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LAND PRICES-POSSIBILITIES IN THE GREAT TEXAS PANHANDLE— AN ATTRACTIVE FIELD FOR THE HOME-SEEKER.

THE TEXAS PANHANDLE, comprising a score of counties, aggregating over 20,000 square miles, extending through three parallels of latitude, and from the 100th to the 103d meridian, has until of late years, been entirely neglected by the westward-tide of immigration, though its boundless plains have yielded fortunes to the few who have occupied them with their herds. The Panhandle is equivalent in area to Delaware, Connecticut, Rhode Island and Massachusetts combined; yet its population is extremely sparse, being not more than one-tenth that of Delaware alone. Whole areas of rich pasture lands, aggregating hundreds of square miles, are without a single inhabitant. The last census showed more than a square mile of territory for every man, woman and child within its bounds. Since the rapid development of Oklahoma, hundreds of homeseekers have secured for themselves large ranches in the Panhandle; and yet there is room. The county having the least population is Sherman, with 107 inhabitants (1900). Donley is the most populous, having 2,755.

The Panhandle is traversed from north to south by the Rock Island and Santa Fe railway systems; from east to west by the Ft. Worth & Denver and the Choctaw routes. The coming of these railroads has directed the attention of the world to these plains, which, under proper cultivation, are taking rank with the most productive sections of the Great Southwest.

In the geologic past, a great inland basin is supposed to have rested upon what is now the Panhandle, the level bed of which is now represented by the plains. Through these treeless steppes the Canadian River has cut a deep canyon. The other principal streams are the Washita River, Wolf Creek, Palo Duro Creek and the North Fork of Red River, all trending to the southeast, and finding their way to the Mississippi by way of the Arkansas and the Red rivers. Lipscomb County is the best watered. The ruins of an ancient civilization are often discovered in the beds of these waterways.

The state of Texas has sold the dry grazing lands of the Panhandle at \$1 per acre, on forty years' time, at three per cent interest. Prices now range from \$1.75 to \$5 per acre, and have been rapidly rising for the past two years. An unlimited supply of water is derived from windmills. When a homestead is acquired, it cannot be sold without the consent of the wife, nor under process for debt; nor can it be mortgaged. All current wages for personal service are also exempt. No more healthful climate can be found. It is a country without a characteristic disease. The prevalent winds are southerly. Without them, the summers would be unendurable; with them, the

mean annual temperature does not exceed sixty degrees. The plains are a favorite resort for those suffering with pulmonary complaints.

For many years it was supposed that this region, now known to be of rich resources, was a part of the so-called "Great American Desert," and in the language of the government commissioner who visited it, "an empire not worthy good blood." Since 1876, however, when Fort Elliot was established in Wheeler County to expel the Indians, many have been content to build their homes upon the Llano Estacado, or staked plains, which gradually rise into the foot-hills of the Rockies. The United States conducted a weather office at Fort Elliot for ten years, the records of which are obtainable. A bureau is now maintained at Amarillo, population 4,500, the largest city of the Panhandle. The records show that the rainfall is increasing with the settlement of the country.

The soil of the plains is a rich black loam, varying from one to five feet in depth, covered with the most nutritious grasses. The most valuable crops are those of feed for cattle, the raising of which is becoming a science. Millions of cattle have been shipped from the plains to the markets of Chicago and Kansas City. From the days of free range, these plains and valleys have been changed by the heavy immigration of the past few years to large pasture holdings of from four to twenty sections each. The State school lands have been homesteaded in tracts of four sections each by actual settlers. Most of it is not yet patented. The alternate odd-numbered sections are held by railroads and their grantees, and are rapidly being sold to the new settlers. It will be many years before the large pastures are cut down by sales to small holdings such as exist just across the east boundary in Oklahoma, where each 160-acre tract supports a family. It is the consensus of opinion that the possibilities of stock-farming and raising fine cattle in the Panhandle are without limit for the future, and that with the development of irrigation by gasoline engines, the inexhaustible underflow is available to make the virgin plains the wheat and fruit belt of the United States. Scientific farming is in its infancy because until recently the lands have been too cheap to be farmed; but present prices invite the "man with the hoe."

He who seeks a home in the Panhandle may come with the assurance that he will be a resident of a country where pauperism is unknown. No man has ever starved for bread in these highlands of Texas. On the contrary, every head of a family who has continuously resided here for the past fifteen years, and who has been sober and in-

dustrious, is now possessed of a lifetime competence, if not of comparative wealth.

All that is needed for the development of this resourceful district is population. With the coming of the homeseeker, this empire of the plains, destined to be a depot for Mexican trade—this country across which Coronado's expedition must have coursed in search of the "seven cities," is likely to see wealth within its borders undreamed of by even the avarice of that worthy adventurer.

N. P. Willis.

No section of Texas is growing so rapidly as the Panhandle. Towns are springing up everywhere. Settlers are pouring in on every train. New railroads are being built and new buildings erected. Everywhere is hope and the conviction that the future is bright.

In the last five years its population has increased in greater ratio than that of any other portion of the country. Farmers and business men from all over the country have moved here and laid the foundations of an enduring posterity. People in the east are now beginning to awaken to a realization of our possibilities.

Blessed with a sufficient rainfall, a rich soil and a marvelously healthful climate, it is only a matter of a few years before it will be on a basis of equality as far as material things are concerned with the oldest and most prosperous sections of Texas.

Of the many growing young towns of this great Panhandle, there is none with a more promising future than Canyon City, a thriving little town of some 1000 souls, situated in Randall County, on the line of the Pecos Valley & Northeastern Railway, a branch line of the great Santa Fe System. It is the county seat of Randall, neat in its appearance, modern in its improvements, broad-minded and public-spirited in its citizenship.

It has not been so very many years since this section of the country, as viewed by those in the East, was the "wild and woolly west," where nobody lived, and the dogs barked at every stranger that passed along, and hungry wolves howled their mournful cry. The buffalo was monarch of the prairies, and the redskin roamed the plains at will, and let fly his arrow in the chase. It has been a still briefer space since cattle kings ruled and reigned here, holding under their control vast tracts of land, over which roamed that relic of the bovine genus, the Texas "Long Horns." For many years this section was regarded as the cowman's Canaan, a land flowing with milk, if not with honey. It was believed to be a place unsuitable for farming, hence a place to which the man with the hoe could not come.

At last the man with the big herd had found his mecca; he was to be left alone in his glory. Those who saw the vision and dreamed the dream were destined to be disappointed. Pioneer farmers began to push into the West. These took up sections of land and began to plow, to sow and to reap. The man with a hundred thousand acres

under one fence gradually yielded to the man with from four to ten sections. The man with the rope gave place to the man with the hoe. Stock-farming became the most important industry. The large scrub herds gave way to smaller herds with richer blood. The "long horns" gave place to the "short horns," the scrub yielded to the Hereford. Men learned that they could raise their own feedstuff and fatten their cattle for slaughter without shipping them to the feed lots of the North western States.

Thus has the Panhandle grown step by step from a wilderness to a land of stock-farms, from a land of naked prairies to a land dotted everywhere with farm houses, and with towns and villages destined to grow in the fulness of time into opulent and metropolitan cities.

Weather is rather uncertain anywhere in Texas, but it can be counted on as certain that if crops "make" anywhere in Texas, they will "make" here. In fact, there is no section on earth where more can be pro-

duced on less water than right here in this soil.

This is not only a fertile country but is beautiful from an artistic point of view. The monotony of the prairie is broken by an occasional ravine, (especially is it so here in Randall county, which has become famous for its gorgeous canyons and other beautiful scenery.) The whole earth seems to be covered with a carpet of green, velvety grass. It is not intended that this article shall be misleading or visionary, but we can truthfully say that the man who makes up his mind "to try" life here with us can do so with the consciousness that, if he fails, he will have no one to blame but himself, and that, if he succeeds—as he is reasonably sure to do—the credit is not wholly his, no small portion of it is due to the conditions by which he is surrounded.

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GEO. A. BRANDON, Prop.
WALTER R. BRANDON, Editor.

A Weekly newspaper devoted to the interests of Randall county and published at office on West Evelyn St. Canyon City, every Friday.

Papers sent out of the county promptly discontinued at expiration of time paid for.

The records of the weather bureau at Amarillo show that there has been a gradual increase in the rainfall since January, 1892, to 1902. The annual rainfall in 1892 was 15.69, there being a steady increase to 1902, when the rainfall was 23.11.—Jacksboro Gazette.

The Plains country seems to grow more seasonable in accordance with the theory that cultivation increases rainfall. But it is safer to depend upon irrigation than nature even in her most favoring mood.—Ft. Worth Register.

Rev. Jesse B. Haston, Plains Evangelist of the Christian Church, assisted by Rev. Bandy, of Hereford, will begin a tabernacle meeting in Canyon soon after the close of the meeting now being conducted at the First Baptist church. Mr. Haston is a scholarly man and the public is cordially invited to attend and assist in the meeting, with the assurance that they will not be disappointed with anything that comes from the lips and heart of this consecrated Christian man.

We like to see a broad-gauged man, no matter what his sphere in life—a man who doesn't think his ideas should be copyrighted and his neighbors forced to follow them, just because they are his ideas, and possibly right—What one man may consider down-right sinful, his neighbor may think perfectly proper, and the neighbor may be right. We like to see a man who recognizes the fact that owing to different natures and early environments it is impossible for all of us to see alike, and therefore not a sign of dishonesty, or through want of sense, that his fellowman's views are contrary to his. Charity in thought and action from the upright citizen toward his erring brother is the essence of Christianity and should be more generally practiced. That's the only way to win a man anyway, you can't drive him, if he has any manhood at all.—Burnet Bulletin.

A Free Lecture.

In behalf of the First Church of Christ Scientist of this place—Septimus J. Hanna, C. S. D., member of the Christian Science Board of Lectureship of the First Church of Christ, Scientist in Boston, Mass., will give a FREE lecture on Christian Science at the Court House in Canyon City, Texas, Tuesday, Sept. 1, 8:30, 1903. The synopsis:—The Text Book, The Discoverer and Founder, Life and Character, the Creed of Christian Science, the final goal may be attained, the crown at last won, through obedience to that wonderful injunction of the apostle Paul; Christian Science not Utopian, not a new thing, Christian Science Preaching; Method of Healing; Connection between sin and sickness; the cause of sickness; the cure of sickness.

Mrs. V. Edna Henson.

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Mesdames M. E. Brown and Hattie Ross, of Ben Franklin, Texas, after a visit of two weeks with their old friends Mr. and Mrs. Vansant, left for their homes Saturday.

"Love Should be the Ruler."

Home should be the dearest spot on earth. Does it take cross words, a growling wife or a cranky husband? No, indeed. Love should be the ruler. Love and respect for husband and wife. Cheerfulness and kindness should ever exist within the holy bonds of married life. So it is a mother's duty to let the rays of sunshine brightly shed its light and gladden the hearts that are ever under her care and influence. Meet your husband with a smile and a kiss, tell him he is the dearest creature on earth. Make everything comfortable and pleasant for his sake, and he will surely return the same kindness. Therefore, both loving, kind and agreeable, would make home so much more beautiful, laden with an atmosphere of sweet influence.

We should strive in every possible way to make home pleasant. Keep plenty of good literature, music, games and often tell the little ones bright little fairy stories, and just watch their little faces brighten up. Mothers must take an interest in their little ones. Be patient and kind, do everything that is reasonable for their little pleasures for they are never children but once.

A mother or wife should be the guiding star in every home. Let it be your aim in life to build up a home, a happy home, to make home a heaven lovely and beautiful in its shrine, peaceable and calm, and when the curtains of night begin to fall, the pillow rests our tired and weary head resolve to do better, live happier, then home would be complete.—Ex.

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W. B. JONES.

The Baptist protracted meeting is still going on and will continue over Sunday. Rev. Bell, of Quanah, is now assisting the pastor. Among the additions to the church so far are W. E. Brown and wife, and Mrs. A. A. Hauser by letter, and the following persons by professions of faith: L. T. Lester, Mr. Shiftlett, Misses Columbia Redfearn, Oma Long, Pauline Dunbar, Minnie Gatewood, Pearl Stratton, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Cochran.

Young Man, Young Woman

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After the first of the month Chamlee, the Jeweler, will occupy the building on the south side of square formerly used as a dental office by Dr. Tadlock.

J. M. Hughes, editor of the Silverton Enterprise, passed through town Wednesday evening on his way to Canadian. It will be remembered that Bro. Hughes was a member of the locating committee of the Baptist College and when questioned about the adoption of the proposition for another Baptist institution at Canadian, he stated that the Canadian offer had been accepted by the Baptist State Board of education and that, in his opinion, it would in no sense conflict with the one which Canyon City is to have.

I. N. Hicks, one of the shippers of last week, went with his cattle—a straight car containing 36 head of well favored, home raised long steer yearlings. The average weight for these cattle at Kansas City was 610 lbs. and the price received by Mr. Hicks was \$3.70 per hundred pounds. This made the yearlings bring him \$22.70 each. A good price when the condition of the market is considered and bears out what the News has to say under the general head of cattle shipments elsewhere in this issue.

PLAINVIEW TO AMARILLO.

Plainview is again greatly agitated over the prospect of a railroad from that point to Amarillo. Major Gordon, a railroad man from Georgia, has been there for several days during the past week and some three mass meetings of citizens have been held to consider ways and means of carrying the terms of the recently granted charter into effect. The sum and substance of the matter, as related to the News, by one who attended one of these gatherings at Plainview, is, that if Plainview wants a railroad in the near future that Plainview, with the probable assistance of Amarillo, must build it. This, it appears, Plainview is determined to do and our informant says that she is very much in earnest about it. To construct the road and then get one of the big systems to operate it. This is the hope of Plainview told in a few words and the News recognizing the merits of the case wishes her success in the undertaking. Plainview to Amarillo via Canyon City, and the sooner—the better.

Saturday Rev. J. D. Ballard held services at Barrel Springs at request of the campers there.

LOST—On Plainview road between town and Lee Vansants, a gray colored coat with small ledger and time-book, letters and other papers in pockets; property of J. M. Renshaw. Finder will please return to owner or leave at this office.

L. M. McCrumin, of Paris, Texas, passed through town Saturday on his return home from a visit to his ranch in Lubbock county.

Rev. T. J. Franklin, of Running Water, was here Saturday en route to Montague County to see his father, who is reported dangerously sick.

D. A. McSpaddin, while loading cattle at the stock pens Saturday, had some of the bones of his right arm broken. He was brought to the Canyon Drug Store where Drs. J. Ed Crawford and O'dell gave him the required professional attention.

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RESERVE YOUR JUDGMENT.

In the Dallas News of August 21, an article appears over the signature of J. W. Whatley which tells of the location of the "Panhandle Baptist College at Canyon City" and then still another one at Canadian and all by the same commission at Claude. This letter reproduced from the News reads as follows:

"Apropos of locating the Baptist Panhandle College at Canyon City permit me to state the facts in detail. The commission located the college at Canyon City by a vote of 12 to 9, and later made it unanimous. As one of the locating commissioners I believe Canyon one of the most desirable places in Texas that could be selected for such an institution.

"Canadian's proposition consisted of the best college brick house in the West already erected, thirteen acres of campus and alternate lots or blocks of eighty acres adjoining the latter, with 800 acres of good land, a number of town lots and a new piano, all of which was placed at the low value of \$27,000. It was such a liberal proposition, backed up by good people, that it immediately bore fruit.

"As soon as the location of the Baptist Panhandle College was decided in favor of Canyon, a motion was made and carried that the commission also accept Canadian's proposition. A letter now before me from the proper authority informs me "that he is making inquiry and on the lookout for a president for Canadian College, and that we will commence the school Jan. 1, 1904." We expect this college to immediately go into the hands of the Baptist educational commission or the correlated system, and it will be backed by not only three associations, but by more than 200,000 white Baptists in Texas, more especially and immediately will it be backed by the combined and noblest band of every denomination living in the Panhandle of Texas. So you see, Canyon has not a monopoly of all the ecstasy, for we are expecting great things ourselves.

J. W. WHATLEY.

Last week the Clarendon Chronicle made a similar declaration that—"the Panhandle is to have two Baptist Colleges instead of one" and that too by the action of a commission whose authority in that direction ceased when the choice fell upon Canyon City. It is a well known fact that but one college for the whole Panhandle country was talked about, nay, even dreamed of by common people; only one was mentioned by the association and only one did they charge the commission to locate. This, was the understanding between the towns contesting for the site. For good and sufficient reasons not deemed necessary to here set out it was upon these grounds—that but one college would be located at the present time—that each contesting town did its best to win the prize. In every way you

look at the situation the bids were invited with, (mark the words,) an express understanding and the pledge of a great religious organization that but one college would be the outgrowth of the present contest. This is no one-sided view—reasonable men cognizant of the facts cannot escape this conclusion—and when last week the Chronicle stated that the association, through its representatives, had violated its solemn pledge by locating two colleges the News denied it as unworthy of belief. And even now, notwithstanding the scripture saith that "by the mouth of two witnesses shall all things be established," the News is still unconvinced though Bro. Whatley confirms the statement made by the Chronicle.

As stated in the News last week, in reply to the Chronicle article, the establishment at this time of two Baptist colleges in the Panhandle, "without the consent of the winning town would be a gross breach of faith on the part of the committee and the News cannot believe that the gentlemen composing it would lend themselves to any such a scheme." "It was such a liberal proposition"—"\$27,000, at low value." It seems to have turned Bro. Whatley's head, but the News desires to say right now and here that it don't believe the committee was caught by it and it is sure that ten thousand times \$27,000, won't get the association to endorse a measure of this kind.

"Reserve your judgment." This is what a leading Baptist and friend of the News remarked to the writer today when speaking of Bro. Whatley's article.

"Reserve your judgment." This is what the News would repeat to its readers. A great religious body like the Baptists will not countenance wrong. The Chronicle and Bro. Whatley are mistaken in their conclusions—Canyon City and Canyon City alone, will, as promised, get the Baptist College.

Buie & Rollins have several fine sections of land for sale at bargains.

J. M. Oaks, of Silverton, one of the board of trustees of the Baptist College, which was in meeting at this place yesterday, called around to see us while here. He is one of those "has been" newspaper men, having been at one time editor of the Silverton Enterprise. But he no longer worries himself with the thralldom of its routine life, he having served his people so efficiently in this capacity that they decided to give him something better, hence he is now County Clerk of Briscoe county. Mr. Oaks has yet a warm place in his heart for his brothers of the fraternity and evinced it to the News by giving his name as a paid-up subscriber for one year.

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MORE ABOUT THE COLLEGE.

The gentlemen composing the board of trustees for the college, also the building committee, convened at the Baptist church yesterday at 2 p. m. and organized as follows:

Rev. J. D. Ballard was elected chairman of the building committee and J. T. Burnett secretary. The members of this committee present exclusive of the two already named were, W. B. Slaughter, J. L. Smith, L. T. Lester and G. C. Long.

After organization some exceedingly lively discussion was had over the introduction of a resolution by W. B. Slaughter,

seconded by Rev. A. E. Baten, which, had it prevailed, would most certainly have referred the whole college proposition back to the Association. During the debate upon this resolution, which lasted over two hours, some decidedly unpleasant hitches occurred. These, no doubt, grew out of an honest, though mistaken idea, of those favoring the resolution touching the province of the locating commission when it affected the right of a town with whom they had closed a contract. But as this resolution was lost, as it should have been, the News in the interest of the harmony which later on characterized the proceedings forbears to dis-

cuss the matter further.

On the disposition of the above resolution this committee adjourned, subject to call of the chairman, to await the action of the board of trustees.

The board of trustees of which the following members were present, Revs. A. E. Baten, J. S. Elder, H. E. Summers, J. M. Oaks, J. D. Ballard, L. C. Lair, L. G. Conner, A. H. Thompson and J. W. St. Clair, organized with L. C. Lair as chairman and L. G. Conner secretary. The business transactions of this committee were in substance as follows:

1. That the institution could not properly carry the name of "Lester College" unless that gentleman would agree to pay the full sum of \$10,000, as per the terms of the original subscription list. This, Mr. Lester said he could not see his way clear to do—that he was willing to go to the extent of his promise but no further—whereupon the committee dropped the name of Lester from the college title. After this particular proceeding Mr. Lester voluntarily subscribed \$5,000, anyway thus raising the cash bonus to \$20,000.

2. It was decided to employ some person to go into the proper territory and solicit the balance of the funds necessary to erect, as per the contract, at least a \$40,000 college edifice.

3. It was determined that the members of this committee, resident here, should constitute a working quorum for the purpose of deciding on the shape of the college grounds, obtaining title to the same, passing upon its sufficiency, and also for the purpose of receiving further donations of money or lands for the benefit of the building funds.

The question was then sprung: "What about another college at Canadian?" Upon this matter, which has been agitating our citizens for several days and is also treated at some length elsewhere in this paper, all the brethren present, including members of both committees expressed themselves as ignorant of, and without exception denounced in vigorous language any such a scheme, if such there was on foot. To make it plainer, if it were necessary, there was not a gentleman there that spoke on this Canadian project, but denounced it in equally as strong if not stronger language than has the News in its last and this present issue.

The News felt secure in saying that this Canadian project would be repudiated—it was the right course—and our brethren of the Baptist organization always go right when they see the way.

Let all doubts now be removed—Canyon City will have THE Panhandle Baptist College and the whole Plains country will cooperate in making it a success.

Capt. Steele filled his appointment as advertised—too late for particulars here.

Fresh Fruits and Vegetables at REDFEARN & Co.

When Rev. A. E. Baten donned the robes of the Church he went against the natural bent of his mind—he should have been a lawyer. All men have a place in the world for which they are fitted by nature. Lawyers are no exception to this rule—good ones are born with legal minds which, when sharpened by education and experience, cause them to take the front rank in this noble profession and, unless the News is badly mistaken, Bro. Baten belongs to this class—he was born for the bar.

STOCK SHIPMENTS.

All round the cattle situation is not as rosy as the selling price of beef at butchers stalls would seem to justify. The price of beef to the consumer, generally speaking, and all over the country, is higher than common while the price on foot is low and present prospects are for still lower figures. This, can only be explained satisfactorily by the rush of stock to market. Among the reasons for this state of affairs, bad for the stockmen, has been the congested condition of the central and southern Texas ranges; the carrying over of "old stuff" and the desperate efforts made by the owners of this class of cattle to unload on the markets at some price. These conditions have over supplied the natural demands and buyers taking advantage of glutted markets, as they always do, has had everything to do with the depressed prices. Fancy and first class stuff has always been and is now in fair demand at good figures but even this class has been more or less affected in price by the rush of the lighter and inferior grades.

The shipments from this point, so far, taken altogether would be called in cattle parlance, "mixed lots." Past experience leads the News to say that young stock, no matter what sex, which have been kept thriving from calfhood, fat, of good form and well colored, bring the highest penny in the beef markets. There always has been and is now, good money and quick returns on this class of stock and right here is where good stock-farming will pay in the Panhandle.

The News is indebted to G. C. Long for account of the following shipments made last Saturday and Sunday and to go tomorrow and next day. All go to Kansas City.

SHIPMENTS LAST SATURDAY AND SUNDAY.

S. F. Flores, 9 cars; C. Brooks, 6 cars; Mose Wesley, 2 cars; Ray Price, 2 cars; J. A. Peitsch, 3 cars; Sam Cox, 3 cars; Singer & Haynes, 7 cars; G. C. Long, 2 cars; J. M. Potter, 1 car; H. B. Reed, 1 car; W. E. Merrill, 1 car; T. C. Poss, 5 cars; A. A. Hogan, 6 cars; C. M. Thomas, 1 car; G. C. Long, 3 cars; Geo. Black, 3 cars; S. L. Long, 2 cars; A. Montgomery, 1 car; J. R. Beard, 2 cars and Luna & Hicks, 2 cars.

GOING TOMORROW AND NEXT DAY.

D. Steen, 3 cars; E. Brooks, 6 cars; Mose Wesley, 4 cars; Eckleberger, 1 car; F. Hoffman, 6 cars; J. A. Peitsch, 4 cars; J. T. Evans, 9 cars; Dr. Howell, 15 cars; W. J. Luna, 2 cars; J. R. Luna, 2 cars; T. H. Brown, 6 cars; J. E. Rogers, 3 cars.

A Favorite Remedy for Diarrhoea the World Over.

During the thirty years and more that Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy has been in use it has constantly grown in favor and popularity. In every part of the United States it is now the acknowledged standard for all bowel complaints and is fast becoming a favorite the world over. The editor of the Paise Akbar, a native newspaper published at Lahore, India, says: "I have used Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy many times among my children and servants for colic and diarrhoea and always found it effective." For sale by Thompson Drug Co.

JUR NEW SCHOOL EDIFICE.

The board of trustees are doing all in their power toward what will be in the near future Canyon City's pride—a modern commodious brick public school building, the equal of any on the plains. The bonds, \$12,000, will be issued for \$1,000 each drawing five per cent interest and are expected to be ready for the market by September. They are certain of a ready sale at a good price when the work of building will begin and be pushed without delay to completion.

The catalogue of the Tulia Public School, 21 pages aside from the advertisements, lays before us. The term begins September 7. It is gotten out by "The Standard" of that place and is quite a creditable job.

Helpful Reading. Some newspapers print matter to fill up space. Much of this is really harmful reading. It is the aim of *The Semi-Weekly News* to give helpful reading. Thousands will testify to its helpfulness to them. Ask your neighbor.

The Farmers' Department. Many have helped the theory of farming written by college professors and others up North on conditions that don't fit Texas. It is the actual experiences of farmers here at home who have turned over the soil.

Special Offer. If you are not taking *The Stayer* you should. It is helpful to the best interests of your town and county. For \$1.75, cash in advance, we will mail you *The Stayer* and *The Galveston or Dallas Semi-Weekly News* for 12 months. The News stops when your time is out.

Meals served at all hours at PRICE'S restaurant.

Many of Hereford's citizens attended the "carnival" at Amarillo and report the affair a decided success as a first class fake. They say the only interesting events were the two ball games between the Hereford and Amarillo nines, played Tuesday and Wednesday, both of which were won by Hereford by a score of 11 to 4 and 12 to 7, respectively.—The Brand.

D. K. Cason a merchant of Navogoches was in town Monday with a view to purchasing business lots. He and his family have been camped for about two weeks at Barrel Springs.

One Dollar Saved Represents Ten Dollars Earned.

The average man does not save to exceed ten per cent of his earnings. He must spend nine dollars in living expenses for every dollar saved. That being the case he cannot be too careful about unnecessary expenses. Very often a few cents properly invested, like buying seed for his garden, will save several dollars outlay later on. It is the same in buying Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. It costs but a few cents and a bottle of it in the house often saves a doctor's bill of several dollars. For sale by Thompson Drug Co.

For Sale.

100 head high grade heifer and steer calves; 150 head Hereford and Durham cows; 50 head fine steers; 3 head Registered Bulls. Apply to undersigned.

JNO. ESTES, Twist, Swisher Co., Texas.

Randall county tax values for 1902, were \$1,523,619. For this year the tax values are \$1,678,184, showing an increase of \$154,565. This assessment does not include the rolling stock of the Pecos Valley Ry. The tax rate, State and county is 99 1/2 cents on the \$100.

G. H. PRICE sells the Bob Evans Cigar—the best in the city for the price.

ST. JAMES HOTEL
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\$1 PER DAY.

This hotel is the workman's favorite. Liberal rates by the month.

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You will always find our stock of Drugs and Druggist sundries fresh and complete.

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We are also prepared to paint your buggy or wagon. My work is sufficient recommendation to all who know me.

A BRIGHT OUTLOOK

For Add-Ran College and Industrial School at Hereford, Texas.

With Randolph and Addison Clark, two of the greatest educators of the South West, at the head of this institution and located in the healthful and prosperous plains country with the moral and refining influences of Hereford, it is certain to be a great success. Session opens in the magnificent new stone building Sept. 15, 1903.

FOR SALE.

Some good milch cows, 200 head of stock cattle, very cheap. Will sell for cash or on time, with good note. Also have some houses to rent at reduced rates. If you want to rent a house see me.

G. C. LONG.

H. S. Duke wishes to inform the public that he still serves short orders at the same old place and besides makes as fine candy as can be bought at a candy factory.

FOR EVERY ONE
In the family you have to provide good shoes. It is very often hard to get these but if you will let us fit you up with Brown Shoe Co's. Shoes You will be sure of receiving good values.

WEARABLE TROUSERS
We have just received our fall line of trousers, which for fit, style and quality "Kan't Be Beet."

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PATTILLO & GAMBLE.

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