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County Attorney, S. H. Woods.  
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Sheriff and Tax Collector, W. B. Anthony.  
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### THE BATTLE OF '92.

Utterances of the Organ of the Kansas Farmers' Alliance.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Nov. 12.—In its issue this week the Farmers' Advocate, official paper of the Kansas Farmers' Alliance of Kansas, has the following to say of the future of the party:

"We will at once commence to marshal our forces of people for 1892. In this great work there are many prejudices to be overcome; sectional lines must be abandoned; interest which are identical must be brought together; and the combined forces of the agricultural and laboring classes must be consolidated against the forces of corporations, trust, syndicates and moneyed aristocrats, who have for years feasted on the substance of the people. The coming contest will not take place between Northern and Southern sections of our country. The interests of the people West and South are identical and their political forces

MUST BE CONSOLIDATED against the power of corporate greed. The professional politicians of both parties, both North and South, who have devoted their lives so assiduously to the promotion of corporate interest recognize that this union of two sections is in great danger, that it threatens the power of monopoly, and therefore constantly aim to keep alive prejudices that have estranged them only to prey upon them and maintain political supremacy by their alienation. It has been and is the holy mission of the Farmers' Alliance to subdue this sectional prejudice. It is full time for this nation to become united. Down with all sectional lines, away with all sectional prejudices, let the fire of patriotism that still burns in the hearts of the people consume the prejudices of the past; let one flag float over us and the one spirit so pervade our hearts that we shall be able and willing to stand shoulder to shoulder in the great army that must make last year's conquest of the hosts of corporate greed that are following upon the stolen substance of the people."

A CLAIM OF INELIGIBILITY.  
CHICAGO, ILL., Nov. 12.—The Democrats in the Rock Island legislative districts now claim that W. C. Collins (R.) of that city, who received the majority of votes, is ineligible, not having been a resident of the state for the statutory time. If this claim proves correct it will reduce by one the Republicans on joint ballot and give the Democrats a majority of one.

M'LENNAN COUNTY VOTE.  
WACO, TEX., Nov. 12.—The official count has been completed and shows a majority for Hogg of 2034. The commission amendment was carried by 676 and the road amendment by 1038.

The total vote cast was less than half the vote cast in the last election when Ross was elected by a majority of 4124.

NOMINATED FOR SPEAKER.  
MONTGOMERY, Ala., Nov. 12.—The house Democratic caucus last night nominated for speaker, Hon. N. N. Clements.

A caucus on federal senator will be held next week.

RUSK COUNTY.  
HENDERSON, TEX., Nov. 12.—The official count of the county as given out to-day, is Hogg 1793, Flanagan 1090, Heath 3.

For congress—Kilgore 1795, Fish 1045.

District attorney—Graham 1708  
Representative—Mekne 1727.

For the commission amendment 887, against 1141.

The representative committed to the commission amendment.

BAYLOR COUNTY.  
SEYMOUR, TEX., Nov. 11.—The following is a full vote of Baylor county: Commission amendment 201, against 16.  
Hogg 436.  
Congress—Baily 426.  
Representative—Browning 445.  
District judge—Cockrell 282, Cunningham, 165.  
District attorney—J. W. Armstrong 43, A. M. Craig 63, J. N. Campbell 279, J. E. Wilfong 41.

The following county ticket is elected: Judge, S. J. Newton; clerk, D. L. Kenon; attorney, Marvin Turney; sheriff and tax collector, S. Suttlermyer; tax assessor, W. M. Beavers; treasurer, J. J. Graham surveyor, Sam L. Chalk.

GREER COUNTY.  
MANGUN, TEX., Nov. 10.—This county complete gives the amendment 570, against 17.  
Hogg 841, Flanagan 3, Heath 2.  
Congress—Lanham 856.  
Representative—J. N. Browning 855.

District judge—G. A. Bown 568, Duncan G. Smith 200.

The following county ticket was elected: County judge, G. S. Hulung; district attorney, C. C. Wells; county attorney, John W. Craig; district and county clerk, J. W. Logan; sheriff, S. M. Little; surveyor, J. T. Pollard; tax assessor, J. H. Simpson; treasurer, S. C. Vanleer; hide and animal inspector, B. F. Wetsel.

HALL COUNTY.  
MEMPHIS, TEX., Nov. 10.—Hall county gives the commission amendment 107 majority.  
Hogg, 146 majority.  
Laudan, 175 majority.

Browning, representative Forty-third representative district, 176 majority.

G. A. Brown, district judge, 29 majority.

C. C. Wells, district attorney, 22 majority.

County ticket elect—Altizer, county judge; Embree, sheriff; Simson, clerk; Wilburn, treasurer; Hedgecoke, surveyor; V. A. Lydie; hide and animal inspector.

In all probability the sheriff's election will be contested on account of informal returns from precinct No. 5. There seems to be quite a feeling over the matter:

BROWN COUNTY.  
BROWNWOOD, TEX., Nov. 11.—Brown county complete gives the commission amendment 1435 against 175.  
Hogg 1869, Flanagan 99.  
For the road amendment 637, against 613.

Congress—Lanham 1866, Johnson 26.

For representative Seventy-seventh district—Charley Rogan, commission, (D.) 1578, G. H. Ryall (Ind.) 188.

For district attorney—J. O. Woodward (D.) 1883.

The county ticket elected is: R. P. Connor (D.), county attorney Thomas Maple (D.); county clerk, Jack F. Smith (I.); district clerk, W. A. Farmer (D.); tax assessor, G. W. Plummer (I.); tax collector, N. A. Perry (I.); treasurer B. G. Sweet (D.); sheriff, W. Y. Pearce (D.); surveyor, David Emerson (D.) hide and animal inspector, John Champion (D.); public weigher, Pierce McKinney (I).

The Gazette of the 10th had the Seventy-seventh representative district, Ed Rogan, doubtful, when it should be Chas. Rogan and for the commission.

BEAR COUNTY.  
SAN ANTONIO TEX., Nov. 12.—The county commissioners at a late hour last night finished the canvass of the votes of Bear county, when the results were shown: Hogg 5249, Flanagan 2802.

Congress—Sayers (D.) 5404, Robinson (R.) 2037.

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Senator—Barney (D.) 5479, Keesey (R.) 1082.

WILLIAMSON COUNTY.  
GEORGETOWN, TEX., Nov. 12.—The official count to-day, is as follows: Hogg 2855, Flanagan 633, Heath 25.  
For railroad amendment 2500, against 45.  
For dirt amendment 1218 against 992.

For congress—Sayers 2987.

MAKEMSON TALKS.  
GEORGETOWN, TEX., Nov. 12.—Col. W. K. Makemson, late Republican candidate for lieutenant-governor, was interviewed by your correspondent to-day on the result of the late election. In answer to the question, what do you think was the cause of the great Democratic upheaval? he said: "I think it can be attributed to many causes. In Ohio the McKinley bill defeated us, in Pennsylvania bossism and Quaysim did it, in Illinois the school question downed us, and in Kansas the Farmers' Alliance and Prohibition knocked us out. The defeat I think, is only local, and will tend to stiffen the necks and determination of the Republicans to win in 1892."

LAVCA COUNTY.  
HALLETSVILLE, TEX., Nov. 12.—The county commissioners have been in session this week canvassing the election returns. Hogg received 2531 votes, 67 less than the highest vote on the Democratic state ticket, Flanagan 485, Heath 584.

For congress—Moore 2415, Green 2969.

For Representative—Kirk (D and A) 1925, Homburg 800.

For district attorney—Spooner 2969.

For district clerk—O. C. Searey 2979.

County ticket elected: Sheriff, John T. Hoshins; tax collector, J. W. Bennett; county clerk, John Buchanan; treasurer, Sam Devall; surveyor, James Bullard; assessor

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Seymour wants the Haskell trade and is not only advertising for it but is sending out men to canvass the matter.

Success to the pluck and enterprize of our sister town.

Seymour should have a roller mill. There will be thousands of bushels of wheat raised in this section of country tributary to Seymour, and a mill will be a great advantage to the town.

Do not get excited and put your property too high. If a good man comes along give him a chance. Don't try to make it all at one haul. The Wichita Valley railroad is coming, but it will not be the only one.

The Wichita Valley R. R. Co., is not only building roads but they are advertising Haskell county. They will get up excursions to Seymour, and when they do, we must send a delegate to represent Haskell county.

The Wichita Valley R. R. Co., propose to build to Haskell if the values of traffic will justify it. Rayner should turn trade to Seymour and help Haskell to encourage an extension of the Wichita Valley road.

Owing to the movements of Railroad officers in the field ahead of the Wichita Valley Railroad Company, Haskell real estate is picking up. Town property in Haskell is in demand and sales are increasing. The outlook for a few months is bright for owners.

The business men should do what they can for the Wichita Valley railroad company. They will treat you right. They want our trade and are going to extend from Seymour in a few months if the value of trade from this place will justify it. We have the trade, now prove it to them.

If the wheat crop along the Double-Mountain and Salt Fork comes up to what the present outlook indicates, flat boats will be built to carry the grain to Seymour. A prominent farmer of this county has the scheme under consideration and estimates that this will be cheaper than to haul the grain in wagons.

Abilene interest seems to be inimical to that of Haskell and her people are willing to encourage railroad building to any other point but Haskell in a conversation one of the Abilene business men some two years ago stated that it would not be wise for Abilene to encourage competition by building roads. The time has come when they will have to do something to keep down competition. Abilene will have to have a job for trade or loose some of her business.

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### LET NO WALL DAVIDE.

The Farmers' Alliance to Do Away with Sectionalism.

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### Held the Switch Open.

LONGVIEW, Tex., Nov. 17.—An Texas and Pacific second No. 17 was going west to-day the engine

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noticed two men standing at switch-stand, and when in about seventy-five feet of the switch one of the men turned the switch party over so that the wheels would mount the switch rails. In this position he held the switch until he saw the engine derailed and then ran south passing under a trestle work near the switch. The other man ran east. The engine passed over the trestle-work and turned side ways and plowed deep in the earth between the siding and main track. One carload of molasses stopped against the tender exactly across the track while an other car of molasses rolled down the embankment. Fortunately the draw-head pulled out of the next car following which, when released, swung back holding the remaining train on the track.

The damage will be slight. The negro who turned the switch is described as black, six feet high, 180 pounds, long black coat and checked pants broad brimmed white hat. His companion about same size wore short coat and mixed pants and white shirt. Officers are on the alert, and it seems as if they certainly will be caught and attempted to drill into

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LOCAL DOTS.

Boston baked beans, at Mason's. Clocks are cheap at Glovers. Go to McLemores for Lamps and Lanterns. Potatoes and onions, at Mason's. J. H. Hicks was in the city Wednesday. Spray yeast, the best in the world, at Mason's. G. K. Ashburn was in town Wednesday. Dog poison at F. E. Turner & Co. at 15 cents per pound. Lee Fitzgerald has returned to Haskell. Grain cheap for cash at Geo. Masons. Lamps and Lanterns of all kinds at McLemore's. Repairing a specialty in all its complications at Glover's. Wm. Ward was in the town Wednesday. Smoking tobacco at F. E. Turner & Co's. Lee Kirby has gone to Memphis Texas on business. Capt. M. S. Pierson has returned from Willis Point. Go to Mason's for white fish and mackerel. The farmers continue to bring in their cotton. Dry Goods, Dry Goods and low est prices for cash at Johnson Bros. B. J. Tyson left Tuesday for Milan county. All kinds of Xmas goods, Fire Works etc. at D. R. Gass & Co. W. J. Sowell has returned from a business trip to Abilene. J. E. Glover has returned from a visit to his old home at Kaufman. Cheapest tobacco in town at F. E. Turner & Co's. Dr. Oldham went to Albany Tuesday on professional business. J. H. Dolman of Rayner was in the city Wednesday. We have Sulky Plows on easy terms. Call and see us. Sherrill Bros. & Co. You can save money by trading with F. E. Turner & Co. Evaporated black berries, currants and grapes, at Mason's. Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Marcey have returned to Haskell. S. H. Johnson wants to buy one thousand dollars worth of county scrip. Go to McLemore's drug store for what you want in that line. Mr. Denison of the Paint creek neighborhood was in the city Wednesday. Glover gets there when it comes to pleasing the ladies in a nobly line of jewelry. When in Haskell call at the City Hotel, where everything is kept neat. Becknell & Rupe, prop's. When you want any thing in the drug line call on F. E. Turner & Co. W. A. Walker has gone to Floyd county to attend the trial of Fulcher the murderer. Call on C. O. Riddel for Harness, Saddles and Leaping Horse side saddles. Haskell, Tex. They say that F. E. Turner & Co. have the best cigars in town. Judge P. D. Sanders made a business trip to Abilene the first of the week. Capt. Darnell of the Jno. B. Jones Lumber company was in the city Thursday looking after the interest of his firm.

Strong, Parer, Quick, best in the world at Masons. Corn, oats and hay cheap for cash at Haskell Feed Store. F. E. Turner & Co. still keeps wax. Call and see him little folks. Miss May Lindsey is sick, but not dangerous. McLemore is still selling large quantities of wall paper. Call and examine his stock before buying elsewhere. Call and examine our stock of Xmas goods and make the children happy. Xmas is coming. D. R. Gass & Co. The foundation of the First National Bank building is completed. We are selling the best goods for the lowest prices. Johnson Bros. Capt. C. P. Killough left Monday for Brenham with a car load of horses. A. D. Tucker left Monday. for east Texas with horses. We take a pleasure in showing our goods and it costs nothing to look. Johnson Bros. All accounts made on and after Nov. 11th 1890, must be paid monthly as I am unable to do a credit business. GEO. MASON. All persons knowing themselves indebted to the late firm of W. B. Anthony & Co will please come for ward and settle. GEO. MASON. Are you married? If not, send your address to The American Cor. responding Club; P. O. Box 643. Clarksburg, W. Va. Cocheo Ottomans Dress goods usually sells at 15c, per yard, we are now offering at 8c. per yard. Johnson Bros. Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Jones have returned from Crystal Falls. Died: Mrs. J. A. Clark of Paint creek, who has been a patient sufferer for several years, was called to rest Monday. We tender condolence to the bereaved family and friends. S. E. Carothers was in the city with cotton Wednesday. Long Bros. positively will not be under sold. Remember that some classes of goods are high even at cost. Little Nollie Jones has been quite sick with catarrhal fever. The attendance of the public school is now 185 pupils. F. C. Wilfong has returned from Abilene where he went last week on important business. Watches, chains, rings, brace letta, scarf pins, and in fact every thing in my line to please the trade. GLOVER. Ask your dealers for the N. Porter make of Horse Collars Saddles, Harness etc., etc. Now is the time to kill your prairie dogs, FRESH dog poison at F. E. Turner & Co. Judge H. G. McConnell, S. W. Scott Esq., and C. D. Long went to Albany this week on masonic business. Great variety of Lamps and Lanterns at McLemore's. Death to Dogs!! The poison you get at F. E. Turner & Co's. will kill your dogs. Ladies of Haskell try the Diamond S Baking Powders it will please you. DODSON & CROLEY. The most fastidious can be accommodated in a new and well as sorted line of jewelry, just received at Glover's. Mr. J. W. Collins has sold his interest to Dr. Gass and will move back to Kaufman as he has engaged with a hardware firm of that place. He thinks he may return to Haskell about Xmas. To the ladies of Haskell that use wash boards and washing machines; go to C. O. Riddel at the saddle shop, and get a washing receipt, (only \$1.00) which is guaranteed to clean clothes without rubbing, and does not injure the cloth.

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I have the largest and most desirable residence lots in the city. Only 1/4 mile from the public square Call and get prices. Oscar Martin. D. R. Gass & Co. have purchased the interest of J. W. Collins who has retired from the firm. We still solicit the patronage of the public, thanking them for their liberal patronage heretofore. Respectfully. D. R. Gass & Co. The firm of Dodson & Croley has now contracted for the fine Diamond S Baking Powder. Every body try it it is pure, strong and healthful, no ammonia no alum no lime. This company is handling the very best of everything and by examining their splendid stock you will be convinced. 9 6 90d. See the change in Bass Bros. card, they are receiving an immense stock of Holiday Good such as fine Glass ware, Albums, Writing Desks, Workboxes, many new styles and designs. By all means see their Stock. It will pay all who visit Abilene to go to the drugstore of Bass Bros. and see their elegant stock of Novelties and Holiday Goods which they are now receiving for the trade both wholesale and retail. Their store is packed from top to bottom, and they will sell very low. Go and see them. Oscar Martin has made an addition of 10 acres to the town of Haskell, in the most populous portion. The lots are large and have a frontage on the best streets in Haskell. Call on him for prices. We want settlers in the north west portion of Haskell county. We need a blacksmith shop, a school house, a store, a post office, and a church. I will donate five acres apiece to as many as five families who will locate on my land, and give special inducements to any business enterprise. We are 22 miles from Benjamin 22 miles from Rayner and about same distance from Haskell. A gin will pay next season and I will give Special inducement. There are two public roads crossing in this neighborhood. A. B. Carothers.

C. C. Drake Asst. Gen. Frt. & Pass. Agt. of the Wichita Valley Ry. of Fort Worth and Judge Browning of Seymour were in the city this week. Mr. Drake was looking after the interest of the Wichita Valley Ry. and made many friends while here. He succeeded in convincing all whom he met, that it would be to the interest of Haskell to ship over his line as it would encourage an extension of the road. Mr. Browning represented the board of trade at Seymour and got in some good work for the same. Mr. Drake was well pleased with Haskell and surrounding country. These gentlemen went to Rayner upon similar mission and were successful. Seymour and the Wichita Valley Ry. mean business and they will fine Haskell and Rayner will meet them on half way ground. On last Monday night several ladies and gentlemen attended an old peoples social at the residence of our worthy county treasurer Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Preston. The event was the sixty-second anniversary of Mr. Preston's birth day and was complet surprise to him, and had been quietly arranged by Mrs. Preston and daughter Mrs. Mattie. Those present were, Mrs. Hascal, Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Morgan, Mrs. Watson, Mrs. Ely, Mr. and Mrs. Haswell, Mrs. N. M. Martin, Mrs. Coffee, Dr. and Mrs. Ezell, Mess. F. E. Turner, H. Bee Martin, Dr. Oldham, J. W. Agnew, W. C. Miller, and Oscar Martin. The company were entertained with music by Mrs. Watson assisted by the young gentlemen with violins and a guitar Refreshments were served and a pleasant evening spent. There was no one present that enjoyed the evening more than Mr. Preston, whose beaming countenance showed the highest appreciation of the compliment paid him. The entire company seemed to enjoy the evening and will long remember the pleasant occasion.

NOTICE. The co-partnership heretofore existing between W. B. Anthony and Geo. Mason is dissolved by mutual consent. Mr. Anthony retiring. All accounts due said firm must be paid to Geo. Mason. W. B. Anthony. Geo. Mason. DIED. To the Haskell Free Press. On the morning of the 17 Inst. after a long illness the lord in his mercy, called from the presence of Husband and children Mrs. Maggie Clark, Wife of J. A. Clark formerly of Hill county, to this place. She leaves a husband and 7 children and 8 grand children, and a host of friends to mourn her loss, but our loss is her gain. She was a strict member of the Missionary Baptist church. She was born in Logan county Ky., February 27th A. D. 1845. Masonic Notice. Stated meeting of Haskell Lodge No. 682 A. F. & A. M. at regular hour on Saturday, Nov. 22nd 1890. Important business to be transacted and a full attendance of members is desired. H. G. McCONNELL, Secretary. PROBABLY ACCIDENTAL. The Body of Oscar Splittgarber Found on the Plains. ABILENE TEX., Nov. 17.—The body of one Oscar Splittgarber of Pecos arrived here on the east-bound passenger this morning and was at once dispatched by hack to Ballinger, from where it will be forwarded to Menardville. Splittgarber is supposed to have met his death in a very tragic manner. He left his home on his horse, carrying with him a Winchester rifle, and on Saturday last was found in a doubled up position out on the plains, with the top of his head blown off and the Winchester in such a position when he was found as to make the impression that his death was caused by the accidental discharge of his rifle.

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HASKELL COUNTY is situated in the southern part of the panhandle on the line of the one-hundredth Meridian west from Greenwich. It is 1300 feet above the sea and has mild winters and summers. It is 30 miles square and contains 370,000 acres of land. It was created in 1858 from a part of Fannin and Milan counties, and named in honor of Charles Haskell, a young Tennessean, who fell at the battle of Gettysburg in 1863.

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 out and by donating lots a few settlers were induced to build residences, and in January 1885 the county organized with a population of 577 inhabitants.

Up to 1884 the soil had never been tilled 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 catching many thousands of Buffalo bones and shipping them east for use as fertilizers for use in the old states.

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

In 1885 and 1887 the entire west, from Dakota to Mexico suffered from seasons of unprecedented drouth, 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 10 to 100, wheat from 15 to 25, rice 20, and cotton, one-third to one-half bale per acre, and sorghum, hay and millet was so plentiful it was barely considered as a part of the general crop and there was no demand for it in the local market. The average in farms have been increased to at least 30,000 acres.

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 river, 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.

It is traversed by numerous creeks and branches besides the rivers mentioned, some of which are fed by never failing springs of pure 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 of a good quality, some of which is surpassed by that of any section in the state for purity and temperature.

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 porous and friable nature, when thoroughly plowed, readily drains in 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 miasma. It is those peculiar qualities of soil that enable vegetation to withstand all varieties of weather.

Except mesquite grubs and stumps, which are easily extracted,

there are no obstructions to plows, and the land being level or generally rolling, and easily worked, the use of labor saving implements, at once becomes pleasant and profitable. The 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, eye, durah, cotton, millet, sorghum, castor beans, head peas, peanuts, pumpkins, and all the squash family, turnips and cabbins are grown successfully and profitably. Also sweet potatoes do well, and Irish potatoes as well as yams in the South. Garden vegetables grow to perfection, and melons luxuriant in Haskell county soil, growing to the size of a watermelon. Besides the native grasses that grow on the prairie, containing large numbers of cattle, horses and sheep through out the year, cut made 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.

ANNUAL AND OTHER PRODUCTS. The average yield of Indian corn per acre is about 20 bushels and the price varies from 50c to 1.25 per bushel; the wheat yield for the year 88—a dry year ranged from 18 to 30 bushels—averaging 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 bale 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 6 to 8 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 the people do their principal shipping to and from Abilene, a town 60 miles south, in Taylor county, on the Texas and Pacific railroad. A branch of the H. & T. C. R. R. runs from Haskell in the south east, and terminates at the W. V. and Ft. Stocker on the northeast.

RAILROADS. There is one road being built from Seymour, in this place and one to be built from Fort Worth, Texas Central will have to extend in a short time from Abilene or Fort Worth, and Haskell is 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 land owners, 150,000 acres in this and Knox counties, besides he owns the large plantation in the town of Haskell on the south.

Haskell is 20 miles north of the P. & O. R. R. and 30 miles south of the Ft. W. & D. R. R. and is situated on the direct line of the entire rail road with the Rock Island, and G. O. & A. F. proposed branch line into.

Public Schools. Our school funds are perhaps the best of any county in the northwestern. In addition to the amount received from the state, about \$25,000 per annum, our commissioners collect twice weekly excepted a lease for 10 years of four 4 leagues of school land, situated in the Panchardie, 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 Abilene, and a tri-weekly mail north to Benham and to Seymour on the Wichita valley railroad, these lines mail cars 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, O. I. School and Cumberland Presbyterians each 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 seat, 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 300. 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 one hotel and one agency.

restaurant, three blacksmith shops, one cabinet and wood shop, one lumber yard one national bank, one barber shop, one silver smith shop one saddle shop, one boot and shoe shop, two meat markets, two livery stables, three doctors, 13 lawyers and agents, two first class newspapers, and job offices and only one saloon, 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 to all that is needed to accomplish these.

ADVANTAGES AND REASONS. In almost every neighborhood of the other 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 report 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 you are a people wild and woolly indigenous to these "barren wastes," that we are heaped with dynamite and shooting irons, that our conversations are collections of cuss words and Manhattan mixtures, but rather that we are a people content 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 christianian facilities, 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 country well adapted to stock raising of all kinds. We have a country where no material sickness ever comes. We have a country with the best lands in Northwest Texas. We have an abundance of fertile and healthy timber for fuel, for tannin and for other uses. We have the most substantial, healthy business town in the northwest. We have the greatest abundance of pure water. We have a class of citizens as honest and industrious, as honorable and good natured, as any stirring 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 of residence, all who want good and cheap lands. We have them, and want you for neighbors and tenants.

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SPEAKER THOS. B. REED. Resting Quietly and will Not Be Interviewed, but WILL TALK POINTEDLY LATER ON. Reed's Views Explained by One of His Friends—He Holds Blaine Partly Responsible for the Party's Late Defeat.

PORTLAND, Nov. 10.—In this somewhat gloomy hour for the republican leaders throughout the country there is no man upon whom the eyes of the people are so centered, and no man whose opinions on the situation are more sought than Thomas B. Reed of Maine. The newspapers of the country approaching his position have spared no efforts to get him to talk, but thus far he has turned a deaf ear to all interviews. He will talk publicly and pointedly later on.

What is Tom Reed up to and what does his silence import? That is the question which is puzzling people generally and his great rival Blaine in particular.

So much curiosity as at present about the movement and opinion of the republican speaker has not been evinced since the announcement of his famous rollings in congress.

His friends and advisers who prefer to have his confidence declare that while declining for the present all requests to speak publicly on the matter involved, he does not hesitate privately to air his opinions and to place the blame where in his opinion it is most deserved. One of his advisers was more than any other man in this country has the ear of the portland statesman told you correspondent yesterday of the situation, viewed from Reed's own standpoint, and of the outlook.

"The magnum newspapers," said he, "are pretty well satisfied that they have buried speaker Reed. They have ceased to criticize and mention him in long editorials and have dropped down to small paragraphs, so that they apparently believe they have buried him. It pleases him to have them think so and await a resurrection. His idea of the causes of republican defeat is that Blaine is the one man in America who is most to blame. The dawdling manner of the senate, by which congress was kept so long in session, and the passage of the tariff bill debated, was a chief cause of a democratic victory. This unreasonable delay operated everywhere throughout the country, but nowhere to such an extent as in the west. In Cannon's district in Illinois, where the custom is to make a house to house canvass, the democrats had all the advantage. Congress held out so that only a month was allowed for the republican canvass. It would have been the proper thing to have passed the McKinley bill a month before it was passed so that the effect of it could be rightly felt, and no democratic tariff scare would have counted. That was speaker Reed's intention, and he so expressed his self to Major McKinley, declaring that he wished the bill put through in February. If McKinley had been of the Randall stripe rather than of the Carlisle pattern, such a thing as the delay but upon this tariff measure could never have occurred. We should have had the McKinley bill passed, and it would have gone into effect early in the session. That would have allowed congress to adjourn early, and the members would have had ample time to look after their fences. Blaine did everything that he could to bedim the chances of republican success and to belittle the McKinley bill. He has the face to say

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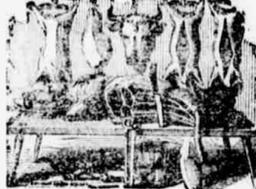
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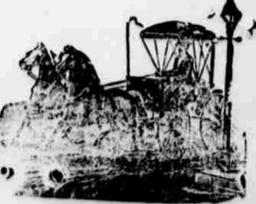
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