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Dist. Attorney, A. M. Craig.  
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District No. 3, J. S. Post.  
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Precinct No. 2, J. M. Tompkins.  
**CHURCHES.**  
Episcopal, (Missionary) Every 1st and 3rd Sunday night, Rev. J. M. Caperton, Pastor.  
Presbyterian, (Cumberland) Every 2nd Sunday and Saturday before, No Pastor.  
Christian (Campbellite) Every 3rd Sunday and Saturday before, No Pastor.  
Methodist (M. E. Church) Every Sunday and Sunday night, Rev. J. M. Caperton, Pastor.  
Methodist, Every 1st Sunday Rev. Jas. McCollough, Pastor.  
Methodist Sunday School every Sunday, D. Sanders, Superintendent.  
Christian Sunday School every Sunday, W. R. Stanfefer, Superintendent.  
Episcopal Sunday School every Sunday, W. W. Courtwright, Superintendent.  
Haskell Lodge No. 92, A. F. & A. M., meet Saturday on or before each full moon, S. W. Scott, W. M., Oscar Martin, Sec'y.  
Haskell Chapter No. 181, Royal Arch No. 1, meet on the first Tuesday in each month, A. C. Foster, High Priest, J. L. Jones, Sec'y.

### AT CHICAGO.

#### WHAT THE PAPERS SAY ABOUT THE TEXAS EXHIBIT.

Complimentary Notices of the Press—the People up There Never Saw Anything Like It Before.

Lone Star State Show Chicago Tribune.

Three handsome cars arrived in the city early Monday morning. They represented the State of Texas and will be on exhibition for a week or ten days at the Santa Fe railway yards, Sixteenth and State streets.

It is a scheme to advertise Texas, and the expense of so doing is cheerfully shared to show the material development of the Lone Star state.

The first of the three cars contains the officers of the bureau, sample of Texas corn. There is also a stuffed tarpon which measures five feet eight inches and weighs, or did when it was breathing the invigorating air of Texas, 110 pounds. This specimen has been much sought after by the Smithsonian institution of Washington.

The third car has a good exhibit of Texas manufactured products, and grain, tropical fruits, big ears of corn, and other articles of interest. In a conspicuous place in this car is what the promoters call a "banana melon". It is three feet long, and would excite the envy of a South Water street dealer instantly. All the specimens in the exhibit are the products of 1891. The cars are emblazoned with mottoes, among them: "Texas School Fund \$100,000,000"; "Texas Has 175,000,000 Acres of Land"; "One-half the Public Domain Devoted to Free Schools"; "Texas Has No Mortgaged Homesteads"; "Texas of Texas 20 cents on the Stool"; "No Card-Playing in Texas"; "These Wheels Made in Texas from Texas Iron."

#### Go to Texas.

Havana (Ill.), Republican.  
This was formerly the style in which an offensive person was consigned to the superlatively bad. A change seems to be coming over the face of the words, and they are now a benediction rather than a curse. "Go to Texas" now signifies "Be healthy, wealthy a wise." At least if we may believe the stories told us by the Texas orators who visited us last Saturday and brought with them the "grapes of Eschol," the fruits of vineyard, garden, orchard and field to back up their statements. They assured us they had quit "raising hell," if they ever had been doing it, that the lions and bears were all chained, the terrible Confederates were all gentlemen, the cowboy had become men of peace, and there was nothing in the way of our going down and possessing the land that flows with milk and honey almost without money and without price.

The cars exhibiting the wealth of Texas, three in number, arrived in this city from Springfield on Friday evening, and were run upon the siding a little below the Taylor House where they gave a free exhibition throughout the day. The cars were visited by many of our citizens, to whom the exhibit was a revelation as to the products and possibilities of that land.

The Fort Worth car, under the immediate control of Mr. T. A. Wilkinson, immigration commissioner of the Fort Worth and Rio Grande railway company, attracted especial attention. It was supplied with a fine mammoth map of the state in brilliant colors, showing all the counties, principal cities and railroads, ocean steamers entering the ports of Galveston, Brazoria and Corpus Christi, also colleges built of native stone, Chamber of Commerce at Fort Worth etc. This was on the

outside of the car, and was a grand advertisement of the state. It was the design of Mr. Wilkinson himself who by the way inaugurated this grand move in behalf of his adopted state.

Mr. Wilkinson, besides being an orator and a man of affairs, is withal something of a poet, as will be seen from the following siren song with which he seeks to allure Northern people to the southland:

Be ye men of the frost-bitten states Lay by your tobaccos, unstrap your skates; Come to the southland of palms and dates; If ye loathe who filters and waits, Home for the million, homes for the free, Down in fair Texas, down by the sea. A welcome glad welcome is waiting for thee Come to the Gulf and happy you'll be Texas has opened her gates to the world, If a banner of peace to the breeze is to be! Then come where no fetters retard thy advance, Where values are low and bound to enhance, Because of thy presence among us.

In the afternoon the orators took the stand in the court house square and expatiated on the largeness and richness, the glories, beauties and possibilities of the state of Texas. The first and principal speaker was ex-Governor and ex-Confederate R. B. Hubbard, an old-time Texan, a good orator and a progressive man, though as yet a Democrat. The other men were Mr. Wilkinson, formerly of Wisconsin, and Mr. Slosson of Kansas, both Republicans who have maintained their Republicanism in Texas, and thus living examples of liberty in that land. All, however sank their partyism in a united effort to develop the Lone Star state.

Texas has made prodigious strides in progress since the war, in population, in the development of her resources, in education, and she is lifting up her eyes to the heights still before her, when Galveston, thanks to a Republican administration and a billion dollar congress, shall become a port of entry for the largest ocean steamers, and turn the course of travel and traffic of the great West southward.

#### TEXAS ON WHEELS.

Chicago Post.  
The three attractively painted cars containing specimens of the products of the state of Texas were sidetracked on the lake front today. A constant stream of people passed through the narrow aisles of the cars admiring the countless exhibits gathered from this year's crops in Texas. The purpose of the exhibit is to attract attention to the boundless resources of the Lone Star state. This novel scheme was originated three years ago by Commissioner of Immigration T. A. Wilkinson, of the Fort Worth and Rio Grande railway, who is in charge of one of the cars now in this city. A look at the innumerable specimens of manufactured products, mineral products, tropical fruits, ears of corn, grain, building stone, timber and other products could not but convince the most skeptical that the resources of this great state have been underestimated.

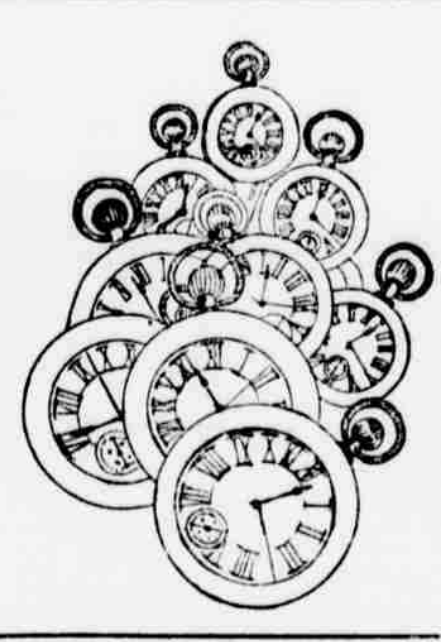
Maj. W. B. Slosson has charge of these exhibits. He and Mr. Wilkinson have been busy today in escorting the visitors through the cars and in answering queries from interested spectators. Besides the vast array of products displayed, the outer surface of the cars is tastefully decorated with paintings of prominent institutions within the state, and maps of the Fort Worth and Rio Grande railway, showing the enormous amount of fertile land which is open to settlement. Photographic views of the Fort Worth board of trade building, the Daniel Baker and Howard Payne colleges attract attention. Statements to the effect that Texas has a \$100,000,000 school fund and that there are 20,000,000 acres of school land open for the actual set-aside for almost nothing interests

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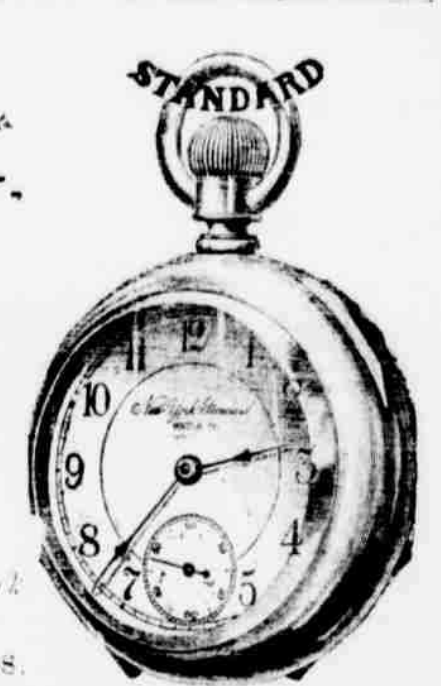
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### BEAR HUNT.

Adventure in which Hunters were Worsted.

BENTONVILLE, ARK., Aug. 26.—From Hildebrand's mills, on Flint creek, in the Indian Territory about fifty miles west of this city, came a story of a bear hunt which ended disastrously for the party which participated in it. The people of that neighborhood have suffered many losses of young stock from the depredations of wild animals, and as the rocky hills were the favorite abiding place of these "varmints" they decided to make a concentrated attack upon the stronghold of the animals. Several times black bears have been seen on the hills and on several occasions when young pigs and calves have been taken the tracks of bears were found around the place. Ten men armed themselves heavily and determined to spend a week or two exterminating the bears and panthers which they might come across.

They traveled about five miles up Flint creek to a portion of the country where it was exceedingly wild and rocky, and here they made their camp. The first night out they killed a fawn and the offal was thrown out in front of the camp, while the meat made a single meal for the men. The offal attracted the attention of wild animals, and the sun had barely gone down before sounds were heard which indicated that they would have visitors before morning. It was decided to wait ready to shoot anything that was big enough to deserve it, and the men ranged themselves back of the camp fire and kept perfectly quiet. It had become very dark among the trees and a bear was directly in their midst before they were aware that one was anywhere near. The sudden appearance of the animal so frustrated the men that the first fire resulted only in a slight wound, and in its

many. There can be no doubt that the efforts of the Fort Worth and Rio Grande railway and the Texas Real Estate Association of Waco, Tex., which jointly bear the expenses of the exhibit, will result in immense gain to the great Southern state. It is expected that ex-Governor Richard B. Hubbard of Texas and the two managers of the exhibition will lecture in this city before their departure on Tuesday next. The worlds fair officials arranging the matter.

pain and terror the brute rushed directly down upon one of the men before he could get out of the way. A desperate conflict ensued, in which the other men could not participate for fear of killing their companion in the dark. After a fearful struggle, the man succeeded in sticking his knife in the animal's heart, and killing it, but himself suffered terrible laceration from the teeth and claws of the enraged beast.

#### SPECIMEN CASES.

S. H. Clifford, New Cassel, W. Va., was troubled with Neuralgia and Rheumatism, his stomach was disordered, his liver was affected to an alarming degree, appetite fell away, and he was terribly reduced in flesh and strength. Three bottles of Electric Bitters cured him.

Edward Shepherd, Harrisburg, Ill., had a running sore on his leg of eight years standing. Used three bottles of Electric Bitters and seven boxes of Bucklin's Arnica Salve, and his leg is sound and well. John Speaker, Catwaco, O., had five large Fever sores on his leg, doctor said he was incurable. One bottle Electric Bitters and one box Bucklin's Arnica Salve cured him entirely. Sold by A. S. McIsamore Druggist.

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We have decided to extend our store and increase our stock to such an extent that our customers will be able to find anything and everything sold in a first-class dry goods store.

We intend to open the largest stock of **Fall and Winter Goods** in Northwest Texas on October 1st. With this end in view, we have decided to sell our stock of goods at **ONE-HALF THEIR ACTUAL VALUE** to make room for our

**NEW STOCK OF FALL AND WINTER GOODS.**

It is Universally Known that the

**NEW YORK STORE**

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in Seymour, and it will be a cold day in July when we will be undersold.

We are making it "Red Hot" for all Competitors. We propose to slaughter Prices Right and Left in order to reduce our stock. A Few of the many Bargains enumerated below.

25 yards Prints	for \$1.00 or 4 cents per yard.
25 yards Brown Domestic	1.00 or 4 cents per yard.
20 yards Check	1.00 or 5 cents per yard.
20 yards Challie	1.00 or 5 cents per yard.
12 yards Satine	1.00 or 8 cents per yard.
10 yards Chisiot	1.00 or 10 cts. per yard.
10 yards Wool Dress goods	1.50 or 15 cts. per yard.

**CLOTHING.**

We have the Largest Stock of Clothing for Men and Boys in this city. We have all the newest and latest styles, in quality from the cheapest to the best made.

- Men's Elegant suits worth \$10 We sell at \$6.50.
- Men's Fine Dress Suits worth \$15 We sell at \$10.00.
- Men's Cassimere pants worth \$5.00 We sell at \$3.50.
- Boy's Suits worth \$3.50, We sell at \$2.00.
- Jeans pants worth \$1.25 we Sell at 75 cents per pair.
- Drill Drawers worth 50 cents, We sell at 25 cents per pair.
- Undershirts worth 50 cents, we sell at 25 cents.
- Fancy Percale Shirts worth \$1.00 we sell at 50 cents.
- Overshirts worth 75 cents we sell at 40.

**GENTLEMEN.**

Call at our store and see how much goods you can buy for **\$12.**

1 Suit of Clothing Worth	\$10.00	We sell at	\$6.50
1 Fin Hat	4.00	"	2.00
1 Fine White Shirt	1.00	"	75
1 Fine Undershirt	50	"	25
1 Pair of Drawers	50	"	25
1 Linen Collar	20	"	10
1 Silk tie	50	"	25
1 Pair Suspenders	50	"	25
1 Pair Fine Shoes	2.50	"	1.50
1 pair Hose	20	"	10
1 Handkerchief	10	"	5
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$20.00</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$12.00</b>

**\$20.00 worth of Goods at our store for \$12.00.**

Ladies Button Shioes 75 Cts. per pr.

Jeans Pants 75 cents per pair.

Table Oil Cloth 15 cents per yd.

**BOOTS AND SHOES.**

We have just opened a new Stock of Boots and Shoes, all fresh, clean goods, made from choice pickel leather.

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- Ladies Button shoes worth \$1.25, we sell at 75 cents per pair.
- Ladies Unlined Calf Button Shoes \$1.85, we sell at 1.50.
- Ladies Calf Button Shoes worth \$1.50, we sell at \$1.00 per pair.
- Ladies Fine Kid Button Shoes worth \$2.50, we sell at \$1.50 per pair.

**MEN'S SHOES.**

- Men's Brogan Shoes worth \$1.25, we sell at 90 cents per pair.
- Men's Fine Calf Shoes worth \$2.00 we sell at \$1.50 per pair.
- Men's Boots worth \$3.00 we sell at \$2.00 per pair.
- Men's Fine Calf Boots worth \$4.50, we sell at \$3.00 per pair.

**SCHOOL SHOES.**

We have a full line of Childrens School Shoes, ranging in price from 50 cents to \$1.50 per pair.

**LADIES.**

Call at our store and see how much goods you can buy for **\$10.**

25 yards Print	worth \$1.75, we sell at	\$1.00.
25 yards Brown Domestic	" 1.75	1.00.
20 yards Bleached Domestic	" 1.50	1.20
20 yards Check	" 1.50	1.00
10 yards Sateen	" 2.00	1.00
10 yards Challie	" 1.00	1.00
1 pair fine Button Shoes	" 2.50	1.50
1 pair fine Button Shoes	" 1.25	1.00
3pairs Ladies Black Hose	" .45	1.00
1 Corset	" 1.00	1.00
2 yards Table Oil Cloth	" .70	1.00
2 yards Linen Table Cloth	" 1.20	1.00
10yards Towelling	" 1.00	1.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$18.00</b>	<b>Total \$20.00</b>

**\$18. worth of Goods are Sold at Our Store For \$ 20.**

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—The election for incorporation was held last Tuesday, and it passed off quietly. The vote was 33 for and 90 against incorporation.

—Cartridges, loaded shells and other ammunition at the Haskell Grocery Co's.

—J. E. Guinn of Cleburne was in the city this week. He has purchased a large amount of property in this county, and is well pleased with the country.

—Go to the Haskell Harness shop if you want anything from a shoe string to a tan yard.

—The new additions to the school building makes it large enough to accommodate all the pupils, and school will begin Monday with a complete corps of teachers.

—E. H. Crenshaw at Abilene Texas will be in the market to buy your cotton. Don't fail to see him when you go to Abilene with cotton.

—Geo. Mason has a full line of Sugar, Coffee, Molasses, Bacon, Lard, Flour, Rice, Tobacco and canned goods of every description and sells them cheap. Give him a trial his prices are right.

—This week has been a noted one for bill collectors. Every man in town seems to want all that is due him. We heard one man suggest that we have a grand barbecue; all get drunk; rub out and begin anew. We favor the scheme if foreign creditors will join in the spree.

—If you want to buy Groceries on credit, we can't sell you, our prices are cash prices.

Haskell Grocery Co.

—E. H. Crenshaw Abilene Texas is paying the highest market price for wheat and oats. Call on him when you have any of either for sale.

—If all our delinquent subscribers will resolve to pay up at all hazards and make an effort, every day for one month, if at the end of that time they have not made the money and will come to our office we will credit you with one year's subscription and put you on the charity list.

—Dickenson Bros. will pay cash for wolf, prairie dog and Jack rabbit scalps.

—E. H. Crenshaw Abilene Texas has a large and well assorted stock of staple and fancy Groceries which he is selling as low as the lowest. See him and get prices on anything you need in the grocery line.

—G. W. Hazlewood, Miller Hammons, John Agnew, R. M. Dickenson and R. E. Martin went down on the Clear Fork fishing Wednesday. They carried a good camping outfit and plenty of "bate" and there is no doubt but they will catch, kill and "shoot" lots of fish. The quantity and quality of "bate" was immense.

—Mr. Bell of Haskell is now carrying the Most complete stock of Harness and Saddles that we have seen anywhere in Northwest Texas his stock is all new and fresh and made of the best material. Give him a trial, we should patronize home industry.

—Visit the Racke Store Abilene for a fine suit of clothes.

—At the Palace Drug Store will be found the following, which is only a limited portion of the many articles offered at an extremely low price: Wall paper, School books and Stationery, Fiction of reputable writers, Toilet soaps, Brushes, Eye glasses, Visiting cards, Paints, oils, leds, perfumery, and various other articles too numerous to mention. Call and see.

—Amie Mexican Soap medicated, at the Palace Drug Store.

—Col. J. H. Caudle and family of Howe Texas arrived in this county last week, and have settled on a fine tract of land owned by the Colonel on the Double Mountain Fork of the Brazos. We have known the Colonel and his family for years and can congratulate Haskell county in securing them as citizens.

—J. W. Collins and Abe Jones left for Kaufman county this morning with a bunch of horses.

—Go to Mason's for your Dry Goods and Groceries. His stock is full new and complete, no old shelt-worn goods in stock.

#### McElree's Wine of Cardui

and THEDFORD'S BLACK-DRAUGHT are for sale by the following merchants in Haskell county:

Hagard & Kirby Haskell

—MARRIED: On last Sunday John Lowe and Miss Vorina James were married in the presence of a large assembly of friends. The ceremony was performed by Squire J. I. Wilson in a most graceful and impressive manner. THE FREE PRESS extends congratulation and best wishes to the young couple.

#### WINE OF CARDUI, a Tonic for Women.

—When in Haskell call at the City Hotel, where every thing is kept neat.

J. W. Becknell.

—The juveniles had a party at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Fieldes last Tuesday night. The juveniles present were John West and Miss Flora Pinkerton, Lee Pierson and Miss Allie Coffee, Theo Gibson and Bulah Dillohanty, John Agnew and Miss Lera Riddle, Jo A. Jones and Miss Sallie Dewberry, H. B. Martin and Miss Fannie Hudson, R. M. Dickenson and Miss Mollie Ezell, R. E. Martin and Misses May and Emma Fields.

#### Some Haskell Grocery Co. Prices.

Fancy Patent Flour	\$3.35
Extra Fancy Flour	3.00
White Lily Flour	2.85
Oat and wheat sacks	12 1/2 cts.
Two Bu. Duck Sacks	16 1/2 cts.
Potatoes	3 cts per lb.
Clariett soap	5 cts per bar.

Our prices will always be low on everything. Call and see us.

#### COTTON! COTTON! COTTON!

To the citizens of Haskell county: We have made arrangements to buy your cotton. We propose to pay the highest price the market affords.

COURTWRIGHT & COLLINS.

—Marcus Rike leaves Saturday for Bryan to attend the state A. & M. College at that place.

—If you are indebted to us you will very much oblige us by settling up promptly.

SHERRILL BROS. & CO.

—Mr. B. F. McCullum has purchased an interest in the business of Messrs. Miller & Riddle.

—My stock of new goods are coming. For cash you can get them as cheap of me as at any other house in town.

L. N. Ellis.

—Mr. Jno. Killough will arrive tonight from Waco. Mr. Killough is a cousin to our fellow townsman—has located permanently with us, and we extend a cordial welcome to him and his lady.

#### SENSATION IN COURT.

An Enraged Defendant Huris an Empty Glass at the Head of an Attorney—Court Notes from Anson.

ANSON, JONES CO., TEX., Aug. 28.—Quite a sensation took place in the district court in our city yesterday while court was in session, and during the trial of H. M. Clark charged with cow theft. Col. C. R. Breedlove who is one of the most eloquent orators we have had in our midst for some time, was making closing argument for the state, and during the argument the defendant, H. M. Clark, became so enraged at Breedlove as to throw an empty glass which was on the table near by, at Col. Breedlove's head, but as Col. Breedlove happened to turn his head that way just at that moment, he dodged the glass as it came by with terrific force, and it missed its mark and was broken to pieces against the plastering of the court-room. The Col. took very little notice of the matter however, and continued his argument to the jury to the end.

After the court had read his charge to the jury, and they had retired to consider their verdict, the court ordered the clerk to enter a fine against Clark for \$100 for contempt of court, and Clark was ordered to jail until such fine was paid.

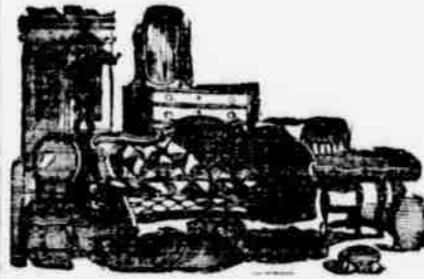
Clark has been tried in four cases, and found guilty in three, one for theft of horses, which was a verdict for seven years, the other two were for theft of cattle, one for two years, the other for three years, and six months in the penitentiary. The last trial was a hung jury.

Clark will appeal all the foregoing cases in which he has been convicted. District court at this place will last one more week after this week, and the balance of the term will be devoted to the criminal business.

We have had no civil business this term, there being so much criminal business to attend to.

The cases against Dixon and Arch English, charged with horse theft, have been transferred on change of venue to Abilene for trial. These cases have been pending quite a while, they have been tried two or three times, and it would have been almost impossible to have secured a jury in this county, hence the change.

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Good wool faced Collar	1.35
Good wool faced collar	1.50
Good Kip leather collar	1.15
Good Kip leather Collar	1.00
Good Home made buggy harness	0.25
Good Home made buggy harness	7.25
Good Home trade Wagon harness	12.50

And so on down the line.

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HASKELL COUNTY is situated in the southern part of the Panhandle on the line of the one hundredth Meridian west from Greenwich. It is 1500 feet above the sea, and has mild winters and summers. It is 30 miles square and contains 376,000 acres of land. It was created in 1858 from a part of Fannin and Milam counties, and named in honor of Charles Haskell, a young Tennesseean, who fell at the massacre at Goliad in 1836.

It remained unsettled until 1874, when there was one or two ranches established. Other ranchmen followed and in 1880 the county could boast of 15 or 20 inhabitants. There was no further development until early in 1884, when the town of Haskell was laid off and by donating lots a few settlers were induced to build residences, and in January 1885 the county organized with a polled vote of 57 electors.

Up to 1884 the soil had never been turned by a plow, and the people depended upon raising cattle, sheep and horses, as the natural grasses furnish food both winter and summer for immense herds. The poorer people made money by gathering many thousand tons of Buffalo bones and shipping them east to be made into fertilizers used in the old states.

Experiments were made in 1885 with garden products, corn, oats, wheat, rye, barley and cotton and the yield was bountiful. The acreage in farms have increased to at least 30,000.

**TOPOGRAPHY.**  
The county is an undulated plain with occasional creeks and branches. It is bounded on the north by that picturesque stream the salt Fork of the Brazos, and on the west by Double-Mountain Fork.

There are a few washes and gulches along the breaks and rivers but with rivers breaks, rocks and poor land combined, their area in Haskell county would not exceed 10,000 acres that would not be fine agricultural land.

**WATER.**  
It is traversed by numerous creeks and branches besides the rivers mentioned, some of which are fed by never failing springs of pure water. Besides the numerous branches that afford water for stock all the time, the south half of the county is traversed by Paint and California creeks with their numerous tributaries draining the south half of the county.

The north half is traversed from Southwest to Northeast by Lake and Miller creeks whose tributaries furnish water and drainage for the same.

Besides the surface water there is an abundance to be obtained by digging from 15 to 40 feet, and all of a good quality, some of which is unsurpassed by that of any section in the state for purity and temperature.

**SOIL.**  
The soil is an alluvial loam of great depth and fertility, varying in color from a red to a dark chocolate, and by reason of its porous and friable nature, when thoroughly plowed, readily drinks in the rainfall and in dry seasons absorbs moisture from the atmosphere; and for the like reason the soil readily drains itself of the surplus water, thereby preventing stagnation of the water and the taking of the soil, and the germination of miasma. It is those peculiar qualities of soil that enables vegetation to withstand all varieties of weather.

Except mesquit gnats and pumps which are easily extracted, there are no obstructions to plows and the land being level or generally rolling and easy worked, the use of labor-saving implements are profitable. One man with machinery and a little hired help has been known to cultivate over an 100 acres in grain and cotton.

**PRODUCTS.**  
Indian corn, wheat, oats, barley, rye, durah corn, millet, sorghum, castor beans, field peas, peanuts, pumpkins and all the squash family, turnips and cotton are grown successfully and profitably. Also sweet potatoes do well, and Irish potatoes as well as anywhere in the south. Garden vegetables grow to perfection, and melons luxuriate in Haskell county soil, growing to fine size of superb quality. Besides the native grasses that grow on the prairies, sustaining large numbers of cattle, horses and sheep throughout the year. Colorado grass grows to great perfection and the hay made from this grass form a valuable adjunct to the winter pasture, in keeping stock over winter.

**YIELD AND PRICE OF FARM PRODUCTS.**  
The average yield of Indian corn per acre is about 50 bushels and the price varies from 50c to 1.25 per bushel, wheat yields from 18 to 30 bushels—averaging 25 bushels per acre, and sold in the home market for 90 cents to \$1.00 per bushel; oats yield 60 to 100 bushels per acre, and usually sell at 25 cents per bushel; cotton yields a half to three quarters of a bale per acre. Other crops make good yields and command corresponding prices. Home made pork is usually worth 6 to 8 cents per pound, fresh beef 4 to 6 cents; home made butter, sweet and delicious, usually sells at 25 cents per pound, chickens 15 to 25 cents each, and eggs 10 to 25 cents per dozen.

**SHIPPING POINTS.**  
As yet Haskell has no railroad, and our people do their principal shipping to and from Abilene, a town 60 miles south, in Taylor county, on the Texas and Pacific railroad, Albany on the Texas Central 45 miles from Haskell on the southeast, and Seymour on the Wichita Valley road 45 miles northeast.

**RAILROADS.**  
There is one road being built from Seymour to this place and one to be built from Fort Worth. The Texas Central will extend in a short time from Albany and Haskell is on the line as originally surveyed.

The land men of Austin have organized a company to build a road from that city to this section of the state where they control nearly all the land and one of the principal members owns 150,000 acres in this and Knox county, besides he owns the large addition to the town of Haskell on the south.

Haskell is 60 miles south of the T. & P. R. R. and 90 miles south of the Ft. W. & D. R. R. and is situated on the direct line of the cattle trail over which the Rock Island, and G. C. & S. F. propose to extend their lines.

**PUBLIC SCHOOLS.**  
Our school fund is perhaps the best of any country in the northwest. In addition to the amount received from the state, about \$5.50 per capita, our commissioners court have wisely executed a lease for 10 years of our 4 leagues of school land, situated in the Panhandle, the revenue from which added to the amount received from the state gives us a fund amply sufficient to run the several schools of the county ten months in the year.

**MAIL FACILITIES.**  
There is a daily mail services from Haskell to Abilene via Anson and a weekly mail north to Benjamin and a daily mail to Seymour, also a tri-weekly express line to Albany, these all carry express and passengers.

**RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATIONS.**  
The religious and moral status of the people of Haskell county will compare favorably with that of any people. The Methodist, Baptist, Christians, Old School and Cumberland Presbyterians each have organized churches in the town of Haskell, and have preaching on Sundays also preaching at other points in the county.

**HASKELL.**  
The town of Haskell is the county seat, and is situated one and one-half mile south of the center of Haskell county, on a beautiful table land, and is seven years old and has a population of 947. Has as good water as can be found anywhere, which is secured at a depth of 18 to

22 feet. Also has two never failing springs of pure water in the edge of town. The town of Haskell with her natural advantages, of location, climate, good water and fertility of soil is destined in the near future to be the queen city of Northwest Texas, and railroad connection for Haskell is all that is needed to accomplish these.

**ADVANTAGES AND RESOURCES.**  
In almost every neighborhood of the older states and the thickly settled portion of our own state there are many of its citizens who are contemplating a removal or a change of residence for many reasons. Some to restore lost health, some to make their beginning in the world, others to repair financial losses, others seeking safe and profitable investments of surplus capital. There are many others who have comfortable homes and are well contented, but who have children, whom they would like to provide with lands suitable for a home, and assist to commence business in life, but can not do so with their present surroundings, and must seek cheaper lands and better opportunities in other and newer localities.

To such we would say you are just the people we want. Come and see us, and you will find a broad field of occupation and investment to choose from, with chances greatly in your favor. In coming to Haskell do not imagine we are a people wild and woolly indigenous to these "western wilds," that we are loaded with dynamite and shooting irons, that our conversation are collections of cuss words and Mulhatten mixtures, but rather that we are a people reared among the same surroundings that we have received the benefit of the same advantage that we have availed ourselves of the same educational privileges, that we have had the same christian instructions you yourselves have had. Be enlightened by past experience. Fortunes have been made by the development of new countries, and fortunes are yet to be made in our new and equally as good country.

We have a country endowed by nature with all the conditions of soil, prairie and valley adapting it to the production of all the grains, grasses, fruits and vegetables of the temperate zone. We have a climate which is a happy medium between the extreme cold and extreme heat, a climate which will preserve the strong and robust and strengthen the sickly and weak. We have a country well adapted to stock raising of all kinds. We have a country where no malarial sickness ever comes. We have a country of the best lands in Northwest Texas. We have an abundance of mesquite, elm and hackberry timber for firewood and fencing. We have the most substantial inland business town in the northwest. We have the greatest abundance of the purest water. We have a class of citizens as honest and industrious, as law abiding, patriotic and religious as can be found anywhere in the United States. We have plenty of room and invite you and all who contemplate a change to come, all who want good and cheap lands. We have them, and want you for neighbors and friends.

Reader please hand this to your friend.

**A GRAND CLIMAX.**

The Rain Experimenters Make a Final Test—A Success.

Four Hours after the Experimenters Cast Their Rocket, a heavy Rain-fall—The Test Trial Will be Made at El Paso.

MIDLAND, MIDLAND COUNTY, TEX., Aug. 29.—To-day was the grand final of the operations at this point of Uncle Jerry Rusk's sky stormers, a fitting victory was achieved by the scientist in their efforts to shake water from the burning winds from the Lano Estacado, one of the dry grounds of fair America.

General Drenforth and his party have met with a number of obstacles in their work in this region which appeared well nigh insurmountable, but with patient and untiring energy they have overcome every difficulty. The most powerful and relentless enemy the party has had to encounter has been the fierce winds which constantly sweeps over the plains of Western Texas. The force of the gale on the balloons is very great and several cases has torn the captive balloons from their fastenings or

rent the strong meshes of the netting as if they were calweb fabric. Shelters had to be built both for the balloons and for the oxygen furnace. The oxygen apparatus used is probably

THE LARGEST EVER CONTRACTED and manufactures the gas on a scale never before attempted. The seclusion of the ranch from supplies has also made this work exceedingly difficult. No difficulties were encountered in the explosions on the ground however, and these were carried on with entire success, over half a ton of Raclorock powder and dynamite having been fired in the last few days. Explosions were made over a space of several square miles. For three weeks an intermittent series of experiments have been carried on and not in a single instance has rain failed to fall in ten or twelve hours after the explosion. Your correspondent has been on the ground constantly, and therefore is

CONSCIOUS OF ALL THE FACTS. The series was brought to a climax yesterday when seven balloons containing several thousand feet of hydrogen gas were sent up and exploded at heights varying from 1000 to 10,000 feet. At sundown the batteries on the ground began their work and at 10:30 p. m. a constant cannonading was carried on under a sky of perfect clearness lit by countless stars of a brilliancy seldom seen in the North. The barometer promised fair and the hygrometer stood between dry and very dry. The cowboys and ranchmen, who are expert weather prophets, said it would be utterly useless to hope for rain for a week under such conditions as existed. All things seemed combined to withstand the terrific onslaught on the storms of the sky.

At 11 p. m. Gen. Drenforth withdrew his force and all retired for the night. Sleep, however, was soon interrupted, for at 3 a. m. the first return fire flashed from the heaven when the rain-makers were roused by

A CASHING PEEL OF THUNDER and the rain was soon beating on the roof. At sun rise a magnificent double rain bow arched the heavens and the down-fall of rain did not cease till 8 o'clock a. m. A number of heavy charges of dynamite were then made, and after every one the drops again poured down till at least the clouds were entirely expanded, and there was nothing left from which to shake the water.

The cattlemen are jubilant over the success of the experiments, a d scores of invitations are daily pouring in from various localities asking for further operations in their vicinity.

Gen. Drenforth leaves for Washington to-day for two weeks' absence leaving the expedition in charge of Mr. John T. Ellis. The next operation will be made in El Paso and thence the party goes to western Kansas. Your correspondent will accompany the expedition.

**WE HOPE THAT EVERY FARMER IN HASKELL COUNTY**

**Will Raise such a Large crop this year that he will feel justified in BUYING A NEW WAGON TO HANDLE IT.**

We hope he will post himself thoroughly as to which wagon is the Best, and which next Best. We hope he will call on us and see them if he does not know their names.

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