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Directory.
DISTRICT OFFICERS.
(with Judicial Dist.)
Dist. Judge, Hon. J. V. Cockrell.
Dist. Attorney, J. F. Cunningham.
COUNTY OFFICIALS.
County Judge, P. D. Sanders.
County Attorney, J. E. Wilkins.
County & Dist. Clerk, C. D. Long.
Sheriff and Tax Collector, A. D. Tucker.
County Treasurer, W. J. Preston.
Tax Assessor, W. E. Church.
County Surveyor, G. R. Couch.
Sheriff's Deputy, W. H. Standefer.
COMMISSIONERS.
Precinct No. 1, W. A. Walker.
Precinct No. 2, R. H. Owsley.
Precinct No. 3, W. D. Garrison.
Precinct No. 4, W. D. Garrison.
PRECINCT OFFICERS.
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Constable Prec. No. 1, R. E. Martin.
CHURCHES.
Baptist (Missionary) Every 1st Sunday and Saturday before.
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Haskell Lodge No. 62, A. F. & A. M.
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Hours: Painting, Paper Hanging,
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A BOYCOTT'S THE THING.

How It is Proposed to Resent the Force Bill.

GOV. GORDON'S ENDORSEMENT.

A Spirit That Will Possess Every White Man, Woman and Child in the Southern States if the Force Bill Passes.

NEW YORK, July 21.—The following interesting communication from the governor of Georgia is printed this morning:
ATLANTA, Ga., July 21.—To the editor of the Herald: I am in entire accord with the spirit, tone and practical suggestions of the Atlanta Constitution as to the boycott as a means of self-preservation and commercial independence if the useless and infamous force bill becomes a law. Moreover, that spirit will possess and control approximately every white man, woman and child in the southern states. It may be permissible to make a personal allusion in illustrating the effect of such legislation upon our people. As the Herald knows, I have labored constantly and earnestly since the 24th day of April, 1865, in public and private, at the south and at the north, to allay passion and promote unity.
My highest political ambition has been instrumental in some degree in restoring the real brotherhood of the people and the true sisterhood of the states. Ever since this sectional and shameful legislation passed the house I have sought to cheer my people with the hope that some of the republican senators would be found patriotic enough, broad and brave enough to prefer the well being of the country to party ascendancy. I still hope so and that popular demonstrations at the north will uphold their hands and give them courage to denounce this effort to destroy the freedom of elections under the dishonest pretense of securing an honest counting, but if this is not to be realized and the force bill becomes a law, I shall use whatever influence and ability I may possess of calling the attention of the southern people to the necessity of looking only to their own exhaustless resources.

We will still welcome to our section and homes countrymen of the north who wish to live among us, and will still protect their investments and rights of property by impartial laws and honest courts, but we shall counsel a return to the old system of election of representatives by a general ticket, if need be, or resort to any lawful, peaceful means in order to protect the right of choosing representatives and to resist the wrong of having them chosen for us by federal supervisors. We will still endeavor to keep the peace and promote good will between the races and sincerely hope that southern negroes will not destroy their own prosperity by consorting with those who mad policy threatens the well-being of both races. We will still hope that after these years of apparent reconciliation and of confidence we shall not see the whole current of national sentiment turned backward by sectional legislation which has no possible justification or national excuse.

The Editorial Referred To.
The force bill looms up as a reality; it confronts us, not as a theory, but as a condition, it is crystallizing into a fact. We must face it, meet it, and destroy its vitality. It is now in order to consider our line of policy, and forecast the consequences.
After twenty-five years of loyalty and peace the south leads industrial progress, and is the most tempting field on the globe for

capital and enterprise. Suddenly, and without provocation, the reckless partisans who have captured the federal government resort to a policy of fraud and violence to perpetuate their power by forcing negro domination upon this peaceful and prosperous section.
How shall we meet the force bill? A few days ago we gave an answer to this question that struck the north like a thunderbolt.
Our suggestion was inspired by the supreme instinct of self-preservation—by the natural impulse of self-defense. We put the north upon notice that the force bill would word a material change in the business relations of the two sections, cause our people to withdraw their trade from men who were directly or indirectly responsible for this attempt to oppress and humiliate us, and we furthermore said in plain English that such a blow to our peace and prosperity would be felt in every factory and market north of the Potomac.
These words were hardly in cold type before there was a response. There is a north of politics and a north of business and progress. This letter—the real north—gasped the situation at once, and its sober second thought is beginning to find expression.
Of the northern journals that are disposed to discuss the matter from the standpoint of common sense, justice and business the Philadelphia Record, the New York Herald and the New York Telegram are fair representatives. The Record says:
"The best customers the people of the northern states ever had, or will have, are the people of the southern states. They buy more from us, and sell us more than all the rest of the world put together. Why, then, should we harass our patrons in the business, our cleverest friends, by legislation promotive of political disturbance and race conflicts?"
"The south is the most attractive field now open to northern enterprise. It cannot remain so for a day except under the undisputed domination of its white inhabitants. They only are the fit and proper custodians of representative government. They only can make life, liberty and property safe in the south. Why should we not let them alone to work out their destiny?"
The Herald has spoken out on the same line, and in almost the same words. The Telegram joins several of its influential contemporaries in warning northern merchants not to run the risk of a southern boycott. It calls the attention to the Constitution's editorial, and says:
"The Constitution is a conservative, highly respected organ of southern opinion. In many instances it has declared its independence by opposing measures commonly called bourbon at the north,
It has done a world of good in quelling disorderly elements, protecting the colored man in his rights, expanding the material resources of the south and pushing that whole section ahead, it is published, too, in a state which shows the banner record for railroad construction in the whole union for 1889.
Atlanta merchants, by various freaks of commercial enterprise, such as industrial fairs, cotton exhibits, etc., have done more than any other city at the south to bring the trade elements of the two sections together. Its progressive merchants have hospitably met their northern colleagues in commerce, and been warmly welcomed to trade banquets at the north.
And yet this conservative paper practically joins in the boycott when it says that our people would

not be likely to spend their money with men who are directly or indirectly responsible for this latest attempt to oppress and humiliate the south."
The proposed boycott, then, is not a will of the wisp. It would take but few editorials of this sort to make it a very substantial fact, and, it is needless to say to the merchants of New York, a very costly fact. No, they could not be held directly responsible for such a commercial calamity, but they will be indirectly accountable if they fail to send their thundering protest to the partisan tricksters at Washington who would revel in the ruins of trade to accomplish their infamous purposes.
Will New York's merchants act in time, and make the plotters at the capital quail?

GORDON ON BOYCOTTING.
Governor Gordon's letter to the Atlanta Herald expressing his unqualified approval and endorsement of the plan of boycotting Northern products in retaliation for the passage of the force bill, should that measure become a law, will undoubtedly excite considerable comment, not among politicians, but among commercial and business men throughout the country. The character, ability and exalted station of the governor will direct public attention to a question that has hitherto been but little thought of or discussed. His earnest advocacy of the boycott undoubtedly evokes a general expression of sentiment throughout the South, as well as the North, concerning its wisdom or unwisdom. Whether it be wise or not the discussion of it at the present time will awaken Northern sentiment, especially among manufacturers and jobbers to a possible danger of greater or lesser magnitude threatening their business. Those people care nothing about politics, especially in South, and never trouble their heads about the negro question. If they can find a market down there for their wares, they are perfectly content to let Southerners conduct their elections as they please. They are not such fools as to countenance or support a political trick that can be of no earthly service, and may be very harmful to them. Let them but see that an election or other obnoxious bill, is calculated to injure them as well as outrage the rights of others and they will be prompt enough to denounce it.
It may be relied upon that the commercial classes of the Northern states have no sympathy whatever, of an active nature, with the Lodge bill. Hitherto they have been perfectly indifferent to it. They have not regarded it as a measure that concerned them at all, or touched their interest at any point. But, when they learn that it does concern them, and that their interests may be placed in more or less jeopardy by it, they will have something to say about the folly and weakness of it. If it did nothing more than to stimulate the growth of factories, and accelerate commercial independence in the South, they would resent it as a mad and impolitic. As we said a moment ago, the direction of public attention to the Lodge bill in the manner chosen by Governor Gordon will serve a good purpose, regardless of the wisdom or unwisdom of the boycott. Perhaps that was the governor's object in writing his letter.
There really needs to be no boycotting about it. Industrial and economical independence as far as practicable is the South's true remedy. Let her show the slang whangers of the North that their ranting result in ultimate good to the South, by teaching her self-reliance and independence.—Fort Worth Gazette.

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Also Fine Buggie
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Announcement Column.

We are Authorized to announce the following gentlemen as candidates for the several offices mentioned below.

- DISTRICT OFFICERS. FOR JUDGE OF THE 3RD JUDICIAL DIST. J. V. COCKRELL. J. F. CUNNINGHAM. FOR DIST. ATTY 3RD JUDICIAL DIST. J. N. CAMPBELL. J. W. ARMSTRONG. COUNTY OFFICERS. FOR COUNTY JUDGE. H. G. MCCONNELL. P. D. SANDERS. FOR COUNTY ATTORNEY. S. H. WOOD. FOR COUNTY AND DISTRICT CLERK. J. L. JONES. C. D. LONG. FOR SHERIFF AND TAX COLLECTOR. W. B. ANTHONY. A. D. TUCKER. FOR TAX ASSESSOR. W. R. STANDEFER. W. J. SOWELL. (for re-election.) H. S. POST. S. W. VERNON. J. T. BOWMAN. S. BEVERS. D. M. WINN. FOR COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 1. W. A. WALKER. FOR JUSTICE OF THE PEACE, PRECINCT NO. 1. W. A. WALKER. FOR CONSTABLE PRECINCT NO. ONE. R. E. MARTIN.

REAL ESTATE COLUMN.

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. It will tell him more than you could tell in a week on paper.

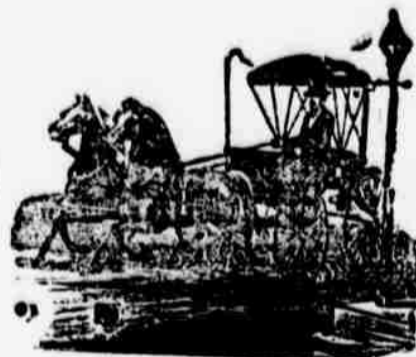
See 4th page for description of Haskell County.

Sunol trotted a half mile at Detroit Thursday in 1:02 1/2, the fastest on record. In other words, the animal made Hogg time.—Geitz

R. A. Mason.

DEALER IN FINE WINES, LIQUORS AND CIGARS. WILL KEEP ALWAYS ON HAND A GOOD SUPPLY OF THE CELEBRATED KENTUCKY WHISKY. HASKELL TEXAS.

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THE FREE PRESS would heartily endorse the boycott of the east if they persist in their efforts to make political slaves of the white people of the south.

THE fate of the force bill in the senate is by no means certain. The business men of the north are not willing to have their interest disturbed to keep Reed and Co., in power.

Gov. GORDON's suggestions are very timely and the boycott system will prove a good scheme, if the people of the south have principle enough to stick together and carry out the plan. It is time to teach New England a lesson. She is the foe of both, west and south whose interest are identical.

THE farmers of the western states are clamoring for tariff reductions, and while the republican bolters will not affiliate with the Democratic party they are fighting for the same principle and weaken the republican cause. The Republican leaders are beginning to realize that partizan prejudices is dying out, and that their days of supremacy are numbered.

It would be impolitic for our representative in congress to advocate the proposed boycott, but if necessary the people can enforce it under cover. Let the south turn her trade to the west where prejudices are not so deep seated, and we will soon hold the balance of power in this glorious union, and the north will then be the loudest to clamor for obliteration of sectional lines.

Witcher and Pat Woodring came in Monday and gave themselves up to the officers. J. W. Anderson, who was shot sometime ago, having died the charge now against them is murder. They were placed under a \$5,000 bond each which was readily given. They say that John Donohoo and Rube Woodring, as soon as they return from off the trail, will come and give up and make their bonds.—Rayner Lasso.

We have added a reprint of Webster's unabridged dictionary to the library of our sanctum. Heretofore we have used very homely language and spelled phonetically, but in the future our orthography will be influenced somewhat by the said dictionary and our language will be a selection of jaw obliterators, that will afford the reading public much pleasure and pain to articulate. This proposed change of orthography is not dictated by any malice we may bear toward our suffering readers, but it is prompted by that commendable feeling of reverence we have for the man who has made such a successful effort to make each letter of the alphabet represent so many different articulate sounds,

For over one year the Lasso, with other good men of Stonewall county, have labored hard to get suits brought for interest and to foreclose vendores liens upon notes given for lands bought under the \$1 act. They at last succeeded in getting it done, now if others will follow suit, thousands of dollars will be placed to the school fund, and millions of acres of one dollar land will be opened for actual settlers.—Rayner Lasso.

These suits should have been instituted long ago. The officers whose duty it was to bring these suits certainly have been very derelict in their duty. We fear that they have waited too long for it to benefit them in their canvass. They know they will not have to try the cases and they will leave the dockets of the courts full for their successors.

HOGG IS NOMINATED.

The following summary of the instructions given by 189 counties shows Mr. Hogg to have 713 absolutely instructed votes in the convention, or 100 more than are needed to insure his nomination. In addition to these instructed votes Mr. Hogg has 51 votes from counties uninstructed, giving him so far as known 764 votes in the convention. Other counties to be heard from will increase Mr. Hogg's vote to 800.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT.

Office of the Comptroller of the Currency.

WASHINGTON, June 4th, 1890. Whereas, by satisfactory evidence presented to the undersigned, it has been made to appear that "The First National Bank of Haskell" in the town of Haskell in the county of Haskell and state of Texas has complied with all the provisions of the statutes of the United States, required to be complied with before an association shall be authorized to commence the business of Banking; Now therefore I, Edward S. Lacey Comptroller of the Currency, do hereby certify that "The First National Bank of Haskell" in the town of Haskell, in the county of Haskell, and State of Texas is authorized to commence the business of Banking as provided in Section Fifty-one hundred and sixty-nine of the Revised Statutes of the United States.

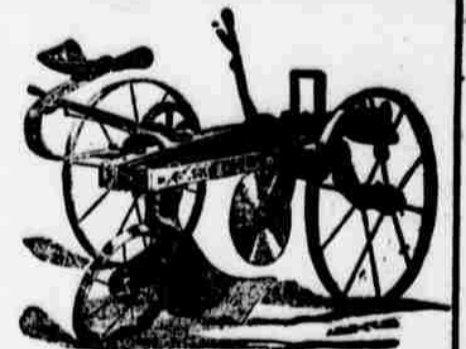
In testimony whereof I witness my hand and seal of office this 4th day of June 1890. E. S. LACEY, Comptroller of the Currency. No. 4333.

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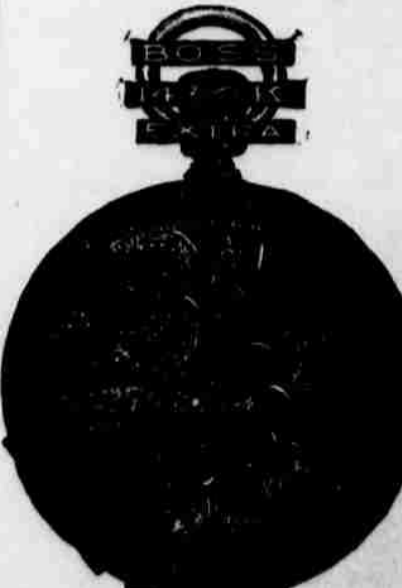
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- A. H. Tandy, H. C. Dillahunty, R. C. Lomax, S. W. Scott, G. W. Tanner, D. Taylor, J. A. Bally, S. Beavers, M. H. Gosset, J. S. Williams, J. L. Jones, Johnson Bros., F. G. Alexander, Ed. J. Hamner, W. J. Sowell, P. D. Sanders, C. D. Long, C. P. Kilough, W. R. Standefer, D. R. Gass, D. L. Smith, A. D. Tucker, W. B. Anthony, W. T. Hudson, and others.

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—Go to the saddle shop for bug-gie whips.
—J. M. Ellis and family returned Thursday from Roby.
—Go to McLemore's to get your lamps.
—F. E. Turners is the place to buy your drugs.
—Prairie fires have been raging again this week.
—Thos. G. Oraney and lady were in the city this week.
—When you want a good watch and chain call on Glover.
—For anything in the Drug line call on F. E. Turner.
—Lamps and Lanterns are cheap at Bass Bros. Abilene Texas.
—Capt Posey has been supplying the market with some fine fish this week.

Don't fail to call on McLemore when you want anything in the drug line.

—Mr. Henry and family have returned to their home in Kaufman county.

McLemore will have a full line of Sanfords inks in to-day all sizes from 1 oz up to 12 oz bottles.

—For Drugs Paints Oils Stationery Toilet Articles etc. go to F. E. Turner's.

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—Mr. A. P. McLemore has had a neat sign painted on his business house by Gus Wilson.

—The largest stock of Wall Paper in the west at Bass Bros. Abilene Texas. Try them.

—Dr. W. D. Ezell will act as prescriptionist at F. E. Turner's drugstore during the absence of Mr. Eads.

—When you get hungry call at Becknell & Morrow. They keep their table supplied with the best the market affords.

—Take your produce to the Alliance Store at Abilene Texas and exchange for Groceries.

—J. M. REYNOLDS, B. M.

—E. W. Carter has returned from San Marcos. His mother accompanied him home and will remain in Haskell for several weeks.

—N. PORTER, Abilene, Tex.,
—FOR—
CHEYENNE SADDLES, Prices \$17.00, \$20.00, \$25.00 and \$30.00.

—F. E. Turner will save you money on any thing in the Drug line when in town call and examine his Stock.

—For sale a good improved farm of 200 acres, 45 acres of which is in a high state of cultivation. House with five rooms, well of good water on farm.

Oscar Martin.
—E. A. Rose says he has had the misfortune to get out on a barbed wire fence, and he was not able to meet the people on Paint creek Aug. 1st, as he had promised to do. He says he will make an other appointment as soon as he gets well.

Kill your Prairie Dogs, they destroy more grass than the cattle—you will find what you need to do the work at reasonable prices at Bass Bros. Abilene.

The delegates to the state Democratic convention consisting of W. B. Scott, Oscar Martin, M. L. Haggard, G. H. Couch, and H. R. Jones leave Haskell the eight instant for San Antonio.

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We are Still asking you to Spend your money Where you can get the most Goods. We have the Largest Stock and best Assortment of

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In the West and tell you in "Plain English," "We want your TRADE, we will not be UNDERSOLD."

Get our Prices we are here for BUSINESS, and Mean what we say.

COME AND SEE US AND BE CONVINCED WE ARE HEADQUARTERS.

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LEADER IN LOW PRICES,

ABILENE TEXAS.

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—Several couples called on Miss Lizzie and Connie Killough and Miss Anna Cather Thursday evening and were entertained with some fine music with watermelon desert.

—Newt H. Eades the popular daughtist left Friday to visit friends at Blossom. Newt is making a great many visit to "friends" of late it is possible he may move his "friend" to Haskell.

—Mr. Thos. G. Oraney passed through Haskell Friday in company with his sister and Mrs. Hunter whom he was taking to Abilene. Mrs. Hunter and Miss Carney will go from their to their home at Hillsboro.

—Our job outfit has arrived, and we have been filling a number of orders. We guarantee all work to be perfect in every detail. Our machinery is the latest improved and we defy any firm to do better work. Call and see specimens.

—The Alliance Association at Abilene are the only merchant in that city who will buy ALL the produce brought to them. We buy and Ship and always pay the Top price. We also have a full line of Staple and Fancy Groceries at low prices.

J. M. REYNOLDS, B. M.

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—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.

—Haskell and Albany hack line, leaves Haskell Mondays and Tuesdays at 6 a. m., arrives at Albany at 6 p. m. Leaves Albany Tuesdays and Fridays at 6 a. m., and arrives at Haskell at 6 p. m. Passenger rates \$6.00 for round trip, \$3.50 for fare one way.

Yoe & Paris,
Proprietors Haskell, Tex.

—We have been somewhat amused this week at the delight experienced by our junior Mr. H. B. Martin on the arrival of our new outfit. He is certainly proud of it. He is as he is commonly call begun work on the FREE PRESS five years ago and after a few weeks as an apprentice assumed the responsible position of devil, compositor and foreman all alone. The FREE PRESS was then a patent inside six col., folio, printed on an army press. Half the space was filled with advertising and by using cigar boxes and blocks of wood cut for right, and slugs he managed to set the add, and by printing off one page

at the time and using three sizes of type, and one column of plate matter he would fill the other three columns of each page. In fact all the type in the office would not have filled the caudal appendage of a white shirt. He is now enjoying a regular honeymoon. He has a good comfortable office well supplied with all the latest style machinery and can do any and all kinds of work done in news paper office, besides he is an equal partner in the publication of the FREE PRESS, which is a six column folio all home print, that is the pride of both publishers and patrons. In fact, the publishers of the FREE PRESS are gratified with their success and feel grateful to a generous public, who have patiently borne with us, and supplied us with the means of success.

We have not yet reached the summit of our ambitions, but hope to see Haskell teaming with thousands of enlightened people, and as she develops from the embryonic state of a village to that of a city, we hope, to keep our balance upon the waves of prosperity and see the FREE PRESS the greatest daily of the greatest city of a great state.

Clothing! Clothing!! Clothing!!!

And don't you forget it! Yes Sir always to the front. We are just in receipt of 200 boys and mens suits, 100 extra pairs of pants, 100 men and boys overcoats 50 pairs Harrison & Reeds bull-dog Jeans pants warranted first-class. 100 mens star buck hats, Stetson hats until you cant read, Mens boots and shoes, Ladies and Misses shoes and the Celebrated Blue Ribbon School Shoe, Something nice and durable for the little boys and girls.

Bridles quirts spurs back bands, col-lars etc., 1000 other things, powder, shot, fuse, and blasting powder. Bacon, lard, flour, meal, corn, oats, and 500 other things. California can goods, jellies, jams, etc. Yes, and we forget our queensware, coffee pots that came from the country where they grow full size, come and see them. Just in receipt of 5000 lbs of Plants Sweet Home Flour, buy some and try it. We can't tell you all, but if you will come will try and furnish you a list. Just call around will you, why not?

DODSON & CROLEY,
Round Top West Side Square.

DIED.

It becomes our sad duty to note the death of Miss Mollie Springer who passed away on last Tuesday. She has long been one of Haskell's brightest gems, shedding a raise of purity in the social circle she adorned. It has been our pleasure to be associated with her on occasions of mirth, and occasions when it became necessary for us to administer the last sad rites to human dust. She never faltered when duty called but ministered with a tender band of sympathy to the sick and the dying, and when call to recline upon her sick bed she did so with full anticipation of the long suffering, and watchful nights and she never faltered when the crisis came, though she expected it when her relatives and friends were most hopeful. It is indeed sad to loose one so beloved, just blooming into woman hood, depriving her aged parents and devoted brothers sisters and friends that solace that none other could give, cutting off her life so short, leaving undone the realization of her innocents hope and ambition, all but short, by that infinite hand that shapes all destiny. She has not lived in vain. She leaves an example worthy of emulation, and when death came she could complacently look back upon the path of her life, as it sent forth a raise of purity shedding its good influence upon a host of friends and associates. Her name, her sweet face and sunny smiles, will ever be fresh in the memory of the young and the aged who knew her.

—Go to McLemore to get your lamps he has the largest line that has ever been brought to Haskell.

LOST.

A pair of sorrel horses, one branded 13th other AVRY left hind foot white on each, had on halters and were tied together with lari-att, and redest one hopped when they left, will pay for their return to me.

J. F. STROOP,
Haskell Tex.

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The best salve in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped hands; Chilblains, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions, and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box.
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REPORT OF THE CONDITION
OF
The First National Bank at Has-kell, in the State of Texas,
at the close of business,
July, 18, 1890.

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts	\$11,374.85
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	721.38
U. S. Bonds to sec. circulation	13,500.00
Due from approved reserve agents	3,222.78
Due from other National Banks	19,436.43
Due from State Banks and bankers	5.00
Banking-house, furniture, and fixtures	857.75
Current expenses and taxes paid	277.46
Premiums on U. S. Bonds	2,836.25
Checks and other cash items	194.28
Notes of other banks	16,000.00
Legal-tender notes	4,500.00
and cents	5.91
Specie	1,050.56
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer	4,500.00
(5 per cent of circulation)	502.00
TOTAL	74,454.25

LIABILITIES

Capital stock paid in	\$31,500.00
Undivided profits	372.58
National Bank notes outstanding	11,246.00
Individual deposits subject to check	31,341.66
TOTAL	74,454.25

STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF HASKELL, ss: I, HOWELL E. SMITH, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Howell E. Smith, Cashier,
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 30 day of July, 1890.
H. R. JONES,
Notary Public,
Haskell Co. Texas.
R. C. LOMAX,
B. H. DODSON,
R. E. SHERRILL, } Directors.

—Some miscreant set fire to the pasture of J. D. Roberts and burned it off. The perpetrator ought to be hunted down and punished.

A Wonder Worker.
Mr. Frank Hoffman, a young man of Burlington, Ohio, states that he had been under the care of two prominent physicians, and used their treatment until he was not able to get around. They pronounced his case to be Consumption and in curable. He was persuaded to try Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, coughs and colds and at the time was not able to walk across the streets without resting. He found before he had used half a dollar bottle, that he was much better; he continued to use it and is to-day enjoying good health. If you have any Throat, Lung or chest Trouble try it. We guarantee satisfaction. Trial bottle at A. P. McLemore's Drugstore.

—Do not send your job orders to foreign houses, we will do the work for the same price and save delay and express charges.

HALL has withdrawn from the race for governor. Cook has ceased to talk his sophistries and only Wheeler, clings to the forlorn hope that something may happen yet to let him in. It will be a bitter dose for those gentlemen to walk up to the polls this fall and vote for Hogg.

Electric Bitters.
This remedy is becoming so well known and so popular as to need no special mention. All who have used Electric Bitters sing the same song of praise.—A purer medicine does not exist and it is guaranteed to do all that is claimed. Electric Bitters will cure all diseases of the Liver and Kidneys, will remove Pimples, Boils, Salt Rheum and other affections caused by impure blood.—Will drive Malarial from the system and prevent Consumption and Indigestion try Electric Bitters.—Bottle satisfactorily guaranteed, or money refunded. Price 50 cts. and \$1.00 per bottle at A. P. McLemore's Drugstore.

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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 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 Tennessean, 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 thousand tons 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 begun 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 undulated 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.

WATER.
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 affording the south half

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 drinks 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 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, durah 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 luxuriate 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 bushel 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 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 40 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. There is also some shipping done to Albany, a town 45 miles southeast, on the Texas Central Railroad, but not so much as to Abilene, because of rougher wagon roads.

RAILROADS.
There is one road being built from Wichita Falls 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 forfeit its charter, and Haskell is on the line as originally surveyed.

The land men of Austin have organized a company to build 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 county, he will be one of the large additions to

the town of Haskell on the south. Haskell is 60 miles north of the T. & P. R. R. and 90 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. & S. 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 \$5.50 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 Dundee 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, Christians, Old 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 site of, and is situated one and one-half mile south of the center of Haskell county, on a beautiful table land, and is six years old and has a population of 600 to 700. 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 anywhere, one gin and mill. Also has two drug stores two hardware one furniture one notion one hotel and one all first class; two blacksmith shops; two cabinet and wood shops; one lumber yard one national bank, one barber shop; one silver smith shop one saddlery shop, one boot and shoe shop; one meat market; two livery stables; three doctors; 10 lawyers and land agents; one first class county newspaper and job office 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 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 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 wooly

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indigenous to these "wetern, wilds," that we are loaded with dynamite and shooting irons, that our conversations are collections of cuss words and Mulhattan 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, elm and hackberry 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.

BROWN'S IRON BITTERS
Cures Indigestion, Biliousness, Dyspepsia, Malaria, Nervousness, and General Debility. Physicain recommends it. All druggists. Beware of cheap imitations.

PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF TEXAS.

WHEREAS, on the 6th day of April, A. D. 1889, the following Joint Resolution passed by the Twenty-first Legislature was approved, by the terms of which the Executive is required to issue his proclamation submitting the same to the vote of the qualified electors of the State at the next general election for State and county officers:

Joint Resolution to Amend Section 9, Article 8, of the Constitution of the State of Texas.

SECTION 1. Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas, That Section 9, Article 8, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, be amended to read as follows:

ARTICLE 8, SECTION 9. The State tax on property, exclusive of the tax necessary to pay the public debt and of the taxes provided for the benefit of public free schools, shall never exceed thirty-five cents on the one hundred dollars valuation; and to county, city, or town shall never more than twenty-five cents for city or county purposes, and not exceed fifteen cents for road and bridges on the one hundred dollars valuation, except for the payment of debts incurred prior to the adoption of the amendment, September 25, A. D. 1883; and for the erection of public buildings, streets, sewers, water works, and other permanent improvements, not to exceed twenty-five cents on the one hundred dollars valuation in any one year, and except as in this Constitution otherwise provided, and the Legislature may also authorize an additional annual ad valorem tax to be levied and collected for the further maintenance of public roads: Provided, That a majority of the qualified property tax paying voters of the county, voting at an election to be held for that purpose, shall vote such tax, not to exceed fifteen cents on the one hundred dollars valuation of the property subject to taxation in such county. And the Legislature may pass local laws for the maintenance of public roads and highways without the local notice required for special or local laws.

SEC. 2. That the Governor of Texas be and he is hereby required to submit the foregoing resolution to a vote of the qualified electors of this State at the next general election.

SEC. 3. That those voting for the amendment shall have written or printed on their ballot "For amendment to Section 9, Article 8, of the Constitution," and those voting against the amendment shall have written or printed on their ballot "Against amendment to Section 9, Article 8, of the Constitution."

APPROVED April 6, 1889.

AND WHEREAS, on the 6th day of April, 1889, the following Joint Resolution passed by the Twenty-first Legislature was approved, by the terms of which the Executive is required to issue his proclamation submitting the same to the vote of the qualified electors of the State at the next general election for State and county officers:

Joint Resolution Amending Article 10, Section 2, of the Constitution of the State of Texas.

SECTION 1. Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas: That Section 2, Article 10, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, be amended so as to read as follows:

ARTICLE 10. Railroads heretofore constructed or which may hereafter be constructed in this State are hereby declared public highways and railroad companies common carriers. The Legislature shall pass laws to regulate railroad freight and passenger tariffs, to correct abuses, and prevent unjust discrimination and extortion in the rates of freight and pas-

senger tariffs on the different railroads in the State, and enforce the same by adequate penalties; and to the further accomplishment of these objects, and purposes may provide and establish all requisite means and agencies invested with such powers as may be deemed adequate and advisable.

SEC. 2. The foregoing constitutional amendment shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified electors for members of the Legislature of the State of Texas at the next general election for State and county officers, at which election all voters favoring said proposed amendment shall write or have printed on their ballots the words, "For the amendment to Article 10, Section 2, of the Constitution, relating to railroads;" and all voters opposed to said amendment shall write or have printed on their ballots the words, "Against the amendment to Article 10, Section 2, of the Constitution, relating to railroads: Provided, That the said article and section of the Constitution may be indicated on said ballots either by words, numerals or figures. The Governor of the State is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation for said election, and have the same published as required by the Constitution and existing laws of the State.

Approved April 6, 1889.

Now, therefore, I, L. S. ROSS, Governor of Texas, in accordance with the provisions of said Joint Resolutions, and by the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of this State, do hereby issue this my proclamation ordering an election to be held on

Tuesday, the 4th day of November, 1890,

in the several counties of this State for the adoption or rejection of said proposed amendments to the Constitution.

Said elections shall be held at the several polling places of the election precincts of the several counties of this State, and will be conducted by the officers holding the same and returns made in conformity with the laws of this State and in accordance with the provisions of this proclamation.

In Testimony Whereof, I have signed my name and cause the seal of State to be affixed at the city of Austin, this 15th day of July, A. D. 1890.

L. S. ROSS,
Governor of Texas.

J. M. MOORE,
Secretary of State.

THAT FIGHT
The Original Wins.

C. V. Simmons, St. Louis, Prop'r M. A. Simmons Liver Medicine, Est'd 1840, in the U. S. Court DEFEATS J. H. Zeilin, Prop'r A. Q. Simmons Liver Medicine, Est'd by Zeilin Med. M. A. S. L. M. has for 47 years cured INDIGESTION, BILIOUSNESS, DYSPEPSIA, SICK HEADACHES, APPETITE, SORE STOMACH, ETC.

Rev. T. B. Reams, Pastor M. E. Church, Adams, Tenn., writes: "I think I should have been dead but for your Genuine M. A. Simmons Liver Medicine. I have sometimes had to substitute 'Zeilin's stuff' for your Medicine, but it don't answer the purpose."

Dr. J. R. Graves, Editor The Baptist, Memphis, Tenn., says: "I received a package of your Liver Medicine, and have used half of it. It works like a charm. I want no better Liver Regulator and certainly no more of Zeilin's mixture."

