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## OLD MECK AVENGED.

At Meyer's Cross Roads, Tenn., a deserted church marks the spot where the boys flourished a great common sanatorium. This busy part of the day was presided over by a graying old fellow who was known as Meek Bender. His whole life seems to have been a continual round of apology. His face was a study of a drought, which was made more so by an overflow of tears, which might wash his face away, but that he might at any time wound the feelings of his fellow man. His eyes were bloodshot, but his habit of smiling, by a number of which he softened into gentleness, softened into timidity, and he called to him the name of Meek. His business was good, for there were no other stores in the community, and he was always hard pushed. He was too timid and too much afraid of giving offense to give credit, and when credit had been given he was too gentle to ask for the money which was due him. People that were regarded as honest were not slow in making a business of old Meek.

One day in the back room of Meek's store, a wet day gathering place for the neighborhood. Contracts for work were drawn up there, and the old man had been settled down to his work.

"What's old Meek?" Henly asked.

"What do you want, boys?"

"Come out here."

"What's up?" he asked when he came to the gate.

"Justice."

"I don't understand."

"Cy, hand me the rope," said Alf.

The men that were putting the grave clothes on old Meek the next morning could look through the door, the door through which he used to bring in wood, and see Jim hanging from a tree.—Arkansaw Traveler.

An Anecdote of Sheridan.

While the United States was engaged in the great civil war, France and Austria took advantage of our comparatively helpless condition to attempt the conquest of Mexico, with a view to construct a new empire there under Maximilian. General Grant was strongly opposed to this policy, and after Appomattox sent Sheridan with an army to the lower Rio Grande to observe the movements of the foreigners and to be in readiness to intervene whenever congress gave permission.

An orderly woke the colonel soon after daylight one morning and urged him to go down to the bank of the river, as something remarkable was going on there. The colonel did so, and had the gratification of seeing a combat—it could hardly be called a battle—between the national troops, the adherents of Juarez, and the Mexicans who were serving under the banner of Maximilian, and were in possession of Matamoros. The object of the Juarez troops was, of course, to drive the enemy from Matamoros and hold the place, as, owing to its proximity to the United States forces, it was a very important point. Each side seemed to be fortified, and was engaged in a contest at long range, which was neither very exciting or destructive. The next morning the orderly came again to wake the colonel, and assured him that he would see some genuine fighting. The colonel hurried down to the bank, and there he saw the Juarez men leave their entrenchments, advance with the utmost in-

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trepidity, storm the works of Matamoros, and drive the adherents of Maximilian through the town, and far beyond out into the open country. Of course Sheridan could not send a force to the other side of the river without the authority of congress, and the war department. That would have meant an unheard of proceeding.

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What's up?

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SALT AS DISSIPATION.

Perilous Effect of Its Excessive Use on the Gentler Sex.

Salt, the least harmful of condiments, if such a necessary article of diet can be termed a condiment, is by the medical profession recognized as a species of dissipation in its excessive use among many women. Every one knows how flat and flavorless all food becomes when the system is a trifle deranged; it is just then, when men resort to bitters and burning saucers to tone up their jaded appetites, that women find their sole recourse in the apparently innocent salt cruet. It is the old story of giving an inch to yield an ell, and before the victim knows it her palate demands a double or triple quantity of the mineral to savor every morsel she eats. Some go as far as salt not only the substantial dishes, but tea, coffee, fruit, nuts, sweetmeats and wine. They begin by taking a pinch extra now and then to pique their tastes and before long steal a bit to keep in their pocket, or buy a crystal to nibble on the sly. Nature's revenge on her weak daughter is as insidious as the result her immutable laws have suffered. She flies her first signals of distress in a deadening of the skin, replacing the pink glow of health by a dim yellowish pallor. Lips and cheeks blanch alike, this change being accompanied by a deepening of every shadow on the face. This is as nothing, however, to the destruction this morbid habit works on a woman's crowning glory, her hair: And it is astonishing how sensitive the hair is to every fluctuation of one's health. Soon, each time the comb passes through it brings great handfuls of long, shining strands. No lotion or tonic is effective in checking the loss, and, unless corrected, the abnormal amount of salt in the system will produce partial baldness. Even now quite a number of women are under treatment, some avowedly and others secretly for this form of excess.—Illustrated American.

WILL MAN EVER FLY.

A Glance at Natural History Indicates that He Will Not.

The giant birds of geology, such as the dinosaurs, the extinct moas of New Zealand, some of which stood more than ten feet high, were most of them wingless, just as still the great ostrich is a running, not a flying bird. The albatrosses and winged fowl of the present day, are only relatively gigantic, says the Edinburgh Review, since the weights of their bodies are trifling compared with those of human beings, and their lofty flights, even if matched by the ascending powers of balloons, are unsuited to the respiratory faculties of man.

Helmholtz has observed that, though many small birds which are granivorous fly swiftly the great birds that are potent on the wing are fish and flesh eaters, not needing extensive organs of digestion for their concentrated food. He thinks it therefore probable that in the model of the great Alpine eagle nature has attained the utmost limit that can be attained, with muscles for the working organs and conditions of nourishment as favorable as possible for the size of a creature which is to raise itself by wings and maintain itself for any time high in the air.

Under these circumstances he concludes that it is scarcely to be considered probable that man, with the most skillful contrived mechanism, to be moved by his own muscular power, would ever be able to raise his own weight in the air and sustain it there for any time worth speaking of. When vessels filled with gas lighter than air are employed to supply the lifting power, and yet other vessels are employed with some stored force to take the place of our own muscular resources, the consequential increase of bulk and weight in the complex machine must indeed greatly discourage human aspirations and longings for the invention of artificial wings.

The desire involved, however, little it may be formulated in those aspirations, is for the capacity to cleave the air like a merlin or to skim over the waters like a swift, and for ability to do this or something like it freely on the impulse of the moment, not after consultation with the gas works and a fee to the electrical engineer.—Ex.

In a difficulty at McKinney, Oct. 23, Frank McGill was shot through the body by George Howell; it is thought fatally.

## FLOGGING IN CANADA.

Thirty Lashes Given a Prisoner in a Quebec Penitentiary.

Within the past year the old-time mode of punishing a certain class of criminals in Canada with the application of the lash has been rapidly revived. The St. Vincent, de Paul penitentiary, in the province of Quebec, was the scene of a well merited flogging last week. Two weeks ago one Joseph Donnoir, alias Curson, who has been wandering around the country in the guise of a priest, was sentenced in accordance with the new Dominion law to two years in the penitentiary and to receive thirty lashes for annoying little girls. Curson is an old offender, having received twenty lashes in the Montreal jail two years ago for a similar offense. The flogging was given with the greatest precision and dispatch. After the day's work was over and the other convicts had returned to their cells, the prison physician accompanied by guards, went to Curson's cell, and after examining him, made a written report that prisoner was in fit condition to receive the punishment. Curson maintained a stolid indifference as he was led forth to the basement where the flogging was to take place. Immediately after his arrival the guards, keepers and officers to the number of forth marched down to the basement, where they formed three sides of a square. Within the square stood Warden Quimet and the chief keeper. The triangle to which Curson was to be tied stood in the middle. After having divested himself of his coat Curson stripped to the waist, walked with firm step to the triangle, to which he was strapped by four guards. A stuffed leather strap was then passed around his neck to protect it, a signal for Deputy Warden McCarthy the officer in charge.

The cat-o-nine-tails, waited for the signal. In a minute there was a sound, and immediately afterward the nine knotted-ends lashed the white flesh. Curson never wince, but at the blow he groaned pitiously, and kept it up until the end. When the end was reached half of the back from between the shoulders down was one mass of lacerated flesh. When he was unfastened from the triangle Curson walked over to the bench where his clothes lay, and his back was covered with a cloth saturated with salt and water. Curson then dressed himself and, accompanied by two guards, walked firmly up stairs to his cell.—Ottawa Letter.

ing the cotton and corn, dieing and raising sweet potatoes, while others clean out the lots and barns, patch the stock shelters, etc. Cull out the poorer members of your stock-herds and give them better treatment than the stronger. Another part of the force, if you can so divide it, might start the breaking plows and push them all this and the next month. The breaking this month is worth from \$5 to \$10 per acre, more for the next crop than the same land broken in February and March. Heed these admonitions. The team is 50 per cent stronger now than in March. All stock are weaker in the spring months than in the fall. Hence you are saving the team, as well as being profitable to yourself. Start the manure wagon and the plow so the manure and trash can rot and the land freeze and catch the winter rains, and deposit them for the next crop.

The colts should be weaned. The dam needs extra care at this stage. The colt should be taken out of sight of the mother, so that neither will worry the other. Better market good calves now, even at \$2@3 per head less, than to hold for spring. It will take \$3 or more to carry them through the winter. Old cows that are fat should go to the butcher now as a matter of economy. It is late for wheat sowing, but even at this late date it would be advisable to sow a few acres, not too deep. Sow, say three inches and let the patch for grazing when it can be done. Barley and rye will still make pasture, and Texas will need a great deal of winter pasture this hard winter when we are so short of grain food. Begin to plan to save your pork. Procure salt, salting-boxes, scalding barrels, etc., and arrange all conveniences for hog-slaughtering.—Tex Farmer.

Horace Greeley tried three or four lines of business before he founded the Tribune, and made it worth a million dollars.

Stephen A. Douglas made dinner tables many a long year before he made himself a giant on the floor of congress.

The founder of the New York Herald kept on failing and failing and sinking money for 10 years and then made one of the most profitable newspapers in the world.

Peter Cooper failed in making hats; failed as a cabinet maker, locomotive builder and grocer, but as often as he failed he tried again until he could stand alone, then crowned his victory by giving a million of dollars to help the poor boys in time to come.

Texas Casualties.

Ex-Policeman Domwell, of Austin, committed suicide.

In Travis county four Mexicans fought—one killing the other three and escaping.

A gravel pit caved in on David Friedeck, of Greenville, crushing him to death.

Charlie Smith was run over by a Cotton Belt train at Plano and died from his injuries.

John Alexander, Garland, went to sleep on the track at Dallas, was run over by a train and killed.

J. M. Matheson, a painter of Bryan, died from injuries received in falling from a scaffolding.

Jno. Whitfield shot and killed a negro at Navasota—the negro becoming abusive of Whitfield at the entrance to a circus.

Albert McClure aged four years, of Waco, was burned to death Oct. 29—his clothing catching fire from the stove.

Steamboat inspector general's report is made to the secretary of the treasury. It shows a good state of service and a lower rate of deaths and accidents than by any other means of transportation.

## A Skull for a Flower Pot.

W. G. Van Baskirk, the master mechanic of the Terre Haute and Peoria railroad shops in Paris, Ind., has a peculiar flower pot hanging in his dooryard. This greswome relic is made out of a human skull and suspended with slender chains. The brain cavity is filled with earth and a beautiful growth of vines creeps from the empty sockets and grinning jaws. Across the forehead is printed the inscription: To what base uses may we come at last and the beholder as he gazes upon this ghastly burlesque on human greatness, cannot refrain from involuntarily echoing the sentiment. The skull has something of a history, being that of a theological student who committed suicide. He was interred in a small graveyard, which afterward fell into disuse and decay, and was finally sold for building purposes. In making an excavation the skeleton was exhumed, and the skull came into Mr. Van Baskirk's possession.—Indianapolis Journal.

## THOUGHTS FOR NOVEMBER

November, like October, should be one of the very busy months of the year. Both work and thought should have due weight. What to do and how to do for the best, should be the farmer's stock in trade. As the business man lays in his stock of merchandise, so should the farmer. So divide your force that some may finish gathering



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5. Any person who receives a newspaper and makes use of it, whether he has ordered it or not is held in law to be a subscriber.

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7. Under the new postal law anyone who takes a newspaper out of the postoffice and refuses to pay for it is subject to criminal prosecution for fraud and upon conviction may be fined and imprisoned.

The election passed off very quietly, both in town and in the precincts of the county.

Some premature congratulations were indulged in but the count showed that R. Kratz was re-elected county judge; Nolan, sheriff; Arnett, treasurer; E. L. Hodges, county and district clerk; Dewitt, assessor; C. F. Hodges, surveyor; Martin, county attorney; Keene, inspector; Magner, justice of the peace and Rose, constable of this precinct.

The commissioner, tied and probably another election will be ordered.

If the increased duty on Mexican live stock, gives the Texas ranchman a chance to make money by supplying the market of grass that pays taxes in Texas, will he not spend that money in the cities and towns? And will not this more than balance the measly Mexican small change that Eagle Pass, Laredo and San Antonio have managed to squeeze out of the ewe-necked, cat-hummed shave-tails that have made our Texas horses the laughing stock of the world? Can you see it?—Texas Stockman and Farmer.

Many of our farmers are heavily mortgaged, and it is gross injustice to collect a tax on the full valuation of property when some rapacious money lender holds a claim against it for half or two-thirds of its worth.

Clearly such claim ought to be deducted from the valuation of the realty, and the mortgage itself to be made to bear its share of the burden of taxation. And, further, there is great injustice in the fact that the hidden property may escape all assessment. Our tax laws discriminate against the farmer, bringing him to account for possessing property that he cannot put into bank vaults, and allow the bondholder, the speculator and stock gambler to secrete their wealth beyond the reach of the tax collector.

Will either of the chief political parties of this nation, having as they do heavy capitalists for their leaders, ever lift these burdens? To look for such a thing would be to expect the impossible.

—Rural New Yorker

A Good Movement.

The following has been sent out by Secretary National Grange to State Secretaries: The Secretary of State has kindly offered to supply our National and State officials and subordinate Granges with the reports of the International American Conference, and they will be forwarded to you in packages, with the "frank" of the State Department on each copy, thus enabling you to address each report and mail it postage free.

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A Heroine.

A panther weighing 200 pounds and killed about ten miles from this place in a novel manner.

Miss Collier, a beautiful young lady of sixteen summers was riding leisurely along en route for the Children's high school, when she espied an enormous catamount in front of her, crouched for a fatal spring.

With admirable presence of mind she seized the lariat hanging at her saddle bow, and with great dexterity the animal's neck was encircled with the deadly coil.

At a word from its mistress the pony which Miss Collier was riding sprang away at a gallop, dragging the savage but helpless monster to its death.

Upon becoming satisfied that the animal's life was extinct, the young lady undid the rope from the pommel of her saddle, leaving the panther stretched upon the prairie behind her.

Proceeding on her way to school met Mr. John Perry, in company with several cowboys and related her story. They went to the spot where the dead panther lay and proceeded to denude it of its hide, which will be made into a robe and presented to the young lady.

From Abroad.

From present indications the entire democratic state ticket is elected in Wisconsin.

In Florida the democrats elect state comptroller and Mallory and Bullock congressmen. Also a large majority of the members of the legislature.

Mississippi elects seven democratic congressmen.

Iowa goes republican, but it is probable the democrats gain four congressmen.

Massachusetts has a democratic governor and an increase in the lower house for the democrats.

Missouri elects the democratic ticket by about 4000 majority.

A large democratic gain in the state of Indiana is reported.

New Jersey gives the democratic party increased gains. The senate stands 13 democrats and 7 republicans. The assembly 43 democrats and 17 republicans.

The N. Y. World estimates the democrats will have a majority in the next house of representatives of between 63 and 87.

The N. Y. Mail and express concedes a majority of at least 50.

The Sun places the democratic majority at 53.

RESULT OF THE ELECTION.

BRACKETT: Governor, Hogg 136; Flannagan 118.

Lt. Governor, Pendleton 135; Makemson 120.

Atty. General, Culberson 185; Hague 120.

Comptroller, McCall 136; Westhoof 119.

Treasurer, Wortham 135; J. B. Schmitz 119.

Ld. Commissioner, McLaughrey 135; McDowell 119.

State Supt. Pub. Instruction, W. Lindner 119; Pritchett 135.

Congress, Sayers 139.

Representative, Erskine 134; Stewart 1.

Dist. Atty., Walter Gillis 260.

County Judge, Kratz 138; Petty 40; Robinson 75.

Sheriff, Nolan 163; Fritter 92; Ballantyne 1.

County Treasurer, Arnett 256.

Co. and Dist. Clerk, Hodges 258.

Assessor, Flatow 97; DeWitt 158.

Surveyor, C. F. Hodges 258.

County Atty. Martin 247.

H. & A. Inspector, Keene 181; Evans 70.

Co. Commissioner, Veltmann 124; Partrick 124.

Justice of Peace, Nutt 99; Magner 149.

Constable, Rose 174; Alejandro 67.

Amendment to Sec. 9, Art. 8, 65; against 8.

Amendment to Art. 10, Sec. 2, 132; against 67.

DIXIE: Governor, J. S. Hogg 33; Webster Flannagan 6.

Lt. Governor, Geo. C. Pendleton 33; W. K. Makemson 6.

Atty. General, C. A. Culberson 33; J. P. Hague 6.

Comptroller, J. D. McCall 33; William Westhoof 6.

Treasurer, W. B. Wortham 33; J. B. Schmitz 6.

Ld. Commissioner, W. L. McLaughrey 33; J. K. McDowell 6.

State Supt. Pub. Instr., Pritchett 3; Lindner 29.

Congress, Sayers 4; Robinson 23.

Representative, Erskine 45.

District Attorney, Walter Gillis 13.

County Judge, Kratz 48; Petty 5; Sheriff, Fritter 3; Nolan 49.

County Treasurer, Arnett 71.

County and District Clerk, E. L. Hodges 72.

Assessor, Flatow 33; DeWitt 53.

Surveyor, C. F. Hodges 72.

County Attorney, Martin 72.

H. & A. Inspector, Keene 61; Evans 10.

Co. Commissioner, G. W. Hobbs 27; Malloy 23.

Justice of Peace, Sayers 46; Miller 13.

Constable, Yarbrough 1; Day 23.

Amendment to Art. 10, Sec. 2, 23.

Robinson 1, for Dist. Newcomb 7 for Rep; Hobbs 3; Elledge Com. precinct No. 2; Malloy 1; Gay 1, for precinct No. 4.

MUD CREEK: Governor, Hogg 20; Flannagan 23.

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Atty. General, Culberson 20; Hague 23.

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Treasurer, Wortham 20; Schmitz 23.

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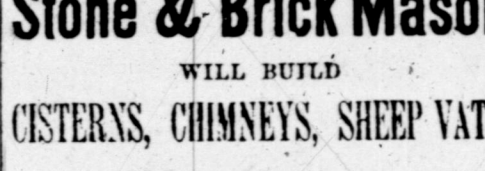
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**Courts of Kinney County.**

District Court—Commence the first Monday after the first Mondays in March and September County Court—Commence Second Mondays in December, March, June and September and continue in session over three weeks. Hon. R. H. Kinney, County Judge.

Commissioners' Court—Regular terms Second Mondays in February, May, August and November; special sessions to be called by the county Judge. Commissioners: Precinct No. 1, W. R. Patrick; Precinct No. 2, J. W. Wessner; Precinct No. 3, J. W. McLaughlin; Precinct No. 4, Geo. Hobbs.

**JUSTICE'S COURTS.**

Precinct No. 1—Last Saturday in each and every month. J. A. MAHON, J. P.

Precinct No. 2—First Tuesday in each and every month. J. M. ELLEMAN, J. P.

Precinct No. 3—Second Wednesday in each and every month. O. E. FLATOW, J. P.

Precinct No. 4—Third Saturday in each and every month.

Precinct No. 5—Second Monday in each and every month.

Precinct No. 7—Last Friday in each and every month.

**Officers of Kinney County.**

Judge of the District Court—WILHELMINA HOLMES  
 Dist. Attorney at Law—WALTER GILLIS  
 Dist. Clerk—E. L. HODGINS  
 County Judge—R. H. KINNEY  
 County Attorney—L. L. MARRIS  
 County Clerk—E. L. HODGINS  
 Sheriff—J. A. MAHON  
 Justice of the Peace—TOMAS FLATOW  
 Collector of Taxes—J. A. W. NOLAN  
 Treasurer—W. W. ARNETT  
 Surveyor—C. F. HODGINS

**Commissioners' Court.**

Presiding Member—R. H. KINNEY  
 Prec. No. 1—W. R. PATRICK  
 Prec. No. 2—J. W. WESSNER  
 Prec. No. 3—O. E. FLATOW  
 Prec. No. 4—GEO. HOBBS

**Justice of Peace.**

Prec. No. 1—JAMES MAHON  
 Prec. No. 2—J. M. ELLEMAN  
 Prec. No. 3—O. E. FLATOW  
 Prec. No. 4—

Prec. No. 5—BARTOLO SCORONDO  
 Prec. No. 7—ALBERT TUBBS

**Local.**

Las Moras, Lodge, No. 122 Knights of Pythias, Brackettville, Texas, meets in Odd Fellows hall every Monday evening. Visiting knights cordially invited to attend.

H. NUTT, C. C.  
 J. M. BROWN, Jr., R. of R. and S.

Wm. Kitch has taken agency for the celebrated Higbee's...  
 If you desire to purchase...  
 a first-class...  
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 leave your order. All...  
 upon application and purchase...  
 guaranteed that all...  
 will be first-class in every...  
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Should you...  
 largest...  
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are popular...  
 strong...  
 Tuesday.

Mack Ringer, the bright little nephew of Mrs. Mahon is assisting in Roach & Mahon's store.

One bag of beans may buy several articles.

J. Mac Stotsenburg is the new commissioner for the Nueces district. Mac is an able young man and will do justice to the county.

Pretty girls will sell you lemons, delicate hands out them, good mathematicians will count the seeds, and the fairest ladies will give the winner a valuable prize.

Relieve your wife from cooking supper on the night of the festival. The money will give you all a splendid supper and help to give Brackett one of the best libraries in western Texas.

Our informant, who stated that Mr. Behnke was treated at the post hospital, was mistaken as we have since learned that Dr. Dart put the dislocated arm in place, and under his skillful care Behnke is fast getting well.

Beans good as money—better at the Auction table.

**IS LIFE WORTH LIVING.**  
 Not if you go through the world a dyspeptic. Dr. Acker's Dyspepsia Tablets are a positive cure for the worst forms of Dyspepsia, Indigestion, Flatulency and Constipation. Guaranteed and sold by W. R. Patrick.

**BLACK-DRAUGHT** tea cures Constipation.

People wonder when they find how rapidly health is restored by taking P. P. P. Prickley Ash, Poke Root and Potassium. The reason is simple, as it is a powerful combination of the roots and herbs of the home woods. Sold by W. H. Quinn, Druggist.

**OUR VERY BEST PEOPLE**  
 Confirm our statement when we say that Dr. Acker's English Remedy is in every way superior to any and all other preparations for the Throat and Lungs. In Whooping-cough and Whoop, it is magic and relieves at once. We offer you a sample bottle free. Remember, this Remedy is sold on a positive guarantee by W. R. Patrick.

**THAT TERRIBLE COUGH**  
 In the morning, hurried or difficult breathing, raising phlegm, tightness in the chest, quickened pulse, chilliness in the evening or sweats at night, all or any of these things are the first stages of consumption. Dr. Acker's English Cough Remedy will cure these fearful symptoms, and is sold under a positive guarantee by W. R. Patrick.

**PERSONAL.**

Major E. M. Stotsenburg has our thanks for returns from the election of his precinct.

Joseph R. DeWitt went to San Antonio Wednesday night.

C. C. Clapp Esq., is visiting the city of Austin.

Mr. Emil Elmendorf is here in the interests of his popular firm.

G. A. Anderson came in from the ranch to attend the election.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Robinson have been spending the week at Brackett. Mrs. F. was the guest of Mrs. Moore.

C. F. Hodges is busily engaged in surveying at Eagle Pass. His outside engagement testifies as to his ability as a surveyor.

Mr. O. F. Sargent of Dolores spent Tuesday evening in town.

Miss Walling has opened a millinery store opposite the post office.

Mrs. Boedker returned from Austin Tuesday night. We regret she is leaving Brackett.

Mr. E. Zander, well known to our readers, has accepted a good position at Kyle, and likes his new home and the people of that town.

J. B. Charlton visited the ranch home of R. W. Hitchcock this week.

Mr. Wickham returned to the ranch on Friday.

Major Stotsenburg has been spending several days in town during the week.

H. C. Hunt, H. J. and Mrs. Veltmann, T. R. McAlpin and Frank Holmes are visiting San Antonio.

G. W. Hobbs is re-elected commissioner for Spofford.

10 cents will buy a lemon at the festival.

L. B. Dodson killed a panther measuring eight feet in length, near his ranch recently.

Buy a bag of beans at the festival.

C. W. Sargent receives no opposition at the Creek and seat among the county fathers.

Should you...  
 largest...  
 on may be...  
 price...

are popular...  
 strong...  
 Tuesday.

**A GOOD TIME COMING,**  
 The ladies of Brackett and Fort Clark will hold a

# Festival and Auction,

AT THE POSTOFFICE  
**TUESDAY NOV. 11, 1890.**

An Elegant Supper will be laid at 6 P. M. for business men and their families. Supper, Lunches, Coffee, Cake, will be served during the evening.

The purchaser of the lemon containing the most seeds will receive a valuable present.

An Auction of a great variety of curious and valuable articles will begin at 8 o'clock. The ladies earnestly solicit your presence and patronage, to raise money for the library.



**THE BEST**  
**Gun is the L. C Smith**

Call at the NEWS Office and see for Yourself.

We regret to learn that Mr. and Mrs. Boedker will make their home at Austin at an early date. The latter returned to Brackett this week from her visit to that city, much improved in health.

An opossum invaded Mr. Thompson's chicken roost a few night ago with such a warm reception that the body of the animal was found in the roost.

West of the farm of McGown & West of Austin is here desiring to get the suit of Jas. Cornell vs. N. Y. & Tex. Ld. Co; disposed of at last term, re-estimated in court.

The sprinkling of the sidewalk in front of Roach & Mahon's is deserving of the thanks of the public. Their system of waterworks will be the envy of us all long before next summer.

The Knights of Pythias lodge is gradually increasing its membership by the addition of a number of young men, who recognize a good thing when they see it. The K. P. is an excellent organization and deserves prosperity.

Walter Gillis polls the entire vote of the county. Rather singular that the young district attorney should get each and every vote and be the only candidate who does. It looks as though he filled the office satisfactorily in our county.

Mr. F. H. C. Elliott has been re-appointed to this charge, embracing Brackett and Eagle Pass. The fourth Saturday in each month will be his regular appointment. We are glad to welcome him back again, as Mr. Elliott is not only one of the most eloquent young ministers in this conference but a noble-hearted Christian gentleman.

We are glad the election is over. True, some are disappointed in the results, but it would be an impossibility to please all, and they should gracefully accede to the result of the contest. Two years from now the contest will be repeated and another opportunity will be presented to the aspirants for office. The successful local candidates have earned their positions by pluck and hard work, and while, personally, we may have desired a different result in some instances, yet we heartily congratulate one and all.

**The Champion Onion Eater.**

George Thompson, of New York, is very fond of onions, and would rather have an onion any time than an orange. He recently ate thirty large onions in half an hour. He ate neither salt nor pepper with them. Mr. Thompson thinks that his capacity for onions would be about sixty—N. Y. Journal.

**TRUSTEE'S SALE.**

BY VIRTUE OF THE AUTHORITY IN ME vested, as Trustee, named and appointed in two certain deeds of trust, executed and delivered to me, on dates as follows, and the other on the 21st day of December, 1888—by Wilhelmina Holmes, for better securing the payment of two certain promissory notes—described as follows: The first—dated the 21st day of October, 1886, for the sum of two thousand dollars, signed, executed and delivered by Wilhelmina Holmes to Edward Ross, or order, with interest at the rate of nine per centum per annum from date, October, 21st, 1886—due and payable on or before the 21st day of October, 1889. The second—dated the 21st day of December, 1888, for the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars, signed, executed and delivered by the said Wilhelmina Holmes to Edward Ross, or order, due and payable on or before the 21st day of October, 1890, drawing interest at the rate of ten per centum per annum, from December, 21, 1888, until paid—both said deeds of trust, fully described in both said deeds of trust, given by said Wilhelmina Holmes, which are of record in Kinney County—the first—in Book B, No. 3, page 306—the second—in Book B, No. 4, page 125. Both of said notes having become due and payable on the 25th day of October, 1889, and the same or no part of same, either principal or interest having been paid.

And whereas by the first deed of trust, aforesaid, said Wilhelmina Holmes, to secure the faithful payment of said note of \$2,000, and interest which might accrue, gave a deed of trust on the following described lands, situated in Kinney and Maverick Counties.

An undivided one-third interest in the lands known as the Holmes' interest in the "Lower Pinto Irrigation, Agricultural and Manufacturing Co.," described with more certainty thus:

Survey 106, of 160 acres of land patented to S. A. Maverick, assignee of F. W. Mitchell. Survey 107, of 160 acres, patented to S. A. Maverick, assignee of James Denison. Survey 108, of 160 acres patented to S. A. Maverick, assignee of Robert Haley. Survey 109, 160 acres patented to S. R. Fisher, assignee of R. Hood. Survey 110, of 160 acres patented to S. R. Fisher, assignee of J. A. Spiecer. Survey 111, of 160 acres patented to S. R. Fisher, assignee of Nathan Finney. Survey 112, of 160 acres patented to S. R. Fisher, assignee of H. H. Russell. Survey 113, of 320 acres, patented to J. W. Tinsley. Survey 114, of 320 acres (less about 10 acres west of Piedra Pinto creek) patented to E. Scroggahan. Survey 115, of 320 acres (less 65 acres west of Pinto creek) patented to S. A. Maverick, assignee of Richard West. Survey 116, of 320 acres (less 160 acres on west side of Pinto creek) patented to C. Perez. Survey 117, of 738 acres (less 553 acres on west side of creek) headright of, and patented to S. A. Maverick. Survey 105, of 160 acres and Maverick connect, published by Maverick, assignee of W. H. Laverin.

All of said lands having been sold to S. A. Maverick by deed to which reference is made to the records of Kinney County. Also reference is made to deed from said Maverick, of date Feb. 14, 1878. Also to deed from M. M. Terrell of same date. Said title being regularly made to Annie Fritter, James Murphy and William Holmes—the said Wilhelmina Holmes being the surviving wife of the said William Holmes, and deriving her title by virtue of said land being community property and also because of the provisions of the Will of said William Holmes, now deceased.

The second deed of trust given by said Wilhelmina Holmes on the 21st day of December, 1888, having been given to secure the payment of said second note of \$250 due with interest, as aforesaid, on the 25th day of October, 1889,—and given as a second deed of trust on the same land described in this notice—therefore, a further description of said land is unnecessary.

On the first note there is due \$2,000 with nine per cent. interest per annum, from October 21, 1886, till paid. On the second note there is due \$250 with interest at ten per cent per annum, from the 21st day of December, 1888, till paid. Both of said notes and the accumulated interest having been presented for payment to the said Wilhelmina Holmes long before publishing of this notice, and default in payment having been made.

Therefore I, L. L. Martin, as Trustee, at the request and instance of said Edward Ross, payee of said notes, do hereby give public notice that I will on the

**Complimentary.**

Dr. and Mrs. W. R. Patrick tendered a dance and reception to Mr. and Mrs. Sidney James last Tuesday night. Among the guests were nearly all of our prominent citizens accompanied by their wives and daughters. Their sons were in attendance and some body else's daughters. Mr. and Mrs. Patrick were introduced to their kind hostess to all whom they had not already met, and then dancing was indulged in until a late hour.

The well lighted garden, at the rear of the Patrick house, formed a most excellent place for promenade, and it was here that the enjoyable lunch was served during the evening. Our young people thoroughly enjoy an evening spent at the home of the genial doctor and his lady.

**Appreciative.**

Wednesday evening the 18th Infantry Band paid quite a compliment to several of the successful candidates by a serenade, playing several appropriate and delightful pieces in front of the residence of R. Keene, J. W. Nolan, and J. R. DeWitt thereby showing that the Soldier boys had an interest in the welfare of the county and was jubilant over the success of their favorites. To say that the treat was immensely appreciated is a poor way to express it, but they can easily rest assured, that the esteem and good will of the county is, and always will be, entertained for the boys in blue.

**Roll of Honor.**

ARITHMETIC—Maud McDonald, Ida Spears.  
 READING—Ida Spear.  
 ALGEBRA—Susie Ott.  
 GRAMMAR—Susie Ott, Agnes Windus.  
 CIVIL GOV.—Henry Moore.  
 GEOGRAPHY—Max Walters.  
 SPELLING—Lizzie Gastring, Ida Spears.  
 FIRST GRADE—Henry Herzberg, Walker McClure.  
 SECOND GRADE—Pearl Spears, Lizzie Gastring.  
 THIRD GRADE—Lizzie Therrell, Emma Gastring.

**First Tuesday in December, 1890,**  
 being 2nd day of December, 1890, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m., sell before the Courthouse door of Kinney County, in the town of Brackett, Texas, at public vendue, for cash, to the highest bidder, all of said above described lands, and I will from the proceeds of sale first pay expenses of sale and advertisements, and retain ten per cent. commission for making sale, as provided for in said deeds of trust—and I shall then pay the amount of principal and interest due on both of said notes—and the balance, if any, I shall pay to said Wilhelmina Holmes.

And in order that the lands here advertised may be sold for the highest price which they may bring—I will first offer for sale all the land in bulk to the highest cash bidder, but will not make said highest bid final, until I first offer the lands Survey at a time, to the highest cash bidder, and if the aggregate of bids offered for each Survey amounts to more than the aggregate of the bid for the whole—I will accept such highest bids.

I. L. MARTIN,  
 Trustee.  
 Brackett, Nov. 6, 1890.

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 —DEALER IN—  
**General Merchandise**  
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**Fine Clothing, Boots and Shoes**  
 AT MODERATE PRICES.  
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 NOTIONS, TRUNKS, TRAVELING BAGS.  
 All Goods not found Satisfactory Can Be Returned, and Money Refunded.  
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 And all kinds of granite  
 Monuments, tombs, tablets,  
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 DEALERS IN  
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 —AND—  
**AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENTS.**  
 Iron and Steel, Nails, Locks and Screws, Hinges, Tools of the best material, Paints and Oils, J. Leffer's Celebrated Turbine Water Wheel, C. H. & L. J. McCormick's Harvester, with or without binder. Improved Advance, Improved Prize Mower, Furst & Bradley Manufacturing Company's celebrated Cast Steel Plows, Cultivators and Steel Hay Rakes. All other agricultural Implements, Horse Powers and Engines.  
 AGENTS FOR OLIVER CHILLED PLOWS.  
**BRANCH HOUSE**  
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 Next door to H. J. Veltmann.  
**W. H. QUINN, Proprietor.**  
 DEALER IN PURE  
**Drugs, Medicin's, Chemicals, Oils, Varnish's,**  
 Fine Perfumes, Combs, Brushes, Toilet Soaps,  
 Stationery, Blank Books, etc.  
 Prescriptions Accurately Compounded at all Hours.

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**LAND AND REAL ESTATE AGENT,**  
 BRACKETT, (Kinney Co.) TEXAS,  
 Desires your patronage. Will sell or buy town lots or other real estate for you. Will render your property for taxation. Abstracts of land titles made at reasonable figures. Now is the time to secure bargains in the best town property, as prices will advance with the steady growth of the town.



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One of the noted objects in animated nature as the capital is Don Cameron's Scotch collie. A long period of silent observation of the appearance and peculiarities of politicians, particularly from Pennsylvania, has given Major a discriminating idea of their value as they turn up at the bell pull.

Don's dog is a thoroughbred in more ways than one. His position of mute inquisitorial observation is from the mat in the outer vestibule at the senator's front door. He invariably lies with his lower jaw resting on his paws.

Those who come and seldom get in are received by Major coldly. He keeps his place on the mat, apparently asleep, which makes it inconvenient to reach the bell pull without stepping upon the knowing animal.

A Rival to the Pedometer.

The pedometer's life of usefulness seems to be very seriously threatened by a French invention for recording speed and distance traveled by man, beast or vehicle. The inventor, E. J. Marey, of the Institute of France, has devised a very simple machine to which the name odograph has been given.

The odograph is capable of being adapted to special purposes, such as the measuring the speed of soldiers on the march, the time taken by a train to pass the track, and the speed of a boat in the more or less shallow water.

Artistic Begging.

The bad habit of begging into which not a few small children have fallen is growing very rapidly and should be checked some way. Most of the little folks who make a practice of asking pennies of passers by offer no excuse for their asking, and do not more than half expect to get anything for it.

Two Kinds of Men.

The Arabs have no little knowledge of the precepts of Christianity, and much respect for them, but they occasionally add to their observations of their own.

Cost of Railroad Dining.

It is said that one of the great trunk line railroads deliberately provides for a loss of many thousands of dollars a year upon the meals served in its dining cars, and charges the loss to the advertising account.

A Persevering Yankee.

A New Hampshire boy, several years before the war, found himself in Little Rock, Ark., then one of the Indian agencies. He began as clerk and then became a merchant on his own account.

When the Union invading force reached Little Rock his cotton, amounting to several thousand bales, was seized and sent north on government account.

A Land Without Debt.

Happy Heligoland! The population of this tiny but favored isle—now numbering 2,500 souls—is reported to be increasing; so is the revenue.

Many People Would Be Economical If They Knew How.

It is an art to practice economy. To do it well one must know the art. All can have it if they will. It is an arithmetical art. It is the conclusion of numbers.

Ant Mary's Better Part.

The fact is comely more and more towards universal acceptance that the little folks are, after all, the only original thinkers.

Consolation.

Husband—Can't you stop that baby's yelling? Just when I want it quiet, that child has got to set up a fearful howl.

Wife—The doctor says that a certain amount of yelling is good for baby's lungs.

Husband—Yes; and at the same time it'll bet my ears are getting big, strong and healthy.

Wife—Well, you know, John, that that your ears have never been any too good.

IF YOU WANT

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Mark Riley

The following are only a few of the many bargains that we have on our books; if you do not see just what you want, write to us giving a description of what you do want, and we can get it for you.

No. 40—A small ranch of 160 acres, well watered, and unsurpassed for stock. Has an outlet to large range for stock. Suitable for raising Angora goats, cattle or hogs.

No. 41—To lease, tract of 160 acres, located about 25 miles from Brackett; good ranch house, stock pens, etc. Stock of cattle for sale; outlet to unlimited range; portion of the tract can be irrigated, and is now under cultivation.

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P. P. P. will purify and vitalize your blood, create a good appetite and give your whole system tone and strength.

P. P. P. If you are feeling badly in the spring and out of sorts, take P. P. P.

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