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NASBY.

Mr. Nasby and His Friends Convict the Federal Office-holders at the corners of "Offensive Partisanship."

CONFEDERIT X ROADS, whic is in the State of Kentucky, Joon 1 1885—The circkler uv Postmaster General Vilas givin' out that "offensive partisanship" wood be considered sufficient coz for removal, wuz received at the Corners with the liveliest satisfaccksheu. That settled it and ez soon ez I red it to Bascom he immejitly reversed his crooel decishn compellin' me to pay cash for likker, and extended to me the yoosual credit, considerin' my appintment ez a shoor thing.

Ez a matter uv course the president will not refoose to make complett changes in the offises at the Corners, so soon ez he hez the fax laid afore him. Ther ain't three partisans more offensive to me, Isaaker Caavitt and Deekin Pogram, than Joe Bigger, Pollock and that infernal nigger Lubbock, which holds the post-offis.

Pollock hez alluz vatid the Republikin tikkit from John C. Fremont down, and Joe Bigler hez votid the same way from Grant to date. The nigger Lubbock wood hev votid for Blaine ef we hed permettit it, and his insane desire to vote for that fanatic wuz the occasion uv one uv the most seriour disturbances the Corners ever eggsperienced.

The Dimocrisy uv the Corners met jist afore the presidenshl eleckshun and resolvəd that if the nigger Republikins attempted to vote ther wood be an unpleasantnis which they wood do well to avoid.

Notwithstandin' all this, Pollock and Bigler appeared at the poles with a dozen niggers, among 'ew Lubbock, and they insistid on castin' their ballots. I stepped forrereb to pertest agin any sich desecrashen uv the ballot box, when Joe Bigler, after warnin' us to get out from between him and the ballot box, hauled off and knocked me some 15 feet, more or less, into the streets, laffin feendishly ez I wuz tryin' to pick myself up.

A rush was made for em when Josef Bigler pulled a revolver, and with Pollock forsed his way to the poles and actily votid; and the niggers would hev votid likewise, only they wus fritened that they thot better ny it and skipped out.

It wus ther feers uv the fucher, not the good intenshuns uv Bigler and Pollock, that prevented the ballot-box at the Corners bein polluted with nigger votes.

In the melee that follered the attempt uv these disturbers to vote, I lost two teeth, and Isaker Gavitt and the good Deekin was broosed and contused terrific.

Is the president a Dimekratic president, which desires to remove polytyx from the civil service, agoin to keep these men in offis wich persisted in votin agin him, to the excloosbin uv us wich can show vacancies in our jaws suffered in our efforts to prevent em?

Is he agoin to reinstate in office men wich dare to dror revolvers agin the patriots which deny ther rite to vote the Republikin tikkit?

Is he agoin to permit men wich is the very ole uv the Republikin organizashen in the Corners to continner to eat the bread of offis, when we, his friends, are redoosed to dependence for likker upon the whims uv the tyrant capitalist, Bascom? Forbid it hevin!

Let him remember that in the interest uv reform some uv us votid twict for him—wunst in Kentucky and wunst in Injeany.

Let these fax be borne in mind by Postmaster-General Vilas:

That both Bigley and Pollock did vote fur Blane.

That they insistid upon the niggey Lubbock's votin, and actooally yoosed forse when we threatened to mob 'em ef they didn't keep away from the poles.

That the nigger Lubbock wood hev votid fur Blane but fur feer that the Dimocrisy uv the Corners wood hang him afterwards.

That our devoshun to the Dimocrisy cost me two teth, Issaker Gavitt and the Deekin black eyes, and other internal injoories, inflicted by Bigler and Pollock.

Ef sich acts ez ther'n don't constitoot "offensive partisanship," I don't know what does. Me, the Deekin and Issaker wich want the places held by these fends are satisfied that it will be so considered at Washington, and that our commishns will be made out to-wunst without any more sicknin delay.

Ez we understand it "offensive partizanship" consists fust in desirin the eleckshun uv Blane, and second in votin fur him. Bigler and Pollack, who are respectively collectors uv customs and internal revenue, actilly votid fur Blane, and the nigger postmaster wood hev done it ef he had been permitted. This to us or anyone else wich wants a place, is "offensive partizanship," and we hope the president will so consider it. The fact that the nigger postmaster didn't actilly vote fur Blane must not be permitted to count in his favor. It is the intenshun that constitoots the crime, and he full intended to do so, and wood hev done it hed we bin week enuff to hev permitted it.

We think we hev made a clear case against these disturbers, and with this we rest.

We feel sekoor, and wat is more to the pint with us, so does Bascom. When I red Vilasses general order to him he relaxed and becum pleasant. Feerin a trap, that I wuz deceevin him fur the sake uv gittin credit at his bar, false pretenses, he took the paper and went and hired a nigger to reed it to him, so that he mite be shoor that it waz genooine and not an invenshun uv mine, and come back satisfied, remarkin that the yoosual credit wood be givin hereafter, ez he considered that this settled the case.

Now let the President go ahead feerlessly and perform his dooty. There is no occashun fur further delay. Let him remember that "hope deferred maketh the hart sick," and that even a mule can't live onto expectashuns alone. Them offices is in the hands uv the enemies uv the democrisy, and the sooner the change is made the better we shall be pleased. PETROLEUM V. NASBY. (in Toledo Blade.)

The Abilene, Kan, Chronicle remarks that its exchanges are publishing an article favoring sheep-raising, which has the attractive heading, "Three Profits a Year." Practical sheep men would be glad to see one profit a year. "But the tide will turn," rightly says the Chronicle, "and sheep will be the best property a man can have. Wool will not always stay down to eight and ten cents."

When an Eastern wool commission dealer labors to show that the market East does not nor is likely to justify prices paid in Texas this spring, what is his object? Is such talk in the interest of good prices? Is he not supposed to be interested in obtaining the last possible cent for wool consigned to him? Then why does he say that Texas prices are too high? We know the reason, kind reader, and let us whisper it in your ear. He knows that every pound of wool sold in Texas is so much out of his pocket, and therefore labors to convince buyers that they are paying too much for wool, to the end that they may cease to offer such prices, and the wool be sent to eastern dealers. He is willing to bear the marken East and West, for the sake of breaking down our Texas marke[illegible]. We have cracked the nut, and this is the kernel.—Stockman.

Texas became an independent republic on the 2nd of March, 1836, and has ever since that been a recognized sovereignty, and was, therefore, on the 2nd of March 1885, forty-nine years old. The next 2nd of March will be a proper day for celebrating her semi-centennial, and she will be able to present a striking contrast in population and wealth to that hopeful but not brilliant beginning, when, with 25,000 people all told, she assumed the dignity of a sovereignty; afterwards recognized by all Christendom; and sent her ministers plenipotentiary to all the great courts of Europe and to Washington. She has increased in population and wealth since' but not in the dazzling glory of her debut or of her early chivalric history. The glory then day in her undaunted people—her pure and never surpassed heroism; it lies now in her unceasing growth; her unequaled productiveness, and the strenght of her democracy—pure and simple—unequaled in its strenght and force by any other.—Clrrksville Standard.

A correspondent of a Scotch agricultural paper says his experience of twenty years in a large dairy herd leads him to believe that the sex of calves can be largely controlled. If male calves are wanted see that the bull is in better condition than the cows. If females are wanted the reverse.

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Cattle.

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In discussing the early maturity of beef the Massachusetts Ploughman says:

"It is a recognized principle by cattle breeders and feeders for home and foreign markets, that early matured steers furnish a broader margin of profit than any other class of beef, and that no farmer or feeder can afford to keep steers more than twenty to twenty-four months. He must have good grades that will mature and make good beef at about that age, or quit the business of raising cattle for profit.

"Instead of 2,000-pound four-year old steers, it is better to pack within the hides of two-year old steers from 800 to 900 pounds of juicy, tender, delicious beef for exportation for Britons than to send old tough, flabby beef. The former is far more acceptable to English connoisseurs. If farmers want to make beef of steers from one year to two years old, they must grade up.

"Grade Short-horns are found to be the most profitable animals for beef making in the West, because of rapid growth and early maturity. There is probably no other breed of cattle that will make as much beef at the age of twenty months or two years, as well bred grade Short horns. The same is undoubtedly true of veal calves.

"A statement was lately made by an English feeder of steers that an experiment made proved that two year-old steers, fed with three-year-olds and four-year-olds, made more beef in proportion to the food consumed than either three-year-olds or four-year-olds; also that the three-year-olds were more profitable than four-year-olds. Thus it is undoubtedly true that the earlier the maturity of the beef animal the more profit to the beef maker, a point that graziers and feeders will do well to heed if they would secure the greatest possible advantage from their business as graziers and feeders. When noted graziers and our English experimenter all agree that early maturity for beef is most profitable, let learners in this art or business of beef-making be instructed and thus acquire the skill of money making in the practice of grazing cattle for beef.

"Each succeeding year the gain will materially decrease, while the proportion of food consumed will be much greater.

"Let it be kept in mind that such early maturity is only possible with well bred cattle, grades, crosses or full bloods. Thorough-bred bulls must be used to secure this early maturity."

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AUSTIN.

The Lunatic Asylum Short of Space—The May Deficit at the Penitentsaries About $12,000.

AUSTIN, TEX, June 20.—Superintend Baker has sent out the following appeal to the assessors of the scholastic census:

"You are requested to forward your abstract of the scholastic census report to this department at once in order that it may be included in my annual abstract which the law requires to be made by the 15th day of July, and from which the board of education makes the apportionment of the available school fund."

Chartered: The Phœnix Oil works of Jefferson, increasing the capital stock from $75,000 to $1000,000; the San Antonio Cremation company: the National Blooded Stock association of Lampssas; Blankenseip & Blake of Dallas; the Texas Trading company of Lampasas; the Woodville Co-operative association; The Fiskville Co-operative association.

Treasury deposits, $60,000

In the court of appeals to-day the sentence of Bob Pearson to thirty years in the penitentiary for complicity in the murder of Dr. Stovall near this city was affirmed.

Mr. J. A. Muir, who was reported last week as unfortunate in the management of the estate of his step-children, has already returned nearly the entire amount of the deficiency in his accounts and will make a complete settlement very soon. Mr. Muir has many friends here who deeply regret his misfortune, and the manly effort to right the mistake committed is applauded by all. The reports which obtained circulation that he absconded did him a gross injustice, and it seems were peculiarly harsh, since at the time he was trying to obtain means to overcome his financial embarrassments,

Hon. W. H. Burgess is here, and it is understood his services have been retained by the capitol syndicate.

The local students of the university have organized a summer debating society.

One peculiarity of the scholastic census reports is that they invariably show an increase in counties where they have the district system, while the falling off comes from the community counties.

The deficit at the penitentiaries for the month of May appears somewhat larger than it really is on account of considerable expenditures for permanent improvements. With these deducted it is about the same as for the month previous, $12,000.

The management of the lunatic asylum desires it explained that they are short on space at that institution now on account of repairs being made which deprive them of an entire ward accommodating sixty patients at a time. These are crowded into other wards, leaving no room whatever for the accommodation of new patients. The repairs have long been needed and were made possible by an appropriation for that purpose by the recent legislature. When completed, this institution will be in first-class order, and one of the neatest in the entire Union.

What is known as a "maverick" in most cattle raising sections is called in Nevada an "oreana." In a recent Montana cattle case a cowboy who was called to the witness stand testified that "a maverick is somebody else's calf that you get your brand on first.

Mitchell County.

From the Clipper]

—Mr. J. A. Askins, of Dickens county, paid the Clipper a call this week. He has some full blooded Angora goats on his ranch, and brought his clip in for sale. He says the Angora is the proper breed for grading up Mexican sheep.

Mr. Metcalf, one of the prominent sheepmen of Tom Green county, was in the city this week and gave the Clipper office a pleasant call. Mr. Metcalf says this is the best year to go into the sheep business. Sheep are low and the wool market is gradually getting better all the time.

—The best lot of beeves that has been shipped from the Colorado pens this year were shipped to Darlington McGaughey & Co., Chicago, last Thursday by D. P. Atwood from the Mallet cattle Co.'s steer ranch on the plains. Of this herd there was eleven cars, 226 head, mostly four and five-year-olds.

—Mr. J. W. Weathers, one of the most successful sheep men of Tom Green county, was in the city this week and paid the Clipper office a visit. He informs us that he has about fifty acres under cultivation on his ranch this year. and has raised magnificent crops of rye, oats and Johnson grass.

—Thursday night Rev. Mr. Ennis presiding elder of West Texas conference, addressed quite a number of our citizens at the M. E. church in the interest of the Bell Plains Methodist college; after which he called for subscriptions or donations to help in the good work which was promptly met by a subscription of $1,000. It is now in order for Abilene, Sweetwater and Baird to come up and see what they can do. This is just a start for Colorado, and if Abilene don't watch out we will beat her in this grand work as well us everything else that comes up for the advancement of West Texas.

—Col. Scott returned from his ranch the early part of this week and reports that the hail storm of the 9th passed over a portion of his range, and that great damage was done to houses and other property in that section. He says that the hail backed up against the fences eighteen inches deep, and that forty eight hours after it fell there was plenty of it, and lumps could then be found as large as a hen egg. This was the same haal storm that killed the team of six mules, notice of which appears elsewhere in this issue. We are informed that another severe hail fell ten miles west of the city Monday evening, but have not heard of any serious damage done by the same.

The office of state fish commission ceases to exist on the 29 inst.

Mulberry Canyon.

An exchange speaking of the canyon remarks:

Mulberry canyon is, as its name indicates, a canyon on the head of Mulberry creek, a beautiful valley on either side of the creek, and protected on the south, east and west by the abrupt walls of the so-called mountain. These mountains rise adruptly to a height of 200 to 250 feet to the higher plain, or table lands above. The walls or precipice are so steep that the goat is about the only animal which can easily ascend them. The canyon is about eight miles wide and eleven miles long. Four years ago it was the cattle ranch of Doc. Grounds, and that energetic pioneer held it for his own "free range." But three years ago the nesters planted their field pieces in the canyon, and with legal file on a section of school land, convinced the cowmen that they would henceforth claim an interest in the soil. The canyon is now settled by about fifty or sixty industrious and prosperous families, many of whom make farming their sold occupation, while all cultivate the ground at least to the extent of feed for their herds and flocks. A gentleman who has lately been on a trip through the canyon informs us that the farmers were all delighted with their fine prospects for bountiful harvests. He estimates the acreage in wheat in that small scopo of this big country, to be at least 150 acres, and a very probable average of twenty-five bushels per acre. They also have ample crops of corn, oats, millet, sugarcane and cotton as a surplus crop. The community is not satisfied alone with pecuniary prosperity, but takes an interstr in moral, interlectual and religious advancement. They have a good school and churches of the Methodist and Baptist denominations.

BRYAN, June 20.—A killing took place yesterday in the northern portion of this (Brazos) county, at the town of Macey, where Felix Newman, an old and respected citizen of Brazos county, was killed by Dr. Turner, a physician of that place.

The cause of the killing is the result of a feud of over two years standing and which culminated yesterday in the death of Newman. Both parties had been going armed for each othor, and it was generally believed that the termination would be serious.

There are various statements as to how the killing occurred. One statement is that two roads met near the killing, and that Turner came out of one into the other and met Newman; that Turner got in the first shot, killing Newman instantly. The load took effect in his breast and consisted of twenty-four buckshot.

Wool, in order that it may be converted into woolen cloth, after it enters the factory has to undergo upwards of twenty processes, nearly all of which are performed by machinery.

Mrs. Hozell was found murdered in the night of the 19th at Elkhart, Texas. After diligent search for her murderers four negro men and one woman were arrested. They were all five hung to one tree. The wife of Andy Jackson, the man who instigated the murder, and who was hung confessed that Andy held a pistol at Mrs. Hozell's head while the three other men outraged her and then cut her throat. Lizzie the woman hung stood by and witnessed the horrible deed. Andy's daughter has also made a confession. Let all black fiends take warning from the fate of these five black devilish conspirators. Hanging was too good for them.

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TOWN TALK.

Personal.

—Alf Roy was in town this week.

—J. C. Turner was in town this week.

—Capt Linn was in town this week.

—Dick Howe and lady were also in town.

—Joe Nunn and lady were in town this week.

—Mr. Witt, of Mulberry canyon is in the city.

—Maj A. W. Hilliard was in the city this week.

—Wm. Fountain, of Ft. Chadbourn is in town.

—Jas. Cooksie, of Pecos, is in our town rusticating.

—D. N. Lee, of Commanche, was in town this week.

—F. S. Foster, of Oak Creek was in town this week.

—Doc. Grounds, of Taylor county was in town this week.

Mr. Majors, of Colorado City was in town on Saturday.

K. K. Rector, of Fisher county, was in town this week.

—Miss Annie Decker is visiting friends in Commanche.

—Prof. Chatfield and family are visiting friends at Baird.

—Mr. Lee Johnson is off on a visit to relatives in Hempstead.

—Col. Evans, of Abilene, is in attendance on district court.

—Mayor Burleston, of San Saba was in town during the week.

—Judge Haney, of Weatherford, is attending district court here.

—J. R. Farmer was in town Saturday and subscribed for the W. G.

—Judge Kennedy presides over our district court with his usual dignity.

—Col. Spoonzt, of Abilene attended district court here during the week.

—Mr. Thos Trammell returned from his Scurry county ranch on Monday.

—W. A. Gray and wife, of Abilene, were the guests, last week, of J. H. Bennett.

—J. S. Johnson and father were in from Bitter Creek during the first of the week.

—N Williams, of Yellow Wolf, is in town

—W. E. Hill, a prominent sheep man of Mulberry canyon, was in town this week.

—Mr. Wm Bunton, and lady of Austin, is the guest of his brother Hardin Bunton.

—Our esteemed fellow townsman G. R. West is spending the week with his family in town.

—Mrs. Joe Bunton will leave for an extended visit to friends in the east in a few days.

—I. R. Trent, one of the cleverest cow men in the State was in town during the week.

—Col Odom, of Ft Chadbourn has been attending district court in this place during the week.

—Miss Sue Foy, who has been visiting relatives in this place returned east on Wednesday.

—S. W. Lynch, affable foreman of the Dickinson cattle company, was on our streets this week.

—J. W. Carter with C. H. Edwards, Music instrument dealer, of Dallas, was in the city this week.

—G. W. Jerrigan, the polite P. M. of Newmans' P. O. Fisher county was in town this week.

—Railroad attorney Withers was in town in the interest of the T & P this week. He got there.

—Mrs. M. J. Neblett, of Gordon, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. R. L. McCauley, in this place.

—Mrs. R. L. McCauley, contemplates making an extended visit, to friends east, in a few days.

—Miss. Cole, who has been visiting Miss Ola Fowler returned to her home, in Dallas, last Saturday.

—Capt H. C. Lyons and Dickson English, two prominent Fisher county men, were in the city all the week.

—John Mabee, on Champion, is quite sick. We hope to hear of his having regained his health in a few days.

—Mr. Holzclaw, who has been visiting in this place several weeks, left for his home in Coleman on Monday.

—Jno. W. Wright and lady, Miss Webb, and Mrs. Joe Napier, from the country were in town during the week.

—A. S. Blackburn, one of our most popular merchants, is rapidly regaining his health. We are glad to know it.

—G. H. Connell paid a flying visit to Colorado this week. At the present he is "chuck plum full" of business.

—Mrs. Murray, of San Saba, is visiting relatives in this county. She is sister of J. S. Johnson, on Bitter Creek.

—Miss Annie Aycock, a beautiful and accomplished young lady, of Loraine, will remain in our city during the summer.

—T. M. Morris, another one of those jolly cow men came in and subscribed for the W. G. this week. May he live long and die happy.

—R. A. Simpson, one of our neighbors and a prominent cattle man, was in town to see his family Friday. He left Saturday to join in the round-ups down south.

—L. A. Vickers, the popular foreman of the D. T. Ranche was in town last Saturday. He is very popular with those who know him. He added one more name to our subscription books.

—Our young friend Berle Aycock has made arrangements to go into the mercantile business at Midland, Berle is one of our most popular and upright young men and we commend him to the good people of that town.

—J. R. Lewis Esqr, had on exhibition on our streets this week, some samples of very fine alfalfa. It was very fine, measuring 2½ feet long. The Squire is an energetic gentleman and believes in raising his own feed.

—T. W. Stoneroad, one of the most prominent sheepmen in Texas, paid Colorado City a visit this week. While in that city he did not forget to say a good word for the W. G. and consequently brought us back some "filthy lucre."

—Mr. Jas Barron, our enterprising young merchant from Midland, was in town this week shaking hands with his many friends. Come again James, your friends in the city on the "brow of the hill" are always glad to see you.

—Mr. Chas. Simpson, brother of R. A. Simpson, and a graduate of the Southern University, has been spending some days in our city. He is looking for a position as teacher. This is a splendid opportunity for some locality to secure a good teacher.

—Connell Bros & Co. are selling so low that no one complains.

—Squire Boyett of the 3rd district informs us that everything is lovely in his district. Crops are magnificent; cattle and sheep doing finely, and but few law-breakers to punish. He had a case up before him, a few days since, where a man had his wife, son, daughter, and in fact his entire family arrested charged with assault. It seems that the old man attempted to chastise his son who objected very seriously to being punished and turned out to be too much for the old man. The case was dismissed

—Colorado City and Abilene prices duplicated for the cash. We cannot sell goods on time as cheap as they sell in Abilene for cash But when we say that we will sell you goods as cheap for spot cash as the above towns, we mean business. It does not cost you one cent to examine goods and prices.

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New Subscribers.

The following persons have subscribed for the Wool Grower since our last issue:

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Prof Chatfield	"
T. M. Morris.	"
L. M. Gatlin	"
Joe Guerald	"
G. R. West.	"
S. W. Lynch.	"
I. R. Trent.	"
W. A. Corbet	"
Joe Bunton.	"
J. J. Monday.	"
E. D. Strang.	"
W. B. Holloway.	"
Thos. Farris.	"
J. R. Farmer.	"

J. M. Scott. Bingen, Ark.
L. M. Bennick, Ft. Chadbourn, Texas.
J. H. Barron, Midland, Texas.
Dinkle, Handy & Co., Dickum, Tex.

—H. M. Perryman, a young man, who has been teaching school at Merkel, was arrested there on Friday last, on a warrent from Red River county for forgery. He jumped his bond there and went to Greggs county, and the county judge of Red River county met him in Abilene and recognized him. He was taken back to the scene of his crime by a deputy sheriff. He was very popular at Merkel, and contemplated starting a newspaper there at an early date.

—The Installation ceremonies at the Opera House on Wednesday night were very entertaining. Mr. W. H. Cowan delivered a fine address; the poem read by N. J. Judah was well received by the audience. Col. Boone made one of his best speeches, his language was flowery and very eloquent. The band furnished some splendid music, and those who were so fortunate as to attend, went home well satisfied with the night's entertainment.

—Dulany Bros sold Wm Hudspeth's clip at 13½ cents.

CHEAP COLUMN.

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TOWN TALK

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—This paper and the Demorest magazine one year for $3.

—The bell for the Baptist church will be here in a few days.

—Connell Bros sold 350 beeves this week. Terms private.

—The Wool Grower is a fixed institution. Don't forget this

—The artesian well is 200 feet deep and the drilling continues.

—The west bound train was ten hours late on Thursday morning.

—If you wish to educate your children send them to Sweetwater.

—Go to Loubens at the Bardwell corner for canned goods of all kinds.

—Beyrle & Seaton have ordered the iron fencing for the court house yard.

—Mr. T. W. Stoneroad has bought a very fine piano from Prof. Chatfield.

—I. M. Bennick left this week with two car loads of sheep for St. Louis.

—Joe Bunton contemplates buying 1000 2 year old cattle this coming fall.

—The Rio Cattle company shipped to Chicago Friday 45 head of beef cattle.

—The Connell and Harrison herd of 2200 head will start for Colorado this week.

—Connell Bros sold I. M. Bennick's clip of 13 sacks, the last of the season, for 16 cents.

—Judge J. W. Germany is anxious to buy a few goats. He is "stuck" on goats.

—It is a Cole day when Fellows Decker gets left. He followed her to Abilene last Saturday.

—Roland & Posey treated the band to ice cream Wednesday night. The boys deserved it.

Col F. B. Severs shipped 331 head of 3 and 4 year old steers to the Indian Territory this week.

—The band boys extend thanks to Col. Prince and lady for that excellent lemonade and cake.

—In giving the sale of T. J. Billingsley's clip we should have said it sold for 12½ cents instead of 12.

—Wiggins & Foster, on Oak Creek lost 55 head of sheep in 3 days, last week, from eating poisonous weeds.

—The railroad company's assessment of $6500 per mile was not raised by the board of equalization this week.

—Messrs T. M. Morris, Dick Howe, and Hamp Scott are contemplating moving their cattle west shortly.

—The best brands of Canned Goods, Preserves, Jellies and Pickles, at Abilene prices for cash.

A S Blackburn & Co

—County Judge Germany was presented with a fine straw hat, this week, from an admiring friend, in St. Louis.

—Connell Bros are having a big trade.

—The little folks had a nice time at Mrs Prince's Wednesday night. The band furnished music for the little ones.

—Geo Hare, a sheep man, who lived on Buffalo Creek, Fisher county, was drowned in the river at Colorado city last week.

—A small lot of tin ware for sale at Cost at

Blackburn,s

—W. I. Holt will in a few days, erect a building on his lot, next to Mr. Holloway's, 20 x 40, and still the good work goes on.

—John Scharbuer bought 800 head of fine merino sheep from Mr. Berle Aycock, pay $1 per head. These sheep were dirt cheap.

—Our prominent cow man Mr. Rube Clayton and the Arlington Cattle Co, will start, this week, a herd of cattle on the trail to Colorado.

—The dinner and supper given by the ladies of Sweetwater Wednesday netted $30.00. The grave yard fence fund now on hand amounts to nearly $200

—Mr. Page McDaniels was in town this week hauling a car load of provisions and household goods, just in from Austin, to his ranch at Ballard Springs.

—McConnico & Co., have purchased a very desirable corner lot on the square from W. I. Holt. They are erecting a neat business house 20x40 on the same.

—Mr. Gatlin informs us that his mellon crop is looking fine. He is a good gardener and always succeeds in getting a good crop from anything he plants.

—Henry Beal and J. F. Eidson made a strong fight against the R. R. company before the Board of Equalization this week. The boys "got beat" but they are still in the ring.

—W. B. Holloway and Rube Clayton, two prominent cattle men compared crop notes this week. Clayton had 39 storks of corn and Holloway 30. Clayton took the Stakes.

—Sweetwater is blessed with one of the most clever and enterprising livery firms in the State. Harrison & Hill are gaining a state reputation for their business tact and liberal dealings.

—The board of Equalization assessed Patent lands at $1.50 per acre; School lands at $1 to $2; Sheep from 50 cents to $2 per head; Cattle $11; Goats $1; etc. Very little property was raised by the board

—Connell Bros & Co are collecting up. Everybody is requested to come in and give us some money.

—A. B. Humphreys shipped his clip of 10,000 pounds, from Mariensfeldt to Dulaney Bros, at this place, this week.

—Mr. Durant of Taylor county, was in town this week. He delivered 600 head of cattle to the Arlington company.

—R. A. Ragland, one of our most enterprising young lawyers and real-estate agents is getting up a map of the county with every line of fence marked on the map. This will show just what land has been fenced in the county.

—While driving a drove of cattle to town last week, Mr. John Goggins had a two year old heifer to lay down by the road side, and in five minutes was dead. On reaching town his horse played the same trick on him. The cause of their death is unknown.

—M. G. P. Hill had 60 head of sheep to die in a very few minutes from some cause unknown. They were on the same range they had been running on for several weeks, and if they were poisoned by some kind of weed, the weeds must have sprung up the night previous.

—W. D. Beall, one of the representative men of this county spent several days in town this week. He informed us that he had timothy and red top clover on his place, and they are growing as nice as he ever saw them grow in Kentucky. This "do settle it." Nolan county is one of the best counties in the state.

—Mr Thos. E. Doutlit, one of the principal horse men of this county is of the opinion that there should be more unanimity among horse men about conducting round-ups. He is correct when he says there should be some established system among horse men. Our horse men should organize and go to work in the proper manner if they wish their efforts to be productive of good.

—Ice cold butter and Fresh fruits kept constantly on hand at

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—Jas. West, son of Mr. G. R. West met with a painful, and nearly fatal accident last week. He was helping to round up some cattle, riding as fast as his horse could travel, when his horse stepped into a dog-hole and turned a summerset. Our young friend was considerably bruised up and was unconcious for several hours. We are glad to know that there are no bones broken and that he is doing well at the present writing.

—One of the best and cheapest stocks of Boots and Shoes ever brought to Sweetwater just arrived at the cheap cash corner store. Don't buy before examining our stock and prices.

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—Fort Worth Gazette for sale at the Postoffice.

—We understand J. W. Posey has purchased a fine Piano of C. H. Edwards of Dallas. J. W. Carter representative of the firm is in town and will leave by the 27th, all wishing to buy Pianos or Organs should see him as the Edwards house is reliable and is by far the most extensive house in the music line in North Texas. He is handling some very fine instruments. Such as the Chickering, Knabe and mathushek Pianos, Mason & Hamlin, and Western Cottage Organs he also has a large stock of small musical instruments. He buys direct from the factories and saves all commissions.

Colorado Letter.

Colorado City, June 24.—Editor Wool Grower:—According to promise I send you a few items from mitchell county.

Our section was blessed with another good rain a few nights since.

The range in this county is looking fine, cattle and sheep are getting fat and consequently our stockmen are in fine spirits.

Spring round-ups are ripe and many beef steers are now being held for shipment that were gathered in the roundups.

Beef and mutton are fine and car loads are being shipped to market.

The Wool Grower is very well thought of out here and several have promised to subscribe.

I will give you a lon[illegible] letter next time. Juno.

—Cigars, Tobaccos and fancy groceries for sale at

A. Loubens.

Valley Creek.

June 25.

Editor Wool Grower:—We have had no rain for several weeks. There is a splendid root of grass in fact, better than for the past year or two. Stock are fattening fast.

Ewes and lambs are in better condition than usual at this season of the year.

Mr. Austin traded his ranch to Mr. Hunter for 700 head of sheep.

Perry Aiken contemplates starting west soon to find a better range for his sheep. He is one of our most successful sheep men.

Crops of small grain are being harvested, and are looking as fine as any part of Texas can produce.

By the way, would it not be a good plan for every wool grower to sow as much rye this fall as possible. If sown early it will make a splendid pasture during the winter, and a good crop of hay afterwards.

The past winter awakened us to the fact that we must feed our lambs if they are late, and unless they are well matured grain or green pasture is the only feed that will keep them thriving during severe winter weather. Let us hear through your columns from other sheep men, on this subject. Scribbler.

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The Illnois Senate passed the house bill giving colored people the same rights as whites in hotels, restaurants, theaters and other public places.

A late dispatch says "Gen. Grant slept nine hours last night." Well, as Grant is doing well and can sleep 9 hours in one night, please give us a rest from those bulletins.

A Charter for a new Kansas and Texas railroad was filed with the Secretary of State at Topeka on Tuesday. The places from and to which the line is to be constructed and operated, are Emporia, Lyon county, Kan., and Wichita Falls, Texas.

Dr. R. W. Leach shot and mortally wounded Constable, J. A. Martin at DeLeon, Commanche county, on on the 20th, Leach was in a store and noisy, and Martin caught him by the [illegible] to hold him, when he drew a pistol and shot Martin in the bowels. It is thought that Martin will die.

A story is published in Cincinnatti of the finding of $75,000 in gold and silver coin, hidden in the walls and ceilings of the four-story building No. 133 Court street, owned by Louis Schertz, who occupied the place for years in the liquor business. He died recently, and left his brother a memorandum showing in what places money would be found, but did not indicate the amount. As deceased had always appearsd to be a poor man, and lodged in his store-room, the finding of this largs sum of money was a surprise. It is said he left valuable secrets in whisky compounding, rectifying, and plans for the construction of distilleries.

The Calvert Courier repeats this little story of General Sam Houston:

The Texas Congress once took exceptions to President Sam Houston's habit of giving them his messages orally, and insisted that he should write them out: that the habit of delivering them orally was highly dictatorial, and lacking in respect for Congress. Houston agreed to conform to their wishes, and as the next day was the one set apart for the delivery of his inaugural, he made his appearance in the halls of Congress with a roll of paper in his hand, tied with red tape and marked in large letters, "Inaugual." He addressed them with the roll in his hand, waving it gracefully that all might see it, and, on concluding, handed it with a low bow to the clerk and strode out of the chamber. On being opened it was found to be a roll of blank paper.

BIG SPRING.

Equalizing the Assessment Roll —A Cry for Water.

BIG SPRING, TEX., June 20—Our commissioners' court of Howard county, sitting as a board of equalization, is in session. Land is held at $1.25 and $1.50 per acre, cattle at $12 per head and sheep at $1.50 and $2,00 per head.

Fine rains continue to fall throughout this section, and prospects for fat stock are good.

We noticed a number of wool-buyers from the East in town during this week. Our citizens anticipate lively times soon, as a result of the recent incorporation, as well as the improvement in the condition of money matters.

A bank is badly needed here and we understand that responsible parties will soon put one in operation. Such an institution would do a good businesi, as our business men have to do their banking elsewhere.

Like the speechless Irishman our cry is "water," we incorporated for it, and if we can get it, which we are sure to do, our town will rival anything west of the Fort. To get water-works will be the first undertaking of our city government.

The San Angelo Standard says:

A. P. Bush, manager of the Alabama and Texas Cattle company, is putting in a pasture of 145,000 acres about twenty-five miles above Colorado City, on the Colorado river. All the country north is being rapidly fenced up, so much so that the freighters are "kicking."

Trouble In The Territory.

Cherokee Politics at Fever Heat—Honesty and Integrity to be the Pass Word.

HOT SPRINGS, ARK., June 19.—Advices from Indian Territory indicate that Cherokee politics is now at fever heat. The recent convention of the Union party of Deleware District adopted the following platform, upon which a lively campaign is being made: We believe in a government of the people and by the people in opposition to rings and syndicates. Favor an honest and economical administration of our Government, and that honesty and competency should be the only tests in filling posts of public trusts. Oppose the employment of Phillips as Resident Agent at Washington on account of his practices. Favor the protection of our rights to the soil as guaranteed to us by patent from the United States, by the removal of all boomers, squatters and intruders, who are here without authority of law but by the consent of the United States Agent; favor the removal of John L. Tufts, United States Agent, because he has utterly and completely failed to protect our rights to the soil by refusing to remove intruders, although repeatedly asked to do so by petitions of our best citizens; oppose the sale of our lands west of the 96 th meridian at 47 cents per acre because said price was arbitrarily set on lands by the President without authority and sanction of law or treaty on our parts. Favor an effort on our part to obtain a revocation of the illegal sale of these lands entire, and in the event of a failure in this we ask for a revaluation of these lands at a minimum price of not less than $1.25 per acre. Oppose leasing out our lands west of the ninety-sixth meridian to cattle syndicates and favor the present permit law and are opposed to its repeal.



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Trouble In The Panhandle.

Quarantining Cattle from Southwestern Texas at the Colorado Border.

[New York Sun.]

LAS ANIMAS, COL., June 8.—There is a prospect of a cattle war in the Panhandle of Texas and along the southern boundary of Colorado, which will be the biggest thing of the kind ever seen on this continent. Colorado and Panhandle cattle raisers are in arms against the new trail recently laid out for the passage of southwestern cattle, and they declare that none shall be permitted to cross the dead-line which they have marked out. Snyder's herd of 15,000 head has been stopped at the Colorado line, and more than 200,000 more are on the way. Unless an outlet is soon reached there will be a blockade such as will compell a fight to settle the dispute.

The Panhandle of Texas, all that part constituting the seemingly narrow point at the top of the great State, is now and has been for years, in the hands of a few cattle barons, who have recognized no authority but their own. The State has paid almost no attention to them, and though they do not own a foot of the land, they make their own laws and enforce them as they see fit. The Panhandle is bigger than some whole States, and contains more than sixty good-sized counties, most of them as yet unorganized. Owing to the absence of railroads and the terrorism of the rough spirits haunting the place, all that section of Texas is little known even now. The average Texan is aware in a general way that such a country as the Panhandle exists, and that it is ruled absolutely by the stockmen, but beyond these facts and the vague impression that it takes a week to ride from one end to the other, the popular ignorance of the commonest features of the country is surprising.

Years ago the maps all bore the legend, Staked Plains, at the place where the Panhandle of Texas is now to be found. They were popularly supposed to be a desest, and were named the Staked Plains because the Mexicans who had occasion to cross them drove stakes in the ground to mark their path, so that they could find their way out again. Even now the desirability of this precaution is to be recognized, for the country is level and without distinguishing features to serve as landmarks. Stretching away in every direction, a level plain as far as the eye can reach, a stranger would certainly feel like tying a string to himself if forced to traverse some portion of this country alone. The stockmen soon discoverrd that the Staked Plains was not a desert. The buffalo grass, which is very abundant, is nutritious, and the climate is well adapted to cattle growing. Besides this, the remoteness of the country made it especially desirable for cattle-ranges, because there was no immediate prospect of interference from homesteaders.

All the laws in force in the Panhandle are such as are made by the barons No others are recognized, and probably none can be put in force there without the presence of military or Texas rangers. A favorite method of punishing crime is banishment. A court will meet, and unless the culprit has done something especially heinous he will be sentenced to leave the Panhandle before a certain hour on pain of death and to immediate execution if ever found there again. These sentences operate in two ways. Besides clearing the country of tough men, whose foughness is not of the desirable or fashionable kind, they create a whole some terrorism which keeps many timid and law-abiding, but none the less objectional citizens out of the district, and leaves the barons in undisputed possession of lands that do not belong to him any more than they do to any similar number of Texans in Galveston or San Antonio.

The great cattle-drive from Texas to the north and northwest has always been through the Panhandle and Indian Territory. The routes are as well marked out as any railroads is, and they are so familiar to the drovers and cowboys that most of them could go over them with their eyes shut. The appearance of Texas fever in certain points in Kansas last fall made a great sensation in that State, and resulted in quarantines which render the old drives almost impracticable, particularly for cattle coming from southwestern Texas en route to the northern ranges. Southwestern Texas is a great breeding country, but the yearlings have to go to the northern ranges to be turned into beef. The Panhandle serves for breeding and beef-raising both, so that the barons of that quarter have a double object in killing the southwestern trade if they can. By so doing they save their own grass, escape the danger of Texas fever, and avoid heavy competition in the markets. They base their action, however, as do the cattlemen of Kansas, New Mexico and Colorado on their fear of the fever.

When the action of Kansas made it clear that something must be done to prevent trouble and open up a desirable trail for through cattle, the stock-growers got together at Dallas, and, after a bitter fight, mapped out a drive which it was thought would be satisfactory. The opposition to it was very strong for a time, but as all hands seemed finally to acquiesce, the men most interested regarded the matter as settled. According to this agreement, cattle bound for the northwestern ranges were to follow the old Dodge City trail to a point west of Fort Supply; thence northwesterly through the Panhandle to the southeastern corner of Colorado, where they were to cross into that State and proceed north to Wyoming and Montana. It was agreed that the new trail should be thoroughly marked; that bridges should be built, and that drovers should not permit their cattle to occupy more than the usual five-mile strip.

As soon as this meeting adjourned the barons of the Panhandle and "No man's Land" a section of country usually included in Indian Territory in the maps, but in reality unassigned, and dominated now entirely by cattle men who defy all authority, established a Winchester rifle dead line, and resolved not to permit the drive to be opened. For several weeks it was thought that war was to be had in the Panhandle itself, but another meeting of the cattlemen was held, and at this measures were taken that proved more satisfactory to the lords of the desert. An agent of the various associations went over and marked out the proposed trail from a point on the old Dodge drive west along the northern boundary of the Panhandle, and lapping over on No Man's Land to the southern line of Colorado. Bridges were coustructed at various points, and at these crossings the trail was narrowed to the width of an ordinary highway, and approaches to the bridges being fenced with "wings" a mile or more long on each side. The trail is marked for the greater part of the distance with a furrow, but in some places fences have been put up, and all drovers using the drive have agreed not to go outside of the limits fixed upon. One great objection raised by the Panhandle barons to the passage of cattle through their ranges was the destruction of the grass. One or two hundred thousand cattle passing over a strip of country five or ten miles wide will leave it in much the same condition that the grasshoppers do a wheat field. Every vestige of vegetation soon disappears under their remorsless hoofs and before there voracious jaws.

With the Panhandle men thus appeased, trouble began at once with the dwellers in No Man's Land, who are, if anything, more independent than their brethren furthe. south, and the authorities of Colorado and New Mexico as well. The southwestern stockmen had not figured on opposition in these quarters, and as most of them are now on the drive with 200,000 or more head, it is probable that a great blockade will be the result. As a matter of fact, the blockade has already begun, though it is nothing now to what it will be when all these enormous herds begin to pile up on one southern boundary. More than 40,000 head have crossed into New Mexico and are there quarantined, while fully 20,000 more are just over in the Panhandle and No Man's Land.

The feeling in this part of Colorado is quite as bitter as it is in the Panhandle. The Bent County association has a fine range here, but with a quarter of a million of Texans marching over it, destroying such grass as they do not eat, it would not last long. The members of this organization have issued a proclamation posted all along the new trail, as follows:

"Persons who contemplate driving Texas cattle into this State are hereby notified not to enter Bent county. They cannot cross the Arkansas river at this point or on any land belonging to members of this association, for the entire river front to the State line is owned by us."

It is not known exactly whether this is true or not. Possession by a cattle lord always constitutes him the owner in his own mind.

These complications, growing out of the gradual shutting down of all northern cattlemen by the northwestern breeders, the fears of Kansas as to the fever, the lawless threats of the Panhandle and No Man's Land lords, and finally the resistance of the Colorado stock-growers, promise to end either in bloodshed, a tremendous destruction of cattle through scarcity of food and water, or the bankruptcy of the owners. To advance will be impossible without a fight, and to retrace their steps will be financial ruin. The drovers are quite as ugly as the men who stand in their way. Some of the former, though adhering to the trail, declare now that their right even to that has been disputed, that they have as much right to drive on the public domain as any cow-man has to feed ou it' and that nobody can prevent them. All hands are armed with Winchesters, and a settlement of some kind must soon be had.

Simple Rules.

Dr. Paren gives the following, simple rules for the preservation of the health of horses, which all owners of horses would do well to observe:

1. The earlier the herses are watered and fed in the morning, and the longer the intervals [between 'that time and hitching up, the better chance there is for the food undergoing digestion. Ordinary farm work is not likely to interfere with the digestive process, bnt active exercise or heavy hauling are likely to do so, and should always be avoided soon after a meal.

2. The midday meal and a full one hour's rest should never be interfeared with. The practice of accomplishing a day's work in one hitching up, by keeping the horses at work for eight or nine hours on a stretch, is highly injurious, being certain to cause remote, if not immediate disease.

3. On return of team at nignt, it is wise to divide the night's allowance of food, giving just as much at first as will remove the sensation of hunger, and in an hour or so afterwards the remainder may be given with impunity.

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SMALL FARMS.

The Difficulty That Lies in the Way of Profitable Culture.

The greatest difficulty experienced in making the farm pay is that too much land is cultivated. This experience came to the writer one year ago when, by the mistake of a hired man, a heap of manure intended for a five-acre field was all spread over two acres, and the three acres was left untouched. The yield of the two acres was better than would have been expected over the whole five, and this was, no doubt, in consequence of the excellent cultivation given to keep down the abundant growth of weeds. The three acres were fertilized with artificial manure, and yielded a fair crop, which was so much gain. Moreover, the two acres produced a heavy crop of millet after the sweet corn was harvested, which was so much more gain. Every year the writer is more and more assured that the farmer who would have the courage to work only half his land, and put on it the manure and labor he would have put upon the whole of it, would find his enterprise well rewarded. It may be some encouragement for those farmers who are worrying over the problem of how to make a living on one hundred acres of land to know that a farmer who is a well-known writer upon darying, and who lives near Bochester, N. Y., makes a sufficient living from five acres. His little farm is mostly in fruit —apples and raspberries. He raises corn and potatoes, and keeps one cow wholly by soiling and a flock of forty hens. The fowls bring him in more than $90, which indicates the ease with which he produces over $600 clear profit from his little farm well tilled. It is as great a credit to this gentleman—for he is both a gentleman and a scholar—that this moderate living matches his well-earned competence, and that his own hands alone support himself and his family in comfort and the luxury of satisfied desire and a healthful and happy old age. We cannot refrain from adding that this exemplary gentleman and farmer is Prof. L. B. Arnold, the acknowledged standard authority upon dairy matters in America and thorough scientific scholar and student.—N. Y. Times.

One R. Tonthan, who was captured at Midland last Saturday and jailed here, being charged with theft of a pistol and some blankets, succeeded in escaping through the break recently made on Sunday night, and without leave—or without saddle—rode Mr. Regan's horse away. Sheriff R. W. Morrow informs us that early on Monday morning Tonthan was some forty miles from here, where he victimized Mr. Wakefield, by telling him that he was in warm pursuit of some strayed horses and that his animal was ridden down. Mr. Wakefield generousiy exchanged, allowing him to ride his best saddle horse on his way rejoicing. Mr. Wakefield now regrets the exchange.—Big Springs Pantagraph.

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