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WONDERFUL  
BARGAINS  
FOR  
EVERYBODY

The Biggest Event Now Going on  
The Pre-Inventory Sale  
**ALEXANDER MERCANTILE CO.**  
THE BIG STORE  
Haskell, - - - Texas.

BIG PRICE  
**CUTS**  
ON ALL  
Goods

**Your Nickels Will Buy Dime Values at this Sale.**

**TO OUR MANY FRIENDS:**

This Pre-Inventory Sale will be the ANNUAL BARGAIN EVENT FOR ALL ECONOMIC BUYERS. It has been our custom now for several years to have a thorough clearance of accumulations of merchandise in every department. We sacrifice our profits in order to do this effectually.

By having this sale at this season of the year, it gives you several months that you can have the benefit of wear, before the season is over. We fully expect hundreds of our friends to visit us during this sale as our reductions on seasonable goods are so genuine that no one can afford to miss this saving opportunity.

This only gives you a few prices on goods from our many departments. Everything throughout the store is marked for quick selling. Be sure and come in and also tell all your friends of these big price concessions.

**TABLE LINENS AND NAPKINS.**

Fine French Bleached Damask in a variety of patterns, that are inestimable to the lover of fine table linens.

\$1.25 values in this sale at .....\$1.00.

\$1.00 values in this sale at .....75.

50c values in this sale at .....35.

Napkins to match many patterns.

**LOOK for the Little Tags They Tell the STORY**

**Prints and Percales**

We are known throughout this country for always selling PRINTS AND PERCALES at lower prices than our competitors.

We offer in this sale the best quality 6 1-2c

and 7c value for, per yard ..... 4 1-2c

HOW'S THIS FOR A BARGAIN?

**EXTRA GOOD VALUES IN  
BED SPREADS**

We are going to put in this sale all our recent purchases of these fine bleached bed spreads. They come in beautiful patterns, extra large, and honestly worth 25 per cent more than our regular price, but in this sale we quote even lower.

\$1.50 VALUES FOR - \$1.05

1.00 " " - .75

**TOWELS**

Every day during this sale will be bargain day. You must not overlook the bargains in

**TOWELS**

25 dozen of extra good towels, regular

25c value, per pair.....10c

35c values, per pair.....20c

SPECIAL CUT PRICES ON ALL CRASH TOWELING.

**Every Piece Of Goods Marked In Plain Figures**

**GOOD WARM BLANKETS**

We confidently expect to close out our entire line of these blankets the first part of our sale. These bargains are offered you just when you need them.

\$4.00 Blankets for.....\$3.15

2.00 Blankets for.....1.15

1.00 Blankets for......70

**NOTIONS.**

Money saved is money made. Many stores sell their little notions for much to high a price. We want you to particularly note the little prices always marked on our notions. Extra low prices especially for this sale.

5c paper pins for.....2c

25c talcum powder for.....5c

10c good elastic for.....5c

5c safety pins for.....2c

10c hair pins for.....5c

25c side combs for.....15c

**Underwear For Men and Women.**

Our large purchases in this department are evidence of the wonderful purchasing power of ready cash. We bought unusually large with this sale in view. We are going to sell you fall and winter underwear cheaper than you ever bought it.

All our Men's regular 50c and 60c fleece underwear.....40c

All our Women's regular 50c fleece underwear.....40c

**MEN'S AND LADIES HANDKERCHIEFS**

Christmas will soon be here, you could not give a more appropriate present than handkerchiefs. Here is your opportunity to buy them cheap.

25c Values for, each.....10c

10c Values for, each.....4c

**MEN'S AND BOYS' SHOES**

One of the most expensive items in the family account is shoe leather. If fathers and mothers would give as much heed to buying the right kind as we do, this expense would be materially reduced. We never buy any shoes but SOLID LEATHER THROUGH AND THROUGH. We thoroughly inspect every sample submitted to us. In this sale we CUT THE PRICES DEEP on all our dependable footwear.

**Millinery At Big Price Concessions**

We are noted for the exquisite display of millinery we always carry. For this sale, we are going to give some wonderful bargains. To those who have not yet bought their fall hat, BE SURE AND VISIT THIS DEPARTMENT.

All Millinery At 1-2 off.

**Silk and Wool DRESS GOODS**

We are going to give some wonderful bargains in this department. We put a cut price on every piece of NEW FALL GOODS that will surely induce you not to delay another day in buying that new dress.

36-inch Taffeta Silk, Chiffon finish, \$1.25 value, for.....95c.

Beautiful colors and novelty.

Wool dress goods, \$1.50 values, for.....\$1.05.

Wool dress goods, \$1.25 values, for......95.

Wool dress goods, 75c values, for......65.

**Men's and Boys' suits**

For values in this department, we are confident that never before in Haskell were you offered such bargain. Every suit we carry, no matter what price you pay for it, it is the latest style, neatly tailored, and made of good, serviceable cloth. You will have no excuse for wearing an old suit when for very little money you can be fitted with one of these:

\$25.00 Suits in this Sale...\$16.65  
20.00 " " " ".....13.35  
15.00 " " " ".....10.00  
10.00 " " " ".....6.65  
8.50 " " " ".....5.65  
5.00 " " " ".....3.35

Our friends know that our sales are Genuine Reduction in prices. We will not make any statement that we cannot back up with the goods.

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THE BIG STORE

HASKELL, - - TEXAS.

**HOSIERY**

"GYPSY BRAND" is our standard for many good reasons. For years now, it has proved the best for long service, fineness of weave and absolutely fast dye. We strongly urge you to always insist on getting GYPSY BRAND of HOSIERY.

Men's half-hose, 15c values per pair - - 8 1-3c

Ladies' hose, 15c value per pair - - 10c

Children's hose, 10c values per pair - - 8 1-3c

Do not... should be... and men... There is... alcoholism... has been... public con... outh.—New

Cough and cold may take any member of the family any time. Many a kid cold has been averted and much sickness and suffering has been saved by the prompt use of Floy's Cough Cure. There is nothing like it to break up coughs and colds. It is the standard of lung medicine. It will not irritate. Free from opium or harmful ingredients. Free for children. At all druggists, 25 cts.





Count Zeppelin probably thinks that the aeroplane is all right as a toy.

In 1,000 years, says Nansen, the end of the world will come. Which end, explorer?

Male servants in the Argentine capital get 66 cents to \$2.20 gold a day and female help 40 cents to \$1.10.

Count Boni de Castellane has not been saying much recently, but we feel safe in assuring the public that he is not sawing wood.

If, as a scientist claims, trees think, it would be interesting to know their opinion of the man who deliberately starts a forest fire.

Missouri man has his life saved by a package of cigarettes in his inside pocket. Don't cheer—a bribe pipe would have been just as effective.

Cato learned Greek at the age of 80 years, owing to the fact that he was not living in a country where every fool was permitted to carry a gun.

William Howard Taft will be the only president with a middle name since Chester A. Arthur. All but seven of our 26 presidents have been blessed with but a single baptismal name.

Counterfeit \$5 bills are in circulation. The prudent man will scrutinize his \$5 bills before he takes them in, and the truly honest man will look carefully at his before he pays them out.

In the mountain regions of Cuba there are many ridges and valleys of extremely fertile land, nearly all untouched, and existing practically as they did before the time of the Spaniards.

A Chicago judge has decided that a baby carriage must have lighted lamps if it is pushed on public ways after dark. This will reduce the terrible mortality caused by overspeeding baby carriages.

Prof. Zueblin recommends intermarriage of the races. It is a cold day when the professor does not bring forth a new idea and the temperature has been noticeably high through this present fall.

Two-cent postage stamps of a new design have just been issued, and later those of higher denominations will appear. The two-cent stamp will be adorned with a portrait of Washington in profile from the Houdon statue.

Zinc mining in Mexico has become important only in the last three years. The most important zinc deposits are near Monterrey. At Calera there is a large amount of mixed sulphide ore, while the Tiro General and San Luis Potosi is also producing zinc ore.

As a part of the reception to the American battleship fleet, Japan arranged that each American vessel should be met and escorted to its station by a Japanese vessel of similar rank and power. Could anything be neater, as a cordial hand-shake with the mailed fist?

Following the example of the Danish government, the National Red Cross association of America will issue special stamps this year for use on Christmas mail. The stamps will not serve as postage, but will carry only holiday greetings. The revenue will go to the Red Cross fund for fighting tuberculosis.

Word came recently from Stefanson, the arctic explorer, that he came near having to spend winter at Point Barrow for want of matches. The natives would not go farther into the wilderness with only flints and steels. He finally secured matches from whaling vessels and pushed on. It is an interesting comment on the material progress of the world that uncivilized people have come to regard comparatively modern inventions as indispensable.

The cruisers and gunboats of the navy keep up their target practice, as well as the big battleships. And the official reports forwarded from the commander of our naval forces in Philippine waters show excellent results. The figures will not be made known until the reports reach Washington, but it is stated in connection therewith that all records have been broken. The Yankee tar continues to be a sharpshooter, no matter what craft he sails in.

The ancient Greeks had recommended the use of sterilized water. Rufus of Ephesus in the first century of this era taught that "all water from rivers and ponds is bad, except that from the Nile. Water from rivers which flow through unhealthy soil, stagnant water, and that which flows near public bathing places is harmful. The best water is that which has been boiled in baked earthenware vessels, cooled and then heated a second time before drinking."

The house of Verona which the guides in that city have pointed out to tourists as the home of Juliet's parents and the place where Romeo wooed her was burned last month. Although the house was marked with a tablet setting forth its relation to the famous story which Shakespeare has immortalized, scholars have long doubted the verisimilitude of the legend. About the amount to be applied for

CONGRESS CONVENES

FINAL SESSION OF SENATE AND HOUSE DURING ROOSEVELT REGIME.

HAVE LITTLE WORK ON HAND

President's Message Today Will Probably Outline Policies Taft Is to Champion During Term.

Washington, Dec. 8.—The opening of Congress yesterday was notable as marking the beginning of the last session during the Roosevelt administration, and only in that respect was it notable. Conscious that they are to be permitted to do little at this session other than to pass the appropriation bills, the members were rather more than ordinarily perfunctory. Speaker Cannon got the glad hand, but only in the degree that is always accorded to the Speaker when he first ascends the rostrum at the beginning of the session.

As in the house, there was an immense crowd in the senate long before noon, but unless it was in preference permitted to gaze on Senator-elect Cummins, and the flaming necktie which Senator LaFollette brought into the otherwise decorous body, it was hardly repaid for having braved the excruciating weather. For it had been understood, of course, that the death of Senator Allison would be announced immediately after roll call, whereupon the senate would adjourn.

Today the President's message is to be read and the 'kellhole' is it will be heard with more than usual attention.

Prophecies for Great Southland.

Washington: With prophecies of almost unparalleled economical and commercial advancement near at hand for the South, the initial movement for a still greater development of the natural resources of that section formally was inaugurated at the first meeting of the Southern Commercial Congress. The vast possibilities that yet await development were referred to in glowing terms by the various speakers. The south was pictured as a land where nature had been lavish with her gifts, which thus far hardly had been touched. The prediction was made that a great commercial awakening was at hand.

Must Pay Poll Tax to Vote.

Austin: Persons qualified to vote in local option elections to be held between the present and February 1 must possess poll tax receipts issued to them prior to February, 1908. Assistant Attorney General Crawford has so construed the law in reply to a number of inquiries concerning the question.

San Antonio Winter Racing.

San Antonio: Arrangements for the opening of the Midwinter Fair Association here are progressing favorably. From letters that have been received by the officials it has been demonstrated much interest is being manifested in the new meet all over the South, and as far north as the Canadian racing centers.

North Texas Doctors Meet.

Dallas The fifty-eighth annual convention of the North Texas Medical Association will begin in the auditorium of the Dallas Commercial Club at 10 a. m. Tuesday and will continue three days. A large attendance is expected.

Weatherford Interurban.

Weatherford: The Weatherford interurban subscription list is now approximately \$50,000 and early in this week the total of this city and Parker county will be easily run up to \$75,000. The people are determined to have interurban connection with Fort Worth, and there is strong sentiment of organizing the company here and building the road, in such action be comes necessary.

Port Arthur to Beaumont.

Washington: Representatives Cooper and Col. W. C. Davidson of Beaumont will be heard by the board of engineers Monday in behalf of the project to make a twenty-five foot channel from Port Arthur to Beaumont and Orange, by way of the mouths of the Neches and Sabine rivers. There is now a nine-foot channel and the task is to convince the engineers that there is need of a twenty-five foot channel.

Orient Rails Reach Sweetwater.

Sweetwater: The Kansas City, Mexico and Orient's steel railway is ready for the wheels that will carry men and merchandise from Wichita, Kan., to Sweetwater, Texas, 432 miles, through a traffic bearing country. The finish of the 2,260 foot bridge over the El Llano, in Texas Saturday night in the railway. Officers say through train set January 1.

NEWS FROM OVER TEXAS

C. G. Garner, a farmer living near Weatherford, shot and killed himself Saturday night.

The tuberculosis exhibit which has for some time been at Brownwood was sent to Waco Monday.

Tom Still, of Conroe, while out hunting Wednesday was accidentally shot and fatally injured.

The cotton mill at Corsicana, after an idleness of several months, started up Monday with a full force of operatives.

Early Friday morning fire destroyed the saw mill belonging to S. G. Childs located about six miles south of Timpson.

The committee on work of the Masonic grand lodge is conducting its annual school, with 200 delegates present, in Waco.

Dallas' bid for the maneuver of the Army of the Gulf will be presented to Luke E. Wright, secretary of war, by United States District Attorney William H. Atwell.

Daniel Benchoff and Joe Decker of Menardville announce they will put on an automobile passenger line between Brady and Menardville about the middle of December.

General Jackson, a negro employe at the Swift packing house in Fort Worth was caught in the machinery Monday morning, sustaining injuries from which he died soon after.

Mazentine Juan de los Santos of Madrid, Spain, arrived in Austin Tuesday morning to lay claim to thirty acres of land which, he says, is located within the heart of the city.

With the advent of the Stamford and Northwestern Railway, it is practically certain that Stamford will secure a wholesale drug store, a planing mill and a number of other enterprises that will add largely to the "tin bucket brigade."

Lester E. Ogg and party from San Angelo made an automobile trip last week of 350 miles in fourteen hours. Considering that the drive was made over various kinds of roads, rough, rock and steep at places, this is the best time reported in this section of the state.

When the Katy passenger train reached Hillsboro at 6:55 o'clock Wednesday it brought the nearly lifeless body of W. F. Roberts of Dallas, who, after leaving Lakenon, six miles north of here was taken violently ill. He died a few moments after being taken from the train.

When Rev. Dr. William R. Huntington, rector of Grace Church, New York, sat down to his breakfast Tuesday morning, he found under his plate a check for more than \$40,000, voluntarily contributed by members of his congregation as a token of their esteem.

Galveston continues to lead New Orleans this season by a large margin in grain exports. The report of clearances of grain from New Orleans during November last issued by the New Orleans Board of Trade shows that Galveston again went far ahead of the rival port in corn exports, but fell behind slightly in wheat.

Report from A. C. Torbert, treasurer of the Santa Fe Railway Company, shows the total number of actual employes of the railway company in all departments in Temple at present to be 742, with a monthly payroll aggregating \$52,313.

Representatives of the Texas Hardware Jobbers' Association appeared before the Railroad Commission at Austin Monday to discuss the matter of lower rates from Galveston and Texas City to Texas interior points.

Visitors to Paris Wednesday from Garrett Bluff, twenty miles southwest of the city on the river, reported that there was a distinct earthquake shock there and for a few miles up and down the river at 7 o'clock Monday night.

David Tanglin, who was placed in the Haskell jail on Nov. 3, charged with killing his wife, died Thursday morning from the effect of eating matches. He had attempted suicide in various ways.

K. Hall, retiring treasurer of Dallas county, filed with the auditor his report for the month ending Nov. 30, 1908, which was also the end of the fiscal year. It shows a cash balance to the credit of the county amounting to \$108,050.40.

The engine, tender and fourteen cars of a Rock Island freight train were derailed near El Reno Monday on account of a soft track. C. R. McPherson, head brakeman, of El Reno was killed.

An election has been held in the city of Seymour to determine whether the city should have waterworks and sewerage, the proposition being voted upon separately and resulted for waterworks 209, against 12, for sewerage 207, against 14.

THE WEEK'S EPITOME

A RESUME OF THE MOST IMPORTANT NEWS AT HOME AND ABROAD.

NEWS FROM EVERYWHERE

A Carefully Digested and Condensed Compilation of Current News Domestic and Foreign.

Tom Teller of Wichita Falls was accidentally shot through the leg Wednesday while in a restaurant with a rifle, which he thought was unloaded.

Thousands of cattle on the ranges in Colorado are reported to be starving, with the prospect that there will be unprecedented loss to the cattlemen during the winter.

The United States and Germany have arranged for a postal rate on letters of 2 cents instead of the existing rate of 5c. The new rate goes into effect on January 1.

The Grayson County Medical Association adjourned Thursday evening. A resolution was passed requesting the National tuberculosis exhibit to be brought to Sherman.

M. D. Brown of the Navarro Oil Company of Corsicana made his appearance in North Fort Worth Friday and began to secure the right of way for a pipe line for natural gas.

The Kansas City Stock Yards Company will begin, the first week in January, the erection of a new eight-story Live Stock Exchange building and new cattle and hog pens.

Eight hundred and thirty dollars revenue of fourteen acres of peanuts, or nearly \$60 an acre, is what W. D. Pockrus did with his peanut crop southeast of Denton this year.

The burning of the Garza School building from an unknown cause Thursday night is the third public school building in Denton county to be burned in the last two months.

The adjutant general's department in Austin Friday received a shipment of 2,000 khaki uniforms from the national government arsenal to be distributed among the organization of the Texas National Guard.

The second annual exhibition of the Hill County Poultry and Pet Stock Association opened in Hillsboro, Tuesday, with nearly 1,000 birds entered, they having come from all sections of Texas and many from Louisiana and Mississippi.

A telegram from French West Africa says that a detachment of French Spahis have had a serious engagement with a band of Moors. The French lost in killed one lieutenant and twelve privates, while the Moors suffered heavily and was routed.

Four lives were lost when the 10,000-ton White Star freighter Georgic, coming in rammed the Finance, a 2,600 ton passenger-steamship of the Government's Panama line, outward bound, in a dense fog a mile east and a little north of Sandy Hook Thursday morning.

The four offices of assistant postmaster general will be abolished, a director of posts with seven assistants provided for and the entire postal service of the United States divided into fifteen separate districts, if the bill providing for the revision of the postal bill, which is being prepared by the Joint Postal Investigation Committee of Congress appointed two years ago is passed by congress.

Twenty-three representatives of commercial bodies of Alvarado, Venus, Cedar Hill and other places, met with the Midlothian Commercial Club Friday to discuss ways to secure interurban proposed from Dallas to Cleburne.

That a gigantic corporation to control every stick of standing timber in the Western Hemisphere is being agitated at the present time, was the admission made in Washington by T. B. Walker of Minneapolis, owner of the largest tracts of standing pine in the United States.

After choosing Brownwood, Texas, as the place of the next annual session and electing officers and winding up unfinished business, the convention of the Daughters of the Confederacy closed in Terrell Friday.

A tragedy occurred in Ardmore, Okla., Tuesday evening in which Luther Ford, a boy of 12 years, is dead, with three buckshot in the back. Policeman Smith Redmon is wounded with four shot, and William Bellew was shot in thirty places from the hips to the head.

Mrs. Nicholas Errington of Chicago, who was traveling with her 10-year-old daughter, Tuesday, in a hotel in Memphis, Tenn., forced the girl to take carbolic acid and then drained the vial herself, ending both lives in a short time.

Corsicana: While making a gas connection at the residence of J. P. Wooten Thursday evening an explosion occurred in which the plumber, Burgess, was severely burned. Mrs. Wooten and son and Mrs. Clayton of Athens received slight burns.

THE TIE THAT BINDS (SOME)

Affecting Reconciliation Between Two Really Loving Hearts.

There is a certain couple who decided to separate awhile ago. It seemed that they were not amities, after all, and life together was unendurable, so the wife packed up her belongings and was preparing for a trip home. At the time of parting she picked up their little pet dog and tucked him under her arm, while her other managed the suit case.

"Why, you're not going to take Trixy!" exclaimed the husband.

"Of course I am," she announced. "I couldn't live without him."

"Well, I can't let the little fellow go," he insisted.

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So they argued for half an hour, at the end of which she decided to stay, and unpacked to cook dinner, at which Trixy was the guest of honor.

LEWIS' 'SINGLE BINDER.'

A hand-made cigar fresh from the table, wrapped in foil, thus keeping fresh until smoked. A fresh cigar made of good tobacco is the ideal smoke. The old, well cured tobaccos used are so rich in quality that many who formerly smoked 10c cigars now smoke Lewis' Single Binder Straight 5c. Lewis' Single Binder costs the dealer some more than other 5c cigars, but the higher price enables this factory to use extra quality tobacco. There are many imitations; don't be fooled. There is no substitute! Tell the dealer you want a Lewis "Single Binder."

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Eczema, Tetter, Ringworm and all similar troubles are relieved by one application; cured by one box.

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DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS. A circular logo with text: DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS. ALL KINDS OF KIDNEY DISEASES. BRUISES, RHEUMATISM, GRAVEL, GOUT, DIABETES, BACKACHE. 1875 "Guaranteed".

PLANTEN'S C & C BLACK CAPSULES. SUPERIOR REMEDY FOR RHEUMATISM, GOUT, GRAVEL, BRUISES, RHEUMATISM, GRAVEL, GOUT, DIABETES, BACKACHE. 1875 "Guaranteed".

OYSTERS. 100 per dozen sealed cans. 25c per box. Natural oyster butter retained. See it packed outside of cans. 25 years in the oyster business. OYSTER PACKING COMPANY, Corpus Christi, Tex.

OPIUM. Wholesale and Retail. Sold in bottles without label. Beware of cheap imitations. Sent FREE. W. H. Woolley, M. D., Atlanta, Ga., U. S. 1792.



# DIET AND HEALTH

By DR. J. T. ALLEN  
Food Specialist

Author of "Eating for a Purpose," "The New Gospel of Health," etc.

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## SIXTY DAYS ON PEANUTS AND LEMONADE.

On October 18, 1907, I began an exclusive diet of peanuts and lemonade and subsisted on that alone for 60 days.

What did you do it for? Do you still live on peanuts? How should peanuts be taken? Have you changed your mind about their food value? These are some of the questions that I am frequently asked.

Such was the novelty of my experiment, which was undertaken as a scientific demonstration, that the average person refused to consider it seriously. The newspapers treated it largely as a joke—except that many of them reported toward the end of the time that I had died—a result which many were expecting.

For several years I had been testing the relative values of foods by living for a time on one alone and recording the results. Incidentally I had reached the conclusion, for reasons which I shall give in a later article, that cereal starch is the only element of vegetable food improved by cooking and that cereal starch is unnecessary in our diet, and frequently injurious, particularly in the case of infants and children. I had found that cooking injures the most important element of food, albumen, from which the cells of brain and brawn are built, and precipitates, to a large extent, the mineral elements, sulphur, phosphorus, magnesia, potash, etc., so essential to vigorous, healthy life, so that they cannot be absorbed into the blood. I had come to believe also after much investigation that fruit should form a large part of our diet, and I had been prescribing in certain cases a diet of uncooked peanuts and gluten, uncooked, in small quantities with fruits, eaten separately, and had seen remarkable improvement in some cases.

One day it was reported in an Aurora (Ill.) paper (I lived in Aurora) that a girl had died from eating peanuts and at the same time the chairman of the local board of health attributed a case of poisoning to eating peanut candy.

To prevent an undesirable counter suggestion on the minds of those who were eating peanuts by my advice, more than to defend my own theories, I stated my view of these cases, calling attention to the great difference between cooked and uncooked peanuts, and to show the firmness of my belief in the correctness of my conclusions. I said that I would be willing to live for 60 days on uncooked peanuts and have the results carefully recorded daily by the board of health, and give my body for dissection and analysis, if I failed to survive the experiment.

I had lived for several days on peanuts, on apples, on prunes, on starch, on nothing, and I knew that by fasting for a few days, when the indications required it, I should have no difficulty in performing the feat. But my friends begged me to desist, urging that I was losing my professional dignity and many of them accused me of insanity, which I was, they said, deliberately fostering by this strange feat! I had studied on my theories of feeding till I was half gone and now I was going to finish the job!

The outcome, however, fully justified the confidence with which the experiment was undertaken. I lost 17 pounds in weight but continued my usual work throughout the entire period, and in fact did a greatly increased amount of mental labor, necessitated by the increase in my correspondence, interviews, etc., and on the evening of the sixtieth day I gave an address in the G. A. R. hall of Aurora on diet and morality, speaking for three-quarters of an hour, and followed that with a 20-minute talk to an audience at the Coliseum on the relation of diet to strenuous endurance.

Of course the peanut is not a complete diet and to keep in good condition I fasted at intervals throughout the 60 days a total of about eight days. Probably the extension of the experiment to 120 days would not have reduced my weight to the point of physical collapse. My height is 5 feet 1 1/2 inches and my weight when I began was 165 pounds.

We live by what we eat; and the character of our living depends upon the kind of food we eat and the way we eat it. "You can make a man good or bad," says Bishop Fallows, "according to the way you feed him." "The building of brain-cell and mind-stuff," says Dr. Alexander Haig, the distinguished English authority on diet, "lies at the root of all the problems of life."

The mind is the measure of the man; what a man thinks he becomes. But the mind manifests through the physical, and the character of the physical determines the character of the mental as certainly as the mental influences the physical. The body is the expression of the mind, much

as a building is the expression of the thought of the architect who designed it. And you can no more build a sound, beautiful, enduring body without good food than an architect can build a beautiful temple without steel and marble.

"A crook in the mind makes a crook in the body." You cannot meet a stranger without forming some impression of what he is. You unconsciously recognize in physical form and quality of body the character of the man; and the trained physiognomist, phrenologist and physiologist will undertake to read your character, pretty accurately, from its bodily expression. Now that body is material and the material is food. The Eskimo is built of blubber, the Scot of oatmeal, the Japanese of rice and beans. But the Eskimo could not become a Scot by eating oatmeal and barley meal for a thousand years. Food is only the material; the mind is the measure of the man. The Scot who has given us so much theology, metaphysics and science is the product, primarily of the mental stimulation of "Land of brown heath and shaggy wood,

Land of the mountain and the flood."

So when we say that you are what you eat, we do not ignore the fundamental importance of the mind. It is still true that as a man thinketh so is he—and that as a man eateth so he thinketh. We have heard so much lately of the influence of the mind upon the body, that it is perhaps time that the pendulum of thought should again swing to the other side, the influence of the body upon the mind, and in time we may arrive at the happy medium where truth lies, the knowledge of the inter-relation of the essential unity of, body and mind, the menta-physical constitution.

Scientific authorities agree that vitality is a fixed quantity—that each individual is born with a certain store of vital force, and that when the stock is exhausted he dies. Vitality is expended in work, in restoring normal conditions when sickness occurs, in defense against disease, and in carrying on the normal functions of converting food into blood, throwing off waste and poisonous matter. There is no means of estimating the extent of any of these expenditures, but we know that the energy spent in digesting and eliminating food is considerable. We know that it is impossible to do one's best work after a heavy meal.

Now if a large per cent. of the energy ordinarily expended in digestion, including elimination, can be saved without loss of nutrition, a gain in working capacity, in good feeling, in length of life, must result. The practice of a simple diet shows remarkable gains in these respects. The severe mental work done and the mental strain sustained during the period of my one-sided peanut diet, indicates that the average person over-eats and eats too many kinds of food.

The first effect of sickness is loss of appetite. Nature then uses the vitality commonly used for digestion to repair the defect, to restore normal health conditions. Here is indicated the natural cure. We know what elements different foods contain and what the body needs; and upon this knowledge is based a simple, radical cure of the one fundamental disease, defective nutrition of which all "diseases" are but symptoms. This is the cure which the eminent Dr. Haig has said he has been "convinced by experience and experiment has laid all the time at our doors while we have been using drugs as palliatives."

Some important facts were developed in connection with this science of radical cure by the peanut experiment.

Hundreds of letters were received during the test from people who but for an accidental discovery of the peanut diet, "would have been wearing a wooden overcoat," while others asked "how to eat peanuts to avoid their bad effects"—which suggests the important fact that all foods are, under certain circumstances, poisonous, and the more concentrated, obviously, the more virulent when misused.

With a decrease in the daily food supply comes an increase in strength with loss of weight. The vitality ordinarily expended in converting food into blood and eliminating the waste, often excessive, can be used in extraordinary mental work or in cure, even of deep-seated chronic disease.

The fact that appetite is always lost immediately on the advent of sickness or mental derangement—violent fear, anger, joy, etc.—indicates that upon the regulation of diet, which implies fasting as well as dieting, must be based the true scientific cure of the one fundamental disease, mal-nutrition, understanding that the term "nutrition" in its widest sense includes normal supply of air, water, sunlight, food, exercise, and right mental conditions.

**Oregon Mushroom Breaks Record.** W. B. Steele, who lives at East Forty-first and Iron streets, near the end of the Richmond car line, brought to the Oregonian recently a mushroom which he declares holds the record for size in this particular variety of fungi. It is 14 inches tall and the cap is a trifle over 9 inches in diameter and 28 inches in circumference. Instead of one night, it required four and an equal number of days for this mushroom to develop. It grew in the garden of the Steele home. Mrs. Steele says he calls it Taft because it is so big and strong and so much superior to all.—Portland Oregonian.

**Gas Power Replacing Steam.** Gas engines are rapidly replacing the steam engine in smaller factories. They give twice as much power for the same quantity of fuel.

## Farmers Educational —AND— Co-Operative Union Of America

A COTTON COMMITTEE.

Which is Seeking Co-operation Among All the Associations.

J. M. Pearson, of Memphis, who is working in the interest of co-operation between all the cotton growers' associations, and says he is a member of both the Southern Association and the Farmers' Union, said recently that he had secured the passage of a resolution through both the Memphis and New Orleans Conventions looking to the creation of a national cotton committee, whose purpose is outlined in the following resolution and report of the Committee:

"Moved, That a permanent committee of three be appointed by the Chair, having power to fill vacancies therein, whose duties shall be to procure all available State, organization and individual aid that they can approve, for the purposes below stated, and at their discretion to merge with similar committees from other organizations.

"They shall establish headquarters and adopt such form of organization and such rules as may be required to canvass each cotton-growing county in this country.

"They shall procure pledges from the cotton farmer that they will produce sufficient food and feed or something other than cotton to exchange for these necessities, publishing their names in their respective counties, or otherwise, as they deem best.

"They shall procure all possible aid from the State and national agricultural institutions to aid our people in correctly and profitably utilizing every unit of human energy in the South.

"They shall collect and disseminate available information and statistics that will further and protect our cotton interests, on which depends our social and economic welfare.

"They shall encourage the dealing in spot cotton instead of future contracts, if for no other reason than because low rates of interest, insurance and warehousing will enable the purchaser to carry approximately so much spot cotton as future contracts, thereby stimulating instead of depressing the price of spot cotton.

"They shall from time to time recommend to cotton growers such concert of action as in their opinions will result in the common good.

"This Committee of Three shall submit to this meeting plans for making this work effective."

The report is as follows:  
We, Your Committee appointed to perfect an organization for the purpose of procuring pledges and other matters pertaining to cotton interests, as well as plans for making this work effective, submit the following report and suggestions related to this work:

It is apparent that financial support to carry forward this work is immediately necessary. We are convinced that if this matter is properly brought before our people there will be true loyal sons of the South who will consider it a pleasure and a privilege to thus aid in this vital undertaking.

Therefore, we recommend that those present at this meeting are hereby requested to make such liberal contributions to this cause that it will be a credit to this meeting and an example worthy of being followed.

The press of the South is hereby requested to lend their valuable services in giving publicity to these needs.

Each paper in the South is urged to at once institute a campaign to raise money to sustain this movement. We also recommend the Chair appoint a committee of three from each cotton State to act with and under instructions from this Committee to solicit aid and otherwise develop in sympathy with this task.

We also request our Board of Directors to aid this work with such financial support as may be available or needed to insure the efficiency of this important campaign.

Mr. Pearsons said that the Farmers' Union had appointed a committee of three, consisting of himself, W. T. Loudermilk, of Texas, and T. T. Wakefield, of South Carolina, and the Cotton Association in Memphis had also appointed a committee of three, of which he was Chairman.

Under the authority of the resolutions he had merged both committees, and they would now appeal to the farmers and others for funds with which to carry on the work outlined.

Agriculture, as it is beginning to be followed at present and must be in the future, demands the growing of sheep, and they must be good ones.

The local warehouses are a standing menace to the cotton speculator. Not only the cotton actually held in them, but the fact that they furnish protection makes the speculator more careful not to contract sales as low as he otherwise would. No union man wants to destroy the local warehouses. All want more of them and larger ones.

"Those who take up the sword shall perish by the sword." This is a truth which all recognize who expect the Farmers' Union movement to succeed.

### Agricultural Education.

New when our agricultural colleges in every state are busy and the hundreds of boys who are to become the farm leaders of the future are getting down to their studies, the following thoughts on the need of agricultural education, voiced by Professor H. J. Waters of Missouri, may be opportune: "The farmer of tomorrow must face more serious responsibilities than the farmer of yesterday," says Dr. Waters. "Farming becomes more complex and difficult as our country develops. The public domain has been exhausted. The agricultural area must from this on be subdivided to support the ever increasing number to be provided with the opportunity to earn a livelihood. New and difficult problems are constantly presenting themselves and must be solved before success is possible. New crops; new demands of the market; new pests of insects and weeds; new diseases of plants and animals; new conditions of soil and cropping all demand an intelligent and scientific treatment. However successful, therefore, the farmer of yesterday may have been without the benefits of scientific knowledge, it is certain that the farmer of tomorrow will not find the practical experience of past generations adequate to meet the new and changed conditions under which he must labor.

"The present day collegiate course in agriculture fulfills all of the reasonable requirements of a liberal education, disciplining the mind quite as well as the classics at the same time that it furnishes information of incalculable value to the farmer in conducting all his business. It is not all of success, however, to make money. The educated man lives better, gets more out of life, and is a better and safer citizen."

### Must Know Insects.

The farmer and truck grower must know all about bugs and every species of insects. He must be a biologist, a chemist, and a naturalist to succeed.

He must understand the different combinations of lime, sulphur, copper, arsenic and other poisonous compounds which should be administered to each plant at the proper time. If he makes the poison too strong he will kill the foliage as well as the blight germs and the insects. If he applies them at the wrong time he will kill the fruit blossoms and the pollen-bearing bees and birds. If he does not apply them at all he will have no crop.

The currant crop is cut down this year by currant bugs and the scale anthracose is killing the blackberries. Club-root is affecting the cabbage. Yellow-stripe bugs are biting the cucumber vines. Potatoes, besides the Colorado beetles, have developed blight and scab. Fruit trees by the scale, moths and other insects. Chestnut trees, which have hitherto been immune, have now a fatal parasite of their own. Strawberry patches have been spoiled by the cutworm. A variation of the squash bug attacks egg plants. Ants have developed a liking for radishes, and so on to the end of budgum, which contains a million or more species—even in this climate.

In this section there are few crops not affected by insects. Grass and corn are freer than any others; but most of them are subject to destruction. So the farmer, truck gardener, and tree grower have troubles like other lines of business.

### Based On U. S. Production.

The world's production of cotton, for mill consumption, during the year ended Aug. 31, 1908, exceeded by 2,340,000 bales the production of the previous year, according to the Census Bureau's report on the supply and distribution of cotton. The report shows that fluctuations in the world's supply of cotton is measured practically by the variations in the annual production in the United States.

### The Farmer and Science.

A certain class of farmers are fond of sneering at science in agriculture, says Gov. Hoard of Wisconsin. Yet had it not been for science they would be plowing today with a crooked stick. Yes and cutting their grain with a sickle, threshing with cattle and no country home could afford the telephone or auto.

Too many farmers consider the location, construction and condition of the poultry house of little importance. These same people growl about the amount of feed the huddles consume and find fault with the hens because they cease to lay when eggs are high in price.

In mild climates November is the time to prune grapevines; but in very cold localities it is safer to delay the pruning until severe cold is practically over,—say the latter part of February. Cut back new wood so as to leave only two or three buds on each cane.

That boiling hot soap suds that you throw away every Monday is a great thing to kill mites, if you take a spray, or cup or dipper and throw it all over the inside of the chicken coop.

Green feed is a foundation of vigor in chickens. Remember this and get something saved up, so you can supply them in winter.

There must be loyalty upon the part of members of any organization if it expects to succeed.

## ASLEEP IN THE LORD

By REV. A. C. DIXON, D. D.,  
Pastor of the Chicago Ave. (Moody's) Church, Chicago.



It is said of Stephen that, after his prayer for his murderers, "he fell asleep." (Acts 7:60.) Death is a sleep. The body becomes unconscious.

Asleep in Jesus, blessed sleep; From which none ever wake to weep.

A calm and undisturbed repose, Unbroken by the last of foes.

As one lies down to sleep at night expecting to awake in the morning, so may we lie down to die expecting that the body which loses consciousness shall awake in the morning of the resurrection. Jesus said to his disciples: "Our friend Lazarus is fallen asleep, but I go that I may wake him out of sleep." So our Lord will one glad day say to the angels in heaven: "Our friends on earth have fallen asleep. Let us go and wake them out of their sleep." I see grassy mounds heaving and marble shafts tumbling as the waking sleepers throw off their covering. From beneath those grassy mounds and tumbling shafts the bodies of saints are rising, roused from their sleep by the touch of God.

It was no poet's fancy, but biblical teaching, which led Bryant to write: By an unfading trust, approach thy grave,  
Like one who wraps the drapery of his couch About him and lies down to pleasant dreams.

"Not Dead But Sleepeth."

When Jesus said: "The maid is not dead, but sleepeth," the mourners laughed him to scorn. They knew that she was dead and death to them was a hopeless finality, but to Jesus raising the dead was as easy as waking one out of sleep. And so with Jesus at all times the impossible is as easy as the commonplace. The death of our friends is to the eye of sense a hopeless finality, but to Jesus raising the dead is as easy as waking out of sleep. He will say: "Arise," and their bodies will come forth.

It is plain, however, that the soul does not sleep with the body in the grave.

Dust thou art to dust returneth Was not spoken of the soul.

### An Incongruous Doctrine.

"That the thinking, loving, worshipping part of us, though unconscious, should be compelled to remain chained in darkness to the decaying body is, to say the least, incongruous. And yet there are some who persist in believing and teaching this greswome doctrine. When the body of Adoniram Judson is buried at sea, eaten by fish and its particles scattered, just what portion of it the soul will remain with or whether the soul will distribute itself among the scattered fragments, we are not informed. And when the body is cremated and only a handful of ashes remains, will the soul sleep in this bed of ashes or rove through the air with particles that have gone up with the smoke?

I rejoice that we are not called to answer these puzzling questions, for the symbol of sleep does not exhaust the Biblical definition of death. For the body, death is a sleep, but for the soul it is a "departure." Just before Stephen fell asleep he looked up and said: "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit." Death was a yielding of the spirit to Jesus. And this prayer of Stephen was the echo of the words of Jesus on the cross. "Father, into thy hands I commend my spirit." Jesus and Stephen were going out of their bodies. Our Lord took another with him, as we learn from his words to the penitent thief: "This day thou shalt be with me in Paradise."

The aged Simeon, after he had seen the infant Jesus, exclaimed: "Now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace." To this aged saint death was a going somewhere. As I stood by the bedside of a dying child, just before the last breath, he reached out his hand and said "Good-by." He knew he was going somewhere.

The sum of it all is that the Christian's death is a sleep for his body and a continuance of happy existence for his spirit, as expressed in the words: "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from henceforth." (Rev. 14:13).

### Liquor Legislation.

In the Review of Reviews Mr. F. C. Iglehart has an interesting summary of the results of liquor legislation. The saloon has been abolished in two-thirds of all the territory of the United States. Of the total population, 38,000,000 are living under prohibitory law, 10,000,000 protected from rum by state legislation and 26,000,000 by local option. Within eight months the temperance wave has cleared the saloon from a territory as great as the extent of France.

If the moral effects of this prodigious temperance wave are to be lasting, the rising generation should be greatly superior in physical and mental strength to the present. There is no denying the evil of alcoholism. There is no doubt that there has been a great awakening of the public conscience, especially in the south.—New York Times

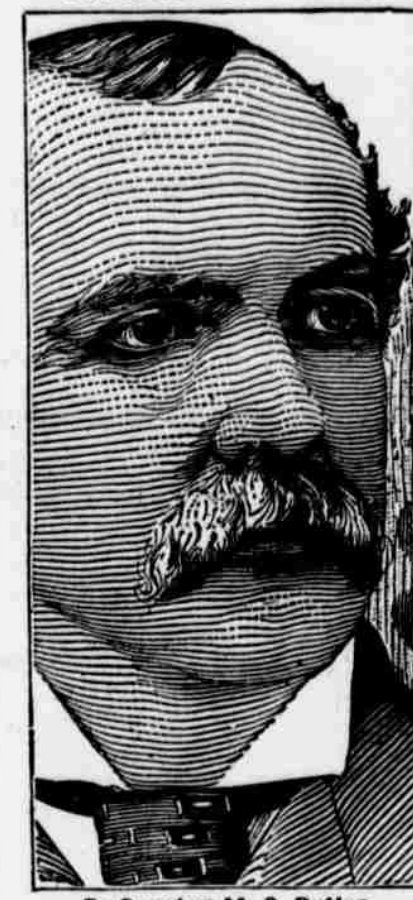
### THE QUARREL.



Her—Why on earth did you ever marry me?  
Him—Oh, don't be so bromidic! That's what everybody asks.

Some men haven't sense enough to let well enough alone. When one girl refuses to marry them they ask another.

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**W. J. Bryan, the Patriot and the Christian.**

The recent presidential campaign was the most remarkable in the history of our country. Two leading men were pitted against each other for this high office and the battle was waged upon high moral principles. No offensive personal element entered into it, and the strife of politics did not become manifest.

One of these men was William H. Taft, a man of large ability and good private life and character; the other was William J. Bryan, one of the most remarkable men in this age and generation. The former was the favorite of the National administration and had behind him powerful business combinations; the latter had no support from Washington and he was feared by the captains of corporations and of predatory wealth. He had no backing but the confidence of the common people in his wonderful integrity as a man and a public citizen. No leader ever faced such odds in his contention for high office. Such was his honesty that it was well known that if elected he would be beyond the reach of questionable interests, and this consolidated the powers of corporate wealth against him. It was systematically given out that with his national success, business affairs would be complicated and disturbed, and the public credit would be demoralized. Money is a wonderful influence and it has no heart except where its interest resides. Neither men nor measures nor politics are allowed to stand in the way of its progress.

Mr. Bryan is a seer, a prophet. He is living a quarter of a century in advance of his generation. The public sentiment of his country is far behind him. Some things now advocated by him take on the aspect of the novel and the venturesome. Yet when analyzed, they have underneath them sound political principles and deep moral convictions. But for the time being they run counter to the strong moneyed interests of the country. Hence, he was foredoomed to defeat, and he went down amid the wreck of his political ambition. But it was only a political defeat. Morally and intellectually he continues to stand out in bold relief, the admiration of the civilized world. His mind, his soul, his intellect and his unsullied moral character challenge the homage of mankind. Even his political enemies tip their hats to his supreme rectitude and recognize him as a man of great moral and intellectual merit.

The very nature of the man forces this sort of confidence and respect, for his character is without a flaw, his life is free from shadows and his motives are without spot or blemish. He still towers above his defeat like some tall mountain above its contiguous foothills, untouched by tainted spoils and unscorched by the fires of fierce and hostile criticism. No man can point to one shady aspect in his personal or public transactions. He looms before us in the transparency of a public career, with nothing to conceal or to leave covered. Simple as a child in his habits of life, as pure as a cultured woman in his thought and speech, as a girl in his desires and ambition, as lofty as a patriot in his aims and purposes, as inflexible as the texture of iron in his honesty and integrity, as heroic and unflinching as a martyr in his disappointments and defeats, W. J. Bryan is still the idol of his friends and the pride of his fellow countrymen. His lofty ideals as a citizen, his splendid moral self-poise and his simple Christian faith fix him permanently in the confidence and esteem of all well-thinking men and women. In these respects he is larger and more colossal in defeat than in his political rival in his triumphs of success. In

fact, most any well-balanced and well-equipped man is qualified for the Presidency of this Republic, but it takes a man of magnificent mold to fill the proportion of W. J. Bryan. The beauty of his character and the moral refinement of his nature became strikingly manifest the night before the battle of the ballots, when he stood in the midst of his friends and neighbors in the city of Lincoln and spoke to them the following touching words:

"I have been the child of fortune from my birth. God gave me into the keeping of a Christian father and a Christian mother. They implanted in my heart the ideals that have guided my life.

"When but a young man not out of college yet, I was guided to the selection of one who for twenty-four years has been my faithful helpmeet. No presidential victory could have brought her to me, and no defeat can take her from me. I have been blessed with a family. My children are with me to make glad the declining years of their mother and myself.

"When you first knew me they called me, in derision, 'the Boy Orator of the Platte.' I have outlived that title, and my grandchildren are now growing up about me. I repeat that I have been fortunate indeed.

"I have been abundantly rewarded for what little I have been able to do, and my ambition is not so much to hold any office, however great, as it is to know my duty and to do it, whether in public life or as a private citizen."

None but a great soul filled with the heroism of a lofty faith and a conscious rectitude could have uttered such sentiments. The Presidency of a thousand republics could add nothing to the luster of the reputation of a man with such convictions and tender ideals. Because of his high aims, his purity of motive, his gentleness of spirit, his love of home, his devout religious experience and his unflinching fortitude in the hour of defeat, he will continue to live in the hearts of his countrymen after political honors have vanished and the perplexities of office have ceased among the children of men. Aside from his minor weaknesses, his partisan politics and his ambition for pre-eminence, W. J. Bryan, the man, the citizen, the patriot, the husband, the father, the simple-hearted Christian will ever be an inspiration to the rising young manhood of the Republic for more than a generation yet to come. May all men who aspire to public life emulate these qualities in the man who is thus standing for the noblest and purest in morals, in statecraft in religion.—Christian Advocate.

**DOROTHY DIX**  
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"The Devil" is a lesson to women.

"The Devil" teaches such a moral lesson as we need in these days of mighty temptation and its lessons are for each and every one of us. Men should see it because it teaches how the evil thought we daily with may become a demon that possesses us and drives us into doing a wrong that we really abhor. "The Devil" will be presented in your city by a strong cast.

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**To the Public.**

Haskell, Tex. Dec. 7th, 1908.

The Grand Jury which has just adjourned, stated in their final report to Hon. Callen C. Higgins, District Judge, that they found the Sunday Law to be generally violated and that it was hard to find any indictments against those who were guilty because of the bad memory of the witnesses who testified before them. They recommended that the officers whose duty it is to enforce this law; do so at the time the law is violated. The Art. 200 of the Penal Code enumerates the articles that may be sold on Sunday. It provides for butchers and dealers in provisions to sell their goods until nine o'clock a. m., it permits the sale of burial material, drugs, newspapers, ice, ice cream and milk and nothing else.

There are now being operated in this county a great many schemes under the name of "raffle." Most of these schemes are nothing more nor less than a lottery. In view of the fact that I believe that most of those who are running these gambling schemes believe that they are legitimate and because of the heavy penalty attached, I take this means to warn you that you may not violate this law.

Beginning with Sunday, December 13th, 1908, the Sunday Law and the law against conducting a lottery will be strictly enforced without fear or favor and I call upon the Sheriff's department, the Constables of the county and all good citizens to render me their assistance that not only the above mentioned laws may be enforced but that all violators of the law may be apprehended and brought to justice.

BRUCE W. BRYANT,  
County Attorney.



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**Ladies Have Bazaar.**

The Womans' Home Mission Society of the Methodist Church will have a Christmas bazaar December 18th and 19th, place to be announced later.

Remember this and wait until this date to get your Christmas presents in dolls and doll furnishings and all kinds of dainty Christmas presents. Special attention given to baking orders for which should be telephoned to Mrs. P. D. Sanders.

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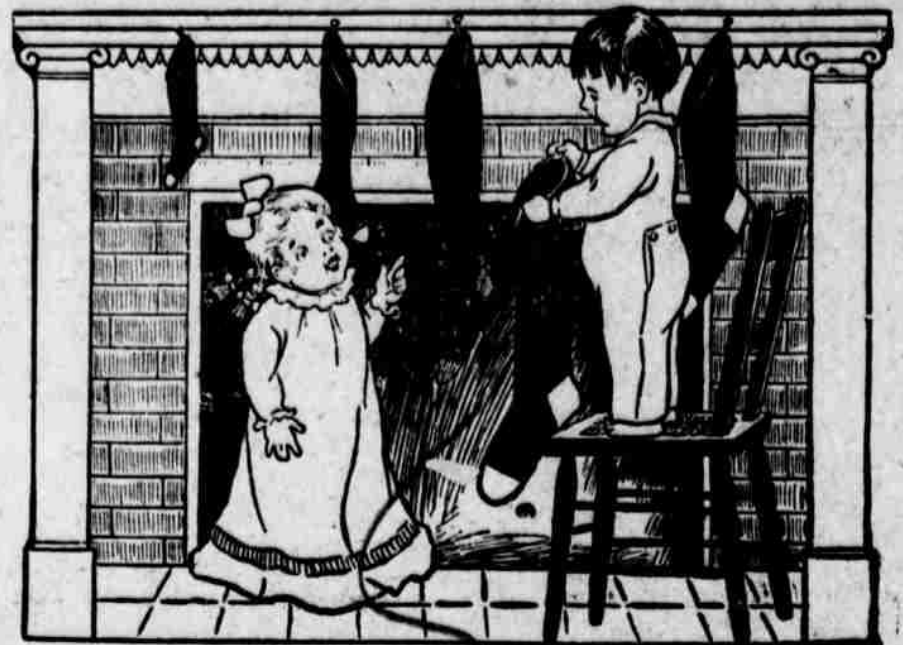
Subject, Giving.  
Leader, Miss Iris Harris.  
Opening Song.  
Scripture Reading 2 Cor. 9:7.  
Prayer.  
The Teaching of St Paul, Miss Lourena Graham.  
The Joy of giving, Mrs. Ernest Brewer.  
Solo, Miss Pearl Vincent.  
The Evil of Withholding, Elbert Wilson.  
Song.  
Reading, Mrs. Foster.  
Benediction.

**For Sale.**

My Blacksmith Smith Shop and Residence. Also some lots. See W. A. Carlisle.

**OH: THE LOADS OF XMAS  
Goods I am leaving at the  
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Beautiful showing in Dolls for DOLLIES.

Bushels of Toys for the Children.

**Santa says come--Wyman says come**  
So do come and get your presents at low figures.

Every purchase gives you one chance on  
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oil has been in use in Texas 52 years and never caused an explosion.

Do not let any dealer impose any cheaper grade on you. If you do you are endangering your home by fire. Ask for EUPION OIL and see that you get EUPION.

For any further information phone No. 144 or 147

**Foreign Mission Notes.**

The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of Haskell is known as Lucy Harper Auxilliary. Rev. C. B. Meador, our pastor has added much help and encouragement to the cause. The outlook for the year's work has proven most encouraging. A great number has been added unto us as a church. Do you wonder that we feel hopeful? A great number of these new recruits are children and young people who will likely give a long life of faithful service to our blessed master. Perhaps the most important item of our mission work was the address of Mrs. Woodward of Stamford delivered to us on Dec. 6th. Mrs. Woodward in a most feeling manner emphasized the fact that all our progress has been wrought through prayer and urged us more and more to tarry before the throne of heavenly grace. She dwelt most earnestly upon our absolute duty to study, not only that we become consecrated, but intelligent, skilled workers of our God, who is pleased with us only as we strive to do our best. We are truly thankful to Miss Brown of S. C. I. for the sweet songs she so earnestly and tenderly sang. At

the close an offering was taken, in which we received \$13.25 which will go to help the poor needy souls of heathen lands. Pray for us that we may be more useful this coming year than ever before.

Mrs. G. T. McCULLOH,  
Press Reporter.

**NOTICE.**

Will sell one of the best farms in Haskell County, 3-8 miles north of Court House, containing 240 acres, every foot tillable. Easy terms. Write owner.

A. P. McLanore,  
Abilene,  
Texas.

With every dozen photos that come to as much as \$4.50 I will give one enlarged picture.

E. L. ADAMS.

Art picture exhibit at the Racket Store next Thursday and Friday.  
Piano tickets with each purchase.

Our abstract books are complete and up-to-date. Get your abstracts from Sanders & Wilson.



# 20 PER CENT DISCOUNT

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## DELLIS BROS.

### Locals and Personals.

Xmas watches at Craigs.

A complete line of fireworks at Stephens & Smith's.

The big annual sale on at Alexander Mercantile Co's.

Mr. J. L. Ferguson of Hale Center, a brother of Mrs. F. M. Morton was a visitor here this week.

Fruits and candies specialty. Stephens & Smith.

I have moved my shoe repairing shop to the rear of Dellis Bros. store, where I will repair shoes. R. M. Craig.

Veil Pins and Barrettes at Craigs.

Wanted: To rent a five or six room house. Will pay good rent for the right kind of house. See Earl Cogdell at the mill.

All kinds of Lodge Emblems in solid gold and gold filled. R. M. Craig, the Jeweler.

Beautiful Art display at the Racket Store Thursday and Friday.

Mr. W. B. Northcutt of Lamasa was a visitor here this week, and while here he called at our office and subscribed for the Free Press. Mr. Northcutt is railroading now, but has a few days lay off.

Our sale has only been on a few days and its going to break the record, the prices are doing it. Alexander Mercantile Co.

Fresh mustard, turnips, radishes and onions at the City Grocery. Will be these fresh vegetables every week. 502t

Phone Stephens & Smith for a good sack of flour, quality and price guaranteed.

With every dozen photos that come to as much as \$4.50 I will give one enlarged picture.

E. L. ADAMS

Piano tickets with each "Art Picture" at the Racket Store.

Phone no. 249 for fresh nuts of all kinds.

Have your saddles and harness repaired at Evers shop, Haskell. 50tf

Ed Thornton killed a hog Monday that weighed 560 pounds.

Dr. A. G. Gebhard has moved to his new residence two blocks east of the south side school house.

Dellis Bros will sell goods from now until the 24th at 20 per cent discount.

Mr. W. L. McGowan of the Foster community was a caller at our office Monday.

Mr. J. R. Newson of the west side made us a pleasant call Monday.

See Mrs. W. R. Hill for first class dress making. The doors west of Alexander's store. 49-4t

Fresh canned goods arriving daily. Stephens & Smith.

The Free Press shop is printing a cook book for the Methodist Home Mission Society and we hope to deliver same on the 15th of this month, when the society will have the books on sale.

"America" \$1.00 alarm clocks. Guaranteed. Sold by R. M. Craig, the Jeweler.

Mr. Vernon Cobb called at our office yesterday and gave us a report on the south east part of the county. He stated that new homes were being improved and every body was expecting the Rock Island rail road and that they were going to have a fine town at the quarry from which the stone in our magnificent court house came.

See the little red sign on the telephone posts, of 20 per cent discount at Dellis Bros.

Solid silverware for gifts, at Gus Evans'.

Saddles, harness and all leather goods cheap at Evers shop, Haskell. 50tf

Our abstract books are complete and up-to-date. Get your abstracts from Sanderson & Wilson. (tf)

Be sure to secure one or more of the Art Pictures at the Racket Store.

Those who know their accounts are past due will please call and settle up. Stephens & Smith.

A big sale on at Alexander Mercantile Co's.

Carry your pictures to McNeill and Smith and have them framed their work is neat and their prices are right.

Mr. S. F. Bowling, formerly editor of the Gore Gazette, made us a pleasant call a few days ago.

Mr. N. C. Smith has returned from New Mexico where he left his family on a farm recently purchased by him. Mr. Smith is here winding up his affairs, preparatory to joining his family in their new home.

Fruit cake ingredients at Stephens & Smith's.

Biggest bargain sale in town, 20 per cent discount at Dellis Bros.

Mrs. J. T. Killingsworth and son, Floyd, are visiting Mrs. Killingsworth's parents in Alvarado, Texas.

Mrs. M. H. Beal of Cleburna, who has been visiting her son, A. G. Gebhard, has purchased of him a nice tract of land in the suburbs of town.

Hon. J. C. Baldwin of Houston was in attendance upon the District Court here Monday. Mr. Baldwin is a brother of our fellow townsman, J. L. Baldwin, and at one time lived in Haskell, practicing law here. He also represented this district in the State senate one term.

Mr. J. T. Morgan of Amarillo was a visitor to our city this week.

If you want a nice baggy real cheap see mine at Evers shop, 50 tf Haskell.

"I'll take this; please lay it away until Xmas." People are talking to Gus Evans in the above manner, come thou and do likewise.

Carry your pictures to McNeill and Smith and have them framed, their work is neat and their prices are right.

Berry spoons, gravy ladles and sugar shells at Gus Evans'.

We want all of our customers to visit us during the sale. Alexander Mercantile Co.

Get the little girl that bracelet she has been begging after for the last six months, you'll forget about the price when you see her happy face on the morning of the 25th. Evans has them and the price is right.

Don't miss the big sale at Alexander Mercantile Co's.

That 20 per cent discount at Dellis Bros' is moving the goods.

Samuel Hunter Sr. of New Madrid, Mo. owns 730 acres of land at Naughtonville, Haskell Co., Texas, all of which is for sale and for rent. 300 acres well improved, will suit purchaser. Call and see me after January 1st, 1909 at Mrs. Theo Wright's Hotel, Haskell, Texas. Respectfully, Samuel Hunter.

Y. P. S. C. E.

Subject: "Books That Delight and Strengthen" Prov 4:1-9. Leader—Miss Eva Fields. Song—Endeavor choir. Opening sentence prayers began by leader and closed by Mrs. Ruby Fink. Reading of lesson and comment by the Leader. Two minute paper on "Value of Good Reading. What Books I have Found Helpful"—Ry the Leader. Paper, "How Should a Book Be Read in Order to Get the Most out of It"—Mr. W. Snow. Solo, Miss Grissom. Paper, "The Value of Missionary Reading"—Miss Winnie Beavers. "The Evils of Indiscriminate Novel Reading"—Miss Roebuck. Select Reading—Miss Odell. Quotations and Clippings—Endeavorers. Song, 1 verse. "What Kind of Literature I Have Found Most Helpful" by each Endeavorer. Sentence Prayers. Song, 1 verse. Mizpah Benediction.

Athletic Association.

A very interesting business meeting of the Athletic Association was held at the Club rooms on the first Friday night of this month. Nearly all the members were present and much interest was shown in the work and for the improvement of the Association. Among the committees that were appointed was a committee to make and offer amendments to the present Constitution and By-Laws; a committee to purchase more suitable furniture and to have the club room fitted up with better and more modern and harmonious fixtures, and as a fund for this improvement a tax of .25 per member was voted to be paid within ten days.

The Club is a great help to the young people of our town and we understand that some day they hope to have a public library established.

Mr. N. C. Smith has closed up his affairs here and moved to Hagerman, New Mexico. Mr. Smith lived in Haskell for many years and was interested in and promoted the first cotton gin plant ever built in this county. For many years he and his wife have been counted among our best people. The Free Press joins his many friends in wishing them prosperity in their new home.

Bridal Luncheon

On last Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock a luncheon was served to a few friends of Miss Fay Neathery at the beautiful home of Mrs. Walter Meadors.

The hostess assisted by Miss Mamie Meadors received the guests and presented them to the bride elect. After a heartfelt greeting all were seated in the spacious and elegantly furnished dining room, where our hostess served to us in her most splendid way the delicacies which only her own skillful hands could have prepared.

Before administering to our physical needs, however, Mrs. S. W. Scott as toast mistress of the occasion provided for a "feast of reason and a flow of soul." With her accustomed grace and ease of manner she asked Miss Alice Poole for a toast to the fair bride elect, she in turn was followed by Miss Anna Lida Hughes.

In her response Miss Neathery touched beautifully on the new realm she is about to enter, and in her gracious words expressed her gratitude to her hostess and her admiration of her beautiful home life.

Misses Eula Poole and Annie Ellis spoke endearingly of the groom, referring to their childhood days spent together.

Mesdames Wilson, Montgomery, Rike and Meadors offered impromptu words of love and cheer for the happiness of the bride elect.

A guest book of an Autumn leaf, the dainty place cards of "when you were a bride," and the score cards were creations of artistic beauty done by Miss Reece and Miss Ellis. White slippers adorned with the golden dove of peace were the favors.

After the luncheon we were indulged in a short and interesting game of "42". Miss Eunice McKelvain and Mrs. Bert Brockman, the fortunate winners of every game cut for the prize, a darning gourd, which fell to Mrs. Brockman, she in well chosen words presented it to the bride elect.

So ended one of the most delightful occasions of the season. The following guests were present:

Misses Eula and Alice Poole, Mable Wyman, Anna Lida and Lucile Hughes, Eunice McKelvain, Erna Dean, Frankie Terrell, Vera Neathery and Annie Ellis. Mesdames Cogdill, Henery Alexander, S. R. Rike, C. D. Long, Joe Irby, Sam Neathery, Charles Irby, S. W. Scott, R. C. Montgomery, Charlie Eastlain, H. S. Wilson and Mrs. Bert Brockman.

Bracelets from 75c to \$50.00. R. M. Craig, the Jeweler.

B. Y. P. U. Program.

Subject, "The Book that Delighted and Strengthened a great King."

Leader—Mrs. Robt. Reynolds. Prayer.

"In it he found safeguard against sin" Psa. 119:9-16—Mr. Leon Gilliam. Song.

"In it he found an argument for God's help" Psa. 119:25-32—Mr. W. H. Wyman.

"It made him wiser than his enemies" Psa. 119:97-104—Mr. Travis Arbuckle. Select reading, Mis Annie Lida Hughes. Benediction.

Notice of Trustee Sale.

Whereas on the 4th day of October, 1906, Z. B. Thomason and G. J. Thomason made, executed and delivered to G. R. Couch, trustee a deed of trust on the hereinafter described property to secure the payment of a note for \$675.00 given by Z. B. Thomason, G. J. Thomason and E. P. Thomason to the Haskell National Bank, dated Oct. 4, 1906 and due in 90 days from date with 10 per cent interest per annum from maturity;

And whereas the makers of said note have made default in the payment thereof;

And whereas the Haskell National Bank, the original holder of said note, has made request that the trustee therein named make sale of the said hereinafter described property in satisfaction of said indebtedness;

Notice is hereby given that under and in pursuance of the authority vested in me by the terms of said above mentioned deed of trust, I, G. R. Couch, Trustee, Will on the first Tuesday in Jan. 1909 the same being Jan. 5, 1909 between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 4 o'clock p. m. on said date will proceed to sell in satisfaction of said above described note at public sale at the highest bidder for cash at the court house door of Haskell Co., Texas, all those certain lots or parcels of land situated in the town of Haskell in Haskell Co., Texas being parts of the Peter Allen survey No. 140 Abst. No. 2 Cert. No. 136, Pat. No. 365, Vol. 17. Said lots being known as lots 3 & 4 in Blk. 24 in the town of Haskell as appears upon the plat of said town recorded in Vol. M5, pages 320 to 322 of Deed Records of Haskell Co., Texas, to which reference is hereby made.

The proceeds of said sale will be applied to the payment of said above described indebtedness and the expenses of this sale

and the remainder, if any, will be paid to said Z. B. Thomason and G. J. Thomason.

Witness my hand this 10th day of Dec., 1908.

50 3t G. R. Couch, Trustee.

EVERY CHECK YOU WRITE

if you carry a bank account in the Farmer's National bank and pay your bills by check, call your attention to your balance and how your expenditures are running, whether within the proper average or not.

The salutary effect of such a restraining influence, and the intelligent financial management which it induces, should not be overlooked by any one who desires to make his income do its full duty.

Half of success in good management of one's finances consists in this very systematic handling of one's affairs that is so greatly favored by the bank account plan.

Have YOU a checking account in the

FARMERS NATIONAL BANK.

R. C. MONTGOMERY, 315 Haskell.

Farmer.

We have just received John Deere Implements including a supply of the celebrated Stag Sulky. See them. Cason, Cox & Co.

Seth Thomas clocks at Craigs'.

Largest stock and lowest prices. R. M. Craig, the Jeweler.

In the show window at Gus Evans' is a beautiful display of silverware, in both sterling and plate. It's worth stopping and looking.

**TWO MORE**

Weeks 'till another Christmas will have come. Those who get the first choice for their friends will have to get busy and that instanter. Since the last issue of this paper a most beautiful line of silverware has been received.

Below we give you some prices

Solid silver table spoons, heavy	\$12.00
Solid silver tea spoons, heavy	6.00
Solid silver coffee spoons	\$4.00 and 5.00
Solid silver souvenir spoon	1.00
Solid silver Texas souvenir spoon, heavy	2.00
A1, Triple and Quadruple plate:	
A beautiful Carving set	9.00
Extra fine set hollow handle knives and forks (16 dwt)	10.00
Pie Servers	2.00
Berry spoon	\$2.00 and 2.50
Tea and table spoons, cold meat forks, sugar shells, butterknives (also in sterling), gravy ladles, and other things.	

Keep fresh on your minds that GUS EVANS has the goods with quality and the price is lower. Keep the quality high, the price low.

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## Wichita Valley

### TIME CARD

East Bound Passengers  
No. 2.....8:35 a. m.  
No. 6.....10:15 p. m.  
West Bound Passengers  
No. 1.....7:15 p. m.  
No. 5.....5:25 a. m.  
Number 5 and 6 are through trains from Fort Worth to Abilene and carry tourist sleepers.  
The sleeping car fare from Haskell to Fort Worth is \$1.00.

The Baptist Standard has taken up the fight against race track gambling. In doing so the editor of that journal has had recourse upon a worthy fund of moral courage. He is forced to attack this feature of the Dallas fair, a local and successful enterprise of the home city of the Standard. He has judiciously considered this phase of his position, but he does not falter, for on the first page under black headlines of the Standard he opens fire on a vice that brings ruin more swiftly to its votaries and produces the suicide mania quicker, a thousand times than dose red liquor. Let the Standard lead the fight. The country press will fall in line and support its efforts.

There is no earthly excuse for any species of gambling. No man can gamble and retain his moral integrity. The race track is the most seductive form of gambling and forces all classes who visit the Dallas fair to witness it. Around the course the professional depraved gambler moneyed interest, with respectable Hence, he was fo... try atmosphere is feat, and he we... with the most vicious wreck of his... vice, every descent But it was realizes this, feels it the feat. M... at he enters a race track he cont'd. His conscience rebels, relief, any hush the voice of con-ized science as best they can while they wait to see the beautiful horses race over the course. They leave the track with stultified conscience.

The whole thing is turned over to the gambler. Stop the gambling and let decent people enjoy the races, and if this can not be done, stop the races.

The Haskell merchants have put on one of the greatest and most complete sales ever in the history of the town. If crops have been short, there is compensation in the condition prevailing in the drygoods, dress goods, clothing, furniture and hardware and implement trade.

The sales the local merchants have on are drawing immense crowds. The fact is the price of every thing has been cut. The merchants made large orders and stocked in the later summer when the late crop of cotton promised to be good, and they have been forced to sacrifice their stocks or carry them over. They have adopted a wise course and are selling the good new seasonable goods at prices the people never had made to them before. This will enable many people to supply their wants and will prove a great blessing to those with short crops. To go through the stores and see the prices quoted to the trade is certainly astonishing. Never has there been such an effort to move the goods. Some of the Haskell stores can hardly secure clerks to wait on customers, all day long the people come and go.

Piano contest still on at the Racket Store. Also select Art Pictures to be shown next Thursday and Friday.

## Huller Ginn.

Mr. W. T. McDaniel has ordered four 70 saw Pratt double ribbed huller gins. These machines have been shipped and will be installed in his plant here. He can gin cotton that is pulled in the boll. Pull all your boll cotton and he will gin it for you. Five years ago Mr. McDaniel ginned 800 bales of bolls, and is experienced in ginning cotton in the bur. The fact is, Mr. McDaniel is the first man that ever demonstrated that boll cotton could be ginned. The Dallas News got hold of it but Mr. McDaniel thought it a sham on the county and would not own up to the fact that he originated the idea of ginning bolls. The News reporter sent in a report that such was being done in Haskell county and it has been since taken up all over the South. The first he ginned was a bale of half boll cotton and it did so well he told Jim Williams, who brought it to his gin, to go home and bring a bale of bolls. This was done and he took a sample to market and was offered 5 cts per pound. He then went home, encouraged his patrons and ginned 800 bales and it saved the farmers of this county. He ginned till May 8th, 1903 and some of the cotton sold as high as 9 cts per pound in the month of April. He first ran the bolls through the cylinder of a J. I.

Case separator, which dropped the cotton under the air elevator and the cotton went through the Munger gins just like picked cotton.

Mr. McDaniel has gotten market prices for the lint and has been making arrangements for two months to gin the boll cotton.

## Christian Church.

The district convention will convene at Stamford Saturday and continue over Monday night. In view of this the pastor will be at Stamford Sunday. There will, however, be the regular Sunday School and communion services in the morning, and the Endeavor services in the afternoon. All who can't go to Stamford are urged to remember these services. After the convention all services will be as usual.

J. N. Thomas, Pastor.

Just as we start to press with extra pages we are requested to announce that the M. E. Home Mission Society will not have the bazaar as advertised in another column of the Free Press but will on Dec. 23 and 24 have a sale at the City Grocery, of all kind of nuts and fruits

See our ad on first page. We have the biggest sale in the history of Haskell. Alexander Mercantile Co.

## HASKELL COUNTY.

By One Who Knows.

No where in the great state of Texas from Texarkana to El Paso, from the pine woods of East Texas to the northern portion of the Pandandle, from Brownsville to the Red River, can be found a county with any less waste land, with a soil any more productive than the County of Haskell.

Haskell county land will produce as much cotton per acre as the rich black land of the northern and north eastern counties. The rich sandy land belt of this county will produce enough corn to supply the demand and some to spare. And it is wonderful the amount of milo maize and Koffir corn that can be grown all over the county. As to water melons, they can be grown here as large, as sweet, as juicy and as fine as in any county in the State. In fact most any thing can be grown here that will grow any where else.

It is true we have made an extremely short crop of cotton in part of the county, but this is a thing that does not occur often. And so far as we are able to learn the people of this county are in as good shape financially as the people of any county in the state.

Then if this be the case, we see no reason why any one should be guilty of casting any reflection on Haskell county or Haskell county people. And when we hear some little weakling of a snipe making slight remarks about Haskell county and her people, we feel like asking that person to take the next train east, north, south, or any direction to get out of our hearing.

By so doing, can make himself more agreeable and his place can be filled by one more worthy.

When we hear a man whom we know came to this county because he could not make a living where he came from, abusing the county and her people, we have for that man a kind of pity close akin to that which we often have for those who are not responsible for what they say.

Again, when we see a man move into a country expecting to make that country his home, her people his associates and expecting that people to assist him in his pursuit for happiness, then when misfortune overtakes him try to belittle the good name of the country and its people, we feel like saying to that man, go ye henceforth out of this county, make yourself conspicuous by your absence for we are sorry we ever knew you.

Now this writer heard not long ago just such a conversation as is referred to in this article, and his thoughts can better be imagined than told.

We believe that whenever a man intends to make his home there is where his interest should be and is, if he has any. That man should put forth every effort to assist in the upbuilding and general welfare of his adopted county instead of trying to belittle it by vile remarks.

Yours for Haskell County,  
J. R. Newsom.

## Stockholders Meeting

Notice is hereby given that a regular meeting of the stockholders of the Haskell National Bank, at Haskell National Bank at Haskell, Texas, will be held in the office of said bank, on Tuesday, January 1909, at 2 o'clock p. m. for the purpose of electing a board of directors for said bank, and the transaction of such other business as may properly come before said meeting.  
G. E. Langford,  
Cashier.

O. B. Norman who has had charge of the paint and wall paper department of the McNeill & Smith Hardware Co. will open up an exclusive Paint & Wall Paper Store with a complete and up-to-date line of paints, wall paper, glass, mouldings and artists materials. This is a new business for Haskell, as these lines have been carried in connection with other business. Norman has had ample experience in these lines and we predict for him success.

# Farmers vs. Doctors

We the citizens of Foster Community beg to submit the following for publication. In doing this we believe we voice the sentiment of a large majority of the people of this county

In regard to the by-laws adopted by the members of the Haskell Co. Medical Association governing their service we have this to say:

1. We believe that in the time of adversity every man of every profession or vocation should shoulder and carry their equal share of the burden, and no man should be made to carry more than his equal part. If this was done how much lighter could the burden of all be made?

2. When once a man is down it seems so easy to give him just one more kick and the more he is kicked the farther down he goes. And this year in this county, when the cotton crop, which is the whole dependence of the farmer is so extremely short, and the burden of the poor man so exceedingly heavy it seems to be an inspiration caught by a great many to give them another kick.

3. We believe that no where in the great state of Texas can be found a more reliable and honest set of people than the people of Haskell County. And when the physicians of this county undertake to humiliate, and force upon us a set of rules which they themselves would not live under if forced upon them by any other profession.

Then we as a free and liberty loving people who toil and sweat for our bread, are forced by everything that is high and noble, pure and good, and for the protection of our wives and children to deprecate and condemn such actions upon the part of these doctors.

4. When they say they have not collected enough funds to defray their expenses, they do the people of Haskell county an injustice by virtually accusing them of being dishonest, and we as an honest people resent such an accusation.

5. As to the Doctors of this county we have no abuse to heap upon their heads. We believe they will compare favorably with the physicians of any other county. That they represent a noble profession, we have not the least doubt that they are capable

of doing great good, we would not attempt to dispute, but we who have always born the brunt of the battle and who are perfectly willing to still bear our part are only asking that justice be done to us as we are more than willing to do justice to others.

6. We oppose this action upon the part of the Haskell physicians, not because we owe them any ill will, not because they have not rendered us sufficient services, but from principle and because we believe such action wholly unwarranted and absolutely unnecessary.

7. We believe that at least ninety-five per cent of the people of Haskell county are honest good citizens and will pay their debts when able and when given the proper chance, then if this be the case, why such action by the Doctors?

8. We honestly appeal to every honest self respecting man of Haskell county to aid us in trying to check an oppression which if continued, will grow worse and eventually bring about a state of affairs no more to be endured than industrial slavery.

## COMMITTEE

- J. R. Newsom, Chairman.
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## MANY HOMES

have been burnt to the ground by LAMP EXPLOSIONS due to use of new experimental coal oils.

## EUPION OIL

has been used 52 years and has never caused an explosion. Are you getting EUPION, if in doubt about it phone No. 147 or 144.

## XMAS IS COMING

### AND

EVERY-ONE IS THINKING OF GIVING

So we have decided to give away some VALUABLE MERCHANDISE, and this is the way we are going to do it.

To every person who buys a pair of shoes, we will give a nice pair of Hose, with every hat a nice tie, and with every shirt a collar.

In addition to the above BARGAINS, we have a strong line of Heavy-Duck-Coats, Over-Shirts and Winter Underwear, that will be sold at

## A DISCOUNT.

LAST; but not least, we have just received the swellest line of Neck Wear, Mufflers and Fancy Suspenders that has ever been shown in any store in Haskell.

DON'T fail to see them before you buy YOUR XMAS GOODS.

## The Hub

"Furnishers To Men."

HASKELL TEXAS.

## VALUABLE INFORMATION

For the Buyers of SEWING MACHINES QUALITIES TO CONSIDER IN MAKING A PURCHASE

- It runs easy.
- It is light and fast.
- It makes a good stitch.
- It is strong and fast.
- It is well made.
- It is easy to operate.
- It is simple in construction.
- Let the manufacturer put his name on it.

## THE FREE

sewing machine recently placed on the market by the Free Sewing Machine Co. combines the best qualities of all other machines. It is the latest, best and most complete achievement in building of a sewing machine. Compare it with all other machines in anything in which they claim to excel and you will find it FREE easily the best.

FREE SEWING MACHINE CO. CHICAGO, ILL.

FOR SALE BY SHERRILL BROS. & CO.

## WEDDING BELLS.

The cards are out announcing the marriage on the 17th inst. of Miss Laura Garren to Mr. C. F. Clarke at the home of Mr. J. E. Garren, the bride's father, at Stamford. Miss Garren formerly lived in Haskell and is highly connected and is well known in social, educational and art circles.

Cards are out announcing the marriage of Miss Mamie Draper to Mr. J. P. Barron. Miss Draper is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Draper of this city, and the wedding will occur at their home Dec. 21.

The bride elect is well known in social and church circles and one of the most esteemed young ladies in the city. The groom is a prosperous young contractor and the union promises to be both happy and prosperous.

On last Sunday morning at 10 o'clock at the residence of Mr. Lee Pierson, Mr. Pierre Bivins and Miss Etta Wade were married, Rev. Jno. A. Arbuckle officiating.



All Millinery One-Half  
the Regular Price.  
FURS REDUCED  
33 1-3 Per Cent.

# C. D. Grissom & Son's

CLARK'S THREAD  
6 Spools - 25c  
Calico per yard, 4 1-2c  
7 1-2c Cotton Cks. 5c  
5c Outing only 2 1-2

## GREATEST - CASH - RAISING - SALE.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 12th to SATURDAY, January 2nd, INCLUSIVE.

For the next twenty-two days we offer to the people of Haskell and adjoining counties the greatest values in Dry Goods Groceries and Furniture ever before offered by any house in Western Texas.

### This is the Greatest Effort of Our Lives to Raise CASH.

Collections so far have been a failure. We have contracted debts (Large ones) and these debts must be paid. Our creditors have been patient with us as long as they can. They now demand the cash and we must raise it. That's our reason for Sacrificing prices and in many cases even selling for less than actual cost. It is with us **Purely an Effort to Raise CASH.** Therefore nothing will be charged. Please don't ask for credit for we will have to refuse you.

**NOTHING BUT THE CASH WILL COUNT.**

### HIGH GRADE CLOTHING Prices Cut Deep

New Stylish, well made clothing in Handsome Clothes and Colors. Priced extremely low. Suits bought at these prices will be a good and pleasant investment.

\$20.00 All Wool, Hard Tailored Suits \$14.95  
17.50 " " " " " 11.85  
15.00 " " " " " 9.95  
12.50 Suits, variety, of patterns & Styles 7.85-  
40 suits carried over from last year, worth  
7.50, 10.00, 12.50 and up, while they  
last ONLY **\$2.98**

**OVER ALLS.** Odds and ends of different lines of overalls including the Carharts & Sweet Orr Brands. \$1.00 values--a snap per pr. 70c

### Cash Raising Grocery Prices.

In Our greatest effort to raise cash we offer prices never heard of before. **GROCERY** Prices are for one week only.

Dec. 12th to 19th.

25c Buggy Whip.....15c	15c Buggy Whip.....5c
Pears per can.....12c	Smoke Bacon per pound.....13c
Yellow Peaches per can.....13c	Dry Salt " ".....12c
Corn " ".....8c	Irish Potatoes, per Bu.....95c
Beans " ".....9c	High Patent Flour.....2.75
Peas " ".....7c	Fancy " ".....3.00
Red Cherries " ".....8c	Ribbon Cane Syrup.....45c
Prunes per pound.....5 1-2	18 pounds granulated sugar.....1.00
Dried Peaches per pound.....8c	Dried apples per pound.....9c

Paint, Paint Brushes, Lock Saws and all shelf Hardware at **COST.**

### Money Saving Prices on Ladies & Children's Cloaks

Values that will be more noticeable when compared with cloaks for which others ask nearly double our prices.

\$25.00 Handsome Opera Cloaks.....\$18.95  
15.00 " Cloaks assorted colors  
and styles. Rare bargains at 9.95  
12.50 Full Satin Lined, well braided,  
Black, Broad Cloth Coats, only... 8.65  
10.00 Cloaks, assorted styles.....6.95  
8.50 " " " ".....5.95  
6.00 " " " ".....4.15  
5.00 " " " ".....3.95  
3.50 " " " ".....2.40

#### Wonderful Bear Skin Bargains.

6.00 Bear Skins to close at once.....\$3.85  
5.00 " " " ".....3.15  
3.50 " " " ".....2.65  
2.50 " " " ".....1.95

## MONEY SAVED IS MONEY MADE. MAKE MONEY BY ATTENDING THIS SALE.

### Miscellaneous Bargains In Men's Wear.

Men's Sox, black or tan, regular 12 1-2c  
quality, for CASH, 6 pair.....40c  
Men's gray Sox, regular 10c sellers  
to move at once only.....75c doz.  
Men's 35c Hose only.....25c  
" 25c " ".....19c  
" 50c " ".....39c  
" 15c " ".....11c  
Men's \$1.00 Negligee Shirts.....69c  
" .75 " ".....49c  
" 1.25 " ".....89c  
" 1.50 " ".....\$1.15  
" 1.00 Wool ".....85c  
" 1.25 " ".....98c  
" 1.50 " ".....1.15  
" 1.00 Fleece Underwear Suit.....85c  
" 1.00 Ribbed " ".....90c

Men's \$5.00 Patent Leather Shoes \$3.95  
" 4.00 " " " 3.35  
" 3.50 " " " 2.75  
Ladies 3.50 " " " 2.65  
" 3.00 " " " 2.49

Other values in men's, women's and children's shoes that will pay you to lay in your supply of winter shoes. Men's hats, odd colors and sizes, worth 2.50, 3.00 and 3.50,

**Your Choice \$1.00**

#### BLANKETS

\$7.50 Wool Blankets.....\$5.95  
5.50 and 5.00 Wool Blankets.....3.95  
2.50 Cotton ".....1.95  
2.00 " ".....1.45  
1.50 " ".....1.15

#### COMFORTS

\$3.50 Comforts only.....\$2.45  
3.00 " ".....2.20  
2.50 " ".....1.85  
Other Comforts greatly reduced.

#### BOYS CLOTHING.

\$7.50 and \$6.00 Suits only.....\$4.95  
5.00 " ".....3.85  
4.00 " ".....2.85  
2.50 " ".....1.95

#### MEN'S CAPS ALSO SACRIFICED.

#### BOOTS AND BOOTEES.

All men's plain top boots, worth \$4 only \$2  
\$6.00 and 5.50 Black Boots.....\$3.98  
3.50 Bootees, ONLY.....2.85  
Other Bargains too Numerous to Mention

### DRESS GOODS.

Beautiful New Patterns and Weaves in Brown, Navy, Wine, Etc. All the newest and best go at sacrifice prices.

\$1.75 Quality only \$1.26  
1.00 " " .79  
.85 " " .65

Other dress goods carried over from last season go at prices that will make you wonder.

We have other Bargains in Sweaters, Children's Hoods, Fascinators, Men's Pants, Bleached Domestic, Furs, Etc. This is the greatest money saving sale Haskell has ever seen. **DON'T FAIL TO ATTEND.**

# C. D. GRISSOM & SON

HASKELL, - - - TEXAS.







# The Kitchen Cabinet

## A TOAST.

HEN Sancho Panza said: "God bless the man who first invented sleep!" He uttered words which, for all time, His name and fame alive will keep.

By gods and mortals shared alike, Sleep is a blessing none despise; Oppressed with heavenly cares, perhaps, They seek oblivion in the skies.

But with all due respect to sleep, Another toast we can't decline: It is to him—priest, bard or sage, From whom the world learned how to dine.

What matter though we eat of herbs Or peacock tongues, 'tis not the question. Both plain and Sybaritic fare Are welcome when we've good digestion.

So, while we've strength and appetite, His praises are well worth repeating; Here is a health to him—God bless The man who first invented eating!

## Deviled Kidneys.

Hoping to give variety in meats, the housewife will try to make her family eat kidney—generally without success. The following is, perhaps, the best way to serve them:

Put two ounces of butter in the saucepan, and when hot add the meat, chopped fine and dusted with pepper. Cook quickly. Four over this a tablespoon of Worcestershire sauce, one of onion juice and a dash of sherry. Garnish with cheese—the latter to be served directly on the meat. This preparation sounds troublesome, and a trifle expensive, but kidneys are cheap and nourishing and afford a much desired variety.

## Cuisine Queries.

What is a casserole? A small baking dish; deep, well-covered, and used for baking meats, chiefly.

How do we obtain cream of tartar? It is a product of grapes and settles in the bottom of wine casks. It is then refined for market.

Is allspice a mixture of "all spices"? No; it is the berry of the pimento, an evergreen tree found in the West Indies.

What is mace? The outer coat of the nutmeg.

Is alcohol a stimulant? No, it is now agreed by scientists that it is a poison, a narcotic, with a pseudo-stimulation of the nerves.

## THE DYSPÉPTIC.

JIM JONES is on a diet. He's careful what he eats. Yet, each day, at the table he performs alarming feats.

And while he's growing thinner at a most appalling rate, it's all because his food, you see, He can't assimilate.

He can't eat white bread, so his wife makes cakes of Graham flour. And at his place stacked up a pile As high as Babel's Tower.

Our ordinary mortal folk Who eat in normal way, Consume not half the amount that this Dyspeptic stows away.

And yet, he doesn't seem to know (And don't it beat the Dutch?) He might assimilate it if He didn't eat so much.

## French Mustard.

The ordinary bottled mustard spoils so easily that even the cheap bottles are expensive, and certainly not so good as the home-made article. Yet if mixed in a hurry, just the mustard and vinegar, it is too strong, with no flavor. The French recipe is as follows: One egg, one teaspoon mustard, one of sugar and one-half of flour. Beat all to a cream, add one teaspoon vinegar, put on the stove and stir until it thickens.

## A Tasty Snack.

Eating late at night is, at best, a risky experiment with the stomach, but if one must "piece" let it be wholesome, easily digested food. A sandwich with tang and taste and yet simple is made of white bread, buttered and sliced thin, and spread lightly with extract of beef, well salted. A tiny ring of dill pickle slipped in is an improvement.

## A Friday Dish.

This is an old Scotch recipe for snnan haddie:

Found the meat (after removing bones), in a mortar, add pepper, salt and a spoonful of lemon juice, an ounce of butter and a tablespoon cream. Cook and stir until thick, when pour over slices of buttered toast which has been dipped for an instant in hot water.

## Bridget's Remedies.

Blessed is the lemon juice used occasionally on pickled beets instead of vinegar; it affords a pleasant change. Blessed is the vinegar and salt applied with a wooden rag to spots on nickel faucets.

Are the chopping bowls which, before using, are filled with boiling water, and rinsed with cold. Then they will not break.

Blessed is the teaspoon of vinegar added to buckles.

Chin Carter, Boston

## PROVED BY TIME.

### No Fear of Any Further Trouble.

David Price, Corydon, Ia., says: "I was in the last stage of kidney trouble—lame, weak, run down to a mere skeleton. My back was so bad I could hardly walk and the kidney secretions much disordered. A week after I began using Doan's Kidney Pills I could walk without a cane, and as I continued my health gradually returned. I was so grateful I made a public statement of my case, and now seven years have passed, I am still perfectly well."

Sold by all dealers. 50c a box. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

## ENGLISH HUMOR.



She—Pooh! What is a kiss it is nothing.  
He—Well you once said you could refuse me nothing, you know.—Chips.

## TORTURED SIX MONTHS

By Terrible Itching Eczema—Baby's Suffering Was Terrible—Soon Entirely Cured by Cuticura.

"Eczema appeared on my son's face. We went to a doctor who treated him for three months. Then he was so bad that his face and head were nothing but one sore and his ears looked as if they were going to fall off, so we tried another doctor for four months, the baby never getting any better. His hand and legs had big sores on them and the poor little fellow suffered so terribly that he could not sleep. After he had suffered six months we tried a set of the Cuticura Remedies and the first treatment let him sleep and rest well; in one week the sores were gone and in two months he had a clear face. Now he is two years and has never had eczema again. Mrs. Louis Leck, R. F. D. 3, San Antonio, Tex., Apr. 15, 1907."

## Why He Remembered.

By some shuffling of the social cards the clergyman and the dog fancier were at the same afternoon tea. The wandering talk unexpectedly resolved itself into the question. Who were the 12 sons of Jacob? Even the cleric with the reversed collar had forgotten, but the doggy man recited off the names without error, from Reuben down to Benjamin.

The clergyman looked surprised. "Oh, I'm not great shakes on Scripture," said the man with the fox terriers, "but those are the names which some chap gave to a dozen puppies I'm willing to sell."

## Expert Pocket-Picking.

An old lady was accosted in a London street by a well-dressed and refined-looking stranger, who effusively claimed her as a friend. "I really don't believe you remember me!" she exclaimed, reproachfully, and the old lady, never doubting that her memory was at fault, confessed that she could not quite recall the name. "Ah, but I have changed it since you knew me," said her interlocutor, gayly, and after a few more lively speeches she passed on, having possessed herself meanwhile of the old lady's purse.

## Sniffles and Nerves.

Keep to yourself during warm, nerve-irritating weather. It is related that an Atchison man and wife dearly love each other. She is a perfect lady, and apologizes when she says "shucks." But one night, when they were sitting on the porch, presumably enjoying the tender twilight, she suddenly picked up a stool and threw it at his head. "I am not insane," she said, calmly, when he turned a frightened gaze on her; "I am simply worn out by the manner in which you sniffle at the end of every sentence!"—Atchison Globe.

## CAUSE AND EFFECT

Good Digestion Follows Right Food.

Indigestion and the attendant discomforts of mind and body are certain to follow continued use of improper food.

Those who are still young and robust are likely to overlook the fact that, as drooping water will wear a stone away at last, so will the use of heavy, greasy, rich food, finally cause loss of appetite and indigestion.

Fortunately many are thoughtful enough to study themselves and note the principle of Cause and Effect in their daily food. A N. Y. young woman writes her experience thus:

"Sometime ago I had a lot of trouble from indigestion, caused by too rich food. I got so I was unable to digest scarcely anything, and medicines seemed useless.

"A friend advised me to try Grape-Nuts food, praising it highly, and as a last resort I tried it. I am thankful to say that Grape-Nuts not only relieved me of my trouble, but built me up and strengthened my digestive organs so that I can now eat anything I desire. But I stick to Grape-Nuts."

"There's a Reason."

Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich. Read "The Road to Wellville," in plugs.

Ever read the above letter? A new one appears from time to time. They are genuine, true, and full of human interest.

## WHAT WOULD HE HAVE SAID?



"Get up, Jack. You mustn't cry like a baby! You're quite a man now. You know if I fell down I shouldn't cry, I should merely say—"

"Yes, I know, pa; but then—I go to Sunday school—and you don't."

## LAME BACK PRESCRIPTION

The increased use of "Toris" for lame back and rheumatism is causing considerable discussion among the medical fraternity. It is an almost infallible cure when mixed with certain other ingredients and taken properly. The following formula is effective: "To one-half pint of good whiskey add one ounce of Toris Compound and one ounce Syrup Sarsaparilla Compound. Take in tablespoonful doses before each meal and before retiring."

Toris compound is a product of the laboratories of the Globe Pharmaceutical Co., Chicago, but it as well as the other ingredients can be had from any good druggist.

## News from the Settlement.

"We are not exactly happy on the way, but we are not too mean to shout 'Amen' when the rest of the world cries 'Halleluia!'"

"Just how the editor knew we had 'possum for dinner last Tuesday is more than we can tell, but he came just in the nick of time and dined with us."

"We have much for which to be thankful. We raise our own turkeys, but turkey for dinner is so common in our settlement that we sometimes forget to thank Providence for it."

"There is no news to speak of, except that we'll all build up this old country if we keep the saw in the log, and keep the sawdust flying."—Atlanta Constitution.

An aim in life is the only fortune worth the finding; and it is not to be found in foreign lands, but in the heart itself.—R. L. Stevenson.

## TO CURE A COUGH

### Or Break a Cold in 24 Hours

Mix two ounces of Glycerine and a half ounce of Virgin Oil of Pine compound pure with a half pint of Straight Whisky. Shake well and take a teaspoonful every four hours.

The genuine Virgin Oil of Pine compound pure is prepared only by The Leach Chemical Co., Cincinnati, Ohio, and is put up only in half-ounce vials, each vial securely sealed in a round wooden case to insure its freshness and purity.

## Ready with the Answer.

Miss Baxter, feeling the effects of a torrid afternoon in June, was attempting to arouse the interest of her languid class by giving, as she supposed, an interesting talk on the obelisk. After speaking for half an hour she found that her efforts were wasted. Feeling utterly provoked, she cried: "Every word that I have said you have let in at one ear and out of the other. You"—pointing to a girl whom she noticed had been particularly inattentive throughout the entire lesson—"tell me, what is an obelisk?"

The pupil, grasping the teacher's last words, rose and promptly answered:

"An obelisk is something that goes in one ear and out the other."—Success Magazine.

## Every Woman Will Be Interested.

If you have pains in the back, Urinary, Bladder or Kidney trouble, and want a certain, pleasant herb cure for woman's ills, try Mother Gray's AUSTRALIAN LEAF. It is a safe and never-failing regulator. At all Druggists or by mail 50c. Sample package FREE. Address, The Mother Gray Co., Le Roy, N. Y.

## The Split Skirt.

Patience—I see half of the people call them sheath skirts, and the other half call them director gowns.

Patrice—Yes; I was sure there'd be a split about it.

## Weighty.

"He is what I call a massive thinker."

"Yes; he has to run his train of thought in sections."—Kansas City Journal.

One Thing That Will Live Forever, PETTIT'S EYE SALVE, first box sold in 1807, 100 years ago, sales increasing yearly. All druggists or Howard Bros., Buffalo, N. Y.

Truth is violated by falsehood, and it may be equally outraged by silence.—Ammiuu.

Makes Pain Go Away  
Are you one of the ones who pay in toll  
For your right of way through this life?

If so you will find Hunt's Lightning Oil a friend which will aid in the strife. To those who earn their own way by their own labor, accidents occur with painful frequency. Burns, bruises, cuts and sprains are not strangers to the man who wears corns on his hands. A better remedy for these troubles does not exist than Hunt's Lightning Oil.

## Grown-Up Children.

It is not only the frivolous whom the spirit of childishness is just now leading astray. Stiffness in the fashion even among the wise. Women especially affect a kind of childish shrewdness in talking of serious subjects. Like children who have the habit of romancing, they lose the sense of reality, and because they never talk exactly as they think they begin to think exactly as they talk.—London Spectator.

## Rewards Constantly Paid.

The rewards of great living are not external things, withheld until the crowning hour of success arrives; they come by the way—in the consciousness of growing power and worth, of duties nobly met, and work thoroughly done. Joy and peace are by the way.—Mabie.

## For Colds and Gripp—Capudine.

The best remedy for Gripp and Colds is Hicks' Capudine. Relieves the aching and feverishness. Cures the cold—Headaches also. It's Liquid—Effects immediately—10, 25 and 50c at Drug Stores.

There is nothing more sincere than the sympathy a defeated candidate generates for himself.



Are your shoes going down hill?  
They haven't lived up to the salesman's say-so.  
Take our say-so this time. Get stylish White House Shoes.  
They fit from tip to counter. From welt to top face, they meet the graceful shape of your foot. And they hold that shape.

## WHITE HOUSE SHOES.

FOR MEN, \$3.50, \$4.00, \$5.00 and \$6.00.  
FOR WOMEN, \$3.50, \$4.00 and \$5.00.

Buster Brown Blue Ribbon Shoes for youngsters. Ask your dealer for them.  
THE BROWN SHOE CO., Makers  
ST. LOUIS

# Burn This In

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Women, of course, suffer more pain than men. These pains are due to general weakness, to deranged functions, to diseased organs, to over-work, worry, nervous debility, and many other burdens that women have to bear.

Lift them off, with Wine of Cardui, that welcome, helping hand, that all women may grasp, to help themselves out of the slough of disease.



Mrs. Katie Burlison, of Goreville, Ill., was so sick I could not stand on my feet. Finally, I began to mend. Now I am able to do all my housework and am in much better health than before." Try it. Sold at all druggists, with full directions for use.

# Take Cardui

## AMONGST THE BULL-RUSHES.



Lazy Larry—Woof! Just to think, with all this wasted effort, I could have won the Marathon race!

## Lachrymose.

"Pa, Mary's upstairs crying again."

"What's the matter this time, ma?"

"I can't just make out whether it's because she's afraid Jim won't ask her to go to the theater to-night or whether she hasn't anything fit to wear, if he should."—Detroit Free Press.

## "It Knocks the Itch"

It may not cure all your ills, but it does cure one of the worst. It cures any form of itch ever known. No matter what it is called, where the sensation is "itch," it knocks it. Eczema, Ringworm and all the rest are relieved at once and cured by one box. It's guaranteed, and its name is Hunt's Cure.

## An Opinion Confirmed.

"That's the toughest piece of steak I ever struck," said the man in the restaurant.

"I guess you're right, sir," replied the waiter; "the man who had it before said the same thing!"

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup. For children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. See a bottle.

A poor appetite is a good thing—for the boarding house keeper.

If Your Feet Ache or Burn get a 5c package of Allen's Foot-Powder. It gives quick relief. Two million packages sold yearly.

A four-foot coal seam yields 6,000 tons an acre.

# Old Virginia Cheroots

You Save 10¢ on three useless heads.

You Pay 5¢ for three good smokes

## OLD VIRGINIA CHEROOTS

Are 5c Cigars Without the Head

Therefore 3 for 5c



It's the useless head you throw away that makes three cigars cost you 15 cents. Old Virginia Cheroots are all cigar—no waste. You pay only for what you smoke. 5 cents for three—instead of 15c.

Sold Everywhere

# Malaria Makes Pale Sickly Children

The Old Standard GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC, drives out Malaria and builds up the system. You know what you are taking. The formula is plainly printed on every bottle, showing it is simply Quinine and Iron in a tasteless, and the most effectual form. For adults and children.

# PUTNAM FADELESS DYES

Color your wash linens and other things that are soiled. Use the genuine Putnam dye. They are in every drug store. Putnam Dye Co., New York, N. Y.



## Finance Report.

Haskell, Tex., Dec. 3, 1908.  
Cullen C. Higgins,  
of the 39th Jud. Dist.

The Grand Jury organized and empaneled at this the November Term A. D. 1908 of the District Court in and for said County, beg leave to submit this our final report:

We have been in session ten days, have examined 131 witnesses and have returned into open court 21 Bills of Indictment, nine felonies and twelve misdemeanors.

We earnestly recommend that the road overseers be more diligent in looking after their roads in the future than they have been in the past, as considerable complaint has been made before the Grand Jury about the condition of the Public Roads in various parts of this County. The Grand Jury has investigated these complaints and find them well grounded, but in many respects the evidence has been unsatisfactory on which to return a Bill of Indictment.

We desire to call the officers attention, whose duty it is to look after such matters, that the Sunday law is being violated and that the Grand Jury has made investigation along this line, and that it is hard to obtain evidence to violation of the Sunday law, on account of defective memories of those testifying and we urge upon our officers, that they look after this and prosecute the parties at the time of the commission of the offense, without waiting for the Grand Jury to investigate it, when often times the witnesses can't remember and others having left

the Country.  
We find that a number of candidates for office and, especially precinct officers, have failed to file their expense account within ten days after the election as required by law, but believing that the parties were either ignorant of the law and had no intention of violating the law, possibly some of them not out a single cent in their expenses, we have failed to find bills of indictment for the reasons stated; but trust that the Grand Jury will not again have to call attention to this act of negligence.

The report of the Finance Committee has been submitted to us, which report is hereto attached and made part hereof. Relative to same, we find that while there has been considerable errors and negligence on the part of the officers therein named, still we do not believe that any of the parties have intentionally violated the law if there has been a violation of the law, and that the matter therein shown can be easily remedied by the Commissioners' Court of Haskell County at its next session, and we recommend that they look into the matter and carefully correct and the errors complained of in said Finance Report.

We beg to report further to your Honor, and ESPECIALLY TO THE CITIZENSHIP OF HASKELL COUNTY, that we have closely and minutely examined the county jail of Haskell County, and all the conditions in connection there with, and we find:

FIRST: That no man, or set of men, could be safely confined in said jail, for the reasons that it is insufficient to hold them.

SECOND: We find that prisoners repeatedly and at their will

escape from said jail, and that the county is continually expending money and time in recapturing prisoners, and mending the old jail where they have dug through the same in escaping.

THIRD: That there is absolute not room enough in said jail for the prisoners we now have on hand, considering the run-around, office and all, and said jail is absolutely inadequate in the way of room accommodation for this county at this time.

FOURTH: We find that the said jail is absolutely without sanitary facilities, and bound to be one of the most unhealthy places imaginable in the county, and a place where no ordinary man could retain his good health for any length of time.

FIFTH: We find that certain convicts of this county during the last few months have had to be released from said jail on account of their health, the condition of which has been brought about no doubt on account of the bad facilities of the sewerage system in connection therewith.

SIXTH: We find that it often becomes necessary for the sheriff of this county owing to the bad condition of the jail to take prisoners to other counties for safe keeping, and that the expenses of all such transactions as this have to be born by the county of Haskell.

SEVENTH: We find also from the conditions of this jail, that any one desiring to assist any prisoner in the said jail, may give to him or them through the defects of said jail any such articles as he chooses to, or give him or them any such information as they see fit to, either by conversation, or by note or letter.

EIGHTH: We find also that there is no way, or adequate

way in which to separate the prisoners in said jail, that is to distinguish between the different classes of prisoners, but that all have to be kept together.

NINTH: We find further that it is absolutely impossible to improve said jail or the conditions thereof, except by building a new one, and we believe this should be done as speedily as possible.

Therefore, we recommend to you, and appeal to the honest sincerity of every law abiding citizen of Haskell County, to lend your earnest support to the proposition recently submitted by the Commissioners Court of this county thereof, to determine whether or not the county should to the extent of twenty thousand dollars with which to build a new jail, which proposition is to be voted upon by the people of this county December 26, 1908, and we earnestly believe that it is the duty of every voter of Haskell County, Texas, who is interested in the welfare of his fellow man and, and the upbuilding of his country, to attend said election, and to support the proposition to build a new jail for this county, for it is a necessity without which the county can not in her present condition get along and which is much easier to procure by bond issue than otherwise.

It also appears to this grand jury, and is a known fact to many of us that the grand juries of this county for the past several years have recommended to this court the necessity of a new jail for the county, and we all personally know that any citizen of Haskell County who has heretofore exerted himself against the matter of a new jail, would only have to call upon the sheriff of the county to show him the present conditions of the matters above mentioned, to be convinced that he was on the wrong side of the issue. And in this connection be beg to commend the commissioners of this county for their continued efforts to do that which is so much needed by Haskell County.

We desire to express our thanks to Your Honor, to the District and County Attorneys and to all other officers who have assisted us in our deliberations and having finished the same respectfully ask that we be discharged.

J. B. Ashburn,  
Foreman of the Grand Jury.

To the Hon C. C. Higgins,  
Judge of 39th Jud Dist.

Your Finance Committee, appointed by your Honor at the last term of District Court for Haskell county, beg leave to submit the following report:

We began our investigation with an examination of books of the Tax Assessor and find the following discrepancies:

J. W. Collins, Tax Assessor should have been charged with \$8.87 District School, Interest and Penalties for Feb. March and April, 1906 which was not charged.

M. E. Parks Summary report for April 1907 is missing and is filled out on his books and his report for May, 1907 does not show any occupation taxes collected while the finance ledger and Parks receipts show that such collections were made amounting to \$23.75.

His June 1907 report is not on his books, and none of Parks summary reports from April 1907 to Jan. 1908 inclusive are filled out or sworn to by him as shown by his books and none of his reports from then down to date are sworn to.

In Sheriff Parks reports of redemptions from Oct. 1907 to date there is no apportionment made to the District School Funds and money collected that should have been apportioned to the different school districts of the county has been apportioned to the different special funds of the county, also in such redemptions and moneys received there

from on taxes collected for years previous to 1907, an apportionment of part of the funds has been made to the Jury fund. As this fund was not created until August 1907, the amount apportioned to this fund on such redemptions for previous years taxes should belong to other funds and are wrongfully apportioned to such Jury fund.

We find that the amount of money belonging to the school funds which has been misappropriated is as follows:

Haskell Independent School District \$57.39  
Carney Independent School District \$15.25  
Rule Independent School District .56  
Sagerton Independent School District \$36.33  
School District No. 1 \$5.17  
School District No. 2 1.41  
School District No. 5 8.45  
School District No. 6 2.14  
School District No. 8 1.45  
School District No. 9 .33  
School District No. 11 3.91  
School District No. 12 .06  
School District No. 13 .45  
School District No. 17 2.52  
School District No. 19 5.12  
School District No. 20 .50  
School District No. 29 16.29  
School District No. 36 .75  
School District No. 39 2.88  
Making a total of this money misappropriated \$162.89

The amount of money apportioned to the Jury fund which should go to other funds is \$106.66.

We find that in some cases credit is not given on the Delinquent Tax Roll for taxes paid on redemptions, we have only examined this for one year back and find the following on collectors stub not credited:  
Redemption Receipt No. 38, taxes for 1905, paid for in 1907  
Redemption Receipt No. 40, taxes for 1905, paid in 1907.

The Sheriff's Quarterly reports are many of them not sworn to and the Sheriff's Criminal Fee Book is very poorly kept and incomplete.

We find that a number of Convict Bonds have been given and have never been collected and would recommend that the proper officers be instructed to collect same.

We find the Delinquent Tax Roll for the county in very bad condition and it is impossible from these rolls to tell just what lands are delinquent for taxes for some years, and would recommend that this book be revised, renewed and put in a well bound volume so that it can be legible and be preserved.

We find that there is a great deal of property both real and personal which is delinquent for taxes for 1907 and former years which taxes ought to be collected, and we urge that this matter be taken up and proper steps be taken for the collection of same, and especially for insolvent taxes for 1907 of which there is according to Sheriff M. E. Park's Insolvent report \$1273.15 due the county on personal property, most of which is an entire loss if not collected this year, and a large part of which we are sure can be collected if proper diligence is used.

We find that the amount of tax, interest and penalties collected on redemptions since Dec. 1st, 1904 to be \$3231.88, Costs collected on same \$425.00, Total collected on redemptions, \$3656.88.

None of the above costs have ever been paid to the Treasurer. We also find that the collectors have been paid during this time the sum of \$228.00 for making out Delinquent Rolls making a total of \$651 paid collector. It appears to us that as the collector is paid for making the Delinquent Rolls, that the costs, or at least a portion of them should be paid to the county.

We have examined the books of J. P. of T. D. Whitford, Jno. F. Gilliland, A. W. Dunn, G. W. Lamkin, J. T. Knowles and R.

W. Williams.  
In our examination of Justice of the Peace Criminal Dockets we find the following discrepancies.

J. T. Knowles J. P. Pre. No. 1, case No. 516 shows a fine of \$2. assessed and collected, and his report shows this reported as a \$1.00 fine also Clerks Finance Ledger shows this as \$1.00 paid.

In case No. 538, his docket shows a fine of \$10.00 assessed and collected and his report and Clerks Finance Ledger show this also to have been \$1.00 paid to treasurer.

Cases No. 562, \$1.00 fine, 570 \$1.00 fine, 581 \$5.00 fine and 587 \$5.00 fine, all are marked collected on J. P. docket and are not reported at all.

The total amount of these discrepancies are as follows:

Case 516	\$1.00
Case 538	9.00
Case 562	1.00
Case 570	1.00
Case 581	5.00
Case 587	5.00
Total	22.00

We have examined the books of the Tax Assessor and while we find a few errors in assessment the whole amount is so small that we do not deem it necessary to report at length thereon, and think that considering the amount of work to be done by this officer, that the mistakes are very few.

In our examination of the books of the County Treasurer we find that the books are pretty accurate but not very neatly or plainly kept.

We find the books of T. C. Williams, Co. Superintendent, neatly and correctly kept and find a nice balance in favor of some of the School Districts of the county.

We do not find any of the semi-annual reports to the District Court to be made by the following Officers as required by law;

Dist. Attorney of the 39th Judicial District, for the past two years, the County Attorney of Haskell County for the past four years, the Sheriff of Haskell County for the past four years, Constables of the different precincts of Haskell County for the past four years, the report of J. T. Knowles J. P. of Prec. 1 of Haskell County, also the Mayor and Marshall of the City of Haskell.

We do not find any quarterly reports of the various Constables of the County, nor of the County Attorney, to the Commissioners Court as required by law.

We find the books of J. W. Meadors, County and District Clerk, to be well and neatly kept, and correct, also we find that all his reports have been made in accordance with the law.

Finally: Our investigations have covered a period extending from the 24th of November, 1904 (the date of the last finance committee's report) to the present time. This naturally makes a large field of labor to the extent that we must have spent six days in our investigation, and recommend that in the future, that this work be done Annually, or as often as every two years.

Respectfully Submitted,  
A. H. Day  
J. F. Vernon  
T. B. Russell  
Finance Committee.

We do solemnly swear that the foregoing report is true and correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.

A. H. Day.  
J. F. Vernon  
T. B. Russell  
Sworn to and subscribed before me, T. B. Russell, J. F. Vernon, and A. H. Day, this 2nd day of December, A. D. 1908.

J. W. Meadors,  
County Clerk of Haskell County, Texas.

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