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Jacksboro seems to have a tough time over the public school question.

The Attorney General has decided that the December election was illegal but competent lawyers differ from him.

The New York World in speaking of the late message of President Cleveland says:

The President has done his duty. Congress now do its duty.

Whether the Cisco Apert wants "runcus" just let it tread on the tail of the Round-up.

Last week in New York, a man weighing 256 pounds wedded a buxom damsel that tipped the beam at 551.

Waco's petrified man seems to be a "hard nut" for the scientists to crack.

Not such Mary Ann. Billius lacks a whole lot of being petrified, or at least those whom he proceeds to pound through Texas Farmer don't think so.

Drinkard, (Pop) offered a bill in the legislature to prohibit commissioners' courts from creating a debt of more than \$5,000 without submitting it to a vote of the people.

This is in keeping with populist methods, perfectly. The county commissioners court would then cease to be a representative body.

There are in southwest Texas about 80,000 Mexicans who have declared their intentions of becoming citizens of this country.

Waco and McLennan county is to have a prohibition contest in the very near future.

Best Attorney General Thomas has decided that newspapers violate the anti-lottery law which publishes lottery drawings or results of guessing the number of beans in a jar or seeds in a watermelon.

President Cleveland's late message was a short clear cut concise document that any one of ordinary intelligence can understand.

Dr. Price's Cream Baking Powder

Positions Guaranteed.

Under reasonable conditions. Do not say it cannot be done.

Do You Want to know all about Texas, parts of which can boast a climate of almost perpetual spring time?

Those who imagine that horse hairs make snakes may read the following and let your error go.

Col. W. C. P. Breckenridge and Congressman Heard of Missouri, had a personal spat the other day in the house of representatives.

A Washington correspondent quotes the Colonel's saying in regard to Heard "that the lie cannot remain between he and I."

A bickering pair of Quakers were heard in high controversy the husband exclaiming: "I am determined to have one quiet week with thee!"

Over a thousand settlers have been served with a summons in Kansas to answer the claim of the United States for their lands, which were sold to the settlers by the Union Pacific railroad.

Red Cloud's Philosophy.

Red Cloud, the Sioux Chief, has the cunning of a "mean Yank" under his copper-colored hide.

Senator Sherrill, of Hunt county, is coaching a liquor bill which provides that fire-water shall not be sold in quantities of less than a quart and not permitted to be drunk on the premises.

Some old bum has caused financial embarrassment in the office of an East Texas editor by failing to settle his subscription account.

The populists in the legislature are naturally indignant that a proposition has been made to deliver their votes at about \$5 apiece.

An exchange quotes from a Chicago religious paper in the following strain: We saw a cartoon the other day.

An old lady from out of town came to the city Tuesday to do some trading. As she looked around the large store with wandering eyes a floor-walker asked her.

Household Hints. Sprigs of fresh parsley are served with boiled onions, not entirely as a garnish, but to be eaten as a deodorizer.

How a Woman Proposed. They were dining off fowl in a restaurant. "You see" he explained, as he showed her the wish bone.

Well I'll wish for you he exclaimed. Will you, really? she asked. Yes.

The Fort Worth Gazette and the LEADER, \$1.00 a year.

Snap Shots.

A sad cake means a sorry cook. There are some people who are so kind that they run themselves down in order to make their rivals feel good.

The young woman of this generation is determined to be noticed if she has to wear a mountain on either shoulder.

Mortals are good because they expect to be rewarded for their good behavior.

The farmers in session at Jackson, Miss., agreed that in case any one planted more cotton than the acreage agreed upon the others should drive into his field and plow it up.

The plain, tailor made costumes, so much in vogue with young ladies, are occasionally the cause of amusing mistakes.

It is said that Harvard, realizing the painful limitations of man in the culinary department, is about to add an elective cooking course to its curriculum.

Sometimes a good thing happens to woman by accident. Mrs. L. E. Castle, of Callender, Ia., has just been qualified to act as Justice of the peace by chance.

The young men of China—some of them—have rebelled against the tiny-footed ladies of their land. They have organized a Heavenly Foot Society, and all who belong to it are under a vow never to marry a woman whose feet are smaller than nature has intended.

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To find the live merchants of most cities you have only to note those whose names are prominent in the advertising columns of the local papers.

A suspicious Buffalo contemporary thinks that from the way Napoleon is working the papers he is getting ready to lecture. This is an error. Napoleon is dead.

It was Nicholas I of Russia who in 1844 called Turkey the sick man of Europe, and as the consultation of doctors is growing in numbers the end must be near at hand!

MADELINE POLLARD is surprised that a Boston lady declined to accept her services as maid for her child.

The British have agreed to pay ex-Chief Clarence of the Mosquito reservation \$22 a day pension.

A sum of money invested judiciously in advertising space is as good as the same amount at compound interest.

After Miss Pollard has vainly tried to secure honest employment for a few months she will understand that the world forgives a man and then even up matters by kicking the woman into the street and bolting the door in her face.

THE MEADOWCRAFT brothers have received a two years' sentence to the penitentiary by a Chicago jury for fast and loose banking.

"I AM NOT CRAZY NOW, NOR WAS I EVER CRAZY," is the emphatic remark of Samuel C. Seely, the New York shoe and leather bank defaulter.

GENERAL BOOTH is one Englishman who has crossed this continent without making a rude, ill-mannered criticism of the American people.

CADETSHIPS to Woolwich and Sandhurst, in England, to St. Cyr in France, to the German, Austrian and Russian military academies, are all obtained by open competitive examinations.

PARIS, New York and London have, or are raising anti-diphtheria funds to secure horses and cultivate the required serum.

To the roll of the distinguished dead of 1904 must be added the name of Robert Louis Stevenson, the novelist, who has just died at Apla, Samoa, of apoplexy, aged 44.

The proposition of some romantic writers to put their romances to the test by actually living through the experiences described should be discouraged.

In the scandalous sale of anti-toxine in New York by persons previously regarded as reputable, a sample is afforded of the soil in which political corruption loves to grow.

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The J. B. Norris Hardware Co.

ARE CARRYING AN IMMENSE STOCK OF

BUGGIES, CARRIAGES, SURREYS, CULTIVATORS, WAGONS, PHAETONS, HARROWS.



AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENTS,

WIND MILLS, TANKS, PUMPS, PIPING, ETC.

Our Tin and Repair Shop is Complete.

AND ALL ORDERS WILL BE EXECUTED ON SHORT NOTICE.

A Large Stock of Heating and Cooking Stoves,

Among which are the "SUPERIOR" "WOOD HAWK" "CHARTER OAK" and other popular brands, which we are selling at Reasonable Prices.

GRAHAM, TEXAS.

FORD BROS. Keep Constantly on Hand a Good Supply of Staple and Fancy Groceries and Ranch Supplies. Which they are offering as low as the lowest. Call and see them. West Side Square. GRAHAM, TEXAS.

The North Texas Baptist College, Jacksboro, Texas. Now in open session. Pupils may enter at any time. A full Faculty of Experienced Educators. For further information address, J. F. JONES, President, Or THOS. LACY, Secretary.

Morrison, Street & Co., DRY GOODS, GROCERIES AND RANCH SUPPLIES. The Largest and Best Selected stock in the West. CALL AND SEE US. Morrison, Street & Co.

NO HARD TIMES. When you buy at headquarters, because one dollar goes about as far as two. Closing out a line of toys at half price; presents to suit all ages and conditions of mankind.

PORTER & EDDLEMAN, MANUFACTURERS OF AND DEALERS IN Saddles, Bridles, Harness, Whips, &c. Everything in our line kept constantly on hand or made to order on short notice. BUGGY TOP REPAIRING PROMPTLY ATTENDED TO.

THE POWER OF SONG.

MR. E. C. STODOLSKY. [The incident contained in the following has been told, partly by Talungo and others, out from a friend, who was in the battle and one of the wounded, I have been told that the "Gray" hearing the echo, joined with the "Blue."]

The Best Is, Touch Not.

Mark Stanley, county surveyor, Forrest City, who lately died from the effects of drink, was a brilliant student; had been a legislator, orator, a leading arch mason and civil engineer.—Dardanelle Dispatch.

Dr. Franklin and the Bible.

It is said of Dr. Franklin that during his residence in Paris, being invited to a party of the nobility, he produced a great sensation by one of his bold and ingenious movements. In the course of the evening the company engaged in free conversation. Christianity was then the great topic.

In Poor Health

means so much more than you imagine—serious and fatal diseases result from trifling ailments neglected. Don't play with Nature's greatest gift—health.

Brown's Iron Bitters

It Cures Dyspepsia, Kidney and Liver Troubles, Constipation, Bad Blood, Malaria, Nervous ailments, Women's complaints.

D. R. AKIN & CO., DRUGGISTS,

Craham, - - - Texas

T. E. DOUDLE, LIVERYMAN, CRAHAM, - - TEXAS.

Good teams and good buggies, having recently added some new ones to my stock. Harry Meeker will be in charge at all hours and will attend to your wants promptly.

Northeast Corner of the Square.

INSURE YOUR LIFE

This means self-reliance—Extinguishment of mortgage—Payment of debts—Avoidance of the charity of others.

REMEMBER— Providence helps those who help themselves and— That a policy in a GOOD COMPANY provides protection, and

The Mutual Life of New York

STANDS WITHOUT A PEER.

Its past record is the best guarantee for the future. It has paid the largest amount to its members. It has paid the largest amount of dividends. It has paid the largest amount of assets to secure its members.

It is the largest Tax Payer in Texas. GOOD CONTRACTS TO EXPERIENCED AGENTS.

For further information write to EDWIN CHAMBERLAIN & CO., General Agents for Texas, SAN ANTONIO.

Lost Energy,

Fickle appetite, tired feeling, stomach sickness and weakness can be promptly remedied by using Dr. J. H. McLean's Strengthening Cordial and Blood Purifier.

Walden's Texas Business College

AUSTIN, TEXAS. Educates Young Men and Women FOR BUSINESS AND PROFIT. Pupils are coming in from every part of the state, and the enrollment during the new year...

Fort Worth Steam Dye Works

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN'S Garments Cleaned, Dyed and Repaired. Goods by Express Promptly Attended to. ROCHEX BROS., Proprietors 202 Houston Street, Fort Worth, Texas.

BRIAR PIPE GIVEN AWAY



DUKES MIXTURE

for 35 cents Every pipe stamped DUKES MIXTURE or HIS MOTHER'S BREAD.

HIS MOTHER'S BREAD,

He says, was always "so light and well baked." Well, there is a "knack" in making it, but don't forget the kind of stove used makes a difference.

Home-Made Bread is Delicious

When properly baked. It is easy enough to bake it to perfection in the oven of a

Charter Oak Stove Range



THE J. B. NORRIS HARDWARE CO.

PATENTS

CAUTION—COPY A PATENT For a copy of the Patent Laws of the United States, MUNN & CO., who have had nearly fifty years' experience in the Patent Office...

FLORAL WONDER

For Florists and Flower Dealers. This is a new and beautiful plant, which contains colored plates of the most beautiful flowers...

SWEET PEAS

30 Cents a Pound. Sweet peas are the most popular of all the garden peas, and are raised in all sections of the country...

WHAT YOUR THUMB TELLS

The thumb is an infallible index of the state of the system. It discloses a strong will, great energy and force...

CONCRETE

Concrete is a material of great strength and durability. It is used in the construction of bridges, buildings, and other structures...

PHYSICIAN

A physician who has spent many years in the study of the human body, and who has discovered many new and valuable remedies...

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His Great Mistake.

A certain clubman who attempted to play a practical joke was disappointed in a very unexpected way. He says: I am very particular about fastening the doors and windows of my house.

8500 Reward.

It is offered for any case of chronic sore eyes, granulated cornea, red and inflamed eyes, weak, watery eyes, Scrofulousness or eye-pain, etc.

Cockrell's Work.

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DELTA, MISS., Jan. 17.—

Joseph Short, a half-breed, who was born two years before the United States constitution was adopted, died at Fon Du Lac last night. Short was born 110 years ago, when the Indians had complete control.

Recently a farmer in Indiana

concluded to sell his farm and move to town. The buyer was found and the price agreed upon, and the deeds properly drawn up, when an unexpected obstacle presented itself.

There are different degrees of

human depravity and inborn rascality, such as like Barquo's spook will not lie down and keep quiet when it comes to a certain class of subscribers.

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The children are getting rather

quarrelsome, said Mamma. "Perhaps you had better go in and cast oil on troubled water." I will, said Papa, laying down his paper and gathering his hickory persimmon—"a little while oil."

Dr. Price's Cream Baking Powder

World's Fair Highest Medal and Diploma. To Unseat Judge Lynch. The newspapers of the south are doing all they can to put a stop to mob violence, and are urging the various state legislatures to pass laws to that effect.

Can we send you one for \$4.00

ON APPROVAL. JOHN POHLMANN, Manufacturer and Dealer in BOOTS & SHOES, GRAHAM, TEXAS.

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