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CRAZED BY CIGARETTES.

An Eleven-Year-Old Lad's Terrible Suffering—Taken With Acute Pain.

Turns Upon His Mother and Fights Like a Wild Beast—In the Agonies of Delirium Tremens.

(Cincinnati Enquirer) Marcus Chamberlain, an eleven-year-old lad is paying the penalty of cigarette-smoking.

Night before last he was stricken with what appeared to be a convulsion, and for two hours he suffered the agonies of death and the tortures of a victim of delirium tremens.

The boy is employed at N. E. Smith's drug store, corner of Court and Mound streets, and lives with his widowed mother on the fourth floor of No. 30 East Pearl street. The boy is naturally frail and delicate, and is of a nervous temperament. Some time ago, just how long no one knows, he began smoking cigarettes—mildly at first, but he grew infatuated with them and smoked more every day.

Day before yesterday he was playing with a ball in the hall of the house, and in throwing it the ball bounded and went out of the rear second-story window into an alley. Suddenly and like a madman young Chamberlain

ROUNDED OUT OF THE WINDOW after the ball, landing on his feet in the alley, twelve feet below. When he came up stairs his eyes were large and glassy, and he wore a peculiar expression on his face. His mother reprimanded the boy, when he turned on her like a wild animal and proceeded to bite and claw her like mad. The mother is a frail, delicate lady, and was like a toy in the wild boy's hands. Finally, he was taken upstairs, but his violence only increased, and it was found impossible to control him. His ravings were like those of a victim of delirium tremens, calling out for God's sake to

KEEP THE GHOSTS AND REPTILES FROM HIM.

His cries attracted the attention of Sergeant King and Officers Duulap and Hartzel, who went in and tried to quiet the boy, but without effect. In his frenzy he tore his throat and hair and begged for some one to kill him. It required the combined strength of three men to hold the boy down in his bed so terrible were his strength and delirium. The officers took turns in relieving each other, and while trying to hold the boy Officer Hartzel was bitten on the finger. Meanwhile Dr. W. O. Smith was sent for, but when he arrived he was at a loss to account for the boy's trouble. It was not a convulsion or a spasm, nor was it hysteria, and Dr. Smith was

FEARFUL OF UNDERTAKING THE CASE himself. He called in Dr. A. C. Kemper as consulting physician, and the two made an examination. Dr. Kemper had two similar cases and at once pronounced the troubles acute mania. The only medicine that could be administered was given with a hypodermic syringe, and after nearly two hours of terrible suffering the boy calmed. He talked rationally but denied in his mother's presence that he smoked cigarettes. More medicine was administered and finally the boy fell asleep. Yesterday he rested well, and last night was able to get up, although he is still very weak.

Dr. Kemper was seen last night and said that while he was in ignorance of the boy's habit of smoking, he sized him up as a victim of either tobacco or drugs. His eyes, he says, give the impression at once showing

AN IMPERFECT CIRCULATION OF BLOOD

in the brain. Dr. Kemper says that

an overindulgence with cigarettes by a boy of Chamberlain's build and temperament would produce just such an effect. Dr. Kemper says that cases of the kind are very rare, and that in his experience of twenty-five years he has seen only three. The danger is in the treatment and in the after results. When medicine is administered to a patient suffering from acute mania, death is liable to come in an instant, and if not treated at once the patient soon loses his mind entirely, and dies from exhaustion.

A BLOODY STORY.

It is Recalled by the Arrest of Jasper Brumley on Charge of Murder Committed Twenty-Two Years Ago.

BLACK JACK GROVE, TEX., May 15.—Last week Jasper Brumley was arrested in Erath county, near Stephenville, and brought to Sulphur Springs and lodged in jail on a charge of murder committed in this place about twenty-two years ago. The circumstances of which are as follows, as gleaned from the memory of old citizens of this town:

Nelson Brumley, a brother of Jasper, and William Fry had bet on a horse race and it seems Fry wanted to draw down his money, seeing as he thought that as Nelson had two brothers with him, and that if he won it would be taken away from him, to which Brumley objected and began cursing and abusing Fry, at the same time advancing on him with his knife Fry had his shotgun and when he had backed probably twenty feet to a fence he leveled his gun and told Brumley to stop. At this moment the other two brothers, Jasper and Henry Brumley, were coming up, and Nelson made no stop, when Fry fired both barrels of his gun into Nelson, striking him in the breast, killing him instantly. About the time Fry shot the other two Brumleys began shooting at Fry, and struck him in the arm, breaking it, when Fry dropped his gun and ran for life, followed up by the two Brumleys, they shooting at every step he made. After running about forty yards he fell and one of the Brumleys ran up, stuck his pistol against Fry's head and fired, blowing his brains out. They went back to the battle ground, and seeing Bob Newsom, whom they knew to be a friend of Fry's, began shooting at him without any other grounds, he running and begging for his life all the time. They continued shooting until he fell dead under a mule standing hitched to a storehouse he was in. The two brothers then flourished their weapons and wanted more blood, but seeing no one else to attack they rode off home. In a few days after a posse of citizens with the officers of the law surrounded a house in a field in which they were about day light, but the keen eyes of the Brumleys soon discovered them, and in their effort to escape Henry was shot and mortally wounded, dying soon after, but Jasper made good his escape after having his horse shot dead under him, and his whereabouts have been unknown to the officers here ever since, until recently Sheriff Bramem was notified by the state rangers that they had him in Erath county, and he and Sheriff Mason of Hunt county went after him last week. His trial on a writ of habeas corpus will be held at this place Friday week before Judge Terhune, when all the facts will be made public and an old page of the history of this once almost lawless town revived.

DROPPED A LAMP.

Two Little Children Roasted Alive, and the Mother Fatally Burned.

Twelve Hundred Houses Burned and Six Thousand People Without Shelter.

QUEBEC, P. Q., May 16.—A disastrous fire broke out early this morning in St. Sauveure in the house of Mrs. McCann, on Vauquier street. The flames spread with great rapidity through the wooden district which surrounded the place where the fire originated. A large number of houses on Vauquier, Chenel St. Peter and St. Marie streets burned. The total loss so far in the prospective may be one hundred and fifty thousand dollars. At 3 o'clock the fire was still raging and it was impossible to guess its limit. The people were dismayed at the rapidity with which the flames jumped from one wooden building to another. Help was asked from this city and Quebec. Engines were quickly sent, but owing to the lack of water their efforts were crippled. Battery B was finally called out and rendered valuable assistance in fighting the flames. At 7 o'clock this morning the fire had about burned itself out, having destroyed over one hundred buildings. While the military were preparing to blow up some houses to check the spread of the flames, a premature explosion took place in one of the houses, killing Maj. Smart and Sergeant Wallace of battery B. Both were buried in the ruins and at 9 o'clock their bodies had not been recovered.

The body of Sergt. Wallace has been recovered. It is horribly mangled. The fire has been checked on the city side, but is still burning furiously toward the northwest, and will probably stop only when there is nothing left to feed it. The insurance is comparatively small.

The larger number of houses destroyed were small wooden structures. There is a strong easterly wind blowing, and rain has been falling steadily for the last three hours.

LATER—1 p. m. The fire is still burning, and no hopes are entertained of stopping it until the open country is reached. Already about five hundred buildings, mostly wooden tenements, have burned, and over one thousand people are homeless. The greater portion of them are camped out on fields with what few effects they were able to save, while several found shelter with friends in this city.

Maj. Short's body was recovered about noon. One leg and one arm had been torn from the body by the explosion and were found at some distance from the trunk.

St. Sauveure is a separate municipality from Quebec, but is separated from this city by only the width of a street. It has a population of about fifteen thousand. Only last night St. Sauveure officials refused an offer of this city to supply them with water.

4:30 p. m.—The fire has burned itself out, after reaching the limits of St. Sauveure, the toll-gate keeper's house in Valoir street being about the last to go. The district north and west of Massul and St. Ambrose streets has been swept clean with the exception of a portion of Valoir street. About 700 houses were burned. As a number of them were tenements, the number of families homeless is not less than 1200, comprising 5000 or 6000 persons. Hon. Mr. Mercier and other prominent men are interesting themselves in behalf of the homeless people.

An application has been made to Sir A. P. Carson for the use of the drill shed and other government buildings to shelter those who are yet camped out in the fields. The clergy are distributing food and steps are being taken to organize a regular system of relief. The majority of the people burned out are of the laboring class and as insurance rates were very high few have anything to fall back on.

The total loss by the fire is estimated at \$200,000.

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A FEARFUL storm swept over southern New York, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Delaware, Connecticut and Massachusetts on the 10th of this month doing considerable damage to crops and property and many lives are reported as lost.

According to the signs of the times, the end is not far off, in these latter days, when we read of so many storms cyclones forest fires ect, in all parts of the country we are prone to believe that according to prophecies the end of man's time on this earth is drawing to a close.

REMEMBER that the first Saturday in June is the time to meet and select your school trustees for the ensuing year. This is a very important matter, and should not escape the attention of the public. Every one is, or should be, interested in this matter. Our county "dads," we are informed, through oversight, at their last term of court neglected to order an election for trustees, or to appoint any presiding officers to hold same; consequently it is left for the citizens to meet and select from among their number three good competent men and recommend them to the county judge for appointment.

FROM the Albany News of the 16th of this month, we note that the Commissioners' court of Shackelford county has ordered an election to determine whether or not the people of that county desire the court to build a bridge over the Clear Fork of the Brazos river on the Haskell and Albany road. We are glad that the people of our neighboring county are working up to their own interest in this matter. Certainly a bridge over this direful stream would be of great benefit to Albany and Shackelford county generally loses hundreds of dollars annually by Haskell and Stonewall county people going to Abilene to do their trading which she could have secured to herself long since, had they built this bridge and improved their roads, and held out sufficient inducements our people would have traded with her. It may not be too late yet to secure and hold the "golden egg" if they will draw their strings right. We hope that the people of that county will vote for and build the bridge, and that in future a more intimate and closer tie of friendship and commercial intercourse may spring up between the two places than has heretofore existed. There are good people in Albany, and we would like to know them better.

THE SPRING PALACE.

THE Texas Spring Palace at Fort Worth is drawing near and it is hoped that for the benefit of Fort Worth, Tarrant county and the state at large the building may be fully completed and handsomely decorated, and not only this, but that every section of the state will be represented there. "There is nothing that succeeds like success," and if this movement on the part of the thorough-going, enterprising citizens of the queen city of Texas is a success, there is no telling to what extent it will benefit the Lone Star State and Fort Worth. It is expected that there will be samples of every thing in the state, consisting of the products of the soil, every character of minerals, ore, arts, etc., that there will be people there from every part of these United States, if not from foreign nations, and these exhibits will be seen and inspected by all men.

This will be the grandest advertisement for Texas that has ever taken place; not excepting the celebration of the opening of the new capitol at Austin last May.

The good citizens of Fort Worth have spent thousands of dollars in inaugurating and advertising this grand movement, and their efforts should be appreciated by every citizen of Texas because it will no doubt prove a boon to the entire state. This is the only spring palace we have heard of in the South, much less in the state, and speaks volumes of enterprising spirit of its originators. But we would caution the citizens of Fort Worth about one point, and that is to be guarded about the exorbitant prices of board and lodging to its guests and visitors. Do not follow the example of Austin on the occasion of the dedication of the new state capitol. Do not set up and inaugurate a system of wholesale money making, as this will tend to have a deteriorating effect on the benefits that will otherwise accrue to the city.

Every one in Texas, at least west Texas, feels a peculiar interest in Fort Worth and regards it rather in the light of an ancestor and promoter of Western Texas than almost anything else. "Give honor to whom honor is due" and let the public-spirited, enterprising citizens of the queen city wear the laurels of the magnificent Spring Palace.

RAIL ROAD PROSPECTS.

SEVERAL railroads now point in the direction of Haskell, and we have every reason to believe that in a few short years this section of the state, like Eastern Texas, will be in a network of rail roads. The Dallas and South-Eastern is now being built, and grading is actually progressing. The road is sure to come to Graham, Young, county this fall, and if so it will doubtless be built on to Throckmerton and Haskell within the next twelve months.

The prospects are also favorable for the Houston and Texas Central to be extended through our county in the near future.

The Austin and North-Western rail road just recently inaugurated, is reaching out for this section of the country and the Panhandle.

Then comes the Rockisland road building down through the Indian territories, whose chart calls for Haskell county.

The North-Western branch of the Santa Fe from Coleman via Abilene will also stretch out across this country before many years pass away, and all have an eye on Haskell county, and there is a strong probability that within a very short time, probably not more than two or two of these roads. It is only a question of a few years when this entire section of country will be in a network of rail roads like Southern and Eastern Texas are to-day.

Twenty years ago there was not a railroad in Dallas, Tarrant, Denton, Collin or Grayson counties, and the country was as sparsely settled as Haskell is to-day. Land was a drug on the market at \$1 to \$2 per acre like it is here now. But things have changed. Rail roads came, settlers rushed in, capitol sought investment, and the country was soon flooded with enterprise. Large commercial cities, banking and manufacturing institutions spring up like magic, and where then was a howling wilderness, broad grassy plains—covered only by the panther, the wolf, cattle, horses, deer, turkey, to-day stands the magnificent temples of justice, cities counting their inhabitants by the ten thousand, and every available foot of land in cultivation and ready sale at \$25 to \$50 per acre.

We are then bound to agree that if these are the facts in those counties it must be in the near future with Haskell, Jones, Stonewall, Knox and all this section of the state.

The eyes of the world are turned westward. Let them come. We have broad plains of rich fertile lands lying gently idle; smilingly inviting the farmer and the tiller of the soil to come and tickle it with the plow and the hoe, promising a bountiful yield in return,

Now is the time for the farmer to make money in this country. For the next several years he can see every ton of hay, every bushel of corn, wheat, oats, potatoes, etc., that can be raised to the emigrant prospector and traveler.

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HASKELL IN GENERAL.

OUR town and county is now full of prospectors. They come in every day from all parts of the country, all agree in pronouncing Haskell one of the prettiest and best counties in West Texas, and with the same rail road and market facilities will compare favorably with any county in the state.

Truly this is a fine section for rich, productive agricultural lands, and is destined, we fondly believe, to become in the near future one of the leading counties in Texas, and all we need now to develop her wonderful resources is a few rail roads, a few thrifty, energetic farmers and a little capitol with the plow and the hoe.

The crops of last year and of this year are fully sufficient to evidence and forever settle the question as to whether or not this is a farming section.

There is no county on this earth, we believe, where crops of all kinds, suitable to this climate and latitude, grow off better and produce more than here with the same quantity of rain and work.

Fruit trees, such as the peach, apricots, pears, grapes, plums and apples do well here. Vegetables and cereals adapted to this climate can not be excelled in any part of the state, with same chances of cultivation; besides lands are reasonably cheap; ranging in prices from \$1.50 to \$3.50 per acre with warranty title, and on easy terms. Our land agents and attorneys,—of whom we have a full supply—take great pleasure in showing customers the various properties in both city and country they have for sale, and they seem to be doing all in their power to hold out all the inducements they possibly can to actual settlers. They are all courteous, reliable gentlemen, and we can recommend them to those who are in search of cheap homes.

We have room in Haskell county for ten thousand farmers, and now is the time for them to obtain cheap homes in our county—before we get those half dozen rail roads whose charts call for this "garden spot of Eden," and whose pointers are now in this direction. After the rail road reaches us lands will spring in price and poor men with small capital cannot then realize the great bargains in cheap lands they can now get.

Our lands range in quality from a heavy close black sandy to a dark red loam, underlaid generally with a good clay subsoil covered with a luxuriant coat of rich mesquite grass.

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Our people are intelligent, public spirited, hospitable and christian-like; liberal supporters of schools and churches, and to all those who have an eye on the west in search of cheap homes and healthy climate, we would extend a cordial invitation to come to Haskell county.

If the railroads of Texas will give a cheap rate from the Spring Palace to all parts of Texas the state will reap a richer harvest of investors in June than in any three years of its history. The opportunity exists, and it is an opportunity for the railroads as well as for the state.—[Gazette.]

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—Sam Houston was in the city this week.

—Walter Penner was in town this week.

—John Williams was in Haskell this week.

—H. C. Dillabuntz is in town this week.

—Sam Graves was in this city Wednesday.

—T. J. Lemon was in Haskell during the week.

—L. E. Lynn was in from the range this week.

—Miss Sallie Wray has gone to Rayner to spend a few weeks.

—Frank Blain of the W cross ranch was in the city this week.

—Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Agnew made a trip to Albany this week.

—Jersey Leonard of the horse shoe ranch was in the city this week.

—Sulphur at prices to suit the times at the Drug Store of Bass Bros. Abilene Texas.

—El. J. Hamner Esq. went to Benjamin last week on legal business.

—C. L. Gass, Jim Dillabuntz, Jno. Keister and Lige Roberts were in town this week.

—Saddles and Harness repaired to order at the new saddle shop west side of public square. 5-25-1f.

—The Place to buy your Prairie Dog poison is at the Drug store of Bass Bros. Abilene Texas.

—Mrs. C. Norris returned this week from Buffalo Gap where she has been visiting relatives.

—J. S. Post one of our enterprising citizens and farmers from Paint Creek was in the city Wednesday.

—MONEY SAVED by buying Watches, Clocks and Jewelry of W. H. Parson. West side of public square. 5-25-1f.

—J. F. Lockney and family accompanied by his father, has returned to Haskell to spend a few weeks.

—D. R. Gass will sell you a good Golden Eagle Cultivator as cheap as they can be obtained from any other dealer. 4-20-1f.

—The D I T wagon is camped on the head of mu's creek and will remain there until the 5th of next month.

—Take your repair work to W. H. Parson Prize Jeweler and Silvermith all work strictly guaranteed. 5-25-1f.

—W. H. Peckham of Throckmorton passed through Haskell Thursday enroute to Crosby county to attend district court.

—D. R. Gass is agent for the McCormick Mowers, Harvesters, and Binders, and all pieces for the repair of these machines. 4-20-1f.

—Walter Wright was in town this week and informed us that he had the finest corn crop in the west, planted on the sod.

—Mr. Ninas of Washington county was in the city this week with a view of purchasing land and to locate in our midst.

—R. M. Williamson one of the Florida hands has come to town sick with fever. Dr. Meathery is administering to his wants.

—N. PORTER, Abilene, Tex.—

—FOR—

CHEYENNE SADDLES, Prices \$17.00, \$20.00, \$25.00 and \$30.00.

—Our efficient county clerk C. D. Long has sold his residence and bought the John Norris place and is moving this week to his new home.

—J. W. Red & Co. have the most select stock of Dry Goods and Clothing ever brought to Abilene, and their low price on all will surprise you.

The Rev. J. B. Boen met with a very painful accident on last Wednesday in trying to tame a wild horse, he was kicked down and considerably bruised.

—The wheat and oat crops in Haskell county this year is very fine. Wheat is expected to turn out 25 bushel, and oats 50 bushel per acre rye and barley are also good.

—J. F. Clark of the firm of Adair & Clark of Abilene was in Haskell during this week. He speaks in very complimentary terms of our town and says we have the best town in the west.

—W. J. Sowel and N. C. Smith hauled two loads of lumber for the church this week. We are told the lumber is in Abilene to build the church, why do not the people better themselves and finish up the church.

—A. L. Beard of Seymour was in our city this week buying yearlings, we are informed he bought two hundred and paid \$7.00 and \$8.00 per head and engages R. W. Barrett of this city to deliver them in Seymour.

—Mr. Matthew Cartwright of Terrell the proprietor of the Flue dy ranch is hear with G. F. Stump the celebrated spayer. Mr. Cartwright will have about five hundred cows sprayde.

—When in Abilene call at the Drug store of Bass Bros. on west Pine street, and examine their stationery, books, wall paper, etc. before buying, they carry a large stock and sell remarkably low for the cash.

—Crops of all kinds are reported to be in very fine condition all over our county and with one more good rain at proper time, our farmers will gather in a bountiful yield of corn, wheat, rye, oats, sorghum and cotton.

—I will give \$25.00 for any evidence leading to the apprehension of the thief who stole two sacks of wool from an unoccupied house in Haskell owned by Geo. Keister on last Sunday night.

—N. PORTER, Abilene, Tex.—

—FOR—

SINGLE BUGGY HARNESS— \$10.00—\$12.00 and \$15.00. Full NICKLE HARNESS \$16.50 and \$18.00. Team Harness \$12—\$15—\$18—\$20—\$25.

—\$1000 to loan on unincumbered real estate in Haskell and adjoining counties in sums of \$500 up will also buy vendors lien notes and unincumbered real property. Call on or address

Morgan & Scott.

5-25-1f Haskell Texas.

—Prof. Brown, our singing teacher discharged his singing class this week on account of the protracted meeting. The Prof. seems to be thoroughly familiar with the rudiments of vocal music and so far as we have heard, gave entire satisfaction.

—Do not fail to call upon J. W. Red & Co., when you visit Abilene. Read their prices given in "ad" of this issue. They carry a full line of Dry Goods, Clothing, and Groceries, and in the only house in the city that carries stockmen's bedding, or tarpaulins.

—The protracted meeting by the christian church began last Wednesday night at this place. It is being run by elder Tant of Georgia assisted by elder Boen formerly of this city, but now of Seymour. We hope that much good may be accomplished.

—W. H. Hampton was in from the N.W. portion of the county this week. He reports crops very fine and took his reaper out with him and will begin harvesting in his neighborhood immediately. Mr. Hampton is one of our most prosperous and successful farmers.

—Several of our good citizens started Tuesday to Abilene after the balance of the lumber for our church house, and we hope they may succeed in getting it and that before many more "new moons," we may have a magnificent structure in which to meet and worship.

—we received a letter from J. H. Dolman of Rayner last week and he reports good rain in Stone wall county, and says the farmers are working like badgers and the crops are looking well, and that the tank for the gin at Rayner would soon be completed. He says the people are encouraged with railroad prospects.

—The damage suit in justice court in case of Bagum heirs vs. M. E. Williams, for driving a herd of cattle through his pasture came up for trial this week and after a sharp contest and several dilatory pleas, between Messrs Morgan and S. Ott representing defendant, and Martin and Jones for plaintiff the case was continued.

—F. P. Morgan, our signal service observer in forms us he has received the instruments for his observations, and in a short time will be able to report the condition and temperature of the weather. To have a signal service officer in our town is quite an acquisition, and we hope it will prove beneficial to the community.

—H. R. Jones, W. E. Johnson, R. F. Miller, Byron Glasscock, R. B. Miller, S. W. Scott and ye editor, Oscar Martin, took a trip to Clear Fork, for recreation and a fish fry this week. A little rest for the weary "and wicked" comes in good play some times, and is quite a relief from the monotony and labors of peened up town life. We hope they may have a nice and profitable trip. Fish is good brain food; eat hearty boys.

—W. T. Andrews Esq. and Charley McCommick of Throckmorton passed through our city this week en route to Crosby County district court. Mr. McCommick is the old deputy county assessor of Haskell county, under Mr. L. Casner and has many friends in Haskell who are always glad to see him among us. Mr. Andrews is one of the leading attorneys of our neighboring town, Throckmorton, and is a pleasant, affable gentleman and a coming lawyer of the west, we are always glad to see these gentlemen in our midst.

—Prof. J. L. Simpson of Glen Rose Summer veld Co. was in our city this week, prospecting with the view of locating and engaging to teach our public free school this winter. He expressed himself as being well pleased with our city and country and expects to locate with us whether he gets the schools or not. He left his application with several of our citizen however for consideration and we hope the new trustees will give him a fair and impartial consideration. He seems to be a polished, christian gentleman and a scholar and we are always pleased to have such men locate with us. He comes well recommended.

—Notice.

—We have found a string of small keys, strong on a small chain with ring. The owner can have the same by calling at our office and paying for this notice.

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WE LEAD IN LOW PRICES.

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ABILENE,

TEXAS.

We sell at prices that will save you Money.

READ THIS AND BE CONVINCED.

WE ARE SELLING:—Corsets (something handsome) for 25c, others sell for 50c.

Ladie's Kid Gloves (extra quality) for 50c " " " 85c.

Ladie's H. S. Horfs, fancy border for 40c doz. " " " 10c each.

Ladie's Hose, black and fancy colors 4 pr. 25c " " " 12c pr.

Towels, plaid crash for 45c doz. " " " 10c each.

Summer Lawn 10 yards for 30c " " " 5 to 6cyd.

Gent's Drawers for 25c pr. " " " 40c pr.

Gent's linen boson Shirts for 75c " " " 1.00.

6 spools cotton for 25c.

1 case domestic for 4c per yd.

1 case gingham for 4c per yd.

1 case Lawn fast colors for 3c per yd.

A wool suits from \$6 to \$20, far below their actual worth.

TO THE STOCKMEN.

We carry a complete line of Tarpaulins in 13 and 15 oz. duck 7X18 feet and wagon sheets in 8, 10 and 12 oz. duck, which sell at prices to suit. Call upon us when in Abilene and examine our stock and be convinced of our low prices in both Dry Goods and Groceries.

Prompt and careful attention Given all Orders by mail

J. W. RED & CO.

S. LAPOWSKI & BRO.

STOCK CLEARING CONTINUES.

1 Case Cheviot Shirting, worth 10c at 5c per yard.

1 Case Victoria Lawns, worth 10c at 5c per yard.

1000 Yards White Goods, wort 20, 25 and 30c, at 10c per yd.

300 Yards Star Neck Ruffling, cost 50c to manufacture, at 10c per yard.

200 Yards Embroidery, worth 15, 20 and 25, at 10c per yard.

Pings and Pinner's Best Imported

Kid Gloves, all shades, at 50c a pair.

100 Pansey Corsets, - - - - - worth 50, at 35c.

Respectfully,

S. Lapowski & Bro.

STILL SELLING—Yard-wide Bleached Domestic at 5c; Oil Calicoes at 5c, Gingham at 5c, Challies at 5c.

Abilene - - - - - Texas.

'GIT RIGHT'

The Haskell dudes are here by official notified to get them selves "in shape", for a certain fair daniel who once reigned as a bell of Haskell, has announced her intention to return to Haskell at a very early day and she says she is strictly a candidate for matrimony, and is coming back for the express purpose of getting married

Unparalleled Offer.

I am offering for sale in the next 30 days 10,000 good mesquite posts at 5c per post, this offer will be promptly discontinued on June the 4th 1889. People that are disposed to hawl about the under signed getting all the posts in the county are now respectfully invited to come forward and buy while they are offered cheap or else forever stop their racket.

An Ague Cure.

A clergyman, after years of suffering from that loathsome disease, chills and fever, and vainly trying every known remedy, has at last found a "malarial antedote," which completely cured him and saved his life. Any person suffering with this dreadful disease can be eventually cured by sending 50 cents for one bottle of this wonderful cure. Address: HENRY ROBINSON San Antonio, N. M. Agent Wanted

5-11-1f W. S. CALLAN

AN OFFICIAL LETTER.

From the Attorney General Relative to the Prosecution of an Official.

AUSTIN, TEX., May 16.—The attorney general has written the following letter to District attorney Robertson of this district:

As early as possible on the receipt of this you are respectfully requested to institute proceedings to remove from office J. M. Brackenridge, the county judge of Travis county. There is but little doubt of the evidence being accessible and sufficient to accomplish this under the law upon two general grounds:

- 1. Incompetency. 2. Official misconduct.

The constitution requires that the county judge shall be well informed in the law of the state. The statute defines incompetency among other things to be gross ignorance of official duties or gross carelessness in the discharge of them, and declares that official misconduct is any unlawful behavior in relation to the duties of his office, willful in its character, and includes any willful or corrupt failures, refusals or neglect of an officer to perform any duty enjoined on him by law. The grand jury of the present term of the district court, by a report which has been transmitted to this department, shows that Mr. Brackenridge as county judge has been guilty of obstructing the enforcement of the laws on the subject of gaming in this county by releasing the gamblers on writ of habeas corpus under such circumstances as to show him to be either grossly ignorant of his official duties or guilty of willful misconduct in the discharge of them.

From official information received here the records of the district court which also shows that he has not only demanded fees that he has not due him by the county, but has received them on several occasions. Some time ago this department called the attention of local officers to the flagrant violation of the laws prohibiting gaming in the city of Austin. They report here that they have made an honest effort to suppress such offenses but have been obstructed by Mr. Brackenridge as county judge. Complaints of open gambling houses, as well as unrestrained gaming of all kinds in which minors are permitted to engage in common with hardened criminals, continue to reach here. These laws cannot be enforced when either an ignorant or corrupt judge stands in the way as an obstructionist. Therefore his removal becomes necessary and proper.

Please take immediate action and honor this department with a report of the results from time to time as you proceed.

The district attorney had not replied to the letter this afternoon late, and it is understood under the quo warranto act that he can not institute suit to remove the judge unless sworn complaint is made by a citizen. It is possible the attorney general may have to submit the complaint.

The county judge is having a rough time. Upon re-election he was prosecuted on an alleged demand for illegal fees and convicted, but the court of appeals reversed the judgement and sent it back for a new trial. Then the legislature took away the civil jurisdiction of his county, thereby curtailing his fees and now the attorney general is after him. His friends have stood squarely, by him and assert it is political persecution, he being a republican and elected as an independent over a democratic nominee.

POISONED FAMILY.

The Wife Admits Doing It—Her Little Boy Dies—She Believed Insane.

Hico, Tex., May 16.—A brief report was published in yesterday's News of the poisoning of Mr. J. W. Tilley and family, living about one mile from town, in which no particulars could be learned. At that time two of the family, Mrs. Tilley and her little son, were in a critical condition. The little boy died yesterday evening about 4 o'clock, and Mrs. Tilley is yet pretty bad off, partially unconscious. The particulars, as near as can be learned, are as follows:

As previously reported, the poisoning seemed to be in the coffee. Mrs. Tilley arose unusually early that morning, while the balance of the family were yet asleep, and building a fire in the stove proceeded to get breakfast, when Mr. Tilley awoke and asked his wife "what she meant by getting breakfast so early," and requested her to go back to bed, which she did. At the breakfast table Mrs. Tilley poured the coffee first for the whole family. Mr. Tilley being the first one to taste of it, remarked that it did not taste altogether right and asked her what was the matter with it, to which she replied that she had ground some pepper in the coffee. The night before and had forgotten to clean it out and supposed that was the cause of it. They ate breakfast as usual, all partaking of the coffee, especially Mrs. Tilley and the little boy. Soon after all were taken sick, with above results.

As soon as Mrs. Tilley recovered sufficiently to be at herself she admitted to having put the poison in the coffee, but afterward denied it. Mr. Tilley is now under the impression she did it purposely, as she had before attempted suicide. Yesterday some of the nurses found a razor concealed under her pillow, which they took away from her. People think the poor woman insane. Physicians report them all doing well.

THE EGAN INSANITY WORK.

A Conspiracy to Defraud Him of Property on the plea of Insanity.

KANKAKEE, Ill., May 16.—James Egan, formerly a wholesale liquor merchant in Chicago, is having a hearing before Judge Reeves of the circuit court. Egan is trying to get a discharge from the Illinois eastern hospital for the insane. He claims that while in his place of business in Chicago one day last January an officer entered and escorted him to Judge Preuder's courtroom, and that he was tried as to his sanity there without any chance being given him to subpoena witnesses. He was found insane and brought to this city. A number of his business acquaintances and members of Irish societies decided to investigate the case, and have come to the conclusion there is a conspiracy to defraud Egan of his property which is valued at \$150,000. Egan has been a privileged character at the hospital, having his private horse and carriage and allowed to drive where he pleased. Egan is said to have been a particular friend of Dr. Cronin and connected with several organizations. Seven physicians swore that after an acquaintance from a month to six weeks and from frequent interviews on what were represented to be Egan's hobbies they could find nothing to suggest insanity.

WEATHERFORD COAL MINES.

Work Progressing Favorably in Sinking Shafts.

WEATHERFORD, TEX., May 16.—A party of engineers and citizens, accompanied by The News representative, returned to-day from a tour of inspection of the coal mines and the proposed route of the independent line of railroad to be constructed by the coal syndicate from this city to the mines, and on to Mineral Wells and the northwest

CHEAP SALE STABLE,



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TEAMS AND VEHICLES FOR HIRE AT LOW RATES. We can Afford to Keep Teams Cheaper than any Body, as We Have A Farm in Connection With Stable, and Raise all Kinds of Grain and Hay.

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HASKELL, TEX. FIRST-CLASS IN EVERY RESPECT. Only Hotel in Haskell.

This Hotel is kept in First-Class Style, everything in Apple-pie ORDER.

Clean Beds and First-class Rooms

DAY BOARD: \$14.00 per month.

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WATCHES AT COST! As Pledged Wholesale Watch Trade... Men

Who are weak, Nervous and debilitated and suffering from nervous debility, seminal weakness, nightly emissions, and all the effects of early evil habits, which lead to premature decay, Consumption or Insanity, send for Penz' Treatise on Disease of Men, with particulars for Home Cure. Cures guaranteed. No cure no pay. J. S. PEARSON, 612 and 614 Church St., Nashville, Ten.

If sufficient inducements are offered the projectors.

At the mines active operations are being carried on and the work will be pushed forward from this time on the main shaft with all possible dispatch. Three holes have been drilled and three shafts are under way, one of which is completed, coal being raised as previously reported, at only twenty-eight feet depth, and it is of a very superior quality, and even at this outcropping point could be worked profitably. Coal experts and mining engineers attest these facts. A large pie of the coal was lying at the mouth of the shaft and was also plainly discernible at the bottom, and the samples were brought to this city.

The main shaft will be sunk at a point where the vein will probably reach its maximum thickness approximating forty-two inches at a depth of about one hundred and ten feet. Within a short time the output will be 600 tons daily and eventually it is expected will reach 2000 tons per day.

The lands of the coal syndicate in addition to the immense coal fields are rich in iron, brucy and limestone deposits, and Dr. Raines of Mineral Wells has fine samples of iron ore which he pronounces superior in quality to the New Birmingham and Rusk ore, with which he is familiar. Altogether the prospects are most pleasing, and the manufacturing future of this city would seem to be assured.

A Woman's Discovery.

"Another wonderful discovery has been made and that too by a lady in this county. Disease fastened its clutches upon her and for seven years she withstood its severest tests, but her vital organs were undermined and death seemed imminent. For three months she coughed incessantly and could not sleep. She bought of us a bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption and was so much relieved on taking first dose that she slept all night and with one bottle has been miraculously cured. Her name is Mrs. Luther Lutz." Thus write W. C. Hamrick & Co., of Shelby, N. C.—Get a free bottle at any Drug Store.

FOR DYSPEPSIA Use Brown's Iron Bitters. Physicians recommend it. All dealers keep it. Genuine has trade-mark and crossed red lines on wrapper.

BROWN'S IRON BITTERS Cures Indigestion, Biliousness, Dyspepsia, Melancholia, Nervousness, and General Debility. Physicians recommend it. All dealers sell it. Genuine has trade-mark and crossed red lines on wrapper.

Galveston's Semi-Centennial.

Galveston is putting her best foot foremost in an effort to befittingly celebrate the semi-centennial anniversary of the incorporation of the city by sea. Preparations for a grand civic and military display, probably unsurpassed in the history of the South, are being made. The fun will commence promptly and early on the 4th of June and continue until late in the night of June 15th. Reduced rates over all railroads from all points in the State will be secured, and those who want to bathe in the glorious surf and breathe the wave-kissed breezes from the Gulf of Mexico will not soon again be afforded such an opportunity. In addition to all the natural attractions, the management having charge of the arrangements announce that the military display on this occasion will be something marvelous. Altogether prizes aggregating \$22,975 are offered for competing military, horse racing and regattas.

At night the grand panoramic spectacular military drama, "Fall of Paris and Reign of the Commune," will furnish a spectacle worth going hundreds of miles to see. This is one of the most stirring and realistic productions ever witnessed in the South.

On the encampment grounds the regular army will be represented by four companies of infantry, six companies of cavalry, a battery and military band. Five interstate and twelve State companies have already entered, and it is safely estimated that there will be 5000 soldiers in camp. The camp grounds are within two miles of the heart of the city, and reached by the Galveston & Western Railroad, affording ample and cheap transportation. Galveston extends an invitation, especially to the people of Texas, to join with her in celebrating her semi-centennial.

The Verdict Unanimous.

W. D. Salt, Druggist, Bippus, Ind., testifies: "I can recommend Electric Bitters as the very best remedy. Every bottle sold has given relief in every case. One man took six bottles, and was cured of Rheumatism of 10 years' standing." Abraham Haro, druggist, Belleville, Ohio, affirms: "The best selling medicine I have ever handled in my 20 years' experience, is Electric Bitters." Thousands of others have added their testimony, so that the verdict is unanimous that Electric Bitters do cure all diseases of the Liver, Kidney or Blood. Only a half dollar a bottle at any Drugstore.

Morgan & Scott

Attorneys at Law, Insurance, Loan

—AND—

Collecting Agents,

HASKELL, Haskell County, TEX.

Abstracting, Land Litigation, Investigating and Perfecting Land Titles in Haskell and Adjoining Counties Personally and Promptly Attended to.

The following is ONLY a PARTIAL LIST of the Lands we are offering for sale in this County, the Titles to which are regarded as absolutely perfect:

- No. 1. 137 acres, about 10 miles northeast of town, mostly prairie, but some timber, dry, dark red loam, price \$1.50 cash, \$2.00 to cut, 1/2 cash, balance 1 and 2 years, 10 per cent interest.
No. 2. 640 acres 15 miles west of town, near Double Mountain Fork of the Brazos river, fine land, price \$2.50 per acre, 1/2 cash, balance 1 and 2 years.
No. 3. 800 acres 9 miles southwest of town, high open ridge land, rich, level and nice, some timber, no surface water but very productive black sandy land. \$2.50 cash, \$2.75 to cut and on partial payments.
No. 4. 160 acres 5 miles north of town on Benjamin and Haskell road, close black land, level and rich, near Lake creek, some timber, good grass, price \$3.50 per acre.
No. 5. 213 1/2 acres 16 miles southwest of town, fine red loam, mesquite land, good grass and good land \$2.50 per acre cash.
No. 6. 304 acres of as fine land as in the county on Lake creek 17 north of town, good mesquite timber, price \$3.00, 1/2 cash, balance 1 year.
No. 7. 1,000 acres 4 miles southeast of town, fine dark red loam, quite timber and good water, \$3.00 per acre.
No. 8. 320 acres 12 miles southwest of town, on waters of Paint creek, good land and good grass, \$1.50, 1/2 cash. (Vining)
No. 9. 1250 acres 14 miles southwest of town on Paint creek, fine red loam, farming or pasture land, lays well, \$2.00 per acre, 1/2 cash balance 1 and 2 years.
No. 10. 640 acres 7 miles northwest of town, as fine black land, with good mesquite timber as in the county on head of Lake creek. \$3.00 per acre, terms easy.
No. 11. 2763 acres 10 miles southwest of Haskell in 921 acre blocks, mostly prairie, on Willow Point, \$2.00 per acre, will sell a portion or all in a body.
No. 12. 320 acres about 15 miles southwest of town, a splendid little piece of dirt for a farm, only \$2.00 cash.
No. 13. 640 acres 16 miles north of town on Lake creek. This is a magnificent body of farming or pasture land, has water, timber, grasses and good land all combined, making it one of the most desirable tracts in the county.
No. 14. 545 acres on Miller creek, very fine level land, will make a splendid farm, \$2.50 per acre cash.
No. 15. 320 acres on Paint creek 10 miles south of town, all good level land with good mesquite timber, \$2.50, 1/2 cash.
No. 16. 640 acres 12 miles east of town, Paint runs through it, about 1/2 good land, balance suitable for pasture, good timber and grass and protection for stock, a magnificent place for stock ranch.
No. 17. 320 acres 10 miles north of town, very fine level land with good grass and timber, only \$3.00 per acre cash.
No. 18. 320 acres 7 miles southeast of town on Buffalo creek, plenty of stock water, grass, timber and splendid land all combined, makes this one of the most desirable tracts in the county, only \$3.00 per acre, on easy terms.
No. 19. 640 acres 16 miles northeast of town, fine level prairie farming land, \$2.50 per acre, 1/2 cash, balance on easy terms.
No. 20. 1476 acres 7 miles east of town on Red creek, about 1/2 good farming land, balance good pasture, creek runs through survey, timber, water and grass combined, makes this suitable for a stock farm, price \$2.00 cash, \$2.25, 1/2 cash.
No. 21. 320 acres on Brazos river 16 miles west of town, good land, price \$3.00 per acre, 1/2 cash.
No. 22. 388 acres about 9 miles east of town on Red creek, splendid red land, price \$1.50 cash.
No. 23. 640 acres 14 miles west of town, fronting the Brazos river, good farming and pasture land, \$2.50, 1/2 cash or \$2.25, 1/2 cash balance on easy terms.
No. 24. 960 acres 12 miles north of town, good land, timber, water and grass, a splendid place for stock farm, \$2.50, 1/2 cash.
No. 25. 424 acres on Brazos river 18 miles northwest of town, as fine land as in the county, only \$3.00 per acre.
No. 26. 960 acres 10 miles northeast of town, level, red loam land, some timber but dry, only \$2.00 per acre, 1/2 cash.
No. 27. 430 acres 10 miles north of town on Lake creek, a better land in the county, good grass and timber, \$3.00, 1/2 cash down.
No. 28. 640 acres on same survey as No. 27, same quality of land, timber and grass, \$3.00 per acre, terms easy.
No. 29. 320 acres 6 miles north of town on Benjamin road, fine level black sandy land, good timber and grass, on Lake creek, only \$3.00 per acre.
No. 30. 3 sections (640 acres each) on Brazos river. This is as good land as in the west, lays well, \$2.00 per acre by the section, will sell either section or the whole in a body.
No. 31. 640 acres 11 miles northeast of town, very good red loam prairie land, only \$2.00 per acre cash or \$2.25, 1/2 cash.
No. 32. 640 acres 8 miles east of town on Haskell and Throckmorton road, splendid land at \$2.00 per acre, 1/2 cash.
No. 33. 3400 acres 20 miles north of town in the edge of Knox county, on Brazos river, no better land in the state, lays well, \$3.00 per acre, will sell in a body or cut to suit the purchaser.
No. 34. 300 acres 7 miles south of town on Mule creek, \$2.50 cash or \$2.75, 1/2 cash.
No. 35. 500 acres on Miller creek, all fenced with good house, two rooms, very fine land, grass, water and timber. Price and terms upon application.
No. 36. 320 acres 9 miles southeast of town, good land, water, grass with some mesquite timber. Horse creek passes through it, only \$2.25 per acre. A splendid ranch.
The above are only a portion of the splendid bargains we now offer to the home-seekers, and now is the time to purchase. We also offer for sale some nice 80 acre blocks on the Peter Allen survey adjoining town, also many choice vacant and improved town lots, cheap for cash, and on easy terms to the actual settler. For further information concerning lands in Haskell county, call on or address us. I also have a good farm of 160 acres in Stonewall Co. 60 acres in cultivation, good improvements, will sell cheap for cash. For particulars address us, Office in court house with county Surveyor and Treasurer.