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No. 3

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**General Stock News**

Prices of all grades of cattle have been much improved at all the markets of late, due to a falling off in the number offered for sale.

The Cudahy Packing Company has recently established branch houses at Tyler and Denison. This company now has six distributing depots in the state; at San Antonio, Austin, Houston, Dallas, Tyler, and Denison.

The celebrated suit of T. F. B. Sotham of Chillicothe, Mo., formerly president of the American Hereford Breeders' Association, against a butcher for \$2,392, the price of the Hereford steer Old Times, was ended a few days ago by a verdict for the plaintiff for the full sum. The case grew out of the rivalry between Hereford and Aberdeen Angus breeders at the Chicago stock show of 1900. When the champion steer Advance was sold at auction for \$1.50 a pound, Sotham announced the bidders that the Hereford champion Old Times had brought \$1.53 a pound from a Kansas butcher, who, it is alleged, was present and affirmed the statement. Afterward, Sotham alleges, the butcher sought to lower the price. This verdict is looked upon as establishing the high beef price.

A temporary quarantine has been established against Mexican cattle on account of the prevalence of the foot and mouth disease in some parts of Mexico.

Hundreds of cattle in the Chickasaw Nation, said a prominent cattleman recently, have died from the effects of the recent blizzard. Cattle as a rule on the ranges were in poor condition and unable to stand the severe weather. One man who was pasturing sixty head lost fifty-two. Very few stockmen escaped without some financial loss.

Mose Westbrook, a prominent ranchman of Lorena, accidentally shot himself at San Angelo last week, and died from the effects of the wound. It is thought that if he could have had prompt medical aid his life might have been saved. As it was he had to be taken from San Angelo to Temple before the proper surgical attention could be secured.

An important question that is soon to come before the railway commission for decision is the exact definition of the word "stockers" when applied to a shipment of cattle. According to the present ruling "stockers" are shipped at lower rates than packers; but when Winfield Scott recently offered a shipment of cattle to the railroad company for transportation they were refused as "stockers" on the ground

that they were going to the feeding pens. Whether "feeders" may be shipped as "stockers" is the question that will come before the commission, and its decision will mean thousands of dollars one way or the other to the cattlemen of Texas.

The Stockman is advised from Austin that the majority in the state senate against the Bryan quarantine bill will not be less than five, and this will be ample to put a quietus upon it. This bill has created much excitement among cattlemen, as its passage and enactment into law would bring ruin to many west Texas cattlemen.—West Texas Stockman.

**Almost a Fire.**

What might easily have grown to be another disastrous fire occurred in town last Sunday morning. Shortly after nine o'clock a blaze started in one of the rear rooms of the Davis & Hollaway building, burning through a partition wall, and the ceiling overhead, and catching the roof. The room where the fire originated was occupied as a sleeping room, and it started from a stove catching some garments which hung upon the wall. Only the prompt and vigorous action of those who discovered the fire saved the building and in fact the whole adjoining block from destruction. As soon as the alarm was given a number of men rushed to the rescue, and

quickly securing ladders mounted to the roof, cut a hole through it, and by pouring water down upon the flames soon extinguished them. Had they been ten or even five minutes later the whole ceiling and roof would have been afire, and no effort could have saved the building. The injury to the building was not great, being confined to the burning out of a partition wall, and a slight damage to the roof and ceiling.

**Property Sales.**

The following real estate and other sales have been made by Ricketts & Rayzor this week:

1425 acres in Castro county from O. M. Daniel to Jno. P. Slaton, terms private.

2 sections in Castro county, from Jno. P. Slaton to J. K. P. Gilliland, terms private.

Residence and two lots in Hereford from Jno. P. Slaton to O. M. Daniel, terms private.

3 head of horses, Will R. Stone to J. K. P. Gilliland, \$150.

**Election Notice.**

Notice is hereby given that an election will be held Monday, March 23, 1903, in the city of Hereford, at the court house, in the county of Deaf Smith, State of Texas, for the purpose of voting for a mayor, a marshal and five aldermen for the said city of Hereford.

3-3t W. B. BOYD, County Judge.

**The Brand**  
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 A Weekly Journal Devoted to the Interests  
 of the Panhandle Country of Texas  
 ADDISON CLARK, JR. Editor      F. L. VANDERBURGH Publisher

**DON'T BELIEVE ALL YOU HEAR.**

Last week's Searchlight says:

Some person, or persons, one or more, we don't know how many nor who, having, we presume no business of their own and constantly trying to attend to some one else's, have been poking the nasal part of their anatomy into my affairs recently until they have punctured my patience and I do hereby and herewith protest. Reports detrimental to my business, both dental and newspaper, have been put into circulation by some of our friends (?) and rolled as a sweet morsel under the tongues of others until malicious falsehoods are being propogated. . . .

C. L. STOCKS,  
 Editor and Proprietor.

In reference to the above it is but justice to myself and Dr. W. E. Robertson, who are competitors in business with Mr. Stocks and in consequence of which many seem to be of the opinion that no others could have any object in making statements detrimental to Mr. Stocks' business, that I make the following statement: A short time ago a party was here, with whom Mr. Stocks had been previously corresponding relative to the sale of The Searchlight, and that party showed the correspondence and made certain statements to the effect that Mr. Stocks had sold The Searchlight to Mr. Garvin and sister, and that he (Mr. Stocks) had resigned his positions in and withdrawn from the Methodist church, and had joined the Congregationalist church and was going to travel in the interest of the Congregational church in eastern states. These statements, whether facts or not, seemed feasible, and the parties to whom this correspondence was shown, repeated the statements which seemed to exercise Mr. Stocks, and, as I stated above, neither Dr. Robertson nor myself had circulated the statements nor even knew of their circulation until after the publication of the above clipping.

F. L. VANDERBURGH,  
 Proprietor of THE BRAND.

We do not hear any more of the Decker land bill. It seems to have fallen suddenly into a mysterious desuetude. Upon further consideration, Senator Decker doubtless decided that it would be wise to let the measure die in one of those convenient pigeon holes of committees, the graves of the undesirable.

ELSEWHERE in this issue of THE BRAND appears a notice of the election to be held Monday, March 23, to choose a mayor, a marshal, and five aldermen for the new town of Hereford. There does not seem to be as much interest in the prospective election as there should be. This is too important a matter, let us urge again, to be regarded with indifference by anyone who is interested in the prosperity of Hereford. We want an efficient, active city government, and that will be secured only by the selection of capable, energetic, and progressive men to fill these offices.

SENATOR JOHN WILLACY of the Corpus Christi district has presented a bill in the state senate the effect of which, should it pass, it is said will be to destroy the value of the local option law. The W. C. T. U. and other temperance organizations of the state have been a good deal exercised over the measure and have been circulating petitions protesting against its passage. The daily papers have been strangely silent about the bill, so noticeably so that one wonders if their omission to discuss it or comment upon it has been conscious and intentional. It looks a good deal like there is a desire somewhere to have the public say and know as little about the measure as possible, and to leave it to the quiet and sinuous contrivings of our wise and virtuous legislators. If the intent of the bill be, as the temperance agitators fear, to strike a blow at the present local option law, they do well to be alarmed. Mr. Willacy is one of the most influential members of the senate. He is a quiet man; he does not make noisy or bombastic speeches; his name does not often appear in the public print. But among those who are familiar with the inside workings of the legislature he is known as one of the most accomplished "hustlers" that have ever been in Austin, and one who almost invariably gets what he goes after. He depends for success not upon his power of speechmaking, but rather upon his personal friendship, and influence with his colleagues. It will be a notable exception to Mr. Willacy's past legislative experience, if he fail to secure the enactment of this local option bill, whatever the purpose of it may be.

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PERSONS desiring a rare article of mild and salubrious springtime will do well to look for it in the vicinity of Canyon City. Umbrageous foliage and mellifluent songbirds can also be supplied in any quantity without extra charge.

THE five-dollar-a-day term of the state legislature will come to an end in a few days, and our worthy senators and representatives will probably lose little time in adjourning sine die. They are patriotic citizens of course, but their patriotism is not of that unusual quality which enables them to go on long serving their country for the small consideration of two dollars a day. On the whole the present session hasn't been an exceptionally bad one. If few good laws have been passed, there have been also few conspicuously evil ones. And that is about the highest praise which one can ever bestow upon the average state legislature—that it succeeded in living out its allotted term without doing very much harm.

THE failure of the mails to arrive for five days this week has given us an idea of what used to be the common experience of people in the west

not so many years ago. Before the railroads girdled and transfixed the state, making traffic easy and bringing daily mails to almost every hamlet, it was considered no hardship to have to wait a week or longer for the mail. Daily papers were not counted among the necessities of life, and any news less than a month old was good news. But now we live in a much greater hurry. We want our daily paper with the regularity of our meals, and feel ourselves aggrieved if our letters are a day overdue. A day of this crowded, hurried life, going at railroad speed, is as full of experiences and events as a month of the old time of the stage coach and the pony express.

ON account of the blockade on the railroad this week and the failure of the trains to run, THE BRAND has run short of paper, and has been compelled to make the best shift it could to get out on time this week. A supply of paper was ordered sometime ago and is on the road somewhere. It will doubtless come through all right as soon as the trains are running regularly; and we will be fully supplied for the next issue of THE BRAND.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Deaf Smith County, Oklahoma:

You are hereby summoned to answer the petition of L. A. Johnson and all persons claiming under him and all persons claiming by or through him, and all persons claiming by or through publication of this citation, in and with your return day hereto, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the 47th Judicial District; but if there be no newspaper published in said Judicial District, then in a newspaper published in the nearest District to said 47th Judicial District, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Deaf Smith County, to be held at the Court House thereof, in Hereford, on the 3rd Monday in March A. D. 1903, the same being the 16th day of March A. D. 1903, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 16th day of February, A. D. 1903, in a suit, numbered on the Docket of said Court No. 74, wherein L. M. Foster, Plaintiff, and A. A. Johnson et al, Defendants, and said petition alleging that plaintiff is the owner and occupant of the following described land situated in Deaf Smith County, Texas, and about ten miles Northwest of the town of Hereford, to-wit: 480 acres of land out of a section of land known as Abstract No. 56; Certificate No. 1-69, Survey No. 3, Block K 14, Original Grantee Beatty, Seals & Forwood. Said 480 acres being all the East half of said section and 160 acres in a square block off of the North end of the West half of said section. That plaintiff deraigned this title through and under regular chain of title from one J. T. Lofton, who deraigned his title through deeds made, executed and delivered by the Comptroller of public account of the State of Texas, who sold said land in the years 1880, 1881, 1883, 1886 and 1887 for taxes theretofore due and unpaid on same and through regular chain of title from the Comptroller of the State down to the said J. T. Lofton, all of which said deeds and transfers have been duly registered in deed records of Deaf Smith County, Texas, since the 30th day of May, 1890. That the plaintiff and the grantors through whom he deraigned title have had and held the quiet, peaceable, uninterrupted and undisturbed possession of said land under said duly registered deeds for the space of thirteen years immediately next before and preceding the commencement of this suit and that he and his grantors aforesaid have for the time aforesaid been occupying, using, cultivating, enjoying and claiming same and paying all taxes thereon and that the claim, enjoyment, use, occupation, etc., of said land by plaintiff and his grantors as aforesaid have been adverse to the claim of the said A. A. Johnson and all persons claiming under him, and all other persons whomsoever.

That defendants pretend to have some kind of claim or title to said land which is adverse to plaintiff's and which they claim to have derived through the State or through some person to plaintiff unknown about 27 years ago. All of which plaintiff denies, and alleges that if the said A. A. Johnson or any of said defendants ever had any right, title or interest whatever in or to said land or any part thereof, the same has long since been lost and barred by reason of plaintiff's undisturbed, peaceable and adverse possession as aforesaid, and by reason of plaintiff and his grantors using, cultivating and enjoying said land and paying all taxes due thereon, and claiming same under said duly registered deeds for the last past thirteen years next preceding the commencement of this suit.

Wherefore premises considered plaintiff prays that each and all of said defendants be cited in manner and terms provided by law, to answer herein, and that upon final trial plaintiff have judgment establishing his title and quieting him in his title to said land and that a writ of possession issued in favor of plaintiff and judgment be rendered removing the cloud from plaintiff's title and for such other and further relief as he may show himself entitled, etc.

Witness my hand and the seal of said court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this 16th day of February, A. D. 1903.

W. B. BEACH, Clerk of the District Court of Deaf Smith County.

Given under my hand and the seal of said court, at office in Hereford this 16th day of February, A. D. 1903.

W. B. BEACH, Clerk District Court Deaf Smith County.

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Remember the Day

Thursday, April 2, 1903

### Panhandle News

The Frisco track has been laid within three miles of Quanah.

The Bryan bill was finally passed by the house last Wednesday by a vote of 71 to 46.

J. A. Montgomery, a stockman of Memphis, shipped a car of fat hogs to Ft. Worth last week. In the lot were nine pigs six months old that averaged 180 pounds.

Some parties have purchased cement lands east of Childress and will, during the coming year, establish a plant for the manufacture of cement, to cost \$100,000.

Channing, Texas, March 1.—The election held here yesterday to incorporate Channing resulted in defeat of the proposition by six majority. There was intense interest and it was closely contested.

It is reported that a number of thin cattle carried into Lubbock and other plains counties have died and are dying as a result of the recent blizzard. Natives generally are in good shape and went through the bad spell without loss.—West Texas Stockman.

A fruit and truck growers' association was organized at Lockney last Saturday. It is a good thing for plains farmers and stock-raisers to organize themselves into associations. Conditions here must be studied and understood for successful farming to be accomplished.—Floydada Hesperian.

"It won't be long," says a dreamer in the Canyon Stayer, "until gentle spring will be here again with its green foliage and pretty birds that warble their sweet notes all over the plains of West Texas." Perhaps not; but what sort of foliage is this, and what sort of birds? This must be another "miracle of the mirage."

A lodge of the Knights of Pythias has been organized at Snyder.

Armour & Co. and Swift & Co. will probably have an exhibit at the Cattlemen's Convention at Childress.

The Mill Irons in Hall county are reported to have lost 1200 head of cattle during the recent cold weather.

Paducah, Texas, Feb. 28.—The Childress mail hack, which left here Wednesday morning, has been water-bound beyond Pease River and did not return until this evening. High water at this season of the year is a very unusual occurrence, and farmers are jubilant over the fine season in the ground.

Governor Lanham, through Adjutant General Thos. Scurry, has tendered to J. O. Curtis, of Amarillo, the office of aide de camp with the rank of lieutenant colonel on his personal staff. This is both a distinguished and well deserved honor, which we are happy to inform our readers will be accepted by Jim, now Colonel Curtis.—Livestock Champion.

Senator and Mrs. Decker came up from Austin Sunday morning. Mr. Decker was here for a few days on legal business. He is of the opinion that the senate will defeat the Bryan bill. They have learned a good deal since the agitation began, and the majority in the House on the final vote will not be so large in favor of the bill as it was on its first reading.—Quanah Observer.

Ed W. Turner was in from the Waggoner ranch on Beaver Wednesday. He says J. B. Parker lost something over 35 head of cattle during the blizzard. He attributes it however, to dehorning as it had only been a short time since they dehorned the cattle on the ranch. He says on his beat he found scarcely any of Waggoner's cattle dead.—Vernon Hornet.

C. V. Grace, a highly esteemed citizen of Lipscomb county, died at his home near Higgins, February 18.

One thousand dollars has been raised toward the erection of a lodge hall and reading room for the railroad men of Amarillo.

W. M. Graven, manager of the Shoemill ranch was in town Tuesday. When asked about their loss during the storm last week, he stated that it was very small if any. This ranch has good grass and good protection for its cattle which prevented a heavy loss.—Childress Index.

The ground flew up Monday and disfigured many anties and prohibitionists, irrespective of person. In other words the ground being covered with sleet they could not navigate. Mayor Hall has a bone broken in the right hand and face more or less disfigured for the time being. Several ladies who had urgent business down town also received many bumps.—Vernon Hornet.

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A. J. Lipcomb, Geo. W. Dale,  
 Noble Grand, Secretary.

### HEREFORD LODGE, NO. 849, F. & A. M.

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W. B. Boyd, Sam. H. Morris,  
 Worshipful Master, Secretary.

### K. OF P.

Meets every Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock in I. O. O. F. Hall. Visiting Knights are made welcome.

A. J. Lipcomb, Sam. H. Morris,  
 Chancellor Commander, K. of R. and S.

### W. OF W.

Meets every Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock in the I. O. O. F. Hall. Visiting Sovereigns always welcome.

J. H. Tarabow, S. H. Morris,  
 Council Commander, Clerk.

### DAUGHTERS OF REBEKAH

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E. R. Rice, Mrs. G. W. Dale,  
 Secretary, Noble Grand.

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Rev. H. B. McGee, pastor—Services held on the second and fourth Sundays of each month at 11:00 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

### CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN.

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Rev. A. W. Crawford, pastor—Services held on the first and third Sundays of each month at 11:00 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

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### BAPTIST LADIES' AID SOCIETY.

Mrs. H. B. McGee,  
 President.

### The Hereford Manufacturing Co.

In an adv elsewhere in this issue of the above business enterprise of Hereford, it will be noticed that T. J. Stephens is now the manager, and incidentally it might be stated that he is sole proprietor of the business, having purchased the interests of his former partner, T. R. Reagan. Mr. Stephens, while comparatively a newcomer here, has made many friends and proven himself a mechanic of high order and THE BRAND joins his many friends in wishing for him much success in his undertaking.

### Trespass Notice.

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 Traffic Manager, Amarillo, Texas.

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A. P. Murchison and L. W. Ricketts will leave Monday for El Paso to attend the convention of the Texas Cattle Raisers' Association.

R. F. Holloway returned Thursday night from Austin. He was a week on the road, being delayed in Oklahoma on account of the snow blockade.

Lost, strayed or stolen—A red and white dehorned dry cow, branded on the left side JMT. Information leading to her recovery will be rewarded. J. H. Turnbow. 42tf

C. H. Turk and wife of Gait, Mo., came in Thursday evening and will henceforth make Hereford their home, Mr. Turk having entered the employ of the Hereford Planing Mill and Construction Company. Mr. Turk, it will be remembered, was formerly employed here by J. P. Snyder, manager of the aforesaid company, and will be welcomed in Hereford's musical circles, with which he was formerly identified.

Horse shoe brand of mixed paint is the best made. Gough & Davis. 52tf

Work on the Loveless & Black, Garrison Bros., and D. R. Gass & Sons' new buildings, which had to be suspended for several days on account of the cold weather, has been resumed this week with great energy. These buildings will be completed in a few weeks and will be a credit to their owners and to Hereford.

### Notice.

After February 1st coal and posts will not be sold on longer time than 30 days.

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 —Goldsmith.

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Land, which is being sold at really low figures—the constantly increasing demand is steadily boosting values—is still abundant; and Farms and Ranches, of all size very happily located, are being purchased daily.

We will gladly supply all askers with a copy of a little Book published by the Northwest Texas Real Estate Association, which contains an interesting series of straightforward statements of what **People Have Accomplished** along the line of

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**NEW CATTLE RATE.**

**Cattle Shipped to Feeding Pens Will Be as Stockers.**

The railroad commission last Saturday promulgated an order which will result in great benefit to cattlemen of the Panhandle, whose cattle go every year in large numbers to the feeding grounds of other states. By the new order cattle forwarded to feeding points will take stock cattle rates and not beef cattle rates as heretofore. As the rate on "stockers" is lower than that on "packers," the change will result in a great saving to cattlemen. The new description of beef cattle, by the ruling of the commission, is as follows:

"Hogs, sheep, and goats, work oxen, and beef cattle, if being understood that beef cattle are those shipped to market for immediate slaughter and not intended for further conditioning by feeding or pasture."

**Loss Not Heavy.**

The cattle loss from last week's blizzard was not heavy in Donley county, in fact, considering the fierceness of the weather the loss was very light. C. J. Parker reports a loss of less than 1 per cent; F. N. Page reports all cattle much down, but he only lost 4 or 5 head; T. M. Pyle reports no loss; Will Lewis lost about 30 head out of 3000; G. S. Patterson lost none, but says the lice have got some of his cattle in bad shape, as is also the case with F. R. McCracken who has lost several head; L. C. Beverly says his cattle have about all the bad weather they can stand but no loss yet. The Collinson and Bugbee cattle on feed are o. k., though as to the latter's range stuff dependent sayeth not. Other local cattlemen say they think all stock came through better than they expected. —Banner-Stockman.

**Negro Boy Lost.**

A negro boy, about thirteen years old, who was working for Ed Connell at his ranch near Ende, N. M., got lost Sunday and has not been found yet. Sunday night Mr. Connell sent the boy twelve miles away from the ranch to a telephone to call the doctor for Mrs. Connell, who was very sick. Nothing has been seen or heard of the boy since he left the ranch Sunday night and whether he was lost in the snow and frozen to death, or has wandered away and found refuge somewhere no one can say.

**For Sale.**

A four-acre block in the College addition, fronting the residence property of Randolph Clark. Will sell whole or part. Hereford Land and Abstract Co. 45tf

**Painting and Paper Hanging**

Is my business, and I would like to give you estimates on your work. Don't neglect to have your house painted and papered as nothing does more to beautify your home.

**W. T. PRIEST**

**ON THE DENVER.**

**Train Three Days Late.—Snow-bound Between Texline and Dalhart.**

Wichita Falls, Texas, Feb. 23.—Southbound passenger No. 3, due here Thursday, passed through here at 1:15 p. m. today, twenty-three hours behind time. This train has been snowbound ten miles south of Texline and thirty miles north of Dalhart during the time.

The passengers on the train report that everybody shoveled snow to keep water in the engine. Supplies were reduced to two meals per day, furnished by the cafe car.

The passengers all became acquainted with each other and put in part of the time rabbit hunting.

A regulation blizzard blew during the snowstorm.

**C. W. B. M. Meeting.**

The following program for the meeting of the Christian Woman's Board of Missions Wednesday, March 3, was sent in too late for publication last week:

**SUBJECT**  
"Saving the World Through the Children."  
Song "Scatter Seeds of Kindness."  
Prayer, and reading of lesson.

**REFERENCES**  
Mrs. Bandy, Hannah; 1 Sam. 1:26-28; 2:19  
Mrs. Gough, Mary; Luke 2:16-19, 51  
Mrs. Kibbe, Lois-Eunice; 2 Tim. 1:5  
Mrs. Ferguson, Samuel, 1 Sam. 2:18; 3:19  
Miss Vanderburgh, Jesus; Luke 2:40, 52  
Miss Maud Miller, Timothy; 2 Tim. 3:14-15  
Responsive reading, Isaiah 2:1-9  
Song. Circle of Prayer. Discussion.  
India's Invaders, by Mrs. R. Clark

**Millinery a Specialty.**

J. A. Fox, of the dry goods firm of Galbreath, Fox & Co., returned Wednesday from Kansas City and St. Louis, where he had been to purchase the spring lines for his firm. In a page adv. of THE BRAND this firm announces that they have secured the services of Miss Eula Leach, an experienced milliner of Kansas City, who will have charge of their millinery department, a new departure of this enterprising firm and one which they will make a specialty of.

**Can't Do Without It.**

The following letter from Dr. A. L. Rhea of Modena, Mo., shows how much THE BRAND is appreciated outside of its local field:

Modena, Mo., Feb., 26, 1903.  
Editor THE BRAND,  
Hereford, Texas.

Dear Sir:  
We can't do without THE BRAND, so herewith enclose one dollar each for the following renewals, viz: Dr. A. L. Rhea and S. M. Woods.  
Yours very truly,  
A. L. RHEA.

**For Sale.**

235 head of good graded stock cattle, all young and native raised—about 200 cows and 35 heifer yearlings—and in good condition and there will be a fine calf crop from them. Will sell them or contract them to be delivered and counted the 15th of April at \$18 around and no spring calves counted. A bargain for some one. Apply to W. R. Reagan, 12 miles southeast of Dimmitt, Texas. 52tf

Horse shoe brand of mixed paint is the best made. Gough & Davis. 52tf

**Hereford Manufacturing Co.**  
J. STEPHENS, MANAGER

**Galvanized Iron Stock Tubs, Reservoirs, Troughs, Tanks, Well Casing, Flues, Zinc and Porcelain Bath Tubs, etc., etc.**

**All kinds of Plumbing, Sheet Iron and Tin Work and Windmill Repairing.**

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**JUST RECEIVED**

A Carload of the

**Texas Hancock Disc Plows**

We also have in transit a car consisting of Disc Harrows, Drag Harrows, Sod Plows, Listers, Planters and all other implements necessary to the demand of the stock farmer. Work on the new building which we will occupy is progressing rapidly, and we will soon be ready to do business at our old stand. Meantime our headquarters are in the building we recently erected for a warehouse, where we will be glad to see our old customers and make many new ones.

**GARRISON BROS.**

**DECKER BILL ABANDONED.**

**Senator Decker is Fighting Anti-Quarantine Bill.**

The following letter from Senator D. E. Decker to G. A. F. Parker is sufficiently clear to need no explanation. The necessity of concentrating all energy to defeat the Bryan bill has led Mr. Decker to lay aside everything else and turn his attention to saving the quarantine line.

Austin, Texas, Feb., 28th, 1903.  
G. A. F. Parker,  
Hereford, Texas.

Dear Sir:  
I am in receipt of your letter of the 11th instant, in which you call my attention to the action of your Board of Trade. As you are probably already aware my land bill has been abandoned, and I am giving my entire attention to fighting the Bryan anti-quarantine bill. I have very good reasons to believe that by using every effort that the Bryan bill will be defeated. Believe me that I will do everything I can along that line. With best wishes I am,  
Yours very truly,  
D. E. DECKER.

**Will Extend Credit.**

Dr. W. E. Robertson, proprietor of the Hereford Dental Parlors, ever alive to the interests of his many patrons, places a notice in his large display adv in THE BRAND to the effect that he will extend credit to deserving patrons desiring his services for a period of ninety days, owing to the stringency of money at this time.

Collars at E. W. Harrison's. 2tf

**Summer Singing School.**

It is now certain that Hereford will have the Summer Musical Normal, mention of which was made in THE BRAND last week, under the leadership of Prof. A. J. Showalter, of Dalton, Georgia. A sufficient number of persons have agreed to join the class to justify the closing of a contract with Prof. Showalter, and upon this basis several persons have this week signed a guarantee for the amount necessary to defer the expense of conducting the Normal. It is thought that a class of a hundred or more will be easily secured, and the town will be greatly benefited both in a musical and social way.

**For Sale.**

Forty acres of land one and one-half miles east of town and three-quarters of a mile from the new college, at \$15 per acre. R. R. Harris. 42tf

**Notice.**

For sale, lease or trade for black land, three sections of improved land fifteen miles southeast of Hereford. Write quick. Lock Box 274, Wichita Falls, Texas. 39tf

**W. H. CUMMINGS**

**Carpenter and Builder**

Leave orders with Rayzor & Ricketts, Hereford, Texas.

# BIG CASH SALE

Discount from 25 to 50 per Cent

Having closed our first year's business, which has proven very satisfactory to us, we desire to show our appreciation to our friends who have contributed to our success by offering them the remainder of our winter stock of dry goods at a reduction of from 25 to 50 per cent discount from our regular marked price. This discount is without regard to the first cost of the goods.



New Line of Men's, Boys' and Children's Clothing

## 100 Men's Suits

\$16 suits for.....	\$12.00
14 suits for.....	10.00
12.50 suits for.....	9.00
11 suits for.....	8.00
10 suits for.....	7.00
8.50 suits for.....	6.50
7.50 suits for.....	5.00

## 100 Misses' and Ladies' Jackets and Capes

Price \$8, now.....	\$6.50
Price \$7.50, now.....	5.75
Price \$6.50, now.....	5.00
Price \$6, now.....	4.00
Price \$4.75, now.....	3.25
Price \$4, now.....	3.00
Price \$3.50, now.....	2.60
Price \$3.25, now.....	2.25
Price \$2.50, now.....	1.75
Price \$2.25, now.....	1.70

## 50 Coats and Vests

Worth from \$4 to \$6 now **\$2.00** for coat and vest

OVERCOATS, LADIES' WOOL SKIRTS, LADIES' AND CHILDREN'S HOODS, FASCINATORS AND MANY OTHER THINGS IN THE SAME PROPORTION

## Dress Goods

Price \$1.75 per yard, now.....	\$1.35
Price 75c per yard, now.....	60c
Price 65c per yard, now.....	40c
Price 50c per yard, now.....	35c
Price 45c per yard, now.....	30c
Price 40c per yard, now.....	25c
Price 35c per yard, now.....	15c
Price 15c per yard, now.....	8 1-3c

## Men's Shirts

Men's Neglige shirts price \$1, now.....	50c
Men's dress shirts price \$1.25, now.....	65c
Men's dress shirts price 75c, now.....	50c
Men's dress shirts, price 60c, now.....	35c

Now is the time to buy what you need. Come and let us show you what we have. It is for your benefit we are giving this sale. We invite all to come and receive the advantage of this sale.

# HEREFORD MERCANTILE COMPANY

HEREFORD, TEXAS

Wanted—Boarders and roomers at Mrs. S. E. Busters. 50tf

W. M. Smith of Castro county was in town Wednesday.

A. L. Brodie and W. P. Davis, of Lexington, Tenn., are in town this week prospecting.

C. L. Davis would be pleased to show you his new spring samples of clothing. See them before buying. 3tf

E. McKinney, of Vernon, Texas, who has been here for a week or more prospecting left Wednesday for his home.

For Sale—Two business lots and 20 acres suburban property, or will trade for ranch property anywhere on the plains. W. A. Smith. 1tf

Christian Sailer was in from his ranch this week and renewed his subscription to THE BRAND for a year. He says his cattle are doing well and will come through the bad weather without loss.

H. S. Syms this week sold his interest in the barber shop of Basaham & Syms to A. C. Harrow, of Eldorado Springs, Mo. Mr. Syms will continue in the employ of Basaham & Harrow, and another chair will be added to the shop.

Ladies' shoes and hosiery—large reduction at E. W. Harrison's, next door to the postoffice. 2tf

W. M. Cogdell, proprietor of the Racket Store, will have a fine line of confectioneries in stock as soon as the railroads resume their transportation business.

We have the genuine Missouri cane sorghum, fresh from the mill. This is pure sorghum, there being no adulterations whatever. Hereford Mercantile Co. 43tf

The house at Waxahachie where Claude Witherspoon has been boarding was burned a few nights ago and all of Claude's clothes were destroyed. He was asleep when the fire started and just awoke in time to make his escape.

Solomon L. DeSpain who has been here for several weeks and who bought the J. W. Moreman property, left Thursday for his home in Grayson county. He will return about the 1st of May with his family to make his home here.

S. T. Howard and L. Gough came in on the long delayed train Wednesday night from Austin, where they have been as representatives of the Hereford Board of Trade working against the Bryan quarantine bill and the Dacker land bill.

## BENJAMIN FRANKLIN

were he living in Hereford, would build his residence with material purchased from the  
(ALL WISE MEN DO LIKEWISE)

## Hereford Lumber Co. LUMBER

SASH AND DOORS

LIME AND CEMENT  
FULL LINE OF PAINTS AND GLASS

FIRST-CLASS ACCOMMODATIONS

THE BEST TABLE IN HEREFORD

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ROBERT HUMPHREY, PROPRIETOR

NEAR THE DEPOT

HEREFORD

TEXAS

THE BRAND

# Galbreath, Fox & Co.

FOR

## STYLISH MILLINERY

We have secured the services of Miss Eula Leach, an experienced milliner from Kansas City, who will have charge of our Millinery Department this coming Spring Season. We have in transit the largest and most select line of

## MILLINERY GOODS

ever brought to the plains and will make this department a specialty in our store. We will handle only the most stylish and up-to-date effects in this line and invite the inspection of the ladies of Hereford and surrounding country.

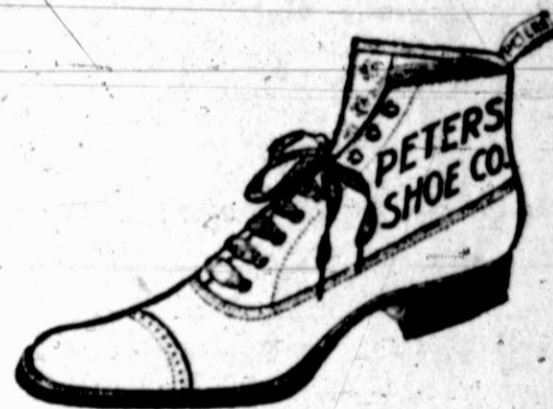
Ladies, be sure to attend our . . . . .

## Grand Millinery Opening

the date of which will be given later

## Galbreath & Fox

WE SELL PETERS SHOES



## Shoe Department



Do not forget that we are still selling "PETERS' SHOES"  
Remember that we guarantee these shoes and  
Remember that we stand by this guarantee

YOURS FOR BUSINESS

# GALBREATH, FOX & CO.

ALBUQUERQUE TO GALVESTON.

Rumor that Santa Fe Will Build From Portales to San Angelo.

Within the present year the Santa Fe will announce a 300-mile extension to connect Albuquerque with Galveston, reference to which was made some days ago in The Times and an outline of the plans for the extension have already been made. It will begin at Portales, and will connect with the Gulf, Colorado & Santa Fe trains, probably at San Angelo, Tex. San Angelo is the western terminus of the Gulf, Colorado & Santa Fe. It is practically certain that the Santa Fe will continue its new cut off eastward from Llano Junction to Portales. This portion of the work has been temporarily held up awaiting the outcome of the plan which the Santa Fe had in mind for building south from Dodge City to Liberal, and either paralleling the Rock Island or securing trackage rights over the Rock Island from Liberal to Llano Junction.—El Paso Times.

No Meeting.

The Panhandle Teachers Institute which was to have met at Clarendon Friday and Saturday, February 27, 28, failed to convene. On account of the bad weather and the irregularity of the trains, few teachers from a distance were able to attend, and it was thought best to call the meeting off entirely. Prof. C. E. Edwards and G. A. F. Parker, who were sent as representatives of the Hereford public school and Board of Trade to invite the Association to hold its next meeting here, went only as far as Amarillo. There they learned that the Institute would not meet. They called upon Prof. Dahoney, principal of the Amarillo school, who is president of the Teachers' Association, and conveyed to him the invitation to hold the next Institute in Hereford. Prof. Dahoney assured them that he would bring the matter to the knowledge of the teachers of the district, and that the desire of the teachers and citizens of Hereford to have the April meeting of the Association should have due consideration. Mr. Parker and Prof. Edwards returned to Hereford Friday evening, having performed their mission as far as was in their power.

Hold Up.

If you contemplate buying furniture wait until my stock arrives. My line will be complete and up-to-date, my prices, will be as low as the lowest, my aim will be to please those favoring me with their patronage. I hope to be ready for business about March 15th.

Yours for Business.  
C. E. SPATH.

J. H. KING

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Wire Fence

Best fence for stockmen. Will turn any stock and has no barbs to cut cattle. If you are going to build see me for figures.

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Herd Headed by Climax  
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Write me or call at my ranch, situated five miles east of Hereford, on the Tierra Blanca river.

Will sell a quantity of young stock either singly or in car load Lots

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"Once you try it, you'll always buy it"

Your patronage will be appreciated and given prompt attention

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TROY WOMBLE, Manager

How About Planting Some Roses This Spring?

We have a large number of varieties, among which are the following: Bride, Catherine Mereet, Champion of the World, Etoile de Lyon, General Lee, General Jaquiminot, K. A. Victoria, Madam Masson, Paul Neyron and American Beauty.

I have 82 varieties of Roses to select from. Call and see me before buying

G. W. Shaffer Proprietor of the Star Nursery

League-Endeavor Meeting.

The young people of the Epworth League and Christian Endeavor societies held a joint meeting Sunday afternoon at the Christian church. A good number were present and the program was of an interesting nature. The subject, "What Christ teaches about blessedness," was discussed from various standpoints, and in an entertaining and profitable manner. At the end of the exercises a petition was circulated, by request of the W. C. T. U. organization, and signed by most of those present protesting against the passage of the Willacy local option bill, which is now before the state legislature, and which it is asserted will destroy the effect of our present local option law.

Worst in Thirteen Years.

In a conversation over the 'phone Monday afternoon Ira Aten, foreman of the Escarbada division of the XIT ranch, stated to a BRAND representative that the late cold spell had been extremely hard on their cattle. He said that such severe weather had not been known

on the plains in thirteen years. In spite of this, however, the cattle in the brakes are doing remarkably well and will come through with little loss. Up to Monday only twelve had been reported dead, and these from falling into holes from which they could not get out. But the cattle on the plains were faring much worse, and many of them were dying from cold and starvation. The cold wind of Saturday froze the top of the snow again, so that it melted very slowly, and the cattle got no grass from the time the snow fell until Monday and very little then. A report from the ranch of Ray Bros., of New Mexico, says that this is the coldest weather that has been known there in sixteen years, and Saturday and Sunday nights were the severest of all and the hardest on cattle.

Notice to Prospectors.

On Monday and Tuesday of each week I will be prepared to take parties out for inspection of the XIT lands, advertised for sale elsewhere in this paper.

IRA ATEN,  
Manager

ROCK ISLAND SECURES FRISCO.

Will Also Have Representation on Santa Fe Board—Yoakum Will Probably Be President.

Chicago, Ill., Feb. 25.—It is reported on almost official authority that the Rock Island has secured control of the Frisco system, and that the deal is the forerunner of a new and far reaching community of interest among Western lines.

Within one or two months, according to the report, the Rock Island will be given representation on the Santa Fe board, and the Santa Fe interests will have an equal representation on the Rock Island board.

It is also reported that President Yoakum will be placed in charge of the new Rock Island system, which will be one of the largest, if not the largest, systems in the world under one management. The acquisition of the Frisco will add about 5,000 miles to the Rock Island, making it a system of nearly 13,000 miles. Should the Pere Marquette be included the system would be over 14,000 miles.

Lost in the Snow.

A man in the employ of the XIT Company had a very trying experience during the cold spell this week. He started out from headquarters at Escarbada Sunday morning to go with supplies to one of the camps, but became lost and wandered around for two days in the snow. Tuesday morning at four o'clock he found his way back to headquarters, tired and worn out for want of sleep but otherwise uninjured.

Dissolution Notice.

Notice is hereby given that the firm known as Williams & Harrison, dealers in gents' furnishing goods, has this day by mutual consent dissolved partnership, J. A. Williams retiring in favor of Esca Harrison, who will assume all debts and to whom all accounts should be paid.

Dated February 18, 1903.  
J. A. WILLIAMS.  
1-3t ESCA HARRISON.

School books for all grades at Gough & Davis. 52tf

John Hickox

Agent for

Amarillo Steam Laundry

Will do you first class work. Try it. All work GUARANTEED

Office at of Williams & Harrison

Pylants Sod Plows

are just what you need and are guaranteed to do good work.

Horse Shoeing a Specialty

All kinds of blacksmith and repair work given prompt attention.

J. I. PYLANT



**PROFESSIONAL CARDS.**

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Office at Gough's Drug Store  
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Surgical Cases Solicited. Office in  
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Res. Phone 20 Office Phone 26  
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**R. F. HOLLOWAY**

ATTORNEY-AT-LAW

Hereford - - - - Texas

Fire sale at W. E. Harrison's. 2tf

A full line of musical instruments  
at Gough & Davis. 52tf

A very valuable Jack belonging  
to Prof. Randolph Clark died at his  
place on the creek last week.

J. M. Ellis, representing the  
National Bureau of Literature and  
Art, was in town several days this  
week.

When you buy a custom-made  
suit of course you want the latest  
styled pattern and a perfect fit. C.  
L. Davis will see that you get  
both. 52tf

Dr. R. H. Gough this week  
ordered THE BRAND sent to his  
brother at Kemp, this making seven  
copies of this paper which he is  
sending to friends in different sec-  
tions of the state.

County court convened again  
Monday, pursuant to a change in  
the date of its session made by the  
commissioners court, but there were  
only a few cases on docket and these  
were continued until next term.

The best lined gloves in Hereford  
at E. W. Harrison's. 2tf

We have an extra fine line of  
toilet articles, perfumes, etc. Gough  
& Davis. 52tf

Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Mounts are  
enjoying a visit with the former's  
mother, who is here from Denton.

H. C. Hamilton, of Quanah, was  
one of the passengers who were  
delayed here the early part of the  
week.

When you are in the market for a  
suit of clothes don't forget that C.  
L. Davis can furnish you with them  
and guarantee every garment as to  
fit and workmanship. 52tf

W. H. Ricketts will fence a sec-  
tion or more of his Castro county  
land with wire netting and barb-wire  
preparatory to engaging in sheep  
raising. It has already been demon-  
strated beyond question that sheep  
will do well in Castro, and offer a  
profitable investment.

Get your paint brushes at Gough  
& Davis'. 52tf

Don't fail to see C. L. Davis'  
new spring samples of custom-made  
clothing. 52tf

On account of the failure of the  
trains to move Rev. H. M. Bandy  
was unable to fill his appointment at  
Quanah Sunday.

Carl A. Snyder, a prominent  
attorney of Roswell, was a passen-  
ger on the northbound train which  
was snowbound here Monday and  
Tuesday, and paid THE BRAND  
office a pleasant call while he  
waited.

W. B. Robinson and son, Jimmy,  
W. N. Bush and Frank Weaver  
started last week for New Mexico on  
a hunting trip. They got as far as  
the latter's ranch, 35 miles north-  
west of town, where their progress  
was impeded by the heavy fall of  
snow. They started homeward on  
Tuesday arriving at Hereford on  
Friday evening, no worse for their  
retarded trip.

See our diamonds and solid gold  
jewelry. Gough & Davis. 52tf

Shoes, shirts, hosiery and pants  
at 33 1-3 per cent reduction at E.  
W. Harrison's. 2tf

All that we have lacked lately of  
having an experience of genuine  
northern winter has been the jingling  
of the sleighbells.

R. C. Phansteel was in from his  
ranch Monday. He says that his  
cattle are doing well and he will  
have no loss to amount to anything.

The draying firm of Smith &  
Womble has changed somewhat, the  
former having sold his interest to D.  
H. Bryant, who was formerly em-  
ployed by W. H. Clary in the same  
business. THE BRAND wishes for  
the new firm unbounded business.

W. M. Bush and his wife of In-  
dianapolis, Ind., who have been vis-  
iting W. B. Robinson left this week  
for their home. They were very  
much pleased with this country and  
will probably return in the spring  
to live. Before leaving Mr. Bush  
subscribed for THE BRAND.

W. E. Washington, a prominent  
cattleman from the Indian Territory  
and who has large cattle interests in  
New Mexico, was one of the north-  
bound passengers to be snowbound  
in Hereford this week. While here  
he was the guest of S. S. Evans,  
with whom he was acquainted in  
the Territory.

V. T. Heffner, of Belle Plains,  
Kan., was among those who were  
delayed here this week on account  
of the snow blockade. Mr. Heffner  
is the general agent of the Wellin-  
ton, Kan., nurseries. He has lately  
taken up land at McMillan, N. M.,  
and will move there in a short time  
to engage in fruit raising.

Dr. Lyman B. Raschbaum, the  
Amarillo ear, eye, nose and throat  
specialist, will be at the Hereford  
Dental Parlors during the first week  
of each month, where he will be  
pleased to attend to the needs of the  
the citizens of Hereford and vicinity  
in his line. Dr. Raschbaum is also  
a scientific adjuster of eye  
glasses. 51tf

The March number of the Here-  
ford College Journal is out this week.  
This publication, setting forth as it  
does in a very lucid and practical  
way the advantages of Hereford  
College and the various industries  
and resources of this section of the  
Panhandle, has already served to  
draw the attention of a number of  
people to our town and county. It  
is a valuable enterprise and should  
continue to have the generous pat-  
ronage of the business men of the  
town.

**Removal Sale**

We have just let the contract for our large, up-  
to-date Furniture building. We expect to move  
into our new quarters about March 10th. We  
are offering our entire stock at Special Prices  
and cordially invite the trade to come in and in-  
spect our stock at Removal Prices, including a  
full line of Wall Paper on hand.

**LOVELESS & BLACK**

Furniture Dealers and Undertakers

**BURNS & SMITH Druggists**

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Drugs, Patent Medicines, Sundries, Fine Stationery  
School Supplies

We have a good assortment of Books, Bibles and Testaments

WE EARNESTLY SOLICIT YOUR BUSINESS

**T. A. COX**

.....Livery, Feed and Sale Stables.....

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Hereford Grain & Coal Co.

Coal, Grain, Hay, Salt  
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Posts

Cash for Hides  
and Bones

Wagon Yard  
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**REGISTERED  
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If you wish Berkshires of good  
individuality and best strains of  
breedings. I can furnish them.

**R. H. NORTON**

HEREFORD TEXAS

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The Panhandle country is rapidly coming to the front and every business man in every town should come in for his share of the boon. Can you afford to continue to do business in your wooden building, taking great chances of losing it and its contents by fire and on that score paying a high rate for insurance?

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would be pleased to figure with you on the erection of a substantial brick building. We are prepared to prove that it will be to your financial interest to make the change.

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It is with pleasure that we are enabled to announce to the Panhandle Public that we now have installed the latest improved machinery for the manufacture of all kinds of finishings, such as casings, mouldings, balusters, extra heavy store doors, etc., which we can furnish on short notice, thus obliterating the chief cause for unfinished buildings. Other contractors' shop work solicited.

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## The Hereford Planing Mill and Construction Co.

D. F. JOHNSON, Sec'y and Treas.

J. P. SNYDER, Business Manager

#### HEREFORD COLLEGE LETTER.

##### A Few Items of Interest From the Campus.

Mrs. R. Clark has been sick this week.

Herbert Miller of Glen Rose is expected to enter school next week.

The teachers of the music department are preparing a program which they expect to render soon.

A Tennis Club is to be organized soon. One court has been laid off and others will be as needed.

Word has been received that Mrs. Walsh's health has improved since she reached Austin. This is gratifying news to her many friends.

S. L. DeSpain, who has been a guest at the college, left for home Friday. He will soon return with his family and make his home in this county.

Mrs. Ricketts and Miss Garvin, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Walcott of Midland visited the college Monday. Mr. Walcott is a former pupil of President Clark at Thorp Spring and also had his two daughters in school at Lancaster. We are pleased to learn that he thinks of locating here.

The Booklovers Reading Club has been organized among the pupils and teachers. The club meets every Friday at 3:40. The young people of the town who are not attending school are invited to become members. There is also another reading circle composed of members of the faculty and friends that meet one evening each week.

#### Resolutions of Respect.

Whereas, The all wise Creator has removed from this world all that was immortal of little George Parker Acker, and

Whereas, He was a member of our Sunday School, prompt in attendance, always bright, cheerful, and faithful in service, therefore, be it

Resolved, That we bow to the will of the Almighty, extend our sympathy to the bereaved family, and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be placed on the record of the Sunday school, and a copy also sent to each of the Hereford papers.

Respectfully submitted,

E. B. BLACK,  
FANNIE TURRENTINE,  
LULA GARVIN.

Hereford, Texas, February 15, 1903.

#### Fire Fiend Takes Gambling Den.

Monday morning while the negroes in a tent were melodiously singing, "seben, come eben, little Joe," and other expressions well known to the "crap" fraternity, the tent caught fire from the stove pipe. Niggers shelled out like corn from a sheller, and at once proceeded to put out the fire, and to have seen them work made one think of the "downfall of Rome." The tent and all the gambling devices went up in smoke.—Eldorado Courier.

#### Belts! Belts!! Belts!!!

We have just received some very fine creations in the way of ladies' and men's belts. They are of the latest designs. Hereford Mercantile Company. 2-2t



### YES, I FEEL GOOD!

I came to Hereford to get a home. Witherspoon & Gough had just what I wanted. I found things as they represented. Their twelve years' experience in the law and land business make their opinions worth one hundred cents on the dolla. My business is in their hands and I take things easy.

#### Coldest in Texas.

The Fort Worth Telegram reports that the coldest place in Texas during the week was in Texline, where the temperature was five degrees below zero. Amarillo has also claimed to be the coldest place in the state. We believe it was colder

both at Texline and Amarillo than it was at Dalhart, but it is a fact that the temperature actually registered seventeen degrees below zero at this place Monday morning between daylight and sunrise. Amarillo and Texline and many other places, we feel confident, are throwing off on us; and it isn't fair.—Dalhart Sun.

**Notice.**

Owing to the contraction of money at the present time, I have prepared to extend credit to deserving parties, and will accommodate all such for the next ninety days who wish my services in that way, but will close all accounts at completion of work with notes, and all open accounts will be attached to drafts the first of each month, which will save me a great deal of trouble in collecting.

Respectfully,  
W. E. ROBERTSON.

I wish to announce that I have equipped my laboratory for the manufacture of all kinds of regulating appliances and, owing to the increasing demand for the correction of irregularities of the teeth and deformities of the mouth, I expect to give this

**Branch of Dentistry**

My special attention the ensuing year. And as for

**Crown and Bridge Work**

There are dozens of people here that will speak for me in that class of work. And to all that come to me for services I expect to do for you just what I would want done under the same circumstances

Sincerely

DR W. E. ROBERTSON, Operator and Proprietor

**HEREFORD DENTAL PARLORS**

DR. A. D. MILLER, Laboratorian

**Delayed Trains.**

Hereford has been for almost a week cut off entirely from communication by train with the outside world. From Friday night until Wednesday no train and no mail came from the east. The block was at Umbarger, seventeen miles east of Hereford, where for several miles the snow was drifted so deep upon the track that no trains could get through. And to make matters worse, in the effort to clear away the snow a freight train was helplessly stuck, and two engines were derailed, completely blocking the road and tying up the whole line. Crews of men were kept at work night and day shoveling away the snow and trying to get the dead engines back onto the track, but the severity of the weather and the depth of the drifts made progress very slow.

Trains from the west were also discontinued for several days. The eastbound came in from Roswell Sunday night with a number of passengers, but was unable to go on to Amarillo and lay here until Wednesday, the passengers being compelled to wait here with what patience they could until the road was cleared.

Wednesday the eastbound train went on to Umbarger and after some difficulty succeeded in getting through to Amarillo. Such heavy falls of snow are very uncommon here and the Pecos Valley people are poorly prepared to meet them, which explains why it required so long a time to clear up the track.

Finest line of cigars in town at Gough & Davis. 52tf

**Board of Trade Meeting.**

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trade will be held next Tuesday night. A number of important matters are on the program for consideration, and it is desirable that all the members should attend. The Board of Trade has already proven itself to be a most useful organization. It has interested itself in many movements and enterprises for the good of the town and the county. We mentioned last week its successful effort to have a cattle trail opened from the south into Hereford. This is but a single instance of the valuable work it is doing. The Board of Trade represents the intelligent citizenship of Hereford working together in a practical way for the common good, and every public spirited citizen of the town should join it and give it his earnest encouragement and support.

**For Sale or Trade**

On Girdner ranch twelve miles south of Hereford on Dimmitt road—15 thoroughbred Durham bulls and 3 thoroughbred Hereford bulls. See W. C. Morris at the ranch or Noah Jones in Hereford. 48-5-15

**Notice.**

All parties having accounts at the grain and coal store of Johnson & Ferguson will please call and settle the same at once. C. C. Ferguson having purchased D. F. Johnson's interest in the business. All accounts are payable at the old stand.

D. F. JOHNSON.  
C. C. FERGUSON.

First-Class Work  
Guaranteed

Clean Towels  
a Specialty

**The City Barber Shop**

GEO. W. DALE, PROPRIETOR

Bath Rooms in connection fitted up with Porcelain lined Bath Tubs

Your Patronage will be appreciated

**No Trouble to Figure Bills**

We carry in stock all kinds of  
**BUILDING MATERIAL**  
Highest Grades. Lowest Prices

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**THE HEREFORD NURSERY**

Has a nice stock of Fruit, Shade and Ornamental Trees, Shrubs, etc. Also have a large stock of **Apple Trees** of all varieties—first-class stock, and will meet anybody's prices.

**W. F. Stimson, Manager**  
Nursery one-half mile east of court house

# XIT LANDS FOR SALE CHEAP

At \$3 to \$4 per acre and up

ON ACCOUNT OF THE CAPITOL SYNDICATE Company's (better known as the XIT's) intention to discontinue their cattle business their large ranch, consisting of over 3,000,000 acres and situated in the best part of the Texas Panhandle, will be sold in any size tract—to suit the purchaser.

This land is all fenced and has numerous wells and windmills, and other similar improvements which make it the best in the Panhandle. Improvements on land purchased will be sold to the purchaser at the actual cost to the Company.

Nearly 2,000,000 acres of this great ranch has been sold and it will be only a few months until the stock farmer of one or two sections

will have the one million acres left in beautiful homes and farms.

It has been demonstrated that the small stock farmer can make more money compared to his investment, than can the large ranch owner, and the splitting up of this large ranch (until recently the largest ranch in the world) will be a great boon to this class of farmers.

The Pecos Valley railroad (a branch of the Santa Fe System), the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific and the Fort Worth and Denver City Railroads are now intersecting this great ranch and the Choctaw road is now building from Amarillo to Tucumcari, N. M., and will traverse the entire Deaf

Smith county portion of the ranch. It is also expected that the Santa Fe branch, running to Albuquerque, N. M., will be built from Bovina in the near future.

This land, being situated in the western part of the Panhandle, lies close to the mountains of New Mexico and therefore is more susceptible to good rains than is land farther east.

This section of the Panhandle is noted for its mildness and even temperature—both in winter's cold and summer's heat—and has the right altitude for an invigorating and dry atmosphere. The nights are always cool, insuring sound and refreshing sleep.

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    **Channing**                      **Amarillo**                      **Hereford**

Fire sale at E. W. Harrison's. 2tf  
 J. A. Brashear, of Dimmitt, was in town this week.  
 First come, first served, at the fire sale of E. W. Harrison's. 2tf  
 Dr. Estes was called to Endee, N. M., Monday to see the wife of Ed Connell.  
 Finest line of stationery ever shown in Hereford. Prices right. Gough & Davis. 52tf  
 Andrew Walcott and his wife of Midland, are here visiting the family of Henry Walcott.  
 If you want a good wearing pair of overalls try the Carhart brand. For sale by D. R. Gass & Sons. 52tf  
 J. M. Beasley of Brownwood was among the snowbound travelers who spent Monday and Tuesday in Hereford.  
 The Hereford Mercantile Company has just received a new line of men's hats—from the cheapest to the very best Stetson's. 2tf  
 Smith, Walker & Co. opened a branch banking house at Canyon City Monday, with B. C. D. Bynum in charge and Earl Cobb assistant.  
 C. L. Davis would be pleased to have you call at his office in the Witherspoon & Gough building and see his fine samples of spring and summer clothing. 52tf  
 Tom Reagan has sold his interest in the Hereford Manufacturing Co. to his partner, T. J. Stevens, who will hereafter conduct the business as sole owner and proprietor.

Stetson hats at reduced prices. E. W. Harrison. 2tf  
 Mrs. Randolph Clark is quite sick this week with fever.  
 We now have everything in paints, oil and glass. Gough & Davis. 52tf  
 C. H. Harlan came in Tuesday from his ranch near Endee, N. M.  
 If you want alfalfa hay, remember I keep it constantly on hand. C. C. Ferguson. 43tf  
 J. K. P. Gilliland, of Lillydale, Tenn., is here this week and has bought ranch property.  
 The Carhart overalls are the best made. Try a pair and you will be convinced. For sale by D. R. Gass & Sons. 52tf  
 The W. C. T. U. will meet next Friday at the home of Mrs. Judge Witherspoon at 3:30 o'clock. Leader—Miss Garvin.  
 Meeks, the jeweler and optician, invites his friends and customers to call and inspect his watches and jewelry before purchasing. 44tf  
 Born—To Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Moughts on Saturday, February 28, a girl. Both mother and child are progressing nicely under the care of Dr. R. H. Gough.  
 Frank Gamble has rented the iron building north of the postoffice and will as soon as possible install a restaurant and confectionery store therein. That he will do a lucrative business is the wish of his many friends including THE BRAND. See his adv elsewhere in this issue.

**HEREFORD TELEPHONE EXCHANGE**  
**E. J. WHITE, MANAGER**  
 We are putting up new 30-foot poles and cross-bars, fitting up the exchange with better equipment, including a new switchboard and will soon be in shape to attend to all the needs in our line  
**CONNECTIONS WITH ALL POINTS BETWEEN CLARENDON AND HEREFORD AND ALL PROMINENT POINTS SOUTH**

**Enjoy a Good Dinner**  
 You cannot do this without having pure and fresh groceries. That is the only kind we handle and are selling them at prices commensurate with good business principles. Give our store a trial. Satisfaction guaranteed.  
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