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OFFICIAL DIRECTORY.

CLAY COUNTY.

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 District Judge..... P. M. Stine, Henrietta.
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 " Clerk..... G. W. Ford, County.

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 " Attorney..... J. M. Jones,
 " Clerk..... G. W. Ford,
 " Sheriff..... G. C. Wright,
 " Tax Collector.....
 " Treasurer..... A. V. Winter,
 " Assessor..... S. K. Andrain,
 " Inspector..... C. W. Morgan,

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 L. B. Upham..... Com'r. Prec. No. 3. Deer Creek.
 J. C. Miller..... Com'r. Prec. No. 4. Bellevue.

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 " Benvenue, " 3.
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 Prec't. No. 2. Meets second Saturday in each month, at Riverland.
 Prec't. No. 3. Meets first Saturday in each month, at Benvenue.
 Prec't. No. 4. Meets second Thursday in each month, at Charlie.
 Prec't. No. 5. Meets third Saturday in each month, at Bellevue.
 Prec't. No. 6. Meets fourth Thursday in each month, at Newport.
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It is estimated that it will cost over \$10,000,000 to take the census in 1890.

THE veteran showman, John Robinson, died in Cincinnati recently, aged 82 years.

WHY is a bustle like a cranky politician? Because it is always sat down on and is known to be a wire-working institution.

THERE is an ominous silence over Stanley, the bold African explorer. It is a year since reliable news from him has been received.

A MILLION copies of the President's message, and one hundred thousand copies of Mills' tariff speech will be distributed to the people during the campaign.

THE governor of Indiana has at last decided to take steps to protect the state public against the depredations of the organization known as the White Caps, which have been terrorizing the citizens of the Southern part of the state.

THE Childress County Index, a very creditable five-column quarto, published at Childress City, by James R. Harrison, is upon our table. The people of Childress are to be congratulated on having such an able paper located in their midst.

THE debate between Judge Silas Hare and Judge Davis, last Saturday, was quite bitter, but Judge Hare successfully repelled every assault, and left Davis smirking at his feet. Hare showed that Davis had his finger in the public land, and then resisted the passage of a bill, offered by Kendall, to investigate the fraud.—Denton Monitor.

SILAS HARE should certainly go back to Congress. He is the most available man in the field. He has represented his district faithfully and well. The Fifth district cannot afford to send a new, inexperienced representative to Washington every term. This is the wrong time to take the tariff reformers away from Congress. Their work is not completed yet.—Farmersville Times.

WE learn with sincere regret that Hon. Temple Houston has withdrawn from the race as a candidate for Senator. It is a misfortune to the people that circumstances have driven him to this determination. For four years during which he has represented the Panhandle district in the upper house of our legislature, he has shown himself to be a man of integrity, ability and faithfulness. His retirement now, after added experience and his enlarged capacities for good work have been gained, can only be seen with sorrow by the people of the District. But he retires to the practice of his profession with reputation honored and spotless as it is upright and worthy of praise. His talents have won him fame and will bring to him laurels brighter and more unfading than those already achieved. The people can be trusted to do him justice in the future; his name will yet be heard of in the great future which the Panhandle and her sturdy sons shall achieve. Long live Temple Houston.—Canadian Crescent.

HARE OR DAVIS?

HENRIETTA, TEX.,
Aug. 14, 1888.

Who is to be the next congressman from this district and who is to be Clay county's candidate are questions that should naturally receive the careful study and attention of every intelligent voter in the county. This question has been given additional prominence by the action of the Henrietta primaries and the county convention in passing resolutions of endorsement of W. O. Davis, of Gainesville.

This matter was clearly out of order in a convention to send delegates to the State and Senatorial conventions, and its evident purpose to create the impression abroad that W. O. Davis was Clay county's choice, and to demoralize the friends of Mr. Hare can only be justified on the extremely dubious ground that any proceeding is fair and honorable in politics or war.

To this proposition there will be found a great many people who will not agree. They will agree that there were to be primaries to elect delegates to a county convention which would send delegates to the Congressional convention at Gainesville.

The time and place of holding such primaries and the object of the same should be generally known to all our people, and that would be recognized as the proper battle ground on which the friends of Hare and Davis could rally, and the one with the strongest following could rightfully claim the prize.

Such a proceeding would have been fair to both and no imputation of dishonest dealings could have been made.

But aside from the methods employed, whom should Clay county support? Which one of the two gentlemen most prominent in the race would in all reasonable probability do the most for our county?

Should any question arise in which the several cities in the district could become rivals, from which man could Clay county and Henrietta reasonably expect most assistance? These are matters it is proper and right for us to consider.

If the men are equal in all respects as to ability, character and reputation, we must agree that Judge Hare is entitled to another term as his own successor, unless he has done something to forfeit that right, or unless by reason of ignorance or incapacity he has been of no weight or influence in Congress. Look at his record and judge for yourself, if any member during his first term has done more than he.

Had not Mr. Davis lost courage two years ago, and had he been elected and made as good a record as Judge Hare, no one would have been more in favor of continuing him in office another term than your correspondent. It would have been simple justice—a reward for faithful, conscientious service rendered.

What has Judge Hare done that the people of Clay county should refuse him their support?

It is true he could appoint but one postmaster at Henrietta and thereby hangs a tale—the tale one might say—which explains more

of the Davis boom in Clay county than all other causes combined.

But after a full discussion of the matter, an election was held at which all patrons of the Henrietta postoffice had an opportunity to express their choice. All opposition had been centered on one man, and yet W. A. Squires beat him in a fair race 2 to 1 and had 2 votes to spare. Judge Hare respected the wishes of the people. So did President Cleveland, and so did the postoffice committee of the U. S. Senate.

If this be the cause of the opposition to Judge Hare, why endorse Grover Cleveland and reject Hare as did the resolutions on the 9th instant?

W. O. Davis has many personal friends in Clay county who admire him for his ability and general worth as a man who do not think he has any right to this important office at this time.

Suppose the question of a federal court house should come up which would be likely to produce the stronger rival of Henrietta, Gainesville or Sherman? Gainesville most assuredly, and could Mr. Davis do less than throw whole influence for his own to Sherman and Henrietta?

Not be in any reasonable sense. Again, what has Clay county or Gainesville done? Clay should vote to retire a capable and efficient man to gratify ambition of one of its citizens.

Did their moral and financial backing of our efforts to get the Missouri Pacific railroad give them claims on our generosity?

Let that numerous body of our citizens whose names appear on a \$5,000 bond to assist in defraying expenses of right-of-way through Cooke county give us their opinion. We had abundance of promises of support, but that was not legal tender with the railroad company.

It is true this is a free country and the wishes of the majority must rule, and if at the approaching primaries to be held on 25th inst., Davis should succeed in obtaining the endorsement then there would be nothing to say. Let the friends of Hare and the friends of Davis do their duty. Attend the primaries and elect men to the county convention who know and respect the wishes of the majority, and let the battle be fought openly and boldly. No striking below the belt, and then no one can kick, because we have had FAIR PLAY.

The printer girls of Topeka, Kan., have organized "The Leslie Club," named after Mrs. Frank Leslie. They will soon issue the first number of the Printer Girl, which will be the organ of the printer girls in the United States.

Every man thinks that there are three things without which the world would come to a standstill. First, the sun; second, the moon; third, himself.

Forty-nine Catholic priests of Chicago signed the petition asking that the saloons of that city be closed on Sunday.

Leaves have their time to fall, Stars and hens their hours to set, But the girl that giggles shows No sign of subsiding yet.

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J. B. HOPKINS, Publisher.

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OUR CHOICE:

For President,
GROVER CLEVELAND.

For Vice-President,
ALLEN G. THURMAN,

For Congress (5th District),
SILAS HARE.

SILAS HARE will go back to congress.

Now is the time to make preparations for a grand, good display of county products at the Fair.

The chief will be home Sunday Monday. We shudder to think about it. What will become of the "devil?"

The Wichita Herald is sparking originality and has recently published a spicy edition. We wish it higherty great success.

Political tricks so common everywhere be a thing unknown at the coming primaries. Harmony and good feeling should prevail throughout the entire campaign.

It is not our aim to do an injustice to anyone, but we believe it our duty to give the news—especially when it comes from a reliable source and is based on fact and reason.

WRITE your friends living in regions subject to epidemics about our beautiful, healthy climate, and urge them to come and see for themselves, and try our cure, bracing atmosphere.

HON. SILAS HARE, our member of congress, will address the citizens of Henrietta and Clay county at the court house on next Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock. Let everybody turn out and hear him.

We acknowledge the receipt of a complimentary ticket to the First Annual Fair to be held at Alford from October 2nd to October 6th, inclusive. The exhibit of Northwest Texas promises to be grand.

MAXWELL, the notorious murderer of Preller at St. Louis several years ago depositing the body in a trunk, paid the penalty of his crime on the gallows last Friday. He protested his innocence to the last, but he was unquestionably guilty of cold-blooded murder.

LET every Democrat turn out to the primaries, which will be held in the different precincts in Clay county on the 25th inst., for the purpose of selecting delegates to the county convention which meets in Henrietta on Sept. 1st to select delegates to the congressional convention to be held at Gainesville Sept. 4th.

THE editor *pro tem* is grateful to that sterling paper, the Wichita Light, for the following pleasant notice:

During the absence of Colonel J. B. Hopkins at his old Kentucky home, H. J. Strickfaden, familiarly known to the fraternity by the euphonious sobriquet of "the major," has manipulated the paste pot and scissors of the Henrietta INDEPENDENT with a grand flourish. Upon his own responsibility the paper has expanded to a five column quarto and fairly teems with sparkling paragraphs and good, solid information concerning Clay county. The INDEPENDENT has always been a most excellent paper, devoted to the interests of its people, and hereafter we may measure the enterprise of our neighbor down the road by the support accorded such a meritorious publication. "Here's a health" to the talented Major.

A PRIVATE letter received this week from Atlanta, Ga., says: "Everybody is leaving Florida on account of yellow fever. About five hundred have stopped here. Every train that comes in is crowded. Chattanooga, Birmingham, Macon, Albany, Brunswick, Savannah, and Montgomery have all quarantined against Jacksonville, but Atlanta has opened its gates to the unfortunate citizens. The atmosphere here is too fine for epidemics." Northwest Texas with out-stretched arms, extends a cordial welcome to the above refugees and philanthropists alike, to come and settle in our healthy and invigorating climate where epidemics are unknown.

We are glad learn that our enterprising county commissioners are considering the question of fencing our magnificent court house on the edge of Clay county. This is eminently right and proper and the commissioners will receive the hearty co-operation and endorsement of every citizen in the county, as all are equally interested in the protection of the structure. The commissioners are to be commended and will never have cause to regret adding to the beauty of the building and comfort of the citizens of the county.

EVERY citizen in Henrietta, be he for Hare or for Davis, should be at the primary to be held at the court house on Saturday, August 25th, at 2 o'clock p. m. We want to see a large representation of the citizens of Henrietta turn out in order to get as near as possible the sentiment of the masses of the people. The primaries throughout the country should also be well attended, as this is an important matter and the welfare of Henrietta and Clay county is at stake.

A NEW ruling of the postoffice department provides that postal cards that are uncalled for will be returned to the writer at the end of thirty days, and that advertised letters will be held two weeks instead of four before being sent to the dead letter office.—Ex.

THE Wichita Light comes to us this week in an enlarged form. It has recently added two well-loaded supplements to its regular weekly edition, and now it is one of the brightest papers in the State. Matheny & Norwood are at the helm, and that is sufficient.

THE safest plan is not to gamble at all, but if you are determined to wager on the coming elections, it wouldn't be a bad idea to consult your judgment rather than your enthusiasm. Enthusiasm is often a very deceptive "cuss."

WE are sorry to learn that some of our friends from the country have been aroused to a sense of indignation at the resolution introduced at the county convention held at this place last week endorsing the Hon. W. O. Davis for Congress. A great many who had not followed up the decisions of the different conventions labored under the impression that the endorsement of this resolution was a final result, which stirred up a sentiment against the town people that would not have occurred had the resolution not been introduced and acted upon. We do not believe that it was the intention of anyone to create discord between the town and country, but under the circumstances we cannot blame the country people for being somewhat indignant, as the resolution was entirely out of place and should not have been presented upon the meeting of the primaries, which take place in the different precincts on the 25th inst. Perhaps the party who offered the resolution, under a state of excitement (or something), got the wrong one, and, if so, he will doubtless come forward with the one he should have put before the meeting here last week. However, it is hoped that at the coming convention for the Congressional race all will be calm and deliberate, so that all the business will be transacted in a business-like manner, and that everything will pass off harmoniously without the slightest personal feeling between the citizens of Henrietta and our friends from the country.

IN the report of the committee on platform and resolutions published in the proceedings of the convention last week a part of the 9th article was omitted. The article should have read:

"We endorse the course of our member of the lower house of the state legislature to vote for him and use all honorable means to secure his re-election."

THE Hon. Silas Hare will speak at Henrietta next Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock; at Vernon, Tuesday night; at Wichita Falls, Wednesday, and at Newport on Thursday. Let everybody turn out and hear him.

ON the first page of this issue will be found a communication headed "Hare or Davis?" It contains some excellent points. Read it.

Amongst the Best.

[Archer Journal.]

THE Henrietta INDEPENDENT has been enlarged to twice its former size, and it now ranks amongst the best weeklies in the state.

Trying to Bulldoze Editors.

[Exchange.]

A correspondent to the Fort Worth Gazette says: "The editors of the Canton Telephone and Wills Point Chronicle have both received notification through the mails that unless they let up on the Union Labor party they will be found hanging to a limb."

Everybody knows that shade trees are pretty to look at, and that their shade is pleasant to sit under during such hot days as we have had recently. Meteorology teaches us that the presence of forest trees in a country is conducive to a greater amount of rain-fall and tends to cool the heated air. If this be true we surely need some artificial forests in this country. Farmers, take the hint.—Ex.

A little one while undressed said: "Mamma, I's barefooted all over, ain't I?"

A Sensation for Findlay, Ohio.

[Exchange.]

Dr. Ernest Weissenbauer, Professor of Geology in Heidelberg University, has just made a visit of inspection to the natural gas wells of Findlay, Ohio. Prof. Weissenbauer says he found the vastness of the gas-well country greatly under-estimated, and that underneath the town of Findlay at great depths lay a mighty cavern filled with highly inflammable gas under tremendous pressure. He connected some very delicate telephones with steel rods sunk in the earth through the shaft of the well to a distance far below it. He heard the boiling of the rocks plainly, accompanied by cracking sounds. A delicate heat instrument was then connected, and after careful calculations based on its results, he found that at a distance of only one mile beneath the gas cavity, which lies under Findlay, a fire was raging at a temperature of 3500 deg. So astonished was he at this discovery, that he was not disposed to believe that it could be so. Again and again he observed, and always with the same results. Not satisfied with making the observation at one point, he took several within a radius of three miles, and his first observations were completely confirmed. He says that about 1200 feet below the city of Findlay lies an immense cavern, beside which even Mammoth Cave shrinks into insignificance. It is many miles long, and in some places more than half a mile deep. This is crowded full of gas, which is under a pressure almost inconceivable. Below this cavern are several strata of rock, perhaps a mile thick, and then this great internal fire at a temperature of over 3000 deg. He says he discovered something of the nature of the strata that lie beneath this lies a great mass of soft and crumbling stone, badly formed, full of fissures. Then another layer of considerable thickness, equal to the first layer in hardness and solidity. The last of these layers, which lies directly over the fires, is melting away. About ten miles from Findlay on either side, it is of great thickness, but as town is neared it becomes thinner. The furnace beneath is disintegrating it, and ever lessening the barrier between itself and the gas wells. From the tremendous cracking which is to be heard by means of the sound instrument, it is almost certain that the disintegration is going on with great rapidity, and the professor seems to think an early catastrophe not only possible but probable.

Love.

Let those laugh who will at the romance of love, and jeer at the poverty in which it so often delights. But there is no poverty in the home of love, for with its magic wand it gilds and bedecks with the rarest gems the most commonplace surroundings. It sweetens toil, and makes it a joy. At the touch of its fingers pain flies, and music has her soul in its laughter. There is only one condition of its existence, once it is stirred into life; that condition is purity. With this, love is immortal; without this, love withers and dies, and refusing to be buried, the corpse remains to torture.

A newspaper has just been started in Greenland. It is a daily, but the editors are not at all pressed for time, as the day is about six months long in that part of the world.

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have an Osborne machine
have used for fifteen years,
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that time. Have not missed a
single season, that it did not cut
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You will find at Borum & Donley's, He-No tea, country lard, and the celebrated Magnolia patent flour. 47-tf

Bring your butter to Borum & Donley. 48

Have you tried the soda water at Skinner's? It is very fine, indeed, and cold—oh, so cold!

Cattle to exchange for land, and money to loan on land security. See Williams, Wantland & Mundy, Henrietta, Texas. 27-tf

Highest cash price paid for hides by E. S. Caldwell. 40-tf

When you feel hot and feverish go and call for a glass of soda water at Skinner's. 40-tf

Bring your hides to E. S. Caldwell. Highest cash prices paid.

Machine-oils, glass, putty and soap cheap at East Side Drug Store, for "kash." 47-tf

Oat and Wheat sacks at E. S. Caldwell's. 44-tf.

Fine Silver Drip and Golden Syrup at Crump & Spangler's.

Wheat will soon be ready to cut, and before you commence harvesting, get a gallon of that El Dorado Clarified Oil at E. S. Caldwell's 35-tf

Choice confections at Borum & Donley's. 47-tf

Call for the best goods cheaper than ever before at Borum & Donley's. 47-tf

NOTICE.

To any person that wants to chill and get well cheap, go to Skinner, the druggist, and buy quinine for 75 cents per ounce. 47-tf

Just received at Jacobs' a nice lot of Prints and staple Dry Goods.

FOR RENT.—The store room formerly occupied by Putty Bros. For further particulars apply to T. J. Putty.

Just received at Jacobs' store a fine line of latest styles of fur and wool hats, very low for cash, from 40 cts. to \$6. 45-3w

You will find a good line of Groceries at the lowest prices for cash at Jacobs'. 48-3w

You can get at Jacobs' a good cigar nicely put in cases
2 for 5cts
3 for 10cts
4 for 10cts

BOOM! BOOM!!

The boom is here. Just keep cool, don't get excited; but should you get hot go to Skinner's drug store and take an ice cold milk shake or soda water.

Just received a fresh lot of choice staple and fancy groceries at Borum & Donley's. 47-tf

BUY YOUR DRUGS

FROM

SKINNER, -:- THE -:- DRUGGIST.

A full line of Standard Patent Medicines, Paints, Oils, Varnishes, Glass, &c., &c.

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EAST SIDE PUBLIC SQUARE.

RESIDENCE: Southeast corner of same block, where he may be found at night.

The Independent.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

FOR CONGRESS.

We are authorized to announce W. O. Davis, of Cook county, as a candidate for congress from this the 5th district of Texas, subject to the action of the Democratic party in said district.

We are authorized to announce the Hon. Silas Hare, of Grayson, as a candidate for re-election to Congress from this, the 5th district of Texas, subject to the action of the Democratic district convention.

FOR REPRESENTATIVE.

We are authorized to announce Dr. A. J. Wolverton, of Montague, as a candidate for the Legislature from this Representative district, subject to the action of the Democratic district convention.

FOR COUNTY JUDGE.

We are authorized to announce Ben F. Turner as a candidate for County Judge of Clay county at the ensuing November election.

We are authorized to announce J. C. Chesnut as a candidate for County Judge of Clay county at the ensuing November election.

We are authorized to announce the name of J. C. Miller as a candidate for the office of County Judge of Clay county at the ensuing November election.

FOR COUNTY ATTORNEY.

We are authorized to announce Emmett Patton as a candidate for the office of County Attorney at the ensuing November election.

FOR COUNTY TREASURER.

We are authorized to announce S. M. Sears as a candidate for the office of County Treasurer of Clay county at the November election.

We are authorized to announce L. B. Upham as a candidate for the office of County Treasurer of Clay county at the November election.

We are authorized to announce W. C. Putty as a candidate for the office of County Treasurer of Clay county at the November election.

FOR COUNTY AND DISTRICT CLERK.

We are authorized to announce Thaddeus W. Brannon as a candidate for District and County Clerk of Clay county at the ensuing November election.

We are authorized to announce G. W. Ford as a candidate for District and County Clerk of Clay county at the November election.

We are authorized to announce Ward Biley as a candidate for the office of District and County Clerk, of Clay county, at the ensuing November election.

FOR SHERIFF.

We are authorized to announce J. B. Culwell as a candidate for the office of Sheriff and Tax Collector of Clay county, at the coming fall election.

We are authorized to announce G. C. Wright as a candidate for the office of Sheriff and Tax Collector of Clay county, at the ensuing November election.

FOR COUNTY ASSESSOR.

We are authorized to announce the name of S. K. Audrain as a candidate for the office of County Assessor of Clay county at the ensuing November election.

We are authorized to announce the name of Ben F. Denson as a candidate for the office of County Assessor of Clay county at the ensuing November election.

We are authorized to announce W. W. Bell as a candidate for County Assessor of Clay county at the ensuing November election.

FOR COUNTY SURVEYOR.

We are authorized to announce the name of Jordan A. Smith as a candidate for the office of County Surveyor of Clay county, at the ensuing November election.

FOR COMMISSIONER.

We are authorized to announce Wm. Warren as a candidate for County Commissioner from Precinct No. 1, at the ensuing election.

We are authorized to announce D. L. Britain for re-election as County Commissioner for Precinct No. 1, at the ensuing November election.

We are authorized to announce J. M. Loving as a candidate for County Commissioner from Precinct No. 4, at the ensuing November election.

FOR JUSTICE OF THE PEACE.

We are authorized to announce W. Y. McOne as a candidate for Justice of the Peace for Precinct No. 1 at the ensuing November election.

We are authorized to announce Jos. F. Johns as a candidate for Justice of the Peace for Precinct No. 1 of Clay county, at the ensuing November election.

A full line of all the school books used in this county will be received in a few days at F. E. Squires' book store. 50-2t

ADDITIONAL LOCALS.

Vincent Stine and family returned yesterday from an extended sojourn in Colorado.

Dr. J. M. Butterworth returned Saturday from an extended professional trip up the Fort Worth and Denver.

T. V. Munson, a nurseryman of Denison, was in the city a few days this week in the interests of his business.

Mr. J. W. Kuykendall, who has been off duty several days on account of the death of his little Annie, is again at his post.

Miss Madie Morgan returned Friday from a two months' visit among friends and relatives at Whitewright, Grayson county.

Mrs. William Acers and her daughter, Miss Lottie, of Greer county, are visiting in Henrietta, the guests of Mrs. G. W. Neely.

Dr. F. O. Gallaway returned from Colorado last Friday, after a protracted stay among the mountains, much improved in health.

Miss Sadie Turner, who has been visiting her brother, Judge Turner, for some months past, will return to-morrow to her home in Missouri.

Miss Mabel Johnson went to Bowie yesterday to visit Miss Blanche Giddens. She leaves many mourning friends who hope her visit will be sweet and—short.

A new schedule went into effect on the Fort Worth and Denver, Sunday. The North-bound train now arrives at 2:03 o'clock, p. m., and the South-bound, at 1:25, p. m.

Miss Ida Grogan who has been spending a few days with Miss Gussie Johns departed this social life on Thursday for her retreat on Red river to the regret of her admirer(s).

A number of soldiers, discharged from the force at Fort Sill, came down yesterday on their way to parts unknown, and some recruits to take their places arrived from Kansas City.

Jas. J. Byrnes, the gentlemanly and affable young traveling representative of the Dallas News, was in the city several days this week, and made the INDEPENDENT a pleasant call.

Miss Dollie Martin, one of Henrietta's charming young society belles, leaves to-morrow for a month's visit among relatives and friends in Gainesville. The best wishes of her numerous friends and admirers attend her, all of whom hope she may enjoy a delightful time.

The serenaders are indebted to Miss Rosa Maxey for a huge and delicious cake and a large pitcher of iced tea to accompany the aforesaid cake, while on their "usual rounds" one night last week. There is a page in memory's album reserved for the generous young lady on which the grateful thanks of the "midnight revelers" are indelibly inscribed.

W. Y. McCune announces in this issue of the INDEPENDENT as candidate for Justice of the Peace for Precinct No. 1 at the coming fall election. Mr. McCune is the present incumbent, and so far as we know has given general satisfaction. If re-elected, he will doubtless perform his duties as chief magistrate of the Precinct in a manner creditable to himself and to his constituency.

To Our Friends.

We wish to express to you our most heartfelt thanks for your sympathy during our affliction, and for your kindness in assisting us so faithfully in trying to alleviate the sufferings of our dear little Annie during her recent illness. And while we submit so willingly to our Heavenly Father in taking her sweet little spirit back to its Maker, yet it is very, very hard to give her up, and leaves a wound that time alone can heal. Still it is sweet to think of the dear little one looking down from her heavenly habitation, and there watching and waiting with out-stretched arms the coming of loved ones who are soon to follow.

Sincerely,
MR. AND MRS. KUYKENDALL.

In the proper place will be found the announcement of B. F. Turner as a candidate for re-election to the office of County Judge at the ensuing election. Judge Turner has filled the office during the past two years in a manner creditable to himself, and the people can rest assured that if re-elected for another term he will continue as he has begun.

During the deep-water convention which is to be held at Denver on the 28th, the Fort Worth & Denver will sell excursion tickets at all stations along the line at the rate of one fare for the round trip. Tickets will be sold between the 15th and 27th, good to return until September 30th.

The announcement of W. W. Bell, candidate for County Assessor of Clay county, will be found in its proper place. Mr. Bell is an old citizen of the county, is public-spirited, energetic and well known as a man of honesty and integrity as a citizen and if elected, will make a fine assessor.

Prof. Crews closes his singing school to-night, after a successful term. He has awakened great interest in the subject of music, which we hope will not be allowed to abate. Let all keep up their interest and encourage every indication of musical talent that may betray itself.

The Henrietta base ball club challenged the Wichita Falls nine to play a match game tomorrow, but up to our going to press they have not heard from them. Our boys are ready to play a match game, and unless the Falls will come forward Henrietta shall claim the belt.

Mrs. H. V. Reeves has opened a dress making establishment in the Butters block on the South side. Mrs. Reeves comes highly recommended and is prepared to do first-class work.—Denver Eye.

Mrs. Reeves has for several years been a resident of Henrietta and her many friends here will be glad to hear of her success.

Miss Laura Morgan, who has been confined to her bed with a severe spell of fever for the past month, is able to be up again.

When you want a first class square meal for 25 cents, go to Mrs. Hooper's boarding house, one block South of the public square.

Turn out to the primaries on the 25th and see that justice is done to both candidates for congress.

W. A. Dawson and wife left yesterday for Sherman and Dallas to visit relatives and friends.

Mrs. Bagby, of Mircola, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Kuykendall, of this city.

J. C. MILLER.

In this issue will appear the announcement of J. C. Miller as a candidate for the office of County Judge of Clay county at the coming November election. Below we publish a recommendation from a number of citizens of Rockwall county, which is sufficient to set before the public his worth as an honest and faithful officer:

To whom it may concern:

The undersigned have been personally acquainted with the Hon. J. C. Miller, for a number of years, and know him to be an honest, upright citizen. He was County Judge of Rockwall county for several years; E. C. Heath, A. R. Hartman, Co Judge; D. H. Parsons, Assessor; W. T. Power, Treasurer; J. D. Boydstone, Merchant; D. C. Fondsen, Merchant; J. R. Dumas, J. J. Loser, M. S. Austin, Bunyan King, J. S. Vernon, Constable; J. O. Heath, Postmaster.

Democratic Primary.

Notice is hereby given that a Democratic primary will be held at Blue Grove school house on August 25th for the purpose of sending delegates to the county convention to be held at Henrietta on the 1st day of September, 1888. The convention being called for the purpose of sending delegates to the Congressional and Legislative conventions. All Democrats are requested to attend.

F. B. BAILLIO,
Precinct Chairman.

Unclaimed Letter List.

List of letters remaining in the Post Office at Henrietta, Texas, August 13, 1888. If not called for in four weeks will be sent to the Dead Letter Office, Washington, D. C.

Mrs. Mattie Burr
Miss Annie Cooper
George C. Crooks
J. Denis
Jas. S. Franklin
Mrs. Annie Wooten

Parties calling for the above letters will please say advertised, giving date.
W. A. SQUIRES, P. M.
F. E. SQUIRES, Ass't. P. M.

Teachers' Examination.

Notice is hereby given that the board of examiners for Clay county will hold an examination for teachers at Henrietta, Friday and Saturday, September 7th and 8th. All desiring to be examined should be present without fail.

A. W. VANMAN,
J. A. BECK,
MISS EDDIE CALAHAN,
Board of Examiners.

The following are the counties of this, the fifth Congressional district, and the number of votes they are entitled to in the coming Congressional convention, which meets in Gainesville, Sept. 4th: Grayson, 17; Cooke, 11; Collin, 15; Denton, 10; Wise, 8; Rockwall, 2; Montague, 9; Clay, 3; Wichita, 1; Archer, 1; and Baylor, 2, making a total of eighty votes in the convention.

District Medical Examination.

The District Medical Examining Board in and for the 30th Judicial District will meet in Wichita Falls Friday, Aug. 24th.

J. H. FERRISS,
Clay Co. Med. Ex.

LAST CHANCE

to get fine Photographs of your baby, as Swartz & Freeman will stay only a short time longer. 49

J. D. Skinner is selling the few goods left that were damaged by fire at whatever they will bring.

For Machine needles, Oil and Fixtures, go to Walker's Book store near N. E. cor. square. 48-2t

Writing material, pens, pencils, tablets, inks, envelopes, visiting cards, novels, and other things too numerous to mention, at F. E. Squires' book store, next door to postoffice. 50-2t



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Napkins at 25 cents per dozen. Ladies' hose at 5, 6, 8, 10 and 12 cents per pair.

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Gents' fine hose—improved seams—at 25 cents per pair.

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Figured lawns 4, 5 and 7 cents a yard, latest styles.

12 yards fine bleaching for \$1.

5 inch heavy laces at only 4 cts. a yard.

6-inch heavy laces at only 5 cts. a yard.

Gents' fine all-wool pants, elegant designs \$4 and \$5 a pair.

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CLAY COUNTY.

A Brief Sketch of Her Soil, Climate, Resources, and People.

(For Out-Side Readers.)

In response to numerous letters received daily from various sections of the Union making inquiries concerning Clay county, we present the following hastily prepared and necessary crude description of our county, her resources, people, &c.

Clay county is situated in the Northern tier of counties. It is bounded on the North by Red river, on the East by Montague county, on the South by Jack county, and on the West by Archer and Wichita counties. The big and Little Wichita rivers flow in a North-easterly direction through the county. Their tributaries are East Fork, Dry Fork, Post Oak, Jones, Duck, Turkey, and Long creeks, which afford ample stock water, and whose banks are skirted with timber sufficient to supply the county with wood for years to come. There are quite a number of good springs in the county, and excellent well water can be had at from sixteen to thirty feet. The general surface of Clay county is a high rolling prairie, relieved by broad valleys with their green belts of timber, and in the spring and autumn this is one of the loveliest countries in the world. About one-fourth of the county is more or less densely covered with oak, pecan, ash, hackberry, wild china, chittim, and cottonwood trees.

CLIMATE.

All things considered, the climate is one of the most pleasant to be found in the South. The winters are short and temperate, and there are not two weeks during the entire season that we don't have nice smooth roads. The summers are long, and the thermometer at times indicates a high degree of temperature, but the stiff breeze that constantly blows from the South so modifies the heat that, it is rarely oppressive. The nights are simply delightful. The weary toiler may stretch his tired limbs on the bosom of old Mother Earth and sleep till rosy morn, without contracting any rheumatism or bad colds, because the cool breeze that fans his fevered face is pure and dry.

SOIL AND CROPS.

The soil for the most part is a deep red loam, and is very productive, especially in the river and creek bottoms. The average yield per acre is as follows:

Cotton 1-2 to 3-4 bale. Corn 40 to 60 bushels; Wheat 20 to 40; Oats 50 to 90. Peaches, apricots, pears, apples, plums and grapes are being cultivated very successfully. It is thought by those who have been experimenting with them that grapes will, in the near future, be one of our principal products. Texas pecans are the finest in the world, and command the highest price in all markets. Dewberries and blackberries also grow of fine quality and in paying quantities.

STOCK-RAISING.

Stock raising has been the principal industry here, but the rapidly increasing value of land is gradually driving the stock westward, and the time is rapidly approaching when the land will be too valuable except for men who combine farming with stock raising; and instead of holding immense herds of Texas

cattle, will keep a small stock of thoroughbreds and provide them with food and shelter during the winter. To this class of men Clay county now offers an excellent field for investment. There are at present no public lands in Clay county, but individual owners are offering wild lands in desirable quantities at from \$3 to \$6. The rental here is about \$2 per acre, or one fourth of the cotton, and one third of the other crops.

CHEAP HOMES.

Lands have appreciated in value very rapidly during the past few years, but now, owing to the hard times and scarcity of money, may be bought on far more favorable terms than can reasonably be expected to continue after the pressure of hard times is relieved. The man who owns, free of incumbrance, a farm of 160 acres, is independent for all time to come, if ordinary industry and economy are used. There are thousands of acres of excellent farming lands that may be bought at the price above mentioned, and Clay county invites, with open arms, all who are seeking homes, to come and settle down within her borders.

Our people hail from every state and country, and are about equally divided between the North and South. In point of intelligence and enterprise, they are at least ten years in advance of many of the older counties. Every community is building up good schools and churches and, in a few years, Northwest Texas will have as fine common schools as any portion of the Union. Society is excellent. Theft, house-breaking, and other lawlessness are almost unknown. Health good. The few diseases prevalent here are mostly of a malarial nature, are not ordinarily fatal.

"THE QUEEN OF THE WEST."

Henrietta, the county seat, is the principal town in the county with a population of about 2500. Is beautifully situated on a slightly and healthy elevation one and a half miles South of the Little Wichita river, on the line of the Fort Worth and Denver City railroad, ninety-six miles Northwest of the city of Fort Worth, and is the present terminus of the Gainesville, Henrietta and Western railroad, one of the main lines of the Mo. Pacific system which will ultimately be extended to the Pacific coast. A \$40,000 court house has been completed about three years. This is the ornament and pride of the town and county. A little over three years ago the town built an \$18,000 public school building that is furnished with all the modern apparatus for teaching. Prof. F. A. Glenn, for six years principal of the Longview graded schools, now has charge as principal and superintendent of the Henrietta public school. The school is taught nine months in the year with an average of 325 pupils. There are four church buildings, Methodist and Baptist, both built of stone, the Presbyterian, built of brick, and the Catholic, a frame building; besides these there are other church organizations, which contemplate building soon. There is also a good frame colored school building. The court house and school house are both built of brick, trimmed with stone. Builders and architects all agree that the soil near town is especially adapted to making very fine brick, and there is no question about there being enough of the very best stone in the immediate vicinity to build a large city. There are organizations of Masons, Odd Fellows, Knights of Pythias, Knights of Honor, Legion of Hon-

or, Temperance societies, etc. The society is equal to that of any town of its size in the state. There is a great deal of wealth here. It is the home of a large number of cattle men who own herds in this and Western counties, and who live here for the benefit of the schools and the excellent society. These gentlemen are to a man liberal and progressive, as are the generality of our people. Town lots can be had for residence cheap, from \$25 to \$50. Of course, lots in the business part of town are higher, and vary in price according to location, from \$250 to \$1,500.

The Henrietta city mills are acknowledged to be the finest flouring mills in Texas, with a capacity of 150 barrels of flour per day, supplied with the finest machinery. This mill is attracting farmers with large train loads of grain from all the neighboring counties.

AS A RAILROAD CENTER,

Henrietta will be conspicuous in the near future. Here the Fort Worth & Denver and the Gainesville, Henrietta & Western intersect each other and this will shortly be made the end of a division on both roads. During the present year the former, which is now extending its line rapidly, will be completed to the line of New Mexico to connect with the Denver, Texas & Gulf road, which is now building this way to meet it—thus giving us a through route to Colorado and the Northwest Territories. The Gainesville, Henrietta & Western, which is a part of the Missouri Pacific system, will not extend beyond this city for the present, but next year will, in all probability, push rapidly forward toward El Paso and the Pacific coast.

The right-of-way bill of the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific through the Indian Territory calls for a route from Chicago, Kansas, by way of Fort Worth, the same to enter Texas headed toward Cisco and Brownwood. Henrietta is directly on the route thus laid out, and will undoubtedly secure this road, as it can here make connection with both the Missouri Pacific and the Fort Worth & Denver, aside from the fact that it will be the most direct, easy and practicable route between the points designated.

There is also a strong probability that the Missouri Pacific company will shortly build down from Wichita, Kansas, to intersect its line here, and on toward the Gulf, in order more effectually to compete with the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific and the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe. The latter road has also signified a disposition to build down in this direction from Arkansas City, Kansas, in order to make things more interesting for its two great rivals, and from present indications Henrietta, owing to its peculiarly favorable location, is almost sure to be the battle ground in the war between these giant roads.

The Denton & Northwestern, which is a continuation of the Dallas & Wichita road from Denton, is expected to begin its extension up in this direction during the year. Henrietta is in its natural course and, with the important connections to be made here, this road cannot afford to miss us. The D. & N. W. will give us almost an air line to Dallas, and Dallas will give \$25,000 to have it extended to Henrietta in order to secure a larger share of the trade of this section and the country North and West of here.

BELLEVEUE,

on the Eastern border of the

Worth & Denver City railroad is a thriving young town. There is at present a quite large body of splendid farming and grazing lands for sale here. This property is now owned by a defunct cattle corporation, and it is expected that at an early day all this vast body of land heretofore monopolized by this corporation will pass into the hands of small farmers and stockmen of limited means.

NEWPORT,

situated near the Southeast corner of Clay County, is a thriving town of about 300 inhabitants with a very fine farming country surrounding it.

CHARLIE,

situated in the Northwest part of Clay county, is a small village in the midst of the finest body of farming land in the whole state of Texas, lying as it does between the Big Wichita and Red river. There is here about 500,000 acres of very fine valley land. This section is pretty well settled by farmers.

The immigrant will find that it will pay him well to stop off at Bellevue or Henrietta and take a look at this magnificent land before proceeding further towards the unsettled and uninhabited wildernesses. The advantages of good lands, good schools and churches, good society, etc., are and ought to be taken into consideration by all intelligent home-seekers.

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The Independent.

Sunday School Convention.

BELLEVUE, TEX.,
Aug. 7, 1888.

The Sunday School Convention was opened at 10 o'clock a.m. with J. R. Stillwell in the chair. After singing by the choir and prayer by the chairman, the address of welcome was made by A. B. Smyth, and responded to by Rev. George Pierson. On motion speakers were limited to 30 minutes. Then followed the opening address by G. H. Gill. Subject, "The Object of Sunday School Conventions."

At the afternoon session Rev. Geo. Pierson spoke on "Our Sunday Schools," and gave us many new ideas.

The following reports were made: Henrietta Baptist Sunday School; 100 scholars, 8 classes.

Henrietta Presbyterian Sunday School; 60 scholars, 6 classes.

Oak Grove Sunday School; J. M. Ormand, Superintendent; 30 scholars, 3 classes.

Stillwell School House Sunday School was organized July 22nd by G. H. Gill, with Eli Mayfield Superintendent; 29 scholars, and three teachers. Also, Lone Star Sunday School, with W. T. Harbon Superintendent, and 19 scholars present.

Lisenby (Montague county) Sunday School was organized by G. H. Gill July 21st, with W. R. Rhea Superintendent, A. B. Smyth Ass't Sup't, and W. H. Tud Secretary; 50 scholars, 5 classes.

At the Wednesday morning session the Committee on nominations (Rev. Geo. Pierson, B. C. Goodner and A. B. Smyth,) made the following report: President, G. H. Gowan; Vice-President, W. C. Wilson; Secretary, J. W. Borum. The organization to be called "The Clay County Sunday School Convention," meeting semi-annually, fall and spring, the next session to be held at Fannintown, October 10th.

Resolution offered by G. H. Gill: Resolved, That we earnestly protest against the pernicious habit of closing the Sunday Schools for the winter, where at all practicable to keep them open.

Resolved, That we, the delegates and visitors to this Convention, return our heartfelt thanks to the citizens of Bellevue for their kind welcome that has made our stay so pleasant. J. R. STILLWELL,

A. B. SMYTH, President.
Superintendent.

The greatest need of our land today is an education away from the fearful danger of a haste to be rich, a cultivation of the quiet and improving arts, an encouragement of genial and benevolent lives, a preservation of home virtues, a teaching of the truth that moderation best serves the cause of happiness, and a demonstration that in helpfulness to others, man best helps himself. While wise laws can do much to suppress some of the worst features of the gold hunt, it is to the press, to the school and the church that we must look for the inculcation of the purer and loftier ideas that will meet and overcome the materialism which the peculiar conditions of our country have fostered, and which the thoughtless minds of our youths so readily accept. Contented minds are more conducive to happiness than riches, glory or fame. In our life work let us remember that it will profit us but little if we gain a world of wealth and lose contentment and happiness.—Ex.

Little Esie—"Oh, take me up, mamma, it's so muddy."

Mamma—"Walk across, that's a good girl. Mamma has all she can do to carry poor Fido."

What's the use of always fretting at the trials we shall find ever strewn along our pathway? Travel on and never mind. Travel onward, working, hoping, cast no lingering look behind at the trials once encountered, look ahead and never mind.

What is past is past forever, let all fretting be resigned; it will never help the matter—do your best and never mind. And if those who might befriend you, whom the ties of nature bind, should refuse to do their duty, look to Heaven and never mind.

Friendly words are often spoken, when the feelings are unkind; take them for their real value. Pass them by and never mind. Fates may threaten, clouds may lower, enemies may be combined; if your trust in God is steadfast, He will help you, never mind.—Ex.

We read a good deal in newspapers as to the proper way to select a wife. As Love is about the blindest thing in the world that goes hoodwinked with a scarf, it is not expected that the young man about to emerge from a life of single blessedness would hesitate one instant to be governed by published rules. No, indeed, to be true to nature, he is blind, and what others might call a defect, he considers a great benefit, and thus he may draw a capital prize in the lottery of life where there are so many blanks and few prizes, but ninety and nine chances are against him where the fickle goddess allows one to favor him. What applies to the man also applies to the woman.

Bob Ingersoll says that polygamy makes a man a beast, a woman a trembling slave. It destroys the fireside, makes virtue a clinging outcast, takes from human speech its sweetest words and leaves the heart a den, where crawl and hiss the slimy serpents of loathsome lust. Civilization rests upon the family. The good government, and naturally the virtuous grow about the human hearth of home—they cluster, bloom and shed their perfumes around the fireside where the one man loves the one woman. Love, husband, wife, mother, father, child, home—without these words the world is but a liar, and men and women are but beasts.

Accounts reach us of an invention now being exhibited in Liverpool, by means of which an Italian named Carlo Bozza can not only give—without other aid than electricity—performances upon a variety of musical instruments at the same time, but can also reproduce the music at any distance. Signor Bozza has also invented a new musical instrument, playable only by electricity. It is made of porcelain, and from it he is said to produce music, unique in sweetness and penetration.—Electrical Review.

Some person has estimated what the earth weighs and here it is: One hundred and twenty-two sextillion, six hundred and ten quintillion, three hundred and twenty-three quadrillion, five hundred and five trillion, five hundred and seventy-four billion, three hundred and eighty-five million, seven hundred and eighty-two thousand, six hundred and seven hundred-weight. If you do not believe this, weigh it yourself!

When the hour of trouble comes to the mind, or our body, or when the hour of death comes—that comes to high and low—then it is not what we have done for ourselves, but what we have done for others, that we are likely to think of most pleasantly.—Ex.

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Because you can purchase good land at from \$3 to \$8 per acre.

Because the yield is large and the prices always remunerative.

Because the country is advancing and property values are increasing.

Because the vast and varied resources of the country are yet to be developed.

Because the settler need not spend a lifetime in felling trees and grubbing out stumps.

Because there are chances for a poor man which he never can hope to find in older countries.

Because a man can make a livelihood here with less labor than in any part of the United States.

Because capital does not block all the avenues to wealth, nor crowd the poor man to the wall.

Because life is a luxury in a land where the cool breeze blows every night and the days are never oppressive.

Because the people are law-abiding citizens, and the moral and religious interests are well cared for.

Because the wealth of its farming, grazing and mineral lands will yet build up a great and prosperous county.

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The vampire bat, which at night sucks the blood of people who are asleep, has been said to be a myth. But the experience of Rev. Mr. Clough, a missionary in South America, is to the effect that the ugly creatures are a reality. He was in the Furo de Uraria district, North of the Amazon river. Some of his companions had been bitten at night, and found themselves bloody on waking in the morning. Mr. Clough stayed awake one moonlight night to watch for vampires. Two of them came and hovered over him, fanning him with their leathery wings. Having provided himself with a club and a net he caught one of them, which proved to be twenty-three inches across the wings. This specimen was sent to the South American Missionary society of London, and is now in that society's museum.—New York Press.

A great deal of talent is lost in the world for the want of a little courage. Every day sends to their graves a number of obscure men who have only remained obscure because their timidity has prevented them from making a first effort.

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TIME TABLE.

Missouri Pacific Railway.

(Gainesville, Henrietta & Western Division.)
Henrietta and Dallas Daily Express.
Arrives... 8:00 p. m. Leaves... 7:00 a. m.
Henrietta and Denison Daily Accom'n.
Arrives... 7:30 p. m. Leaves... 7:15 a. m.
J. S. Maben, Agent.

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Express Daily North... 2:03 p. m.
" " South... 1:25 p. m.
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Arrival and Departure of Mails.

Railway mail arrives and departs daily—West bound closes at 12:45 p. m. East bound, 6 a. m. and 11:15 a. m.

Fort Sill I. T. and Benvenue—Closes 9 p. m.—Departs 5 a. m. six times a week.

Graham, Antelope, and Gertrude Closes 9 p. m. Departs 6 a. m. on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Arrives 9 p. m. on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday.

Riverland—Departs Tuesday and Saturday 6 a. m. Arrives Tuesday and Saturday at 9 p. m.

Beaver Creek—Arrives 12 m. Saturday. Departs Saturday at 1 p. m.

Charlie—Arrives 4 p. m. Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays. Departs 9 a. m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

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W. A. SQUIRES, P. M.
F. E. SQUIRES, Asst. P. M.

Friday, August 17, 1888.

LOCAL NEWS.

R. C. Joyce is in town.

Butter is still very scarce.

A nice little shower this morning.

G. P. Meade, of Fort Worth, is in the city.

Ah, there, assistant! Bye, bye, my honey, I am gone.

A great many new faces appear on the streets these days.

Prof. S. S. Munroe, of Kosse, was in the city this week.

By ones and twos Texans are coming back from Colorado.

There have been a good many prospectors in town this week.

Fred Squires has opened a new book store next to the post office.

R. P. Short, merchant at Suggs, Indian Territory, was in town this week.

Sam Bean returned Wednesday night from a short business trip to Dallas.

V. S. Pitts has been confined to his room for several days this week with fever.

Mrs. E. B. Carver leaves tomorrow to visit her husband's relatives in Missouri.

Don't fail to hear Hon. Silas Hare at the court house on next Tuesday morning.

Mrs. T. B. McDonald returned Saturday from a week's visit to friends at Sunset.

Mrs. G. W. Ford returned last night from an extended visit among relatives at Plano.

T. W. Johnson and S. J. Garrison, both of the B. I. T., were at the St. Elmo Hotel this week.

Mrs. John S. Phelps returned Sunday from a two months' visit to her sister, Mrs. M. M. Marable, at Bonham.

Sid Graham went to Dallas on Monday to attend the encampment.

J. V. Rogers, of Longview, has been in the city several days this week on business.

G. C. Wright and wife and Miss Minnie Wyont attended the picnic at Bowie this week.

Mrs. E. F. Cochran went to Dallas last Sunday to see her sister who is very sick.

The Missouri Pacific pay car is expected about the 20th, and will make the boys happy.

Will Suddath and Frank Marshall both started for Chicago last Saturday with stock trains.

Mrs. John Lewis, of Weatherford, is visiting Mrs. W. S. Ikard and Mrs. S. M. Sears this week.

J. W. Denning is out again after nursing a pet finger and an indisposed foot for several days past.

Wm. Worsham, a prominent citizen of Gainesville, was looking at the city one day this week.

People are on the move; prairie schooners, with their accompanying stock, are passing through town every day.

If you don't believe that Milk Shake will make you FAT, go down and look at Skinner and Peters—then get yourself some.

Miss Ida Grogan, the belle of the Benvenue neighborhood, has been visiting her numerous friends in the city this week, the guest of Miss Gussie Johns.

Mrs. Glover, of Dallas, wife of the Express messenger on the G. & W. railroad, who has been visiting in the city the past two weeks, returned home yesterday.

Our efficient young city marshal captured a coat yesterday that had been stolen from Davidson's the other day by a fellow who wanted it to get married in. He skipped the country, however, without the girl.

Mr. G. K. Herrington, day operator and clerk in the office of the Fort Worth & Denver at this place, has been transferred to Fort Worth. He is relieved by Mr. Geo. L. Bugbee, who will remain here permanently.

We noticed a gentleman on the streets this week with a card pinned to his clothes and his name written thereon. On diligent inquiry it was learned that the unfortunate man was engaged in inventing a flying machine.

The monthly business statement of the Missouri Pacific railway for July shows 27 cars of stock shipped from Henrietta proper; and this month, up to and including August 4th, 79 cars, which is a considerable increase over last year's shipment.

Prof. Crews, who has so successfully conducted the singing school here the past month, has been elected to the second room in our public schools, taking the place of Prof. R. H. Palmer, who resigned in order to take charge of the school at Cambridge the coming year.

Two hundred and thirteen cars of live stock have passed this month, including Aug. 4th, from points in the Panhandle to St. Louis and Chicago, via Henrietta and M. K. & T. railway, and from a reliable source we are informed the shipment will be far greater this season than last.

Pleasant Sociable.

A very enjoyable party was given at the residence of Mrs. Graham Monday night in honor of Miss Lula Yelton, who is visiting her old friends here. The time was passed with pleasant converse, music and amusements until refreshments were announced to which all did ample justice. Misses Mary Pierson, Josie James and Dollie Martin furnished music on the piano and sang, to the entertainment of the gathering, while the "serenaders" present contributed dulcet strains of harmony to the unconcealed delight of all. Among those present were: Misses Mabel Johnson, Mary Pierson, Josie James, Loma Logan, Katie Patterson, Gussie Johns, Ida Grogan, Dollie Martin, Lula Yelton, and Messrs. J. A. Russey, G. F. Pierson, J. W. Borum, C. L. Stone, N. S. Douglass, W. E. Patton, F. E. Squires, W. N. King, H. J. Strickfaden.

In the candidates' column will be found the announcement of our townsman, Jos. F. Johns, who solicits the suffrage of the citizens of Precinct No. 1 for the office of Justice of the Peace. Mr. Johns is an old settler and is too well known to need any introduction from us. If elected, he will perform the duties of the office impartially, which is all that can be asked.

It is with deep regret we chronicle the death of little Annie, infant child of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Kuykendall, which occurred on last Saturday evening at 5:35 o'clock, after a lingering illness of more than a week. The grief-stricken parents have the sympathy of the entire community in this their hour of profound sorrow.

A crowd of young people tendered Misses Gussie Johns and Ida Grogan a pleasant surprise at the home of the former on last Wednesday night, and notwithstanding the short time in which the party was "gathered together," all had a most delightful time and hope a repetition of the pleasant event may soon follow.

The announcement of J. C. Chesnut as candidate for the office of County Judge will be seen in another column. Mr. Chesnut is an old and valued citizen of Clay county, and possesses the respect and confidence of all who know him. If elected, he will conduct the office faithfully to the extent of his ability.

A letter was received here yesterday saying that Judge Plemons was lying at the point of death at Canadian. His many friends here hope that his illness may not be as serious as reported and that he will soon be restored to his wonted strength.

Thos. A. Johnson returned from Trinidad, Colorado, on Wednesday, after a six-months' absence. He says that other Texans will be back to the Lone Star State as soon as the weather will permit tie-tickets to be taken off the ice.

Capt. M. M. Boggess, of Waco, is visiting his sister, Mrs. Benson. This is the first time they have met in 27 years, and the meeting was a happy one. They are the guests of our townsman, Major T. B. McDonald.

Our pencil-pusher called on J. D. Skinner, our popular druggist, four times this week to get an "ad," but found him too busy each time to fix it up. He says he will have one for us next week. Look for it.

'Twas a glorious night and two lovers sat upon a cliff-side, with the eternal ocean flowing at their feet with a calmness and placidity that was almost appalling. They were looking at the stars above, and he turned to his girl and said with great tenderness:

"My darling, I don't understand what you see in me to love."

"That's what everybody says," she frankly replied.

The silence was even more oppressive than before.

It is stated that since the sunflower has been cultivated on certain swamps of the Potomac malarial fever is decreased. At the mouth of the Scheldt in Holland it is stated that similar results have been obtained. The sunflower emits large volumes of water in the form of vapor; and its aromatic odor, as well as the oxygen it exhales, may have to do with the sanitary influence in question.—Boston Budget.

No one can associate freely with persons of true refinement without imbibing something more of delicacy and gentleness into his own nature; nor can anyone live in an atmosphere of sympathy and good will without feeling his emotions stirred with love and interest in his fellow-men.

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ALL PERSONS

wanting Photographs will please call at once, as Swartz & Freeman will close their Gallery at an early day. 49

Notice to Contractors.

Sealed bids will be received by the County Clerk for the building of two bridges, one across the slough on the Blue Grove road, and one on the Bellevue road near the Roberts' farm, said bridges to be built according to plans and specifications on file in the County Clerk's office. All bids to be in by the 17th day of September, 1888. The court reserves the right to reject any and all bids. BEX F. TURNER, County Judge.

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Ladies' silk mitts at 25 cents a pair; worth 50 cents.

Ladies' English kid flexible and solid soled kid shoes, only \$1.50 a pair.

Ladies' glove worked button holes solid soled shoes only \$1.50 a pair.

Ladies' fine kid shoes, Philadelphia make, only \$2.50 a pair—would be cheap at \$4.

Ladies' French kid shoes worth \$6, marked down at \$4; good for 12 months wear.

Ladies' sewed glove lace shoes, solid soles, elegant finish, only \$1.50 a pair.

Gents' fine calf shoes, in button and lace, at \$2.50.

Gents' calf shoes in lace and button at \$1.75.

Gents' calf shoes in lace and button at 1.50.

Misses kid shoes, only \$1.00 to \$1.25 a pair.

Children's fine kid shoes at 75 cents a pair.

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C. B. PATTERSON, M. E. H. P. Jno T. Craig, E. K. M. Ikard, E. S. J. C. Chesnutt, Sec'y.

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Henrietta Lodge No. 19—Meets 1st and 3rd Monday nights in each month.
H. W. Grubbe, Jno. F. Conn, K of R and S C C

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Henrietta Lodge No. 2341—Meets 2nd and 4th Thursday night in each month.
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M. E. CHURCH SOUTH. J. L. PIERCE, Pastor. Services 11 o'clock a. m. and 7 o'clock p. m. the second and third Sundays in each month. Prayer meeting every Thursday evening at 7 o'clock. Sunday school every Sunday morning at 9 o'clock.
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Congressional Convention.

To the democracy of the fifth congressional district: A convention of the Democratic party is hereby called to meet in the city of Gainesville on Tuesday, September 4, 1888, for the purpose of nominating a candidate for congress from this district, composed of Grayson, Collin, Rockwall, Denton, Wise, Cooke, Montague, Clay, Wichita, Wilbarger, Archer and Baylor counties, and for such other business as may legally come before the convention; the convention to fix the basis of representation.

G. W. BAREFOOT, Chairman of the Democratic Executive committee of the Fifth Congressional district.

District Democratic Convention.

As chairman of the Democratic Executive committee of the 44th Legislative District of Texas, I hereby call a district Democratic convention to meet in the town of Belcherville, on the 25th day of September, 1888, for the purpose of nominating a candidate for the State legislature for this district, composed of Clay and Montague counties. JNO. H. STEPHENS, Ch'm Dem. Ex. Com. 44th Dist.

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A Low Voice in Woman.

[Woman's Work.]

Yes, we agree with that old poet who said that a low, soft voice was an excellent thing in woman. Indeed, we feel inclined to go much further than he has on the subject, and call it one of her crowning charms. No matter what other attractions she may have; she may be as fair as the Trojan Helen, and as learned as the famous Hypatia of ancient times; she may have all the accomplishments considered requisite at the present day, and every advantage that wealth can procure, and yet if she lack a low, sweet voice she can never be really fascinating. How often the spell of beauty is broken by coarse, loud talking! How often you are irresistibly drawn to a plain, unassuming woman, whose soft, silvery tones render her positively attractive. Besides, we fancy we can judge of the character by the voice; the bland, smooth, fawning tone seems to us to betoken deceit and hypocrisy, as invariably as the musical, subdued voice indicates a genuine refinement. In the social circle how pleasant it is to hear a woman talk in that low key which always characterizes the true lady! In the sanctuary of home how such a voice soothes the fretful temper and cheers the weary husband! How sweetly such cadences float through the sick chamber, and around the dying bed; with what solemn melody do they breathe a prayer for a departing soul!

A Two-Faced Child.

A strange phenomenon has just been discovered four or five miles from Saratoga, on the farm of John L. Slatchenburger, near the old "Pigeon Roost." About two weeks ago Mrs. Sarah Langston, colored, gave birth to a male child that surpasses all monstrosities in the human family. This baby, which is alive and well, has two perfectly-formed faces, backing each other. It frequently cries with one face while the other is sober or laughing. Both faces are perfectly formed in all their features and functions, there being two mouths, two noses and four eyes. The throats appear to join or run into one just below the Adam's apple. The freak has only one arm, but three legs, the extra limb sticking back like a kangaroo's tail, and serving as a prop when the baby is placed on its feet. At birth the thing weighed three pounds and now weighs eighteen. It can take nourishment with either mouth or both at the same time from two nurses. The mother is a large, masculine-looking woman. She cannot explain the strange deformity of her child.—Omaha Bee.

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Democratic Senatorial Convention.

Office Democratic Executive Com. }
19th Senatorial District. }
VERNON, TEXAS, }
July 10th, 1888. }

To the Democrats 19th Senatorial District:

There will be held in the 19th senatorial district of the state of Texas, at Vernon, on the 30th day of August, 1888, a Democratic convention to nominate a candidate for election to the office of state senator to represent said district for the next senatorial term, and for the transaction of any other business that said convention may deem proper.

Each county will be entitled to have seated in said convention one delegate for each one hundred votes or fraction over fifty thereof cast for Governor Ross at the last election. Provided, that each organized county shall be entitled to one delegate; provided, that such basis of representation is made subject to the ratification of said convention.

T. WINDSOR ROBINSON,
Ch'm. Ex. Com.

County Convention.

A County Democratic Convention for Clay county is hereby called to meet at the court house in the city of Henrietta on the first day of September, 1888, to elect delegates to the Congressional convention to be held at Gainesville on the 4th day of September, 1888; also to elect delegates to the Representative District Convention which is to be held at Belcher on the 25th day of September, 1888. Precinct meetings are requested to meet on the 25th day of August, 1888, to elect delegates to said county Convention.

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The Independent.

Madison's Democracy.

The following principles were announced by Mr. Madison. They are in part but echoes of what came from the lips of Washington and Jefferson, but have become the policy of the Democratic party ever since he announced them as follows:

1. To cherish peace and friendly intercourse with all nations having a corresponding disposition.

2. To maintain sincere neutrality towards belligerent nations.

3. To prefer, in all cases, amicable discussions and reasonable accommodation of differences, to a decision of them by an appeal to arms.

4. To exclude foreign intrigues and foreign partialities, so degrading to all countries and so baneful to free ones.

5. To foster a spirit of independence, too just to invade the rights of others, too proud to surrender our own, too liberal to indulge unworthy prejudices ourselves, and not too elevated to look down upon them in others.

6. To hold the Union of the States as the basis of their peace and happiness.

7. To support the Constitution, which is the cement of the Union, as well in its limitations as in its authorities.

8. To respect the rights and authorities reserved to the states and the people, as equally incorporated with, and essential to, the success of the general system.

9. To avoid the slightest interference with the rights of conscience or the functions of religion, so wisely exempted from civil jurisdiction.

10. To preserve in their full energy the salutary provisions in behalf of private and personal rights, and the freedom of the press.

11. To observe economy in public expenditures.

12. To liberate public resources by an honorable discharge of the public debts.

13. To keep within the requisite limits a standing military force—always remembering that an armed and trained militia is the firmest bulwark of republics.

14. That without standing armies their liberties can never be in danger, nor with large ones, safe.

15. To promote, by authorized means, improvements friendly to agriculture, to commerce, to manufactures, and to external as well as internal commerce.

16. To favor in like manner the advancement of science and the diffusion of information, as the best aliment of true liberty.

17. To carry our benevolent plans for the conversion of our aboriginal neighbors from the degradation and wretchedness of savage life, to a participation of the improvements of which the human mind is susceptible in a civilized state.

In one of his messages he laid down the principle that a well-instructed people alone can be permanently free.

But it is to the principles of Democracy as enunciated by Andrew Jackson in his terse and vigorous style that it is desired to specially call attention to, since from their self-evident truth they deeply rooted themselves in American hearts and have become the principles of the Democratic party, which during his administration first took that name and which it has held ever since.

The citizens of Black Jack Grove most certainly stand by their home paper. A few days since they met and resolved not to vote for any candidate who would not announce in the Post, their home paper.—Ex.

PITHY PARAGRAPHS.

[Contributed.]

Blaine is a bigger man than grandpa Harrison's grandson.

Paternalism in government breaks down the self-reliance of the people.

The Democratic party is opposed to giving free luxuries to the rich while taxing the necessities of the poor.

The Democratic party favors honest money; that is gold and silver coin or currency convertible on demand.

The Democratic party favors an equality of taxation. Not one system for the rich and another for the poor.

The Democratic party is the only party that ever promised and now promises equal and exact rights to all men.

The Democratic party is the party of the people and recognizes no class or classes, hence the party has ever and will ever oppose class legislation of all and every kind.

The Democratic party has always been and is now opposed to national banks, trusts of every species and of a system of taxation that enriches the few at the expense of the many.

The Democratic party believes in a government of the people, for the people, by the people—that the people are capable of self-government and it has ever and will ever oppose all paternalism in government.

The Democratic party favors unlimited coinage of silver and gold, and regulating the railroads by such legislation, state and national, as will protect the people from the oppression and rapacity of the corporations which monopolize the commerce of the country.

Attorney-General Hogg is being endorsed on all sides for his brave and manly fight against the pooling system, wild-cat insurance and kindred evils. "Jim" Hogg knows his duty, and knowing dares perform it. Hurrah for Hogg! May he live always and never grow smaller than he is.

Burn Those Letters.

And they want the love-letters burned! Not only love-letters, but letters of friendship and business. A lady writing in Good Housekeeping says: Let this plea for the burning of letters be a strong one. Business letters should be filed and labelled. Have a blank book in which to copy such dates or extracts as may be of value in the future for references. This can be done when letters are answered. Then burn them and see the ashes. It is the sorrows instead of the joys that most letters contain. They are the safety valve for deep feeling from friend to friend, good in their time, but something worse than useless in the future. Every day brings new experiences. We are constantly changing, and in many cases would be ashamed of our own letters written ten years ago.

Woman (to tramp, sharply)—"You don't seem to like the soup. Ain't it good?"

Tramp—"Oh, yes, it's good flavored, mum, but there ain't quite body enough to it. Couldn't you wash a couple more dishes in it?"

He—"But ain't you afraid your parents will be angry if we get married?"

She—"No, they wont care. Why, they are married."

The "lap of luxury" is when the cat gets at the cream.

Blue Grove Picnic.

Saturday was a red letter day for Blue Grove. It was the day of her Sunday School picnic. Everybody was there—Blue Grove and his wife and his children and his children's children, and right royally did they enjoy themselves.

A beautiful grove in Copp's pasture had been selected for the occasion, and here, led by a beautiful banner, the Sunday school came in procession marshalled by the superintendent, Mr. Bradley. The school sang and the singing was good, and then Dr. Kimbrough made an address chuck full of practical thought and sound sense which was enjoyed by all and unanimously voted to be first rate. The good Doctor knows how to talk, and if it be true as he says that he "scatters," he only does so that he may bring all under range and "hit" every one of a "scattered" crowd.

Then dinner was served and while the amount of broken victuals was perhaps not so great as that of the feast of the loaves and fishes we read about, yet it was considerable enough to have fed as many more. After dinner melons and peaches were served and there was more singing by the school and recitation by six little girls which was a new rendition of "The old, old story of Jesus and His love." The little fellows acquitted themselves with credit. Then we had more singing and Rev. Mr. Hester made an interesting and entertaining address, when the exercises closed and the Blue Grove picnic was over and had taken its place with the list of bright days to which our memory delights to revert.

Judge Turner, Mr. Ford and Cooper Wright were talking to the sovereigns and trying to make solidity more solid. Mr. Wright, a brother of Cooper, was present under protest from "Coop" it is thought, since the universal verdict was that he was much the better looking of the two. Several beautiful young ladies from Henrietta were present, but as your reporter failed to get all the names he does not intend to incur the enmity of those he can't name by naming those he can name.

This opportunity must not be allowed to pass without rendering to Sup't. Bradley praise for his energy in the performance of duty and the credit reflected on himself and assistants by the school. The popular verdict is that he makes a first rate superintendent. The singing under the leadership of Mr. Faulkner was pronounced good. * * *

Many a man is saved from the company of the defiled and defiling by the sweet and light of a cheery home. By a woman, in the possession of a house which invites the actualization of her womanly conception of the amenities of decorative and the cares of the household drudgery and her work lighted and brightened by the cheerfulness of her environment. Her nature is always more or less influenced by environment, the house which one builds for himself has much to do in shaping his character and disposition.—Pioneer Press.

When affections do frame their errors, they are in defense of error. Earnest, a great deal, than, for the most part, sound believers in the maintenance of truth; apprehensive according to the nature of the evidence which Scripture yields.—Hooker.

He who is fool and knows it, can very easily pass himself off for a wise man.—Uncle Esek.

Ross' Administration.

A Bosque county farmer asked the Meridian Citizen what Ross' administration had done and received the following answer:

1. It has given unstinted moral and material support to the prosecution and conviction of all classes of law-breakers.

2. It has effected many and urged many other needed amendments to existing laws.

3. It has enforced the law against railroads, pools, bogus insurance companies, and a death blow to monopolies in Texas.

4. It has built a reformatory for young criminals.

5. It has built an asylum for the colored people and has added greatly to the efficiency of the other state asylums.

6. It has equipped the State University and made it the glory of Texas.

7. It has reduced the state tax to 10 cents on the \$100 worth of property—the lowest rate ever assessed in any state in the Union or elsewhere.

8. It paid out to drought sufferers \$100,000.

9. It has paid \$595,000 due the school teachers.

10. It has collected nearly \$1,000,000 due the state.

11. It has provided a sinking fund to pay off \$200,000 of state debt the coming year.

12. It has passed laws that force all alike to pay taxes—money-holders as well as land owners.

13. It has so reformed the land system as to hasten the settlement of the state and at the same time to bring annually a revenue of over \$300,000.

14. It has effectively reformed the state penitentiary system.

15. It has given Texas the highest standing in the money markets of any government in the Union.

16. It has given the people honest and efficient servants in every state department.

17. It has given the people an honest and capable judiciary.

18. It has finished and now occupies the finest state capitol in the world.

Why is a newspaper like a pretty girl? To be perfect it must be the embodiment of many types. Its form is made up; it is chased though inclined to be giddy; it enjoys a good press, the more rapid the better; it has a weakness for gossip; talks a good deal; can stand some praise, and is awful proud of a new dress; it cannot be kept in a good humor without cash. Please pay up.—Ex.

If those who are enemies of innocent amusement had the direction of the world they would take away the spring and youth—the former from the year, the latter from the human life.—Ex.

Some men in their dreams call their wives' names, but sometimes make a big mistake, and say Julia, or some other name.

In China there are over 400 species of plants used for food, and in the world probably ten times that number.

"This is a backward spring," said the young lady as she adjusted the wires of her bustle.

The man who knows the most of himself is the best judge of his neighbor.—Uncle Esek.

Over 5,000 pianos are ruined every year in this country by changes of atmosphere.

It is the good fruit and not the bad which the birds peck at.

Estray Notice.

Taken up by W. A. and T. J. Cartwright and estrayed before J. O. Goad, Justice of the Peace Precinct No. 7, Clay county, Texas, on the 23d day of June, 1888, one black horse, about 8 years old, 15 hands high, left hind foot white and part of the right, a white spot over the right eye, white smip on nose, dim brand on left thigh unknown. Appraised at \$25.

G. W. Ford, Co. Clk., Clay Co., Texas.

Estray Notice.

Taken up by J. M. Hatfield and estrayed before Wm. Wantland, Justice of the Peace, Precinct No. 1, Clay county, Texas, an unbroke sorrel pony mare, about 3 years old, about 13 hands high, with a blemish on right fore foot that looks as if torn by wire, and branded (something like J) on left shoulder, and appraised at \$10.00.

G. W. Ford, Co. Clk., Clay County, Texas.

Estray Notice.

Taken up by Henry Elkins, and estrayed before Wm. Wagner, J. P., on the 6th day of June, 1888, one black horse about 10 years old, star in forehead, right hind foot white, branded on left thigh and appraised at \$35.

G. W. Ford, Co. Clk. Clay Co. Texas.

Estray Notice.

Taken up by J. C. Cambell and estrayed before G. A. Stratton, Justice of the Peace, Precinct No. 2, Clay County, Texas, on the 25th day of June, '88, one sorrel mare, 15 hands high, 9 years old, branded F E D (E D connected, E inside of D) on left shoulder and S on both jaws, spot in face, saddle and harness marks. Also, one bay mare, black mane and tail, ten years old, branded 59 on left side of neck, O Z on left shoulder, T over that and over that T I D, and T on left thigh. Appraised at \$30.

G. W. Ford, Co. Clk. Clay Co.

Notice.

Notice is hereby given that the commissioners' court of Clay county, Texas, will sit as a Board of Equalization on Tuesday, the 26th day of June, 1888, at the court house of said county, in the city of Henrietta, for the purpose of equalizing the assessment of property for taxation. Done by order of the court. G. W. Ford, Clerk.

Borum & Donley handle the celebrated "Silver Shield" ham, breakfast bacon and lard. 48-tf

T. J. Holland has leased Miss Newcomb's pasture North of town and desires to notify all parties having stock that he can furnish them with first-class pasturage at reasonable rates. 32-tf

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