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**BRILLIANT SAM JONES.**  
He Renews Acquaintance with a "News" Man.  
Dallas News.  
It was about 11 o'clock Friday morning when he entered the McLeod. He had just been out for a walk and looking up he beheld a former friend before him.  
"Hello, young fellow, where did you come from? Suppose you call around to see our Uncle Jones? When did you leave Fort Worth? Suppose those fellows over there won't want me to elect another mayor for them? How's Col. Wynne and Carter and that young man Green?"  
The individual to whom these inquiries were directed gathered himself up to meet the exigencies of a cross examination. He informed Brother Jones that Col. Wynne was still plodding the narrow path, that Carter had been elected to the state senate and that Brother Green was still reaching after the metaphorical persimmon with the metaphorical pole. In response to a direct question the witness informed Brother Jones in tears that some of those whom he had snatched as brands from the burning had fallen back into the paths of sin, that some were trying night after night to make a bobtail flush beat three deuces and that others asted every day like they had been bitten by a snake.  
"Yes," said Brother Jones, "that's the way it, these old drinking members of the church. They make more fuss than anybody when the meeting's going on, but after that they will fill their old hides so full of whiskey that the government ought to put a revenue stamp on 'em. One consolation though is that the saloons don't make much money out of them. Those old ducks will put their hands around the glass and fill it to the top. If all the tippers would drink like some of these old sponges do; the saloons would be driven into bankruptcy in a week. When I hold my meetings and see these peripatetic old villains coming up, with the tears running down their cheeks, I feel like telling 'em to go back to their seats, that I wasn't aiming at them; that they had been shot by a stray shot. I always feel encouraged when tough, hardened sinners are melted in to penitence. I feel then like I am gittin' 'em; but these old fellows, boss, I put 'em on the string with the other fish, but I know they are going to spoil before I get home. Just put me in a tawful of the meanest, lowest down fellows that drink, cuss, gamble and steel, and when I get one hooked as a general thing he will stick. I don't care if they are as tough as you. But easy, come around this afternoon at 4 o'clock I was up last night, and went to take a nap."

**At the Big Well.**  
"Well that is the best thing I ever saw. This town ought to bore forty of them. Give your people here plenty of good water to drink and they won't drink so much whisky. This Trinity river water, as you call it, is wet, and that's all you can say about it. When I drank it this morning I said, 'No wonder there are so many saloons here.' And that's the foundation of the new court house over there? What an enormous building it will be! But that jail down there will be no credit to this county. I know that where there are 200 saloons that a building like that isn't big enough to hold 'em, and treat them humanely. But that well is the best thing you've got. When you get a supply of that kind of water it will be a great thing for religion. The Methodist can drink it and the Baptists can wash in it."

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"Will you take a drive?"  
"Youbet I will. I want to see the town anyhow and the drive will do me good. Besides just about that time a lot of people will be coming up here to see me as a matter of curiosity and I will get away from them. Good-bye."

**The Drive.**  
At 4 o'clock the News man called at the McLeod and Brother Jones was waiting. Just as we passed through the office came a delegation of preachers with Freight agent Mow of the Missouri, Kansas and Texas on the side. The reporter did not know whether Mow was training with Owens or not, but he came with the crowd and the reporter introduced Mow. Brother Jones was glad to meet him, because he likes railroad men. The preachers were disposed to draw Brother Jones into a long conversation, but he said, "Fretten come down and take supper with me. I've got an engagement with the Dallas News man to take in the town and I must go."  
The brethren were willing for Brother Jones to go, and were also willing to take supper with him, and a moment more Brother Jones and the reporter were in a buggy and the drive commenced.  
Driving through Main street Brother Jones observed: "This is a town of great possibilities, and from the activity apparent I judge that the people appreciate them. I notice a great many fine buildings here and a number going up, but you won't be hurt here by fires for some time. You've got men here that are so stingy and narrow contracted that they never will improve their property as it should be until they get burnt out, those fellows that can look through a keyhole with both eyes at the same time and not look cross eyed. I know them kind of fellows; we have 'em in the church. They always hunt for a mekle when the hat goes around. But there are enough great big men here to build a city. What building is that?"  
"That is the Exall and North Texas national bank building."  
"That looks like it. The man that put that building up is worth a thousands of these little fellows to the town. He shows his faith by his works. He's like one of these old Methodist who not only shouts, but sees that the minister's salary is paid. I like that kind of a man."

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finest street in Dallas, because it has so many vacant lots. The twenty five or thirty five buildings are a guarantee that none of these two story houses are going to be built. And that's the News office. That's a great paper your people are publishing. I was struck with its enterprise and solid merit while I was at Tyler and Fort Worth last spring. At both places there was a man to take my setmons. I have heard much of those reports since I left the state. I knew that some of those old 'Hark-from-the-tomb' fellows were criticizing the paper, but I have had these people criticize me. When I read these reports, I said there's a newspaper that's not tearing its shirt off to get the people to heaven; but it publishes the news and gives the people what they want. I was greatly pleased with reports because they not only gave the sensational in an artful way, but had the argument combined with it. In this way the cause was helped a great deal more than it would have been by one of these 'I would not live always' reports. The people would read and any good meeting would stand a little advertising. The Lord beyleed in it himself, for he told the disciples to go through the entire world and preach the gospel. When you sift the matter right down to common every day cornbread and buttermilk sense, preaching is the Lord's way of advertising salvation, and, bless your soul, while he sells it at cost, just look at these old fools paying everything they can make for hell when they could get heaven for nothing. Don't you forget the fact that your Uncle Jones believes in advertising. It is the basis of spiritual as well as temporal success."

And the reporter intimated to Mr. Jones that his theory was sound, and that the lord had secured a good medium in him, for

which Brother Jones said thanks. Continuing about newspaper, Brother Jones remarked: "Now I admire the News. Any paper in a town of 5000 inhabitants that covers the ground the News does, and runs its own special train, and has its own wire and collects the news from every portion of the state, can count on me. I like a success, but one of these little old failures makes me tired. I believe in snap and and life and get up and get there Ely in everything. That's what I like about the News, only I hope you are not a sample of either the morality or the good looks off it."  
Broth Jones was informed that the morality of his audience was a proverb in the News office, and that for looks it would size up with him any day before a female commission.

**A Little Further On.**  
Down about the city hall a stop was made to see the big hotel and other buildings in the neighborhood. Brother Jones asked a great many questions about this and that and finally asked, "Is the mayor a member of the church?" The reply was that the mayor had a leaning toward the Baptist church, he hadn't joined yet. All the city officials and the council were inquired about, and the information given the brother was that they were all good, pious men, and that most of them had Sunday school classes.

On our Exposition avenue the evangelist was dumfounded; just when he thought that he had reached the outskirts he found himself in the midst of a collection of houses on shapely terraces.  
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### The Star in Trouble Again.

Ansion Western.  
The Haskell Star says The Western is spoiling for a fight. Perhaps so. But not with the Star. It is too small and contemptible. Besides the Star is an intemperate itself and the legitimate meat of the Free Press. Better attend to your own affairs neighbor and twinkle for Haskell. Your bright refulgent rays are needed at home to dispell the darkness and gloom which prevailed before you swung in your chosen orbit. When The Western wants a fight we want it bad, and with a big and bright Star than the nra minor which will soon be in the eclipse, visible at Haskell.

### A Dance.

Estacado News.  
"A big dance was given at the Spur ranch on November 13th to celebrate the double event of the marriage Mr. Joseph A. Stokes to Miss Emma Mason of Coleman county, and John E. Day to Miss Lou Gilmore, daughter of Mr. Tom H. Gilmore.

Over 200 people were present having come from 100 miles all around.

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## TREASURY DEPARTMENT.

Office of Comptroller of the Currency.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 25, 1899.

WHEREAS, by satisfactory evidence presented to the undersigned it has been made to appear that "THE HASKELL NATIONAL BANK," 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 HASKELL NATIONAL BANK," 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, witness my hand and Seal of office this 25th day of November 1899.

E. S. LACEY,  
Comptroller of the Currency.

## BRILLIANT SAM JONES.

He Renews Acquaintance with a "News" Man.

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"What do you call this?" "That is Exposition Park," and the further information was given that the little suburb he admired so was what has been made of an old eighty-acre field in one year. It was only a specimen of many like Fair Land, South Dallas, Oak Lawn, etc. He looked at the electric cars and looked at the fair grounds, and then glancing around those cosy homes once more, said: "I would like to live here. And they ought not to quit until they get a well out here like that one at the court house."

On every street, on Elm, Akard Ross avenue, Brother Jones witnessed the same prevailing spirit and energy and pluck. He looked at the beautiful homes and green terraces and said: "Surely this will be a great city before long."

A drive of fifteen minutes brought us to the center of Oak Cliff. Brother Jones carefully noted the many attractions there, including the hotel, park, armory and the base ball park. His black eyes fairly sparkled with delight and his sallow face got a rose-red tinge on. The story of its growth sounded to him like a "Persian poem in an eastern epic," as Major Elliot would say. The more he saw the greater became his amazement, and he fairly choked up his cigar as he wheeled along. He murmured, "and one man has engineered this magnificent enterprise. It will be his monument."

By this time it was getting dark and we turned toward the city, which was to be seen stretching far away in the distance, as far as the eye could reach. The setting sun was casting a lustrous halo above it, and all was bright and clear that he could see the turrets on exposition hall, four miles away. Brother Jones and his companion were drinking in the scene silently until they lost sight of it among the board-walk trees in the Trinity valley, then it was that the man God broke the silence and said: "This looks like a good place for 'possum hunting."

### Slightly Political

"What kind of governor is that you have elected in Texas?" asked Brother Jones.

The reporter replied that Mr. Hogg was considered a dandy, that is a jim dandy, by the democratic party of Texas.

"Well sir," continued Brother Jones, "he was at one of my meetings down at Tyler last spring, and when I lit into the democratic party he got up and went out. He didn't like it a bit."

Probably it was a pertinent question, but the reporter asked Brother Jones how he was on democracy.

"Don't go much on your demagogues; that's what most of them are."

"Don't you ever vote the democratic ticket, Brother Jones?"

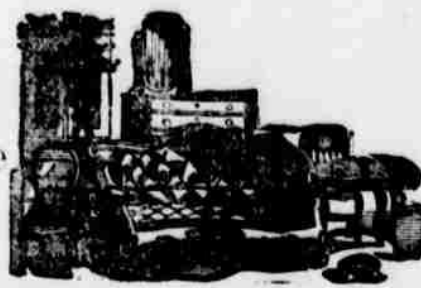
"Yes, when I ain't got a chance to vote the prohibition ticket. I'm with the democratic party like I would be with a drunken brother. I like him, but don't like his ways."

### At Round Lake.

"I was up at Round Lake N. Y., this summer and I met Brother Southgate. He asked me very particularly about you and your son. I told him that you was wearing good clothes, but I had never discovered any evidence of a soul and that no one on earth would ever mistake you for a shouting Methodist. He told me about the numerous times you had joined the church back in North Carolina years ago, and that you would live

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about two weeks after the meeting and then slip off and go fishing on Sunday. I thought when I heard that your poor little old soul had been prey near worn out in getting saved. I have seen men with souls that were not strong enough to stand a real good Methodist meeting, although one day over in Fort Worth when Excell starts up 'I'm Going Home to Die No Mo.' I thought I was going to get you I would like to get you converted for two reasons. One is that I wouldn't like to see you go to the devil, and then you would furnish a lustrous example of the power of grace to save the utmost sinner who would see a chance for him self if they could see you a christian. And, bless your soul, if you ever get religion, I would want you in my meetings to point to when I make the appeals."

### What He Thinks of the Town

"Well, Brother Jones now tell me what you think of Dallas? You have been questioning him nearly all evening and I want to listen some."

"Well, to sum up the situation, I think Dallas is a jim dandy. When I say that I mean a great deal. I have been in all the principal cities in the United States and it is nothing remarkable for me to see a good town. A cringing dilette to the truth forces me to say that I am surprised at Dallas. I know it was a good town, but I didn't dream of what I find it to be. Ervay street and Ross avenue are marvels of beauty and freshness. There are good hotels here now and all doubt is removed as to a splendid and beautiful water supply. Everything is being conducted on a grand scale that tells of an ambition for commercial greatness that will not fail. I find a splendid school system, numerous churches, but nothing extra as to architectural beauty for a town of this size and a public spirit with 'get there' qualities. I never saw such life on the streets of any city of 50,000 that I see here. The men rush along like they were after something and were on a hot trail, and they will get it. There is no such thing as stopping them or the town. The momentum is so great that its very force will carry things along, no matter in what shape commercial depression might come. Prosperity has broken out here as thick as flees on a mazy dog, and there is no cure for it. It will spread until the city has reached the full measure of the state's agricultural and industrial possibilities to supply, and this time won't come in your lifetime or mine. This empire of natural wealth will not be entirely developed for centuries. With a civilization of culture and

Christianity for a balance wheel, Texas will be the greatest political power in this nation and Dallas will be its heart. You all have a right to be proud of your town, and I can easily forgive the bright lies you have told me this evening. And I hope that Dallas will never have a reverse. Purify the moral atmosphere of the place and it will be a great step forward. Even in your humble way you can assist in this work. Commit suicide and set the example for others of your stripe."

And at this moment the stars were beaming down upon us as we drove to the hotel. As the brother jumped to the ground he said:

"Farewell, old fellow, good luck to you. I like your sort, and wish your were better. You are as tough a sinner as I ever saw, but the day will come when you will be better—but I fear you will be dead."

### HUNGRY ELEPHANTS.

How They Gratify a Taste for Dainties on All Occasions.

One favorite food of the African elephant is the tender, juicy roots of the mimosa tree, which grows in scattered groups through most of the meadows and lowlands of central Africa.

When an elephant finds a young tree of this sort, it is not difficult, as a rule, for him to get at the roots, especially if the surrounding soil is moist and loose, as is often the case after it has been soaked by the heavy rainfalls of the tropics.

If the tree is low, the elephant, knowing his strength, winds his trunk firmly around the tree, and plucks it from the earth, a feat which is no harder for him than the pulling up of a flower is for a child.

But the elephant does not stop here; experience has taught him the most comfortable way of enjoying his prize, so without relaxing his hold, he turns the tree completely over, and stands it with its upper branches thrust down into the place where the roots were. Then the crabby roots, now replacing the branches, remain within easy reach of the strong and deft trunk.

African traveler tells us of great tracts of country almost covered with these inverted trees. Seeing the dry trees turned upside down one would be more likely to think a wood had been reversed by some mischievous fairy, than to suppose hungry elephant had been feeding there.

Sometimes an elephant will find a tree which defies his greatest efforts, and absolutely refuses to be uprooted. But the elephant does not give it up. Not at all

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Cucumber, Mangoes, German Bills, Sweet Spiced, Chow Chow, Queen Olives, Catsup and Sauce, Krot, Fancy Mixed, Gherkins, small and medium all in bulk.	Evaporated Nectarines, Plums, Prunes, Peaches, Pears, Apples, Apricots, Raspberries, Blackberries, Raisins, Grapes, Currants, Figs, Dates, Oranges, Bananas, Lemons, Coconuts, &c.

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TEXAS

He either brings an other elephant to help him—a thing they often do when the work is too much for one—or, if he cannot find a friend he sets his own wit to work. He makes use of his tusks as levers, thrusting them, as if they were crowbars, deep under the roots, and pry away slowly and steadily until the tree is loosened; and then with a great wrench he completely uproots it and it goes toppling over, leaving the elephant victorious.—Carly D. Haskell, in November St. Nicholas.



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## FARMERS SPEAK.

### Proceedings of the National Farmer's Alliance Convention.

#### Action Taken to Investigate Certain Charges of Misconduct Brought Against McCune and Others.

OCALA, Fla., Dec. 3.—The Farmers' Alliance convention met in regular session this morning. A resolution was adopted providing that a committee of one from each state delegation to investigate the conduct of Mr. McCune of the national executive committee, L. F. Livingston, president of the Georgia state Alliance, and President Polk in reference to the Georgia senatorship, it having been charged that these gentlemen were influenced in their action by a moneyed consideration. The committee is empowered to investigate any other charge of which the officers may be accused.

Mr. Livingstone, raising to a question of personal privilege in convention, states that the charges and rumors affecting him had been whispered, and of unfair dealings in reference to the Georgia senatorship. He demanded a thorough investigation. He said that McCune and Polk had joined in this demand.

McAllister took the floor in support of resolutions, and at the end of a strong speech moved their adoption. As he sat down there was

a stillness and a hush in the convention, which foreboded a storm. Everybody expected it to be from the Western or Northwestern delegates, but no storm came. After a few moments of suspension Delegate Downing of Pennsylvania arose and said he regarded the introduction of the resolution as untimely. There was largely prevalent at the North a feeling that the Farmers' Alliance was a Southern organization, its members being saturated with Southern sentiment and the passage of these resolutions would strengthen this opinion and check the growth of the Alliance in the North and East. His language was very temperate, and a ripple of applause greeted the close of his speech.

President McGrath of the Kansas state Alliance moved the adoption of the resolutions without reference to any committee and without debate, which was lost.

President Hall of the Missouri state Alliance moved the resolution be tabled, but after a short interval, in which there were several short but temperate speeches in favor of their passage, he moved to table the original motion, which was carried. The question then recurred on McAllister's motion to adopt the resolution, and when the motion was finally put it was carried unanimously, amid the wildest enthusiasm.

#### WARNING TO THE SENATE.

At the afternoon session Delegate W. S. McAllister of Mississippi in-

duced the following preamble and resolution which was adopted.

Whereas, the president of the United States in his annual message to congress recommends and urges herein the passage of the measure known as the Lodge election bill, and

Whereas, said bill involves a radical revolution in the election machinery of the Union, both state and national, and its passage will be fatal to the autonomy of the states and the cherished liberties of the citizens, and,

Whereas, said bill is partisan in spirit and will be partisan in its application, thus revitalizing the holy ghost of sectionalism, and,

Whereas, in the holy war which has been declared against sectionalism the firesides of the farmers of the North, East, South and West citadels around which the heaviest battles are being fought, and to the end that victory may crown our crusade, therefore be it

Resolved by the National Farmers' Alliance Union of the American National Council, assembled. That we do most solemnly protest against the passage of the said Lodge bill, and most earnestly petition our senators to employ all fair and legal means to defeat this unpatriotic measure, which can result in nothing but evil to our common and beloved country.

Resolved further, That a copy of these preambles and resolutions be forwarded to each senator in congress.



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Saturday, Dec. 13, 1890.

### LOCAL DOTS.

—Choice Candy cheap at Paris'.

—Clocks are cheap at Glover's.

—Go to McLemores for Lamps and Lanterns.

—McElree's Wine of Cardui for Weak Nerves.

—Old-time mince-meat at Mason.

—Lamps and Lanterns of all kinds at McLemore's.

—Mrs. J. C. Baldwin is daily receiving her holiday goods and has something for the young and old and you can save money by buying from her.

—Mammoth Sky Rockets at Paris'.

—For toboggans and hoods go to R. S. DeLong and Co's.

—Go to Masons for citron, figs and raisins.

—W. T. Allen Esq. of Rayner was in the city this week.

—China fire works cheap for cash at Paris'.

—By BLACK-DRAUGHT tea for dyspepsia.

—Corn, oats and hay cheap for cash at Haskell Feed Store.

—We are sorry to learn that Mr. R. S. DeLong is sick.

—R. F. Miller has returned to Colorado City.

—Rice & Finn Seymour are sole agents for Superior and New Mowhawk stoves.

—Great variety of Lamps and Lanterns at McLemore's.

—Candies etc., Something new every day at Johnson Bros.

—Don't fail to see the nice line of Xmas goods goods at F. E. Turner & Co's.

—Don't fail to price R. S. DeLong & Co's, clothing before you buy.

—L. S. Long of the firm of Long Bros went to Dallas this week on business.

—The nicest line of Xmas goods ever brought to Haskell to be at F. F. Turner & Co.

—Boys why don't you buy a suit of clothes, for Xmas from Long Bros.

—R. S. DeLong & Co., have just received a nice line of silk finest Henriettas.

—Rice & Finn, Seymour Texas, carry the largest stocks of Queens ware and glassware, in Seymour.

—Meats of all kinds at the only grocery store in Haskell, Masons.

—S. H. Johnson wants to buy one thousand dollars worth of county scrip.

—WINE OF CARDUI, a Tonic for Women.

—Go to McLemore's drug store for what you want in that line.

—Best grade of barbed wire at Rice & Finn at lowest prices, Seymour Texas.

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

—Becknell & Rupe, prop's.

—E. Roberts one of Haskell's former citizens has gone into the furniture business at Abilene. We wish him success.

—Capt. Darnell of the John H. Jones Lumber Co. of Abilene was in the city this week.

—BLACK-DRAUGHT tea cures Constipation.

—Call on G. C. Kiddel for Harness, Saddles and Leaping Horn side saddles. Haskell, Tex.

—The remainder of this season we will give only on Fridays and Saturdays.

—Jones & Smith.

—Master Arthur Cummings while playing the other day fell and broke his arm. The physician set the broken member and he is up and lively again.

If you want good goods go to Long Bros. where you can find the best.

—Rev. Wm. H. McCullough will preach at the court house Sunday at 11 a. m.

—Ed. S. Hughes & Co. have a large stock of Corrugated iron for roofing and siding.

—Born to Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Courwright on the 10th inst. a daughter.

—We will open the largest line of Holiday Goods ever in Haskell and will sell them at lowest prices. Johnson Bros.

—Ed. S. Hughes & Co. have an elegantly assorted stock of China ware, Queensware etc.

—For fine gold watches, chains, earrings, bracelets, broaches, rings, gold pens and fine jewelry. Call on J. E. Glover.

—McLemore is still selling large quantities of wall paper. Call and examine his stock before buying elsewhere.

—When you want poison come and let us sell to you. We will sell cheaper than you can buy elsewhere. F. E. Turner & Co.

—Jesse Cobb of Maysfield one of Haskell's pioneers is in the city. Mr. Cobb says if he can rent a house he will move back to Haskell.

—Go to D. R. Gass to get your goods. I will positively sell you lower than any one else regardless of price. Cloaks at cost and clothing at 10 per cent at D. R. Gass.

—Are you married? If not, send your address to The American Corresponding Club; P. O. Box 643; Clarksburg, W. Va.

—Rev. J. N. Caperton will preach the funeral of Mrs. J. A. Clark, at the Ward school house on the third Sunday.

McElree's WINE OF CARDUI for female diseases.

—Mr. Sam. C. Huidrow and family from Greenbeck, Limestone county are on a visit to Mr. J. A. Clark of Paint creek, Mrs. Huidrow's father.

—Mrs. W. P. Whitman and son and her daughter Miss Mollie have gone to Farmersville to spend Christmas.

—Genuine Glidden wire, Perfect Baker wire, Imitation Glidden wire Imitation Baker wire at Ed. S. Hughes & Co's.

—Ask your dealers for the N. Porter make of Horse Collars Saddles, Harness etc., etc.

—Several couples of the young people called on Misses Anna and Minnie Thomson Monday evening and had a Christmas time with the egg nog left off.

—Superior stoves fire backs, warranted to last fifteen years at Rice & Finn, Seymour.

—Mr. J. B. Clark and wife have returned home from a visit to Mrs. Clark's father W. T. Alison, in Hill county.

McElree's Wine of Cardui and THE DORR'S BLACK-DRAUGHT are for sale by the following merchants in Haskell county:

F. E. Turner, Haskell,  
D. R. Gass, Haskell,  
Johnson Bros, Haskell,

—The Baptist concluded not to have the church supper which was announced for last Thursday night. The members prefer to contribute the money necessary to pay for the organ.

—Dr. A. R. Kaykendall of Kopperl Texas was in the city this week. He was favorably impressed with the country and will move to Haskell in a few weeks.

—Farmers watch this:  
Rice & Finn Hardware dealers Seymour Texas will sell you best grade of barbed wire at lowest prices.

—The First National Bank building is going up rapidly, and we are informed by Mr. Rath that he will have a plan soon ready for The Haskell National Bank which will be one of the finest buildings in western Texas.

Strayed from my farm in the northwest portion of the county one bay mare mule branded L E, on left shoulder. One gray horse branded D 9 on the shoulder and 9 on the thigh with rope on. One sorrel horse wearing bell, same brand. One bay mare with rope halter and rope on branded R—on hip and other brands on shoulder.

Any information regarding same will be thankfully received.

H. W. Esters.

—High Hunt who was shot the 15th inst is recovering rapidly, and we are glad to be able to make this announcement. Mr. Hunt has always conducted himself as a good citizen should and it is to be deplored that he let his temper get the control of him on that unfortunate occasion, for if he had done as he should and surrendered when called upon the accident would not have happened.

It is the duty of all good citizens to sustain a public officer when he does his duty. There are enough men whose names are always on the court calendar who will take the other side, and try to stir up prejudice against the officers. If parties who get in to trouble with officers would listen to the advice of the good citizens and men who work for the good of their commu-

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## "XMAS, XMAS, XMAS,"

Is nearly here, and we invite You to visit our Store During this month, as we have determined to make this month's sales the largest sales we have ever had, and in order to do this we have cut

### PRICES TO BARE COST.

Remember we have one of the largest and best assorted stocks of GROCERIES in Texas and will begin these cut prices on Dec. 5th and end Dec. 25th, FOR 20 DAYS ONLY!

Your chance to buy your winter supplies at a bargain. We have put on several extra clerks and all shall be waited on. Come to Abilene and see us.

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THE GROCER, ABILENE TEXAS.

# N. W. Reeves & Co.

Are closing out their entire Stock of Merchandise, consisting of

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Thanking our friends for past favors, we hope they will take advantage of this rare chance of laying in their winter goods. People of our town have had quite enough of CHEAP CLAP TRAP COST BACKET

This Sale is Genuine.

Yours Very Respectfully,

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HASKELL county is situated in the southern part of the Oklahoma...

It remained unsettled until 1874 when there was one or two ranches established.

Up to 1884 the soil had never been turned by a plow, and the people depended upon raising cattle, sheep and horses...

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

In 1886 and 1887 the entire west, from Dakota to Mexico suffered from seasons of unprecedented dryness.

The county is an undulating plain with occasional creeks and branches. It is bounded on the north by that picture stream the Salt Fork of the Necca...

There are a few washed and guiches along the creeks and rivers, but with river breaks, rocks and poor soil 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 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 form 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...

Except mesquite prubs and stumps, which are easily extracted,

there are no obstructions to plowing and the land being level or generally rolling, and easily worked, the use of labor saving implements at once becomes pleasant and profitable.

prospect. Indian corn, wheat, oats, barley, rye, durum corn, millet, sorghum, clover beans, field peas, pumpkins, 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 any where in the South. Garden vegetables grow to perfection, and melons luxuriant in Haskell county soil, growing to fine size of superb quality.

THE AVERAGE YIELD OF 1 ACRE OF CORN IS ABOUT 20 BUSHELS AND THE PRICE VARIES FROM 50c TO 1.25 PER BUSHEL; THE WHEAT YIELD FOR THE YEAR 1887-88 YEAR RANGED FROM 18 TO 30 BUSHELS—AVERAGE 25 BUSHELS PER ACRE AND SOLD IN THE HOME MARKET FOR 80c TO \$1.00 PER BUSHEL; OATS YIELD 60 TO 100 BUSHELS PER ACRE AND USUALLY SOLD AT 25c 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. Hare made pork is usually worth 6 to 8 cents per pound; fresh beef and mutton home made butter, sweet and delicate usually sell 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. 35 miles from Haskell on the south end, and Seymour on the W. V. road 45 miles on the northeast.

RAILROADS. There is one road from Haskell to Seymour, and one to be built from Worth to Haskell. The Texas central will have to extend its road from Albany or to the west, and Haskell is on the line as originally surveyed.

The land men of Arpaia have organized a company to build a road from Haskell to the north end 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, 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 40 miles south of the 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.

OUR SCHOOL FUND IS perhaps the best of any county in the north-west. In addition to the amount received from the state, about \$5,000 per capita, our commissioners have wisely expended a large sum for 10 years for a 4 league school fund, situated in the Presbyterian, the revenue from which added to the amount received from the state gives us a fund hardly sufficient to run the school for one 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 service to Bettendorf 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 county in the state. The Methodist, Baptist, Christian, Old School and Cumberland Presbyterian churches each have organized churches in the town of Haskell, and have preaching on Sundays, also preaching in 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 500. It has a good well watered area of about 100 acres, 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 dry goods 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 restaurant, three 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, 12 lawyers and land 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 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 the 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 reach financial bases, 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 we do not imagine we are a people wild and woolly indigenous to these "western wilds," that we are loaded with dynmite and shogling iron, that our conversations are collections of cuss words and Malayan mixtures, but rather that we are a people trained among the same surroundings, that we have received the benefit of the same advantages, that we have availed ourselves of the same educational privileges, that we have had the same Christian instruction, you yourselves have had. We are delighted by past experience. Fortune have been made by the development of new countries, and fortunes are yet to be made in our new and equally good country.

We have a country enclosed 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 extremes 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 material 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 the most honest and industrious, as well as good natured, so few shifting, patrician and ruffianism are found anywhere in the United States. We have plenty of room, and the you and your child who contemplate a change of some kind, who want good and cheap lands. We have them, and will do you for speculators and fillers.

Reader, please hand this to your friend.

You are in a Bad Fix. But we will ease you if you will pay us. Our message is to the Weak, Nervous and Debilitated, who by early Evil Habits, or Later Indiscretion, have ruined their vigor of Body, Mind and Manhood, and who suffer all those afflictions which lead to premature Death, Consumption or Insanity. If this message you send for and read our BOOK or LITERATURE, written by the greatest specialist of the day, and sent (sealed), by addressing Dr. Parker's Medical and Surgical Institute, 155 North Spruce St. Nashville, Tenn.

A Great German Paper's Editor. Says editorially: "I received from A. K. Hawks, of Austin, a pair of his Crystalized Lens spectacles, and I must say I was surprised to find them so transparent and fine. I consider the spectacles the best in existence, and can highly recommend them to all those who are obliged to use glasses. I believe that these lenses really preserve the eyes, and not like so many inferior and badly ground glasses do, increase the sight. O. DRETEL, Ed. and Prop. Texas Gorman Post. All eyes fitted and the fit guaranteed at the store of F. E. Turner Haskell, Texas.

IF YOUR BACK ACHES Or you are all over you, really good for nothing. It is a certain relief. Try BROWN'S IRON BITTERS. It will cure you, and give you a good appetite. Sold by all druggists.

It was Ben Johnson, we believe who, when asked Mallock's question, "Is life worth living?" replied "That depends on the liver. And Ben Johnson doubtless saw the double point to the pun. The liver active—quick—the rosey, everything bright, mountains of trouble melt like mountains of snow. The liver sluggish—life dull, everything blue, molecules of worry pier into mountains of anxiety, and a result—stark headaches, dizziness, constipation. Two ways are open. Cure permanently, or relieve temporarily. Take a pill and suffer for a while, or get well. Shock the system by an overdose, or coax it by a mild, pleasant way.

Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets are the mild means. They work effectually, without pain, and leave the system strong. One little sugar-coated pellet is enough, although a whole vial costs but 25 cents.

Mild gentle, soothing and healing is Dr. Sage's Catarrh Remedy. Only 50 cents per Druggist. Bucklen's Arnica Salve. 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. FOR SALE BY A. P. McLEMORE.

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Yours Truly,

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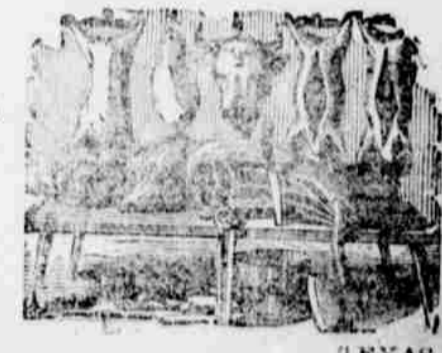
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