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DIDN'T TALK POLITICS.
 The President Denies Ever Having Used the Language Attributed to Him by Judge Rucker.

The Democratic Office Holder Should Stick to His Post Cleveland's Policy May be Continued.

HOLD ON DEMOCRATS.
 WASHINGTON, Nov. 22.—The Democratic employes in the government service in Washington are beginning to feel apprehensive for their future tenure, although no intimation has been made by the Republicans that a clear swell will be made. A greater majority of Cleveland's appointments have been served for only one-half or one-third of his term, while a very large proportion of the Republican presidential appointees had held their offices for a much longer period than a presidential term. The sum total of those Republicans who tendered their resignations to the president was exceedingly small and in very numerous cases the Republican office holders were permitted to hold their commissions till they expired and in some cases received reappointment. Excepting the small possibilities probably one-half and certainly one-third of the office-holders to-day are of the Republican faith. The Democratic office-holder who in a spirit of punitiveness now gives up his place will make a mistake. "Hold on" is the watchword for the Democrats under present circumstances.

WORLD'S EXPOSITION.
 Favorable responses to the call for a convention to arrange for the world's exposition of 1892, to be held here December 4 next, have been generally received. A meeting of the Washington managers will be held to-night to perfect arrangements for the convention and banquet.

NO NEED OF GOVERNMENT INTERFERENCE.
 Washington, Nov. 22.—Indian Commissioner Oberly received to-day the following letter dated November 18 from Robert Loff, United States Indian agent at Muskogee, in response to an inquiry as to the truth of the reported disturbances in the Chickasaw nation over the election of governor of that nation: "There has been no such state of affairs in the Chickasaw nation as the sensational telegrams have reported. There is, however, some excitement there and the possibility of a personal feud over the disagreement as to the governorship. Mr. Guy has not called on this office for protection against Mr. Byrd, and my information is that Byrd continues to exercise all the functions of governor, and that he is practically running the government as such, while Guy's cause, though based on legal justice, is growing to some extent unpopular. There is no present cause for interference on the part of the government. If such should be the case this office will endeavor to take prompt action."

TO BE A HARRISON ORGAN.
 Washington, Nov. 22.—A new four-page Republican daily paper will be started about the first week in December. Mr. E. W. Fox will be the editor, assisted by his son, Mr. William O. Fox, who for the past thirteen years has been United States consul at Brunswick, Germany having been appointed by president Grant. It will support the administration of Harrison and Morton. The new enterprise will be started under the auspices of the national Republican league.

THE TENTH CENSUS.
 Washington, Nov. 22.—The publication of the twenty-second volume of the tenth census report which has just been issued com-

pletes the most elaborate work of the kind ever undertaken in the world. The taking of the tenth census was provided for by an act of congress approved March 2, 1879 appropriating \$3,000,000 for the work.

THE WESTS GOING EAST.
 Washington, Nov. 22.—Lord Sackville and the Misses Sackville West will leave Washington Friday morning for New York, and on the following day will sail for Havre on the La Burgoyne, the vessel which will take Mr. Chamberlain and his bride to France.

THE PRESIDENT DENIES IT.
 Washington, Nov. 22.—The Post to-morrow will say: It can be stated authoritatively the president denied emphatically ever having used the language attributed to him by Judge Rucker in the now celebrated interview. As a matter of fact the president does not even remember having met Judge Rucker on the day in question. Senator Blackburn called at the White House with some friends that day. This much the president has called to mind. He recollects also that just before leaving the library the senator stepped over to him and spoke a few words in regard to the senate report on the civil service investigation, but at no time was there anything said about politics in New York and under no circumstances has the president ever charged or intimated that there was treachery towards him in New York.

NEW YORK'S OFFICIAL VOTE.
 Some Interesting Comparisons Shown by the Empire State Figures.

NEW YORK, Nov. 17.—The vote of the state of New York has been officially canvassed and the returns made in all but two counties—New York and Kings. The official returns for the two counties mentioned will not differ to any great extent from the figures already published. The result is as follows:

Total vote for president..... 1,279,639
 Total vote for governor..... 1,274,837
 Cleveland's vote..... 632,423
 Harrison's vote..... 646,716
 Hill's vote..... 646,773
 Miller's vote..... 639,065
 Harrison's plurality..... 15,798
 Hill's plurality..... 16,707

The combined vote of New York and Kings counties was: Hill, 248,288; Cleveland, 242,314; Miller, 277,166; Harrison, 273,402. This shows that Hill led Cleveland 5970; Miller, 71,118; Harrison, 74,832. General Harrison comes second on the total vote, receiving 646,716. This is 13,793 more than Cleveland and 16,651 more than Miller. Mr. Cleveland received 632,423 votes.

Outside of New York and Kings counties Harrison received 473,314 Cleveland followed with 390,609. This gives Harrison a plurality of 82,705 outside of the two counties mentioned. Cleveland's plurality in New York and Kings was 68,912. Deduct this from Harrison's up-country plurality and it leaves 13,793 as Harrison's plurality in the state. The total vote of Cleveland and Harrison aggregated 1,279,639. The total for Hill and Miller was 1,276,837. This shows that 2,802 more votes were cast for the presidential ticket than for the gubernatorial.

The canvassers in New York and Kings counties have completed their work and the totals will be announced on Tuesday or Wednesday of next week.

The Republicans of Abrams, Wis., regard it as an omen that on the day after election two large bald eagles came swooping down from the north and circled around their Harrison pole. The birds of victory remained hovering about the pole for several minutes, and then sailed majestically away.

THE POPULAR VOTE.

A Small Republican Majority Over the Democrats Indicated by the Present Returns.

(Philadelphia Press, Nov. 18.)
 The table of pluralities given below is made up from official returns and close estimates in the different states. In about three-fourths of the states the figures are those taken from the official returns now on file, and in the other fourth the county returns already in hand have been compared with the vote 1884 and an estimate made from those of the gains and losses. The chief doubt is concerning the majorities given in South Carolina, Alabama, Mississippi and Texas. The Democratic majority of 60,000 in Georgia simple shows that the Republicans did not vote, and a Democratic majority of 55,000 in Louisiana, three and a half times as large as it gave in 1884, is only another proof of how completely suppressed the Republican vote is in a state having a natural Republican majority of at least 15,000. But notwithstanding these inflated majorities in the South the Republicans will apparently have a plurality on the fact of the returns:

STATES.	1884	1888
	Rep.	Dem.
Alabama	35,000	33,450
Arkansas	22,000	22,032
California	9,108	13,139
Colorado	13,000	8,953
Connecticut	385	1,276
Delaware	3,294	4,013
Florida	8,500	5,743
Georgia	60,000	46,964
Illinois	22,128	25,118
Indiana	2,590	6,427
Iowa	23,261	19,774
Kansas	82,000	64,274
Kentucky	28,000	24,829
Louisiana	54,700	16,105
Maine	23,225	20,089
Maryland	5,325	11,231
Massachusetts	30,720	24,572
Michigan	22,110	3,328
Minnesota	33,017	41,620
Mississippi	25,000	33,001
Missouri	30,000	33,079
Nebraska	31,000	22,521
Nevada	1,490	1,613
New Hampshire	2,284	4,066
New Jersey	6,728	4,412
New York	13,791	1,047
North Carolina	12,000	17,884
Ohio	21,000	31,802
Oregon	8,990	2,256
Pennsylvania	19,779	61,010
Rhode Island	4,500	6,436
South Carolina	55,000	48,157
Tennessee	15,000	9,180
Texas	135,000	139,156
Vermont	23,500	22,173
Virginia	1,583	9,111
West Virginia	13,000	13,156
Wisconsin	21,259	14,608
Totals	196,892	196,716

Men Who Are Mean.

A man who kicks his wife out of bed on a cold winter morning when the thermometer is twenty degrees below zero, to build a fire, is a mean man. A church member who is worth one hundred thousand dollars and pays the preacher one dollar a year, is a very mean man with whom the angels will never care to associate.

A man who will live two weeks on soup made from horn buttons, is a mean and rigidly creature, on whom the devil will never care to rest. The man who will beat his child for poking its finger in a pail of water and enquiring what became of the hole, when it took its finger out, is a very mean man. The man who loafs on the street corner for the sole purpose of making remarks about the ladies when they pass by, is one who ought to be stretched up by the heels till that part where the brains ought to be is filled with blood.

But the meanest man the Lord ever let live on the face of the earth is one who will refuse to take his paper out of the post-office when he owes two or three dollars for back subscription.—Anson Western.

Both Campbells Sent Up.

Waco, Tex., Nov. 22.—Robert Campbell, brother of Dan Campbell who was sentenced to twenty-five years in the penitentiary in the district court this morning on a charge of Highway robbery, was also sentenced to twenty-five years this afternoon on the same charge.

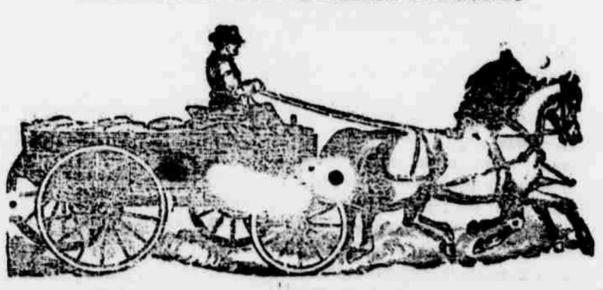
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BAD MANNERS OF HUSBANDS.

Mothers to Blame for Not Instructing Boys to be Polite.

A friend was spending the day with me the other day, and while she was here our pastor called. After he left the friend said: "Did you ever notice with what respect Mr. Conrad speaks of his wife and how courteously he treats her at all times?" I nodded assent, and my friend went on: "I suppose my husband is as good a man as ever lived, but his mother did not train him to be courteous to ladies. His sisters were his slaves, and thereby he is spoiled as a husband. I wish I could train several hundred boys to be husbands for the next generation. Do you suppose they'd consider it their prerogative to drive the girls out of the easiest chair, take the sunniest corner of the room, the best place by the light, throw books, papers or slippers down for some one to put away, and grow up with the idea that a wife must be the valet and the rest of the household stand respectfully to obey orders? You smile, but this is anything but a subject to laugh over.

"I really believe husbands never think how their unkind ways hurt. They don't realize the difference to us—for instance, in their manner when they come to dinner. All day the wife has been alone with the children and servants, and is more hungry for a kind word from her husband than an epicurean feast. He comes in just as the dinner bell rings. 'For a wonder dinner is once ready on time,' the husband says. Couldn't he have saved the heart stab by saying 'That's a pleasant sound to a hungry fellow,' and what hinders him from adding, what would be milk and honey to a weary soul all the rest of the day—'nay, all the rest of her life.—'You are a good wife, Cornelia.' And if dinner is not quite ready, why need he say: 'Of course not, never is.' In working matters for the home, why hasn't some one taken Wesley's remark: 'I'd as soon swear as First,' instead of hanging up 'I Need Thee Every Hour.'

"When I think I have a hard time I just think of the women who have no servants, but who themselves care for the children, wash, iron, cook, mend, churn, milk, carry wood and water, all for less than an Irish servant girl's wages. Of course men appreciate their wives, of course they do, but they keep their polite manners and courteous ways for other men's wives. One time James thanked me for giving him room beside me at a concert, and then sort of apologized for being polite by saying he thought it was my sister Mary."—Atlanta Constitution.

We are glad we are not as other men are, our Ma never neglected to raise us, you can tell your girls.

There is an effort on foot to get the government to establish a daily mail service between Haskell and Margaret. The route would be of great value to the people of Haskell. It takes a letter eight days to go from Haskell to Benjamin in Knox county, a distance of thirty miles, when if the mail route proposed was to be established it would only take six hours.

There is good work in the House for Mills and he should not be disarmed by sending him to the Senate. Let him stay where he has the business in his own hands.

HELP your county paper to advertise the county.

The county is in a prosperous condition, and the people are happy.

CHICAGO has a doctor who makes dimples for young women for the moderate fee of \$50 a dimple.

The jury in the Mack Crook case returned a verdict of guilty and assessed the punishment at imprisonment for life.

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The Benjamin Exchange comes to us enlarged to a bright six column paper. We are happy to congratulate the editors and publishers on the improvement made in the same.

The Dallas News is welcomed to our exchange list. It is one of the best papers in the South, and the only one that gave a correct intimation before the election of what would be the result.

REV. J. B. BEN left for the East Monday. We do not know anything, but from a request to have the band ready for a serenade, Mrs. J. B. Ben may accidentally return with him.—Anson Western.

THERE is some talk of Coke not succeeding himself, but such talk is all booh. Texas and the National Democracy can not afford to monkey with their present delegation. They need tried men, experimenting at this time will not do.

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AT THE gentlemen and butchers' convention at St. Louis, last week, an association was formed, which will be known as the National Beef Producers' and Butchers' Association, with the following officers: President C. C. Slaughter, Dallas, Tex.; Vice President, Thomas Armour, Chicago, and J. C. Hinkston, Philadelphia; secretary, H. M. Taylor, Denver; treasurer Jefferson Reynolds, Las Vegas, New Mexico.—Anson Western.

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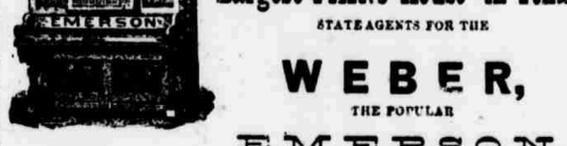
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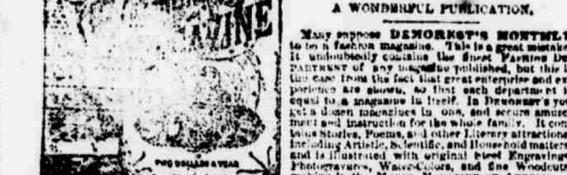
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Tin milk cans, good quality; Tin wash bowls, large size; Long handle dipper, of fine quality; Six utility pans; a framed vegetable grater; extra large and well made; a Double motion saw; Large screw driver, with steel blade; Butter knife, polished and fine; a bottle of best ink; Large heavy 100 lbs quality hal; plus; Quire of excellent writing paper.

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—Mr. S. H. Johnson has gone to Waco on business.

—Mr. W. R. Hampton went to Graham this week to attend court.
—Messrs. Bullie Fields and J. C. Marney were in the city Thursday.

—T. F. Tucker went to Breckenridge this week with attached witnesses.

—J. P. Jones, brother of our citizen J. L. Jones, was in the city this week.

—H. R. Jones went out to the McGregor ranch Thursday to take a hunt.

—Mr. Clark was in the city the other day and reported wheat doing well.

—Judge Sanders has entered upon the discharge of the duties of County Judge.

—D. R. Gass is having his business house improved by having the ceiling re-painted.

—Mr. Dodson will have a nice line of ladies and misses' cloaks in a few days.

—Miss Mollie Cries, of Granberry is visiting her sister, Mrs. K. C. Lomax, of this place.

—All the farmers who have planted grain are very much pleased with their prospects.

—Our readers will regret to learn that our popular livery man, R. W. Barrett, has been quite sick this week.

—J. W. Agnew, Jas. Dillahunty and C. L. Gass went up on the Doublemountain hunting this week.

—H. G. McConnell has bought out the land business of S. H. Johnson and hereafter he will play a lone hand.

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—Oscar Martin has three or four bargains in real estate he has been trying to keep from the public but he says he can't do it.

—Dr. H. K. Plummer and family have moved back to Tennessee. The Doctor made many friends while here who regret to see him leave.

—C. D. Long went to Abilene this week to meet his sister, from North Carolina, who will spend the winter with her brother at this place.

—A. N. Seaton left Monday to visit his brother in Callahan county from whence he will go to Tennessee, his old home, to spend the winter.

—Christmas will soon be here and you want to get married, call on Miller Bros., Photographers and get your photo taken, it never fails.

—We are sorry to note that Mr. J. D. Johnson has left Haskell, probably not return. He made many warm friends while here, who will regret his leaving.

—Judge P. D. Sanders, J. E. Wilfong and J. L. Jones went turkey hunting the other day and killed two fine ones. Mr. Wilfong went by himself last Saturday and killed six.

—It will pay all of our readers wanting clocks Watches and jewelry of all kinds and X mas presents to call on E. L. Ritch the premium Jeweller of Abilene his goods are simply elegant.

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—Mr. Max R. Andrews left for his home in Anson to day. We regret very much to lose Max as an associate but we can not prevail on him to stay longer. His old home possesses some peculiar attractions for him that can not be overcome.

—One of the largest stocks of Holiday goods, Albums, Picture frames, Christmas goods, Toys and Novelties, all of the latest designs are now ready for inspection at the Drug Store Bass Bros Abilene Tex. They sell very low and all would do well to call on them.

—R. E. Martin requests us to announce him to our readers in Stonewall county as a candidate for the office of County and District Clerk. He is an energetic young man, and if the people will try him he will do his best to serve them efficiently.

—We hope that some of our good people will win the fine gold watch that E. L. Ritch the premium Jeweller of Abilene offers for every \$2.00 worth of repairs or sales. Our Haskell people are generally lucky therefore we have reasons to believe it will be won by some one of us.

—The case of R. A. Beatty vs. J. F. Lockroy was tried last Saturday. The lawyer, F. P. Morgan for the plaintiff, and O. C. Martin for the defendant, kept the court in session all day and until 11 o'clock p. m. The court gave judgment for plaintiff for \$48.00. The case will be appealed.

—Mr. H. C. Dillahunty received a telegram for Mr. J. C. McLaren of Stonewall county last Thursday, stating that Mr. McLaren's father was laying at the point of death in Palo-Piuto county. Mr. Dillahunty forwarded the telegram to Mr. McLaren that night by Messrs. Gregg and McCreary.

—The Commissioners court convened Monday and the new members qualified. The court is now composed of W. A. Walker, B. H. Ousley, J. S. Post and W. D. Garran. These gentlemen are all of good judgment, and competent financial ability, and the people may expect a good clean economical administration.

—We call attention to the card of J. L. Dewees in another column. Mr. Dewees is one of the first mechanics that ever settled in Haskell county. He was one of the contractors and builders of the magnificent court house that stands upon the public square. His work in this city shows him to be a first class artisan and a master of his trade. He is honest and was never known to slight his work or try to wring in a large bill for extras when he settled with his employer.

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—[Special.]—The appearance in the city of young Otis Bates, of British Columbia, after a sojourn of ten years, has caused a sensation in his family as the boy was supposed to be dead. He was not received very warmly by his mother, who has appropriated his father's estate. Young Bates, who had just received a large claim of the inheritance of his father, valued at \$30,000, had already made a demand for it. His story reads like romance. Ten years ago, came one from Boston around the Horn and drifted to Arizona and Mexico. He made some money and then ten years ago went to Thornton river, B. C. 200 miles from Victoria. He founded a settlement known as Bates Flats. He had large herds of cattle. He started numerous stores for trading with the Indian and when the Cariboo mining excitement broke out he handled some of the best mines. He also acquired timber and farm lands by the thousand acres. Bates, like most of the white men at that time, lived with an Indian woman as his wife, and the wondering hair, is her son. Soon after the boy's birth Bates married a D. N. woman and abandoned the Indian woman. He made ample provision for his squaw and took the half-breed boy to his new home in Victoria. In a short time he moved to Oakland and built a fine residence. There he lived with his wife and Otis until he died, about eight years ago. The widow, after a decent period of mourning, married C. H. Harrison, an Englishman of small means. Harrison and the boy Otis did not love each other, so there was no objection when the lad wanted to go to sea. He was shipped off to Australia and that was the last seen of him until he appeared a few days ago. His family regarded him as dead his relatives divided his inheritance. Unless they yield what he claims there will be a lively contest. The young heir has had lively experiences, being shipwrecked several times and spending more than five years as a cowboy in old Mexico.

The above is supposed to be written concerning Dick Bates, who is well known in this section of the country, Dick alias Otis came to this county about two years ago and hired to Mr. J. D. Roberts of this county to run cattle, he afterwards worked for Mr. F. G. Alexander, whom he worked for this year until the fall work was over, then collected what money was coming to him and left for California a few weeks ago. He frequently told the cowboys in camp of the estate he was entitled to in California, and he was only waiting to arrive at the age of majority to go back and claim the same. Every boy believed his story here and as he was honest and trust worthy many entertain the hope that he may recover what he is entitled to of his father's estate. Dick said if he recovered his property he was coming back to Texas—and if he does, no doubt he will come to Haskell county.

The FREE PRESS wishes him success and invites him to come back to Texas and settle in Haskell, and we think he ought to recover and although they may claim him to be, we do not regard him as an impostor.

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—The following ladies and gentlemen accepted an invitation from Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Winn to dine with them last Thursday: Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Jones, Mrs. N. M. Martin and son, ye scribe, Miss Winfield and Messrs. J. A. Jones, Max R. Andrews and A. M. Winn.

The company was highly entertained and the dinner that was prepared by the dainty hands of Mrs. Winn was just as fine as the market affords. That lady is a fine cook and the menu selected for the occasion displayed good taste, and a capacity to tempt the appetite of the most fastidious. The meal was partaken of leisurely, and the discussion of the political issues of the day, repartee and amusing anecdotes was extensively engaged in during the repast.

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NEWS AND NOTES.

Newark, N. J., makes the most corkscrews. One firm makes 150,000,000 per year.

The potato crop this year is 225,000,000 bushels, about four bushels to each of the 60,000,000 people in this country. Don't grab.

The Pastors' Alliance of the District of Columbia has declared against Sunday funerals.

Three hundred million eggs were imported into the United States last year, according to the custom house returns.

There will be a large number of contested cases in the next congress. The majorities in many districts are very slim, and there was a great deal of very bad counting.

Candidate Coogan, who paid \$100,000 to political strikers on the strength of their assurances that the expenditure would elect him mayor of New York, threatens to make it warm for the men who obtained money from him by false pretenses of support and success, and then voted and worked for the other fellow.

If Warner Miller doesn't get the treasury portfolio in President Harrison's cabinet, it won't be for lack of earnest prayers in his behalf. The Methodist bishops have formally indorsed his claims to the position, and other religious denominations are counted on for their support. Politics and religion are getting a good deal mixed.

The Knights of Labor evidently believe in the power of the printing press. Their expenses for printing last year amounted to \$70,000, and Mr. Litchman, who contracted this account, informs his fellow-knights that this amount would have been exceeded had not he turned over \$10,000 worth of the printing to his son, who understands economy. Litchman is as great a philanthropist as he is a laboring man.

Philadelphia, according to a leading medical journal, is ahead of all other American cities in the matter of typhoid fever, and blame is placed upon the city's sewerage. The water of Pennsylvania's leading city is said to be none of the best. It is surprising how slow people are to learn the importance of good sewerage, but possibly stupid city officials are responsible for carelessness in this respect more than the citizens.

A writer in the Boston Medical and Surgical Journal is much against the bustle, which he says, has really deleterious effects upon the wearer. The women with a bustle, he says, can never sit down in a natural position. It is absolutely impossible for her to rest her back against the back of any seat of ordinary construction. He has no doubt that some of the severe backaches in women whose duties keep them seated all day are

due to, or at least are aggravated by this disability. In addition, when the woman stands the back breadths of her dress are thrown so far behind as to make her lean forward to maintain the center of gravity in its proper position.

This is how General Fisk explains the smallness of the prohibition vote: The tariff scare hurt us in all the Eastern states. For some weeks before the election I was in receipt of myriads of letters from good old fashioned Republicans who had pitched their tents with us, saying that in view of the danger to American industries from a reduction of the tariff threatened by the Democrats, they were constrained to return to the old fold this year. And, on the other hand, many heretofore Democratic voters, but recently with us, advised me that they must return and give one more whack at the high protectionists. This has been especially the case in New York, New Jersey and Connecticut.—Gazette.

Personal.

Mr. N. H. Frohlichstein, of Mobile, Ala., writes: I take great pleasure in recommending Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, having used it for several attacks of Bronchitis and Catarrh. It gave me instant relief and entirely cured me and I have not been afflicted since. I also beg to state that I had tried other remedies with no good result. Have also used Electric Bitters and Dr. King's New Life Pills, both of which I can recommend.

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- No. 2. 640 acres 15 miles west of town, near Double Mountain Fork of the Brazos river, fine land, price \$2.50 per acre, 1/2 cash, balance 1 and 2 years.
- No. 3. 800 acres 9 miles southwest of town, high open ridge land, rich level and nice, some timber, no surface water but very productive black sandy soil. \$2.50 cash, \$2.75 to cut and on partial payments.
- No. 4. 160 acres 5 miles north of town on Benjamin and Haskell road, close black land, level and rich, near Lake creek, some timber, good grass, price \$3.50 per acre.
- No. 5. 2134 acres 16 miles southwest of town, fine red loam, mesquite land, good grass and good land \$2.50 per acre cash.
- No. 6. 304 acres of fine land as in the county on Lake creek 17 north of town, good mesquite timber, price \$3.00 1/2 cash balance 1 year.
- No. 7. 1,000 acres 4 miles southeast of town, fine dark red loam, mesquite timber and good water, \$3.00 per acre.
- No. 8. 320 acres 12 miles southwest of town, on waters of Paint creek good land and good grass, \$1.50 1/2 cash. (Vining)
- No. 9. 120 acres 14 miles southwest of town on Paint creek, fine red loam, farming or pasture land, lays well, \$2.00 per acre, 1/2 cash balance 1 and 2 years.
- No. 10. 640 acres 7 miles northwest of town, as fine black land, with good mesquite timber as in the county on head of Lake creek. \$3.00 per acre, terms easy.
- No. 11. 2763 acres 10 miles southwest of Haskell in 921 acre blocks, mostly prairie, on Willow Point, \$2.00 per acre, will sell a portion or all in a body.
- No. 12. 320 acres about 15 miles southwest of town, a splendid little piece of dirt for a farm, only \$2.00 cash.
- No. 13. 640 acres 16 miles north of town on Lake creek. This is a magnificent body of farming or pasture land, has water, timber, grasses and good land all combined, making it one of the most desirable tracts in the county.
- No. 14. 645 acres on Miller creek, very fine level land, will make a splendid farm, \$2.50 per acre cash.
- No. 15. 320 acres on Paint creek 10 miles south of town, all good level land with good mesquite timber, \$2.50, 1/2 cash.
- No. 16. 640 acres 12 miles east of town, Paint runs through it, about 1/2 good land, balance suitable for pasture, good timber and grass and protection for stock, a magnificent place for stock ranch.
- No. 17. 320 acres 10 miles north of town, very fine level land with good grass and timber, only \$3.00 per acre cash.
- No. 18. 320 acres 7 miles southeast of town on Buffalo creek, plenty of stock water, grass, timber and splendid land all combined, makes this one of the most desirable tracts in the county, only \$3.00 per acre, on easy terms.
- No. 19. 640 acres 16 miles northeast of town, fine level prairie farming land, \$2.50 per acre, 1/2 cash, balance on easy terms.
- No. 20. 1476 acres 7 miles east of town on Red creek, about 1/2 good farming land, balance good pasture, creek runs through survey, timber, water and grass combined, makes this suitable for a stock farm, price \$2.00 cash, \$2.25 1/2 cash.
- No. 21. 320 acres on Brazos river, 16 miles west of town, good land, price \$3.00 per acre, 1/2 cash.
- No. 22. 328 acres about 9 miles east of town on Red creek, splendid red land, price \$1.50 cash.
- No. 23. 640 acres 14 miles west of town, fronting the Brazos river, good farming and pasture land, \$2.50 1/2 cash or \$2.25 1/2 cash balance on easy terms.
- No. 24. 960 acres 12 miles north of town, good land, timber, water and grass, a splendid place for stock farm, \$2.50, 1/2 cash.
- No. 25. 424 acres on Brazos river 18 miles northwest of town, as fine land as in the county, only \$3.00 per acre.
- No. 26. 960 acres 10 miles northeast of town, level, red loam land, some timber but dry, only \$2.00 per acre, 1/2 cash.
- No. 27. 430 acres 10 miles north of town on Lake creek, no better land in the county, good grass and timber, \$3.00, 1/2 cash down.
- No. 28. 640 acres on same survey as No. 27, some quality of land, timber and grass, \$3.00 per acre, terms easy.
- No. 29. 320 acres 6 miles north of town on Benjamin road, fine level black sandy land, good timber and grass, on Lake creek, only \$3.
- No. 30. 3 sections (640 acres each) on Brazos river. This is as good land as in the west, lays well, \$2.00 per acre by the section, will sell either section or the whole in a body.
- No. 31. 640 acres 11 miles northeast of town, very good red loam prairie land, only \$2.00 per acre cash or \$2.25 1/2 cash.
- No. 32. 640 acres 8 miles east of town on Haskell and Throckmorton road, splendid land at \$2.00 per acre, 1/2 cash.
- No. 33. 3100 acres 20 miles north of town in the edge of Knox county, on Brazos river, no better land in the state, lays well, \$3.00 per acre, will sell in a body or cut to suit the purchaser.
- No. 34. 200 acres 7 miles south of town on Mul-creek. \$2.50 cash or \$2.75, 1/2 cash.
- No. 35. 500 acres on Miller creek, all fenced with good house, two rooms, very fine land, grass, water and timber. Price and terms upon application.
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