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But where to find that happiest spot below;
Who can direct, when all pretend to know?

—Goldsmith.

Many are satisfied to live in Northwest Texas, having proved the value of the land in this region as a good Crop Quiser. Not only cattle, but wheat, cotton, corn, feed-stuffs, cantaloupes, garden truck, and good health flourish here—in a district where Malaria is impossible and very little doing for jails and hospitals.

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

We will gladly supply all askers with a copy of a little book, published by the Northwest Texas Real Estate Association, which contains an interesting series of straightforward statements of what PEOPLE HAVE ACCOMPLISHED along the line of

"THE DENVER ROAD"

N. B.—We find our passenger patronage very gratifying. It is necessary to run three trains daily each way as far as Wichita Falls, and two on thru. We continue, the year round, the excellent Class A service that insures the preference of Colorado and California Tourists, winter and summer. By the way, we offer now more than half a dozen routes to California, the newest being via Dalhart (also good for Old Mexico), with first-grade Eating Cars all the way.

We sell a Home-Seeker's ticket, good for thirty days, at one and a third fare the round trip, allowing stopovers at Vernon and points beyond, both ways.

Does Not Comprehend.

The Matador Maverick has casually observed THE HESPERIAN'S discussion with the Lockney Beacon and tenders advice to the two papers of Floyd county, as follows:

"The Floydada Hesperian and the Lockney Beacon having crossed swords are punishing their readers with their differences. Both these gentlemen, Mr. Hall, of The Hesperian, and Mr. Oliver, are Floyd Countyans, and they should have the welfare of the county at heart, and to accomplish the best things for the county they should pull together instead of sparring with that weapon that is mightier than the sword. We would advise these pen-pushers to bury their hatchets, shake hands and be as loving as Jonathan and David, and as affectionate as Damon and Pythias."

THE HESPERIAN truly has the "welfare of the county at heart," hence the reason it has been a party to the discussion with the Beacon. The Beacon defied the road-establishing authorities of the County by criticising adversely their efforts to maintain a public road of the county. In so doing the Beacon opposes the interests of the public in general and of the town of Lockney in particular. As far as THE HESPERIAN knows the kindest feeling exists between the two papers of the county. The Maverick's advice is doubtless well meant and is taken in the same spirit; but it is of no avail, as THE HESPERIAN and the Beacon will "bury their hatchets" at the proper time. THE HESPERIAN sees its contemporary in error and is kind enough to edify it. If the Beacon has not profited by the discussion the fault will be in the Beacon, and in nothing else.

There is no longer in having a tilt with the Beacon—it is such an artful dodger. THE HESPERIAN is not inclined to think unkindly of the Beacon at any time; but if it were ever so inclined, it could not be so in the present instance, for the Beacon would cause a cynic to laugh convulsively on account of its constant shifting and dodging and vacillating. THE HESPERIAN admires the Beacon for its constancy—constancy in dodging and constancy in keeping on the wrong side. It would doubtless rather be wrong than to be president of a railroad meeting.

Starting Right.

Governor Lanham states that he will not appoint a drunkard or a gambler to any position of trust in the state. For so brave a determination he deserves special commendation. In so doing he voices the will and sentiment of a large majority of the citizenship of Texas. Mr. Lanham can not be charged with fanaticism; as his career hitherto has proved him to be far from fanaticism in any of his public acts or utterances. The time is at hand when men who drink or gamble will not be shielded in the Democratic party. Texas has been under Democratic rule since the days of Republican reconstruction, or rather Republican destruction. Since that time laws have been enacted requiring the harmful effects of alcoholic drinks, etc., on the nervous system to be taught. Some enthusiasts assert that this one feature in our public schools is largely responsible for the temperance wave which has struck Texas of recent years. Anything so manifestly destructive and demoralizing as whiskey drinking and gambling is sufficient to disgust the people. They are demanding men of sobriety and morality to fill all places of honor and trust. Mr. Lanham will not lack moral support in carrying out his effort to appoint none save sober and moral men to office.

Citizens of Texas, your Governor-elect has started out right! You should not withhold moral support from him in his noble effort to serve you honestly and efficiently!

Editorial Brevities.

If all people's physical courage were as weak as their moral courage, not a sanguinary battle would be begun, much less won.

Not long since this paper asked, "What will be the Beacon's next shift?" It shifted onto imitating Bob Luker. The shift was as ingenious as it was artful.

A public address or interview by Cleveland or Hill always gives delight to Republicans. The policies and principles of a democrat can largely be determined in the manner in which his utterances are received by Republicans.

Texas leads every other State in the Union in the rice-growing industry. This year 200,000 acres are in rice and the average yield per acre is 45 bushels, or 11 barrels. 9,000,000 bushels will be harvested this year. Texas is attracting attention all over the world as doing business on a large scale.

Editor J. M. Oakes of the Silverton Enterprise having been elected County and District Clerk of Briscoe County is offering the plant and good of the Enterprise for sale. Editor Oakes was in the newspaper business only a few months, hence the reason of his popularity to the degree of being elected to a county office. THE HESPERIAN extends fraternal greetings to Mr. Oakes in his latest acquisition.

At the 1902 State Democratic Convention last July the "Congressional trust" was a conspicuous and potent factor in its deliberations. Since Governor-elect Lanham has begun the consideration of applications for official positions the self-same "Congressional trust" is again conspicuous in its claims at the pie counter. Mr. Lanham will either rule his administration else be ruled by the Congressional trust.

The readers of THE HESPERIAN should ever bear in mind that its columns are open for any comments on public affairs they may wish to offer. If any reader knows of anything that would be of interest to public improvement or that should be done the same should not be withheld. Floyd county has made wonderful growth and advancement the past two years. Wise, forethought should be exercised. More is necessary to be done now for public improvement than ever before in the county. Discussion and agitation on the part of citizens will accomplish more than any other means or agency. THE HESPERIAN loves Floyd county, and is ever glad to assist in every move looking to her prosperity and improvement.

Of times local newspapers are criticised adversely for discussing State and National issues of vital importance, but no editor who has the courage of those convictions will become dismayed on that account. There are vital questions of State and National import that affect the homes and firesides of the masses and those of their posterity. If local newspapers everywhere fail to contribute their might in their defense reforms will be practically impossible to accomplish. THE HESPERIAN has cogent reasons, not apologies, to offer for its course. It will not hesitate or refuse to do the right thing because other papers fail or refuse to become enlisted on the side of right. It knows not what others may do, but for itself it will serve the masses in upholding right and condemning wrong.

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I have the most complete stock of WIND MILL SUPPLIES in the country. The AERMOTOR continues at the head of the procession, and why? Because it takes less wind to run it, pumps more water, takes care of itself in a high wind, and lasts longer than any wind mill made. There is no piece of machinery of its size that will do as much work, and do it as cheerfully, and with as little attention, as the Aermotor. In other words, it boards itself and works for nothing.

I have also a good TIN SHOP in connection. Send me your orders for HARDWARE. My prices are right and I treat my customers as friends.

"And Sure He Must Fight."

Editor Little of the Plainview Press has made war on the maitronic and pool dives of Plainview, and as a result had a personal altercation with one whose business was interfered with by Mr. Little's newspaper utterances. This paper knows nothing of Mr. Little's original utterances, but it admires his pluck and courage, moral and physical, to stand his ground. He says among other things:

"We came here to stay and will stay till we are hauled out in the hearse to our last resting place."

Editor Little is enlisted on the side of better morals for his town and the moral elements will sustain and defend him as he boldly holds up for the right.

"Unnecessary" Blunders.

The Beacon has made a reputation for issue-dodging in its discussion with THE HESPERIAN. If it had any convictions on the issues between it and THE HESPERIAN it has not had the courage to stand by them nor to renounce them. It has made untenable assertions, but it has never attempted to substantiate them. It will assert, but it will not dare to reassert. It now substitutes an imaginary writer as "Hiram Luker" to imitate the only and real Bob Luker. The Beacon boasts of its championship, but it will not show the faith that is in it, if it has any on the issues between it and THE HESPERIAN. The Beacon has opposed the interests of the general public and those of the town of Lockney, where it is published, besides showing itself hostile to law and order, the people's rights and the road-establishing authorities of the county—the Commissioners and the jurors of view in laying out the Sand Hill road. The Beacon doubtless sees the errors of its various and shifting positions, but it can not muster up the moral courage to acknowledge them publicly. But its readers would appreciate

it better if it would confess thru its columns that it has spoken time and again unadvisedly. The trouble with the Beacon is, that it has doubtless been "loaded," else it would not have made so many "unnecessary" blunders.

The Vote for District Judge.

J. M. Morgan—Hale 25; Lubbock 17; Floyd 250; Crosby 95; Motley 111; Dickens 104; Cottle 58; King 59; Knox 352; Baylor 86. Total 1232.

Jo A. P. Dickson—Hale 99; Lubbock 139; Floyd 65; Crosby 68; Motley 105; Dickens 69; Cottle 62; King 48; Knox 69; Baylor 273. Total 1043.

D. F. Goss—Hale 207; Lubbock 181; Floyd 108; Crosby 28; Motley 24; Dickens 6; Cottle 11; King 2; Knox 203; Baylor 120. Total 892.

Chas. E. Coombes—Hale 29; Lubbock 9; Floyd 32; Crosby 12; Motley 12; Dickens 110; Cottle 50; King 2; Knox 68; Baylor 95. Total 422.

The singing people met at the Methodist church building on Friday night of last week and organized a singing class. Ira D. Gamble was appointed temporary Chairman and took charge of the meeting. Following is the personnel of the officers elected: Ira D. Gamble, President; Albert Davis, Vice President; Chas. W. Watkins, Leader; L. P. Taffinder, Assistant Leader; Miss Emme Miller, Organist; Miss Mollie Davis, Assistant Organist; Miss Maude Taffinder, Secretary. The books adopted for class use were The Gospel Gleaner and Young People's Hymnal No. 2. Song work was briefly discussed by several persons present, after which a few songs were sung and the meeting adjourned to meet again on Saturday night, November 20. Let everybody join in the good work and make it as interesting and profitable as possible, and not long in the henceforward Floydada singers can make the welkins ring with vocal music—the best music that "human ear hath ever heard."

Read this paper for one year \$1.00
Pencil tablets of every description
at R. C. Scott's

Writing tablets from cheapest to
best at R. C. Scott's.

C. J. Menefee is attending a gathering
of Texas Holiness people at
Dallas this week.

The Acme Studio will do the latest
Platino finish which is guaranteed not
to fade. At Floydada in December.

At this time I am making a specialty
of school shoes. They can not be
excelled for durability and comfort.—
G. R. Griggs.

J. O. Bolding, teacher of the Fair-
view school, was on the streets last
Saturday. He reports his school
moving on nicely.

C. M. Henry, of Boonesboro, Wash-
ington County, Arkansas, is visiting
his sons at this place, E. O., R. L.,
and F. P. Henry.

C. Surginer returned the fore part
of the week from a ten days' trip to
Central Texas. He reports much
rain the portion of the State he visited.

J. V. Leatherwood's team ran away
near the gin Wednesday afternoon,
from which he received some injuries,
tho not serious.

A large assortment of Anti-rust
tinware received at C. Surginer's.
When in need of tinware it will pay
you to try the anti-rust.

A. C. Bowers had his residence
moved a few feet eastward and has
begun the erection of an addition and
to complete the finish of the entire
structure.

Homer Howard was in town on
Friday of last week. He had donned
the dignified air of a school teacher
and will doubtless soon begin his
professional skill.

Hog killing time is now at hand
and many Floyd county farmers are
having a real hog-killing and hominy-
making time. Winter time is longed
for as well as dreaded.

Major Dunn had a hog-killing time
at his place last Tuesday. The Ma-
jor expresses much delight in eating
backbone, spare-ribs, and ground
hog, more commonly known as saw-
sage.

L. C. McDonald, of Hampshire
county, West Virginia, arrived Mon-
day night and will spend some time
before he determines to locate. He
is an old-time friend to R. H. Baker,
the fruit tree man.

FOR SALE.—I have five half-breed
Red Poll male calves at \$25 each; one
good jack and some small ones which
I will sell or trade; also some full
blood Plymouth Rock chickens at
reasonable prices.—W. E. Buckley,
Floydada.

L. M. Terry, of Afton, Dickens
county, was in the city the latter
part of last week. He is now post-
master at Afton and will soon put in
a stock of drugs, stationery, and
confectioneries. While here he had
a lot of job printing done.

John L. West, the new and hus-
tling real estate agent of Floydada,
had this office to put out 2000 cir-
culars setting forth the merits and
charms of this country. He believes
in advertizing the resources of this
country and is putting into practice
the belief that is in him.

Woodie W. Smith and J. H. Ross,
two Trio singing masters of Hale
county, spent Wednesday night in
the city and did some singing at the
church building after prayer meeting.
These gentlemen express themselves
favorable to teaching a class in vocal
music at this place not many weeks
hence.

Elsewhere in this issue will be
found the program of the joint
Teachers' Institute of Hale and
Floyd counties, which will be held at
Lockney on Friday and Saturday of
next week. No teacher should fail
to see the program; and furthermore,
no teacher should fail to attend the
Institute.

T. J. Norman, the Lockney Dent-
ist, will be in Floydada, November
24, and will remain 6 days thereafter.
He will be prepared to do all kinds
of dental work. Parties needing
dental work should call on Dr. Nor-
man the fore part of the week, as he
will likely be busy during the latter
part. Dr. Norman's ability and
skill as a dentist is well known.

Pencil tablets at 10 cents per dozen
at R. C. Scott's.

Commissioners' Court convenes on
Thursday of next week to transact
some unfinished business.

Remember the Acme Studio will be
in Floydada during December and
will do first class photograph work.

Anyone wanting plain or fancy
sewing done call on Mrs. Lula Nelson.
Prices reasonable, work guaranteed.

If you want a list harrow, a disc
harrow, a wheat drill, a gang plow, a
riding Sulkey, a disc breaker—any-
thing in the implement line—remember
that O. Surginer is the man who
handles what you want at the right
prices.

W. B. Clark and family, of near
Lockney, were in town last Saturday
shopping. Mr. Clark is this year
teaching the Meteor school, the first
session of which the chief scribe had
the pleasure of presiding over, ten
years ago.

The best of dress goods, outing
flannel, domestics, and in fact winter
goods of most all kinds just received
at G. R. Griggs's store. Call at once
and make your selections. You are
aware of the low prices always on at
the New York Store.

J. R. Montgomery left the latter
part of last week for Texico, a small
railroad town just over the line in
New Mexico, where he will embark
in the grocery business. He will
construct the necessary buildings for
a future abode, after which he will
return for the purpose of moving his
family to their new home. Mr.
Montgomery has ever been, and will
always be, an honest, upright, law-
abiding citizen, and it is with much
regret that his fellow-citizens see
him leave Floyd county.

Tomorrow afternoon a crew of
Floydada Woodmen will visit the
Camp of Woodmen at Lockney, where
the grown old log-rolling will come
off and the grown old time will be
had by all who are so fortunate and
far-sighted as to be Woodmen. The
chief scribe, J. L. Davis, J. R. Beck,
J. W. Blair, Dr. J. Wes Carson, and a
half dozen others will show the world,
or at least a part of the world, that

they are some "pumpkins," as J. L.
Davis expresses it. The boys will
approach Lockney with much pomp
and will doubtless be received in the
way in which they go. Next week's
issue will tell all that can be commu-
nicated.

T. F. Houghton received his office
furniture last Saturday, which con-
sists of a book case, a desk, and two
office chairs, which he arranged in
his office, the northwest upper room
of the court house, Monday. He also
received his trunk and about 450
pounds of law books. Mr. Houghton
is well equipped for the practice of
his profession. He is an industri-
ous, studious legal light. He can
always be found at his office when
his professional services are in de-
mand. He will doubtless succeed,
because he deserves success. He is
just as attentive to his business as tho
he were doing an immense law prac-
tice.

Look! Look!!

Are you improving a home? Are
you setting an orchard? If not, why
not? Procrastination is the thief of
time. To-day is yours, yesterday has
passed with all its opportunities.

Fall is the time to plant an or-
chard. We are now offering a well-
selected stock of trees, as follows:

About 15,000 apples, in twelve va-
rieties, that have been tested on the
Plains.

Peaches, plums, pears, cherries,
grapes, and other nursery stock in
proportion.

70,000 forest trees, principally
Black Locust trees, will be ripe and
ready to dig by November 25, after
which time will be ready to fill all
orders so long as stock lasts.

Trees will be scarce next spring.
Come early while we have a nice stock
to select from. All fruit trees that die
the first year after planting will be re-
placed at half price.

We solicit your patronage. Satis-
faction guaranteed. Nursery located
5 miles north from Floydada, 7 miles
southeast of Lockney.

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FLOYDADA, TEXAS.

Merrimac flannel at G. R. Griggs's
for only 8 cents a yard.

A beautiful assortment of box sta-
tionery at R. C. Scott's.

Horace Thomas and wife of Lock-
ney spent Saturday in the City.

M. Steen and family, of Hamil-
ton county, are visiting Tom P. Steen
and family at this place.

Black Draught, 5 packages for \$1.00;
Simons' Liver Purifier, 5 packages
for \$1.00; at R. C. Scott's.

Several lines of fresh groceries re-
ceived this week at G. R. Griggs's.
Call early and make your selections.

A. D. Bowers has just received his
winter rubber shoes and boots. He
will be glad to show you thru his
stock.

Heath & Milligan standard mixed
paints of the world for sale at R. C.
Scott's; also linseed oil 85 cents per
gallon.

Do you think it possible? I have
\$2.50 shoes marked down to only \$2.
The war is on against high prices.—
G. R. Griggs.

All prescriptions carefully com-
pounded from the freshest and purest
drugs by a registered druggist at R.
C. Scott's drug store.

The Conference sends Walter
Griffith to Silvertown next year and
T. W. Sharp from Lubbock to Floy-
dada as pastor of the Methodist con-
gregation.

Will Maxwell returned from a trip
to New Mexico last Monday morning
and first received the sad news of his
father's death upon his arrival at
Floydada.

Ladies, you should call and exa-
mine the sewing machines in stock at
C. Surginer's before buying else-
where. They will make handsome
furniture as well as useful household
articles.

J. B. Bartley returned on Friday
evening of last week from a trip to
Fort Worth on legal business. He
also visited the bedside of a sick
brother at Comanche. He reports
that he was away from home six
nights and did without sleep as many
nights as he was absent.

Thru the kindness of J. M. Griggs
this paper learns that Miss Brunetta
Yates, the younger daughter of Mr.
and Mrs. James Yates, was united in
the holy bonds of wedlock to Mr.
J. T. Bristo at the school house at
Puerto, New Mexico. Mr. Dan Yates
and Miss Nora Nix were waiters.
The bride was reared at this place
and went to New Mexico two years
ago with her parents. She has
numerous friends here who wish her
much happiness in her married life.
Puerto school house was recently
erected and this is the first wed-
ding that ever occurred at that place.

Late Tuesday afternoon while Mrs.
E. C. Henry, little daughter Bernice,
and little son Ross, and Misses
Pansy Green and Jewel Posey were
driving in Northwest Floydada, the
team became frightened and ran
away, throwing Mrs. Henry violently
to the ground. She was found to be
in a state of unconsciousness and
with a gash cut on one ear. The
others escaped from the runaway
buggy with slight injuries save little
Bernice who remained with the
buggy until the team stopped run-
ning. Mrs. Henry is reported resting
well. The cause of the horses'
becoming frightened was due to one
side of the tongue becoming detached
from the buggy.

A message was received from Ben-
jamin stating that J. J. Maxwell
died at Benjamin on Saturday night
of last week. Mr. Maxwell and
twelve year-old son were on their way
to Jack county, and upon arriving at
Benjamin he took ill from an attack of
cramp colic, which caused death in a
short while. His remains were
interred at Benjamin on Sunday
afternoon following. Mr. Maxwell
was sixty-two years of age; was born
and reared in North Carolina; had
lived in Jack county sixteen years,
serving in the capacity of tax as-
sessor for a number of years. He and
his family moved to Floyd county
two years ago, settling in Lakeview
vicinity. He was a member of the
Baptist Church. Uncle Jimmy, as
he was familiarly called, was a high-
ly-respected citizen and the news of
his death was both a shock and a
surprise. A wife and several chil-
dren survive him.

TO GIVE SOMETHING FOR NOTHING

IS NOT BUSINESS.

The whole country is now aching from False
Advertisements after vainly trying them.

There is no secrecy about Success
in Business. The receipt is
simple enough:

Maximum Business

—ON—

Minimum Expense.

This is our way. It benefits you to call and see

FLOYD MERCANTILE CO.

—SUCCESSORS TO—

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And the Fight Begun!**

High Prices and Monopolies Knocked Out!

FLOYD MERCANTILE CO.

comes to the front with unfurled
Banners, bearing the inscription:

Quick Sales

—And—

Small Profits!

The Public is invited to inspect
our Immense Stock of Goods.

What We'll Will Do!

**Clothe you from
Head to Foot**

in a neat, durable and stylish manner; save you big money, and fill
your soul with happiness. Our great anxiety is that you try us.
You never will know how cheap first class goods are sold till you do.

Boys' Clothing.

This line is an innovation on
other lines and the prices match
the line. This department of our
business will be popular if brains
and money will do it.

Thinking People

Know what they want. They
are not to be won by mere irre-
sponsible cackle. Fair dealing
wins them. Once won they are
staunch customers, not to be
budded by bluster. All thinking
people are invited to make ex-
amination of our goods and
prices. Ramble around our way
and see what we have.

Do You

Buy of us? If not you are
wasting time, and the sooner you
change your base and come to
the actual and only headquarters
for your clothing and furnishings
the better you will prosper.

Millinery! Millinery!

Call and examine the stock
of Millinery under the supervision
of Miss Emma Miller before
buying elsewhere. She has re-
ceived her Fall and Winter Stock
and is prepared to sell to please
the custom. Her Goods are all
new and of good material. Call
and see them.

Shoes Shoes Shoes

**The Famous
Hamilton-Brown**



comprising all the latest
lasts, Narrow or Wide,
with Extension Soles
for street wear, with
genuine hand sewed
turn soles in fine kid
for dress wear; in low
heels on wide lasts for
every day wear; in high
French heels with patent tips for fashionable
wear; in plain toe on wide last for old ladies;
everything in the grades are guaranteed.

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A GORGEOUS DISPLAY OF

New Dress Goods.

THE MOST PRONOUNCED NEWNESS

of the NEW DRESS FABRICS which our buyers took so much pains in selecting are here for your inspection. No attractive, desirable weaves have been refused admittance to our stores. Our Up-to-now Ladies' Dress Patterns will please in quality and price. We have the largest stock the people ever had the opportunity of selecting from. No person who is willing to pay for what they get can possibly find any cause to complain at our prices in Dress Goods and many will wonder why we can afford to offer such rare and exceptional bargains as we have inaugurated at our stores. Our prices range,

From 5c to \$1.25 Per Yard.

HATS!

We have 'em in most all the popular makes. Like other lines we carry, our Hat Department will please you in both Quality and Price.



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We have the largest Stock of Shoes in Floyd County. Our stock is a regular Shoe Store on one side of our house. It is especially pleasant for a customer to have a large and varied assortment to select from, but it is not the big stock we are, so anxious to tell you about—it is the Quality. We are building a reputation for Good Shoes—Homeat shoes, Shoes that are worth every cent you pay for them—Shoes that are expressly made for Wear, and Comfort—the kind that you should call for again and again. We carry the



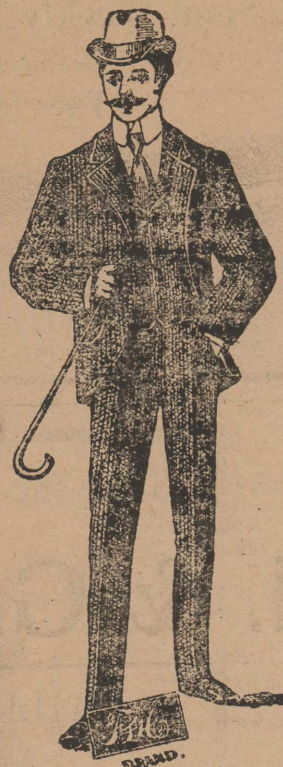
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The mere mention of the Star Brand Shoes is sufficient recommendation to the foot-wearing public. It makes its own record by its own superior merits. We make a hobby of the Star Brand Shoes. The Star is worthy of the people's confidence, and it holds the people's affections. If you are tired of buying Shoddy Shoes and want the worth of your money, give us an opportunity to show you our matchless values in footwear.



We Are offering Some Big Values in our Shoes.

Dry Goods, Clothing, Groceries, Saddlery, &c.



Men's and Boys' Clothing.

Our purchases in the Clothing Department were very heavy; we secured prices that will enable us to sell at prices that some other stores pay.

Men's Clothing, per suit, from \$5.00 to \$20.00
Children's Clothing, selling from \$1.50 to \$4.00

TAILOR-MADE GOODS!

We represent the M. Born & Co. Tailoring establishment, of Chicago. This Company is universally recognized as one of the best in the world. Perfect fit, perfect made, perfect wear.

UNDERWEAR.

Never in the past have we shown such values in this department as we have this season. If you do not inspect our Underwear lines before making your season purchases, you will be running counter to your best interests, financial and otherwise.

Blankets and Comforts.

The time of year has arrived when Blankets and Comforts are much needed to prepare for the frequent zeroers that are sure to visit this country during the brumal season. We anticipated a large demand and have purchased accordingly.

OVERCOATS AND CLOAKS.

You have not seen a complete line of Overcoats for Men and Boys and Cloaks and Capes for Women and Children unless you have gone thru this department of our Stores.

Overcoats, worth \$12.00, our price, \$8.50
Overcoats, worth \$10.00, our price, 7.50
Overcoats, worth \$4.50, our price, 3.75

Bargains in Cloaks and Capes.

NOTIONS.

HANDKERCHIEFS.

Our Notion Department is something of an Attractive Exhibit for the public. We have every kind of a Handkerchief you can think of for men, women, and children—the plain, every-day sort as well as the dainty, special-occasion sort.

DAINTY NECKWEAR.

Nothing has been left undone to make our Neckwear Department complete in every detail. Our lines are the daintiest and most popular in existence. The new style in Ties is the "Midget". We have 'em to suit all fancies.

NOTIONS IN GENERAL.

Our Belts, for Ladies and Gents, represents all the latest and most up-to-date sorts. So are our other Notions.

During the first eight months of this year our merchandise sales have increased over last year. And we expect the last four months of the year to show a large increase over the previous year. Why? Because we carry the stock; because we sell reliable goods and sell at close prices; because we watch our customers' interests as well as our own; because we make it pleasant for people to trade with us; because we are liberal with our customers.

The Twin Stores

Blank books, counter books, single and double entry ledgers at R. C. Scott's.

C. J. Menefee has begun the construction of a new residence on the Price addition southwest of the Floydada town section.

Before buying elsewhere you should see my stock of hats. Like all other lines they are marked down to bedrock.—G. R. Griggs.



THE NULITE VAPOR GAS LAMPS

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The Nearest Approach to Sunlight and Almost as Cheap.

ARG ILLUMINATORS 2 HOURS TWO CENTS.

Make your stores light as day. A Hardware house writes us: "We like your lamps so well we are now working nights instead of days."

We also manufacture TABLE LAMPS, WALL LAMPS, CHANDELIERS, STREET LAMPS, Etc. No Candles. Power seven hours ONE CENT. No wicks. No smoke. No odor. Absolutely safe. THEY SELL AT SIGHT. Exclusive territory to good agents. Write for catalogue and prices.

CHICAGO SOLAR LIGHT CO. CHICAGO.



The Acne Studio will be here thru December only. Don't miss your last chance to have first class photo work done.

Miss Allie Miller returned to Dickens county last Sunday to resume her school work at Duck Creek school house, after a vacation of about a month on account of the urgency in gathering the fall's cotton crop.

L. T. Lester, banker of Canyon City, was down on business the latter part of last week.

Pencil boxes, school bags, colored crayons, pens, pencils, and anything else in line of school supplies at R. C. Scott's.

Mrs. J. W. Bowers of Flomot vicinity spent Sunday at this place having her little daughter, Willie, treated by the physician.

TEACHERS' INSTITUTE.

Program of Joint Teachers' Institute of Hale and Floyd Counties to be held at Lockney on Friday and Saturday, November 28 and 29, A. D. 1902.

Institute will be opened at Public School building on Friday at 10 o'clock P. M.

Opening address—Horace Thomas.

Response—Judge W. C. Mathes.

Physical Geography—J. M. Braselton and G. C. Pruitt.

Kindergarten Work in Connection with our Public Schools—Misses Lillian McRee and Stella Fletcher.

Grammar—Infinitives and Participles—John S. Davis and Geo. E. Mayes.

How to Secure Uniform Progress (as near as may be) in Large Classes—P. B. Johnson and J. W. Bolin.

Arithmetic, Decimal Fractions—R. B. Wells and W. O. Hines.

FRIDAY NIGHT.

Opening song.

An address by Dr. Freeman.

Needed School Legislation—N. L. Clark.

Question Box.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 9 A. M.

Opening Song.

Importance of Teaching Civil Government in our Public Schools—Horace Thomas and J. C. Bolding.

School Incentives—B. D. Woodlee and Mrs. Louisa Kennamer.

How to Teach Percentage—S. H. Adams and Miss Lillian Merrick.

The Ideal Teacher—S. W. Mehorg. Play-ground Discipline—A. S. Kennamer and D. T. Scott.

NOON.

AFTERNOON, 1:30 O'CLOCK.

Opening Song.

Should the Study of Agriculture be Introduced in our Public Schools—W. H. Martin and W. B. Clark.

Primary Work: 1. Numbers—Miss Beasley; 2. Language—Miss Pitts; 3. Geography—Miss McClelland.

Query Box.

Discussions will not be limited to teachers. All friends of education are invited to be present and take part in them.

W. C. Mathes, Horace Thomas, Arthur B. Duncan, } Committee.

A Startling Surprise.

Very few could believe in looking at A. T. Hoadly, a healthy, robust blacksmith of Tilden, Ind., that for ten years he suffered such tortures from rheumatism as few could endure and live. But a wonderful change followed his taking Electric Bitters. "Two bottles wholly cured me," he writes, "and I have not felt a twinge in over a year." They regulate the kidneys, purify the blood, and cure rheumatism, neuralgia, nervousness, improve digestion and give perfect health. Try them. Only 50 cts. at R. C. Scott's drug store.

THE HESPERIAN received a booklet setting forth the merits of Farm and Ranch, the great agricultural paper of the Southwest. The booklet contains likenesses of its editors and regular correspondents. It epitomizes the greatness of Farm and Ranch. Farm and Ranch stands at the head of agricultural publications. It is sound from every standpoint. Of the family reading Farm and Ranch should be one of the publications in the list.

Luck In Thirteen.

By sending thirteen miles Wm. Spirey, of Walton Furnace, Vt., got a box of Bucklen's Arnica Salve, that wholly cured him of a horrible fever sores on his leg. Nothing else could. Positively cures bruises, felons, ulcers, eruptions, boils, burns, corns, and piles. Only 25c. Guaranteed by R. C. Scott, druggist.

Remember A. C. Bowers has the sole agency to sell the Giessecke stock of boots and shoes at, Floydada. The Giessecke is one of the best, if not the best, brands of shoes made. It is sold under a strict guarantee. Call and see them, for seeing is believing.

COMMONER COMMENTS.

Organize, and begin the work right now.

The reorganizers seem to have jumped out of a free silver frying pan into a tariff reform fire.

Maryland has gone republican by 8,000, and it cannot be charged up to the Kansas City platform, either.

If you read that Mr. Bryan's precinct went republican by sixteen majority, just remember that President Roosevelt's precinct went democratic by thirty-one.

Outside of the city of Baltimore the republicans secured a larger majority this year than they did in 1900 when the fight was made on the Kansas City platform.

John Lind remained true to his principles and won out in a district usually republican by a safe majority. There is a lesson for the reorganizers in the election of Mr. Lind.

The Rhode Island democracy endorsed the Kansas City platform, and the democrats of "Little Rhody" elected the Governor. Mr. Hill might ponder on this fact to good advantage.

The amiable Iowa gentleman who controlled the Iowa democratic convention may profitably study the election figures in that state. Nothing is to be gained by temporizing on any question.

Democrats should hasten to unite on true democratic principles. It is foreign to democratic principles to accept anti-democratic doctrines merely because they hold out a promise of victory.

If any moral can be extracted from anything so immoral as a republican victory, then the moral of last week's elections is that it is better for the democrats to fall with their convictions than to fall without them.

Mr. Waterson says that the defeat of Tom Johnson means that the party must turn its back on the Chicago platform if it would win. Go slow, Henry. The democrats of Indiana followed your advice and see where they are.

Governor Boies went down to Des Moines and secured the repudiation of the Kansas City platform, and then he returned to his district and made a race for congress on the tariff question. The returns in both state and district ought to convince him that free silver is at least as popular in Iowa as tariff reform.

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AFFIDAVIT

of Commissioners Court to Examination of County Cash and Assets.

The State of Texas, } In Commission-
Floyd County. } ers Court, Nov.
Term, 1902.

Before me, U. S. Wilkinson, Clerk of the County Court in and for said County, personally appeared the Members of the commissioners' court, whose names are below subscribed, who, upon their oaths, do say: That the requirements of Article 867, Chapter 1, Title XXV, of the Revised Statutes of the State of Texas, as amended by the regular session of the Twenty-fifth Legislature, have in all things been fully complied with, and that the cash and other assets mentioned in the quarterly report made to and filed in this court by S. B. McCleskey, county treasurer of said county, for the quarter ending the 31st day of October, 1902, and held by him for said county, have been fully inspected and counted by them at this term of said court; and that the amount of money and other assets in the hands of said treasurer are as follows, to-wit:

Balance on hand, in all funds, as shown by Treasurer's Report, on the 31st day of October, 1902..	\$1365.90
To amount received since said date....	604.15
By amount disbursed since said date....	\$634.29
By amount to balance cash actually counted by us.....	1335.76
	\$1970.05 \$1970.05

ARTHUR B. DUNCAN,
County Judge Floyd county.
J. D. STARKS,
County Commissioner, Floyd county
NAT G. WALLER,
County Commissioner, Floyd county.
T. B. MICHAEL,
County Commissioner, Floyd county.
JOHN B. BAKER,
County Commissioner, Floyd county.
Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 12th day of November, 1902.
U. S. WILKINSON,
County Clerk, Floyd county, Texas.

Asleep Amid Flames.

Breaking into a blazing home, some firemen lately dragged the sleeping inmates from death. Fancied security, and death near. It's that way when you neglect coughs and colds. Don't do it. Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption gives perfect protection against all throat, chest and lung troubles. Keep it near and avoid suffering death, and doctors' bills. A teaspoonful stops a late cough, persistent use the most stubborn. Harmless and nice tasting, it's guaranteed to satisfy by R. C. Scott. Price 50c. and \$1.00. Trial bottles free.

While in the heat of an antelope chase last Friday Reason Baker lost his knife and pocket book. He states that he does not care so much for losing his money, but that he is sorely grieved over the loss of his knife and pocket book. He will give all the money to the young lady who will return the pocket book.

Over-Work Weakens Your Kidneys.

Unhealthy Kidneys Make Impure Blood.

All the blood in your body passes through your kidneys once every three minutes.

The kidneys are your blood purifiers, they filter out the waste or impurities in the blood. If they are sick or out of order, they fail to do their work. Pains, aches and rheumatism come from excess of uric acid in the blood, due to neglected kidney trouble.

Kidney trouble causes quick or unsteady heart beats, and makes one feel as though they had heart trouble, because the heart is over-working in pumping thick, kidney-poisoned blood through veins and arteries. It used to be considered that only urinary troubles were to be traced to the kidneys, but now modern science proves that nearly all constitutional diseases have their beginning in kidney trouble.

If you are sick you can make no mistake by first doctoring your kidneys. The mild and extraordinary effect of Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney remedy is soon realized. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases and is sold on its merits by all druggists in fifty-cent and one-dollar sizes. You may have a sample bottle by mail. Home of Swamp-Root, free, also pamphlet telling you how to find out if you have kidney or bladder trouble. Mention this paper when writing Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y.

A PSALM OF LIFE.

WHAT THE HEART OF THE YOUNG MAN SAID TO THE PSALMIST.

—By HENRY W. LONGFELLOW.—

Tell me not, in mournful numbers,
"Life is but an empty dream!"
For the soul is dead that slumbers,
And things are not what they seem,
Life is real! Life is earnest!
And the grave is not its goal;
"Dust thou art, to dust returnest,"
Was not spoken of the soul.

Not enjoyment, and not sorrow,
Is our destined end or way;
But to act, that each tomorrow
Find us farther than today.

Art is long, and time is fleeting,
And our hearts, though strong and brave,
Still, like muffled drums, are beating
Funeral marches to the grave.

In the world's broad field of battle,
In the bivouac of Life,
Be not like dumb, driven cattle!
Be a hero in the strife!

Trust no future, how'er pleasant!
Let the dead past bury its dead!
Act,—act in the living Present!
Heart within, and God o'erhead.

Lives of great men all remind us
We can make our lives sublime,
And, departing, leave behind us
Footprints on the sands of time;

Footprints, that perhaps another,
Sailing o'er life's solemn main,
A forlorn and shipwrecked brother,
Seeing, shall take heart again.

Let us, then, be up and doing,
With a heart for any fate;
Still achieving, still pursuing,
Learn to labor and to wait.

Low Rates to Chicago.

For the above occasion the Pecos System will put on a rate of One Fare plus \$2 for the round trip to Chicago from all stations. Tickets will be on sale November 26, 29 and 30, limited to leave Chicago for return up to and including Dec. 8th, 1902. Tickets will have to be executed at Chicago for return trip and for this execution a fee of 25c will have to be paid. Call on any of our local agents for particulars.
Don A. Sweet, Traffic Mgr.

Startling, But True.

If every one knew what a grand medicine Dr. King's New Life Pills is," writes D. H. Turner, Dempseytown, Pa., "you'd sell all you have in a day. Two weeks' use has made a new man of me." Infalible for constipation, stomach and liver troubles. 25c at R. C. Scott's drug store.

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Scott Willis and Ben Huckabay of St. Arrey vicinity returned the fore part of the week from a flying trip to New Mexico and are once more domiciled under their parental roofs.

Beware of Ointments for Catarrh Contain Mercury.

as mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucuous surfaces. Such articles should never be used except on prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is ten fold to the good you can possibly derive from them. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, contains no mercury, and is taken internally, acting directly upon the mucuous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure you get the genuine. It is taken internally, and made in Toledo, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney & Co. Testimonials free. Sold by druggists, price 75c. per bottle.
Hall's Family Pills are the best.

Seth Wilkinson left the fore part of the week for Thurber Junction, in Stephens County, where he has secured a position in the railroad shops under J. F. Mann, a former citizen of this county.

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