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At the recent county seat election in Eastland county the town of Eastland won from the fact that no opposing town could get two thirds of the vote in the county. There were four places voted on and Cisco got nine more votes than all the others and still she lost.—Ex.

The population of the United States is increasing rapidly. So is the demand for and consumption of beef, yet the number of cattle in Uncle Sams domain have decreased fully 5,000,000 within the last five years, still there are a few people left who deny the existence of a shortage in the supply of cattle. The cold blooded scrubs are the only class of cattle not now in demand at good figures.—Stock and Farm Journal.

Forewarned.

A western farmer wrote to his lawyer as follows: "Will you please tell me where you learned to write? I have a boy I wish to send to school, and I am afraid I may hit upon the same school that you went to."—Youkers Statesman.

The party soon to be in power in this country have been accustomed to meeting the plea of dear money, by saying that products are cheap, and a little money will go a long way purchasing the necessities of life. Now the same party propose to add heavy import duties to protect high prices for many of the necessities of life. With high priced money and high priced goods, the poor consumer will be in milligans bend sure enough.

Sorghum is losing friends fast out here. Egyptian corn is rapidly supplanting it in the public favor. It is said that the cattle like the stalks much better, and that its heads are as good as milo maize or Indian corn. Anyhow, it is better than sorghum and will grow when even sorghum turns pale, and gives up the ghost. This year only a small crop of sorghum will be planted, as compared to former years. West Texas Stockman.

The Ballinger Banner-Leader seems to attach no importance to attach no importance to the building of a railway from that place to Colorado City, but is very much interested having her streets cleaned up. Such is life in far west.

President Cleveland and a part of his cabinet are to circumnavigate the globe after the 4th of March. If they go as a show we fear the monstrosity will not be appreciated outside of free America.

An Editor's Apology.

An Exchange says: Our regular issue was suspended last week on account of the editor being on one of his sprees. We can assure the community that the interruption will not occur again—or at least until we feel a great deal dirtier than we do now.

A San Angelo Boy In Central America.

Following is an extract of private letter written by Emmet Duke, formerly with the San Angelo Electric Light Co., to a relative in this city:

Office of Carril Del Norte,

Gualan, Guatemala, C. A., Jan. 21, '97.—"You will be surprised to hear from me in Central America, I know, but do not be uneasy. I am working in the machine shops here, for the above named road, 'The Railroad of the North.' There are thirty white men work here with me. Six dollars per day is the lowest wages paid. I am making \$7 per day in Guatemala money. It is no good in the U. S. or I would send you all a bushel. There is no cold weather here; 60 degrees above is the lowest the thermometer gets the year round. They sent me down to Los Amates to fix a pump and am now waiting for train to go back on. Am sixty miles from the shops now. It costs \$20 to come over here. I did not find this country like I expected. There is only one electric plant in the whole country and there are more linemen coming over here than a little. Some of them are working on the section in order to make enough money to go back on."—San Angelo Standard.

Delinquent Tax Sales.

Austin, Texas, Feb. 6.—The following was made public by the attorney general today:

Attorney General's Office, Austin, Tex., Feb. 6.—County Attorney—Dear Sir: Inasmuch as there are many sales of land contemplated under the delinquent tax law, and numerous inquiries have been made of this department, this is to notify you that in all instances where any property is offered for sale by virtue of any execution or order of sale issued from any judgement for taxes, that I hereby advise and consent that you attend such sales and bid on and buy in for the state the property so offered for sale when it is necessary to protect the interests of the state in the collection of such judgement; provided that in no case shall the amount bid by you exceed the amount necessary to satisfy the judgement and all costs had thereon. You will be guided by your action by article 291 of the revised civil statutes.

Very truly yours,
M. M. CRANE,
Attorney General.

The senate has made a record of passing 104 pensions bills in 95 minutes. Tax us to death and let us go to heaven.—Ex.

Send for a doctor, "Willie has swallowed a penny?" The terrified and frightened boy looked up imploringly. "No, mama," he interposed; "send for the minister." "The minister?" asked his mother incredulously. "Did you say the minister?" "Yes; because papa says our minister can get money out of anybody.—Ex.

Llano Men In Trouble.

During last summer George McGuire, Bud McGuire and John Blaylock left here for New Mexico and a few weeks after Bud McGuire and Blaylock returned to Llano stated that Geo. McGuire had been killed by his horse and the body been buried where found. The late grand jury inquired into George's early death and it now transpires that George is not dead but alive in Mexico.

It was a scheme to collect \$5000 life insurance money which was held by George McGuire.

Bob McGuire was placed in jail in Llano and Sheriff Porter caught Blaylock in Gatesville. Geo. McGuire is in jail in New Mexico.

They had all made sworn affidavits that George was dead and may wish he was before they are thronged with the case.—Llano Times.

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Mrs. Campbell, the principal writer certainly was a woman commissioned of God, and "In His Name" spent many years as a city missionary literally "In Dark New York." What a wonderful work she did. How devoted and blessed her labors were. It is a story never to be forgotten. This unique volume presents these thrilling experiences of Christian endeavor with the hundreds of pathetic and amusing scenes that were packed into them; it portrays life in a great city by day and by night "As Seen by a woman"; it shows the power of the Gospel to redeem souls from the lowest depths; it gives striking testimonies of the redeemed; and from all these rich and varied experiences it draws living truths for head and heart that are worth to any reader ten times the price of the book. Mrs. Campbell's account of rescue work is full of wonderfully touching incidents. Stranger stories are here told than romance ever dreamed of, every one of them drawn from real life by a woman's hand. In every chapter she weaves in anecdote after anecdote, incident after incident, story after story and the reader's attention is held breathless to the end of the volume. "Strange, but most suggestive is the fact," says Bishop Cox in warmly commending this volume, "that Christ is to be visited in these dens and dives there are those whom He will bear in mind when He says: 'Ye visited me; or, when He says: 'Ye did it not to me.'"

Rev. Dr. Lyman Abbott's life-long interests in City Mission work, and his personal share in that work, preeminently fitted him to write for this book. In his introduction to it he says:—

"My interest in these phases of city life dates from my college days. From that day this—over a third of a century—I have continued the studies then begun, and the subject of this book has been one of the great subjects of my study—sometimes in liter-

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LOCAL CHIPS.

I. J. Good was in town Tuesday night.

Several cases of the la grippe this week.

Mrs L. W. Field was sick with the la grippe this week.

Read D. T. Averitt professional card in this issue.

A E Vowell was in town yesterday.

J. F. Deats sell for cash only

Granger John Burroughs was doing the city Wednesday.

The Teachers Institute met at Sanco yesterday and today.

Mrs. W. C. Barron, of near Sanco was right sick several days this week.

J. R. Smith, of down the river was in town one day this week.

J. F. Deats says he is going to get rich now. He has quit using tobacco.

Go to J. F. Deats' Free Wagon Yard.

Harris Bros. and Childress have subscribed 103 town lots to the railroad.

Mrs J. W. Reed was sick several days this week with lagrippe.

Prof. Thomas attended the Teachers Institute at Sanco yesterday and today.

Capt Hutchinson, of Bronte was in town Wednesday taking orders for fruit trees.

Pleas Childress and Miss Sallie Perry attended the Institute at Sanco last night.

There will be an Exchange business up here in the near future.

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Dr. W. F. Key, of Bronte was in town one day this week. He is for the railroad \$1000 worth.

THE LEGAL TENDER

San Angelo, Texas.
HARRY BENNETT, PRO.
Wishes all his Coke Co. friends to Call on him when in San Angelo.

Restaurant in connection with the Bar.

We are informed that Hamilton, Montgomery & Jackson, of Boozer creek, are putting in a large crop of oats.

C. W. McCutchen was in town Tuesday.

Messrs Golden and Sumrall, of the Boozer country were in the city Tuesday buying supplies.

Judge Perryman and Misses Alvie and Scottie Ingram attended the Teachers Institute at Sanco last night.

J L Elliott, the photographer left this morning for his home at Sweetwater, but will return again Monday.

J. F. Deats is still in the push when it comes to groceries and grain.

A full stock of Fresh Groceries always on hand and sold at lowest possible prices for cash at the Grocery Store of A. D. White. San Angelo

H. H. Hayley says he did intend to subscribe \$1000 to the railroad, but since losing so much on house moving he will not be able to subscribe anything.

My prices are always the lowest for first-class goods is why so many buy their Groceries from A. D. White, San Angelo.

Deputy Sheriff, J. D. Davis, Dennis Maddox and W. F. Buchanan left Thursday evening for Sonora to attend District court.

J. D. Collier & Co. are receiving New Goods every week and their prices are Bedrock.

Ft. Chadbourne's Justice of the Peace, Jim Morris, was in the city Wednesday.

The Record Broken.

J. D. Collier & Co. are the first in Coke County to sell Roasted coffee, Arbuckle and XXXX at 6 pounds for \$1.

Silas conner and I. c. Brown, two of Silvers' representative stockmen and farmers were in town Thursday.

Tomatoes, full weight 3 pound cans 10c each at J. Collier & Co., Edith, Texas.

J. D. Colliers' prices are all leaders.

J. S. Smith and J. Q. McCabe, two prominent stockmen of the Divide were in town the first of the week paying taxes.

Attend the school meeting at the school house next Saturday night. It is of importance to all.

J. L. Barron bought the lower story of the Odd Fellows building this week of Chas. Roe. Consideration \$350. He will go into business there in the near future.

County Commissioner Campbell, of Sanco, says there is nothing else that would give this county and town such an impetus as the railway.

Go to Robert Lee to hear Railroad talk and to Edith to buy cheap Goods at J. D. Collier & Co sells them and guarantees every thing as represented.

Wm. Childress and J. A. Green were in town a few hours one day this week.

I. C. Williams was in town Thursday. I. C. says he aimed to put in fifty acres of cotton this year, but says as the railroad is coming he is only going to plant about half the much cotton and plant more feed.

CENTRAL HOTEL.

Mr. Q. Loe, at the old Nickel Store in San Angelo is now fully prepared to meet the demands of the eating and sleeping public. Meals or beds 25 cents. Good rates by the week or month. Call there, try him once and you will go again.

W. F. Buchanan, of Robert Lee, was in the city Saturday on Railroad business. He seemed quite enthusiastic, and believed the enterprise would go through at an early date.—San Angelo. Enteri prise.

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Through an "ad" in the Rustler Mr G. G. Odem, of Oak creek, found a highly prized pair of spectacles while in town Monday that he had lost some time since. He then did the correct thing and subscribed for the Rustler. Mr Odem says he looks for stock of all kind to go through the winter without any loss to amount to anything.

PHOTO NOTICE.

Pictures! Pictures!!

The photographer will be here another week or two. Come and have your pictures made while you can get fine work at a low price.

W. L. Lowe and wife, of Valley View were visiting in the city Thursday.

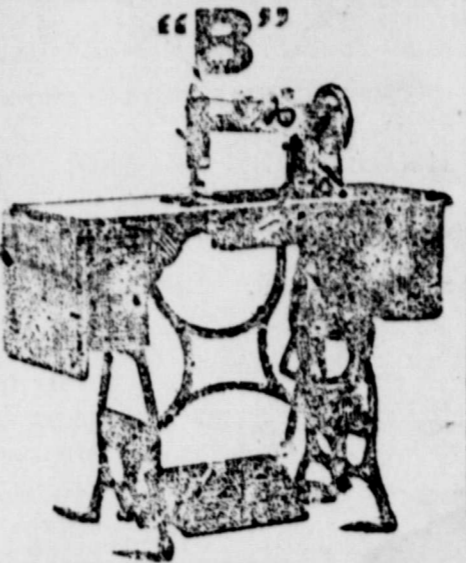
J T Hamilton and W T caraway sold this week to Will and Marvin Perry 55 head of yearling steers at \$11.

NOTICE.

To Valley View Mission, South West Texas Annual Conference of the Methodist church: Our secon quarterly conference will be held with Valley View Class, Methodist Protestant, on Saturday before the fourth Sunday in February. Brother Wilson writes he will be with us then. Come one and all expecting a blessing.

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W. D. Allen,
Ballinger, Texas.

Edith Happinings.

Feb. 8th 1897.

Well, as Hugo did not write last week, I will give you a few dots from this neck.

We have had some very cold weather, but stock look well in these parts.

Mr. G. M. Arnett and Miss Pearl Good were married at Robert Lee January the 31st. Hon. S. J. Chapman officiating. We wish them a long and happy life.

Miss Mammie Stokes has gone to Water Valley to be gone a week or two, visiting Mrs. J. C. Newton and Mrs. G. M. Gardner.

Jim Reed, who is attending the Water Valley school, come home on a visit Saturday.

G. C. Arnett has just received some cattle from down east.

A. B. Blackwell has just gotten in from Tarrant county, where he has been gone for some time buying cattle. We learn he brought in 160.

J. B. Cotten, Authur Cotten and Jinks Johnson have gone to Scurry county with their cattle.

J. D. Collier, our Edith Merchant had three loads of freight brought from San Angelo last week. How is that for a country store?

Mr. Rayner, of Comanche county, father of Mrs. G. W. Peay is out here looking for a location.

Mrs. J. B. Cotten is a victim of the grippe this week.

Farmers are beginning to turn the soil preparing for another crop.

J. M. Sparks was seen going toward Robert Lee on time this morning, wonder what's the matter now?

J. L. Eyle is drilling a well. G. W. Peay.
PETER SPILKINS.

On last Saturday evening a road meeting was convened at court house on short notice.

The object of the meeting was to hear and consider the proposition of Mr. Wheatcroft, who represents the International Promoting

and it was agreed that the amount asked of Coke could and would be raised. A meeting was held at the court house Thursday for the purpose of securing subscriptions ascertaining what would be done.

Up to Thursday evening only eleven or twelve thousand dollars in money had been subscribed, but in addition to this, we are informed that there is considerable land and town property subscribed. The committee claims that within a reasonably short time they will be able to come through

with the amount asked for.

Both Colorado and Ballinger claim to be ready to do the right thing when their time comes and the prospects are that before a year more months roll by actual work on the road may begin.

CITATION.

The State of Texas.

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Coke county Greeting:—You are hereby commanded that you summon the heirs to the Estate of Geo. Gunderman Deceased and all other persons whom it may concern. The names and residence of said heirs are to me unknown, to be and appear before the County court of Coke County Texas at a regular term of said court for said county to be held in the town of Robert Lee, in said county on the 15th day of Feb. 1897. To answer the application of Henry Williams administrator of the said estate of the said Geo. Gunderman deceased. Said estate being numbered No. 20 on the docket of said Court, and applicants demand being to close said estate and that applicant be released from said administratorship said application, considered together with final account and financial statement now on file with the papers in said cause, will be acted upon at the aforesaid term of said county court. Herein fail not, and of this make due return to the next regular term of said county court to be held on the 15th day of Feb. A. D. 1897.

Given under my hand and seal this 20th day of January A. D. 1897.

J. W. BARNETT,
Clerk Co., Court Coke Co. Texas.

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J. W. Barnett - Clerk.
L. E. Murray, Sheriff & Tax Collector.
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C. L. Hughes - Treasurer.
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COMMISSIONERS.

E. C. Rawlings - Pre No. 1.
Sam Sayner - " " 2.
J. C. Newton - " " 3.
J. H. Campbell - " " 4.

COURTS.

Distric Court convenes 1st, Monday in April and November.

County Court convenes 3d. Monday May, August, November and February.

Commissioners Court convenes 2nd Monday in February, May August November.
Coke County Church Directory.

Robert Lee Mission, M. E. Church South; services as follows:

Bronte, 1st " 11 a. m.
Rock Springs, 2d " 11 a. m.
Hayrick, " " 4 p. m.
Robert Lee, 3d Sunday, 11 a. m.
Sanco, 4th " 11 a. m.

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LOCAL CHIPS.

I. J. Good was in town Tuesday night.

Several cases of the la grippe this week.

Mrs L. W. Field was sick with the la grippe this week.

Read D. T. Avereritt professional card in this issue.

A E Vowell was in town yesterday.

J. F. Deats sell for cash only

Granger John Burroughs was doing the city Wednesday.

The Teachers Institute met at Sanco yesterday and today.

Mrs. W. C. Barron, of near Sanco was right sick several days this week.

J. R. Smith, of down the river was in town one day this week.

J. F. Deats says he is going to get rich now. He has quit using tobacco.

Go to J. F. Deats' Free Wagon Yard.

Harris Bros. and Childress have subscribed 103 town lots to the railroad.

Mrs J. W. Reed was sick several days this week with lagrippe.

Prof. Thomas attended the Teachers Institute at Sanco yesterday and today.

Capt Hutchinson, of Bronte was in town Wednesday taking orders for fruit trees.

Pleas Childress and Miss Sallie Perry attended the Institute at Sanco last night.

There will be an Exchange business up here in the near future.

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There is no appreciable loss of stock from the recent cold and snows in this county.

Dr. W. F. Key, of Bronte was in town one day this week. He is for the railroad \$1000 worth.

THE LEGAL TENDER

San Angelo, Texas.
HARRY BENNETT, PRO.
Wishes all his Coke Co. friends to call on him when in San Angelo.

Restaurant in connection with the Bar.

We are informed that Hamilton, Montgomery & Jackson, of Boozer creek, are putting in a large crop of oats.

C. W. McCutchen was in town Tuesday.

Messrs Golden and Sumrall, of the Boozer country were in the city Tuesday buying supplies.

Judge Perryman and Misses Alvie and Scottie Ingram attended the Teachers Institute at Sanco last night.

J L Elliott, the photographer left this morning for his home at Sweetwater, but will return again Monday.

J. F. Deats is still in the push when it comes to groceries and grain.

A full stock of Fresh Groceries always on hand and sold at lowest possible prices for cash at the Grocery Store of A. D. White. San Angelo

H. H. Hayley says he did intend to subscribe \$1000 to the railroad, but since losing so much on house moving he will not be able to subscribe anything.

My prices are always the lowest for first-class goods is why so many buy their Groceries from A. D. White, San Angelo.

Deputy Sheriff, J. D. Davis, Dennis Maddox and W. F. Buchanan left Thursday evening for Sonora to attend District court.

J. D. Collier & Co. are receiving New Goods every week and their prices are Bedrock.

Ft. Chadbourne's Justice of the Peace, Jim Morris, was in the city Wednesday.

The Record Broken.

J. D. Collier & Co. are the first in Coke County to sell Roasted coffee, Arbuckle and XXXX at 6 pounds for \$1.

Silas conner and I. c. Brown, two of Silvers' representative stockmen and farmers were in town Thursday.

Tomatoes, full weight 3 pound cans 10c each at J. Collier & Co., Edith, Texas.

J. D. Colliers' prices are all leaders.

J. S. Smith and J. Q. McCabe, two prominent stockmen of the Divide were in town the first of the week paying taxes.

Attend the school meeting at the school house next Saturday night. It is of importance to all.

J. L. Barron bought the lower story of the Odd Fellows building this week of Chas. Roe. Consideration \$350. He will go into business there in the near future.

County Commissioner Campbell, of Sanco, says there is nothing else that would give this county and town such an impetus as the railway.

Go to Robert Lee to hear Railroad talk and to Edith to buy cheap Goods at J. D. Collier & Co sells them and guarantees every thing as represented.

Wm. Childress and J. A. Green were in town a few hours one day this week.

I. C. Williams was in town Thursday. I. C. says he aimed to put in fifty acres of cotton this year, but says as the railroad is coming he is only going to plant about half the much cotton and plant more feed.

CENTRAL HOTEL.

Mr. Q. Loe, at the old Nickel Store in San Angelo is now fully prepared to meet the demands of the eating and sleeping public. Meals or beds 25 cents. Good rates by the week or month. Call there, try him once and you will go again.

W. F. Buchanan, of Robert Lee, was in the city Saturday on Railroad business. He seemed quite enthusiastic, and believed the enterprise would go through at an early date.—San Angelo. Enteri prise.

Go to Jno. Freeland for Apples Cabbage, Potatoes and Pure Apple Cider. Agent for All Leading Daily Papers. Also Agent for the Belton Steam Laundry. SAN ANGELO, TEXAS.

Through an "ad" in the Rustler Mr G. G. Odem, of Oak creek, found a highly prized pair of spectacles while in town Monday that he had lost some time since. He then did the correct thing and subscribed for the Rustler. Mr Odem says he looks for stock of all kind to go through the winter without any loss to amount to anything.

PHOTO NOTICE.

Pictures! Pictures!!

The photographer will be here another week or two. Come and have your pictures made while you can get fine work at a low price.

W. L. Lowe and wife, of Valley View were visiting in the city Thursday.

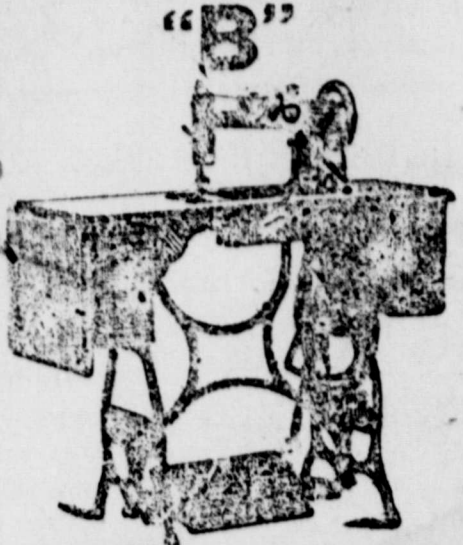
J T Hamilton and W T caraway sold this week to Will and Marvin Perry 55 head of yearling steers at \$11.

NOTICE.

To Valley View Mission, South West Texas Annual Conference of the Methodist church: Our secon quarterly confrence will be held with Valley View Class, Methodist Protestant, on Saturday before the fourth Sunday in February. Brother Wilson writes he will be with us then. Come one and all expecting a blessing.

Yours for Christ,
W. C. Burr, Pastor

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W. D. Allen,
Ballinger, Texas.

Edith Happinings.

Feb. 8th 1897.

Well, as Hugo did not write last week, I will give you a few dots from this neck.

We have had some very cold weather, but stock look well in these parts.

Mr. G. M. Arnett and Miss Pearl Good were married at Robert Lee January the 31st. Hon. S. J. Chapman officiating. We wish them a long and happy life.

Miss Mamie Stokes has gone to Water Valley to be gone a week or two, visiting Mrs. J. C. Newton and Mrs. G. M. Gardner.

Jim Reed, who is attending the Water Valley school, come home on a visit Saturday.

G. C. Arnett has just received some cattle from down east.

A. B. Blackwell has just gotten in from Tarrant county, where he has been gone for some time buying cattle. We learn he brought in 160.

J. B. Cotten, Anthur Cotten and Jinks Johnson have gone to Scurry county with their cattle.

J. D. Collier, our Edith Merchant had three loads of freight brought from San Angelo last week. How is that for a country store!

Mr. Raymer, of Comanche county, father of Mrs. G. W. Peay is out here looking for a location.

Mrs. J. B. Cotten is a victim of the grippe this week.

Farmers are beginning to turn the soil preparing for another crop.

J. M. Sparks was seen going toward Robert Lee on time this morning, wonder what's the matter now?

J. L. Eyle is drilling a well for G. W. Peay.

PETER SPILKINS.

On last Saturday evening a railroad meeting was convened at the court house on short notice.

The object of the meeting was to hear and consider the proposition of Mr. Wheatcroft, who represents the International Promoting Syndicate, for the construction of the proposed railway, which was as follows: Runnels, Coke and Mitchell counties to take stock in the line to the amount of \$150,000, Runnels county taking \$50,000, Coke \$40,000 and Mitchell \$60,000 and right of way and terminal facilities. A committee was appointed to solicit subscriptions and it was agreed that the amount asked of Coke could and would be raised. A meeting was held at the court house Thursday for the purpose of securing subscriptions ascertaining what would be done.

Up to Thursday evening only eleven or twelve thousand dollars in money had been subscribed, but in addition to this, we are informed that there is considerable land and town property subscribed. The committee claims that within a reasonably short time they will be able to come through

with the amount asked for.

Both Colorado and Ballinger claim to be ready to do the right thing when their time comes and the prospects are that before many more months roll by actual work on the road may begin.

CITATION.

The State of Texas.

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Coke county Greeting:—You are hereby commanded that you summon the heirs to the Estate of Geo. Gunderman Deceased and all other persons whom it may concern. The names and residence of said heirs are to me unknown, to be and appear before the County court of Coke County Texas at a regular term of said court for said county to be held in the town of Robert Lee, in said county on the 15th day of Feb. 1897. To answer the application of Henry Williams administrator of the said estate of the said Geo. Gunderman deceased. Said estate being numbered No. 20 on the docket of said Court, and applicants demand being to close said estate and that applicant be released from said administratorship said application, considered together with final account and financial statement now on file with the papers in said cause, will be acted upon at the aforesaid term of said county court. Herein fail not, and of this make due return to the next regular term of said county court to be held on the 15th day of Feb. A. D. 1897.

Given under my hand and seal this 20th day of January A. D. 1897.

J. W. BARNETT,
Clerk Co., Court Coke Co. Texas.

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J. H. Campbell - " " 4.

COURTS.

District Court convenes 1st, Monday in April and November.

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Commissioners Court convenes 2nd Monday in February, May August November.

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Quarantine Line.

The boundaries of the above are familiar to most stockmen. We give them here however, for the benefit of any desiring to trace them out on a map, or who may be unfamiliar with them. Quarantine regulations are effective between Feb. 15, and Nov. 15, during which time no cattle can be moved from any point south or east of said line to any point north or west of the line.

Beginning at the southwest corner of the county of Pecos, on the bank of the Rio Grande; thence following the western boundary of Pecos county to the southeast corner of Reeves county; thence following the boundary line between the counties of Pecos and Reeves to the Pecos river; thence southeasterly, following the Pecos river to the northwest corner of Crockett county; thence easterly along the northern boundary of Crockett and Schleicher counties to the southeastern corner of Irion county; thence northerly along the eastern boundary of Irion county to the northeast corner of said county; thence northerly to the southern boundary of Coke county; thence westerly to the southwest corner of Coke county; thence northerly along the western boundary of Coke county to the southern boundary of Michell county; thence easterly to the southeastern corner of Michell county; thence northerly along the western boundary of Nolan county to the northwestern corner of Nolan county; thence easterly along the northern boundary of said county to the southwestern corner of Jones county; thence easterly with the southern boundary of Jones county to the southeast corner of said county; thence northerly with the east boundary line of said county to the southern boundary line of Haskell county; thence easterly with the southern boundary line of Haskell county to the southwest corner of Throckmorton county; thence northerly a long the western line of Throckmorton and Baylor to the southwest corner of Wilbarger county thence easterly with the southern boundary of Wilbarger to the southeast corner said county; thence northerly with the east boundary line of said county to Red river; thence up Red river to the mouth of the north fork of Red river." The above also applies to Mexican cattle.—Stock and Farm Journal.

From San Angelo Standard.
J. N. Farpular bought 98 goats from Will Gobble of Grape Creek to \$1. per head. A sample of the hair seen by the Standard yesterday was over 10 inches long and will sell in San Antonio at 30 cts. per pound. Buy goats.

T. K. Wilson, of Coke county was in the city Saturday.

John Lovelady and Billie Childress left Tuesday night for Houston on cattle business.

The Black Death.

The bubonic plague, now raging in India, is the most destructive of all known epidemics. Rarely less than 60 and often 90 per cent of those attacked die. It often destroys half the population of a town or district where it prevails. This disease prevailed throughout Europe from 1348 to 1350 and it is estimated that it carried off not less than one-fourth of the population, or 40,000,000 of people. The first important outbreak of the disease occurred in the sixth century, starting from lower Egypt. It continued to ravage northern Europe until the seventeenth century. The last outbreak in England was from 1663 to 1665 causing what is known in history as the "great plague of London," destroying one-half the population of England. Since that time it has visited western Europe. In 1720 it was introduced into Marseilles, France, from Syria, and destroyed half the population, not only of that city, but of the department of Provence. There have been repeated outbreaks in Egypt, Syria, Asia Minor and Turkey. Several terrible visitations have occurred in India and China, Arabia, Mesopotamia and Persia. The general symptoms of the disease resemble those of other malignant fevers—rigors, rise of temperature, pain in head, back and limbs, great prostration and mental hallucination, leading to delirium, coma and death. About the second day the symptoms which give the disease its name appears, swelling of the glands under the arms, under the lower jaws, in the groins and elsewhere, proceeding to ulceration and suppuration. Malignant carbuncles appear on different parts of the body, and rapidly develop gangrene. No specific medical treatment is known to cure the disease or even mitigate the symptoms. Nausea, vomiting and proper attention to the running sores seem to be all that avails. The cause of the disease is obscure. It is highly infectious. Poverty, privation and filth are favorable conditions for its development. It is not probable that it can ever become as fatal in highly civilized countries, as it has proven in the over crowded and insanitary nations of the far East. Nevertheless it is best to take every precaution to prevent it from obtaining a foothold upon our shores. It belongs East, and we want none of it.

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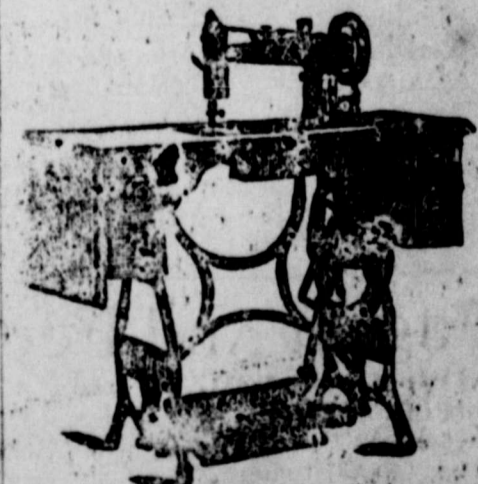
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