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THE ABSHER-BAKER FIGHT,

In which Cane, Pistol and Dog-teeth Figured.

One of the Combatants Shot Twice and the Other Badly Disfigured by the Cane and Dog.

CORSICANA, Tex., March 31.—A brief account appeared on the 29th in regard to altercation between Deputy Sheriff Absher and Dick Baker, near the Drane on the morning of 28th, over a small amount Absher claimed Baker owed him as a part premium on a life insurance policy. The following is Deputy Sheriff Absher's account of the difficulty:

"When I transferred my allegiance from the insurance company to that of the county, I requested Mr. Baker to name a time when it would be convenient for him to liquidate the balance. Mr. Baker said he thought he would be in the city on Saturday to settle the matter, but if from any reason he was unable to keep that appointment, then I should call at Mr. Robinson's place on the day following (Tuesday) and he would leave the money for me. Mr. Baker failed to keep his Saturday appointment, and calling at Mr. Robinson's I found that he had not been there either. Thereupon I mounted my horse and rode out to Mr. Baker's farm, arriving there about 9 o'clock.

"Noticing a team plowing in a field hard by as I neared Mr. Baker's place, I rode only to find that it was Mr. Baker's hired man guiding the plow and not the object of my search. Returning to the house and dismounting from my horse I was met by Mr. Baker armed with an ordinary walking cane who, with an oath demanded what I had gone over to his hired man for when he (Baker) was in the house. I replied that I thought it was him (Baker) at work in the field. Baker replied that I had lied and he knew it, and he had made up his mind never to pay the amount due. Coupling the assertion with an oath and apitheat more forcible than elegant he began to advance on me, raising the stick as he did so in a threatening manner. I backed off and asked him what he meant by such language, at the same time warning him to keep off and not to strike me or I would shoot him in self defense.

"The words were hardly out of my mouth when Baker dealt me a terrible blow with the stick, which I warded off, catching it on my left arm and almost paralyzing that member. I continued to back off and gained the middle of the road when Baker swung his stick again, this time striking me on the forehead just above the left temple, cutting me to the skull. The blow sent me reeling over and over, ten feet away. Quickly jumping to my feet and drawing my revolver, a 44-caliber Colt, I up and fired at close range, shooting Baker through the left shoulder. Baker seized me when I fired again, shooting him through the left groin.

"We then closed in a deadly struggle and I fell underneath, but managed to turn him over and get on top, when Mrs. Baker rushed from the house and calling her two dogs 'sicked' them on me. The brutes almost denuded me, while Mrs. Baker vigorously administered all the punishment possible in the now uneven contest of one man against a man, a woman and two vicious curs. I got loose from Baker's death-like grip and beat off the two dogs. While I was catching my horse Mrs. Baker assisted her husband in the punishment received from the hands of Baker, offered to ride to the nearest doctors for the sake of saving my antagonist's life. Mrs. Baker spurned the humane offer and rushing to the field dispatched the hired man for Dr. Bryan of Grange Hall and Dr. Burnham of Barry.

When Absher arrived here on his horse he was a pitiful sight to behold, and the doctor who dressed his wounds, feared the man's skull was fractured.

The Commission's Work.

Hillsboro Reflector.
Mr. E. Vanwinkle, of Atlanta, Ga., who recently proved himself, at least to the satisfaction of the people of Hillsboro, a thorough business man, having within two days organized a company and made all necessary arrangements for putting in a cotton-seed oil mill here, gave testimony as follows to a Ft. Worth Gazette Reporter of the value of a railroad commission.

The Gazette Man fell in with Mr. E. Vanwinkle, of Atlanta, Ga., yesterday, and obtained particulars of the establishment of a big cotton-seed oil mill, which is reported elsewhere. While talking about this new industry, politics of course, was brought in by one of the party present, and the merits of Hogg and Clark came up.

"I am no politician," said Mr. Vanwinkle, "I am a business man. I live in Georgia, and don't know much about Texas politics, Hogg or Clark, but let me say this: It will be the saddest day for Texas that ever dawned when you let the politicians abolish the railroad commission or emasculate it."

"You are a pretty strong commission man then?" ventured the reporter.

"Yes; I am a commission man. I have seen its workings in Georgia and it has been the salvation of the local industries of that state. To bring the matter home, young man, I will say that this cotton seed oil mill that I am going to put in is all on account of that railroad commission.

It can protect me, and I am not afraid to put my money in Texas industries.—but not a cent would I have put here if there had been no commission.

"Now I am going to tell you a piece of history. A cotton seed oil mill was built in 1884. I had an interest in it, and a number of Ft. Worth men put their money in it, and the money is there yet. That mill was crushed out by the cotton seed oil trust, like all other mills in Texas that were not in the trust, and it was by the means of the railroads that the trust was able to do this.

The trust represented that it owned all the mills in Texas and would handle all the cotton seed and made special rates with the roads. To illustrate: The trust, by virtue of the 'blanket rates' and other railroad devices, shipped seed from Denison through Ft. Worth to Galveston for the same price that the seed could be laid down for in Ft. Worth. Then when we made the oil, we had to pay additional freight on it and the oil cake for shipment to Galveston for re-shipment to Europe, where most of the shipment went. Thus paying double freight, we could not compete with the trust and had to close. That was the history of every independent mill in Texas.

"Within two years from the time of the establishment of the railroad commission in Georgia there were twenty or more oil mills in operation, which could not otherwise have existed. The mileage rates superseding blanket rates, built these mills. It put all mills on an equal footing, and that busted the 'trust'."

"That, sir, it is not alone the cotton seed oil mills that thrive under the commission, but all local industries. Cotton seed oil mills are springing up all over Texas and where properly managed are profitable. Kill your railroad commission, or render it useless, and you kill these industries.

"That is why I am for the commission," said Mr. Vanwinkle. This gentleman is a large manufacturer of cotton ginning and other machinery in Atlanta, Ga. and is

interested in a number of cotton seed oil mills throughout the south. His words have a meaning that cannot be misunderstood.

TERRILL'S SIDE.

Gen. Hardeman Writes of the Austin Man's Record During the Late Civil War.

AUSTIN, Tex., April 2.—Gen. Wm. P. Hardeman gave the following to the reporters to-day as a vindication of Judge A. W. Terrill from charges recently made against him.

AUSTIN, Tex., March 31, 1892.
Sixteen years ago I wrote to Col. John C. Robertson and received the following answer. My letter and his answer were without the knowledge of A. W. Terrill.

Wm. P. HARDENAN.
TYLER, TEX., July 18, 1876.

Gen. Wm. P. Hardeman:
MY DEAR SIR—Your favor dated the 19th inst. reached me in proper time, but I could not answer you sooner on account of suffering from a painful disease.

I appreciate your high sense of justice in calling on me to make you a statement of the facts and circumstances under which Col. A. W. Terrill became separated at the battle of Pleasant Hill. Either from envy or malice, injustice has been done Col. Terrill about this affair, for I assure you he could not have been censured by anybody who knew the facts.

I will not give you an account in detail of the movements and skirmishes of Col. Terrill's regiment, but I come at once to the position of the regiment at the time Col. Terrill was separated from it. It was late in the afternoon near sundown, when our regiment was ordered in great haste to the extreme right of the confederate line of battle. I should rather have said your brigade—composed of your regiment and Terrill—were so ordered. They were dismounted and moved in double-quick along the neighborhood road. The direction of this road was at right angles with the Federal line of battle. Terrill's regiment was in front; he was at the head of the column; an open field on the left and a dense thicket on the right. The head of the column crossed a branch about fifty yards from where the brigade was halted by you. They were held there in ambush a few minutes for the Federals were advancing in the old field, and the Confederate infantry were slowly falling back. When the Federal left flank became opposite to our brigade they poured a galling fire into their flanks and checked their advance. The Federal second line of battle reached much further to the left than the first, and covered our position. This was also advancing. During all this time Col. Terrill was on his horse on the right of his regiment. About this time you came up to the left of the regiment where I was. I should have stated that the road on which the brigade was aligned made an abrupt bend down the branch thus throwing one company, to wit: Cap J. F. Warren's out of the view of the balance of the regiment by reason of the dense thicket of the woods and the road. Col. Terrill was with that part of the regiment occupied by Capt. Warren's company, which was on the extreme right and nearest to the enemy's line or second line of battle.

When you came up to me and asked me, "What troops are those?" pointing to the line of cavalry in our rear about one hundred yards distant. They were slowly approaching through the thicket; we could see them by reason of their being high upon the side of the hill. I looked through my field glasses and told you they were the enemy's or Federal cavalry. You then said, "Move out your regiments; we are encompassed on three sides." I saw or perhaps you remarked we would all be

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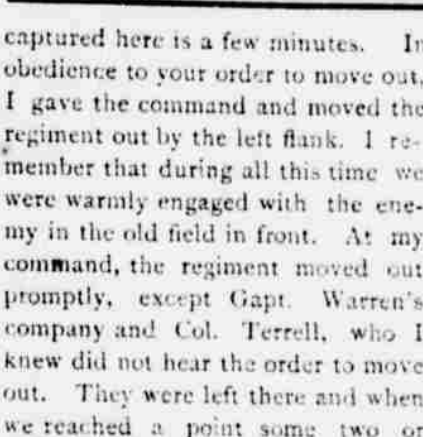
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CHARGES AGAINST BOURKE.

General Stanley Makes a Report to the Department.

WASHINGTON, March 31.—Gen. Stanley, commanding the department of Texas, has made a report to Gen. Schofield, in regard to the case of Capt. J. M. Bourke of the third cavalry, from which it appears the charges against that officer in connection with the Garza campaign are preferred by Mexican citizens who, though residing in Texas, disavow any allegiance to the United States. Notwithstanding this fact and the further fact that they aided Garza' band in the insurrection against the Mexican government they assert they are entitled to the protection of this government. Stanley added these men are now being prosecuted by civil authorities of Texas for violation of neutrality laws.

Gen. Schofield this afternoon had submitted the case to the secretary of war with the recommendation that no action be taken by the military authorities in regard to the charges against Capt. Bourke until after the conclusion of the civil proceedings against his accusers.

It Stimulates Trade.

Here is a new way to stimulate business. An Indianapolis druggist found a nickle on the floor of his store. Being an honest man he put this notice on his window: "A sum of money found on Tuesday last in this establishment. The owner will receive the same within upon describing the money." Hundreds and hundreds of people have since called and announced the loss of money. Their respective losses range from \$2 to \$1,500. No one has announced the loss of a five cent piece. All who have called, spent money in the store, chiefly for cigars. A merry twinkle glitters in the honest druggist's eye as he looks at the pocket-piece which has brought him so much trade.

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The name of candidates for the several offices, will appear in the Week in the order in which they announce.

Announcement Column.

We are Authorized to announce the following gentlemen as candidates for the offices mentioned below:

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H. S. POST.

J. M. HAGARD.

FOR COUNTY TREASURER.

JASPER MILLHOLLON.

A. R. DAVIS.

GEORGIA was the first southern state to adopt the railroad commission and to day she leads the south in home manufactures.

THE Railway Age of New York says that there are 21 companies in Texas that have an aggregate of 1071 miles of railroad under way and projected to be built in Texas this year.

New York has a railroad commission and has had for years. Now we would ask why the capital of New York has not got frightened and taken its flight to some non commission state.

HASKELL, TEX.; April 4th, 1892. Martin Bros., publishers, HASKELL FREE PRESS, SIST.—I have to request that you publish in the next issue of the Haskell FREE PRESS the statement hereto attached, together with this letter. The original statement can be seen by you at anytime by calling upon the First National Bank, wherein it has been deposited.

Respectfully,
Ed. J. Hamner.

"We the undersigned citizens of Haskell hereby certify that we heard the speech of Ed. J. Hamner at the court house Friday night March 26, which is commented on in the issue of the FREE PRESS dated April 1, and in that speech Mr. Hamner in no wise reflected on the personal character of Mr. Oscar Martin, but spoke of him as an honorable gentleman and a personal friend. Mr. Hamner's speech was able and exhaustive, and his arraignment of the present administration was pungent, pithy and powerful, and cannot be answered by a personal attack upon Mr. Hamner's character. No mud slinging nor low, nor dirty epithets were used by Mr. Hamner, and his able speech was listened to attentively; and every one in the audience remained until he finished.

"The attack upon him in the FREE PRESS is totally unwarranted and uncalled for, and without foundation. Mr. Hamner is well known to all of us as a high toned, honorable gentleman of unimpeachable veracity and honor and is one of our best citizens.

A. P. McLemore, J. D. Warren,
R. A. Mason, J. E. Lindsey,
W. E. Sherrill, J. G. Simmons,
S. L. Robertsen, F. W. Park,
D. M. Winn, F. L. McGregor,
C. A. Norris, W. M. Townes.

We are glad to see Mr. Hamner's faithful followers rally to his support. You gentlemen have a right to your opinions. We have been congratulated by so many citizens upon our remarks concerning Mr. Hamner, that we have not the heart to reply or even get up a controverting statement in reply to the foregoing. We know that your statements will do us no harm, there were so many who heard Mr. Hamner's speech concerning us that it is not really necessary that we make these comments, except that the public naturally expect some sort of a reply.

We never strike an enemy when he is down, to reply to the above statement would necessarily involve Mr. Hamner. We are not inclined to keep up a controversy with him though he himself has requested the statement to be published.

It is within our power to present the signers of the foregoing statement in a very ridiculous light, and were it not for the humane feeling we bear toward Mr. Hamner we would certainly do so.

We hope you gentlemen will give occasion in future for us to interest you on your own account, as we regret very much that you couldn't get into a controversy without intermeddling with the little picnic Mr. Hamner and myself had gotten up for our own pleasure and past-time.

Editor Free Press.

In Your last issue you stated that during Geo. Clark's term of office as Attorney-General, hundreds of thousands of acres of land were fraudulently granted to the railroads. That Clark kept silent and left it to Hogg to recover the lands by suit. Will you please state: 1st. When and to what railroads these lands were granted? 2nd. What Governor or Commissioner of the Land office issued the patents? 3rd. When did Hogg recover the lands? Who were parties to the suit? Where was the suit instituted and in what report can it be found?

Ed. J. Hamner.
In answer to the foregoing we will say that Mr. Hamner's questions cover a broad range of statistics and it would entail great expens upon us to answer as fully as we would like to do. This fact no one appreciates more than Mr. Hamner. We have not the money to travel to Austin to prepare the statistic, nor are we able to employ a reporter to do so, all of which being known to Mr. Hamner he took chances on our not being able to get facts to sustain our position and has made the assertion that Hogg never succeeded in recovering any land for the state while Attorney General, and tries to prevent an acceptable answer, by requiring detail statements that he knows could not be had without great trouble and expense. Hogg is the first Attorney General that ever attacked the grants of lands for siding to railroads by the executive officers of the state. During his term of office he brought a number of suits, some of them were finally decided and others were still pending when his term of office expired.

One of the most noted of these suits instituted by him was the suit filed by him in the name of the state vs the Galveston Harrisburg & San Antonio Ry Co, in Val Verde county to recover 619 sections of land granted to that company upon the recommendation of Gov. Coke, and Gov. Hubbard to the Gen. Land Commissioner while Geo. Clark was attorney general.

In this case the state recovered judgment in the lower court for the entire amount of land because the sections granted for sidings could not be distinguished from the ones granted for the main line, though it was agreed that 60 of the sections were granted for sidings. Upon appeal the supreme court decided that the railroad company had the right to designate the sections granted for siding and that the state could only cancel the patents to the 60 sections granted for sidings. The case was reversed with such instructions to the lower court that the state recovered 38400 acres of land fraudulently granted and patented by the commissioner and governor under whose administration Clark was attorney general. It is true that Hogg's term of office expired before the supreme court passed on the case, but Hogg had done the work that saved this land to the people. This case is reported in Vol. 17, No. 1, page 67 South Western Reporter.

We have not tried to furnish any further evidence of Hogg's faithful discharge of duty, we think this will knock the wind out of your assertions, and we conclude with a quotation from a speech by our present land commissioner made at Cleburne last Monday.

"FELLOW-CITIZEN—The great fight is between the people and the railroads. We are all for a government of the people. We do not want to injure these great arteries of trade and commerce. We can't spare them from our country, but, fellow-citizens, who is willing to deligate to them the power to make our laws? Do they ever consider your side of the question? Do they ever ask us how much freight they ought to charge us when shipping our products? No. You never know what your rate bills are till called upon to pay them. The commission is an unbiased court acting between the people and the corporations. They can't afford to injure either, for the people would hold them responsible on one hand and the courts on the other." They are controlled by law, and must obey that under a solemn oath. I have nothing to say of men. It is measures of great vitality that we should consider.

To show you that I am friendly to railroads I will relate a little incident that occurred between my home road and the state government. The Fort Worth and Rio Grande failed to make an annual report to the comptroller through the sickness of the secretary. They were fined \$2000 as the law directed in a mandatory manner. I worked with the powers that be till the fine was remitted. That is a guide. But have the railroads always treated us as kind in return? We have given them 38,000,000 acres of land, besides millions of money in right of way, etc., and when they got these lands they did not stop at this gift, but took 1,250,000 more unlawfully for sidings and turnout, but your governor brought suit, and since I went into office we have recovered all of this land and more too. A block of land 270 miles on each side was given. They added 1,250,000 more for luck. This has been returned for homes for the people."

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Fair View.

Crop prospects are good. Some think corn will have to be replanted.

Mrs. Ed. Jopling went to Jones county to visit her relatives this week.

Miss Ida Tanner lost her gold bracelet last Friday evening.

Messrs Maxwell and Kelley have gone to Howard county prospecting.

Mr. Guest and family moved to Rayner last week.

Rev. D. James preached at this place Sunday morning.

Rev. Horn of Rayner preached at the Guest school house Sunday. Mr. Horn's appointment has been changed from the first Sunday to the third of every month.

Messrs Rush, Wilson, Hill and Hall of Wild Horse attended church meeting at this place Sunday eve.

Mr. B. Jopling went to Haskell Saturday.

Mr. Crabtree is planting cotton this week.

Several of our farmers have sown cotton seed.

If we have no big frosts there will be Irish potatoes enough raised in this community to supply this county.

JAKE.

THE LOVER'S LAMENT.

Your face is like a drooping flower:

Sweetheart!

I see you fading, hour by hour,

Sweetheart!

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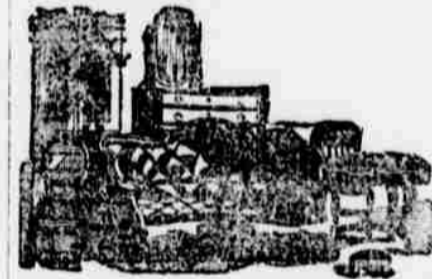
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—The prairie is looking fresh and green.
—Canned hams at Courtwright & Collins' for 12½ cents.
—Call and see the new Jewelry J. E. Glover is receiving.
—We had a nice little shower this week.
New York Early Rose seed potatoes at Luck & Taylor, Seymour.
—Ladies see those nice oxford ties at Dodson & Halsey's before buying elsewhere.
—Geo. Mason has gone to San Angelo.
—Spring Stock of Dry Goods still arriving at F. G. Alexander & Co's.
—Buy your drugs from McLemore this year.
—Just received, a car load of can goods, at Courtwright & Collins.
—R. M. Dickenson has gone to Seymour on business.
—Our Mr. R. E. Martin made a business trip to Abilene this week.
—Dodson & Halsey have just received a handsome line of embroideries in Hamburg Nainsooks and swissishingle designs matched sets and flouncings.
—WINE OF CARDUI, a Tonic for Women.
—McLemore's is the place to buy your drugs this year.
—When you want something good to eat, go to Courtwright & Collins.
—Quite a crowd attended the exhibition given by Prof. J. W. Merchant, at the close of his school on Paint creek last Friday.
—In this issue we announce J. M. Hagar as a candidate for the office of Tax assessor. Mr Hagar is a thorough business man and qualified to fill the office.
—First class shave at the West Side Barber Shop. Call and try one.
The tables of the Lindell Hotel are weighed down with choice dishes.
—Luck & Taylor keep Jersey Lilly flour, the best on earth, Seymour.
—Grand Easter opening Thursday, Friday and Saturday before Easter. Ladies Emporium.
—You can buy more goods from Luck & Taylor for the cash than any house in Seymour.
—M. S. Pierson and wife left Monday to attend the re-unin at New Orleans.
—McLemore can save you money by buying drugs from him this year. McLemore's WINE OF CARDUI for female diseases.
—Call and see D. R. Gass' new Stock of Goods. Just come in, Black Lawns, Henrietta, White Lawns etc.

—Mr Wm Fox has sold his property at this place, and will move to Floyd county.
—You can get more Goods at D. R. Gass & Son for \$1.00 than any other place in town.
—Miss Mattie Preston has returned from an extended visit to relatives at Terrill.
—Dodson & Halsey beg to announce to their old customers and the general trade that they have resumed business at their old stand West side square, where they would be pleased to see them all. They are showing the nicest, cleanest and best selected stock of goods ever brought to Haskell.
—Mr. J. J. Crabtree reports wheat and oats in his neighbourhood as doing fine. He and his son have broken 130 acres of old land, 24 acres of sod. Sowed 45 acres in oats, 18 acres in sorghum and planted 12 acres in corn.
—Mess. Irby & Phillips will visit Haskell again this summer with their camera. These gentlemen are first-class artists and have given their patrons entire satisfaction.
—BLACK-DRAUGHT tea cures Constipation.
—Prof. J. W. Merchant, left Monday for Austin where he calculates attending the University and taking a special course in pedagogy and the natural sciences.
—Ladies gauze vests 12½ cents to one dollar each at Dodson & Halsey.
Look to Your Interest
Don't fail to see the Spring Stock of Dry Goods at F. G. Alexander & Co. before placing your bill.
Try BLACK-DRAUGHT tea for Dyspepsia.
—For an easy shave call at the Parsons' Barber Shop.
—In this weeks issue, in another column, will be found the announcement of Mr. A. R. Davis as a candidate for County Treasurer. Mr. Davis has been an honest upright citizen during our acquaintance with him.
—We would call the attention of the ladies of Haskell to our new line of Spring wash goods in prints, ginghams, zephyrs, zephyr ginghams, saccarappa, china silk effects chantilly muslins, Persian mulls, etc. A look at these goods will repay you well for the time so spent.
Dodson & Halsey.
\$100,000.00
To loan on lands at low rate of interest and on long time.
S. H. JOHNSON.
—Our Fancy Patent, Straight Patent and Violet Flour is warranted equal to the best northern brands. For sale by the leading Grocers of Haskell. The best cash prices paid for wheat. Liberal exchanges.
Albany Milling Co.
—McLemore's WINE OF CARDUI for Weak Nerves.
—When in Albany, call on John Shrum & Co. they will sell Groceries as cheap as any one in Albany.
Hay \$13.50 per ton.
Corn 57 cents per bushel.
Oats 48 cents per bushel.
Early Amber Cane Seed \$1.25 per bu.
Seed Potatoes \$1.00 per bushel.
Flour, Bran, Meal etc. Cheap for Cash.

THE PALACE DRUG STORE'S.

GREETING:

This space will hereafter be devoted to the interest of the PALACE DRUG STORE, and I ask all those who feel an interest in the well being of themselves and their fellow man, to peruse the lines closely and see if there is not some things mentioned for which you have been looking, and I will take pleasure in entertaining you every time you shall come this way.
Hoping to see You Soon.

I am most respectfully yours,
SEVERE FROST.

—The work on the new court house is beginning to show.
—Just in at Dodson & Halsey's, Bedford cords, India mixtures and Henriettas on new spring shades.
—The Blue Lodge meets to-night (9th inst) at the hall over the Palace Drug Store.
—We have just received a nice line of Clothing, Hats, and Shoes and we propose selling cheaper than ever. Also a full line of Perkatine Lawns, Mulls, Ladies Dress Goods, Embroideries and Laces.
D. R. Gass & Son,
—Those who have had their photographs taken and who have not called for them can get same by calling at A. P. McLemore's drug store.
Respectfully,
Irby & Phillips.
Bruce Smith went out after a load of wood the other day and an eagle came down and made several passes at his team; whereupon he (Bruce) seized a rock and killed the eagle. Bruce showed us one of its talons which, when open, spans 8¼ inches.
—Style at a moderate price, is what the Ladies Emporium has. Dress Goods of all kinds from 5 cts to 12½ cts, Ginghams from 5 cts to 12½ cts, Shoes from 30 cts to \$4.50. Hats from 25 cts to \$15.00.
—Leave your orders and make all inquiry concerning the Seymour hack line at the postoffice.
RUPE & SPRINGER.
—There will be a penny social at the residence of Mrs. F. G. Alexander, Tuesday evening April 12th 1892, given under the auspices of the Ladies Aid Society of the Methodist Church. Music, recitations and games of different kinds will be the order of the evening. This Penny social is adapted to the old as well as the young, so let everyone come and have a good social time.
Mrs. H. G. McConnell,
Secretary.
—The office of tax-assessor is one of the most important offices in this county, and said office should be filled by a man who is worthy and well qualified, and just here we are authorized to announce Mr. Henry Post as a candidate for that office. Mr. Post has been in Haskell County ever since its organization. He is well acquainted with the county affairs, and will work to secure its best needs. His qualifications are all that can be asked. He has taken a thorough course in Hills Business College, of Waco, and is otherwise practically qualified to perform the duties of said office. Mr. Post is a young man of polished character, He is energetic and strictly honest. We are glad to announce Mr. Post for assessor, and further state that a better man, and one more qualified for said office cannot be found in Haskell County.

Abilene Dry Goods Co.

While in Abilene, don't fail to see the

New Spring and Summer Goods,
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We have not got the space here to give you prices, but come and see us, and you will be surprised to see how cheap we are selling.

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Come and see us. Yours anxious to please.

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BASS BROS.' DOG POISON.

Cooley Brothers of Jones county, scalped 1866 Prairie Dogs which they had killed with \$5.00 worth of Bass' Poison.—Mr. Echols of the same county, scalped 227 which he had killed with about one half of a \$1 bottle. For sale by A. P. McLemore, Haskell Texas

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To my Friends in Haskell, Co.—
While in Seymour call and examine my Prices on Saddlery and Harness Goods.
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N. Main St. Seymour Texas

McElree's Wine of Cardui and THEFORD'S BLACK-DRAUGHT are for sale by the following merchants in A. P. McLemore, Haskell, Tex. Palace Drug Store, V

—On last Thursday morning Mr. Tobe Overstreet, a barber was seen walking over the prairie north of town by Hugh Rogers and some other boys, when suddenly he fell forward upon the ground. The boys went to him and when they arrived where he had fallen, he was dead. Mr. W. T. Hudson in the meantime passed close to the body on his horse, and while he said he saw a body of something he took it to be a yearling laying on the ground, he did not notice close enough to discern it was a man. The boys called Mr Hudson who came to town and notified the coroner. Drs. Neathery & Bunkley examined the body and decided he died of apoplexy. Overstreet was seen around Posey's barber shop and the Star Saloon about two hours before he fell dead. We learn he had been drinking very hard for several days and was trying to sober up.
When found he was dressed neat and did not have the appearance of a debauchee. Kind christian hands gave him a decent burial, though he was almost a stranger in the town.
The circumstances surrounding this man's death should teach us to be prepared to die.

Horse Work

The general horse work will begin April 25th at the U— ranch.
W. J. WRIGHT,
J. D. WALKER.

SPANISH JACK IMPORTED.

I will stand my Jack this season beginning March 15th 1892, for \$8.00, one-half down and the balance when the fold comes. His colts can be seen at my farm.
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"If you have ten dollars to spend" said Barnum "spend one for the article and the other nine in advertising it." The old man knew a thing or two when it came to advertising. Barnum said to me some years ago: "I can out talk anybody on earth but the printer. The man who can stick type talk next morning to thousands of people while I am talking to one is the only man I am afraid of. I want him for my friend."

We make the following extract from a speech made by Sawnee Robertson before the democratic club at Cleburne.

"If any rate does an injustice to any railroad or any business the commission is always in session and as long as its personnel continues what it now is it will ever be ready to rectify its wrongs, correct its mistakes and without price or delay do even-handed justice to every interest it has power to affect.

On the other hand, suppose you take from the commission law the provisions to which Judge Clark objects; he proposes nothing to take its place. And what sort of law would you have left? It would be grand in one respect. It would be modified after the solar system, in which each planet performs its part in the cadence of the spheres in perfect independence of every other. The commission would have power to fix rates and the railroads would have power to disregard them. Sacred history affords a better illustration than astronomy. They would be like Daniel and the lions. The commission would not give a d— for the railroads and railroads would not give a d— for the commission. It is perhaps because Judge Clark wants this kind of a commission that his anti-commission comrades refuse to consider him an apostate—on the contrary still treat him as a brother.

Some of the main arguments against a commission have disappeared since this law was passed. Judge Clark has not said once in this campaign that the powers of government were blended in the commission; and we have never heard the insinuation that was current two years ago, that the railroads would buy up the commission since the grand old Roman John H. Ragan was appointed as a member of it.

But Judge Clark says that the commission ought not to be appointed by a governor of your selection. Two years ago he argued the power now vested in the railroad commission should remain in the hands of the railroad traffic managers, who were generally not citizens of the state, who took no oath, and in whose selection you had no sort of voice.

But what is this question? To a commission man the question is, which method will secure the best commissioners? To a man not in favor of the law the question is, which method will secure the poorest commissioners? For my part, whether I favor the election or appointment of the commissioners depends upon who is governor. We have seen what sort Gov. Hogg will choose, and as long as we have such a governor I am content to see the law remain as it is. But as the law can be as effectually killed by the commissioners as by the repeal, if I conceived it possible for Judge Clark to succeed in his race I would be in favor of an elective commission. And so I believe would be every friend to the law.

But how can such a question be made an issue in this campaign? If the commission is made elective by the next legislature the law could not have no practical effect until the end of next gubernatorial term. Judge Clark was of opinion at

Weatherford that he would remain in this race to the end, but I do not believe he will. If he does, however, what difference does it make in this campaign whether the commission to be chosen three years hence be elective or appointive? The strain to make this an issue is painful.

In conclusion, neither the railroad commission nor the fact that Mr. Hogg is governor is preventing the construction of railroads or deterring capital. An agreement antedating the commission has stopped railroad building in the entire southwest for five years. Except in a few towns where the ebb of the boom has runed some good men, the people of Texas are in good condition in spite of the low price of cotton. In spite of the paralyzing and desolating effects of the conspiracy of the money power, described by Judge Clark in his letter in the News of May 28, 1891, your banks have plenty of money, interest is low and the trade of the state never was more diligently sought by outside factories and wholesale merchants.

Your people are true and honest, your courts are pure and impartial, your laws are just and your executive officers are faithful and diligent. In no state in the union and in no country in the world are persons and property safer, or the rights of capital more sacred or more secure.

There is an element in the north and east which would control our congressional elections with a force bill, and the same or a similar element which would control our state elections by a threat to withhold capital. I would rather be ravished than seduced. I would rather, if they must go, be forced than bribed to surrender my rights as a free man. But if these rights are to be bartered away let us not part with them upon vague assurances, but let the price be fixed and paid let the contract be drawn and signed, and then let the list of our signatures be hung up in every penitentiary in the world.

The corporate powers of the state have combined and decreed that no man shall live who enforces the law against them, who subordinates their agencies to the state authority, who puts upon them the burden of the law. Under this decree James S. Hogg has forfeited to them his political life, and in this campaign you are called upon to surrender the victim.

Let us teach these powers that as mobs dare not lynch their victims in Texas, that in Texas fidelity to party promises and official oaths is praiseworthy and not a crime, and that in all this great state there is no corner of it where devotion to duty can be punished.

INDIAN TERRITORY

Negro Immigration.

TARKENTON, I. T., March 31. Some of the people of the river bottom districts of Arkansas played a good joke on the Cherokee nation when they shipped a steamboat load of their most worthless negroes into this country last night, unloading them near Ft. Gibson, destitute of both money and food and almost naked. There were nearly 100 of them, seemingly of the very lowest class and their story was that they had taken passage on the steamboat for Oklahoma; that they were dumped out at the mouth of Grand river during the night and told to go on their way rejoicing. The steamboat, as soon as all the deluded negroes disembarked, pulled out back down the river and this morning found them huddled on the bank nearly 200 miles short of their destination and without the necessary means of transportation to continue their journey.

Chief Harres was at once notified of the unwelcome presence of these ebony hued children of Ham and forthwith responded by going in person to the scene. He arranged with the railroad company to ship them on to Coffeeville, Kan., at the nation's expense—that seeming to be the only way to get rid of them. The citizens of Fort Gibson gladly joined the chief in his good work by furnishing wagons to haul the negroes and their plunder to the depot. Agent Bennett also lent his assistance and accom-

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panied them to Coffeeville. Chief Harres will render a bill against the Indian office for the expense of removing the negroes, and it is reasonably believed that the money thus expended will be refunded to the nation. The joke is now on Kansas and she will be heard from before long.

GOOD LOOKS
Good looks are more than skin deep, depending upon a healthy condition of all the vital organs. If the liver is inactive, you have a bilious look, if your stomach is disordered you have a dyspeptic look and if your kidney has affected you have a Pinch-d Look. Secure good health and you will have good looks. Electric Linctus is the great alternative and Tonic net directly on these vital organs. Cures Pimples, Boils and gives a good complexion. Sold at A. P. McNamee & Co. Druggists, St. Louis, Mo.

Haskell County.

Her Resources, advantages Progress and Future Prospects.

Topography, Water, Soil, Products, Shipping Points, Railroads, Public Schools and Mill Facilities.

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 Miami counties, and named in honor of Charles Haskell, a young Tennessean, who fell at the massacre at Goliad in 1836.

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

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

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

TOPOGRAPHY.

The county is an undulating plain with occasional crests and branches. It is bounded on the north by that picturesque stream the Salt Fork of the Brazos, and on the west by Double-Mountain Fork.

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

WATER.

It is traversed by numerous creeks and branches besides the rivers mentioned, some of which are fed by never failing springs of 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 Northwest 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 25 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 drains in the rainfall and for the like reason the soil readily drains itself of the surplus water, thereby preventing stagnation of the water and the baking of the soil, and the germination of miasma. It is those peculiar qualities of soil that enables vegetation to withstand all varieties of weather.

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

PRODUCTS.

Indian corn, wheat, oats, barley, rye,

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

YIELD AND PRICE OF FARM PRODUCTS.

The average yield of Indian corn per acre is about 35 bushels and the price varies from 50¢ to 1.25 per bushel, wheat yields from 18 to 30 bushels—averaging 25 bushels per acre, and sold in the home market for 90 cents to \$1.00 per bushel; oats yield 60 to 100 bushels per acre, and usually sell at 25 cents per bushel; cotton yields a half to three quarters of a bale per acre. Other crops make good yields and command corresponding prices. Home made pork is usually worth 6 to 8 cents per pound, fresh beef 4 to 6 cents; home made butter, sweet and delicious, usually sells at 25 cents per pound, chickens 15 to 25 cents each, and eggs 12 to 25 cents per dozen.

SHIPPING POINTS.

As yet Haskell has no railroad, and our people do their principal shipping to and from Abilene, a town 52 miles south, in Taylor county, on the Texas and Pacific railroad, Albany on the Texas Central 45 miles from Haskell on the southeast, and Seymour on the Wichita Valley road 45 miles northeast.

RAILROADS.

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

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

Haskell is 72 miles north of the T. & P. R. R. and 92 miles south of the Ft. W. & D. R. R. and is situated on the direct line of the cattle trail over which the Rook Island, and G. C. & S. F. propose to extend their lines.

PUBLIC SCHOOL.

Our school fund is perhaps the best of any country 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 15 years of our 4 leagues of school land, situated in the Panhandle, the revenue from which added to the amount received from the state gives us a fund amply sufficient to run the several schools of the county ten months in the year.

MAIL FACILITIES.

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

RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATIONS.

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

HASKELL.

The town of Haskell is the county site of, and is situated one and one half mile south of the center of Haskell county, on a beautiful table land, and is seven years old and has a population of 942. Has a good water as can be found anywhere, which is secured at a depth of 18 to 22 feet. Also has two never failing springs of pure water in the edge of town. The town of Haskell with her natural advantages, of location,

climate, good water and fertility of soil is destined in the near future to be the queen city of North 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 seeking safe and profitable investments of surplus capital. There are many others who have comfortable homes and are well contented, but who have children, whom they would like to provide with lands suitable for a home, and assist to commence business in life, but can not do so with their present surroundings, and must seek cheaper lands and better opportunities in other and newer localities.

To such we would say you are just the people we want. Come and see us, and you will find a broad field of occupation and investment to choose from, with chances greatly in your favor. In coming to Haskell do not imagine we are a people wild and woolly indigenous to these "western wilds," that we are loaded with dynamite and shooting irons, that our conversation are collections of cuss words and Nubian 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 and 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 equal, as good country.

We have a country endowed by nature with all the conditions of soil, prairie and valley adapting it to the production of all the grains, grasses, fruits and vegetables of the temperate zone. We have a climate which is a happy medium between the extreme cold and extreme heat, a climate which will preserve the strong and robust and strengthen the sickly and weak. We have a country well adapted to stock raising of all kinds. We have a country where malarial sickness ever comes. We have a country of the best lands in North-west Texas. We have an abundance of mesquite, elm and hackberry timber for firewood and fencing. We have the most substantial inland business town in the northwest. We have the greatest abundance of the purest water. We have a class of citizens as honest and industrious, as law abiding, patriotic and religious as can be found anywhere in the United States. We have plenty of room and invite you and all who contemplate a change to come, all who want good and cheap lands. We have them, and want you for neighbors and friends.

Reader please hand this to your friend.



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Miss K. Finington writes: "My mother and sister used Pastor Koenig's Nerve Tonic for nervousness. They are both perfectly well now and never tired of praising the Tonic."
DARTMOUTH, Nov. 9, 1897.
I was suffering from nervous debility, caused by dyspepsia. I could not get more than three hours' sleep during any night. The effect of Pastor Koenig's Nerve Tonic was magical. I slept sound and ate now as well as ever, after taking only one bottle. As a Nerve Tonic, considering how harmless it is, I think it is the best medicine ever invented.
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