mr. Eastlands Friday night was enjoyed by all.

Mose Hayes of Rose spent a short while with his father Saturday morning.

Mrs. McNeely has almost recovered from a short spell of sickness.

W. F. Hayes and wife spent Saturday of last week with G. L. Hayes and family.

Mrs. Jim Ferrell spent Wednesday eve with Mrs. McNeely.

Mr. Lawson and wife were in town shopping Saturday eve.

Mr. Couch and sister Nellie, returned Wednesday from a visit to their father in Robertson Co. C. G. Burson and wife spent

Saturday night and Sunday with their father and mother G. L. Hayes.

Jim Ferrell spent a short while with C. G. Burson of Sayles Monday.

The party at Mr. Friersons Wednesday night was enjoyed by a large crowd.

Sam Cearley spent a short while with Robt. Hayes Saturday eve.

Mrs. Wesley Hayes is visiting in Bell Co.

Miss Thelma Bledsoe spent Saturday eve of last week with Mrs. Felix Frierson.

Our School is progressing nicely with Thomas Havens as teacher.

Miss Thelma Bledsoe spent Sunday with Minnie McNeely.

Effie Hayes and sister, Beulah spent Saturday night and Sunday of last week with their uncle, W. F. Hayes.

Tom McNeely spent Saturday night with Charlie Quattlebaum.

Mrs. Bailey returned Saturday from Oklahoma where she has been visiting her brother.

Wyley Quattlebaum visited Tom McNeely Sunday eve.

Mr. Clark and Miss Zella Goodwin visited our Sunday School Sunday.

The singing at Mr. Bledsoes Sunday night was enjoyed by all.

G. L. Hayes spent Monday eve with Jim Ferrell.

Well I will be going. Come on all you good writers and lets improve our page.

Best wishes and a prosperous New Year to all. Rose Bud.

Let the Free Press do your printing.

Kirkdale

Hello, Editor and Chats how are you all this blustry night? Health of the community is not very good at present.

Mrs. Charlie McElroy has the pneumonia.

Mrs. J. F. Kennedy has the lagrippe but is better at present. Mr. Weaver had business at Mr. Kennedys Wednesday.

Robert and Earl Kennedy spent Sunday afternoon with Melvin and Earl Turnbow.

T. S. Grimsley left Monday for Marlin, Texas.

J. F. Kennedy had business at Mr. Turnbow's Wednesday.

Miss Ruth Hale and Lester Kirkpatrick called at Pete Maellen's Saturday morning.

Mrs. W. W. Haley and Ralph Kirkpatrick visited at Mr. Kennedys Tuesday evening.

Mr. Jones of Young Co., spent Sunday night at Mr. Kennedy's. W. W. Haley was called to attend the bedside of his brother-in-law in Okla. Friday.

Mrs. I. W. Kirkpatrick called at Mr. McElroy's Friday afternoon.

Sam Ernest spent Friday morning at Mr. Kennedys.

Mr. Turnbow and brother, son's Milvin and Earl were in the city Friday.

Well as news is scare I'll bid you all adieu. Brown Eyes.

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Roberts

Hello! Editor and Chats how is this cold weather serving you all?

Health of the community is not very good at present.

Bro. Jones preached his farewell sermon here Sunday afternoon. A small crowd attended owing to inclemency of the weather.

Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Force are the proud parents of a fine girl.

We are glad to report that the children of J. C. Lewellen who have been sick for some time with typhoid fever are much better.

Miss Willie King spent Sunday with Miss Ivy Mapes.

J. O. Wheatley and family spent Saturday night and Sunday with A. F. Force.

The party at Will Williams Friday night was enjoyed by a large crowd. All report a fine time.

Miss Docia Wheatley spent Saturday with Mrs. J. C. Lewellen.

Elige Atehison and wife of the Clifton ranch spent Sunday at T. L. Atehisons.

L. W. Carter and family of Elmer, Oklahoma spent Xmas with L. T. Cobbs.

Misses Rosa and Lillie Roberts spent the latter part of last week with their sister, Mrs. Dinsmore of Howard.

Mrs. Rachel Foster and children, of Henderson Co., are here visiting her father G. C. McCullough.

Tom Wolsey and family have moved to the place formerly occupied by Dr. W. W. Williamson and family.

Emmett Couch of Haskell spent a short while at J. C. Lewellens Saturday.

Mesdames Weaver and Chapman spent a short while at A. F. Force's Saturday.

Mrs. Rachel Foster and children spent Friday at J. P. Wheatleys.

Well, as news is scare will be going?

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Hello Chats and Free Press Will you allow a stranger to join your Merry Band.

Rev. Griffin of Ballew filled his regular appointment here Sunday.

Our Sunday School isn't much at present.

The school at this place is progressing nicely.

Health of this community is good.

Miss Della Grand took dinner at the home of W. J. Carter's Saturday.

Y. R. Shackelford went to Haskell Monday on business.

W. J. Carter and son, Victor, transacted business at Sayles Saturday.

Misses Olive Welch, Pearl Shackelford and Mrs. Ada Dye, Arthur Montgomery and Roland Shackelford called at the home of W. J. Carters Sunday night after a social chat they decided to make taffy candy and Miss Olive Welch proved herself to be an excellent taffy maker.

Misses Ruth and Mamie Carter called on Miss Pearl Shackelford Saturday afternoon.

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Our Austin Letter

Austin, Texas, Jan. 17th, 1913
—On January 14th one hundred and seventy three Democrats, good and true, sat down at the loom of state to weave the destinies of Texas. They are filling the shuttle with the thread of industry, smoothing out the tangled skein of progress and spinning yarns as all good weavers do.

The 33rd Legislature is filled with real men who aim for big things and the passion for results was never stronger in any legislative body. The people of Texas are going to have an opportunity of witnessing alert intellect at play in the higher zones of development during the present session and the great ferment of opinion that is now going on at the capitol will yield a wine of progress that will tone the system of state.

Many high priests in the Democratic party can be found in the Legislature and likewise many new faces beam with the first joy of power and, taken as a whole, they are as able a lot of fellows as ever hurled the scimitar of destiny or played hands with opportunity.

The election of Speaker of the House was accompanied by the usual tense interest and the contest was won by Hon. Chester H. Terrell and in doing so he was compelled to defeat a good man. All evidence of the contest has disappeared and those who were arrayed against each other are now as chummy as Mormon elders. In the Senate, Lieutenant Gov. Mayes makes his initial appearance and wields the gavel with the skill of an experienced parliamentarian.

The Governor's message shows unmistakable evidence of an honest effort to jog the elbow of opportunity and get what is coming to Texas.

There is going to be plenty of excitement during the session. Dispatches from Washington announce that Morris Shepherd has thrown his hat in the ring and will contest with Col. R. M. Johnson the right to sit in the

United States Senate until Mar. 4th.

Judging from the herd of bills that has been introduced, the session is going to be an unusually interesting one and while platform demands may temporarily block the gangway, there are many good measures that have no royal blood in their veins that should be knighted on their merits. Then the redistricting of the state is going to involve the hopes and aspirations of many good democrats and men who sweep wide circle with their political scythes are going to be present ready to swap work or

mow down opposition as in their opinions the best interests of the public demand.

The skyline of Texas never was brighter, the breezes of prosperity have blown away the dense fog of factional strife, the crisp atmosphere of hope has given us a new-born longing for a wider life and the spirit of progress is rising everywhere, filling the air with its fragrance and swaying men with its power.

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Neurological

The Free Press has a sad duty to perform this week in announcing the death of W. E. Robertson, which occurred at the home of the deceased at Seymour Wednesday night of this week. Mr. Robertson was a son of Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Robertson of this city. Having been practically raised here, he numbered his friends by the hundreds in Haskell and this section.

He was in our city last week and while here was stricken with what some termed apoplexy. The doctors pronounced it paralysis of the brain. He was taken to his home in Seymour, and for several days lingered in great agony, though unconscious. There was very little hope entertained for his recovery from the start. Wednesday night death came to his relief.

Ed Robertson was a prince of good fellows. Everybody was his friend. He had nothing but kind words and courteous treatment for everyone, and his untimely demise is a source of great sorrow not only to his parents, wife and two children and brothers, but to his many friends.

The remains were brought to Haskell Thursday evening, funeral services held at the Baptist church Friday morning at 10 o'clock and burial took place in the city cemetery.

The Free Press extends sincere condolence to the bereaved.

Her's a remedy that will cure your cold. Why waste time and money experimenting when you can get a preparation that has won a world-wide reputation by its cures of this disease and can always be depended upon? It is known everywhere as Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, and is a medicine of real merit. For sale by all dealers.

New Officers Elected

At the annual meeting of the stockholders of The Farmers National Bank of Haskell, Texas held on the 14th instant. The old directors were elected as follows: T. L. Montgomery, H. S. Post, J. F. Pinkerton and R. C. Montgomery. The Directors re-elected the old officers: T. L. Montgomery, President, R. C. Montgomery, vice-President, O. E. Patterson, Cashier; Leon Gilliam, Asst. Cashier.

This bank paid a 5 per cent semi-annual dividend on the 10th instant.

Persons troubled with partial paralysis are often very much benefited by massaging the affected parts thoroughly when applying Chamberlain's Liniment. This liniment also relieves rheumatic pains. For sale by all dealers.

New Bank Officers.

At a meeting of the stockholders of the Haskell National Bank Tuesday, January 14th, the following officers were elected: Directors, T. E. Ballard, G. R. Couch, John A. Couch, F. M. Morton, Lee Pierson and S. W. Scott. President, Mrs. M. S. Pierson; 1st vice-president, G. R. Couch; 2nd vice-president, S. W. Scott; cashier, G. E. Langford; assistant cashier, H. C. Scott.

When you want a reliable medicine for a cough or cold take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It can always be depended upon and is pleasant and safe to take. For sale by all dealers.

Library Notes.

The story hour has been resumed once more at the Public Library. Mrs. J. U. Fields has it in charge and last Saturday quite a number of children were delightfully entertained by Annie S. Johnson's story—"The little Colonel." Next Saturday, January 18th., promptly at 10 o'clock a. m. Mrs. Fields will tell the story of "Freckles" which has been dramatized and pronounced both by press and public to be a great success.

All children as well as parents are urged to be present at the hour mentioned.

Reporter.

Use of Calomel Practically Stopped

For Bilious Attacks, Constipation and All Liver Trouble. Dangerous Calomel Gives Way to Dodson's Liver Tone

Every Druggist in the State has noticed a great falling off in the sale of calomel. They all give the same reason. Dodson's Liver Tone is taking its place.

"Calomel is often dangerous and people know it, while Dodson's Liver Tone is perfectly safe and gives better results," says The Corner Drug Store.

Dodson's Liver Tone is personally guaranteed by The Corner Drug Store, who sell it. A large bottle costs 50c cents, and if it fails to give easy relief in every case of sluggishness, you have only to ask for your money back. It will be promptly returned.

Dodson's Liver Tone is a pleasant tasting, purely vegetable remedy—harmless to both children and adults. A bottle in the house may save you a day's work or keep your children from missing school. Keep your liver working and your liver will not keep you from working.

The Presbyterian Ladies.

The Ladies Aid Society of the Presbyterian church at the regular meeting on last Tuesday arranged for the foundation of a library on religious works. Sixteen volumes have been ordered for a beginning and with these helps it is hoped much good may be obtained from the Bible course which this society is taking. Those of other denominations are cordially invited to join with us in this study.

At this meeting the annual election of officers was held. Mrs. Bert Brockman was elected president, Miss Eugenia English, secretary and treasurer, Mrs. R. E. Sherrill, instructor. For the past two years Mrs. Sherrill has very capably and faithfully instructed the class and 'tis with pleasure they look forward to an interesting year's work.

Reporter.

How Foolish

To suffer from Skin Diseases [Itch, Eczema, Ringworm, etc.] when one 50c box of "Hunt's Cure" is positively guaranteed to cure or your money promptly refunded. Every retail druggist in the state stands behind this guarantee. Ask your druggist and see the guarantee with each box. You don't risk anything in giving it a trial.

County Court.

Very few items were transacted by the county court this week until Thursday, when the jury docket was taken up. A full report will be given next week. The following is a list of the jury for this week: W. S. Hewett, W. E. Bland, J. F. Jeter, J. F. Patterson, H. H. Pool, W. M. Bruce, J. C. Lawden, W. M. Mosely, J. E. Boles, R. L. Jackson, M. F. Hayes, S. C. Bell, P. S. Armour, R. H. Crow, W. N. Huckaby, John McGregor.

Mrs. A. R. Tabor, of Crider, Mo., had been troubled with sick headache for about five years, when she began taking Chamberlain's Tablets. She has taken two bottles of them and they have cured her. Sick headache is caused by a disordered stomach for which these tablets are especially intended. Try them, get well and stay well. Sold by all dealers.

Commissioners Court

Commissioner's Court met in regular session last Monday, with the county Judge, county clerk and two commissioners, J. S. Menefee and G. W. Sollock, present. Mr. Rike was sick and Mr. Riddle was out of the county. On account of the absence of the two commissioners mentioned, not very much business was attended to.

The report of the jury of view on the L. W. Kitchen road at Rochester was rejected.

The court made the road running from the southwest corner of Rule to the river a public road by their own motion.

Tax errors were corrected on the following assessments: Mrs. B. F. McCollum and J. E. Cox. On account of the absence of the other two commissioners nothing more was done, except approving claims.

The Free Press is prepared to do all kinds of job printing. We can please you both in price and workmanship.

Reporter.

Texas Petroleum Production Ten Million Barrels Last Year.

Washington, D. C., Jan.—Texas now ranks sixth in all the states in the Union in the production of petroleum, according to a report just issued by the United States Geological survey. The report shows that the oil wells of Texas produced 10,500,000 barrels of 42 gallons each in 1912. This shows an increase of 97,529 barrels over 1911, when 9,526,474 barrels were produced in the state. The report also shows that 904 new wells were drilled during the year.

The production of oil in the entire United States for past year is given at 220,200,000 barrels compared to 220,449,391 during 1911. The falling off is attributed to the fact that the eastern fields found it impossible to continue to keep up the output of 1911 without large additional discoveries of new pools in the older fields.

To Trade

Five thousand dollars equity in the best 1120 acre ranch in Andrews County, Texas, well improved, price \$11,500, to trade for Haskell county property, \$8,500 incumbrance, \$4,000 cash to handle. Irrigated land in San Juan County, N. M. to trade. The best apple and alfalfa country on earth. Two cars of blocky pony mares and horses to sell. Some half breed Percherons. Price \$25.00. Address Frank Wood, Aztec, N. M.

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For Sale—500 bushels of seed oats, at 60c per bushel. Also, ten thousand bundles of good kaffir corn and maize, at 3c per bundle. Also 200 bushels of headed maize. A. F. Neal, 4 miles west of Haskell, 1-4t

Rev. J. B. McCarley, financial agent of the Stamford College, occupied the pulpit at the Methodist church last Sunday in the place of Rev. W. P. Garvin, who was suffering from an attack of lagrippe.

Messrs. John B. Robertson and Tom Casey, of Weinert, were in the city Tuesday on business. While here Mr. Casey called at the Free Press office and ordered us to send him the paper. He is the depot agent at Weinert and it was a pleasure to form his acquaintance, as he is a jolly, good natured fellow. He had with him his dog "Ted," which is a well trained little animal.

For Sale or Trade—For Haskell property—a house and two lots in the town of Sagerton. The house has four large rooms, one hall, 8x12, three porches, 50 barrel cistern in the ground under the kitchen porch, barn and out houses, 15 fruit trees, 8 shade trees, all two years old, good garden. House boxed and weatherboarded, painted. Built two years ago. Located two blocks from business street, South east front. H. F. Bredthauer, Haskell, Texas.

Electric Bitters

Succeed when everything else fails. In nervous prostration and female weakness they are the supreme remedy, as thousands have testified. FOR KIDNEY, LIVER AND STOMACH TROUBLE. It is the best medicine ever sold over a druggist's counter.

PEOPLE SHOULD GUARD AGAINST APPENDICITIS

Haskell people who have stomach and bowel trouble should guard against appendicitis by taking simple buckthorn bark, glycerine, etc., as compounded in Adlerika, the German appendicitis remedy. A SINGLE DOSE relieves sour stomach, gas on the stomach and constipation INSTANTLY because this simple mixture antiseptically digests the organs and draws off the impurities. The Corner Drug Store.

Come to the Free Press for your warranty deeds. We have them with or without the vendor's lien clause.

Saved In the Nick of Time

By RUTH W. MALTBY

The early settlers in Kentucky came largely from the same direction. Reaching America from the old world, they settled in Pennsylvania, later emigrated to western Virginia and, having worked out their lands there, moved on down the Ohio river to appropriate the virgin soil of Kentucky.

Among these movers was a family named Martin, the father and mother being elderly persons, their elder children grown. A daughter, Hester, was a girl of eighteen. They settled not far from where Bowling Green is now situated.

The war of 1812 was being fought, and soon after the arrival of the Martins in their new home the battle of New Orleans was fought and won by the Americans, or, rather, the woods-men of the west, among whom the hunters of Kentucky were conspicuous. The war had been ended by treaty before the battle, though the news of peace had not yet got across the Atlantic, and soon after it was over the troops came marching home.

A company of Kentuckians recruited from the region about where the Martins lived was disbanded, and a young man, Abner Armstrong, who had marched away and returned as a lieutenant, was among the number. At the time of his appearance John Bartlet, a man of forty years of age, had asked Martin for his daughter Hester's hand. There were many months to feed in Martin's family, and Bartlet was the only suitor who had established himself in the new country; therefore Martin persuaded Hester to marry him.

But before the wedding had taken place along came the soldiers whose rifles had won the battle of New Orleans. Young Armstrong was a strapping, faxen haired, blue eyed boy with every appearance of manliness, but with an engaging smile. Hester looked at him and surrendered.

There is but little reason in youth. Instead of confessing to her father and her betrothed that she had not known what love was and that, having discovered it in the young soldier, she had changed, Hester resolved on the most desperate course to be conceived of. She told Armstrong, who was as deeply smitten with her as she was with him, that she could never face either her father or her betrothed to tell them of the change in her and the only course left for them was to run away. It was not likely that one who had but recently helped to win a battle should show the white feather.

The only means of conveyance in those days in Kentucky was a horse. Armstrong had but one animal, but it served for both. They started on an afternoon, and their flight was discovered about 9 o'clock the same night. Bartlet was notified, and when he learned how he had been treated he said:

"I'll go after 'em and bring 'em back. Then I'll tell 'em they kin git married for all me as soon as they like."

With this he mounted his horse, his rifle slung to his saddle and pistols in his holster, for no one went about unarmed in those wild days, and, assuming that the fugitives would make for the Ohio river, he rode straight northward. About midnight he saw a lurid light on the clouds to the northeastward, and, thinking the fugitives had bivouacked and built a fire, he turned his horse's head in that direction.

Suddenly he reined in to a stand and listened. A distant confused barking fell upon his ear. He shuddered. A picture came before his mind's eye painted by the hand of experience. A Kentuckian, he knew that the barks he heard were those of wolves and that one of the ways of fighting wolves was by fire. He saw the girl he had hoped to make his wife and the man she had eloped with besieged by hungry beasts.

Urging forward his horse, guided by the light, the barks growing more distinct as he approached, he finally burst in upon the very scene he had pictured. Armstrong and Hester occupied the center of a circle of fire they had built to keep off the pack. Armstrong's ammunition had been expended, and whenever a wolf snarled to close he beat it back with the barrel of his rifle or with a burning brand. Hester, like a true daughter of the forest, was bravely arranging the wood they had gathered to keep it burning.

Having ridden as far as his terrified horse would go, Bartlet dismounted and, aiming at a wolf, shot him dead. Then, while the pack were devouring their companion, the rifle was reloaded and another wolf was brought down. Drawing nearer to the besieged couple, Bartlet called upon them to run toward him while he covered their retreat. They started, Hester in advance. The wolves sprang after them, and just as their leader was about to spring upon Armstrong, who was moving with his face to them, Bartlet shot the beast dead. This gave Armstrong time to make good his retreat, and before the wolves had finished eating the carcass already slain the three persons had got away.

The next morning all appeared at the Martin home. Bartlet, without a word of reproach, released Hester from her engagement to him, and her father consented to her marriage with Armstrong as soon as he had a cabin to put her in. But the latter proved a better soldier than pioneer and never got the cabin. In time Hester married Bartlet of her own free will.

A Well Played Game

By ALFRED W. STOWELL

"Some is continually findin' fault with Providence," said Abner Sleek to the party sitting around the stove in the center of Jones' store. "They don't reckon that the Lord takes care of his own, no matter whether they're good or bad, honest or tricky, wise or foolish. What 'ud the sharpers do if it wa'n't for the suckers, I'd like to know? Speakin' of sharpers, the purtiest game I ever know of was played in Calumet when I lived there. The feller that played it wa'n't a real sharpener neither, and considerin' the circumstances, some that he was justified in the doin' of it."

"Jack Ketchum was his name, and he was as likely a chap as you ever seen. He had fine blue eyes and a pleasant way with him just calculated to catch the girls. He wa'n't much account—at least at that time. Them girl ketchers never are; they get the girls by their appearance. Well, as I was sayin', Jack Ketchum instead of tyin' up to a girl who was free—and there was plenty o' 'em—had to tackle Amanda Jenkins, who was engaged to an old feller, Simeon Ruggles, a bachelor fifty year old, but worth \$5,000 if he was worth a cent. Amanda's father wanted her to marry Ruggles to get the five thousand, and Amanda allowed she would, but when Ketchum come along she changed her mind and allowed she'd rather marry Ketch. But how could she, seein' that he had'n't nothin' but the clothes on his back? Her father could 'a' set 'im up if he had wanted to, but he wouldn't."

"One day old Jenkins was walkin' along the main street of the town when he seen a young man standin' lookin' at sumpin' particular. Jenkins stopped and watched the feller, who kept his eyes in the same direction right along. Blimey he says to him: "What'r' lookin' at, young man?"

"He had to ax him twict before he got his attention. Then he started, looked at Jenkins kind o' queer and said:

"I wouldn't 'a' believed it if I hadn't seen it with my own eyes."

"Seen what?"

"Why, that wooden Indian down there in front o' that cigar store."

"What's the matter with him?"

"He puffs smoke out o' that wooden cigar in his mouth."

"Bosh!"

"Bosh yourself. I seen him doin' it."

"When?"

"Jest now. He'll do it ag'in, I reckon."

"See here, young feller, if the fool killer comes along he'll get you shore."

"Who're you talkin' to me that a-way?" says t'other. "I reckon I know what I see with my own eyes."

"Have you got any money?"

"No, but I might git some if I tried right hard."

"Well, you go git it and I'll cover it that a wooden Indian don't smoke."

"Oh, you wouldn't pay if you lost?"

"I'll put up the money."

"Supposin' I raise sumpin' to bet with, where'll I find you?"

"Jenkins gave him his address, and the next mornin' the young man come to him with three \$1,000 bills."

"Phew!" says Jenkins. "Where did you get 'em?"

"My grandmother give 'em to me to set up a store with."

"And you're fool enough to lose 'em instead o' settin' up the store?"

"I ain't a-goin' to lose 'em. I seen that wooden Indian smoke, and when a feller can't git the habit fixed on him he can't stop. He'll be smokin' ag'in. All we have to do is to be there to see him doin' it."

"Jenkins was just mean enough to take advantage of the boy, and they called in a man by the name o' Becker, and they put up the money on a bet that the Indian would be seen smokin' within a week by three witnesses besides themselves."

"One day the youngster rushed into Jenkins' house kind o' wild and hollered:

"He's smokin'! Come quick before he stops!"

"Jenkins got up and follered the feller who met a man, and then another man, and still another, takin' all three of 'em with him to the corner opposite the cigar store, and the hull lot of 'em stood lookin' at the wooden Indian."

"What you bring us here for?" axed one o' 'em, turnin' away mad.

"Jest you wait a minute. I seen him smokin', but he's stopped. He'll be at it!"

"At that moment the Indian commenced blowin' a cloud from his mouth to beat the band. Jenkins looked at him bewildered. Jist then the stakeholder come along, and there was nothin' for it but to turn over Jenkins' \$3,000 to the other feller."

"Jenkins went to the cigar store, pulled down the Indian and found a rubber tube leadin' from the mouth into the store and the cigar holler and full o' tobacco. A man inside had done the smokin'. Jenkins made a big fuss and swore he'd have the swindler jugged, but he couldn't, because he'd skipped."

"The next day the stakeholder called on Jenkins and explained that his money would be returned if he'd give his daughter to the winner."

"Then it come out that the winner was Jack Ketchum and Amanda was in the game. Jenkins was so mortified at bein' made a laughin' stock that in order to keep his neighbors' good opinion he gave his daughter the money he had lost for a weddin' present."

A LEAP IN THE DARK

By ESTHER VANDEVEER

"Miss Eldridge," said Mr. Tourtelotte, "I have called on a matter of great importance to me; whether it is of any importance whatever to you remains to be seen. You remember we met but a month ago on a yachting party; that I chatted with you casually on that occasion; that you graciously permitted me to call upon you; that I have seen you since that first meeting perhaps a dozen times. During these meetings it has been but natural that I should take pains to conceal my faults; that I should wish to appear to you in as favorable a light as possible. You can have gained only a superficial knowledge of my character. I may be strong or weak, generous or mean, well poised or passionate, but you do not know which of these traits I possess."

"Nevertheless I have come to ask you to be my wife. Why I have done so, premising my invitation by calling your attention to your meager knowledge of me, I will explain in a few words. I do not believe that, however long a man is acquainted with a woman or vice versa, the one can learn the other's good or bad qualities. To discover this they must have been married some time."

"Furthermore, I have observed that friendship rarely brings love. The sexes mate through a mysterious drawing together under the influence of what we call love, and all the world knows that love is blind. I therefore ask you to take the leap with me in the dark."

After this extremely well poised proposition Mr. Tourtelotte took out his handkerchief, drew it across his mouth—with no purpose that was apparent—put it again in his pocket and awaited Miss Eldridge's reply with his eyes fixed on the ceiling. Miss Eldridge preferred looking on the floor; from which some women scorned men would infer that the male aspires while the female grovels.

"I assure you, Mr. Tourtelotte," replied the lady, "that I appreciate—ah, deeply touched—by the compliment you pay me. I am not surprised that one of your age should look upon marriage as a leap in the dark. I have always myself considered it so, and perhaps that is the reason why I am approaching middle age without having married. Like you, I am somewhat analytical. While I see in man a great deal that is noble, I also perceive a great deal that a woman cannot admire. Till the twentieth century it has been his province to be a master to his wife. It is only recently that brides are refusing to use the word 'obey' in the marriage service. Then, too, a woman has no assurance when she marries that she will be gently treated. Our forefathers who lived in the middle ages considered women as their inferiors. In some barbarous lands today girl children are made away with. Among the Turks it is still a disputed point among the men whether we have souls."

"Pardon me," Mr. Tourtelotte interrupted, the lady becoming more and more wrought up with these growing injustices. "Our men in America are not descended from these savicivilized races; we are even more considerate of our women than our Caucasian brethren in Europe. Neither the Germans nor the English have the reputation for consideration of women that we have in America."

"Pray excuse me, the wrongs our sex have suffered for centuries led me somewhat further from the matter that pertains to you and me alone than I had intended. I will return to it. I propose a trial engagement for six months. I will agree to show myself to you just as I am at home; you to pledge yourself to do the same in your own case."

"Did I not say that we can never really know each other without having lived together as man and wife?"

"In that case," said Miss Eldridge decidedly, "I see no hope for marriage in our case. I cannot consent to wedlock with a man who for aught I know may turn out to be a villain, who may maltreat me, and for whom love may turn to"—

"I regret your decision, though I cannot commend it's common sense. I would rather have given you an opportunity to know me better, but I have not the time. Tomorrow I go to China to engage in business. I hoped to take you with me. My disappointment is very great."

An impressive silence followed.

"Must you go so soon?" she asked.

"I could not possibly remain over for a single day."

Another impressive silence.

"It is a terrible risk."

"Terrible."

"But"—

"But"—

"I know you are a gentleman, and I think you must be a good man."

"You are not certain."

"I think"—

"You think?"

"I'll risk it."

The next morning at 7 o'clock there was a wedding, and the bridal pair sailed at 10.

When the two were on the ocean another dialogue occurred. The husband said:

"How, with all your misgivings as to men generally and one you thought of marrying in particular, could you so suddenly take the leap in the dark?"

"Firstly, it is the only condition under which I could marry at all; and secondly, I think taking a risk, after all, is rather nice."

Hancock's

Beginning on Monday January 20th, we are going to begin our "Rocking Chair" proposition.

We want every family in Haskell and trade territory to get one to five of these beautiful Rockers.

These "Rocking Chairs" are now on display in our store, we want you to see them and let us explain how you can get one

Absolutely FREE

We are making a great effort to give you the best merchandise possible.

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We are closing out our Racket Department at a

25%

Discount and the time to supply your wants in this line was never better.

Our stock is almost complete, including Tinware, Graniteware, Queensware etc. We at one time made this department a Specialty and figured everything on strictly a cash basis, but as our other lines began to increase, we could readily see that we would be compelled to make more room for our Dry Goods and cut out our Racket Goods regardless of cost.

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Owing to the disagreeable weather for the past week we have decided to continue our Clearance Sale

One more week

If you have not visited our store during the first 10 days of our Sale, we extend to you a special invitation to come in and let us show you just what we have.

During this Sale we have an extra sales force to wait on you, to see that you receive prompt and careful attention.

Remember the date and don't postpone your coming until too late.

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To our customers who holds

Rug Tickets

We are going to redeem every ticket. Our Rug proposition was discontinued on Jan. 1st. but unfortunate on our part, we did not have a sufficient amount of rugs on hand to take up all the tickets, we wish that all of our customers who are now in possession of any of these tickets would bring them in and let us give you credit for same, so we can order accordingly.

We are going to see that every person gets their rugs, so don't get impatient.

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The winter season is not over and we suggest that you take advantage of our prices during this Clearance Sale and supply yourself.

Overcoats

\$12.50 Overcoats	\$ 10.75
13.50 "	11.75
17.50 "	14.75

Suits

\$15.00 Suits	\$12.50
17.50 "	14.75
20.00 "	16.75

Best grade outing now 8!

Comforts

\$1.50 Comforts	\$1.29
2.00 "	1.48
2.50 "	1.98

Sweaters

\$.50 Sweaters	\$.38
1.25 "	.89
1.50 "	1.29
2.00 "	1.48
3.00 "	2.48
3.50 "	2.98

Hancock's

Endorsed at Home

Such Proof as This Should Convince Any Haskell Citizen

The public endorsement of a local citizen is the best proof that can be produced. None better, none stronger, can be had. When a man comes forward and testifies to his fellow-citizens, addresses his friends and neighbors, you may be sure he is thoroughly convinced or he would not do so. Telling one's experience when it is for the public good is an act of kindness that should be appreciated. The following statement given by a resident of Haskell adds one more to the many cases of Home Endorsement which are being published about Doan's Kidney Pills. Read it.

Mrs. D. Scott, Haskell, Texas, says: "Doan's Kidney Pills have been very beneficial to us. They were procured at Collier's Drug Store (now the Corner Drug

Store) and brought relief from backache, kidney weakness and other disagreeable troubles, caused by inactive kidneys. We can strongly recommend Doan's Kidney Pills, in view of our experience with them."

For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, New York, sole agents for the United States.

Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other.

Kills Self With Carbolic.

Big Springs, Jan. 12.—Gus Scheff, 35 years old, committed suicide here today by swallowing carbolic acid. He left a note to wire his brother at Marlin. Trouble with his wife is thought to be the cause.

If your children are subject to attacks of croup, watch for the first symptom, hoarseness. Give Chamberlain's Cough Remedy as soon as the child becomes hoarse and the attack may be warded off. For sale by all dealers.

"Learn While You Earn."

Abraham Lincoln would split rails all day in the forest and then after his day's work was finished, would walk five miles to borrow a book to study and improve himself. It is said of George Washington that in answer to a question of his mother as to why he studied so late at night, replied that he was working out the destiny of his country.

There are hundreds of young people today who are desirous of gaining a practical education, but for one reason or another they can not leave home to secure it, so they drag along from one year to the next in the same old rut. There are hundreds of others that are availing themselves of the opportunity offered by the correspondence department of our college, paving their leisure moments and investing them in an education that will mean thousands of dollars to them in the coming years.

You may say that you are not able to take a course, but the person who can least afford it is the one who needs it most and should have it by all means at any sacrifice; it don't cost much.

Young friend, why not take advantage of this opportunity and gain a business education by using your moments that would otherwise be wasted? why not spend an hour of the long winter evenings after nightfall qualifying yourself with a knowledge of the famous Bryns Simplified Short-hand, Practical Bookkeeping, Typewriting, Arithmetic, Grammar, Writing, and Telegraphy, for which the business would pay you cash?

Fill out the following blank and mail to the correspondence Dept. Tyler Commercial College, Tyler, Texas, for catalogue and full particulars.

Name.....
Address.....
Correspondence Course Interested in.....

And They All Played Ball.

The game opened with Molasses at the stick and Smallpox catching. Cigar was in the box with plenty of smoke. Horn on first base and Fiddle on second base, backed by Corn in the field made it hot for Umpire Apple who was rotten, Axe came to the bat and chopped. Cigar let Brick walk and Sawdust fill the bases. Song made a hit, and Twenty made a score. Cigar went out, and Balloon started to pitch, but went straight up. Then Cherry started it, but was wild. Old Ice kept cool in the game until he was hit with a base ball, then you ought to have heard Ice scream. Cabbage had a good head, and kept quiet. Grass covered lots of ground in the field, and the crowd cheered when Spider caught the fly. Bread loafed on third and pumped Organ, who played fast and put out Light. In the fifth inning Wind began to blow what he could do. Hammer began to knock, and Trees began to leave. The way they roasted Pranuts was a fright. Knife was put out for cutting first base. Lightning finished pitching the game and struck out six men. In the ninth Apple told Fiddle to take his base. Oats was shocked, then Song made another hit. Trombone made a slide and Meat was put on the plate. There was lots of betting on the game, but Soap cleaned up. The score was 1 to 0. Door said if he had pitched he would have shut them out.—Newcastle Register.

Married

On January 1st, Mr. Fritz Rehmund and Miss Ella Grussendorf, were united in marriage at the home of the brides parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gus Grussendorf, of the east side. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Eugene Meier. The Free Press joins their many friends in best wishes for their happiness and prosperity.

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