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## Directory.

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Dist. Judge, Hon. J. V. Cokerell.  
Dist. Attorney, J. F. Cunningham.  
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County Surveyor, G. R. Conch.  
Sheep Inspt., W. R. Standefer.  
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## NEW COUNTIES.

**Wichita, Scurry, Nolan, Limestone,  
Upsher and Uvalde, for Hogg.**

**The Pittsburg, Jacksboro, Weather-  
ford and Whitney Primaries  
Instruct for Hogg.**

**RUSK COUNTY FOR HOGG.**  
OVERTON, Tex. July 4.—Political  
matters are very quiet. The execu-  
tive committee have changed the  
time for holding the primaries from  
July 26th to the 19th. Count Rusk  
county as one among the many  
stars in James S. Hogg's crown.  
His opposition here is so feeble  
that it does not create a ripple.

**BRAZOS COUNTY FOR HOGG.**  
WELLBORN, Tex. July 4.—Bethel,  
one of the largest voting precincts  
in the county, instructed uncom-  
promisingly for Hogg for governor  
last Saturday. Wellborn precinct  
meets July 31, which will instruct  
unanimously for Hogg and com-  
mission. There is only one Cook  
man in this precinct and he is fix-  
ing to move out. Brazos county  
will instruct for Hogg without op-  
position.

**SCURRY COUNTY.**  
COLORADO, Tex. July 5.—The  
Convention of Scurry county, the  
next county north of here, was  
held yesterday and the people fol-  
lowed the lead of so many others  
and instructed for J. S. Hogg for  
governor.

**JACKSBORO PRIMARIES.**  
JACKSBORO, Tex. July 5.—The  
Democratic precinct convention for  
this place met this evening and  
instructed for Hogg for governor.

**WICHITA COUNTY.**  
WICHITA FALLS, Tex. July 5.—  
Wichita county is solid for Hogg  
and harmony. The delegates were  
instructed to vote for the man of  
and for the people, first, last and  
all the time.

Governor Wheeler spoke here to-  
day.

**PITTSBURG PRIMARIES.**  
PITTSBURG, Tex. July 5.—This  
precinct, No. 7, of Camp county,  
Tex., met in convention and in-  
structed for Hogg for governor.

**PARKER COUNTY.**  
WEATHERFORD, Tex. July 5.—  
Parker county has held her prima-  
ries and instructed for Jas. S.  
Hogg.

**NOLAN COUNTY'S INSTRUCTION.**  
SWEETWATER, Tex. July 5.—The  
Nolan county Democratic conven-  
tion met her to-day. Delegates  
were appointed to the state con-  
gressional and representative con-  
ventions. They were unanimously  
instructed for J. S. Hogg for gov-  
ernor, Pendleton for lieutenant-  
governor, McCall for comptroller,  
J. M. Anderson for superintendent  
of public instruction, W. D.  
Worham for treasurer, Culberson  
for attorney-general, S. W. Lanham  
for congress and J. H. Beall of Nol-  
an county for the legislature.

**AT WHITNEY.**  
WHITNEY, Tex. July 5.—The  
Democracy of box No. 1, met in  
convention at 2 p. m. Five dele-  
gates were elected to the county  
convention, instructed for Hogg,  
for J. P. Abbott, for J. M. C. Wil-  
son for legislature, for M. M. Orain  
of Cleburne for senator, and D.  
Derden for floater.

**UPSHUR COUNTY.**  
GILMER, Texas July 5.—The  
county convention met to-day and  
elected delegates to the various  
conventions. It instructed for  
Hogg and a commission, Pendleton  
for lieutenant-governor, Culberson  
for attorney-general, Worham for  
treasurer, McCall for comptroller,  
DeGraffenreid for congress, with  
Kilgore second choice, and against  
a dark horse first, last and always,  
Phillips for representative, J. Q.  
Bule for district attorney.

## LIMESTONE COUNTY.

MEXIA, Tex., July 5.—Hogg car-  
ried every precinct in this, Lime-  
stone county. This precinct in-  
structed for Pendleton, Culberson  
and McGughey. Richardson car-  
ried the county for state senator.

**HOGG SAYS HE WILL ATTEND TO THEM.**  
AUSTIN, Tex. July 5.—Before  
leaving for New Braunfels and San  
Antonio, Attorney-General Hogg  
was asked if he intended to take  
any further notice of the attacks  
on his character by the capitol syn-  
dicate crowd, and in reply said:  
"The Chicago conspirators and their  
Texas allies, tools and henchmen,  
cannot by their insinuations, inen-  
doses and falsehoods divert any at-  
tention from the issues of the  
campaign. I have demanded of  
them proof and they give the pub-  
lic inferences and opinions. At an  
appropriate time and in appropriate  
manner these malicious conspira-  
tors will be attended to."  
It is estimated that by next Sat-  
urday night Hogg will have 500  
votes instructed for him.

**AT LIVINGSTON.**  
LIVINGSTON, Tex. July 5.—The  
Democratic convention of precinct  
No. 1 convened at 2 o'clock to-day.  
T. F. Meese was elected chairman  
and O. E. Oates secretary. Twenty-  
five delegates were selected to the  
county convention. A resolution pass-  
ed instructing delegates to cast the  
vote of the precinct in the county  
convention in favor of J. S. Hogg  
for governor. This assures a  
Hogg delegation from Polk.

**UVALDE FOR HOGG.**  
UVALDE, Tex. July 5.—The  
county Democratic convention met  
to-day and endorsed for Hogg and  
the commission with a whoop.  
Delegates to the state convention  
were instructed to vote for Hogg  
and for men who favored the com-  
mission. They also instructed for  
Erskins of Frio for representative.

**HELD A CONSULTATION.**  
DALLAS, Tex. July 5.—Vice-  
President Lowe of the Dallas News  
company is in the city. A consulta-  
tion was held to-day between off-  
icers of the company and their at-  
torneys in regard to the recent pub-  
lications charging the News with  
receiving certain sums of money  
from the railroads to effect the de-  
feat of the commission. Hail, the  
candidate for governor, was rep-  
resented at the meeting at which it  
is reported several other politicians  
of the anti-commission stripe were  
present.

## ESCAPED CONVICTS.

Two More of the Gang Captured,  
Leaving Fourteen Out—Ex-  
Guard Freeman in Jail.

**RUSK, Tex., July 5.**—A dispatch  
to the penitentiary officials says  
that two of the escaped convicts  
were recaptured at Colmsneil to-  
day. This makes three, leaving  
fourteen out. The exguard, Walter  
Freeman, was brought in to-day  
and placed in jail. His brother  
came yesterday from Terrell, and  
his father is expected to arrive  
from Kentucky to-morrow. The  
report that Freeman had a brother  
in the penitentiary were not true.  
He has no relatives, so far as can  
be learned, in the penitentiary and  
comes of a good family. The pen-  
itentiary officers claim that they  
have strong evidence against him  
in some letters found in his bag-  
gage.

A great deal of rain has fallen  
in the past few days, and several  
casualties are reported. A man  
living six miles west comes in to-  
day and reports his house struck  
by lightning and burned up day  
before yesterday.

There were picnics yesterday all  
over the county, and nearly all  
were rained on.

## THE GREAT ISSUE.

**Why So Many Railroads Have Been  
Built in Georgia.**

"The Power of the Commission to Es-  
tablish Joint Rates Promotes  
the Building of Short  
Lines."

Atlanta Constitution.

The campaign in Texas is of na-  
tional interest because the railroad  
question is the burning issue.  
Whether they shall have a rail-  
road commission with plenary  
powers one with limited powers, or  
none at all—these are the points  
the Texans are considering.

It is natural that inquiries  
should be made concerning the  
Georgia commission and its results.  
An article in another column  
shows the nature of the informa-  
tion sought, and the facts present-  
ed are worthy of consideration.  
Our railroad commission was  
created by the constitution of 1877.  
At first it was strenuously opposed  
in certain quarters, but it was found  
that during the first five years of  
its existence 2000 miles of railway  
were built, against less than 100  
miles for the five years preceding.  
Construction continued to increase  
until the figures for the present  
year shows that Georgia leads all  
the states in the Union in track-  
laying.

This is Georgia's answer to the  
charge that a commission would  
discourage railroad construction.

Our commission reduced passen-  
ger rates from five to three cents a  
mile, and made a large reduction  
in freight rates. So far from in-  
juring the roads, the results has  
increased business, bigger profits,  
better dividends, and higher market  
values for railroad stocks.

It has been found that lower  
local rates stimulate local interest.  
We have been fortunate in having  
men of experience and integrity  
on the commission, and they have  
stood between the people and the  
roads, dealing fairly and squarely  
with both, preventing oppressive  
charges and discrimination.

The building of so many new  
lines in Georgia is due to the fact  
that the power of the commission  
to establish joint rates encourages  
the building of short lines.  
For some time past there has  
been practically no opposition in  
this state to a railroad commission.  
It has been a success from the  
start. Under its wise and just reg-  
ulations to the roads, the towns  
and the people have prospered.  
Our material progress was never  
more rapid, and the basis of our  
prosperity was never more solid.

The Georgia commission deserves  
all the study that the Texans can  
give to it. It was modeled by Gen.  
Robert Toombs upon the best Eu-  
ropean systems. It has passed the  
experimental stage and is now one  
of our best established and most  
cherished institutions.

Undoubtedly, a bad commission  
system, or a good one with incom-  
petent men to administer it,  
would be an injury to the railroads  
and the people. The Texans must  
settle the matter for themselves.  
All that we can say to them is that  
the Georgia system, judiciously  
framed and administered by good  
and competent men, has worked so  
satisfactorily that neither the rail-  
roads nor the people have any  
fight to make against it.

These facts speak volumes, but  
the additional fact that the commis-  
sion costs our people only \$10,000  
a year should not be forgotten. It  
is safe to say that the money could  
not be better invested. We are  
satisfied with the returns.

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Announcement Column.

We are Authorized to Announce the following gentlemen as candidates for the several offices mentioned below.

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FOR DIST. ATTY. 2ND JUDICIAL DIST. J. N. CAMPBELL.
FOR COUNTY ATTORNEY. S. H. WOOD.
FOR COUNTY AND DISTRICT CLERK. J. L. JONES.
FOR SHERIFF AND TAX COLLECTOR. W. B. ANTHONY.
FOR COUNTY ASSESSOR. W. R. STANDELER.
FOR COUNTY ATTORNEY. W. J. SOWELL.
FOR COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 1. W. A. WALKER.
FOR JUSTICE OF THE PEACE, PRECINCT NO. 1. W. A. WALKER.

REAL ESTATE COLUMN.

PRICE OF LANDS.

UNIMPROVED land is selling at \$3 to \$5 per acre in the country. Land within a radius of five miles of the town of Haskell is selling at \$5 to \$100 per acre.

Realty has made an advance of at least 100 percent in value on figures of Jan., 1889. A great deal has gone many times over and all realty has advanced 100 percent.

Land agents have sold all land they had from first hands, and the demand is growing daily. 250,000 acres of land in this county has changed hands in the last year.

WHEN your friend writes for a description of Haskell county, buy a FREE PRESS and mail to him. It will tell him more than you could tell in a week on paper.

HASKELL'S building boom continues to go on.

PROSPECTORS should be careful with fire as the grass is easy burned at this season of the year.

REAL estate matters was active again this week, and the outlook continues to grow brighter.

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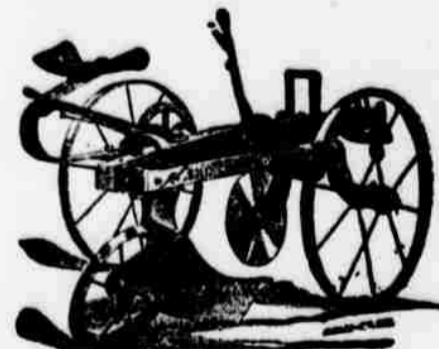
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A RAILROAD commission will have power to force trunk lines to give short lines a joint freight rate and thus deprive them of one of their means of freezing out the short line home enterprises.

THE political outlook is very bright for Hogg and commission. The antis have had all their sophistries thoroughly exploded and most of them have been converted to commission.

The counties continue to instruct for Hogg and commission and the opposition is growing less all the time.

THE Wichita Valley Railroad company have their road constructed nearly to Seymour. The company will build the road from Seymour to Haskell if the road is pushed any further.

BAIRD PRECINCT CONVENTION. BAIRD, Tex. July 1.—The Democratic precinct convention was held here to-day. After a very close contest between Wheeler and Hogg, twelve Hogg delegates were appointed to the county convention, to meet here July 15.—Dallas News.

WHAT is the matter with the Baird Star eating crow? How is this Brother Gilliland? Read this special in the Dallas News.

An Aeronaut's Horrible Death.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., July 5.—A special from Beardstown, Ill., says Professor Samuel Black, an aeronaut, met yesterday a horrible death at that place in the afternoon. At about 400 feet in his ascent he signaled that he was about to descend, but something seemed wrong with his parachute. A few minutes later a stream of smoke was issuing through the parachute, which in a few minutes burst into flames, severing the parachute from balloon and the aeronaut was seen falling through the air at frightful speed. A half hour later the body was found horribly mangled, about two miles from the scene of ascent. It is supposed the parachute caught fire from sparks near by.

THE TRAMMELL LETTER.

A Suggestion That the Dallas News be paid to Publish it.

There is food for thought in the letter of Hon. L. N. Trammell, chairman of the railroad commission of Georgia, to Hon. T. J. Brown of Sherman. This letter should be placed in the hands of every business man and farmer in Texas. There is nothing like experience to teach us, and Georgia has had the experience, and it is our fault if we don't profit by the experience of others.

Talk about a commission stopping the building of railroads, it will help many railroads to be built that could not exist without protection from the trunk lines. It is as Mr. Trammell says, "Those who wish to build railroads and develop the country can do so and have protection, the small roads are crushed out of existence. Wonder why it is, Mr. Editor, that the Dallas News has not published this letter of Hon. Trammell. The letter is certainly worthy of space in all the papers in Texas. It is due the readers of the News that the paper publish it without pay, it should be paid for by those in favor of having the people get both sides of the question. The News perhaps has overlooked the letter and now, that their attention is called to it, the management of that paper will we hope, give the letter space. Attorney-general Hogg will be nominated and elected governor whether or not the News gives its readers the news. What do you say, Mr. Editor, to the friends of Hogg and commission having the Trammell letter published in the Dallas and Galveston News. The readers of those papers will appreciate it and it is but right they should be informed as to the result of having a commission in the great state of Georgia.

FAIR PLAY.

Happy Hoosiers.

Wm. Simmons, Postmaster of Idaville, Ind., writes: "Electric Bitters has done more for me than all other medicines combined, for that bad feeling arising from kidney and liver troubles." John Leslie, farmer and stockman of same place, says: "Find Electric Bitters to be the best Kidney and Liver medicine, made me feel like a new man." J. W. Gardner, hardware merchant, same town, says: "Electric Bitters is just the thing for a man who is all run down and don't care whether he lives or dies; he found new strength, good appetite and just like he had a new lease on life. Only see a bottle, at A. P. McLemore's Drug Store.

Obituary.

Died, July the 5th 1890, Lizzie Carlisle daughter of Jno. A. and Texie Carlisle born near Prairieville Kaufman county, Texas, March 5, 1872, aged 18 years and 4 months. It is sad enough to write obituaries of our friends, how much more so to write those of our relatives especially, of a favorite one. Lizzie held that place in my affections. She possessed those characters of the head and heart to make her a favorite, none knew her but to love her; We loved her for her sweet temper and her christian virtues, both of which, she seemed to hold in full force, and although she is dead, the example of goodness and christian confidence with which she inspired us will live on and on. Lizzie was anxious to get well; she didn't want to die, life was full of hopes and promises to her. She was just blooming into womanhood, just the age when we feel that life is worth our living, but the decree had gone forth that she must die. Somebody has said, that, "death leaves a shining mark," and we say, that it was aptly illustrated in this case. Our heart runs over with sympathy for her parents, brother, sisters and relatives. We see the vacant chair, and miss her sweet face from among us, and weep because she has gone. Yet our weeping and our words of sympathy to those parents fail to lessen the pain of giving up to the grim monster of death, their first born. The demand was made for a life and her's the one selected, she has paid the debt that every one must pay. She has gone to that home from whose bounds no traveler has ever returned. She crossed the dark river and we believe she is resting in the arms of a Crucified Savior.

J. E. LINDSEY.

Remarkable Rescue.

Mrs. Mitchell Curtin, Plainfield, Ill., makes the statement that she caught cold, which settled on her lungs; she was treated for a month by her family physician, but grew worse. He told her she was a hopeless victim of consumption and that no medicine could cure her. Her druggist suggested Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, she bought a bottle and to her delight found herself benefited from first dose. She continued its use and after taking ten bottles, found herself sound and well, now does her own housework and is as well as she ever was.—Free trial bottles of this Great Discovery at A. P. McLemore's Drug Store, large bottles 50c. and \$1.00.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT.

Office of the Comptroller of the Currency.

WASHINGTON, June 4th, 1890. Whereas, by satisfactory evidence presented to the undersigned, it has been made to appear that "The First National Bank of Haskell" in the town of Haskell in the county of Haskell and state of Texas has complied with all the provisions of the statutes of the United States, required to be complied with before an association shall be authorized to commence the business of Banking; Now therefore I, Edward S. Lacey Comptroller of the Currency, do hereby certify that "The First National Bank of Haskell" in the town of Haskell, in the county of Haskell, and State of Texas is authorized to commence the business of Banking as provided in Section Fifty-one-hundred and sixty-nine of the Revised Statutes of the United States.

In testimony whereof I witness my hand and seal of office this 4th day of June 1890,

E. S. LACEY, Comptroller of the Currency. No. 4333.

THE LOTTERY BILL VETOED.

Governor Nichols Returns the Bill With His Disapproval—Likely to Land in the Courts.

NEW ORLEANS, LA., July 7.—Governor Nichols to-day sent to the legislature the lottery bill passed by that body last week by a two-thirds majority, accompanied by a long veto message from himself, wherein he made an exhaustive argument against the chartering of any lottery companies. Mr. Shattuck, the lottery leader in the house stated that the governor had no power of veto, the measure was an amendment to the constitution and an ordinary bill subject to his approval. The matter was referred to a committee to decide whether the governor's veto was legal or not. The final struggle on this measure promises to be an exciting one, as the session last only three days longer, and a number of members are sick. If the lottery amendment is not passed over the veto the question will be carried into the courts to decide whether the governor's veto is legal.

HASKELL HARDWARE & IMPLEMENT STORE.

(SHERRILL BROS. & CO.) HARDWARE, PLOWS, SOLID COMFORT SUKIES Double Shows PLANTERS, BINDERS, HARNESS, STOVES, TINWARE, CUTLERY, WIRE and WAGONS.

We are putting in a stock that is intended to meet the wants of the country, and we want the trade of Haskell, Knox and Stonewall counties.

THAT FIGHT

The Original Wins. C. F. Simmons, St. Louis, Prop'r M. A. Simmons Liver Medicine, Sold also in the U. S. Court by J. H. Zeilin, Prop'r A. Q. Simmons Liver Medicine, Sold by Zeilin & Co. M. A. S. L. M. has for 47 years cured INDIGESTION, BILIOUSNESS, LIVER TROUBLE, HEADACHES, COLIC, APPETITE, SOUR STOMACH, ETC. Rev. T. R. Reams, Pastor M. E. Church, Adams, Tenn., writes: "I think I should have been dead had it not been for your Genuine M. A. Simmons Liver Medicine. I have sometimes had to substitute 'Zeilin's stuff' for your Medicine, but it don't answer the purpose." Dr. J. B. Graves, Editor The Baptist, Memphis, Tenn., says: "I received a package of your Liver Medicine, and have used half of it. It works like a charm. I want no better Liver Regulator and certainly no more of Zeilin's mixture."



# BASS BROTHERS, HEADQUARTERS

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Saturday, July 12, 1890.

### LOCAL DOTS.

#### Odd Vests

—J. T. House was in the city Friday.  
—Go to McLemore's to get your dog poison.  
—F. E. Turner has returned to the city.  
—Go to the saddle shop for bugle whips.  
—J. A. Clark and family were in the city this week.  
—Mr. A. E. Carlisle has returned to Kaufman.  
—F. E. Turner is the place to buy your drugs.  
—The town has been full of prospectors this week.  
—McLemore is still selling large quantities of dog poisons.  
—For anything in the Drug line call on F. E. Turner.

—When you want a good watch and chain call on Glover.  
—Dr. Lindsey has gone to Abilene to meet relatives from Kaufman.  
—Quite a crowd will go out to the meeting on Brushy to-morrow.  
—Lamps and Lanterns are cheap at Bass Bros. Abilene Texas.  
—Mess Wm. and N. Harve were in the city this week.  
—Ed, Carter has gone to Prairie Lea on a visit to his mother.  
—For Drugs Paints Oils Stationery Toilet Articles etc. to F. E. Turner's.

—Mr. Beavers of Palo Pinto county is here visiting his son S. Beavers.

#### Odd Vests

McLemore's is the place to get your paints, oils, and varnishes, he has a full line.  
—There will be a picnic on California creek to-day about 20 miles south of town.

Go to J. F. Streop's new Cash Store, south side of square for the cheapest goods in town.

—Mr. Rupe and family and Mr. Frank Long went down on the Clear Fork fishing this week.

—We will have 15 cases Boots and Shoes to arrive to-day, please call and examine our stock and prices.  
D. R. Gass & Co.

McLemore leads in the drug business in Haskell, and can save you money on anything you need in his line.

—Mess Keister & Hazlewood are building a business house on the West side of the square.

#### Odd Vests

—The largest stock of Wall Paper in the west at Bass Bros. Abilene Texas. Try them.

—Take your produce to the Alliance Store at Abilene Texas and exchange for Groceries.  
J. M. REYNOLDS, B. M.

—Mess Becknell & Morrow will open up on a restaurant in the new building on the South side of square.

—W. A. Flint, of Flint, Knapp & Co. Furniture dealers of Abilene visited our city this week in the interest of his business.

—N. PORTER, Abilene, Tex.,  
—FOR—  
CHEYENNE SADDLES, Prices \$17.00, \$20.00, \$25.00 and \$30.00

—The town hog is becoming a nuisance and we have been requested by several gentlemen to call the attention of hog owners to this fact.

# Groceries! Groceries!

We are Still asking you to Spend your money Where you can get the most Goods. We have the Largest Stock and best Assortment of

## GROCERIES

In the West and tell you in "Plain English," "We want your TRADE, we will not be UNDERSOLD." Get our Prices we are here for BUSINESS, and Mean what we say.

COME AND SEE US AND BE CONVINCED WE ARE HEADQUARTERS.

# J. M. RADFORD.

LEADER IN LOW PRICES,  
"GROCERIES"

ABILENE TEXAS.  
"GROCERIES,"

—Misses Mollie and Lizzie Crites are here visiting their sister Mrs. R. C. Lomax.

—R. C. Lomax left the other day for a business trip to the cities of the state.

—F. E. Turner will save you money on anything in the Drug line when in town call and examine his Stock.

—Prof. Chas. L. Meyatt gave a specialty concert to a crowded house Thursday night. The performance was interesting through out and was refined and chaste.

The rain has come and the time for Sulky plows has come also. Don't fail to go to Sherrill Bros. & Co. and get one. They have all the leading plows.

—Gus Wilson, oriental and ornamental sign writer. All work is guaranteed to be satisfactory. If you wish any work of this kind give him a trial.  
7-12-3t

—The young people met at the residence of Mrs. T. F. Tucker Wednesday night and had a social that was highly entertaining to the company.

—Mr. W. P. Whitman's family were poisoned Sunday from eating canned fruit. They were quite sick for a few hours but have all entirely recovered.

—The primary conventions to elect delegates to the county convention will be held next Monday. Let all democrats attend.

—N. PORTER, Abilene, Tex.,  
—FOR—

—SINGLE BUGGY HARNESS—\$10.00—\$12.00 and \$15.00. Full NICKLE HARNESS \$16.50 and \$18.00. Team Harness \$12—\$15—\$18—\$20—\$25.

—W. B. Anthony left Haskell Thursday for a trip to Caldwell his old home. Mr. Anthony is one of our popular merchants and a pioneer citizen of Haskell county.

Kill your Prairie Dogs, they destroy more grass than the cattle—you will find what you need to do the work at reasonable prices at Bass Bros. Abilene.

—John Jones of Crystal Falls came up Wednesday on a visit to his brother J. L. Jones. He reports good rains down on the Clear Fork.

—The Alliance Association at Abilene are the only merchant in that city who will buy ALL the produce brought to them. We buy and Ship and always pay the Top price. We also have a full line of Staple and Fancy Groceries at low prices.

J. M. REYNOLDS, B. M.

—Sherrill Bros. & Co. are just receiving a car of the celebrated Baker Wire, which they propose to sell at very close prices. The Baker wire has the reputation of stretching further and bearing a heavier strain than any other wire.

—By mistake the names of several prominent candidates were left off in the list of announcements in the wright up of the barbecue in our last issue. We hope the gentlemen will pardon us as the omission was unintentional.

—Mr. J. W. Agnew presented us with the ham of a fat antelope he killed thursday morning while returning from the dance at Mr. Carney's Wednesday night. The ham was highly appreciated.

—Mrs. Lyon and daughter Susie Lyon, Mrs. Stewart and Miss Bohanan of Durango are visiting Mr. Jerry Bohanan. Mrs. Lyon is a sister of W. J. Write and Mrs. Stewart and Miss Bohanan are sisters to Mr. Jerry Bohanan.

—We had the pleasure of a call by Miss Susie Lyon, niece of W. J. Write on last Thursday. Miss Susie is an accomplished little typo and we were hapy to add her name to our list of acquaintances.

In an other column will be found the announcement of D. M. Winn as a candidate for the office of tax assessor. Mr. Winn came to Haskell in 1884 and when the county was organized was elected to that office by a large majority but the commissioners court of Throckmorton refused to count the returns of the two largest boxes on account of some informality, and his opponent was declared elected. He has since served efficiently as postmaster under the Cleveland administration, but was ousted when the republicans came in power.

—Financial condition of Haskell county on July 8th 1890.

Money on hand in jury fund	.00
Rord and Bridge fund	511.21
In Common or General fund	15.00
In Court house fund	357.94
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$884.15</b>
Total school fund on hand	262.22
<b>Total in Treasury</b>	<b>\$1146.37</b>

Registered indebtedness of Haskell county.

Jury fund	38.00
Road and Bridge fund	8.25
Common or General Co. fund	32.85
Court House fund	90.00
<b>Total registered indebtedness</b>	<b>\$79.10</b>

S. J. Preston,  
Co. Treas.

—Mess F. G. Alexander, Jas. Wilson, Douglass Taylor, Wm. Ward Tom Stephens John Miller, Geo. Campbell and Dick Bates left the 6th instant for Dundee with 600 four year-old steers sold by them to Tom Jones.

—Mess Frank and L. S. Long two of Haskell enterprising young men have made arrangements and will in a few days begin the construction of a business house on the east side. As soon as the house is completed they will put in a complete assorted stock of Gents Furnishing goods. THE FREE PRESS wishes them success in their new enterprise.

—Building Boom! Keep the ball rolling. The rich land and delightful climate justify it. Invest your money in Haskell county cast your lot with Haskell people. Work to build up your self and family. Help the public enterprises of your community. Succeed by your own efforts. There is plenty of room for all, wait not for the seasons to roll their blessing to you door, go after them with continued effort.

—STRAYED OR STOLEN.—  
One Light Sorrel, two-year-old horse branded P, on the left shoulder, White spot in forehead. Will pay a liberal reward for his return.  
Dugg Paris.

—Social Event at Carney's Ranch.

On last Wednesday evening a few couples of the elite of Haskell accepted an invitation to call on Mr. and Mrs. Thos. G. Carney whose ranch and home is 18 miles Northwest of the town of Haskell in the best portion of the county. The party was composed of Messers and Misses, Lee Kirby and Lizzie Killough, L. S. Long and Lizzie Donohoo, S. H. Woods and Connie Killough, Oscar Martin and Mattie Preston, H. R. Jones and Janie McLemore, J. E. Glover and Robina McLemore, B. C. Evans, Eugenia English and Miss Day. Mr. J. T. House and Lula Wade, I. L. Wade and Etta Roberts of the Salt Fork, and Misses Carney, J. S. Keister, John Williams, J. H. Dillahunty and B. W. Ainsworth and John Cotton, Capt. and Mrs. Hunter. The company arrived at Mr. Carney's at 6 p.m. and was received in such a hospitable manner that they soon felt themselves anticipating the joyful evening that followed. The horses were attended to promptly and given a bountiful supply of fine oats growned on Mr. Carney's ranch, and the gentlemen were

## MILLINERY.

"IN THE SWIM"  
The Ladies' Yachting and Driving Cap.

HAVE RECEIVED A STOCK OF  
MILLINERY GOODS

And Invite the Ladies of Haskell County to Call and Inspect them.  
Mrs. W. P. Parris.

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shown some fine stock, while the ladies repaired to the spacious dressingroom to arrange their evening toilet, whence they came forth shining specimens of health, mirth and beauty arrayed in their brilliant ball costumes each individual radiating a cloud of cupidion darts that pierced every heart of the handsome beaux. At an early hour the music begun lead by Prof. Agnew assisted by several ladies of the company. Soon many couples were wheeling round and smoothly gliding with cheerful faces keeping time to sweet music. At the usual hour refreshments were announced and the company gathered around a table supplied with all that heart could wish, prepared by the dainty hands of Mrs. Carney and her mother Mrs. Hunter. After refreshments were served the dance was resumed interspered by some fine pieces of music by the Misses Killough and Mrs. Carney.

The festivities continued until 4 a. m. and as the nocturnal luminary was shedding a flood of light through a clear atmosphere, the company preferred to shun the severity of a summers sun, so they departed for their several homes, with a full appreciation of the hospitalities they had received. A cool breeze had risen at sun down and tempered the season to that of early autumn which added much to the comfort of all. The occasion is one long to be remembered by all present.

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Haskell, Texas.



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FOR RHEUMATISM  
The Brown's Iron Bitters.  
Physicians recommend it.  
All dealers keep it. \$1.00 per bottle. Genuine has trade-mark and crossed red lines on wrapper.

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The best salve in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped hands, Chilblains, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions, and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box.

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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 576,000 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 Tennessean, who fell at the massacre at Goliad in 1835.

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 furnished 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 for use in the old states.

Experiments were made in 1885 with garden products, corn, oats, wheat, rye, barley and cotton and the yield was bountiful.

In 1885 and 1887 the entire west, from Dakota to Mexico suffered from seasons of unprecedented dryness, but the faith of the few farmers of Haskell county, kept green and in the fall of 1887 farming begun in dead earnest, and the crop of 1888 far surpassed all anticipation, corn made 25 bushels per acre; oats made from 60 to 100; wheat from 15 to 25, rye 20, and cotton, one-third to one-half bale per acre, and sorghum, hay and millet was so bountiful it was hardly considered as a part of the general crop and there was no demand for it in the local market. The acreage in farms have been increased to at least 20,000 acres.

### POPULATION.

The county is an undulating 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 creeks and rivers, but with river breaks, rocks and poor land combined, their area in Haskell county would not average over 10,000 acres that would not be a 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 purest 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 reasons the soil readily drains itself of the surplus water, thereby preventing stagnation of the water and the baking of the soil, as well as the germination of miasmata. It is those peculiar qualities of soil that enable vegetation to withstand all varieties of weather.

Except mesquite grubs and stumps, which are easily extracted, there are no obstructions to plows, and the land being level or generally rolling, and easily worked, the use of labor saving implements at once becomes pleasant and profitable. One man with machinery and a little hired help has been known to cultivate over 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 PRICES OF FARM PRODUCTS.

The average yield of Indian corn per acre is about 30 bushel and the price varies from 50c to 1.25 per bushel; the wheat yield for the year '88—a dry year—ranged 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, but owing to the great distance to market its cultivation is not engaged in to a great extent. 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 POINT.

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. There is also some shipping done to Albany, a town 45 miles southeast, on the Texas Central Railroad, but not so much as to Abilene, because of rougher wagon roads.

### RAILROADS.

There is one road being built from Wichita Falls to this place and one to be built from Fort Worth. The Texas Central will have to extend in a short time from Albany or forfeit its charter, 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 north of the T. & P. R. R. and 30 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 SCHOOL.

Our school fund is perhaps the best of any county in the north-west. 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 four 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. This fund can also be drawn upon to build school houses in any organized school community of the county.

### MAIL FACILITIES.

There is a daily mail services from Haskell to Abilene via Anson and a tri-weekly mail north to Benjamin and to Dundee on the Wichita valley railroad, these lines also 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, Christian, 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. We have a good Union Sunday School, and weekly prayer meeting that are well attended.

### HASKELL.

The town of Haskell is the county site of, and is situated one and one-half mile south of the center of Haskell county, on a beautiful table land, and is six years old and has a population of 600 to 700. Has as good well 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. Haskell has five drygood and grocery stores that sell goods at prices as low as can be had in railroad towns, with 50 cents per hundred pounds for freight added, and drygoods and groceries as cheap as can be bought any where, one gin and mill. Also has two drug stores two hardware one furniture one notion one hotel and one all first class; two blacksmith shops; two cabinet and wood shop; one lumber yard one national bank, one barber shop; one silver smith shop one saddlery shop, one boot and shoe shop; one meat market; two livery stables; three doctors; 10 lawyers and land agents; one first class county newspaper and job office and only one saloon, all doing a good business. 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 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 wooly

indigenous to these "western wilds," that we are loaded with dynamite and shooting irons, that our conversations are collections of cuss words and Mulhattan 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 county well adapted to stock raising of all kinds. We have a country where no malarial sickness ever comes. We have a county 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 hospitable and good natured, 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.

## WARLIKE.

The Canadians Have Armed Their Fishing Vessels to resist Seizure in Behring Sea.

VICTORIA, B. C., July 5.—News received here yesterday from Port Townsend that Col. Matthews, special messenger, had arrived from Washington with urgent instructions for the commander of the United States cruisers, Rush and Crownin, to proceed immediately to Behring sea and seize all vessels found with sealskins on board, or with any evidence that they had been engaged in the seal fishery, caused great indignation and excitement here. At the same time comes the story that British Pacific squadron had been immediately rendezvous at Esquimault, where the Anvior is already. This latter story brings peace to the minds of a few rabid Britishers, but the majority of British Canadians believe it is the old story and no matter what acts may be committed by American gunboats on Canadian sealers, the British war ships will not interfere. For this reason the Canadians have at last decided to take the matter into their own hands and meet force with force on the high seas. It is well known that the crew of all vessels that have proceeded to the sealing ground and are now preparing to go have been fully armed, with the view of resisting seizure, as protection from England could no longer be anticipated. The story has leaked out that two clipper schooners are being secretly fitted out in Maple bay, some miles up the sound above Esquimault, especially it is said these vessels will carry each a heavy swivel besides two smaller guns, will be manned by larger crews and disguised as genuine sealers with skins on board leaving for Portia, and they will tempt seizure by the American cutters so as to bring on an en-

counter. Regarding this story Capt. Scott, a veteran sealer on the coast and part owner of two vessels already in Behring sea, said to-day that the report no doubt was true, but the matter has been kept a dead secret as the British war vessels were more likely to stop the project than interfere with the Americans. He said he knew two skippers of the two vessels in which he was interested had armed their crew and before sailing had sworn to go down with their vessels rather than submit to seizure when engaged in lawful fishing, and British Columbians have now taken affairs in their own hands, and if the commanders of the Rose or Corwin attempt any of their tricks they will get a warm reception. Then England must show her hand or possibly submit to the loss of Canada.

### TWENTY YEARS AGO.

An Aged Man Convicted at Fort Smith for a Killing Committed in 1870—History of the Case.

FORT SMITH, Ark. July 5.—Dr. William C. Hatley of Russellville, Mo., who was tried in the United States court here last May for the murder of a man named Sloan, on the 5th of May, 1870, and convicted of manslaughter, was to-day taken into court and sentenced to three years imprisonment at Detroit, Michigan. Dr. Hatley is a fine looking old gentleman, of about sixty-five years. His hair and beard are as white as snow. He went to Missouri from Tennessee in 1859, locating at Russellville. There he lived until 1870, when he was induced to move to a point in the Cherokee Nation not far from Southwest City, Mo. Upon invitation he took up his residence in the house of a Cherokee named Sloan. Shortly after this Sloan married and brought his wife home. In the course of time differences between the two families arose and Sloan ordered Dr. Hatley to once leave his house. This the doctor refused to do, as he had no means of securing a habitable location. On the 5th of May, 1870, Hatley and Sloan quarreled and later in the day an encounter took place between them in which Sloan was killed. The testimony of the prosecution was to the effect that after dinner of that day Sloan threw himself on his bed to take a nap, a gun which he had previously borrowed lying beside him or standing at the head of his bed. That while he was sleeping Hatley entered the room and killed him with a hatchet, striking him three blows.

The testimony of the defense is that after the first quarrel Sloan threatened to kill Hatley, and made several threats to that effect. Then on the morning of the 5th of May, after a violent quarrel, Sloan went to a neighbor's and borrowed a shotgun, which he loaded with buckshot on his return home; that Hatley went into his room for the purpose of attempting to reconcile the difference between them, and that he had armed himself with a hatchet for defense in case of attack; that as soon as he entered the door Sloan rose from the bed, attempted to draw his gun, when he was stricken down. Sloan's wife has since married a man by the name of Gibson, and was at the trial. At the termination of the difficulty Dr. Hatley moved to Castoria, Mo., where he lived four years. He then returned to his old home, Russellville, eighteen miles from Jefferson, where he has resided ever since. His reputation at his home is that of a man of the strictest integrity. Every effort will be made to get the old man a pardon. He was never arrested until a short time before his trial.

Jack West who was convicted of manslaughter some four months ago and who was being held here as a witness in the case of Tom Davis, who died yesterday, was sentenced to four years at Detroit.

### Lover's Kiss.

MONTREAL, P. Q., July 4.—There is a great deal of indignation among the English speaking citizens of this city over the judicial outrage that has been perpetrated by a French Judge upon a wealthy Englishman and his affianced bride. The lady, who is a daughter of an aristocratic English family, came here to meet Mr. Gordon, her intended husband, and visited friends in a fashionable quarter, while Mr. Gordon put up at a leading hotel. Of course the lovers have been continually together. For the past two years Mr. Gordon has been in South America. On Wednesday evening a party was formed to walk to the mountain park. On the stroll through the grounds the lovers became separated from the rest of the party and sat down on a park bench. A lover-like kiss had just been exchanged, when, two men appeared and arrested them for disorderly conduct in the park. They were bailed out late in the night. Next morning the lady was too ill to leave her bed. Mr. Gordon was brought before Judge De Montigny. He admitted the kiss, and the judge would listen to no explanation, and fined him \$15 and the lady \$10. Not satisfied with this, the judge made slighting remarks upon the character of the lady, and Mr. Gordon was only prevented from assaulting him by active interference on the part of the police.

### Prohibitory Tariff.

PARIS, July 5.—The senate this week has shown its hand plainly in regard to American questions. After a long debate it finally voted in favor of a duty of three francs on corn and supplementing this by imposing a duty of six francs on corn meal. During the closing debate it was distinctly avowed that the duty on corn was to be considered only a continuation of the 9-year old policy toward American pork.

Compte Foucher de Careil declared that the importation of American pork was only another mode of importing American corn and French farmers could not maintain themselves against it. The prohibition of pork was right and ought to be maintained, and the duty on corn should also be prohibited.

Mr. Miland called attention to the fact that American pork is only prohibited on the ground of its alleged unhealthfulness. He declared that this is nearly a pretext. Other members replied that it was alright and that the prohibition ought to be maintained.

An article published in the Temps, which is thought to reflect the view of the government, suggests that there might be circumstances under which it might be desirable to withdraw the prohibition against pork.

### MEXICAN CAVALRY.

The Thirteenth Regiment in Quarters at New Laredo—Scouting for Revolutionists.

LAREDO, Tex., July 5.—Several companies of the Thirteenth regiment of Mexican cavalry continued in quarters in New Laredo, and will doubtless be stationed here in the future, unless the rumor be correct and the Sixteenth regiment from San Luis Potosi is ordered to come here, Scouting parties from the Thirteenth continue to scour the country adjacent to Nuevo Laredo, and late last night the body of a man killed by one of such parties was sent into the city. No clew as to his identity could be learned and no particulars as to the manner in which he was killed. It is supposed that he must have been one of the party of revolutionists who recently crossed the river thirteen strong, only eight of which returned to this side. He was poorly dressed and had a belt around his waist. The top of his head was blown clear off, exposing the lobes of his brain.