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## Directory.

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Dist. Attorney, J. F. Cunningham.

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County & Dist. Clerk, C. D. Long.  
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Precinct No. 3, J. W. Post.  
Precinct No. 4, W. D. Garren.

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Constable

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Union Sunday School every Sunday, F. D. Sanders, Superintendent.  
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Haskell Lodge No. 62, A. F. & A. M.  
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## MURDER MYSTERY SOLVED.

**A Death-Bed Confession Removes the Veil from the Levering Murder.**

NORRISTOWN, Pa. March 6.—After years the mystery surrounding the assassination of Dr. Joseph H. Levering of Lower Merion has at last been solved. The murder was one of the most noted in its day by reason of the sensational features surrounding it. The veil has at last been lifted by the death bed confession of John G. Henderson, who died Tuesday evening, within a short distance of the scene of the tragedy of Feb. 13, 1886.

Dr. Levering, who had been making a professional call, was in the act of putting away his team for the night, and while coming out of the stable the report of a gun was heard from behind a stone wall, within ten feet of the door in which the doctor stood. The doctor's residence was close to Henderson's store, between the village of Rosemont and Whiteman. The unusual report of a gun within the yard of the dwelling aroused the family, and the lifeless body of the doctor was found two minutes after the shooting. The alarm and excitement drew a large crowd that evening, and every household joined in scouring the neighborhood for the assassin, Henderson assisting his neighbors. An inquest was held, and after a searching investigation nothing could be ascertained to permit of the smallest suspicion falling upon anyone.

The excitement occasioned by the shooting was slow to die out. Leading citizens of the locality, including Henderson, issued circulars offering \$1000 for the apprehension of the murderer. With the lapse of time the murder sank from public attention, but gossip recounted many interesting incidents in the relationship said to have existed between Henderson and Levering. Henderson was the proprietor of a village store and was of good repute. When the war broke out Dr. Levering was drafted and Henderson went to the army as his substitute. Among other considerations for this service the doctor was to have charge of Henderson's business and his family. It was said at the time that Henderson became jealous of the doctor's attention to his family, but he afterwards showed no evidence of such feeling.

The crime was not attributed to him. Henderson resumed his business and five years subsequently illness compelled him to retire. He moved to Philadelphia, but returned to his home and once again became a leading citizen of Lower Merion. Fearing that this illness was to be his last he called in his family to his bedside Tuesday afternoon and in the presence of the family physician confessed to the killing of Dr. Levering in cold blood. He described the tragedy minutely and also confessed to sending Dr. Levering on a decoy call previously to the shooting. Henderson expired a little before midnight. He gave no reason for his bloody deed. The confession has caused as much of an excitement as did the crime itself.

## A WOMAN'S HORRIBLE DEATH.

**She Falls into a Fire and Is Burned to a Crisp.**

PARIS, Tex. March 6.—News reached here this evening that Mrs. Kirk Rosser of Milton met with a terrible death on the night of the 3d instant. It seem she was left at her home with a 12-month-old baby and her husband's sister, a child 8 or 9 years old. In kneeling before the fire abelling some corn she was suddenly seized with apoplexy, to which she was

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subject, and fell in the fire. She was soon in flames and though little Baton succeeded in dragging her out, she could not extinguish the fire. The poor lady in her excitement ran and jumped into the bed and soon the bed clothes and all were one mass of flames. The little girl took the child and went at least a quarter of a mile before she reached a neighbor's house to whom she related the terrible state of things. Mr. Willie Walker, brother of Mrs. Dr. Denison, went immediately to her rescue, soon followed by Mr. Rufus Smith, and when they reached the door a horrible sight met their eyes. The flames surrounding the bed where the woman lay reached the ceiling, the bed clothes were all burned up and the bed had fallen through. The poor woman's clothes were burnt, save a band of clothing around her waist, and her hair was burnt to the roots, while great lumps of flesh fell from her bones. They were forced to fan down the flames before they could reach her, and by some means she was carried to a neighbor's house where after four hours of agony she expired.

## BUTLER AND RANDALL.

**A Good Story of the Struggle Over the Civil Right Bill Recalled.**

Washington Letter in the New York Tribune.  
A group of congressmen were discussing Mr. Randall's prospect for complete recovery the other day in one of the cloak-rooms of the house, when the conversation turned upon the recent "conversation" of the Pennsylvania statesman and his formal reception by baptism into the membership of a certain church here.  
Just then the well known figure of Gen. Benjamin F. Butler passed the door. It reminded some one at once of an episode in congress in the famous deadlock over the civil rights bill, in which both Randall and Butler were conspicuous figures.  
The question of adjournment was under consideration, and General Butler had stepped over to Mr. Randall's desk for a private consultation. Butler favored a Sunday session. Randall opposed it.  
"Bad as I am," said Randall, "I have some respect for God's day, and I don't think it proper to hold a session a of congress on that day."  
"Oh, pahaw," responded Butler, "don't the Bible say that it is lawful to pull your ox or ass out of the pit on the Sabbath-day? You have seventy-three asses on your side of the house that I want to get out of a ditch to-morrow, and I think I am engaged in a holy work."  
"Don't do it, Butler," pleaded Randall. "I have some respect for you that I don't want to loose. I expect some day to meet you in a better world."  
"You'll be there, as you are here," retorted Butler, as quick as thought, "a member of the lower house."

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## District Judge.

Our neighbor, the Seymour Monitor, is a good paper and is not only ably edited, locally and generally, but it is a home paper, indeed and intruth, an "all at home print" and for its county against the world. All this is correct, and as it should be, and Seymour and Baylor county no doubt deserve all the good words spoken for them by the Monitor. But neighbor, when you threaten to succeed our "time honored" old fashioned, and experienced District Judge J. V. Cockrell by electing a Baylor county man, haven't you "bit off more than he can chew"? Have you counted us fellows up the creek? And the other "fellows down the creek"? If you have not, you had better do so, and softly ease down with a complimentary mention for Baylor, for, between us, if there is five men in all this country—that is, in Crosby and attached counties—who will not vote for Judge Cockrell, they are indulging in the most eloquent of silence.

Now we do not mean any disrespect to Seymour, nor her able and learned bar, many of whom we know to be worthy of all honor, nor do we mean to undervalue our neighbor's opinion, or judgement but we know where of we speak. Judge Cockrell is well known and appreciated in all this section and has many old time friends scattered "hither and yan" all over it, and if he does not make a clean sweep of the vote, irrespective of politics, he will come very near it. It is painful always, to differ with an esteemed and worthy neighbor, but in this instance the News begs to enter the protest of Crosby and attached counties, against even an effort to succeed Judge Cockrell at this time, whose acquaintance with the general run of business in this district, and whose talent and legal knowledge and personal tact so happily fit him for the duty of laying the foundation of our jurisprudence deeply and well.—Estacado News.

## Shot at.

Saturday evening as Arch English and A. H. Chalk were returning from Roby, they stated that they were shot at by unknown parties, at a point about 12 miles west of Anson. Fortunately, the party who fired the shot must have been some distance. The ball passed through one of the traces and buried itself in the hip of one of their horses. Mr. English got of the buggy with his wincester, circled around for some distance, but was unable to discover who fired the shot. There is a chance that it may have been accidental shot, or it is possible that it came from some one who was not satisfied with the verdict of the jury that acquitted Mr. English last week. People expected trouble during the trial, but as everything passed off quietly, they breathed easier. The Western would regret to think that Jones county contains a man mean enough to attempt the assassination of another fellow-being. If it was not an accidental shot, it no doubt came from a citizen of an adjoining county.

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**Announcement Column.**

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

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J. V. COCKRELL.  
**COUNTY OFFICERS.**  
FOR COUNTY JUDGE  
H. G. McCONNELL.  
FOR SHERIFF AND TAX COLLECTOR  
W. B. ANTHONY.  
FOR TAX ASSESSOR  
W. R. STANDEFER.

Some men around Haskell who think themselves important want to see their names paraded in the newspaper every week, at the same time they assume to have a contempt for press notices, and a number of them do not so much as subscribe for any paper. We wish to say to these gentlemen we have them spotted, and we will not be apt to annoy the public with many personal notices of them in future. If the balance of the press of the state will adopt a similar policy a great many men will soon be blotted from the memory of the public.

Laura—Yel.

Our new name has not arrived. So we have concluded as west Texas is settling so rapidly, post office names are ordered faster than they can be manufactured with the limited facilities with which they work at Washington.

Farming is being pushed with an energy beautifully becoming in a community ambitious to be placed in the first rank of agriculturists.

If there were any fear of dry weather, surely the shower on Monday was sufficient to drown them. It has not been dry enough here to check the prairie sod plow. Your correspondent has been so interested in the sod slicing game of the community that he has not collected the gossip for this report.

It is thought that the late cold has materially damaged the late oats. Corn planting is now breaking out in this part, and it bids fair to soon be a general complaint—in fact, the people have la grippe on it already.

Mr. Bright's family have been "gripping" for some time, but are all up now.

Mr. E. C. Evans of this part has a contract to fence a section for pasture on Lake creek between here and Haskell.

Mr. Couch the popular surveyor of Haskell county, was out here Monday doing some work for Mr. E. C. Evans.

Some of our citizens have been losing some of their best dogs as a result of the careless manner in which some men leave poison scattered on the prairie.—Advance.

**More Light on the Subject.**

DALLAS, TEX., Feb. 25, '90.  
HEC A. McEACHIN,  
Anson, Texas.

MY DEAR SIR:—My attention was called to a communication in the Dallas Herald some time this last week in which was mentioned the finding the remains of a human supposed to be the remains of Capt.

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Yours truly,

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—J. H. Dolman county surveyor and Joe Haskew tax assessor of Stonewall county, were in the city this week. These gentlemen say that the public well at Rayner has 90 feet of water in it, but it is salty. It is thought it is salted from a strata of rock salt through which the drill passed before striking water.

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### LOCAL DOTS.

—Buy your self a nice clock at W. H. Parsons.  
—Judge Smith of Anson was in the city yesterday.  
—Bro. Raymond is making the devil hunt his hole.  
—All criminal cases in district court was continued.  
—For Fresh Drugs and Medicines call on F. E. Turner N. W. corner square.  
—For all kinds of stationery call on W. H. Parsons.  
—Mr. Louis Bayham and Mr. Johnson of Rayner were in the city this week.  
—Elder McMurry will preach on the 5th Sunday in Haskell and Saturday night before.  
—Mr. Allen a legal light of the Rayner bar was in Haskell attending court this week.  
—W. H. Parsons has the grown stock of confectionaries and sell cheap.  
—Elder J. B. Boen and several other gentlemen of Seymour were in city this week.  
—C. M. Christberry Esq. of Anson was in the city this week. His professional card will appear in the next issue.  
—Mr. Morgan has just completed some additions to his residence and is now the possessor of one of the most cozy cottages in the city.  
—J. W. Payne has returned from Waco where he has been going to school for several months. Jim is one of the old frontier cowboys.  
—The county was visited Monday with a partial rain. It has been cloudy and threatening rain for nearly two weeks.  
—For genuine "Spooners Pat. horse collars" also Team Collars of our own make call on N. Porter Abilene Tex. 3-16t.  
—S. E. Erick paid us the cash for one years subscription to the Free Press Wednesday. Mr. Erick is one of Haskell county's progressive farmers.  
—The place to buy the different kind of Dogpoisons is at Bass Bro. Abilene, Texas. Be sure to see them before buying.  
—The Grand Jury have returned three indictments in the case against Sam McNab for the theft of a horse. The defendant is in jail and has made a confession.  
—When in Haskell call on F. E. Turner N. W. cor., of square and buy your Drugs. He has a complete stock and will sell as cheap as you can buy elsewhere.  
—Rev. R. R. Raymond has certainly reduced the volume of cursing and swearing since he began preaching. If he could do as well on other evils his visit to Haskell will be highly appreciated by all.  
—Prof Warren's class in book-keeping is making great progress in the art. The Prof. is giving them a thorough practical course, which when completed will qualify his pupils to take charge of any business office.  
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—Window Glass Ware, Paper and School Books are sold very low by the Druggist Bass Bros. Abilene, Tex. And we would advise all to call and see them.  
—B. H. Dodson went to Sulphur Springs recently and stopped off at Dallas on business and while there was taken quite sick. We hope he has fully recovered. He is a good citizen and business man and we hope his health will not interfere with him and prevent him from his business.  
—Owing to the dissatisfaction we will not receive any more express for Haskell unless parties wanting express forward by stage notifies us or O. P. Spalding express agent at Abilene to forward same. Respt.  
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3 15 3t Abilene Texas.  
—Spence Beavers, bailiff for the grand jury while attempting to serve a summons upon Master Lutrel Fassett to appear before that august body had an exciting chase. Master Lutrel jumped several wire fences and gave Mr. Beavers horse all he wanted in the way of exercise. The race was witnessed by a crowd on the streets that cheered lustily.  
—Mr. J. A. Bailey, Jas. Dillahunty, J. B. Gossett and others went up on Miller creek Wednesday to drift the cattle in that section to water.  
—Rev. R. R. Raymond of Anson arrived Monday to assist Rev. Snow in a protracted meeting. The sermon preached by him have been upon practical religious subjects, and he has successfully attacked the prevailing evils of the day. His sermons are highly appreciated and he is doing great good in the community.  
—Rev. R. R. Raymond is a good preacher of the Sam Jones style and he reaches a class of sinners that are never touched by the ordinary minister. The other night he gave the people the statistics of New York as to the percentage of women who met their downfall from opportunities offered by attending dances, which by the way among others is about the only social gathering in a city but he failed to give the statistics on Texas campmeeting. We suppose he will be able to report next fall. We have always thought camp meetings were slandered but as we were laboring under a mistake about the magnitude of evils resulting from a dance, our curiosity is excited. We do not censure the camp meeting nor the dance either, but rather censure the conduct of individuals who misbehave at such places.

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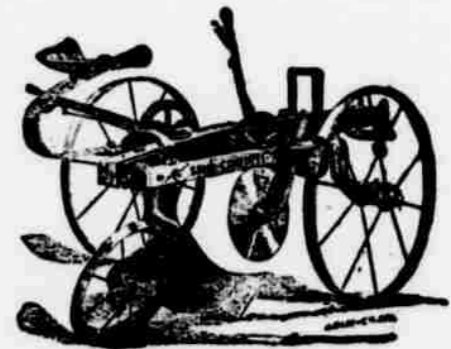
—In an other column will be found the announcement of H. G. McConnell for the office of county judge. Mr. McConnell is a graduate of the university at Austin and took his law course under ex-gov. Roberts. He is a young man of ability and possesses that stability of character necessary in a man who occupies the high calling of administering justice to the rich the poor the learned and ignorant alike. He has been employed in an active practice for several years in Haskell and commands the highest respect of all who know him. He is thoroughly grounded in the fundamental principles of law and thoroughly familiar with pleading and practice which qualifications is absolutely necessary to insure a proper administration of justice between man and man. We ask for him a careful consideration. The office to which he aspires is an important one and when in the hand of a man not qualified, the misconstruction of the law and misapplication of general rules of procedure, often bring great expense to litigants and tax payers, and in case in which appeals are not allowed often subject the citizens to great injustice. Man is fallible in his judgement at most, and thus it becomes necessary to select the best qualified to sit in judgment

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The announcement of J. V. Cockrell for District Judge will be found in another column. Judge Cockrell is the man for the position so says all who know him, and we want to ask new comers to get acquainted with him before they promise their suffrage to any other man. He is a man that will bear acquaintance. The office of District Judge is an important one. The county is

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now in a crisis and a man of experience and ability is needed, to see that justice to the state and criminals alike is administered. A weak incompetent man on the bench, in this District will fill the this part of Texas with criminals just as soon as his character becomes generally known. No good man in Haskell county wants to be instrumental in bringing about such a result. If he should have an opponent, while good men may be induced to vote against him, yet if you will look among those who are his active opponents, you will find them to be men whose names have often figured under ve. with

the State of Texas on top. When Judge Cockrell first went on the bench we personally knew many men in this section who were regarded as professional stock thieves and who were not ashamed to acknowledge that they were indeed slick and had always been able to defeat all indictments. They were ever ready with perjurers to prove their innocence. To day those men are gone either to the penitentiary or to some other judicial district where the judge can be intimidated by the criminal and a hired attorney, whose crime is greater because of the honorable profession he disgraces.

