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Our Grover stands upon a rock.
Throughout the campaign storm:
He holds the flag that shields the flock
And advocates "Reform."
He cries aloud: "Say, Blaine, Look here!
In you we can trust;
And your monopoly, this year,
Our duty 'tis to bust!"
"High tax for war, low tax for peace."
"Hear ye! The statesman's voice!
November sixth the storm will cease,
Low tax will be our choice,
The race is for the right this time,
Oh, Son of Tippecanoe!
And voices rise in tuneful rhyme
To down free whisky too.
The free-trade ghost has failed to scare,
The Old Roman mounts the steed,
And countless thousands everywhere,
Rush up to grasp his hand.
The red handkerchiefs will wave
For Grover and Reform,
And even Indiana save,
New York we take by storm.
You built your house upon the sand,
Oh! Son of Tippecanoe!
November sixth it will not stand,
Firewell "free whisky" too,
November sixth you'll feel the shock,
Oh! Son of Tippecanoe!
Recall how Grover built on a rock
And killed free whisky too!"
—The Cartoon.

HILL'S PLAIN TALK.

He is confident that Cleveland will
Carry New York by 10,000 to
20,000 Majority.

Loyal to the Party—The Governor
Pledges Himself to Work for
Victory, State and National.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 21—The
San Francisco Examiner prints
this morning an interesting inter-
view between Senator William R.
Hearst of the Journal and Govern-
or David B. Hill touching the po-
litical outlook in the Empire state.
Governor Hill was asked what
would be the majority given to the
national Democratic ticket in the
state of New York. He answered
as follows:
"I say New York will give 15,000
to 20,000 majority. I have not the
slightest doubt of what I say. I
have gone over the state from every
point of the compass. I have gone
among the people, and figure it
out as I will, I have not been able
to estimate Cleveland's majority at
less than 10,000.

"There are a number of reasons
for this. First of all, this campaign
is not only a campaign with an so-
tial issue, but it is a campaign of
thought. The campaign of 1884
possessed prejudices and hates,
but it had no real issue. This time
these prejudices have vanished.
The Irish, for instance, see that Mr.
Cleveland is really a friend. They
do not have to be dragged reluc-
tantly to the polls, but leave the
shame of Mr. Blaine's anti-British
and come willingly back into the
Democratic party.

"The issue of this campaign—
tariff reform—being an issue which
requires reasoning, the campaign is
one of civility.
"But Governor," ventured the
correspondent, "may there be an-
other reason for the success of the
Democrats' national ticket in this
state? Do you not feel that your
own nomination has done much to
a Mr. Cleveland?"
The Governor waited a moment
and then said seriously and quietly:
"Yes, I cannot help feeling that I
cannot help feeling it."
"Do you reason now from what
you have seen in the state or from
former elections?"
"From many things. In my
nomination certain warring factions
of the party were united,
and I tell you they are going to
keep united on the Democratic
national and state tickets, whatev-
er may be their disagreements on
local interests.

"But is there not some dissa-
faction among the New York De-
mocrats with President Cleveland?"
"Well, there is some, of course,
but it is not going to figure in the
election. There are a lot of De-
mocrats in New York who expected
some patronage when Mr. Cleve-
land became President. They did
not get it, and of course they are
dissatisfied.

MUGWUMP HOSTILITY.
"But what is the feeling in re-
gard to the remarks of the Times
and Evening Post?"
"Upon me? Well, I speak plain-
ly. There are some people in the
rank and file who don't think it is
quite the right thing that these
people should attack me so
openly in doing all I can

to win for Cleveland and Thurman.
They think that the national lea-
ders ought to squelch these newspa-
pers, which are endeavoring to
make their little circle and Mr.
Cleveland believe that he is above
his party. These papers ought to
be squelched. The Times has al-
ways been buzzing me. When
Fred Grant was running the Times
went right over to the Republican
ranks. No, I don't believe a single
voter will scratch Mr. Cleveland
because the Mugwump press don't
like me.

HEWITT ALL RIGHT.
"To return once more. Govern-
or, to local politics. Suppose
Hewitt as being put up independ-
ently on a citizen's ticket—is that
going to affect the result?"
"Only that it will call forth a
ligger vote for the Democratic na-
tional and state tickets than other-
wise. The fact is, in a few words,
whenever the Democratic local dif-
ferences are strongest, the national
and state tickets poll the biggest
vote.

"What is the reason of Hewitt's
disaffection? Do you suppose he
has an idea he could be Govern-
or?"
"I do not care to discuss Mr.
Hewitt's affairs. He is a personal
friend.

HILL HAS THE PEOPLE.
"I am satisfied we shall have the
people with us this year," contin-
ued the Governor, "and that is
enough. In Buffalo the other day
a man on the platform leaned over
and said, 'Hill, I never saw such a
man as you are. You have all the
ragtag and bob-tail—meaning the
people—in your following.'"
"That was perfectly true. It's
just what I want. Mr. Cleveland
and I will have them in this elec-
tion. There are many people, to be
sure, who will vote for him and
will not vote for me, but this loss
will be compensated to me.

"With me my party is supreme.
It is a sort of religion. I go out
strongly in the knowledge that the
party is at my back. Perhaps Mr.
Cleveland has never been in a po-
sition where he could get or where
it was necessary for him to seek
that strength, but it is the best con-
fidence that a candidate can have.
Some newspaper humorist have
called the mass of voters "the
gravel train." Now, it's the
gravel train which I look to and
which we all look to in this cam-
paign.

NEVER KNEW DEFEAT.
"Just tell the people of California
that since Mr. Cleveland first led in
this state we have never lost an
election. I'll tell the people of the
east that myself."
Waxing enthusiastic the Govern-
or said: "Tell them that since the
time when Cleveland headed the
ticket for Governor and I for Lieut-
enant-Governor, we never have
lost an election for the national or
state ticket. Tell them also that
at the present moment there is not
a single prominent Democrat in
New York who is opposed to Mr.
Cleveland. Think of that, care-
fully. There is not a single one.
And last of all, say that Govern-
or Hill is working might and main for
the success of the national Demo-
cratic ticket, and he is ready to
stand or fall with it. Phew! We
can't fall. It is not in Harrison.

"Shall I say, Governor, that you
would always feel it a reproach to
yourself if you should be elected
and Cleveland should not?"
"No, don't say that. It would
not be fair, for I could not feel that
whatever might happen. I shall
work my hardest for Cleveland and
Thurman. Still, it would be a
calamity which no one would de-
plore more than myself.

Big Ranch Sale.
COLORADO CITY, TEX., Sept. 27.
—O. J. Wren's big ranch and herd
of cattle, the well known circle bar
outfit, was sold to-day at trustee's
sale to satisfy mortgages for over
\$300,000. The ranch comprised
over 160 sections of land, some
owned and part leased from the
state and railroad. The entire ranch,
stock and work horses, cattle, etc.,
were bought in by L. O. Rumery
of Wisconsin, one of the principle
mortgage holders for \$214,350.
M. F. Smitsen shipped fourteen
cars of beef cattle to Chicago to-day
and J. B. Wilson shipped three
cars to the Indian Territory. The

Jumbo District Congressional Convention.

The Democratic Congressional
Convention convened the 28 ult.
and elected J. N. Rushing perma-
nent chairman, D. D. Decker per-
manent secretary, with G. F. Pen-
dleton, J. K. P. Shirley as his
assistants, and E. Taylor perma-
nent sergeant at arms. The following
resolutions were reported by com-
mittees and adopted:

Resolved 1. That we do heartily
endorse and reaffirm the platform of
principles heretofore adopted by
the National Democratic conven-
tion at St. Louis.
2. That we endorse the recom-
mendations contained in President
Cleveland's late message to Con-
gress for a reduction of taxes, and
we heartily endorse his action in
making this issue of the present
campaign.

3. That we hold that a high pro-
tective tariff benefits but a few,
destroys the market for farm pro-
ducts, and unjustly deprives the
tiller of the soil of fair compensa-
tion for his labor, and we are
utterly opposed to such a policy.

4. That we endorse the course of
method of tariff reduction proposed
by the Mills bill.

5. That we condemn those com-
binations called trusts, which seek
to enhance the price of the commo-
dities of life, and we demand no
effort be spared to suppress all
such efforts to wrest from the hands
of labor the hard-earned fruits of
its toil.

6. That we do heartily endorse
the manner in which Hon. S. W.
T. Lanham has discharged his
duties as the representative of this
district in Congress, his ability
equaled only by his zeal in promot-
ing the welfare of his constituents,
and we do cordially extend to him
the commendation of well done,
good and faithful servant.

Chairman Rushing stated that
nominations for Congressmen were
in order, when Mr. McLaughy of
Hood county, took the stand and
made an able and feeling speech
nominating Hon. S. W. T. Lanham.
He eulogized Mr. Lanham as a
great friend to the labor and the
yeomanry of the country. He was
a tiller of the soil, and could speak
for that element of this district that
Mr. Lanham had given perfect
satisfaction to the farmer.

Mr. Loyd of Comanche was
first to second the nomination. He
is a farmer and has been a tiller
of the soil for nearly fifty years, and
knew Mr. Lanham better than any
other man in the convention, and
he was not only true to the yeo-
menry of his constituency, but to
the entire people of this district.

The nomination of Colonel Lan-
ham was seconded by Colonel A.
W. Hillard of Midland, Mr. White
of El Paso, F. S. Bell of Calahan,
Colonel J. A. Kid of Parker, Rus-
sell of Brown, I. W. Stephens of
Parker, Sebastian of Eastland, Mr.
Harris of Tom Green, and Oaks of
Palo Pinto.

All these gentlemen paid glowing
tributes to Mr. Lanham's ability,
integrity, honesty, faithfulness, and
the record he has made for himself
and Texas in always being at his
post of duty and being so very
fortunate in getting so many im-
portant bills passed and always
having the interest of his whole
constituency at heart.

Captain Kidd of Springtown, this
county, said in his seconding
speech that he was proud he was a
citizen of this (Parker) county, the
home of the noble and patriotic
statesman, S. W. T. Lanham, and
he was particularly proud of being
in a primary convention at Spring-
town in 1853 and offering a resolu-
tion, the first one that was ever
offered, endorsing Colonel Lanham
for Congress. He was particular-
proud of that act. He said the Fort
Worth Gazette contained the full
proceedings of that convention in
1852 when Captain Kidd first arose
to second the nomination of Colonel
Lanham. He said he had attended
a great many conventions and this
was the first he had ever attended
where the farmers, stock raisers
and merchants did all the nominat-
ing and seconding, and he thought
it spoke well for Colonel Lanham
that the yeomanry of the country to-
day take the lead in the matter. The

farmers, the cattle men, sheep
men, merchants, lawyers and every
avocation represented in the con-
vention indorsed Colonel Lanham,
and seconded his nomination for
re-election, and when Captain Kidd
said all these had been heard from
and pointed to Mr. G. D. Oaks of
Palo Pinto and said we have a goat
man in the convention and we want
to hear from him, he brought down
the house.

A motion was made to close the
nominations and to nominate Hon.
S. W. T. Lanham by acclamation
by a rising vote.

The chair put the motion extend-
ing the privilege of voting to the
entire large audience. At this juncture
the convention fairly went
wild. Hats, canes and handkerchiefs
were thrown high in the air. This
continued for several minutes, and
finally wound up with music by
the band. The chair then declared
Hon. S. W. T. Lanham nominated
by acclamation for Congress by
the Eleventh Congressional D-m-
ocratic convention.

On motion the chair appointed
Messrs. Martin of Mitchell, Loyd of
Comanche, Brown of Taylor, Mc-
Gaughey of Hood, and Sebastian of
Eastland a committee to inform
Colonel Lanham by wire of his
nomination by the convention. The
chair was added to the commit-
tee.

The chair stated that nomina-
tions were in order for chairman
of this district for the ensuing
term.
Mr. Stephens placed in nomina-
tion Hon. F. W. James of Calahan
county, and he was elected by ac-
clamation.

The convention voted a resolu-
tion of thanks to the citizens of
Weatherford and Mayor Buster for
their kindness and hospitality to
the delegates and adjourned sine
die.

CONVENTION NOTES.
The court house was tastefully
and appropriately decorated for the
occasion.

The convention was furnished
music by the Fire Department
Band of Fort Worth, which had
been secured for the purpose, and
it was splendid music, too. Fort
Worth may be proud of this band.
Hon. J. N. Rushing makes an
able presiding officer.

When Mr. Oaks of Palo Pinto
urged a vote on renominating Col-
onel Lanham by acclamation, and
said if he did not get to vote right
away he would swell up and be as
large as George McDonald he
brought down the house.

A number of ladies of Weather-
ford attended the convention.
The Fire Department Band of
Fort Worth played some very fine
concert music for the city after the
convention had adjourned.

Is Consumption Incurable?

Read the following: Mr. O. H.
Morris, Newark, Ark., says: "Was
down with Abscess of Lungs, and
friends and physicians pronounced
me an incurable consumptive.
Began taking Dr. King's New Dis-
covery for Consumption, am now
on my third bottle, and able to
oversee the work on my farm. It is
the finest medicine ever made."

James Middlewart, Decatur Ohio,
says: "Had it not been for Dr.
King's New Discovery for Con-
sumption I would have died of
Lung Troubles. Was given up by
doctors. Am now in best of health."
Try it. Sample bottles free at
Druggists.

The Contract Signed.

The contract to build 200 miles
of the Fort Worth Western was
signed in this city on Monday,
September 17. The same men are
now building a railroad from Mem-
phis to Birmingham. They are
capitalists of Chicago, Boston, New
York and St. Louis. They know
their business and do not propose
to make known who they are until
they are ready. Jay Gould and
Vanderbilt do not publish their
contracts to the world or in what
ventures they will put their money,
and the Fort Worth Western syn-
dicate are as big as Gould or Van-
derbilt in their way. Fort Worth
wants the Western, and it will be
built and Colonel Lawrence is pres-
ident of the company.—Fort Worth
Gazette.

THEO. MEYCK, President; Wm. CAMERON, Vice-Pres-ent
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COME to Haskell county to get cheap homes.

NORTHWEST Texas is going to be the grainery of the United States.

HASKELL county can raise enough oats in one season to fatten every steer in five adjoining counties.

THE Fort Worth Western is going to be built and Haskell is on its direct line. Now if we would secure this road, the citizens of the town and county must get themselves in condition to make an actual effort.

CAPITALISTS are now getting over their scare, and just as soon as they will begin to loan money on cattle as security they will build up that business as quick as they let it drop a few years ago. The cattle raisers have some reason to be hopeful.

THE town and country is quiet and prosperity is surrounding us on every hand. Great wagon loads of wool are being hauled through our streets, and the home market is for the first time being supplied entirely with home raised corn and oats.

WE ARE in receipt of the HASKELL FREE PRESS, from Max R. Andrews, associate editor, Max formerly lived in Cooper, in fact was reared here. The FREE PRESS is a neat seven column folio, and betoken care and pains on the part of both editor and publisher.—Cooper Courier.

WE ARE daily receiving great encouragement from our patrons and friends, who say that the FREE PRESS is second to no country newspaper in the State. It makes us feel proud to know that we are giving such general satisfaction, and such encouragements enthrall us with renewed energy, and we hope by our efforts to continue to merit the praises.

ROGER Q. MILLS was re-nominated at Waco the other day, at the Democratic Congressional convention by acclamation. Roger is as popular as Cleveland as far as he has climbed the political ladder. Cleveland shall succeed himself once, but Roger will grace the second succession by Grover's consent.

THIS canvass is one of the most quiet affairs we have witnessed. There are no issues, political or personal, for the first time in the history of politics, the several candidates being all Democrats, represent one another as being gentlemen of the first water. They do not even challenge one another's qualifications publicly. In fact, so far there is no scramble for office, which is a strong indication that the country is in a prosperous condition.

Democrats at Work.

We have just received an able address by N. Webb Finley, chairman of the State Democratic executive committee. It is in a pamphlet form and is an able and exhaustive review of the Republican and Democratic administrations of the state government since 1867. The address quotes from Governor Davis' message to the Legislature in which he said the state owed the school fund \$82,168.82 and the university fund \$134,462.26 and says "the only other indebtedness is that of the ten per cent. warrants issued before the late war and not excluded under the 34th section, article 12, general provisions." The amount he states "is not considerable and Texas may therefore substantially be said to be out of debt."

The address quotes also from Comptroller Bledsoe's report of December 1st, 1873, showing that at that date the indebtedness of the state was \$1,797,884.16. "Immediately after the inauguration of Governor Coke, the Comptroller's report showed the state indebtedness to be \$2,248,831.75." "August 31st, 1876 the audited and registered indebtedness of the state which had accrued prior to January 1874, except \$791,978.50, was \$5,210,073.50." The debt of the state is now \$4,237,730.00 which is all owned by the trust funds of the state except \$1,245,830.00 and that this amount may therefore be stated as the actual indebtedness of the state."

Mr. Finley reviews the great improvement in the public school system, charitable institutions and penitentiaries, all of which are of vital interest to the people, and we regret very much that space will not permit of the publication of the address.

HASKELL COUNTY POLITICS.

THE bankers of Texas and New Mexico, realizing the fact that the cattle interests of these two countries, are to a great extent the basis of financial activity, are taking steps to break down the monopoly of the beef trade. They know that just as soon as this monopoly is broken and the cattle trade becomes lively, they will find a demand for their surplus money at a high rate of interest, secured by liens upon cattle that could easily be turned into cash. We regard this movement as being one of more importance to the stock raisers than anything that has occurred for several years.

"Just Let That Alone."

Our quiet city was some what disturbed Wednesday evening when Deputy Sheriff Fields arrested three little boys by the names of Fitch Waddie, Jim Coffee and Lovelace Matthews all of Throckmorton county. The truant had taken four good horses from their parents and relatives, and without their knowledge or consent, started to New Mexico where Coffee has a brother who ran away last year. When they arrived in Haskell they met Mr. B. M. Kegans with whom they were acquainted and tried to trade the extra horse for two saddles Mr. Kegans "smelled a mouse" and had them arrested. When Deputy Fields approached one of the little fellows sitting on his horse and undertook to pull the Winchester out of its scabbard the little fellow protested saying "just let that alone," and never surrendered until Mr. Fields informed him of his official capacity. They had only one saddle and no coats, but had a couple of quilts and a Winchester rifle. Mr. Fields turned them over to friends in this city and Mr. B. M. Kegans left here with them Thursday to take them home. The oldest boy was fifteen years old and the other two twelve. The little fellows seemed to be greatly relieved when they started back home.

A Campaign Lie.

Paris, Tex., Sept. 28.—There is no truth in the report that there was one case of yellow fever in Paris. It was doubtless a campaign lie to get the negroes to go help the Republicans to carry Illinois.

Money Made is Money Saved.

We can save you money, by coming to see us and getting our prices and looking at the quality of our goods before buying. Send us your repair work. North 2nd at Abilene Texas. ADAM CLARK.

HASKELL COUNTY.

Her Advantages, Resources and Future Prospects.

In almost every neighborhood of the older states and the thickly settled portions 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 first 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 homes, 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 and indigenous to these "western wilds," that we are loaded with dynamite and shooting irons, that our conversations are collections of cuss words and Mulhatton mixtures, but rather that we are a people reared among the same surroundings, that we have received the benefit of the same advantages, 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 county 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 county 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.

This county is situated in the northwestern part of the state, and is about 1800 feet above the level of the sea; is in form of a square, embracing an area of 900 square miles, or 576,000 acres, of which 4-5 is arable or agricultural.

WATER.

The water supply comes from the Double Mountain Fork of the Brazos river, in the western portion of the county; California creek entering the county from the south, then running an easterly direction across the S. E. portion of the county; Paint creek heading near the west line of the county, and running east; Miller and Lake creeks heading near the center of the county, and running in a northeasterly course into Baylor county. The waters of these streams are pure and free from mineral or alkali.

Aside from the surface water furnished by these streams, we have the greatest abundance of the purest water all over our county, which can be obtained at a depth of from 15 to 40 feet. Free from mineral of any kind, it is nearly pure freestone water. Good lands and good water in abundance, form the basis and foundation for a prosperous farming country, second to none anywhere in the state.

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 porosity 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 miasma. It is these peculiar qualities of the soil that enables vegetation to withstand much drouth and wait for the coming of the rain. Crops will survive three or four weeks drouth without very serious injury—it is a six or eight weeks drouth in mid summer that blasts and ruins crops. Except mesquite grubs and stumps, which are easily extracted, there are no obstructions to plow, and the land being level or generally rolling, and easily worked, the use of labor saving implements at once becomes pleasant and profitable.

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, Johnson and Colorado grasses grow to great perfection and the hay made from these grasses 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 bushels, and the price varies from 50 cents to \$1.25 per bushel; the wheat yield for the year '87—a dry year—ranged from 3 to 30 bushels—averaging between 16 and 18 bushels per acre, and sold in the home market for 90 cents to \$1.00 per bushel; oats yield 50 to 75 bushels per acre, and usually sell at 35 to 75 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.

RAILROAD PROSPECTS.

At present there is no prospect of a railroad building into Haskell in the immediate future. We expect to get an extension of the Texas Central Railroad from Albany to Haskell, but that road is in the hands of the U. S. Court, and not likely to be extended until it is discharged from the control of said court. We also think that the Fort Worth Western Railroad will build from Fort Worth westward through Haskell, and it is believed that the St. Louis and San Francisco Railroad will build southward through the Panhandle and through Haskell, and it is possible that the Chicago and Rock Island Railroad may yet build through Haskell.

PRICE OF LANDS.

Rich river valley unimproved agricultural land more than 5 miles from town, sells at \$3 to \$4 per acre. Rich unimproved agricultural prairie uplands, more than 5 miles from town, sells at \$2 to \$3 per acre, and within 5 miles from town, \$3 to \$15 per acre. Pasture land unimproved sells at \$1 to \$2 per acre. The usual terms of sale is one-third cash, and the balance in equal payments in one and two years, with ten per cent. interest.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

Our school fund is perhaps the best of any county 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. This fund can also be drawn upon to build school houses in any organized school community of the county. The fund of Haskell Co. is all sufficient to run the school without voting a special school tax provided by law, thus relieving our people of the additional tax, to maintain an efficient school system.

In Haskell there is a flourishing school with more than 100 scholars enrolled, besides several flourishing schools in different parts of the county. Our school fund is ample for all who may come. It is a source of pride to our citizens and an evidence to all of the enlightened views of our people and wise management of our county government.

MAIL FACILITIES.

There is only one post office in Haskell county, that at the town of Haskell. It has a daily mail, over the mail line from Abilene via Anson; which line also brings express freight, and proves very satisfactory to our people.

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 three Sundays in each month; also preaching at other points in the county. We have a good Union Sunday School, and Band of Hope, and weekly prayer meetings.

HASKELL.

The town of Haskell is the county site of, and is situated one and one-half miles south of the center of Haskell county, on a beautiful table land, and is four 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 four drygoods and grocery stores, which carry full lines, and supply the people with groceries, at prices as low as can be had in railroad towns, with 50 cents per hundred pounds for freight added, and drygoods as cheap as anywhere. Also has two drug stores; one hardware store; one notion store; one hotel, and one restaurant, both first class; one blacksmith shop; one cabinet and wood shop; one exchange bank, one barber shop; two silversmith shops; one saddlery shop; one meat market; two livery stables; four doctors; eight lawyers; three land agents; one first class county newspaper and job office, and only one saloon; all doing a very good business. The town of Haskell with her natural advantages, of location, climate, good water and fertility of soil of the surrounding country, 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 this. Reader, please hand this to your friend.

P. C. KNAPP, DEALER IN FURNITURE AND UNDERSTAIRS GOODS. No. 29 Chestnut Street, ABILENE, TEXAS. (Small text describing furniture quality and terms follows)

F. P. Morgan, LAND LAWYER, Collecting Agent. HASKELL, Haskell County, TEX.

Abstracting, Land Litigation, Investigating and Perfecting Land Titles in Haskell and Adjoining Counties Personally and Promptly Attended to.

The following is ONLY a PARTIAL LIST of the Lands I am offering for sale in this County, the Titles to which are regarded as absolutely perfect:

- No. 1. 137 acres, about 10 miles northeast of town, mostly prairie, but some timber, dry, dark red loam, price \$1.50 cash, \$2.00 to cut, 1/2 cash, balance 1 and 2 years, 10 per cent interest.
No. 2. 640 acres 15 miles west of town, near Double Mountain Fork of the Brazos river, fine land, price \$2.50 per acre, 1/2 cash, balance 1 and 2 years.
No. 3. 800 acres 9 miles southwest of town, high open ridge land, rich, level and nice, some timber, no surface water but very productive black sandy land. \$2.50 cash, \$2.75 to cut and on partial payments.
No. 4. 160 acres 5 miles north of town on Benjamin and Haskell road, close black land, level and rich, near Lake creek, some timber, good grass, price \$3.50 per acre.
No. 5. 213 1/2 acres 16 miles southwest of town, fine red loam, mesquite land, good grass and good land \$2.50 per acre cash.
No. 6. 304 acres of fine land as in the county on Lake creek 17 north of town, good mesquite timber, price \$3.00, 1/2 cash, balance 1 year.
No. 7. 1,000 acres 4 miles southeast of town, fine dark red loam, mesquite timber and good water, \$3.00 per acre.
No. 8. 320 acres 12 miles southwest of town, on waters of Paint creek, good land and good grass, \$1.50, 1/2 cash. (Vining)
No. 9. 1280 acres 14 miles southwest of town on Paint creek, fine red loam, farming or pasture land, lays well, \$2.00 per acre, 1/2 cash balance 1 and 2 years.
No. 10. 640 acres 7 miles northwest of town, as fine black land, with good mesquite timber as in the county on head of Lake creek. \$3.00 per acre, terms easy.
No. 11. 276 1/2 acres 10 miles southwest of Haskell in 921 acre blocks, mostly timber, on Willow Point, \$2.00 per acre, will sell a portion or all in a body.
No. 12. 320 acres about 15 miles southwest of town, a splendid little piece of dirt for a farm, only \$2.00 cash.
No. 13. 640 acres 16 miles north of town on Lake creek. This is a magnificent body of farming or pasture land, has water, timber, grasses and good land all combined, making it one of the most desirable tracts in the county.
No. 14. 545 acres on Miller creek, very fine level land, will make a splendid farm, \$2.50 per acre cash.
No. 15. 320 acres on Paint creek 10 miles south of town, all good level land with good mesquite timber, \$2.50, 1/2 cash.
No. 16. 640 acres 12 miles east of town, Paint runs through it, about 1/2 good land, balance suitable for pasture, good timber and grass and protection for stock, a magnificent place for stock ranch.
No. 17. 320 acres 10 miles north of town, very fine level land with good grass and timber, only \$3.00 per acre cash.
No. 18. 320 acres 7 miles southeast of town on Buffalo creek, plenty of stock water, grass, timber and splendid land all combined, makes this one of the most desirable tracts in the county, only \$3.00 per acre, on easy terms.
No. 19. 640 acres 16 miles northeast of town, fine level prairie farming land, \$2.50 per acre, 1/2 cash, balance on easy terms.
No. 20. 1476 acres 7 miles east of town on Red creek, about 1/2 good farming land, balance good pasture, creek runs through survey, timber, water and grass combined, makes this suitable for a stock farm, price \$2.00 cash, \$2.25, 1/2 cash.
No. 21. 320 acres on Brazos river 16 miles west of town, good land, price \$3.00 per acre, 1/2 cash.
No. 22. 388 acres about 9 miles east of town on Red creek, splendid red land, price \$1.50 cash.
No. 23. 640 acres 14 miles west of town, fronting the Brazos river, good farming and pasture land, \$2.50, 1/2 cash or \$2.25, 1/2 cash balance on easy terms.
No. 24. 960 acres 12 miles north of town, good land, timber, water and grass, a splendid place for stock farm, \$2.50, 1/2 cash.
No. 25. 424 acres on Brazos river 18 miles northwest of town, as fine land as in the county, only \$3.00 per acre.
No. 26. 960 acres 10 miles northeast of town, level, red loam land, some timber but dry, only \$2.00 per acre, 1/2 cash.
No. 27. 430 acres 10 miles north of town on Lake creek, no better land in the county, good grass and timber, \$3.00, 1/2 cash down.
No. 28. 640 acres on same survey as No. 27, same quality of land, timber and grass, \$3.00 per acre, terms easy.
No. 29. 320 acres 6 miles north of town on Benjamin road, fine level black sandy land, good timber and grass, on Lake creek, only \$3.00. 3 sections (640 acres each) on Brazos river. This is as good land as in the west, lays well, \$2.00 per acre by the section, will sell either section or the whole in a body.
No. 31. 640 acres 11 miles northeast of town, very good red loam prairie land, only \$2.00 per acre cash or \$2.25, 1/2 cash.
No. 32. 640 acres 8 miles east of town on Haskell and Throckmorton road, splendid land at \$2.00 per acre, 1/2 cash.
No. 33. 3400 acres 20 miles north of town in the edge of Knox county, on Brazos river, no better land in the state, lays well, \$3.00 per acre, will sell in a body or out to suit the purchaser.
No. 34. 300 acres 7 miles south of town on Mule creek, \$2.50 cash or \$2.75, 1/2 cash.
No. 35. 500 acres on Miller creek, all fenced with good house, two rooms, very fine land, grass, water and timber. Price and terms upon application.
No. 36. 320 acres 9 miles southeast of town, good land, water, grass with some mesquite timber. Horse creek passes through it, only \$2.50 per acre. A splendid ranch.
The above are a portion of the splendid bargains I now offer to the home-seekers, and now is the time to purchase. I also offer for sale some nice 80 acre blocks on the Peter Allen survey adjoining town, also many choice vacant and improved town lots, cheap, for cash, and on easy terms to the actual settler. For further information concerning lands in Haskell county, call on or address my Office in court house with county Surveyor and Treasurer.

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For name on ticket same as above. If candidates do not announce.

Saturday, October 6, 1888.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY.

J. F. CUNNINGHAM, of Jones county, announces...

W. B. HOUSTON, of Seymour, announces...

COUNTY JUDGE.

W. R. STANDEFER announces...

O. C. MARTIN announces...

SHERIFF & TAX COLLECTOR.

F. Y. HILDRETH announces...

W. B. ANTHONY announces...

A. D. TUCKER announces...

F. M. MORTON announces...

COUNTY & DISTRICT CLERK.

C. D. LONG announces...

J. L. JONES announces...

FOR COUNTY TREASURER.

S. J. PRESTON announces...

FOR COUNTY ATTORNEY.

H. B. JONES announces...

J. E. WILFONG announces...

TAX ASSESSOR.

D. W. WILLIAMS announces...

D. L. SMITH announces...

F. ROBERTS announces...

Having faithfully tried to discharge my official duties...

ALEXANDER ERWIN announces...

S. BEVERS announces...

J. H. CAITER announces...

J. W. CHRISTOPHER announces...

HIDE AND ANIMAL INSPECTOR.

W. H. RYAN announces...

"Lives there a man with soul so dead, Who never to himself hath said, I'll go forth with and pay the price, For fear I go where there is no winter."

The land agents will reap a harvest within the next year.

Mr. F. M. Powers was in from the range Monday.

The general work broke up South of town Saturday.

Capt. C. P. Killough has gone to his home in Brenham.

Mr. A. H. Tandy came in from the range this week.

Mr. F. G. Alexander was in the city this week.

Mr. J. W. Agnew went up on the Double Mountain Thursday.

\$100,000 to loan at the Haskell County Bank.

Mr. J. O. Clark and wife was in the city this week.

Mr. Jim Keller came in from the range sick, the other day.

Johnson Bros. are getting in their new goods.

Mr. Sets Cummings has been quit sick several days.

D. E. Bean of Jones county, was in town last week.

B. Frank Buis of the Anson Bar was in to see us Saturday.

H. H. Bedford of Harrisville Ala. was in the city Monday.

J. H. Robins, of Avelis Texas, was in the city Tuesday.

The little child of Mr. Wm. Ward that was poisoned by eating paint is now sick with fever.

Don't forget that D. M. Winn, of this office, has one of the

BASS BROTHERS,

Headquarters

For Drugs, Patent Medicines, Oils, Window Glass, Wall Paper, Stationery, School Books, and Druggist sundries, with a select line of HOLIDAY GOODS

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Just in Receipt of my Fall and Winter STOCK!



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Teams and Vehicles for Hire at Low Rates. We can Afford to Keep Teams Cheaper than any Body, as We Have a Farm in Connection With Stable, and Raise all Kinds of Grain and Hay. Draper & Baldwin Haskell City Texas.

HASKELL, TEXAS.

AND LAND AGENT.

ATTORNEY - AT - LAW.

OSCAR MARTIN,

Mr. and Mrs. E. Roberts of Millercreek attended church at this place Sunday.

Go and see the well selected stock of dry goods and clothing at Johnson Bros.

Mr. S. H. Johnson and R. C. Lomax left Tuesday to attend the Fair at Abilene.

D. R. Gass will have a car load of best quality of flour in stock in a few days.

There are several cases of fever in the city, but none of the patients are dangerously ill.

J. F. Cunningham passed through the city Sunday on his way to Throckmorton.

School Books, and school supplies are sold at Bass Bros at Abilene Texas. Call on them.

Mrs. Paterson, daughter of Mr. W. O. Ballar, has returned to her home in Missouri.

The enterprising Johnson Bros. are filling their house with a select stock of crisp new goods.

Prof. Christopher, Mr. J. H. Carter and H. R. Jones Esq. have been up on the Salt Fork interviewing the people.

If you want to buy the best Sewing machine in the west for the least money, see W. A. Flint & Co., Abilene.

Mr. Wm. Ward was in the city this week. As has been his custom he came around and paid his subscription in cash.

An immense line of Gloves, Gents Underwear, Overshirts, Dress Shirts, Hats, Shoes and Clothing at Johnson Bros.

The Methodist Quarterly Conference was held here last Saturday night by Presiding Elder Wallace.

Geo. Clayton will sell you more Dry Goods and Groceries for the money than any merchant in Abilene.

Mrs. S. E. Norris accompanied by Mr. John Norris' little boys has gone to Waco where they will make their future home.

If you want bargains in Dry Goods and Groceries, go to Geo. Clayton's, on Chesnut Street, Abilene.

Gov. Vaughan a candidate for county commissioner of Precinct No. One of Jones county, was in the city Saturday.

See W. A. Flint & Co., Abilene, for Furniture. They have the largest stock in North West Texas.

Don't forget when you visit Abilene that the Druggists Bass Bros carry a large stock of school books and school supplies, and sell low.

D. M. Winn keeps the best old fashion Virginia Natural Leaf tobacco in town, when you want a good chew call round and try it.

Several thousand cattle were driven through town Sunday. They belonged to ranches North of this county.

M. PORTER, Abilene, Tex.

H. R. Jones Esq. killed a fine vintson on the Salt Fork the other.

The county has been visited by numerous prospectors this week. Several of them have bought land and will make this their home.

BORN: To Mr. and Mrs. Bullock Fields, on last Thursday night, a bouncing red-headed ten-pound boy.

Don't camp out when you come to town or go home with a candidate, but put up at the City Hotel.

Capt. J. S. Williams has returned from Bosque county where he had been as an attached witness.

Messrs. F. M. Morion and E. Roberts started to Abilene Monday for lumber to build a school house in their neighborhood.

F. P. Margan Esq., C. D. Long and W. J. Sowell left Tuesday for Abilene to attend the District fair.

To arrive at Geo. Clayton's about Oct. 1st, a large and well selected stock of Dry Goods, Notions and Millinery. Chesnut St. Abilene.

Miss Mollie Springer accompanied by her brother Mr. Ed Springer went to Abilene Wednesday. Miss Mollie will be absent for several weeks.

Mr. E. Hill carried his wool to Abilene the other day, and shipped it to a firm in Philadelphia. He secured an advance of nine cents per pound.

Sattas, Woisteds, Gingham, Seersuckers, Twills, Novelty Cards, Linsey, Shambray, and numerous other dress goods just received at Johnson Bros.

Mr. J. A. Tucker attended the convention at Waco, and from his description of the same it must have been one of the grandest political rallies ever had in the South.

Mr. Robinson says the Panthers have killed and eaten a hundred colts up on Salt Croton in Stone-wall county, this year. The ranchmen are offering \$10.00 reward for their scalps.

Mr. Dump Long, brother of citizen C. D. Long has returned from Wyoming where he went with a herd of beaves about sixteen months ago. He says the winters there are cold for him.

Sellie all colors, velvet all colors, creton, cotton checks, cotton stripes, waterproof, red and white flannels, cotton flannels and a large variety of like goods at Johnson Bros.

We call special attention to F. P. Morgan's double column ad in this issue. Mr. Morgan is a live land agent and knows the worth of printers ink. You could do no better than to place your land in his hands for sale.

Judge Cuckrell passed through Haskell Thursday on his way from Throckmorton to Anson. He says the Grand Jury of Throckmorton county returned four felony indictments. They charged

We have just opened up a beef market at the old market stand and will keep fresh meats constantly on hand. Steak will be sold at 7 cents and Roast at 5 cents per pound. Respectfully, BECKNELL & WATERS.

Mr. Alexander Cook passed through Haskell Thursday with a bale of seed cotton belonging to Mrs. Geo. Cook. that he was taking to Albany to have ginned. Mrs. Cook will make from one half to three fourths of a bale per acre.

Flint & Co., Abilene, want to exchange the best sewing machine in the world for cotton with which to make mattresses. They will allow you a good price for your cotton.

Mr. J. W. Robinson who has been a citizen of Haskell for some time has moved to Oado Texas. Before he left he came around and subscribed for the FREE PRESS, and in conversation with him he expressed himself as being very grateful to the people for their kind treatment when his family was sick. He also thanked the FREE PRESS for courtesies extended, and seemed to regret the necessity of leaving so good a people. In him Haskell county loses a good stockman and citizen.

Don't forget when you go to the Fair at Abilene that E. L. Ritch, the Jeweler, located next to the post-office, has the prettiest and newest line of Jewelry in the place, which he sells lower than any other house and besides, for every \$2.00 worth of Jewelry you buy or for Watch and Jewelry Repairing he gives you a chance at a gold watch worth \$15.00, either gents or ladies size. Call on him, we guarantee he will treat you right. 9-29-1m

To the voters of Haskell county, Texas: I most respectfully call your attention to my announcement in this issue of the FREE PRESS, as a candidate for reelection to the office of County and District Clerk of this county. I wish to thank the people for the honor and trust they have conferred and reposed upon and in me heretofore, and if they have found me a worthy and efficient servant, I shall be very thankful for the acknowledgement of same by reelection. Respectfully, J. L. JONES.

I will pay you the highest market price for your Cotton and Grain and sell you goods cheaper than any one in Abilene. Call and see me. GEO. CLAYTON.

Capt. A. Cummings' team ran away with his wagon loaded with wood the other day, and they did not stop in their wild career until they had landed a broad sider into our sanctum with the end of the wagon tongue. The Captain was not at his post when the collision occurred, but had been previously dislodged without injury.

We have withstood the vile vituperation of non esteemed contemporaries, and successfully evaded the assaults of those who coveted our craniological covering, without any severe strain of our physical and moral courage, but when our quiet sanctum is so suddenly attacked, and a wagon and team is landed into its side, when we are busily engaged in enlightening the world, we must confess we tremble for our safety, and turned a hue pailer. Fortunately no damage was done except a hole was knocked in the side of the building.

Just Arrived

The largest and best stock of Ready Made Clothing in town at the lowest figures. Call and see and price. No end to California pants, hats and boots of every description, can fit any one from 6 year old boy to the largest man in town. D. R. GASS.

Mr. Bedford of Benjamin who was in the city Saturday, caught Capt. Cummings' run away team just before they struck our sanctum, and succeeded in checking them some or they might have done more than run the wagon tongue through the wall.

Adair & Clark, Jewelers, Abilene Texas. The largest stock of Diamond Watches, Clocks, Jewelry and silverware west of Fort Worth. We are the only house in Abilene who carry a full stock of everything in the Jewelry line. We will discount prices of any house who is a legitimate dealer East or West North or South. We do any kind of repair work, and only ask you to give us a trial if your watch or clock is out of repair.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

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. FOR SALE BY DRUGGISTS.

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Abilene Tex., Oct. 3, 4 and 5,

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THE FAIR we mean may not be altogether the FAIR you understand, but

the fair quality, fair quantity and FAIR prices of our fair stock of

GROCERIES

Cannot fail to make a fair impression on your fair minds when you visit us and the Fair is the fair city of Abilene next October.

You will be here, of course. You should be, you must be. We offer our premiums. We would like you to get at least one of them.

Read this: For the best article of wheat bread, we offer a premium of 100 pounds of Abilene Fancy Patent Flour. For choicest production of Irish potatoes, one Whittaker Star ham. Finest exhibit to make Kaffir corn, Durro, corn, etc., five pounds good tea.

Most excellent article of sour pickles, a five-gallon keg of vinegar (Roberts & Mackechney's own make and GUARANTEED ABSOLUTELY PURE FRUIT VINEGAR).

New isn't this fair isn't it? Send us for pamphlets giving portion laws of, and rules governing the FAIR and we will mail them to you free of charge. Our fair advice is come to the FAIR. Bring everything of a fair nature; it may command a fair premium. Everybody and everything will be on a boom; even the railroad, because there are, which will be reduced to half fare.

You have no excuse—come. Bundle up the fair women, gather up the fair children, get your fair self in shape, and make a fair showing of

The Fair, Abilene, Texas, October 3, 4 and 5.

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The Kicker Man.

We take the following from the last issue of the Arizona Kicker:
A New Departure.—Next week we shall begin the publication of agricultural department in the Kicker, thus making a year's subscription ten times as valuable as at present, without increasing the cost to subscribers. We have made arrangements with a tenderfoot who struck the town without a cent to take charge of the new department. He is a sailor by trade, and we now have him out in the country learning the difference between a coyote and a Hubbard squash. He may make a few blunders on go-off, as he sticks to it that potatoes ought to grow on trees, and that wheat grows on the wrong end too, but he is a hummer and will get there by and by. Remember, this department does not increase the subscription price at all. We are simply trying to publish a paper worth \$100 per year for \$2.

Come Again.—If there is a more courteous gentleman in all the great west than Col. Dubig we should like his address. We referred to the Colonel the other day as an unshiny thief. It was only our way but he took exceptions and called at the office on Tuesday and knocked us down. The blow was delivered in the most genteel manner, and was not accompanied with any verbal utterances to shock our sensibilities. Neither did the Colonel gouge our eyes or chew our ears after we were down. He was cool, calm and composed, and we freely admit that we got up with an increase of fifty per cent. in respect for him. Our nose was skinned, and we knocked an auction bill into "pl" as we fell, but we have no grudge to satisfy. The Colonel could do no less, and we are thankful he did no more. We shall be pleased to see him again.

Not Disappointed.—The Common Council has awarded the city printing to the Weekly Tom Cat, as was expected, and that discharging a sheet is giving us the crowd. We are not disappointed. We put in the lowest bid, and we have the largest circulation, but the aldermen owed us one. The Kicker has recorded and exposed them as forgers, thieves and gamblers, and they do not think of us with kindness. And, too, they were under lasting obligations to the rasbored, knocked-kneed, cross-eyed, bow-backed old huss who runs the opposition paper. He has not been a member of the last grand jury every mother's son of 'em would have gone to prison. We have no tears to shed, gentlemen. You are on top now, but wait a few weeks. We are working up your pedigrees, and Billy Pinkerton is coming this way in October!

Him Go.—J. Y. Z. Hopkins, a young fellow known to our citizen as "Young Crowbar of the Rock," was at the office yesterday and had his paper, because, as "Him," "had no literary." We are glad to be rid of

him. He hasn't got brains enough to appreciate a good thing when it is held under his nose. No literary merit! Great Scott, but how some people are built! We have been looking over the last three numbers, and we find that they average three murders; two hangings, five robberies, two shipwrecks and two shipwrecks each, and 'catimonies of those who have been cured of consumption, gout and rheumatism are not slow reading by any means. While we are glad to see Mr. Hopkins go, we shall keep an eye on his future movements. If he has escaped from some eastern idiot asylum our people ought to know it.

Thanks.—Our thanks are due Mrs. Gen. Shiff for a peck of beautiful onions, sent in a day or two ago. Also, Mrs. Judge Hendricks for six toothsome sandwiches and a dozen pickles. Also, to Maj. Hays for two pounds of butter and a slice of ham. It is generally known that we board ourselves and our friends via with each other in loading our table with delicacies. We pity the man without friends.

P. S.—Subscribers will please excuse the looks of the Kicker this week. The two pounds of butter mentioned above got mixed with our ink by accident, causing the latter to run too freely. We have added some pulverized clay to the lot and expect the ink to stiffen up before our next issue.

Backed by Uncle Sam.

Gainesville, Tex., Sept. 28.—Gov. Arthur Gay left Paul's Valley Wednesday night with eighty armed men and marched all night, arriving at Tishomingo at 7 a. m. Thursday. He immediately took his oath as Governor of the Chickasaws. It is reported that the United States government has recognized Gay as Governor and has ordered troops from Fort Sill to his assistance.

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A Sensible Man.

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BANK ROBBER IN SOC

He Buys a Texas Farm With His Stolen Money.

TRINIDAD, Col., Sept. 27.—Sheriff McGee of Hempfling county, Texas, and Sheriff Parsons of Bent county came in on this morning's Fort Worth and Denver train, having in custody Isaac T. Anderson, the man who robbed the La Junta bank on the 14th of July of \$3600. Anderson is an old desperado and has broken jail twice. It is reported that Anderson spent the money purchasing a farm in Texas and placed his mother in charge. McGee will receive the \$500 reward offered by the bank directors. Anderson was taken this afternoon to jail at Las Animas.



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