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PRICE OF LANDS.

UNIMPROVED land is selling at \$3 to \$5 per acre in the country. Land within a radius of five miles of the town of Haskell is selling at \$5 to \$100 per acre. Town lots bring \$100 to \$1000.

Realty has made an advance of at least 100 percent in value on figures of Jan., 1889. A great deal has gone many times over and all realty has advanced 100 percent.

Land agents have sold all land they had from first hands, and the demand is growing daily. 250,000 acres of land in this county has changed hands in the last year. This is equal to nearly half the land in the county. The demand for land is growing and recent investors will be able to put their lands on the market this summer at handsome profits.

WHEN your friend writes for a description of Haskell county, buy a FREE PRESS and mail to him. I will tell him more than you could tell in a week on paper.

See 4th page for description of Haskell County.

The grand rush to Haskell will begin next month.

The rail road men have succeeded in delaying railroad legislation.

Give Haskell two railroads and in two years she will count 10,000 inhabitants.

The press of New Orleans condemned the mobbing of the Italians for the Hennessey murder. The press of the country is always on the side of law and order.

Judging from the movements in railroad circles Haskell will soon be a railroad center, all the new road movements are in the direction of Haskell, the Prairie Queen.

We will send THE FREE PRESS and the Fort Worth weekly Gazette one year and a leather bound copy of Webster's dictionary of 1615 pages to any address for the small sum of \$4.00.

WILL District Attorney Craig resign? The people of Jones county should attend to this matter at once if they expect to furnish any more material for district offices.

THE citizens of New Orleans could not cope with the organized band of Italian criminals by prosecuting them, so they have appealed to the shotgun and wiped out a lot of them.

If the railroad commission is made an elective one, a new field of spoils will be opened up for politicians to trade in. Worthless sharp politicians will fill the offices and the regulation of railroads will be a farce.

HOGG was elected governor upon the railroad commission issue, and he also declared he would vote an elective commission. We hope he has the courage to stand to his platform. The duties of a railroad commission will require business men specially fitted, and such men can not be obtained by popular vote. A few politicians will deal in the office and they will pack conventions by vain tricks unknown to competent business men and thus the will of the people will be defeated.

New York Store!

WE MOVED OUR STOCK IN THE NEW IRON BUILDING ON

Washington, Street - Seymour, Texas.

We have just finished Stock-Taking and find that we have too many Goods for this season of the year, and as we do not wish to carry them over until next winter, we have reduced the prices on all our Goods to less than ONE-HALF THEIR VALUE.

CLOTHING! CLOTHING!

We have the Largest Line of Clothing of any house in North-west Texas and it must be closed out before Spring. If you want a Suit either for yourself or boys, be sure to give us a call. We propose to sell at any price.

BOOTS AND SHOES!

We have an immense line of Boots and Shoes in endless variety and can suit everybody, in style and price, and they are going to be closed out regardless of Cost.

GENTS' FURNISHING GOODS.

Our Stock of Men's Underwear, Casimire Shirts, White Dress Shirts, Hosiery, Gloves, Suspenders and Silk Ties, is as complete as ever, the only difference now being, we have reduced the price on all of them. Be sure and give us a call before buying elsewhere.

All our Hats, Blankets, Comforts, Trunks and Valises will be sold at reduced prices.

We have determined to force out all our surplus Stock of goods in order to make room for a big Spring Stock which we have on the road, consequently we are selling all our Goods at an enormous Discount.

Come to our store and see how one dollar in cash will buy two dollars worth of goods.

NEW YORK STORE,

L. FREEMAN, MANAGER.

SEYMOUR, TEXAS.

OWING to respect we have for District Attorney Craig's family we have refrained from commenting on his intoxication while here last week, but for the good of the country we advise that some steps be taken to vacate his office and fill the same with a man who is not a slave to drink.

LEGENDS OF THE WREN.

Its Tricks on the Eagle Wins Its Popularity Among the Irish.

In Ireland the wren is called the king of birds. One old legend among the Irish, that dates as far back as the days of the Druids, is thus stated by the Boston Globe.

Once upon a time the eagle, always proud of his strength and valor, called all the birds together for a trial of flight, with this understanding, that he who soared the highest would forever command the distinctive title of "king of birds."

The eagle, by common consent, had been invested with the honor from time immemorial and he had no idea of giving it up, but the better to impress his superiority on all inferior birds he called together the whole feathered tribe for this grand flying tournament.

At the appointed time the birds came. There were thrushes, linnets, magpies, crows blackbirds, bluebirds, hawks, doves, robins, sparrows, nightingales, larks, game birds from the forest seabirds from the coast and last of all, but as noisy as any of them, came the turkey, geese, ducks and hens from the barnyards.

The eagle surveyed them all with his piercing eyes. At some of them he cast a contempt-

uous glance, but when he saw the sky lark he looked a little uneasy. This was the only bird he really feared, for the skylark can fly very high. But his fears did not last long, for just then he saw something to make him laugh. It was the little wren hopping along saucily with his jaunty little tail perked up with the utmost assurance. One would think he expected to win the prize.

The eagle began to poke fun at him, and all the other birds joined in, so that the poor little wren was glad to escape out of sight.

When the signal was given for the birds to start he was nowhere to be seen, and if any one thought of him at all it was probably to conclude that he had realized the folly of his trying to compete with those so much stronger than himself, and had wisely gone home to his nest in the hedge.

At a given signal away flew the birds. Up, up, up! The wild geese did very well, so did the hawk, and the skylark kept close under the eagle's big wings; but one by one they had to give up, all but the proud old eagle. He kept on soaring until he reached a point from which he could not rise himself another inch.

Then he looked down proudly at all the representatives of the feathered tribe below him, and they looked up admiringly at him, when suddenly up above him flew a little dark speck. It was a bird, and the horrified eagle looked up to see the despised little wren hovering above him.

All the other birds saw him too and they set up a great shout. Then down flew the crestfallen eagle.

As the birds touched the ground they looked for the wren, and they saw him hop off the eagle's back. He had been nesting among the feathers, and the big eagle did not feel his weight.

So it was that when the eagle and the other birds had used up all their strength he was able to reach a point higher than all of them.

According to the letter of the law the wren was adjudged "king of birds," but as one may suppose, the eagle was very angry. He set to work and cursed the wren and laid a spell on him so that he should never again be able to fly over anything, and to this day an Irish wren cannot even fly over a hedge; he must find an opening in it somewhere before he can pass from one field or garden to another.

The druids treated the wren with great distinction, but when christianity was introduced into the country the first christian missionaries, not above superstition themselves, considered their admiration a great offense; and since then the poor little king has sometimes had a hard time of it.—Ex.

Remarkable Rescue.

Mrs. Mitchell Curtin, Plainfield, Ill., make the statement that she caught cold, which set tied on her lungs; she was treated for a month by her family physician, but grew worse. He told her she was a hopeless victim of consumption and that no medicine could cure her. The druggist suggested Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, she bought a bottle and to her delight found herself benefited from the dose. She continued its use and after taking ten bottles, found herself sound and well, now does her own housework and is as well as she ever was.—Free trial bottles of this Great Discovery at A. P. McLemore Drug Store. Large bottles 50c and \$1.00.

R. S. DeLong & Co,

—DEALERS IN—

Dry Goods, Millinery, Clothing, HATS AND GROCERIES.

Our Immense stock of DRY GOODS and CLOTHING are now in store, As to style quality and prices we defy competition.

Mrs. Hascal assisted by Miss Mollie Dewberry now has charge of the Millinery and Dress-Making department.

Mrs. Hascal is a lady experienced in the business and known as an expert in the east. A guarantee of Satisfaction in every particular accompanies all her work.

Miss Lizzie Killough will hold the position of saleslady and the Ladies are especially requested to come and examine our LATE STYLES OF DRESS-GOODS.

GENTLEMEN, will find our SPRING CLOTHING unsurpassed in price and style. No trouble to show goods. Come and Look whether you buy or not.

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Have the most complete Stock of Hardware and Implements in the west. They handle Strictly First-class lines:

Eagle cultivators, Malta cultivators,

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Baker wire, perfect and imitation,

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Harrison wagons,

Buggies and Spring work.

Charter Oak Stoves,

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Come and see us.

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Texas.



FOR DYSPEPSIA Use Brown's Iron Bitters. Physicians recommend it. All dealers keep it. \$1.00 per bottle. Genuine. Has trademark and colored red glass wrapper.

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LOCAL DOTS.

—Go to McLemore's for your Drugs.
—McLemore's Wine of Cardui for Weak Nerves.
—All grades of Wall Paper at McLemore's.
—P. D. Sanders has town lots for sale, call and see him.
—When you want good fat beef, call on Dickenson Bros.
—Ladies go to Mrs. J. C. Baldwin for your broadcloth riding habits and fancy tennis caps.
—Both bank buildings are nearing completion rapidly.
—J. H. Devoport Esq. of Eastland was in the city this week.
Try **BLACK-DRAUGHT** for Dyspepsia.
—Lookout for the ad of Long Bros. & Frost next issue they are getting in their new goods.
—McLemore's is headquarters for Dog Poison, Otis and Wall Paper.
—Miss Mollie Dewberry has accepted a position as milliner with R. S. DeLong & Co.
—When you want something good to eat call on Collins & Hampton.
—Mrs. B. B. Hascall has accepted a position as dress maker for R. S. DeLong & Co.
—Johnnie Haggard and A. Lee Kirby have bought the Drug business of E. Turner & Co.
—Bass Bros. Abilene Tex., have a large stock of Dog Poison, its the place to get bargains.
—R. S. DeLong & Co. have had Dr. Lindsey and W. E. Johnson bring them open their large stock of spring goods.
—WINE OF CARDUI, a Tonic for Women.
—McLemore has just received another large bill of Wall Paper.
—You will find a good assortment of lap robes at the saddle shop.
—Ask your dealers for the N. Porter make of Horse Collars Saddles, Harness etc., etc.
—I will give a printed guarantee with all work and keep a register of watches and movements repaired.
—J. E. Glover.
—Groceries at Collins & Hampton's at railroad prices with the freight added for cash.
—R. M. Brown and John C. Roberts, of Calvert, are in the city looking after their land interest in this county.
—McLemore's Wine of Cardui for female diseases.
—When in Haskell call at the City Hotel, where everything is kept neat.
Becknell & Rupe, prop's
—R. S. DeLong & Co. are opening their also spring stock of Dry Goods, Gent's Furnishing goods etc. Come and see them.
—Go to McLemore's for your Dog Poison he has all kinds as cheap as Abilene.
—Kill your Dogs now is the time you will find the poison cheap at Bass Bros. Abilene Tex.
SPRING AND SUMMER.
R. S. DeLong & Co. have the nicest line of spring and summer goods ever brought to the west. Come and see them.
—Furniture repaired, also second hand furniture bought exchanged and sold by Miller & Riddle.
—McLemore will sell you Cal, Dog Poison in any quantity from 2p to twenty gallons.
—**BLACK-DRAUGHT** for cure Constipation.
—Bass' Dog Poison will do the work, and you can get it at A. P. McLemore's Drug Store. 1-31-St
—W. E. Naylor and family of Vernon are visiting Mrs. Naylor's father and mother Mr. and Mrs. Kirby of this place.

—There were several light showers this week.
—Wheat and oats are coming out since the cold weather.
—The latest craze in the social circle is lawn tennis.
—Mrs. J. C. Baldwin will receive her new fancy good to-day, and next week will find her with the largest and best selected stock to be found in the city of Haskell.
—Capt. Darnell of the John R. Jones Lumber Co. of Abilene was in the city this week.
—Anderson Poulson of Waco is in the city looking for a location for a saddle and harness shop.
—Owing to the fact that we have made a change in our business we would be pleased for all parties who are indebted to us to call and settle at once. Long Bros.
—District court has delayed farmers some by stopping many of them to serve as jurors.
—While in Abilene our Junior H. Bee Martin visited the Harness and collar factory of N. Porter. He is doing a large business in this line.
—Old Crow, Jas. E. Pepper and Anderson County Whiskies the finest in the market at the Road to Rain Saloon, West side square. Haskell, Texas.
—Miss Ada McCreary is visiting her old friends at this place, she will return to Seymour Saturday.
—Any one wanting duck eggs will find them at Mrs. W. J. Cathery's, 35 cts per setting.
—Dr. R. A. Anderson of Aspermont has been in attendance at court this week as an attached witness.
—F. E. Turner and Dr. Oldham have returned from Dickens. They were highly delighted with the Duck Creek country.
—Miss Annie Cather of Brenham is now with Mrs. J. C. Baldwin and is fully prepared to exhibit the best skill and ability in stylish dress-making of any one in the state and solicits a liberal patronage from the ladies of Haskell and surrounding counties.
—Mrs. B. B. Hascall thanks her many customers for their liberal patronage heretofore, and respectfully solicit a continuation of the same. She and Miss Mollie Dewberry will open their department of dress making and millinery up stairs, over R. S. DeLong & Co.
—The many friends of Miss Annie Cather will be glad to learn she has returned to Haskell to live. Miss Cather will go in business with Mrs. J. C. Baldwin. She is one of the most fashionable milliners of the state and it speaks well for Haskell to be able to secure such a lady by possessing the proper inducements.
—Having bought out the firm of F. E. Turner & Co., we respectfully solicit a share of your patronage. Our aim is to live and let live as our prices will show. Our stock will be fresh and complete all the time.
Respectfully,
Haggard & Kirby.
McElree's Wine of Cardui and **THEO. FORD'S BLACK-DRAUGHT** are for sale by the following merchants in Haskell county:
F. E. Turner, Haskell
D. R. Gass, Haskell
Johnson Bros, Haskell
Don't Read This!
—Furniture, Carpets, Queensware, window shades, Sewing Machines, Machine Oil and needle of all kinds kept at Miller & Riddle.
Notice!
Parties owing the firm of F. E. Turner & Co. will please come forward and settle either by cash or by note, or their accounts will be placed in the hands of an attorney. We will make our headquarters at the store of Haggard & Kirby.
F. E. Turner & Co.
March 20th, '91.

Seed! Seed!
A Car Load Of Cane And Millet Seed
Just Received.

We also have all other kinds of Garden and Field Seeds, and Remember we Carry the largest Stock of Groceries in Abilene and make the Lowest Prices. We want your trade. Come and See us.

Yours Truly,
J. M. RADFORD,
GROCERIES! GROCERIES! GROCERIES!
ABILENE, TEXAS.

—See the Grand Display of new spring Dress goods, Millinery, Rushing, Embroidery, Laces, ribbons, and general assortment of novelties at R. S. DeLong & Co's. We have the most perfect, and latest style of millinery ever brought to Haskell; and kindly invite our friends to come and see for themselves. All who have seen our line of dress goods, lawns, challises, satines, white and black mullets, calicoes and gingham, pronounce them the handsomest and best ever brought to the town.
We respectfully solicit your patronage.
Miss Lizzie Killough, and Miss Mollie Dewberry.

Notice!
—Mr. S. E. Frost a worthy young man of Farmerville Texas, has associated himself with us and the firm of Long Bros., will hereafter be known Long Bros. & Frost. We are very thankful to the people for their past favors, and hope to receive a good share of their patronage in the future. Very Respect,
Long Bros.

Hotel Arrivals.
CITY HOTEL.—L. M. Buffington, Ft. Worth; A. Darnell, Abilene; B. R. Milam, Glen Rose; A. P. Harris, Dallas; Maj. J. H. Deavenport, Eastland; G. H. Coody, Benjamin; J. C. Ziegler, Wichita Falls; Tom Adams, Benjamin; O. T. Love, Benjamin; Wes Swan, Anson; C. M. Christenberry, Anson; J. H. Colvard, Waco; J. W. Shuett, Dallas; Anders Poulson, Waco; Jim Milton, Albany.

Notice!
—To our friends and customers; having sold our stock of drugs to Messrs Haggard & Kirby and on retiring from business we wish to express our thanks for your liberal patronage. Our relations with you have been very pleasant and the emoluments most gratifying, and as our intentions are to remain with you we hope to continue to merit your esteem and confidence, again thanking you,
We are Respectfully,
F. E. Turner & Co.

Faint Creek Scribblings.
As school boy has been silent so long, thought I would do some scribbling.
Mr. Hughes and daughter are off on a trip to Young county.
Mr. Hobbs and wife have returned from their visit to Aspermont.
Don't know what's the matter with the people in this neighborhood—haven't seen anybody smile when I met 'em for a month. Tried to smile the other day myself and couldn't until Samantha Jane said it "looked like it mought rain over in the west, then you ought to have seen me smile! Water barrels are in demand just now, portable cisterns we call them.
Farmers are going right ahead with their work, most all have their corn planted.
Mr. Jeter has forty acres of corn planted, and reports that the spring wheat he recently planted is coming up, but his old woman has to lay awake most all night and keep the "kiver" on him, kase he's afraid that corn won't come up.
Wheat is holding out well against the dry seige, and if we can have rain in a few days, good crops will be guaranteed; though sister Adams has to stick the chloaf form bottle close to brother Ad-

ama's nose at night to put him to sleep, kase he's suffering with a disease just now called oneness of the mind, you see brother Adams thinks the recent cold killed his wheat. Then there's Mrs. Ward who hasn't had a good night's rest since Mr. Ward killed that turkey 'bristmas. She says he talked in his sleep about northers, drift, short grass, scarcity of water, poor cattle, and dead cattle.
Mrs. Ward reports garden vegetables up, who will be next. Samantha Jane says if I don't plant the Irishman taters soon, she will quit cookin cornbread and bakon three times a day. Well I dont care if she does, soon have a change as not, I believe in the old saying a bird in hand is worth two in the bush, so I'm not going to plant taters 'till it rains.
Mr. Post is out of pocket—say he's out in Dickens county. Well that beats the Dickense, I'll bet my berkshire sow he's back as quick as granjury leaves Haskell.
Wish that old big granjury man from Anson would make haste and leave Haskell, I'm afraid I'll take brother Adams, disease if he doesn't. My jehosaphat! the clock struck half after ate, I must quit and go to bed, Samantha Jane says I must plant gounbers to-morrow.
Dick Taylor—Farmer.

AN ENGINEER'S RIDE.
He Makes a Trip to Haskell County Looking at Cattle.
It leaked out yesterday that an engineer of the St. Louis, Arkansas and Texas railway had made a trip overland from Fort Worth to Haskell county. He was a cattle buyer looking for a ranch. Now if there is one thing more than another that civil engineers like it is a cattle ranch. They are very fond of frolicing among the long horned bovins, and are thoroughly posted on cattle. Of course a cattle ranch is very desirable piece of property although the ranches in this vicinity are gradually being surrendered to the farmers. It is also known that Mr. Gould has lately acquired the cotton belt, and a son of his is president of the company, and a ranch near a railroad would be valuable piece of property. There is no road there now, but there will be shortly and it is evident that Mr. Gould knows something about it.
This section of country is a very valuable to any railroad, and the trip of this engineer is pretty conclusive evidence that the Cotton Belt is seriously considering an extension in that direction. Someone will build a line through that country and Mr. Gould is not the style of railroad magnet to permit another and a rival line to occupy the field ahead of him. As the matter now stands, some company is undoubtedly preparing to build from Henrietta to Archer and Throckmorton, and the Wichita Valley road is doubtless looking southward toward Archer and Throckmorton, and there are unusual signs of life and activity about the Fort Worth and Albuquerque. The prairies are fill with railroad men, and the valuable section of country lying between the Fort Worth and Denver and the Texas and Pacific is an inviting field. The field will undoubtedly be occupied this year and whether it is a Gould line, a Santo Fe line, or an independent line, Fort Worth stands ready to welcome any of them that proposed to build through that section from his city.—Fort Worth Gazette.

WHAT I'D RATHER BE
Of all bugs that crawl or flies,
I'd rather be a "shater,"
I'd grease my wings and fly away,
Some sweet "gal" for to eat her,
and when I found a low-necked dress,
With arms that's almost bare,
I'd grid my bill an hour or two
And make her scratch and rare.
But when I struck an old maid tough,
Of course I couldn't slight her;
I'd just whizz and buzz around her ear,
But oh, I'd never bite her.
But should I spy a tender dude,
With peacock pomp and swell,
I'd whet my nose, and clinch my toes,
And give that "dudie" —
DICK MAPLE.

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A Card to The Public.
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HASKELL county is situated in the southern part of the panhandle on the line of the old 36th Meridian west from G. and W. It is 1500 feet above the sea and has mild winters and summers. It is 30 miles square and contains 576,000 acres of land. It was created in 1858 from a part of Fannin and Milam counties, and named in honor of Charles Haskell, a young Tennesseean, who fell at the massacre at Goliad in 1836.

It remained unsettled until 1874 when there was one or two ranches established. Other ranchmen followed and in 1880 the county could boast of 15 or 20 inhabitants. There was no further development until early in 1884, when the town of Haskell was laid off and by donating lots a few settlers were induced to build residences, and in January 1885 the county organized with a polled vote of 57 electors.

Up to 1884 the soil had never been turned by a plow, and the people depended upon raising cattle, sheep and horses as the natural grasses furnished food both winter and summer for immense herds. The poorer people made money by gathering many thousands of Buffalo bones and shipping them east to be made into fertilizers for use in the old states.

Experiments were made in 1885 with garden products, corn, oats, wheat, rye, barley and cotton and the yield was bountiful.

In 1886 and 1887 the entire west from Dakota to Mexico suffered from seasons of unprecedented dryness, but the faith of the few farmers of Haskell county, kept green and in the fall of 1887 farming began in dead earnest, and the crop of 1888 far surpassed all anticipation, corn made 25 bushels per acre; oats made from 60 to 100, wheat from 15 to 25, rye 20, and cotton, one-third to one-half bale per acre, and sorghum, hay and millet was so bountiful it was hardly considered as a part of the general crop and there was no demand for it in the local market. The acreage in farms have been increased to at least 20,000 acres.

TOPOGRAPHY.
The county is an undulating plain with occasional creeks and branches. It is bounded on the north by that picturesque stream the Salt Fork of the Brazos, and on the west by Double Mountain Fork. There are a few washes and gulches along the creeks and rivers, but with their breaks, rocks and poor land combined, their area in Haskell county would not average over 10,000 acres that would not be a fine agricultural land.

WATER.
It is traversed by numerous creeks and branches besides the rivers mentioned, some of which are fed by never failing springs of purest water.

Besides the numerous branches that afford water for stock all the time, the south half of the county is traversed by Paint and California creeks with their numerous tributaries draining the south half of the county.

The north half is traversed from Southwest to Northeast by Lake and Miller creeks whose tributaries furnish water and drainage for the same.

Besides the surface water there is an abundance to be obtained by digging from 15 to 40 feet, and all of a good quality, some of which is unsurpassed by that of any section in the state for purity and temperature.

SOIL.
The soil is an alluvial loam of great depth and fertility, varying in color from a red to a dark chocolate, and by reason of its porosity and friable nature, when thoroughly plowed, readily absorbs the rainfall and in dry seasons absorbs moisture from the atmosphere; and for the like reasons the soil readily drains itself of the surplus water, thereby preventing stagnation of the water and the baking of the soil as well as the germination of noxious weeds. It is those peculiar qualities of soil that enable vegetation to withstand all varieties of weather.

Except mesquite grubs and slugs, which are easily extracted,

there are no obstructions to plow and the land being level or generally rolling, and easily worked, the use of labor saving implements at once becomes pleasant and profitable. One man with machinery and a little hired help has been known to cultivate over 100 acres in grain and cotton.

PRODUCTS.
Indian corn, wheat, oats, barley, rye, durum corn, millet, sorghum, castor beans, field peas, peanuts, pumpkins, and all the squash family, turnips and cotton are grown successfully and profitably. Also sweet potatoes do well, and Irish potatoes as well as anywhere in the South. Garden vegetables grow to perfection, and melons luxuriant in Haskell county soil, growing to fine size of superb quality. Besides the native grasses that grow on the prairies, sustaining large numbers of cattle, horses and sheep throughout the year, Colorado grass grows to great perfection and the hay made from this grass forms a valuable adjunct to the winter pasture, in keeping stock over winter.

YIELD AND PRICES OF FARM PRODUCTS.
The average yield of Indian corn per acre is about 30 bushels and the price varies from 50c to 1.25 per bushel; the wheat yield for the year was 15 to 25 bushels per acre, and sold in the home market for 90 cents to \$1.00 per bushel; oats yield 60 to 100 bushels per acre and usually sell at 25 cents per bushel; cotton yields a half to three quarters of a bale per acre, but owing to the great distance to market its cultivation is not engaged in to a great extent. Other crops make good yields and command corresponding prices. Home made pork is usually worth 6 to 8 cents per pound; fresh beef 4 to 6 cents; home made butter, sweet and delicious, usually sells at 25 cents per pound, chickens 15 to 25 cents each, and eggs 10 to 25 cents per dozen.

SHIPPING POINT.
As yet Haskell has no railroad, and our people do their principal shipping to and from Abilene, a town 60 miles south, in Taylor county, on the Texas and Pacific railroad, Albany on the H. & T. C. 45 miles from Haskell on the south east, and Seymour on the W. V. road 45 miles on the northeast.

RAILROADS.
There is one road being built from Seymour to this place and one to be built from Fort Worth The Texas Central will have to extend in a short time from Albany or Fort Worth to Haskell as on the line as originally surveyed.

The land men of Austin have organized a company to build a road from that city to this section of the state where they control nearly all the land and one of the principal members owns 150,000 acres in this and Knox counties, besides he owns the large addition to the town of Haskell on the south.

Haskell is 60 miles north of the T. & P. R. R. and 30 miles south of the Ft. W. & D. R. R. and is situated on the direct line of the cattle trail over which the Rock Island, and G. C. & N. F. propose to extend their lines.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS.
Our school fund is perhaps the best of any county in the north-west. In addition to the amount received from the state, about \$3,500 per capita, our commissioners court have wisely executed a lease for 10 years of our 4 leagues of school land, situated in the Panhandle, the revenue from which added to the amount received from the state gives us a fund amply sufficient to run the several schools of the county ten months in the year. This fund can also be drawn upon to build school houses in any organized school community of the county.

MAIL FACILITIES.
There is a daily mail service from Haskell to Abilene via Anson and a tri-weekly mail north to Benjamin and to Seymour on the Wichita valley railroad, these lines also carry express and passengers.

RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATIONS.
The religious and moral status of the people of Haskell county will compare favorably with that of any people. The Methodist, Baptist, Christian, Old School and Cumberland Presbyterian churches have organized churches in the town of Haskell, and have preaching on Sundays, also preaching at other points in the county. We have a good Union Sunday School, and weekly prayer meeting that are well attended.

HASKELL.
The town of Haskell is the county site of, and is situated one and one-half miles south of the center of Haskell county, on a beautiful table land, and is six years old and has a population of 942. Has as good well water as can be found anywhere, which is secured at a depth of 18 to 22 feet. Also has two never failing springs of pure water in the edge of town. Haskell has five drygood and grocery stores that sell goods at prices as low as can be had in railroad towns, with 50 cents per hundred pounds for freight added, and drygoods and groceries as cheap as can be bought any where, two Millinery establishments one gin and mill. Also has two drug stores two hardware one furniture one notion the hotel and two restaurants, three blacksmith shops,

two cabinet and wood shops, one lumber yard two national banks, one barber shop, one silver smith shop one saddlery shop, one boot and shoe shop, two meat markets; two livery stables three doctors; 13 lawyers and land agents; two first class newspapers and job offices and two saloons, all doing a good business. The town of Haskell with her natural advantages, of location, climate, good water and fertility of soil is destined in the near future to be the queen city of Northwest Texas, and railroad connection for Haskell is all that is needed to accomplish these.

ADVANTAGES AND RESOURCES.
In almost every neighborhood of the older states and the thickly settled portion of our own state there are many of its citizens who are contemplating a removal or a change of residence for many reasons. Some to restore lost health, some to make their beginning in the world, others to repair financial losses, others seeking safe and profitable investments of surplus capital. There are many others who have comfortable homes and are well contented, but who have children, whom they would like to provide with lands suitable for a home, and assist to commence business in life, but can not do so with their present surroundings, and must seek cheaper lands and better opportunities in other and newer localities.

To such we would say you are just the people we want. Come and see us, and you will find a broad field of occupation, and investment to choose from, with chances greatly in your favor. In coming to Haskell do not imagine we are a people wild and woolly indigenous to these "western wilds," that we are loaded with dynamite and shooting irons, that our conversations are collections of cuss words and Mulhannan mixtures, but rather that we are a people reared among the same surroundings, that we have received, the benefit of the same advantage, that we have availed ourselves of the same educational privileges, that we have had the same christian instructions you yourselves have had. Be enlightened by past experience. Fortunes have been made by the development of new countries, and fortunes are yet to be made in our new and equally as good country.

We have a country endowed by nature with all the conditions of soil, prairie and valley adapting it to the production of all the grains, grasses, fruits and vegetables of the temperate zone. We have a climate which is a happy medium between the extreme cold and extreme heat, a climate which will preserve the strong and robust and strengthen the sickly and weak. We have a county well adapted to stock raising of all kinds. We have a country where no malarial sickness ever comes. We have a county of the best lands in Northwest Texas. We have an abundance of mesquite and hickory timber for firewood and fencing. We have the most substantial inland business town in the northwest. We have the greatest abundance of the purest water. We have a class of citizens as honest and industrious, as hospitable and good natured, as law abiding, patriotic and religious as can be found anywhere in the United States. We have plenty of room, and invite you and all who contemplate a change to come, all who want good and cheap lands. We have them, and want you for neighbors and friends.

Reader, please hand this to your friend.

A Childless Home.
Smith and his wife have every luxury that money can buy, but there is one thing lacking to their happiness. Both are fond of children, but no little feet patter in their beautiful home. "I would give ten years of my life if I could have one healthy, living child of my own." Smith often says to himself. No woman can be the mother of healthy offspring unless she is herself in good health. If she suffers from female weakness, general debility, bearing-down pains, and functional derangement, her physical condition is such that she cannot hope to have healthy children. Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription is a sovereign and guaranteed remedy for all these ailments. See guarantee printed on bottle wrapper.

A Capitalist of Texas.
Barnet, Texas, June 12, 1887
Mr. A. K. Hawkes—Fifteen years ago I bought from you a pair of spectacles, and during these years I think that my sight has not failed at all as I still use the same glasses, and they suit me as well as ever. My age is now 61 years. Yours, etc.,
W. H. WESTRAIL,
President Barnett Bank.

All eyes fitted and the fit guaranteed at the store of F. E. Turner, Haskell, Texas.

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TAX SALE.

J. W. B. Anthony Sheriff and Tax Collector in and for Haskell County, State of Texas, hereby notify all persons that by virtue of the Tax Rolls of said Haskell county for the Year A. D. 1890 and in accordance and by the authority vested in me by law for the collection of Taxes, have this day levied upon each and every one of the tracts, town lots, and parcels of land described in this list herein given to-wit:

Non-Resident Roll for 1890.

By Whom Rendered	Acres	Original Grantee	No. of Acres	Total State Tax	Total County Tax	Total Tax
E. M. Hawk	143 3889	132 Elias Gilpin	476	3 87	7 75	11 62
Carson & Lewis	561 747	3 Thos C Snalum	320	2 08	5 12	7 20
Preston & Boone	145 1080	165 John Gibby	200	1 62	3 25	4 87
Elisabeth Giboney	145 1080	165 " "	1042	8 47	16 93	25 40
P. M. Hall	156 294	13 Rieb Hall	1844	1 50	2 99	4 49
Elien Norton	407 717	53 Jas Witcox	246	2 00	4 92	6 92
" "	335 331	M P Norton	269	2 18	5 37	7 55
J. C. Lerrell	162 333	Andrew Hammit	320	3 64	6 96	10 60
G. W. Coe	498	2 W J Montgomery	160	1 56	3 84	5 40
Max Paul	168 358	210 F F Howell	514	4 18	8 36	12 54
L. P. Easter	731 169	Day L & Coattle Co	1044	6 79	13 57	20 36
Joseph O'Conner	362 2637	153 J P R-szier	610	3 12	6 28	9 40
Hrs John Campbell	31	58 John Campbell	2134	1 38	3 44	4 82
Mrs Lucy Selkirk	437	J M Mordin	1476	1 19	2 51	3 70
E. H. Randolph	126 108	Thos Early	339	3 75	9 21	12 96
B. F. Jackson	300 2500	72 Coryell Co S L	320	3 12	6 24	9 36
Fred Sterzing	368	31 125 Ben Laner	177	1 13	2 86	4 29

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G. T. Baggett Jr	724	G T Baggett	184	8 67	1 64	10 31
R. E. Edge	19 135	169 J Battie	120	1 75	3 11	4 86
D. M. Edge	732	D M Edge	109	1 75	3 51	5 26
A. M. Edge		Premption	160	1 75	3 51	5 26

J. D. Roberts	294	67 Chas Erwin	738	1 75	9 55	11 30
J. F. Standefer	715	57 A Slaydon	83	68	1 36	2 04
J. E. Smith	140	57 A Slaydon	320	1 75	4 28	6 03
F. M. Tucker	99	28 H A CRY CO	165	1 28	4 61	5 89
W. H. Taylor	739	28 Coryell Co S L	217	1 41	2 82	4 23
D. F. & G. Williams	376	35 P L Smith	200	1 75	2 97	4 72

92	701	110 H O Campbell	928	9 05	22 27	31 32
134	59	167 Chas Fine	50	30	58	88
139	9629	80 S P Ford	320	2 00	5 20	7 20
140	350	67 H DeFaz	61	4 16	10 24	14 40
158	327	73 John Hasband	61	5	10	15
168	358	210 R F Howell	3	3	05	8
303	703	171 E T King	820	6 66	13 32	19 98
310	46	102 Nancy Lea	649	4 16	8 32	12 48
324	46	72 W G M Daniel	2134	1 38	3 40	4 78
384	10	C C Spears	320	3 12	6 24	9 36
487	943	46 P H Carter	640	5 20	12 80	18 00
488	577	64 " "	640	5 20	12 80	18 00
489	940	58 " "	640	5 20	12 80	18 00
490	840	20 B F Church	80	3 90	9 60	13 50
501	752	4 W J Montgomery	320	3 12	7 68	10 80
547	3642	72 F W Girard	150	2 08	5 12	7 20
556	562	8 W H Randolph	320	3 12	7 68	10 80
578	25	34 O W Christman	5674	3 69	7 38	11 07
606	22	32 J H Raymond	570	3 71	7 41	11 12
607	58 6	62 " "	5773	3 76	7 51	11 27
608	58 6	62 " "	22	1 07	2 64	3 71
613	948	56 W R Shappard	640	5 20	12 80	18 00
619	308	136 E T Wayland	640	5 20	12 80	18 00
629	308	12 James Horragan	320	1 56	3 84	5 40
633	5	10 H J Hughes	500	3 25	6 50	9 75
658		238 F W McNear	160	1 99	2 60	3 59
639	42	102 A W Townsend	640	5 12	6 34	11 46
643		G L W Worster	2134	1 38	3 40	4 78
656	2406	G O A Harden	40	3 90	9 60	13 50
708		S E B Owsley	160	1 56	3 12	4 68
716		E P Turner	80	52	1 04	1 56
722	214	B W Ainsworth	640	6 24	12 48	18 72
736		H H Cornish	139	91	2 22	3 12
737		Louis Gosner	160	1 04	2 08	3 12
738		T W Coker	120	97	1 35	2 32
739		H T Harrell	160	1 04	2 08	3 12
739	141	Wm Harvey	640	5 20	12 80	18 00
741	29	2 W A Pitcock	480	3 90	7 80	11 70
743	1137	26 A Rhomburg	640	4 16	8 32	12 48
435	942	44 K K Leggett	574	4 65	4 90	9 55

Unrendered.

By whom rendered	Acres	Original Grantee	No. of Acres	Total State Tax	Total County Tax	Total Tax
R. E. Hauney	1 11	49	1 20	1 69		
" "	114 12 25	98	2 40	3 38		
" "	1 82 36	49	1 20	1 69		
" "	2 83 23	65	1 60	2 25		
" "	3 56 24	113	2 79	3 92		
" "	2 22	34	47	81		
" "	1 82 41	19	45	64		
" "	5 7 21	98	2 40	3 38		
" "	5 66 11	206	6 49	9 00		
" "	7 8 16	33	80	1 13		
" "	7 8 7	49	1 20	1 69		
" "	3 4 66	65	1 60	2 25		
" "	3 4 15	38	80	1 13		
" "	1 82 4	49	1 20	1 69		

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By whom rendered	Acres	Original Grantee	No. of Acres	Total State Tax	Total County Tax	Total Tax
R. N. Erwin	2 136	140 Peter Allen	3 84	4	8 21	12 22
Wm Harvey	2 136	140 " "	10 19	9 39	23 11	32 58
Dick Pogue	451 605	10 Isidro Ramos	7 8 18	175	91	2 34
E. M. Pusey	2 136	140 Peter Allen	1 82	2	1 85	4 55
A. D. Tucker	351 605	109 Isidro Ramos	18			
" "	2 136					