for the discount that the Paris of Lare age. sal too auth wized to underthis

any are of high handed to

is hepot- party defeat of their stand part lynched at Guthrie, Ky., Sunday ters at Houston.

a watch the presi Toxus exhibit. As Texas has

well as to the press toward having the vinte fully of war, in which he succeeds Sec- The railroad commission has

Apparter newspapers are properly regular session while the

permises that comes to his yest

GENERAL NEWS.

The pure food bill passed the would increase our house by a large majority.

The Russian soldiers in Mancear and raise the total to churia are said to be "dying like

> That Kentucky volcano probably was a moonshine distiflery

England is urging Russia and \$25,000 capital. Japan to submit their differences to arbitration:

The Citizen's National Bank

at Arlington was robbed Monat Atlanta, Ga., for the erection

of a monument to Gen. Gordon. October 7 has been dessignated by the management as Confeder- 000 at Sour Lake. nte day at the St. Louis World's

res of was reelected by the Virginia fect in Grayson county last week, and emergency calls, but when it arion of Kansas is the districts, especially in northern legislature Tuesday to succeed

> tention to fight for Manehuria in case of war between Russia day. Sam Bickerstaff, living four

miles south of Elkhart, was killed Monday night by un-

to neer to Texas in 1846, died at would her home on Clear Creek, Denton is who county, Tuesday. Congress passed a bill Monday itentiary. anthorizing the erection of a

> monument to the long neglected night by negroes for the killing

s good of the many, few days ago killed one hundred and surrendered.

cold weather last week.

Decator has raised the re- The rain, snow, sleet and severe urging tember 1.

Russia has sounded France as Mrs. Lucinda C. Pease, widow making a ir with money to complete the to giving her aid in case of war of former Governor Pease fell There has been been been reconstantly represented with Japan but France has de- down a flight of steps at Austin the terms of her alliance with count of her age.

something to assume the duties of secretary | ing him instantly.

which has carried its trust meth. hard jolt on them. ods into that country, putting oly of the business.

You all find a progressive and and they did not fraud from Colorado, Tuesday, a cage being building at \$85,000. Insurance prosperior country. The thousand to Washington in drawn up the 1500-foot shaft on stock \$200,000, on building S w. scorr, state of the second and broke loose as it reached the \$35,000. had already been paid for the surface and fell down the shaft, A Hillsboro special to the We win Ung to their gross on the true going in the special session, crushing the sixteen men in it Fort Worth Record says: Four Offers Large List of Desirable case of a stion regardless of the first they are in out of all semblance to human arrests have been made here time.

> I several hundred naval cadets on ment is strong for the enforceboard and a cruiser of the Ger- ment of the law, although the several days this week. The ships tion. Name and population were visited by thousand of peothink it ple from Galveston and nearby towns and the officers and cadets were entertained on shore and every courtesy shown them.

While 375 quarts of nitroglymission that dendlity to cerine was being hauled in a s and the the Same build office on the ground that wagon from Tulsa, I. T., a few few bits of the driver's flesh have dience. been found and that a gang of men at work 300 yards from the explosion were knocked down and stunned, and damage to the amount of \$15,000 or \$20,000 done in the town, nearly a mile

away from the scene. On Tuesday the United States supreme court refused to grant a writ of error from the Texas court of appeals in the Grayson

application was made by the attorneys for the antis and the tier- plen set up was that the Texas local option law was unconstitotional because of discrimination for and against certain this, classes of persons and certain scept religious societies. The court in denying the writ said the record raised federal questions, but they were not of sufficient merit to Justify the writ

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STATE NEWS

Sunday morning

Worth last Friday. Jefferson and Miami are to have new national banks, each with

The Salvation army is said to

campaign at Marshall. Texas is well cared for in the tion bill now before congress.

Fire Sunday morning destroyed a score of buildings and other property to the amount of \$135,-

United States Senator Daniels courts, prohibition went into ef. that you use our 'phones for doctors,

ago, being 2% cents over best

of Temple, probably for the win- willing to give. Respectfully,

At Woodville Saturday Angie Bashful was convicted of murder do the business for you. in the second degree and given a sentence of fifty years in the pen-

An English-American cotton company is to be incorporated in Texas with a capital of \$1,-Lewis Rudford, a negro, was 000,000 and have its headquar-

At the lumber mills near Shepard on Monday J. W. Vaughn An explosion in the Harwick was killed by a man named Shoefor the coal mines in Pennsylvania a maker. He claimed self defense

Enos Cather, 61 years old, kill-Several of the Eastern and ed himself with a pistol at Brention whose less men are found northeastern states suffered ham last Saturday. No cause, greatly from floods and severe unless it was declining health, is assigned for the act.

> juntter quired bonus of \$17,000 and cold extended over the larger orld's secured the building of the new portion of the state. Mention is from railroad from Dallas to that made of it in the papers from head point. The time limit is to Sep. Alvin northward throughout the

clined to render armed assist- the other day and sustained inance, holding that to be beyond juries feared to be serious on ac-

Former Governor Taft of the John Hopes, aged 15 and Jim ter Terri, we believe it is a suppeal Phillippines arrived at San Fran-Murchison aged 14 years, got zen of cisco with his family last Satur- into a difficulty and Hopes stabsapers are generally well Texas and that every one who is day, on his way to Washington bed Murchison to the heart, kill-

> reduced the passenger rate for A \$5,000,000 company has children in Texas from 2 cents to been organized in Germany to 11/2 cents per mile, effective Feb. side of the Standard Oil company, 10. The railroads say it is a

The big dry goods store of L. up the price of oils by its monop- Wolfson at San Antonio burned last Saturday night. The stock At the Stratton mine at Victor, | was estimated at \$300,000 and

in the last week for violations A German training ship with of the local option law. Sentiman navy were at Galveston vote was close in the last elec-

LEAVITT LOCALS.

We have had quite a good deal of sickness in this comminity. but none has proved fatal so far.

Rev. Nance filled his appoint- J. E. LINDSEY, M. D. voters, days ago to a storage house a ment here Sunday morning at differ on mile out of town, the stuff ex- eleven. He preached to a large ploded. It is said that only a and seemingly appreciative au-

> The school at this place, which is being taught by Miss Meda Clayton, is getting along nicely. Mr. Chas. Price of Pueblo, Colo. is visiting his sister, Mrs. Tom

Mr. John Atchison and family DR. A. G. NEATHERY have just returned from a several days visit to relatives in the eastern part of the county.

Pennell, at this place.

Mr. C. T. Pennell left Wedner day morning for Orange, on very important business.

We have been having some of the finest weather I ever saw for the season of the year. Most too much so, for the prosperity of the farmer. A large portion of the wheat, sown in the fall, has failed to come up.

For some reason, the wedding bells have ceased ringing. We wonder why, as it is "Leap"

San Antonio, Texas, January 23 .-Mayor John P. Campbell, who reprined today from a week's inspecays that the range of Southwest Texas is practically turned up for Texarkana had a \$25,000 fire lack of rain and that cattle are fast coming to that bad physical conditions where another severe cold spell G. L. Adair suicided of Fort will entail very heavy losses to

Governor Odell Invites Negro. Rochester, New York, January 25. -John W. Thompson, a negro and political leader of his race in Monroe County, has received a personal inbe conducting a very successful vitation from Governor Odell to attend the Thursday recention at the executive mansion in Albany.

Thompson is said to be the first Rivers and Harbors appropria- negro to receive such honor. He is popular with both races and is said to be a friend of both the Governor and Roosevelt.

NOTICE.

The way some people are deadbeating the Telephone company for After a long and wearisome local service is growing well nigh infight of eight months in the tolerable. We are glad and willing scribers calling for from three to six Worth for \$5.07% a few days connections each, daily, it is too much. The time it takes for our price at Kansas City on same time taken from our patrons who It is said that thousands of modation from your neighbor but it robbins have taken up their is how much you are willing to take abode in the cedar breaks north for nothing, and how much we are

McLemore's prairie dog poison will

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Come and see for yourselves.

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..T. G. CARNEY..

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But it is not necessary to do without

All the following kinds of vegetables can be found in the best grade of canned goods at all times at

Okra, Sour krout. Lye hominy,

Corn and tomatoes, Okra and tomatoes,

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When people buy these things they want something good, therefore I keep the good kind. You will also find 'most anything

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I have 566 a. . of onoice river val-ey land; also 666 a. . fine farm and grass land, located in co-thwest cor-

FLOTSAM AND JETSAM.

Mr. F. G. Alexander visited the No Credit Business Now. Nearly 31, 1904. firm's branch house at Munday this everybody has eash, and I am makweek. He says the former Knox ing mighty close prices. Buy now 81; 77; 116. county bank, which was a private and save money. S. L. Robertson. concern, is now in full operation as the First National Bank of Munday, of Waco visited the family of Dr

Do not sell your cotton before you see me. I will give you a raise for your cotton and pay the cash for it. locals from time to time.

Mr. G. W. Andress who with his

to it with from the West Texas De- here and that it is a good place for velopment Co., Haskell.

Mr. Charlie Williams is running the absence at the 5th Sunday meeting in Jones county.

Alexander Mercantile Co., are in

Mr. Finnis Smith and wife of Flat Top neighborhood visited the family of Capt. Oglesby in town this week. YOUR VALENTINES.

AT TERRELLS. ed this week into the C. C. Frost resi- the county capital yesterday. dence on the east side

One third off Ladies' Jackets, Furs portunity to secure pargains in new, stylish goods at Tim Stamford Dry Goods Co.

Cunningham, the latter having mov- Next! ed to his farm a mile east of town.

"Star Brand Shoes Are Better." S. L. Robertson.

DON'T LOSE YOUR LAND, we will

serjously iii.

See the nice line of new spring styles of glughams at Alexander, Mercantile

When you want to kill p sirie dogs

The genuine Promo Quinine Tablets

-"Cure a Colo in One Day"-at Robertson's drug store. There are various
imitations on the market, get the

Hackell. invite your custom. They keep for closing out his affairs there. sale cakes, ples, oysters, fish and

(1-4) her brother for several months.

Buy your dry goods now and save money. S. L. Robertson.

List your lands for sale with the West Texas Development Co. They are the best advertised company of land men in West Texas and can sell

West Texas Development Co. Haskell.

close to 6,000 bales. little over cost. S. L. Robertson: Mesers. Fred Irby and Clarence Lowis left Thursday morning to take a course in a school of telegraphy at and being asked how his "neck o' the

end the 5th Bunday meeting of the

Mastere Frank Robertson and Walter Fields spont several days this week rolling at the latter's bome near

Don't experiment with cheap pot-tons and lose your time and money, but nee Mulemore's poison and make a sure thing of killing your prairie

Mesers. Robert and N. G. Neathery

Neathery this week. THE FREE PRESS will be pleased to have "Corinne" give it the Leavitt

Thousands of prospectors and hom wife has been visiting relatives in Haskell and vicinity for two or three weeks returned home to Gorman this week. Mrs. Andress remains here a week or so longer before going home.

seekers were brought to Texas the VI. Out latter part of last week on the excursions run by the Southwestern rail-roads, but none of them found their 74; 79; 89.

way to Haskell county, nor are they likely to do so in future unless interplant to let SAVE MONEY by paying cash for ested persons do something to let ur goods; you can get the money to them know that Haskell county is

If you have hides for sale go to J. N. Racket Store during Mr. Wyman's Ellis at the City Meat market, and etc. All who want threshing done be

> Cotton sold in Haskell yesterday at 14:30. \$71.50 per bale is pretty good. Pens, pencils, ink and tablets at the

Big 5-cent school tablets at the

Mr. H. C. Dozier, one of the most enterprising farmers of the northwest Mr. W. E. Sherrill and family mov- part of the county, had business in

Williams has a select line of canned meats. Prices Fight

Hats and Skirts. One fourth off Men's and Boys' winter suits. A great op- jackets and many other things. Come

Messrs, A. P. Bailey, W. H. Scott, R. M. Strain and J. B. Ridling were and remain in Haskell. Mr. John E. Robertson and family among our callers yesterday evening have moved to town and occupy the who set their subscription dates residence recently occupied by Prof. ahead. Much obliged, gentlemen.

Two weeks ago Mr. L. B. Lackey of pearance. vidual boxes, the very latest and nob- the Marcy neighborhood brought an Judge P. D. Sanders returned Tuesern portion of the county is reported well rapidly and his sight has been they are here. greatly improved, so much so that he reads with case fine newspaper print.

stantly on hand at Ellis' meat market. after and closing out some land inter- were united in marriage, Rev. J. H. We want to list a few good tracts ests. His old friends are pleased to Chambiles pronouncing the ceremony. land for our customers whom we see him looking hale, hearty and pros- Miss Irby is of a highly esteemed expect here in a short time. West perous. Mr. Morgan left here with family and is herself a more than his racelly about seven years, go and usually accomplished and handsom resided for two years in California, young lady. We understand that use McLemore's poison, it's a sure resides. He is very much pleased man and a prosperous cattleran, with his new home and says the porat the City Meat Market, J. N. Ellis, an almost ideal climate; no extremes Gibson left Friday morning for of temperature winter or summer, Deming, which will be their future Results Guaranteed. Can anybody tell why Hollis Fields never going above 90 in the summer has been looking unusually well and rarely below the frost point in winter and being entirely exempt from blizzards

weeks starting operations on his farm about six miles north of town and West Texas Develop- he finds the average farmers in better the last general election, hence is so Children, get your school tablets, in the central and castern portion of pensels, pens, ink, etc at the Racket the state, and, taking this fact in con- zens within the last year or so, that it nection with his former experience here, he is firmly convinced that this is a better and easier country for s and largest stock of dry goods in Mesers. Whitfield & Hunt have of the state. He owns a farm in Fanbought and are now conducting the nin county which he cultivated last was prompt and satisfactory in his restaurant formerly run by Mr. Fred year, but says he is done with that settlements with the state and county

railroad in northwest Texas. "Bur solicitation for your support. McLemore Prairie Dog Poison is cotton" is still being picked and is the cheapest, surest and best. It is coming in at the rate of from 15 to 20 Indians on Warpath .-- Bloodshed is for sale at the Haskell Racket Store. bales a day and it is probable that Haskell's cotton figures will go close have no accurate knowledge at this tribe are again in revolt and this the county, but as a good deal of the bloodshed. cotton ginned at country gins has gone They have been in constant com-

Mr. A. B. Carothers of the Marey neighborhood was in town yesterday woods" was getting on said that farming operations were progressing Wyman left Thursday morning to atthe land in condition to plow and that otherwise they were on something of a boom, filling up rapidly with new farms. He thought that not less than one hundred new houses had been othe within four or five miles the little town of Marcy,and new peo-

The town was full of people yes

I. Out of the depths of and slauder. Psalm 31. II. Out of the depths

and anxiety. Psalm 77. III. Out of the depths of deadly peril. Psalm 116, IV. Out of the depths of weakness

aud loneliness. Psalms 88:15-18: 41:3.

V. Out of the depths of doubt. VI. Out of the depths of defeat.

Threshing Notice

Sims Bros., near Phikerton, will run their thresher on Thursday, Feb. 4. for mile maize, kaffir corn, sorghum, get the highest market price for them. sure to come on that day as we will run only one day-Feb. 4th. R. F. SIMS & BRO

FOR SALE. Full blood Durham males also full blood Berkshire shoats, will sell good fall notes.

A. P. McLemore, Haskell, Tex. Mr. J. T. Hunt who bought Mr. W. E. Sperrill's residence north of the square, moved into it this week with his family.

been in New York City for the past eight or nine months, was expected to arrive home last night. He will take a position in his father's store

Dr. J. L. G. Adams, the eye special-Mr. G. C. Clay was in town trading eyes in perfect spape, which were, be-Thursday and did not forget THE fore the operation, badly drawn and FREE PRESS.

blest to be found, are at Alexander orphan boy named Siblet who he is day from a business trip to Waco Mercantile Co's.

Swamp Rost the great kidney and liver medicine, at Robertson's drug boy's eyelids were so badly granulative medicine, at Robertson's drug boy's eyelids were so badly granulation. The from what he could see and hear along his line of travel farm work ed and ulcerated that they were near- is but little more advanced in the ly closed and his sight was greatly central and southeastern portion of weakened. The Doctor took him in the sate than it is here, nor did he pay it out for you. West Texas De- band and, as he was an orphan, gen- get the impression that the farmers erously treated him free of charge, in those sections were in any better, and at this time his lids are getting if as good, condition financially as

> On Tuesday evening at the home of Mr. J. W. Meadors in this place Our one time citizen and fellow Mr. S. R. Gibson of Deming, N. M., townsman, Mr. F. P. Morgan, arrived and Miss Maggie Irby, daughter of in town several days ago and will be Mr. J. E. Irby, a prominent citizen here for two or three weeks looking of the eastern portion of the county, ated together in the resided for two years in California, young lady. We understand that then moved to Oregon, where he now Mr. Gibson is a very worthy gentleranch near Deming. Mr. and Mrs.

Mr. J. W. Coilins announces this week and enters the race as a candidate for sheriff and tax collector of Haskell county, subject to the action ty, who has been here two or three of the democratic party. Mr. Collins' investigation proves residence in Haskell county dates back putting his son in charge of it for this the county as sheriff and tax collector year, said to the writer yesterday that for the four years—two terms, prior to condition here generally than they are well known throughout the country, except to those who have become citi-

to his character and standing. suffice it to say to these latter that farmer, especially a small farmer, to his standing in the community has make a living in that those portions always been that of a good citizen and Niemann on the northwest corner. part of the country and will move as tax collector, leaving a clean record in that particular. As sheriff, in the execution of the processes of the courts, Up to Thursday noon Mr. W. T. hunting up and arresting criminals, Jones, public weigher at this place, he was usually prompt and successful, Miss Maud Hunt returned several had weighed 3699 bales of cotton of leaving no old chronic cases on the days ago from Comanche, I. T., where the last crop. These figures only docket when he retired. From these she has been visiting the family of represent the cotton handled in the statements it is seen that he has demtrade of this place, which we believe oustrated his qualifications and fitis considerably more than has been ness for the office which he again handled by any other town not on a seeks and on this record he bases his

Muskogee, I. T., January 25 .- The to 4000 bales when it is all in. We Snake Indians and part of the Creek time of the number of bales made in time it seems that there will be

MONEY!! Money!! Money to directly to railroad points without boan on approved real-estate security. coming to the town of Haskell, it is probable that the total production of of war, and as a result the Ketoowaha I am selling all clothing at very cotton in the county in 1908 will run have left their homes, stock, grain and everything and gone up in the Green Leaf Mountains, where they will hold their war dance and they say on their return they will kill

every white man in sight. This was learned through three ouriers who came in today from Texane, I. T., the seat of the Ketoo

where their medicine is made, and the residents of that section awall the result with auxiety.

The general often related with

the battle at Appomattox.

General Gordon said that when the and came he ordered his chief aid

DEMOURATIC CALL.

I hereby call a meeting of the Demlay evening at 3 o'clock at the Bap- ocratic Executive Committee of Hasist church. The following is the kell county to be held on Saturday program for next Sunday, January Feb. 20, 1904, at 2 o'clock p. m., at the court house in Haskell, for the purpose of considering the question of holding a county primary, and such other questions as may come up for consideration. A general fuvitation is extended to Democrats to attend in an advisory capacity.

W. W. FIELDS, Chairman Exec. Com.

FEB. II and 12,

The Eye Specialist

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Hatch's little boy Thursday and in a few minutes left him with a pair of

If you want to know plain facts about your

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or see Dr. Griffin anv day at his office as they are now associpractice.

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INVESTIGATE—For a dozen years or more and he served the truth or falsity of any statement.

-OFFICE AT-

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Bills are in for a new line of WASTINGS and SUITINGS in advanced styles for spring wear, to arrive right soon. New goods will be added in various lines from week to week and our general stock be kept up-to-date in all desirable fabrics...

It is our purpose to study closely the requirements of our extensive trade, and we shall spare no pains to keep before you the very best stock of goods to be found west of Fort Worth. We shall endeavor to merit your approval in both anality and prices.

Yours for a successful and presperous 1904

.. Alexander Mercantile Company...

********************* The Cemetery Association requests THE FREE PRESS to say to the public that they have had the cemetery surveyed out into blocks and lots with roadways and alleys between and the lots numbered and a map or plot made of the grounds so that in future graves can be located in regular order and passways be kept open between. They

have secured the services of Mr. J. C. McWhirter as sexton and he has a map of the grounds. Any person desiring to have a grave dug is requested to see him and select the lot they desire and have him point it out to them so as to avoid any mistake. He will do the digging also when it is desired. He will generally be found at the marble works or at the cemetery.

Aycock Dog Polson.

We are making and selling under the name of Aycock Dog Poison what surest poisons for killing prairie dogs 7,416.48 that has ever been used in this country. We base this statement on our 12,916.82 experience with it as well as on the experience of a number of the best

> Considering its effectiveness it will be found as cheap or cheaper than any other good pol The price roady mixed for use either

it and give it their unqualified en-

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goods, I went to Market and purcha-Late Winter and Earl Spring Dry Goods.

These goods are now opened up and reof all cotton goods on account of the on the eve of a decided advance in the of the main advance I am able to sell all rising price of cotton. Buying just also

old prices. As cotton has continued to cotton fabrics at a very slight accomme ers prices that can not be met on staple advance heavily, I can give no custom goods by those who did not buy have the advance. You can save money by ton goods are bound to go still higher. buying from this stock, as cotton at



BRAND SHOES!



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medical, or, scrap book: sylvania's eminent physicians, in the his master. Crouching toolie the sixteenth edition of his Therapeutic Irozen corpse the dog, work Key, published in Philadelphia, writes to a shadow by the hardsolps he as follows:

violence, and whenever there is any Plumber and the dog were buried doubt in the matter, extraordinary in the same grave. precautions should be taken in order to settle the question. The cessation of respiration and eleculation (so far as can be observed) does not deter- Atlanta, Ga., Jan., 17 .- b. v. Sam mine the matter, and even the ab- P. Jones, the noted evangelish, withsence of animal heat is not conclu- ing from Texas says: sive, for life may exist and recovery "I find Texas is in favor of digging" following tests should be applied:

termine if the heart is acting. hand will show transparent redness Democratic Presidents.

nd red life is not extinct.

still exists a red or purple spot will "Texas live all the southern States.

by exidation. 6th. Place the surface or a cold

mirror over the mouth: if moisture condenses on the surface respiration has not reason. 7th. In from 12 to 18 hours after County of baskets.

8th. In from 8 to 12 hours after Peace Precinc No. 1, Haylor County death hyposiatis or congestion of One tay more more II years all blood in capillaries begins to form about 14 bands night and a morbed A ... in all depending parts of budy.

of death, and unless this takes place. The owner of said species by the end of third day, intermed to some forward, prove room (v. pagshould be postponed until it does. charges and like the seem pany, or

Rev. Carlisle P. B. Martin, L. L. D.

Waverly, Texas, writes; Of a 1904 morning, when first rising, I often find a troublesome collection of phiegm, which produces a cough, and s very hard to dislodge; but a small. The way or stop practs dogs from quantity of Ballard's Horshound sailing your grass and desireding your Syrup will at once dislodge it, and the group is to give them McLeimore's trouble is over. I know of no medi- poison. One does is no howeverneeded cine that is equal to it, and it is so pleasant to take. I can most cordially recommend it to all persons needing a medicine for throat or lung (roubles." THE STATE OF PEXAS, | Price 25c, 50c, \$1.00 bottle at L. T. Curiningham's Drug Store.

Vast Pension Increase.

Washington, Jan. 17.—Not less than the saint of fourth against W. sion bill, introduced in the Senate by Heinlerson a. Mr. Dolliver and in the House by W. I. King. Representative Californial, pagames to provide.

vivor of the Civil War who served substantly unnety days or more, who has an hone with 555; or gather discharge and has reached the Hast or gather age of 62 years, a pension of \$12 per No 5 and every without who was married to a addition of the Estate of A soldler prior to June 27, 1800, a pentition of the Estate of A some prior to your months.

sion of \$12 per month.

The best data availation indicates of Milam reguly, Texas. that the total increase in expenditures straine is nor would be more than \$62,000,000, and same and convey on & Companie. that it would bring the adgragate pone on the lor sion payments of the Government up beyon upon a to the emergious amount of \$200,000,000. T.

"I stuck to my engine, although to the highest to every joint named and every nerve was absold W. J. K. without any appeals and all run consecutive words in down. As I was about to give up, I would geall day if sale got a bottle of Electric Potcers and at: From Process them. Sationaction groundeed by L. T. Cuntingham. Price 50 cents

He Got Too Funny.

porter, it does not pay to be three local favor of It relates that a lawyer in a southern of the Rewas now able to pay be ought to construct the first of pay the note, but that he refused to pay the note, but if the holder was in need he would very of a league and out of the first of the first out of a league and out of the first out of a league and out of the first out of a league and out of the first out of a league and out of the first out of a league and out of the first ontribute, and inclosed a 5c bread as Abstract No. 2. No. 140, patented check. The lawyer credited the note to the heirs of Poter, with the value of the check, which No. 165, Vol. 17, For renews the note under the laws of ferred to being in this state, and he will now proceed 17 in the town of Haskel to collect the note with interest. It is shown on a man is presumed that the business man 321 and 321 has learned something. * ***

Faithful Unto Deatn.

sota last spring:

One of the most pathetic cases of clock in the forenous and four of clock in the atternoon of said day, offer for sale at public outly, to the bighest and best bidder, for each in hand, all of the above despited propwhose sole friend so far as known, erry, or so much thereof a vill satisfy was a handsome shepherd dog which is judgment amounting to 508.27 with he had raised from a puppy. This dog could do aimost everything expected to the control of the contr dog could do almost everything excupt talk. When Shep, as he was of suit.

Called, dragged himself into the little aheep town of Shelby, with two of Shelby, with two of Sheriff Haskell to y. Texas.

rests to Determine Life or Death. was known. It was useless to prose cute a search for him without the It is claimed that a good many per- ald of the dog, and as the animal sons are buried alive who have gone was, apparently, too disabled to into a state of come from injuries make another move, it was proposed or disease. It is also a fact that to wait several days before search; O

For these teasons we clip the follow- was ready to lead the party howing from a reliable source, which it ever, and although the progress was might be west to paste in your family slow and painful over the snowcovered hills and vales, the fulthful Q J. D. Johnson, M. D., one of Penn- dog led the party to the tpdy of had undergone, uttered a long, pene-In all cases of apparent death trateing wall, and then, licking the occuring suddenly, or from external cold face of his master, capited.

Sam Jones On The Canal-

take place where this is not an at- the canal. If hearing things right in tendant. In all doubtful cases the Texas, Balley's and surbetson's names are Donnis il they help to de lot. Apply the Stethoscope to des feat the Panama project, for I repea the fact the south sould rather invi-2nd. Put the body in a dark room, the Panama those there of place the hand (with flagers close Democratic Presidents, and likey will together, between the eye and a receive more good from her smal than lighted candle; if life is not extinct, they will at the mante of a summed

3rd. Tie a cord tightly around a this country is only well a Democratic nger; if the end becomes swollen victory, any way, ilemostics seem to have sense whitely be till. States 4th, Inject a few drops of Aqua and cines, in the National Govern-Ammonia under the skin; if life ment seems loo big he toom wirds.

the flesh; allow it to remain half an make that an issue in the miner expehour; if life is extinct it will farmed paigu, then I am best them; with a Republican yaller dag-

THE STATE OF TEXAS.

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> County Court Hastell County By J. W. Milarious, Deputy.

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All to help it secure them. The Free ty! Do let me play something for some Press also being desirous of adding for you!"—Judge. The Pioneer Press. Numesofa, tells of the great the following incident of the great snow storm and bilizzard that swept over the northern portion of Minesofa the Court House deals at spring:

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right. An isthmus is a thing that connects conspiracies and revolutions and separates governments.-Boston Transcript.

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As yet no contracts have been let, ut it is a settled fact every building burned will be replaced with brick or stone. Two will probably be two story bricks while the rest will be one

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s figuring on a two story brick. On the next block we can not learn just what will be done, but it is an asenred fact that they will be rebuilt with brick, but whether it be on the same ground we cannot say as it is yet undecided.

By next issue we are confident the contracts will be let and work will begin immediately.—Anson Reporter. The Farmers' Department

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SOCIETIES.

arguing about the meaning of the EARNEST WORKERS Meet every Thursda word 'isthmus.' He says it means a president.

Shedd - "I say that neither of you is ing at 3 o'clock at the Baptist church. Mrs. L. T. Cunningham, leader.

DISTRICT COURT. The regular te-ms of district court are convened on the fourth Mondays in May and November. Term, four weeks, H. R. Jones, tadge: Callen C. Higgins, attorney; C. D. Long, clerk.

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The regular terms of county court are convened on the first Mondays in January, April July and October D. H. Hamilton, judge J. E. Willong, attorney; C. D. Long, clerk.

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tax, the residence of the party. that rain is very much needed. his age, his race, the length of ation. The indications point that time he has resided in Texas, and are depressed over the situ-

It is strange that so many precinct in which he lives, his intelligent persons argue for the occupation, if he lives in an ratification of the Panama canal incorporated city or town, the treaty on the seeming assump- ward and street muntler of his tion that it must be Panama residence, and the length of time open to us at Nicaragua, and thousand inhabitants or more we already have the law re- the tax must be paid a person it was only by the union or to it upon failure to secure the li the owner does not reside farming industries that the high-

which he favors ratifying the pay the same, and to formish tion is admited by the interests Many cattle are said to be and building the canal on that necessary to fill out the blanks we shall confidently expect to see the result of a long continued route. For Sam Jones to put "business interests." selfishness be is as small as we have a

Secretary Wilson of the des agent, and the name of such of progress revolve. partment of agriculture has is, agent. But in no event shall sued an order in general terms any candidate for office, nor from the Iroquois theater fire territory which have been prop- ing the cause of any candidate in Chicago has caused a shudder Senators A. J. McLaurin and erly dipped in Beaumont crude for office, be allowed to pay throughout the civilized world. petroleum under the superviss any poll tax for another, and ion of an inspector to pass the any person violating any of thing, much good is coming James O'Reilly, a cattleman, Martin & wilson, quarantine line without further the provisions of this section restriction, excepting such as shall be guilty of a follow, and may be enforced by local author, upon conviction shall be punities at point of destination, ished by confinement in the bled in large buildings are subhaustive experiments made with than two nor more than five lected, and not only the author- a great meeting at Jackson, order amounts to an official PROMISES WELL FOR WEST TEXAS but throughout the European of their party. recognition of Beaumont oil as There has been something of a countries, have taken the mat-

thing a right or it is ton raising is becoming quite an Brittingham as business mana-ted and the body sound as is the or it is false, item and is proving very remun-erative. The development of iranother's wrongdoing is not only within the last year or so services were held on Tuesday, decision settles a large numequally guilty with him is con- that any paper representing the 19th, in celebration of the anni- ber of similar cases pending in trary to the logic of reason live stock industry has admitted versary of the birth of Gen. the courts from the Souhern and every code of morals. The the soundness and feasibility Robert E. Lee.

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Hoping to have your patronage and and support in my new undertaking, I am yours JOHN E. ROBERTSON.

GENERAL NEWS.

The Bank of Jonestown, Miss. was blown open and robbed

The socialist party is to hold son or by some one by him practicable to do it in West a National convention at Chi-

the collector the information that have long cried it down, dying in Southern California as H. G. MCCONNELL,

the poll tax is paid by an agent greatly accelerated. And on this An extraordinarily large and the collector shall retain on file same line it is gratifying to rich gold find is reported in the

Wheat for May delivery sold for the oil mills north of the quaran- in Chicago a few days ago at fact tine line to facilitate. Waste in 300 cents a bushel, the highest that the same was paid by an healthy territory. Let the wheels figure reached since September,

throughout the civilized world, H. D. Money to succeed them-

ratification of the Panama canal

Dunn, seventeen years old, was Title. The consolidation and remov- discharged from a New York al to Fort Worth, the packing hospital Sunday. The case was and Colorado City respectively. The splintered bone was rewith a chartered capital of \$30,- laid on a table with weights 000 is on a sound financial basis. attached to his feet and head. The new paper goes under the In this position he lay for two J raising. In the irrigated district of the West Texas Stockman is When released from the plaster

Since the extensive postal In a murder case carried up

were negroes, the supreme coul Office 'nhone.
Dr. Neathery's Res.

SAGERTON--FAIRVIEW ITEMS.

Rain, hall, sleet and snow Wednesday night and Thursday washed away all the blues and smiles as large as dinner plates are seen playing over the faces of the farmers.

Most of the farmers of this neighborhood have got their ground stirred, for you see they couldn't afford to sit down and wait till planting time for a rain-like they do in some places, but have been pushing their

Mr. Ford's little daughter is convalescing after a spell of pneumonia. Messrs. Nickles and Johnson, relatives of Mrs. Sam Cox, have moved in from Comanche county, so see our neighborhood keeps on growing. People are learning that our sandstorms, and dry spell are not as bad as boll weevils, dear land and high rents.

Let them come, the wilderness shall yet blossom as the rose. A great many people have always been afraid to come to the west for fear they would be robbed or killed, or that they would not find any "society" or civility here, but they are finding out that we are not altogether barbarians, or some of them are, and they are casting their lot in with us.

There is really more sociability among the people here than any place ye scribe ever lived and I think the people "back east" are finding it out. If the boll weevil don't get here-which is not probable-this is going to be the cotton country of Texas, that is another thing that will bring people.

Mr. Han of Taylor county visited the family of Mr. W. H. Scott last Saturday and Sunday, returning home Monday.

Mrs. Couch and Miss Herring drove ver to Haskell last Saturday. WEST SIDER.

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MARCY NOTES. A Newsy Letter from our Regular

try to give you the news of Marcy. We have had a very mild winter

to far, but last night it thundered attendants were Miss Sue Mausell for this excellent and economical and lightened and a little shower of and Mr. Seaf Grant, Miss Sue Fowler paint. rain fell. About daylight a norther blew, then came the sleet and snow As I write the ground is nearly white

There is some sickness in and near Marcy - lagrippe and pneumonia though none of the cases have been

and the sun is trying to shine.

Mrs. Sarab Hall was summoned to Lingleville last week to be with her daughter, Miss Launa, who was very sick. She is some better now, but not able to be up.

Since our last letter there have been several changes around Marcy. Clemmer & Speck have sold their store house and goods to E. I. Garner of Erath county. He took possession on the 1st of January. Mr. Speck has

Mr. T. W. Worley has purchased

chased the Joe Huddleston farm near 50 To 75 Per. Cent Saved town and moved here this week. We are glad to have him among us and trust his move will be both profitable

Mr. Dillard Speck and Miss Mary Etta Pounds were married at the

and Mr. John Mansell, Miss Jessie rothers. They have our best wishes.

be with her for a while. She is not this claim. expected to recover. Messis. Seaf Grant and Marion Hicks have gone to keeping batch.

We haven't a favorable opinion of such, because there are many nice, good looking girls around here who NELLY BLY. Marcy, January 21, 1904.

NOTICE.

beating the Telephone company for sam Chapman's interest in the gin that you use our 'phones for doctors here, and Mr. Chapman has gone and emergency calls, but when it mak to Stamford.

Marcy and the surrounding country scribers calling for from three to siz

Marcy and the surrounding country are on a peace. Mr. Jud Roberson is having a nice residence erected here and will move in this week, so as to be near the public school. Mr. C. M. Chapman is having a substantial harm built, so he can house his stock during bad weather. You can see more than a dozen houses going up around town. About a dozen or more new comers have moved among us. Mr. Cone from Eastland county has pur-

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and is mixed with water only, and is applied with an ordinary brush, one coat making as good a covering as two coats of any ready mixed oil paint and

Harkell Racket Store

est development and greatest profit could be secured from

duly authorized in writing to Texas. Now that the proposiin the poll tax receiped Where the progress of Western Texas drouth.

of right and morality when he the written authority of the note that in another item which San Miguel mining district, thinks it is popular to do so, agent and shall note on the we reproduce from the Journal state of Sonora, Mexico. is a confession on his part thus beceipts and operall capitates it advocates establishing cotton

the boil weevil districts of the churches and other buildings It appears that Mr. Dietrich the realins of King Cotton are used for large gatherings to from that state to vote for the the boodle United States sens, being yearly extended until at be remodeled and so arranged tor from Nebraska, who was re. this time they have crossed the as to furnish ample and easy cently given a whitewash trial in Nebraska and acquitted, is not on safe ground yet. It is county to give place for the fleecy said that many senators are staple. This all means a continnot satisfied with his vindica-tion (?) on what they term a technicality which are the control of the production of cotton is of the Texas Live Stock Journal much attention among sura technicality, which was the just about as sure a proposition and the West Texas Stockman, as anything else in the west, heretofore published at Dallas neck were crushed and chipped.

the offense (which was accepting pay for his influence in procuring federal appointment). The splintered bone was rejuver, declaring it to be a great gives to the live stock interests moved and the fractures set. Then the whole upper body. procuring federal appointments) them with what they declare to the best feed that can be fed wide-awake and progressive and rigid plaster cast and he was was exercising the privileges to cattle on the range. Over and influence and drawing the great deal of the west it is rap pay of a senator at the time, by becoming a recognized a and there is strong probability with the proper degree of success name of "The Texas Stockman-months without moving, being f a senatorial investigation, there must be a combination of Journal" and Hec. A. McEachin kept alive by close attention. the is no latitude in moral of the Pecces Valley country cot. retained as editor with W. F. cast the bones were found knit-

or it is evil. In a rigation will ultimately do much is no compromise to settle the future of the west.— frauds, public land crookedness from Georgia in which a negro with wro the falsehood or With evil, the doctrine that the As blind prejudice gives way to Northwest and the large amount of t end justifies the means does not intelligence, or, is erswded out of "grafting" going on in offi. also been indicted by a white prevail. Are the many people by it, the world moves forward cial places have come to light jury, from which juries it was DR A G NEATHERY. in Texas who are condemn- in progress. For almost a score the letters G. O. P. (Grand Old charged in the appeal negroes in Texas who are condemning President Roosevelt in one of years many person and 4 few newspapers. The Fig. Press among them, who has been interested in the analysing we should be the treated develop. Western doing deluding themselves with the idea that they can make a scape-goat of him and not share the odium with him? Such a thing is too transparent and silly to believe. To say that silly to believe. To say that tation from the Journal, and one who knowingly and delib. while they have made slow but In many towns and cities consistent with the court's deerately accepts the benefits of steady and sure advances it is throughout the South memorial cision. It is said that this

blending of the livestock and

ities in the larger towns and Michigan, on the 6th of July to cities all over the United States, celebrate the fiftieth anniversary

an effective prevention of movement of cotton rusers from ter up and are forcing theaters, Tennessee, Monday adopted reso-

for further proceedings not in-

Live Stock. A. C. FOSTER, Att'y at Law J. L. JONES, Notary Public Haskell, Texas

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Physician and Surgeon.

FLOTSAM AND JETSAM.

Monday to attend the meeting of the building occupied by Mr. K. Jones. stockholders of the First National Bank of that place, also to look after some legal matters. Mr. Marshall Pierson, assistant cashier, and Mr. Frank Vernon are taking care of the

Don't forget the Ladies' Minstrei will be here the last of the month. Watch out for the date.

Mr. W. M. Stephens completed this a small scale at least. week the building of a good residence of Mr. H. C. Scott, on the latter's arm seven miles east of town.

Do not sell your cotton before you ee me. I will give you a raise for your coston and pay the cash for it.

in this county but now lives in Gray- munities

on, visited friends here this week. SAVE MONEY by paying cash for your goods; you can get the money to do it with from the West Texas Development Co., Hakkell.

Big 5-cent school tablets at the

Mr. J. F. Pinkerton brought to town and sold a lot of oats Wednesday. It speaks well for a country when its armers have surplus grain for sale at this time of the year.

do the business for you

Mr. Oscar Martin returned the first

bleet to be found, are at Alexander Tuesday.

moved to Bosque county visited Has- and see. T. G. Carney.

kell friends this week.

Judge H. G. McCounell returned Tuesday night from Fort Worth, where he was looking after business

in the court of civil appeals. The best Fort Worth bread constantly on hand at Ellis' meat market.

Mr. J. A. Price, a leading stockfarmer of the Miller Creek community, was doing business in town Wednesday.

Texas Development Co., Haskell. Judge P. D. Sanders left Thursday or Waco and Houston to look after

When you want to kill prairie dogs

Mrs. J. E. Cuiberth of the western advantage, wheat in his section is portion of the county on the 16th inst. alive but not making any growth. He

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Dickenson of the Marcy neighborhood were pre-sented with a son on Saturday, 16th

We take up and extend Vendor's Lien notes. ment Co.

Born Monday, 11th inst., to Mr. and portion of the county, a daughter.

Children, get your school tablets, pensels, pens, ink, etc at the Racket

A daughter was born to Mr. and portion of the county on the 10th.

Messrs. Whitfield & Hunt have bought and are now conducting the restaurant formerly run by Mr. Fred Niemann on the northwest corner. (1-4)

We learn that a fine boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bevers of the wheat and set it growing, except some northern portion of the county on Sun-

Alexauder Mer. Co's.

Fred Knowles, who is now a news bey on the Texas Central, visited friends and relatives here this week. A full line of school tablets at the

Mr. A. H. Storrs and brother left Wednesday to visit their father in McLeunan county, who is reported

COMING!-Ladies minstrel, latter part of month-watch for later an-

Mr. A. P. McLemore, who is now traveling for the wholesale drug firm of Bass Bros., Abilene, was here a day or so this week to see his family and do business with Haskell drug stores. Pope's many Haskell friends are al-

Mr. Warron Fitagerald was lu from he X-ranch in Throckmorton county

visiting Hackell friends this week. List your lands for sale with the West Texas Development Co. They West Texas Development .Co. They Ago.—Mrs. J. F. Posey. are the best self vised, suspany of Diversion.—Hostess.

and uses in West Texas and can well your land on short notice.

k on a visit to his father's far

The Ladice Aid Society of the C. F for Siglish. All the leaders are used to be present. Secretary.

If you have hides for sale go to J. N. Ellis at the City Meat market, and get the highest market price for them. A number of persons who have had

wheat sown in this country in the spring will make a good crop if the spring seasons are at all tavorable. It would be well to test this matter, on

Pens, pencils, ink and tablets at the Racket Store for school children.

Our Marcy correspondent is on deck again this week with a newsy and interesting letter. We would like to have such from each community in the county. They would be mutually Mr. Ervie Farmer, who once resided beneficial to the paper and to the com-

week were springlike in temperature. deposits being \$106,742.08.

Big 5-cent school tablets at the Racket Store.

The child of Mr. G. E. Ballew, McLemore's prairie dog poison will ily have the sympathy of the com- den, E. F. Springer; Conductor, T. B.

Williams line & select line of canned

Mr. M. A. Clifton, the prize winning New ties and suspenders in indi- farmer of the Cliff community, was Supporter, Jim Killingsworth; Left vidual boxes, the very latest and nob- doing business in the county capital

New line of pants, ladies skirts, Guardian, Turner Lewis. Mr. Frank Simmons who recently Jackets and many other things. Come

Messrs, T. A. Greer and Marion DON'T LORE YOUR LAND, we will Hicks leading farmers of the Saudhills pay it out for you. West Texas De- country had business in town Tues-

See Williams d. on another page for fresh canned fults and vegetables. Meadors; Vice Grand, Mrs. W. E. each place free of charge. Have We note that Mr. Wm. Pierson of Greenville has announced as a candidate for county attorney of Hunt county. Knowing his ability, qualifications and sterling integrity as a man, we hope to hear of his election in due time, as we believe he would administer the affairs of the office with We want to list a few good tracts of land for our customers whom we expect here in a short time. West Pierson of this place and having resided here, he has many friends in Haskell who will join THE FREE

Press in wishing him success. Mr. J. E. Carter of the western part use McLemore's poison, it's a sure and remembered THE FREE PRESS in Ethel a substantial way. He says that while Sherrill. the country is needing rain badly to The installation of officer A daughter was born to Mr. and eneable farm work to be carried on to lowed by an oyster supper Fresh nome-made hog lard for sale excepted, however, from the last at the City Meat Market, J. N. Ellis, statement about 30 acres of macarout | Full blood Durham males also wheat on his farm which he says is blood Berkships shoats, still making some growth, although

sown. This seems to be pretty good evidence of its drouth resisting quality Instead of preaching as usual at the Methodist church last Sunday night, Rev. J. H. Chambliss turned the a suce thing of killing your prairie church over to the Epworth League society who had prepared for the oc-Mrs. G. H. Brown of the northern casion and rendered a very interesting program, consisting of a scriptual lesson, sougs, etc. An instructive and interesting talk was made by Prof. C. M. Porter on the advantages held out to the young people of today and how they should prepare to reap and util-Mrs. W. H. Price of the northeastern | ize the benefits of them. Rev. Chambliss also made a very beneficial talk

there has been no rain since it was

on a similar line. nesday night. About daylight Thurs- sanguine day morning the wind changed to the They have refurnished the place and north and there was quite a drop in invite your custom. They keep for the temperature which changed the of age, from Denton county, est opinion about your sale cakes, pies, oysters, fish and rain first to hall, then to sleet, finish- was shot on Sunday and died ing off with an inch or two of snow. The moisture is sufficient to revive of the earliest sowings which were

Magazine Club Program

The Haskell Magazine Club will meet next Saturday, January 30th, at the home of Mrs. S. W. Scott. The ollowing is the program: Father Ryan-the Post Laureate o be Confederacy .- Mrs. M. Pierson.

Recitation from Ryan,-Miss Rogers. Paul Hamilton Hayne-the Poet Laureate of the South .- Mrs. W. E.

Reading from Hayne .-- Mrs. H. R. Vocal Solo: "The Mocking Bird."-

Paper: Four Favorite Characters in South

ern Fiction. Why?-Mrs. L. T. Cun-Which Southern Author Best Typifies the South,-Mrs. Levi McCollum. Vocal Solo: "Suwanes River."-

Mrs. J. W. Mendors. Legends and Superstitions outh,—Mrs. J. B. Baker.

B. Y. P. U. Program

The B. Y. P. U. mosts every lay evening at 5 o'clock at the

Measrs, G. R. Couch, eashier of the Rev. Philiey will preach in Haskell son, G. R. Couch, Lee Pierson, S. W. Haskell National Bank, and Mr. S. February 7, 1904. The services will Scott, Marshall Pierson, H. S. Post, W. Scott went over to Asperment be held in the second story of the F. M. Morton, all being substantial citizens of Haskell and Haskell county and men whose qualifications and ability to manage the affairs of such an institution are well known and calculated to maintain the high renute. experience with it say that Nicaragua bank, indeed most of them have been standing.

son, president; Lee Pierson, vice-president; G. R. Couch, cashler and Marshall Pierson, assistant cashier, were

all reelected by the board of directors. We may mention in this connection that a statement of the bank's financial condition printed at this office a few days ago to be sent out to its correspondents, shows a very healthy and satisfactory condition of its affairs as, also, that there is some The first three or four days of this money in this country—the item of

OFFICERS INSTALLED.

The following is a list of officers installed by the L.O.O.F. Lodge on last Thursday night, for the ensuing whose sickness was mentioned in the term: Noble Grand, C. D. Long; Vice paper last week, died on Friday night, Grand, J. T. Eins; Secretary, Guest 15th instant, of pneumonia. The fam- Whitaker; Treasurer, Joe Irby; War-Russell; Right Supporter to N. G., R. E. Ellis; Left Supporter to N. G. Dr. M. T. Griffin; Right Supporter to V. G., Booth English: Left Supporter to V. G., M. E. Park: Right Scene Haskell, Texas. Scene Supporter, R. D. C. Stephens; Inside Guardiau, Bob Irby; Outside

Judge H. R. Jones was elected representative to the Grand Lodge with E. F. Springer, as alternate.

The following is a list of officers in Lodge, on Monday night, for the ensuing term: Noble Graud, Mrs. J. W. straighten 3 cases cross eyes at Sherrill; Secretary, Miss Sarah Montgomery; Treasurer, Miss Maud Isbell; straightened over 800 to date-Warden, Mr. Joe Irby; Conductor, all the proof you want. Miss Jestany Eliis; Right Supporter to N. G., Mrs. Guest Whitaker; Left Right Supporter to V. G., Mrs. M. T. Griffin; Left Supporter to V. G., Miss

Mrs. H. R. Jones was elected repr with Mr. W. E. Sherrill as alternate. The following "Entertainment Committee" was appointed by the Noble of the county was in town Monday Grand: Mrs. Guest Whitaker, Miss about your case, waste no time Alexander and Mr. W. E.

A. P. McLEMORE, Haskell, Tex.

Don't experiment with cheap po sons and lose your time and money. but use McLemore's poison and make

STATE NEWS.

Bud Kykendall of Lampasa was killed by a train on the Santa Fe road.

The oil field in Clay county promise them. is said to be developing beyond The long looked for rain came Wed- the expectation of the most

Jesse Portman, nineteen years on Monday near Dallas by R. L.

Near Pittsburg Monday probably too far gone to come out. It George Riley shot his son-in-law will also greatly facilitate the break- Will Helms with a 22 rifle A new line of gentlemen's shirts at ing and preparation of land for spring The wound is not thought to

> Extensive prairie fires have lately occured on the ranges in Runnells, Concho and Tom Green counties, doing much damage to the stock interests.

It is reported from Comanche county that it is getting so dry in that section that wheat JANUARY 28 and 29, is dying, which will result in a very heavy cotton crop being planted

Johnston Dysart, one of the oldest settlers in north Texas, died at his home near Anna, Collin county, on the 16th inst., as the result of injuries sustained in a runaway nearly two months

Numerous robberies and at tempts at robbery have recently been made along the line of the Texas and New Orleans railroad in the southeastern portion of the state. It is thought that an organized band of white men are doing the devil-

Wednesday night of last week at Roby Ross Millsap was shot ted that about ten o'clock h tered the kitchen of the Palac



JANUARY 28 and 29, At HASKELL.

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Eye Specialist, Anson, Stamford and

-ASSISTED BY-DRS. WRAY & McMORDIE.

Office at Lindell Hotel.

Diseases and deformities of the eye treated by the latest and most approved methods. Will

If you have granulated lids, Supporter to N. G., Miss Bertha Irby; overflow of tears, ingrowing lashes (so called wild hairs,) Lillie Rike; Inside Guardian, Miss drooped or deformed lids, lid Edith Sowell; Outside Guardiau, Mr. tumors, cataracts, pterygiums, etc., or need glasses for old sight, sentative to the Grand Assembly near-sight, far-sight, astigmatism or double vision, call and see us; we tell you plain facts on hopeless cases. Give references from hundreds who were lead about, but now see to read. References from many of the leading physicians, bankers and business men of the state, yet we think our rules in practice are

references enough for anyone. Rules: Examination Free. Each and every one told plain facts about their condition. No one placed under treatment unless we know their case can be treated successfully. Those doubting a cure can place cost of treatment in bank, follow our instructions and pay only when they have received the results we

Could you ask for a fairer offer?

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Happy New Year!

Our Mercantile Record

FOR 1903

Has been written and we are much gratified over the results shown by it, and, feeling renewed confidence, we are already filling our empty shelves with new goods to meet the demands of our steadilv increasing trade......

A Large Stock of Shoes

HAS JUST BEEN RECEIVED FOR

MEN. WOMEN AND CHILDREN.

They are the Hamilton-Brown make, saving which is a sufficient warranty of quality to the hundreds of our customers who have bought them of us for years past. Our department of

GENTS' FURNISHING GOODS Has just been fully replenished with all the desira-

ble things in gents wear. It is our intention to give

this department particular attention this year Bills are in for a new line of WASTINGS and SUITINGS in advanced styles for spring wear, to arrive right soon. New goods will be added in various lines from week to week and our general

stock be kept up-to-date in all desirable fabrics ... It is our purpose to study closely the requirements of our extensive trade, and we shall spare no pains to keep before you the very best stock of goods to be found west of Fort Worth. We shall endeavor to merit your approval in both quality and prices.

Yours for a successful and prosperous 1904.

.. Alexander Mercantile Company...

The Cemetery Association requests that they have had the cemetery surveyed out into blocks and lots with lots numbered and a map or plot made of the grounds so that in future graves

can be located in regular order and passways be kept open between. They have secured the services of Mr. J. C. McWhirter as sexton and he has a map of the grounds. Any person desiring to have a grave dug is request-Stamford, Anson and ed to see him and select the lot they desire and have him point it out to them so as to avoid any mistake. He will do the digging also when it is desired. He will generally be found at the marble works or at the cemetery.

Aycock Dog Polson.

We are making and selling under the name of Aycock Dog Poison what we believe to be one of the best and surest poisons for killing prairie dogs that has ever been used in this country. We base this statement on our experience with it as well as on the experience of a number of the best citizens of the county who have used it and give it their unqualified eu-

be found as cheap or cheaper than any other good pole The price ready mixed for use either

n wheat, millet or mile maize is \$4.00

W. F. WATTH & M. F. AYCOCK. Strayed or Stolen

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say to the friends a of the past year that I am deeply appreciative of the same age extended to me. At the beginning of the fall season and a fairly complete stock in all lines, thinking it sufficient, but had twice to replenish my general stock besides making several orders. Thus it is seen that the business exceeded in volume what I had expected, and, I am pleased to believe, has been pleasant and profitable to merchant and customer alike. Turning now to the year just opening before us I will say to former customers and the public at large that I have just returned from St. Louis, where I purchased goods to complete my winter stock in all broken lines, thus again giving you a full stock of seasonable goods from which to make your selections.

West Texas is not a back number and I have purchased no back number goods, but only such as I can offer on their merits as to quality and style. As to proves, they will be put as low as such goods can be sold in any town in this section. Of this I am con-

fident and invite your payronage accordingly. The last goods purchased are now arriving, and u will be a pleasure to have you cal and look over them and learn the prices. In due time I will put full stop of Spring goods. It is my intention to make this

have ever offered to the sakell trade. With fair dealing and he and let live prices I shall hope to continue to merit and hold your confidence and patronage. Wishing to all an abundantly properous year, I am, Yours truly,

S. L. ROBERTSON.

