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Baptist, (Missionary) Every 1st and 3rd Sunday.  
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Rev. J. N. Snow, Pastor.  
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Non-Profit meeting every Wednesday night.  
Haskell Lodge No. 687, A. F. & A. M.  
Met Saturday on or after each full moon.  
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**BILL ARP.**  
The Georgia Philosopher on The Farm, the Alliance and Politics.  
I farmed as hard as I could for eleven years, and never found that I was oppressed. I worked in the field with my boys. We planted and plowed and mowed grass and raised horses and cattle and sold our produce for a good price. Our corn always brought 50 cts a bushel at the crib and our hay \$20 a ton, and nobody ever came and told me I was imposed upon, and I was such a fool I never found it out. Joe Bradley has been farming right close by for twenty years and hasn't found it out yet. He must be an awful fool. Joe used to bring his cotton to my gin before I got up and I asked him one day how he managed to make so much cotton and corn and raise so many fat hogs, and send his daughter to town to school, and buy a piano, and all that, Joe smiled and said: "Well, you must know that if I don't see the sun rise in the morning I have the headache all day, and as my house is down in a hollow, I have to go to the corralfield or cotton patch to see the rise." I'll bet \$10 that Joe don't belong to the alliance. He hasn't got time. When a rainy day comes you will find him in his workshop making a plowstock or mending his harness, or cleaning out his stables. He saves every spade of barnyard manure and puts it on his land. I had one tenant who worked hard and prospered. I had two others who were always behind. They had a power of business at the mill or at town or at some meeting house, and when the creek was muddy they were just obliged to go selling. Their crops were always in the grass, and they are in the grass yet I reckon. They belong to the alliance, and are waiting for something to turn up. This is plain talk, but it is true talk. The greatest enemy the farmer has got is his own indolence. No man succeeds at anything who does not work diligently. If a man would work as hard on his farm as Raub Satterfield does in his store, he would prosper. Mr. Satterfield is a good merchant. He is at his store before I get up. His dinner is sent to him on busy days. After supper he goes back to his store and works on his books. He is never idle and is making money. It is the same way with all trades and professions. It is very nice and pleasant to set about and talk and read the news, but the lawyers in this town who get most all the business are rarely seen on the streets, and entertain no loaders. Diligence is the secret of success, and diligence ought to be the secret password of the alliance. I wish I knew exactly who it is that is oppressing the poor farmer. I think I would get

a big stick and go for him. I wish I knew the distress that hangs like a millstone over my friends, Gus Bates and Tom Lyon, and old man Barge, C. M. Jones, and Connor, and Tomlin, and John Brown, and a host of other big farmers in the county. They have all got rich enough to leave home when they please and send their children off to college, but still they are not happy. They seemed to think we have been doing something against them, but I declare upon my honor I haven't. They say they want a warehouse and a loan from the government, so they can hold their cotton and force the manufacturers to pay 15 cents a pound for it. Just so—the great west wants warehouses for their grain, so as to make us pay \$2 a bushel for wheat and \$1 for corn. If this thing all happens, what is to become of me? I won't have more than a shirt and a half all the year round, and my wife will wear her eyes out patching and mending. Carl and Jessie won't have but one biscuit a piece and nothing but oatmeal to carry to school. What will become of the shoemaker and the blacksmith and the carpenter and the brickmason and the day laborer? What will become of all the poor folks and the negroes and the cotton pickers? I have before me the tables of the last census, and find that there are 4,250,000 farmers and planters in the United States and there are 13,000,000 laborers—tollers—working people who are not farmers. There are over 3,000,000 laborers on the farm who work for wages. What will they say to four at \$5 a 100? There are over 1,000,000 mechanics and nearly as many railroad operators and half as many milliners and factory hands, women and children. What is to become of them if the farmers get up a center on the necessities of life? One of England's greatest statesmen was Richard Cobden, whose powerful speeches abolished the duty on grain, and the inscription on his monument is: "He gave the poor cheap bread."  
I tell you farming friends, this thing won't do. You have gone far beyond reason in your demands. Demagogues have led you astray—I say it considerably—demagogues have led you far away from the original purposes of your order. Don't you know that you will never live to see a dollar of that \$61,000,000 that your leaders say is coming right away from England to advance on cotton? Don't you know that all these promises are a delusion and a snare, and will fade into a mist after the elections are over? I do confess to some grief and mortification over the credulity of my farming friends. I feel but little interest in politics. My politics is for the south to go on prospering as she has done since the war. The farmer, the laborer, the merchant, the mechanic, every class has prospered. Diligence in business and a contented disposition will make us all happy. There are no people on earth that have as much to be thankful for as we have. I feel like I am alone in these views, for I know that the press is against me, and most of the people, but I feel better for having had my say whether it pleases any body or not. I see politicians dancing and prancing around the alliance, and talking big about corn and cotton, who don't know the difference between a bull-tong and twister. I heard of one the other day that said there would be a very short crop of cotton for he had noticed that the red blossoms were all falling off. He said that as soon as a poor farmer had anything to sell the

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Saturday, Dec. 6, 1890.

**LOCAL DOTS.**

—Choice Candy cheap at Paris.  
—Clocks are cheap at Grover's.  
—Go to McLemores for Lamps and Lanterns.  
**McElree's Wine of Cardui** for Weak Nerves.  
—Lamps and lanterns of all kinds at McLemore's.  
—Mrs. J. C. Baldwin is daily receiving her holl ay goods and has something for the young and old and you can save money by buying from her.  
—Mammoth Sky Rockets at Paris.  
—John Jones of Crystal Falls is in Haskell.  
—China fire works cheap for cash at Paris.  
—T. A. Gillmore was in town Monday.  
Try **BLACK-DRAUGHT** tea for Dyspepsia.  
—J. M. Clifford was in the city Monday.  
—Corn, oats and hay cheap for cash at Haskell Feed Store.  
—R. S. DeLong & Co. are giving special inducements on their clothing.  
—Suits for boys from 4 to 12 years old for \$1.00 at Long Bros.  
—M. S. Pierson left the first of the week for Emory.  
—Rice & Finn Seymour are sole agents for Superior and New Moshawk stoves.  
—Mr. Wraib made a business trip to Rayner this week.  
—The Baptist will give a festival at the court house the 23rd inst.  
—Mr. Wingo of the Loxia neighborhood was in the city Monday.  
—J. C. Baldwin Esq. left Wednesday for Bonham, his old home.  
—Great variety of Lamps and Lanterns at McLemore's.  
—The nicest line of Xmas goods ever brought to Haskell to be at F. F. Turner & Co.  
—Rice & Finn, Seymour Texas, carry the largest stocks of Queensware and glassware, in Seymour.  
—R. C. Lomax Esq. made a business trip to Abilene this week.  
—Long Bros have just received an elegant lot of boys clothing call and see them.  
—A. H. Tandy made a business trip to Seymour Friday.  
—R. S. DeLong & Co. have the nicest line of Ladies shoes in the west.  
—S. H. Johnson wants to buy one thousand dollars worth of county scrip.  
**WINE OF CARDUI**, a Tonic for Women.  
—J. S. Keister and Pete Hazlewood have purchased the Haskell Livery Stable.  
—Go to McLemore's drug store for what you want in that line.  
—When in Haskell call at the City Hotel, where everything is kept neat.  
Becknell & Rups, prop's  
—See the display ad of E. P. Downey in another column. He is an enterprising business man of Seymour.  
—F. G. Alexander sold Mr. S. W. York a three year old mule Thursday for \$100 in cash.  
—Best grade of barbed wire at Rice & Finn at \$3.70 per hundred. Seymour Texas.  
**BLACK-DRAUGHT** tea cures Constipation.  
—Call on C. O. Riddel for Harness, Saddles and Leaping Horn side saddles. Haskell, Tex.  
—As we go to press we learn that Deputy Sheriff A. W. Springer, shot Hugh Hunt while resisting arrest. The wound is not thought to be a fatal one. So far as we are able to learn Mr. Springer was justifiable.

—Ed S. Hughes & Co. have a large stock of Corogated iron for roofing and siding.  
—J. L. Jones was on the sick list the first of the week.  
—J. L. Baldwin and family have returned from Honey Grove.  
—F. E. Turner one of Haskell's popular druggists left Tuesday for Dallas.  
—We are still in the lead for good goods and low prices.  
Johnson Bros.  
—Ed S. Hughes & Co. have an elegantly assorted stock of Chinaware, Queensware etc.  
—McLemore is still selling large quantities of wall paper. Call and examine his stock before buying elsewhere.  
—Will Jones and brother of Grimes county have returned to Haskell.  
—Are you married? If not, send your address to The American Cor. responding Club; P. O. Box 643; Clarksburg, W. Va.  
**McElree's Wine of Cardui** for female diseases.  
—Miss Minnie Tomson of Itasca sister of Mrs. J. C. Baldwin and Annie Tomson arrived Tuesday.  
—S. M. Hammons has completed a beautiful residence on the west side of the city.  
—Genuine Glidden wire, Perfect Baker wire, Imitation Glidden wire Imitation Baker wire at Ed. S. Hughes & Co's.  
—Ask your dealers for the N Porter make of Horse Collars Saddles, Harness etc., etc.  
—Superior stoves fire backs, war ranted to last fifteen years at Rice & Finn, Seymour.  
—Will Weems has been acquitted for the killing of Lish Roberts in Floyd county.  
—Miss W. H. Hinds and W. H. Peatsey have purchased the Road to Run Saloon.  
—Ladies of Haskell try the Diamond S Basting Powders it will please you.  
**DODSON & CROLEY.**  
—R. F. Miller has returned to Haskell to spend a few weeks with his old "Friends."  
—Long Bros. are taking the lead in shoes, they have just received a beautiful line from Pogue & Smith Don't fail to see them.  
—S. H. Johnson cashier of the Haskell National Bank went to Seymour this week on business.  
—In an other column will be seen the display "ad" of the First National Bank of Seymour.  
—See the new "ad" of Johnson, Cook & Murry in an other column and when in Seymour call on them.  
—R. B. Miller has been busy with a force of men on Paint creek bridge.  
—Mr. Dave Lindsay of Kaufman brother of Dr. J. E. Lindsey arrived Monday night.  
—R. H. Parker of Abilene sold Mr. J. A. Sauer's of this place some beautiful turned poplar gallery posts, to be used in the construction of his new residence.  
—A. C. Foster Esq. and S. W. Scott have gone to Houston as delegates of the Masonic lodge of this place.  
Farmers watch this:  
Rice & Finn Hardware Dealers Seymour Texas will sell you best grade of barbed wire at \$3.70 and all other hard ware in proportion.  
**McElree's Wine of Cardui** and **THEDFORD'S BLACK-DRAUGHT** are for sale by the following merchants in Haskell county:  
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—Zephyr shawls, nubias, toboggans etc. at Johnson Bros.  
—A. L. Kirby has returned from Memphis.  
—T. F. Tucker has returned from a trip to east Texas with horses which he found to be slow sale.  
—Miss Susie Titus, and Mr. Will Daniels of Knox county are in the city.  
—Keg pickles, sauer kraut, mackerel, hams, dried beef, breakfast bacon etc. at Johnson Bros.  
—W. P. Paris has a full line of choice candies, Apples, Nuts, Bananas, Pickle Pig feet, potatoes, Almonds, Chili Pepper, Garlic etc.  
—J. W. Coxer and J. F. Albion of Comanche county was in Haskell this week. Mr. Coxer is one of the Free Press' prosperous subscribers.  
—Dr. J. G. Simmons of Star City Ark., paid Haskell a visit this week. The Doctor has recently made large purchases of real estate in Haskell, and is one of the firm believers in her future.  
—H. R. Jones and J. W. Agnew have returned from a hunting trip to Tongue river. They report four deer, two antelope and two turkeys, killed. Mr. A. presented us with a fine ham of the venison which was very fine indeed, and highly appreciated.  
—See the change in Bass Bros. card, they are receiving an immense stock of Holiday Good such as fine Glass ware, Albums, Writing Desks, Workboxes, many new styles and designs. By all means see their Stock.  
—Capt. H. Donohoo heard some disturbance with his poultry the other night and went out to investigate. He saw what he took to be a hen and picked it up to place it on the roost and to his surprise it turned out to be a skunk which bit him through the finger as well as saturated him with his musk. The skunk was liberated and the Captain retreated.  
—It will pay all who visit Abilene to go to the drugstore of Bass Bros. and see their elegant stock of Novelties and Holiday Goods which they are now receiving for the trade both wholesale and retail. Their store is packed from top to bottom, and they will sell very low. Go and see them.  
—H. B. Martin made a trip to Abilene this week in the interest of the Free Press. He was courteously received by the business men, who have always manifested an interest in Haskell. While there he found out that the board of trade were contemplating building a telephone line to this place via Anson. The business men will no doubt complete this enterprise and Haskell must help them. They are our friends, and we must encourage them, in all enterprises calculated to advance our common interest.

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