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The New Theory.
science and weather notes
The planet takes their places near or far from the sun in the order of their density and the power of their electric envelopes. If they had no electric envelope they would not stop till they struck solid ground on the sun, and if they had very powerful electric surroundings they would take their places far out in space, as can be indisputably demonstrated by electric experiments. The great ellipticity of Mercury's orbit, its elongation, shows that not many hundred thousand years have elapsed since it came to our solar system as a comet. It is a very dense body and its electric buoyancy was not sufficient to make it take its place out side of the other and older planets, and now it is the nearest planet to the sun whose elements are known. In taking its place inside of the orbits of Venus and the earth these planets were necessarily driven further from the sun by many millions of miles and this will aid Bible students in accounting for the long lived people of the age of Methuselah. Before Mercury entered our system the earth was much nearer the sun than now and the years much shorter. There are many traditions found in the Bible that might be thus scientifically accounted for. The earth is certainly receding from the sun as it grows larger and its electric envelop increases in thickness and power. It is also claimed that another large mercurial planet, which is called Vulcan, exists inside the orbit of Mercury and if there is, and it is a young planet, its entrance to our system would have caused our earth to recede from the sun, causing our years to be longer. Mercury's years are only eighty-eight of our days in length, and before mercury entered the system it is not unreasonable to suppose that the earth was as near the sun as Mercury now is and our years less than one fourth their present length. The electric theory does not admit that Mercury receives much more heat from the sun than does the earth nor the outer planets much less, because heat is caused by the electric currents that pass between the sun and earth, and the only probable effect, when nearer the sun was that the waters now in the seas and lakes were then in evaporation and the whole earth surrounded by dense clouds that never let in the direct rays of the sun, as is the case with Venus and Mercury. This theory would account for many otherwise unaccountable facts. It is now well known that the tropical heat once extended to the most northern point reached by man, because the remains of Southern ortropical flora and fauna, plants and animals, are found in those southern regions. Dense and perpetual cloudiness would cause the tropical heat to be distributed all over the earth, even to the poles and the increase of the electrical forces caused by the nearness of the earth to the sun would aid in this. This theory is

so full of force that the old school of scientist will never be able to overthrow it, and it sustains the Biblical and geological histories of the past.
This theory also accounts for the flood. We cannot put aside the tradition of a great general flood. When Mercury came to our system causing the earth to recede from the sun, the natural result was to precipitate the dense clouds that had perpetually hid the sun in a great flood and if Bible readers will study Genesis with this idea in mind they will better understand that account of creation. Such a climate as would exist on this earth with a canopy of cloud, very dense cloud perpetually shielding the earth from the sun's rays and as effectually shutting out the cold, would produce an Eden, a garden of perpetual plenty, more beautiful and grand than we could imagine from the Bible account. When the rain had ceased and the clouds had cleared away the light would appear and the rainbow, as described. This effect is now produced on the earth by similar occurrences. When the planets are moving toward perihelion—toward the sun—we have less rain and the atmosphere absorbs more of the waters of the oceans and lakes, and when the planets are moving toward aphelion—from the sun—the moisture that has been absorbed by the atmosphere is precipitated and we have the greatest rainfalls. This is particularly noticeable in the case of the moon, which is 26,000 miles nearer the earth at perigee than at apogee, and our heaviest rainfalls occur when the moon is receding from the earth. Jupiter is 44,000,000 miles nearer the earth at perihelion than at aphelion, and our principal drouth years occur when Jupiter is nearing the sun and earth, while our greatest rainfalls years occur when Jupiter is receding from the sun and earth. I challenge investigation of the points made in this letter.
W. T. FOSTER.

A Question of the Autonomy Of the State of Texas.
NEW YORK, April 30.—The Evening Post says editorially: "An interesting incident of the president's passage through Texas escaped the attention of the press agents, who accompanied the party. Shortly after Governor Hogg joined the party at Palestine a message was received by the president from the acting secretary of war at Washington informing him that the Mexican government had expressed a desire to do honor to him and the nation he represented, by sending a guard of the Mexican army to participate in the reception and parade at El Paso and request the permission of the president allowing Mexican soldier to cross the line and enter the state of Texas in uniform and wearing the side arms. Governor Hogg learned of the receipt of the message and he promptly declared that the president had no power to grant the permission asked.
"If any one was to say whether should any occur. Will Furnish

or not the soldiers of another nation, in time of peace, might cross the borders into the territory of the sovereign state of Texas," he said. "It should be the governor of that state."
The discussion that followed ended in the president's acceptance of the governor's position, and the request was answered by the governor, who, of course, granted the request.
The incident is not only interesting in itself, but significant of the restoration of the ancient relations between states and the Federal government, which were established by the constitution, but was disturbed by war and left for some time afterward in an uncertain condition until the supreme court came to the rescue of the constitution.
Late Justice Miller laid down principles which governed the decision of such questions as that just raised in Texas, when he said, in his striking address before the law alumni of Michigan University in 1887:
"It may be considered now as settled that with the exception of specific provisions in the new and last constitutional amendments, for the protection of the personal rights of the citizens and people of the united United States and necessary restrictions upon the power of the states for that purpose, with the power of the general government to enforce those provisions, no substantial change has been made by the civil war. The necessity of the great powers conceded by the constitution originally to the Federal government was an equal necessity to the autonomy of the states, and their power to regulate their domestic affairs, remain as great features of our complex form of government."

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W. R. McGill of Seymour has been appointed Judge of the Fifth District.

The United States Treasury is somewhat embarrassed by the extravagance of the last congress.

The Benjamin Sentinel is after Gov. Hogg's scalp for importing a man for district attorney of the new district. The Sentinel is justly down on carpet bag politicians

—Evangelist Harry Barber will begin a series of meetings at the Christian church to night to which all are invited. Meeting commences promptly at 8 p.m. and closes promptly at 9 p.m.

H. B. Martin of the Haskell Free Press was in Abilene Monday and made the News a pleasant call.

He is always welcome in the News office.—Abilene News.

Many thanks Bro. Lowry, your hospitality is appreciated.

The Grand Army Veterans are more expensive than a military government. They hold the balance of power politically and they will for many years vote themselves pensions. Their unreasonable demands are becoming disgusting.

JUDGE Wm. P. McLennan of Titus County has been appointed as the third rail road commissioner.

The following additional appointments were made:

Commission of appeals — B. D. Tarlton of Hill county, C. C. Garra of Washington county, L. H. Brown of Hayes county.

Commissioners to codify laws—Wells Thomson of Colorado county, A. W. Terrell of Travis county, H. C. Robertson of Dallas county.

Insurance commissioner—J. E. Hollingsworth of Johnson county.

To succeed Judge Garrett; Beauregard Bryan of Washington.

To succeed Mr. Bryan who is the present district attorney—Henry G. King of Burleson.

PROCLAMATION

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF TEXAS.

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which shall extend to all civil cases of which the District courts or county courts have original or appellate jurisdiction, under such restrictions and regulations as may be prescribed by law provided that the decisions of said courts

shall be conclusive on all questions brought before them on appeal or error. Each of said courts or appeals shall hold its session at a place in its district to be designated by the Legislature, and at such time as may be prescribed by law. Each Court of Civil Appeals shall be elected by the qualified voters of their respective districts, at a general election, for a term of six years, and shall receive for their services the sum of three thousand five hundred dollars per annum until otherwise provided by law. Said courts shall have such other jurisdiction, original and appellate, as may be prescribed by law. Each Court of Civil Appeals shall appoint a clerk in the same manner as the clerk of the Supreme court, which clerk shall receive such compensation as may be fixed by law. Until the organization of the courts of civil appeals and criminal appeals, as herein provided for, the jurisdiction, power, and organization and location of the Supreme court, the court of appeals, and the Commission of appeals shall continue as they were before the adoption of this amendment. All cases which may be pending in the court of appeals shall be prosecuted as provided in this article after the first election of the judges of such courts under this amendment. The terms of the office of the judges of each court shall be divided into three classes, and the justices thereof shall draw for the different classes. Those who shall draw class No. 1 shall hold their office two years, those drawing class No. 2, shall hold their offices for four years, and those who may draw class No. 3 shall hold their offices for six years from the date of their election and until their successors are elected and qualified; and there after each of said judges shall hold his office six years, as provided in this Constitution.

Section 7. The state shall be divided into as many judicial districts as may now or hereafter be provided by law which may be increased or diminished by law. For each district there shall be elected by the qualified voters thereof, at a general election a judge who shall be a citizen of the United States and of this State, who shall have been a practicing lawyer of this state or a judge of a court in this state for four years next preceding his election, who shall have resided in the district in which he was elected for two years next preceding his election, who shall reside in his district during his term of office, who shall hold his office for the period of four years, and shall receive for his services an annual salary of two thousand five hundred dollars until otherwise changed by law. He shall hold the regular terms of his court at the county seat of each county in his district at least twice in each year in such manner as may be prescribed by law. The Legislature shall have power by general or special laws to authorize the holding of special terms of the court, or the holding of more than two terms in any county for the dispatch of business. The Legislature shall also provide for the holding of district court when the judge thereof is absent, or is from any cause disabled or disqualified from presiding. The District judges who may be in office when this amendment takes effect shall hold their offices until their respective terms shall expire under their present election or appointment.

Section 8. The District court shall have original jurisdiction in all criminal cases of the grade of felony in all suits in behalf of the state to recover penalties, forfeitures and costs of all cases of divorce; of all misdemeanors in violation of official misconduct; of all suits to recover damages for slander or defamation of character; of all suits for trial of title to land and for the enforcement of liens thereon; of all suits of the right of property vested upon by virtue of any writ of execution, sequestration, or attachment when the property levied on shall be equal to or exceed in value five hundred dollars; of all suits, complaints, or pleas whatever, without regard to any distinction between law and equity, when the matter in controversy shall be valued at or amount to five hundred dollars exclusive of interest; contested elections; and said court and judges thereof shall have power to issue writs of habeas corpus, mandamus, injunction, and certiorari, and all writs necessary to enforce their jurisdiction. They shall also have appellate jurisdiction and general control in probable matters over the County courts established in each county, for appointing guardians, granting letters testamentary and of administration, probating

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Section 11. No justice shall sit in any case wherein he may be interested, or when either of the parties may be a next of kin either by affinity or consanguinity with him, or when he may be prescribed by law, or when he shall have been counsel in the case. When the Supreme Court, the Court of Criminal Appeals, the Court of Civil Appeals, or any member thereof, shall be disqualified to hear and determine any case or cases in said court, the same shall be certified to the Governor of the State, who shall immediately commission the requisite number of persons learned in the law for the trial and determination of such case or cases. When a justice of the District Court is disqualified by any of the causes above stated, the parties may by consent appoint a proper person to try said case, or, upon their failing to do so, a competent person may be appointed to try the same in the county where it is pending, in such manner as may be prescribed by law. And the District Judges may exchange districts or hold court for each other when they may deem it expedient, and shall do so when required by law. This disqualification of judges of inferior tribunals shall be remedied and vacancies in their offices filled as may be prescribed by law.

Section 12. All judges of courts of this State, by virtue of their office, be conservators of the peace throughout the state, and shall give, write and process shall be "The State of Texas" and shall continue "Against the peace and dignity of the State."

Section 13. The county court shall have original jurisdiction of all suits in which the Justice's Court as the same is now or may hereafter be prescribed by law, and shall have exclusive jurisdiction in all civil cases when the matter in controversy shall exceed in value \$200 and not exceed \$500, exclusive of interest; and for causes of jurisdiction with the District Court when the matter in controversy shall exceed \$50 and not exceed \$200, exclusive of interest; and shall have jurisdiction of suits for the recovery of land, and civil and criminal cases, and shall have original jurisdiction of all such cases only in appeals from Justice Courts there shall be a trial de novo in the County Court, and appeals may be prosecuted from the final judgment rendered in such cases by the county

Court, as well as all cases civil and criminal of which the County Court has exclusive or concurrent or original jurisdiction of civil appeals and in such cases to the Court of Civil Appeals and in such cases to the Court of Criminal Appeals. The County Court shall have the same jurisdiction as may be prescribed by law. The County Court shall have the general jurisdiction of a Probate Court, they shall probate wills, appoint guardians of minors, lunatics, persons non compos mentis, and common drunkards; grant letters testamentary and of administration; settle accounts of executors; transact all business appertaining to deceased persons, minors, idiots, lunatics, persons non compos mentis, and common drunkards, including the settlement, partition and distribution of estates of deceased persons and to appoint receivers, as provided by law; and the County Court or Judge thereof shall have power to issue writs of injunction, mandamus, and writs of habeas corpus in cases where the offense charged is within the jurisdiction of the County Court or any other court or tribunal inferior to said court. The County Court shall not have criminal jurisdiction in any county where there is a Criminal District Court, unless expressly conferred by law; and in such counties appeals from Justice Courts and other inferior courts or tribunals in criminal cases shall be to the original District Court, under such regulations as may be prescribed by law, and in all such cases an appeal shall lie from such District Court to the Court of Criminal Appeals. The Justice of the county Court is not disqualified in any case pending in the county court the parties interested may by consent appoint a proper person to try said case, or upon their failing to do so, a competent person may be appointed to try the same in the county where it is pending, in such manner as may be prescribed by law.

Section 14. The Supreme Court shall have power to make and establish rules of procedure, not inconsistent with the laws of the state, for the government of said court and the other courts of this state, to expedite the dispatch of business therein.

Section 15. Vacancies in the office of Judges of the Supreme court, the court of criminal appeals, the court of civil appeals, and district courts, shall be filled by the Governor until the next succeeding general election, and vacancies in the office of county Judges and Justices of the peace shall be filled by the Commissioners court until the next general election for such offices.

Section 16. The foregoing constitutional amendments shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified electors of the state at an election to be held throughout the state on the second Tuesday in August, A. D. 1901, at which election all voters favoring said proposed amendments shall write or have printed on their ballots the words "For the amendment to articles of the constitution, relating to the judiciary," and all those opposed shall write or have printed on their ballots the words "Against the amendment to articles of the constitution relating to the judiciary."

Section 17. The Governor of the state is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation for said election and have the same published

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as required by the constitution and existing laws of the state.

And whereas the state constitution requires the publication of any proposed amendments to said law in a newspaper published in this state, commencing at least three months before an election; and whereas each of said Joint Resolutions requires the Governor to issue his proclamation ordering an election for the submission of said Joint Resolutions to the qualified electors of said state for their adoption or rejection on the second Tuesday in August, A. D. 1901, which will be the eleventh day of said month; Now, therefore, I, J. S. Hogg, Governor of Texas, in accordance with the provisions of said Joint Resolutions, and by the authority vested in me by the constitution and laws of this state, do hereby issue this proclamation ordering that an election, as required by said Joint Resolutions, be held on the day designated, to-wit:

On Tuesday the 11th day of August, A. D. 1901,

in the several counties of this state, for the adoption or rejection of said several proposed amendments to the constitution of the State of Texas.

Said election shall be held at the several polling places of the election precincts of the several counties of this state, and will be conducted by the officers holding the same in conformity with the laws of the state and in accordance with the provisions of this proclamation. In testimony whereof, I have signed my name and caused the seal of the state to be affixed to this proclamation, at the city of Austin, this 9th day of April, A. D. 1901.

J. S. HOGG, Governor of Texas.
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Sucklen's Arnica Salve. Best salve in the world for Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Lips, Chilblains, Corns, and all other eruptions, and positively kills, or no pay required, guaranteed to give perfect relief, or money refunded. 25 cents per box.

There's no former prices on embroideries, laces, flouncing and ribbons of the season.

Our entire stock of dress goods, white goods, silks and ribbons in every article in stock not mentioned above.

By R. L. of trimmed and untrimmed ladies' and children's hats, Coughs, millinery goods at 33 per cent less than cost.

N. FROST'S SHOE DEPARTMENT.
 EXCLUSIVE SHOE STORE, Mr. Hickel manager.

By W. L. ton shoes, worked button-holes, solid, all leather, new Co. by shoe will wear for ever; all solid goods; sizes 3 to 7. Ice ever sold was \$1.75; we offer them at \$1.10.

Lee P. G. Jack at \$1.20.

Tandy ston shoe, 1X1, make, worth \$2.55, at \$1.40—brand Thom's shoe for house wear; all sizes.

Musse slippers, sizes 11 to 12; Children's slippers, sizes 6 to 8 pair up.

A pair of slippers, sizes 1 to 5; at any price to suit; all new goods.

Every pair warranted to wear.

CLOTHING.
 150 suits, 4 to 13, cheap at \$200; we offer for \$1.35.
 500 pairs children's knee pants at 18c.
 Boys' waists at 18c.

A consignment of \$5,000 worth of spring clothing received this week from a large manufacturing house in the east to be sold for what they will bring, and following are some of the leaders:

LOT 1050. All wool black cheviot men's suits in all sizes; cost to manufacture \$8.374; to be sold at \$5.45 a suit.

LOT 1049. All wool blue serge suits, cost to manufacture \$8.87; to be sacrificed at \$5.45 a suit.

LOT 6406. Fancy worsted, imported, elegant designs; actual cost to manufacture \$9.52; offering at \$6.40 a suit.

We carry a stock of clothing to-day on our hands of over \$20,000. All kinds, cheap and fine, light and dark; all sizes, small and large, lean and fat. They must go at 33 per cent reduction of former low price.

STRAW HATS.
 Straw Hats from 15c piece up.

As we have marked our entire stock down to far below actual cost WE WILL CHARGE NO GOODS during this OVER STOCKED SPOT CASH SALE.

Respectfully,
S. LAPOWSKI & BRO.
 ABILENE, TEXAS.

Wall Paper With Border to Match.

A large Stock can be found at the Drug Store of

Bass Bros, West and Pine Street, Abilene, Tex.

Prices to suit all.

The Haskell Free Press.

Terms \$1.50 per annum, invariably, cash in advance.

Advertising rates made known on application

Friday, May 8, 1891.

LOCAL DOTS.

All kinds of Eye Glasses at Hagar & Kirby.

H. N. Frost left Thursday for Austin.

Go to McLemore's for all kinds of dog poison.

Mr. Hill of Austin father of Mrs. H. G. McConnell is in Haskell visiting his daughter.

Millet seed at Crenshaw's Abilene Texas.

P. D. Sanders has town lots for sale, call and see him.

The 15th. inst. I will begin a Hack line between this place and Seymour. Hack to make trip twice a week. R. A. Mason.

Go to Miss Minnie Ellis' for cheap and stylish millinery.

Colored eye glasses and spectacles at Hagar & Kirby.

The sad news comes us of the death Mr. Wm Harvey who was one of the pioneer merchants of Haskell.

R. S. DeLong & Co. are receiving a car of flour.

BLACK-DRAUGHT tea for Dyspepsia.

Go to McLemore's for anything you need in the drug line.

Miss Joie Andrews of Sherman is visiting her aunt Mrs. A. C. Peden of this city.

Sorghum Seed at Crenshaw's Abilene Texas.

Royal mixed Tea 50 cts per lb. at Crenshaw's Abilene, Texas.

Don't fail to go to McLemore when you want wall paper.

Go to the Union Meat Market for good Meat and Sausage.

R. S. DeLong & Co. are now receiving a fresh supply of groceries. Call and get prices.

You will find a good assortment of lap robes at the saddle shop.

BLACK-DRAUGHT tea cures Constipation.

Mrs. N. M. Martin and R. E. Martin and Mrs. J. L. Jones left Monday for Floydada to visit the family of Mr. J. F. Lockney.

Corn, hay and brand at E. H. Crenshaw's Abilene Texas.

Don't buy Dog Poison until you go to Hagar & Kirby.

Crushed Java Coffee 4 lbs for \$1.00 at E. H. Crenshaw Abilene Texas.

MCLREE'S WINE OF CARDUI for Weak Nerves.

Beef steak Pork steak and Sausage Kept constantly on hand, also Mutton in a Brief time at the Union Meat Market.

The best Kansas flour fully warranted at E. H. Crenshaw Abilene, Texas.

Hagar & Kirby is the best and cheapest place to buy your Paints' Oils and Wall paper.

The town was full of cow boys this week. It made things look like old times The Free Press is always glad to meet and greet the old boys and we sometimes want to be with them on the round up.

E. H. Crenshaw has the cheapest and best molasses in Abilene. Call and see him.

McLemore will sell you Cal. dog poison in any quantity cheap than Abilene.

Notice.

The undersigned wishes to notify the farmers of Haskell county that he will harvest their grain this season for the usual fees.

B. J. Tyson.

When in Haskell call at the City Hotel, where everything is kept neat.

Becknell & Rupe, prop's

Ask your dealers for the N. Porter's Saddle and Harness Saddles, Harness etc., etc.

MCLREE'S WINE OF CARDUI for female diseases.

Crenshaw will sell you 4 lbs of molasses at Abilene Texas.

Dr. G. C. McGregor of Waco who is largely interested in Haskell real estate is in the city, and in an interview expressed his gratification at the rapid improvement of the town and county.

McLemore's is the place to buy your drugs, paints, oils and wall paper.

Mrs. J. C. Baldwin has no clerk to pay and can sell your dress goods and notions cheaper than you can get at railroad towns. If

There will be a Spelling Bee and entertainment at the court-house tomorrow night given by the ladies of the Baptist Church. Admission 10c. The entertainment is for the benefit of the building fund of the church.

Take your dresses to Miss Minnie Ellis to have them nicely cut and made.

Fresh Sugar cured hams at R. S. DeLong & Co.

WINE OF CARDUI, a Tonic for Women.

When a man becomes a pensioner or charge upon the government he should not be allowed to vote. The history of the veterans of the late war shows that their admiration and patriotism in voting for measures to support themselves exceeds all reasonable bounds.

Under the present system the civil class are over taxed for their support.

Ed. S. Hughes & Co. are having splendid trade on Eagle cultivators and Champion and Eagle planters.

Before buying your Wall Paper call on Bass Bros. on West Pine street Abilene. Call and examine their large stock.

15 lbs Standard granulated sugar for \$1.00 at E. H. Crenshaw's Abilene Texas.

E. H. Crenshaw will sell you 34 lbs Seaton Roasted Coffee for \$1.00 try it.

Go to D. R. Gass to get the Osburn Right hand cut Harvesters and Binders, and the best cultivators in the land.

Old Crow, Jas. E. Pepper and Anderson County Whiskies the finest in the market at the Road to Guin Saloon, West side square. Haskell, Texas.

Don't forget that Miss Mollie Dewery sells the prettiest, and best millinery goods cheaper than any one else in town at R. S. DeLong & Co.

McElree's Wine of Cardui and THE FORD'S BLACK-DRAUGHT are for sale by the following merchants in Haskell county: F. E. Turner, Haskell

In the matter of sleep Benjamin Franklin said six hours for woman seven for a man and eight for a fool.—Farmersville Times.

We have often wondered why less sleep was required for us than some people. The mystery is now explained—Haskell Star. Ah! we see it is because you are so much like an old maid.

To the Public.

The late firm of Collins and Hampton have this day dissolved Mr. J. W. Collins retiring from the business and my self continuing in business at the old Stand where he will be glad to meet all of his old customers and furnish them with all kinds of Staple and Fancy Groceries Country, western Produce Fruits Candies Nutt and other confectionery and banking you for your past Liberal Patronage and soliciting same in future. Mr Hampton will collect all accounts due the old firm and pay the indebtedness.

Very Respectfully,

W. R. Hampton.

Mr. S. H. Johnson cashier of the Haskell National Bank left Tuesday to attend the Bankers convention that convenes the 7th inst at Austin.

E. H. Crenshaw has bought out Stokes & DeArman, at Abilene and has one of the largest and most complete stocks of Staple and Fancy Groceries, grain, hay and feed stuff in Abilene.

N. Porter,

SADDLERY

Wholesale and Retail

Harness and Collar Factory,

No. 25, Pine St. Abilene Texas.



HAGARD & KIRBY, DRUGGISTS

have exclusive sale of these celebrated glasses in Haskell Texas. Faulkner Kellam & Moore. The only manufacturing Opticians in the South Atlanta, Ga.

Opticians are not supplied with these famous glasses.

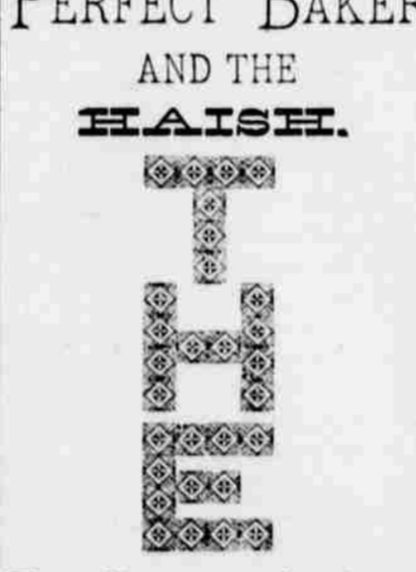
Ed. S. Hughes & Co.

Have a large Stock of

BARB WIRE.

THEY ARE AGENTS FOR THE

PERFECT BAKER AND THE HAISH.



Excellence of these wires is so well known and thoroughly recognized that it is needless to enumerate points of superiority. The best is the cheapest.

We are anxious to sell you.

dreamed that his son came to him and pointed out the place where he was buried. The dream was like a vision. He saw his son standing beside his bed and heard him say: "Father I am buried under a mound which was thrown up by the Yankees after I was killed you will know the mound when you see the pokeberry bushes growing upon it. Go and take me up and carry me home to Mother." So strong an impression did this dream make upon Mr. Jackson that he returned at once to Resaca taking with him one of the comrades who had buried his son. The mound was found just as described in the dream and the pokeberries were growing upon it. An excavation was made and a few feet below the earth the rough pine coffin was found and it were the remains of young Jackson. He was fully identified not only by the shoes but by the name which was on the clothing.—Atlanta Journal.

How a Father of a Boy in Gray Recovered His son's Remains.

One of the bloodiest battles fought on Georgia soil during the late war was that of Resaca. Among the many patriotic youths who took arms in defense of southern independence was the 18-year old son of Mr. Jethro Jackson of Griffin, Ga., and the brave boy met his death at the battle of Resaca. He was dearly beloved by his comrades and they gave him a little better burial than usually falls to the lot of those who die upon the field of battle. With rough boards taken from the bridge near by they made a rude coffin and tenderly and lovingly placed him under the sod.

It was some time in the spring of 1866 that Mr. Jethro Jackson went to Resaca to look for the grave of his son. He wished to find the remains and to take them to Griffin and inter them in the family burying ground. The comrades who laid young Jackson to rest gave the father a description of the spot where they had buried him and telling him about the rude pine coffin made from the boards taken from the bridge. After many days of tireless search Mr. Jackson failed to locate his son's grave and returned to his home in Griffin a few nights after his return he

Rain! Rain! Rain!

We have had lots of RAIN in the last few days and we know it makes you feel more like you were able to buy Groceries and we are more ANXIOUS to sell you.

THAT IS WHAT WE ARE HERE FOR.

We Carry the Largest Stock and make the lowest prices on Groceries and Grain of any house in Abilene.

TRY ME.

Yours Truly,

J. M. RADFORD,

UNION BLOCK,

ABILENE, TEXAS.

BANKRUPT SALE!

The J. W. RED & Co's. Stock of Dry Goods of Abilene Texas was sold April 23rd 1891 by the trustee, D. J. Red to the highest bidder for cash. THE ABILENE DRY GOODS Co. were the purchasers, and on Wednesday April 29th, they put this stock of some \$15,000.00 on the market at

75 cts. ON THE DOLLAR 75 cts.

of original cost, and many of them will go at

50 cts. On The Dollar. 50 cts.

We intend to Make this the grandest Bargain sale ever in the City of Abilene.

Just think of it 50 and

75 cents on the Dollar of New York Cost.

The Stock will be found at Store of the

Abilene Dry Goods Co.

Printer Boy

Will Stand The Season

Of 1891 at my Ranch

Stable.

PEDIGREE. PRINTER BOY is a bay horse, 16 hands high weight 1300 pounds, is a good traveler, has good Style and a Gentle disposition.

He was Bred by A. P. Price, of Berrian county, Michigan. First Dam by Robuck, of Lafayette, Indiana; Grand Dam by Gomes Bachus, of Ohio. Sire, Printer Boy by Printer, he Old Srip Printer.

TERMS: TEN DOLLARS by the Season, due and payable at the end of the season, July 1, '91. Fifteen Dollars to insure. Care will be taken to prevent accidents but will not be responsible should any occur. Will furnish pasture if desired free of charge.

C. P. KILLOUGH, OWNER.

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PROCLAMATION

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE
OF TEXAS.

Whereas the Twenty second Legislature at its late regular biennial session which adjourned on the 13th day of April, A. D. 1891, passed the following five Joint Resolutions in the manner prescribed by the Constitution of this state, proposing certain amendments to the constitution of this state, to wit:

[S. J. R. No. 19.] Joint Resolution amending section 4, Article 6, of the Constitution of the State of Texas.

SECTION 1. Be it Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas: That section 4, of article 6, of the Constitution of the state of Texas be so amended as to hereafter read as follows:

Section 4. In all elections by the people the vote shall be by ballot, and the Legislature shall provide for the numbering of tickets and make such other regulations as may be necessary to detect and punish fraud and preserve the purity of the ballot box; and the Legislature may provide by law for the registration of all voters in all cities containing a population of ten thousand inhabitants or more.

Sec. 2. That the Governor of this state shall issue his proclamation ordering an election to be held on the second Tuesday in August, A. D. 1891, on this amendment, in accordance with article 17, section 1, of the Constitution, and those voting for the adoption of this amendment shall have written or printed on their ballot the words "For the amendment to section 4, article 6, of the Constitution, relating to voting;" and those voting against the adoption of said amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots the words "Against the amendment to section 4, article 6, of the Constitution, relating to voting."

Joint Resolution No. 19, to amend Section 5, Article 7, of the Constitution of the State of Texas.

SECTION 1. Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas: That section 5, article 7, of the Constitution of the State of Texas be so amended as to hereafter read as follows:

The principal of all bonds and other funds and the principal arising from the sale of the lands hereinbefore set apart to said school fund, shall be the permanent school fund and all the interest derivable therefrom and the taxes herein authorized and levied shall be the available school fund, to which the Legislature may add not exceeding one percent annually of the total value of the permanent school fund, such value to be ascertained by the Board of Education until otherwise provided by law; and the available school fund shall be applied annually to the support of the public free schools. And no law shall ever be enacted appropriating any part of the permanent or available school fund to any other purpose whatever; nor shall the same or any part thereof ever be appropriated to or used for the support of any sectarian school; and the available school fund here provided shall be distributed to the several counties according to their scholastic population and applied in such manner as may be provided by law.

Sec. 2. The foregoing constitutional amendment shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified electors for members of the Legislature of the State of Texas on the second Tuesday in August, 1891, at which election all voters favoring said proposed amendment shall write or have printed on their ballots the words "For the amendment to section 5, article 7, of the Constitution of the State of Texas;" and all voters opposed to said amendment shall write or have printed on their ballots the words "Against the amendment to section 5, article 7, of the Constitution of the State of Texas."

[H. J. R. No. 1.] Joint Resolution to amend Section 11, Article 16, of the Constitution of the State of Texas.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas: That section 11, article 16, of the Constitution of the State of Texas shall be amended so as to hereafter read as follows:

Sec. 11. All contracts for a greater rate of interest than ten percentum per annum shall be deemed usurious, and the first Legislature after this amendment is ad-

opted shall provide appropriate pains and penalties to prevent the same; but when no rate of interest is agreed upon, the rate shall not exceed six per centum per annum.

Sec. 2. The governor of this state shall issue his proclamation ordering an election on the second Tuesday in August, 1891, at which election the foregoing amendment shall be submitted for adoption by the qualified electors of the state.

Sec. 3. Those voting for the adoption of section 11 shall have written or printed on their ballot the words "For the amendment to section 11, article 16, of the State Constitution, to reduce rate of interest;" and those voting against said amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots "Against the amendment to section 11, article 16, of the State Constitution, to reduce rate of interest."

[H. J. R. No. 12.] Joint Resolution to amend Section 20, Article 16, of the Constitution of the State of Texas.

SECTION 1. Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas: That section 20, article 16, of the Constitution of the state of Texas be amended so that it shall hereafter read as follows:

Section 20. The Legislature shall at its first session enact a law whereby the qualified voters of any county, justice's precinct, town, city (or such subdivisions of county as may be designated by the commissioners court of said county) may by a majority vote determine from time to time whether the sale of intoxicating liquors shall be prohibited within the prescribed limits.

Sec. 2. The foregoing amendment shall be submitted to the qualified voters of the State on the second Tuesday in August, A. D. 1891. Those favoring its adoption shall have written, or printed on their ballots the words "For local control;" those opposed to its adoption shall have written or printed on their ballots the words "Against local control."

[Senate J. R. No. 16.] Joint Resolution to amend Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 11, 12, 16, 25, and 28, Article 5, of the Constitution of the State of Texas.

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas: That sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 11, 12, 16, 25 and 28 of article 5 of the Constitution of the State of Texas be so amended as to hereafter read as follows:

ARTICLE 5.—JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT.
SECTION 1. The Judicial power of this State shall be vested in one Supreme Court, in Courts of Civil Appeals, in District Courts, in County Courts, in Commissioners Courts, in Courts of Justices of the Peace and in such other courts as may be provided by law. The Criminal District Court of Galveston and Harris Counties shall continue with the district jurisdiction and organization now existing by law until otherwise provided by law. The Legislature may establish such other courts as it may deem necessary, and prescribe the jurisdiction and organization thereof and may conform the jurisdiction of the district and other inferior courts thereto.

Section 2. The supreme Court shall consist of a chief justice, and two associate justices, any two of whom shall constitute a quorum and the concurrence of two judges shall be necessary to the decision of a case. No person shall be eligible to the office of chief justice or associate justice of the Supreme Court unless he be at the time of his election a citizen of the United States and of this State and unless he shall have attained the age of thirty years and shall have been a practicing lawyer or a judge of a court of record and judge together at least seven years. Said chief justice and associate justices shall be elected by the qualified voters of the State at a general election, shall hold their offices six years or until their successors are elected and qualified and shall each receive an annual salary of four thousand dollars until otherwise provided by law. In case of a vacancy in the office of Chief Justice of the Supreme Court the Governor shall fill the vacancy until the next general election for state officers and at such general elections the vacancy for the unexpired term shall be filled by election by the qualified voters of the State. The judges of the supreme Court who may be in office at the time this amendment takes effect shall continue in office until the expiration of their term of office under the present Constitution and until their successors are elected and qualified.

Section 3. The Supreme Court shall have appellate jurisdiction only except as herein specified, which shall be coextensive with the limits of the State. Its appellate jurisdiction shall extend to questions of law arising in cases of which the Courts of Civil Appeals have appellate jurisdiction, under such restrictions and regulations as the Legislature may prescribe. Until otherwise provided by law the appellate jurisdiction of the Supreme Court shall extend to questions of law arising in cases in the Courts of Civil Appeals in which the judges of any Court of Civil Appeals may disagree, or where the several Courts of Civil Appeals

may hold differently on the same question of law, or where a statute of the State is held void. The Supreme Court and the justices thereof shall have power to issue writs of habeas corpus as may be prescribed by law, and under such regulations as may be prescribed by law the said courts and the justices thereof may issue the writs of mandamus, procedendo, certiorari, and such other writs as may be necessary to enforce its jurisdiction. The Legislature may confer original jurisdiction on the supreme court to issue writs of quo warranto and mandamus in such cases as may be specified, except as against the governor of the state. The Supreme Court shall also have power, upon affidavit or otherwise as by the court may be determined, to ascertain such matters of fact as may be necessary to the proper exercise of its jurisdiction. The Supreme Court shall sit for the transaction of business from the first Monday in October of each year until the last Saturday of June in the next year, inclusive, at the capital of the State. The Supreme Court shall appoint a clerk who shall give bond in such manner as is now or may hereafter be required by law, and he may hold his office for four years, and shall be subject to removal by said court for good cause entered of record on the minutes of said court, who shall receive such compensation as the Legislature may provide.

Section 4. The Court of Criminal Appeals shall consist of three judges, any two of whom shall constitute a quorum, and the concurrence of two judges shall be necessary to a decision of said court; said judges shall have the same qualifications as the judges of the Supreme Court. They shall be elected by the qualified voters of the State at a general election, and shall hold their offices for a term of six years. In case of a vacancy in the office of a judge of the Court of Criminal Appeals the Governor shall fill such vacancy by appointment for the unexpired term. The judges of the Court of Appeals who may be in office at the time when this amendment takes effect shall continue in office until the expiration of their term of office under the present Constitution and laws as judges of the Court of Criminal Appeals.

Section 5. The Court of Criminal Appeals shall have appellate jurisdiction coextensive with the limits of the state in all criminal cases of whatever grade, with such exceptions and under such regulations as may be prescribed by law. The Court of Criminal Appeals shall sit for the transaction of business from the first Monday in October to the last Saturday of June in each year, at the State Capital and two other places (or the capital city) if the Legislature shall hereafter so provide. The Court of Criminal Appeals shall appoint a clerk for each place at which it may sit, and each clerk shall give bond in such manner as is now or may hereafter be required by law, and who shall hold his office for four years unless sooner removed by the court for good cause entered of record on the minutes of said court.

Section 6. The Legislature shall as soon as practicable after the adoption of this amendment divide the State into not less than two nor more than three supreme judicial districts and there after into such additional districts as the increase of population and business may require and shall establish a Court of Civil Appeals in each of said districts which shall consist of a chief justice and two associate justices who shall have the qualifications as herein prescribed for justices of the supreme Court. Said Court of Civil Appeals shall have appellate jurisdiction coextensive with the limits of their respective district

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State of Texas) This to certify Haskell county, J. to all to whom these presents shall come. That we whose names are hereto subscribed, to wit: F. J. Long, J. M. Hall, and R. M. Dickenson all of the county of Haskell, State of Texas and Geo. Mason & Co., S. G. Jackson & C. D. Long, Dickenson Bros., Draper & Baldwin, J. W. Becknell, Haskell Lumber Co., R. E. Martin, Allen Neathery, C. B. Banks, G. R. Couch, Hagar & Kirby, F. G. Gass, Dodson & Croley, F. G. Alexander, Lee Pierson, Johnson Bros, J. L. Jones, J. M. Hall, Long Bros, & Frost, Springer & Lomax, W. B. Anthony, Agnew & Gibson Hills & Springer, McConnell & Smith, Lomax & Jones, Misses Thomson & Cather, Long & Jackson, J. G. Simmons, Lomax & Springer, W. D. Koonce, Bogart & Tandy, aforesaid all of whom reside in said Haskell county.

The said special partners have contributed to the common stock of the said firm the sum of five dollars in cash, and actually paid in, and are each to contribute the further sum of forty-five dollars each, to be paid in monthly instalments of five dollars each said instalments to be paid the first day of each month next following the date hereof until each subscriber hereto has paid the full sum of forty-five dollars as aforesaid.

5th. The said partnership to commence immediately at and after the making of this certificate and is to terminate on the first day of May 1892. Made and severally signed by the said partners at the city of Haskell the 14th day of April 1891.

Dodson & Croley per B. H. Dodson, Allen Neathery, W. B. Anthony, C. B. Banks, Hagar & Kirby, by A. Lee Kirby, Springer & Lomax by A. W. Springer, J. M. Hall, Hills & Springer by Will Hills, Jackson & Long by S. G. Jackson, Dickenson Bros. by R. M. Dickenson, J. L. Jones, Draper & Baldwin per W. F. Draper, J. W. Becknell, J. G. Simmons, R. E. Martin, Lomax & Springer by A. W. Springer, Agnew & Gibson by R. T. Gibson, D. R. Gass, G. R. Couch, Haskell Lumber Co. by H. N. Frost, McConnell & Smith by Howell E. Smith, Long Bros. & Frost by F. J. Long, Johnson Bros. by W. E. Johnson, Geo. Mason & Co. by Geo. Mason, F. G. Alexander, Lee Pierson, Long & Jackson by S. G. Jackson, W. D. Koonce, Bogart & Tandy per Howell E. Smith, Misses Thomson & Cather by Anna Cather, Lomax & Jones by J. L. Jones.

Bogart & Tandy, Long & Jackson of the county of Haskell, State of Texas have entered into a limited partnership for the purpose of buying a lot in the town of Haskell said county and State and erecting thereon a building to be used for a public hall or skating rink or such other purposes as the parties hereto may deem proper under and by virtue of the Revised Statutes, Title 68 relating to limited partnership upon the terms, conditions and liabilities herein after set forth, to wit:

1st. The said partnership is to be conducted under the name firm and style of The Haskell Opera House Co.

2nd. The general nature of the business intended to be transacted by the said firm or partnership is the purchase of the necessary ground and the erection thereon of a Public Hall, to be rented to the public for and opera house, skating rink or such other purposes as the public needs demand.

3rd. The general partners in said firm are F. J. Long, J. M. Hall and R. M. Dickenson, aforesaid, all of whom reside in Haskell county Texas and the special partners are Geo. Mason & Co., Jackson & Long, Dickenson Bros., Draper & Baldwin, J. W. Becknell, Haskell Lumber Co., R. E. Martin, Allen Neathery, C. B. Banks, G. R. Couch Hagar & Kirby, D. R. Gass, Dodson & Croley, F. G. Alexander, Lee Pierson, Johnson Bros., J. L. Jones, J. M. Hall, Long Bros. & Frost, Springer & Lomax, W. B. Anthony, Agnew & Gibson, Hills & Springer, McConnell & Smith, Lomax & Jones, Misses Thomson & Cather, Long & Jackson, J. G. Simmons, Lomax & Springer, W. D. Koonce, Bogart & Tandy, aforesaid all of whom reside in said Haskell county.

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