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## KILGORE KICKED.

### Reed Locks him in and he Literally Kicks Open the Door.

Dingley's Nose Struck by the Swinging Door—Wild Scene in the House, Reed Thoroughly Hated.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 18.—There was another dramatic scene in the house to-day in which Texas played a prominent part. Spicy incidents are now the rule, rather than the exception, and to-day was decidedly interesting. Reed concluded the only way that he could keep the democrats in the house where he could see and illegally count them, was to lock the doors, but he did not reckon that the Lone Star state possessed such vigorous kickers. A call of the house was ordered and a ye and nay vote was about to be taken on a motion to dispense with further proceedings, and at this juncture the Democrats

BEGAN TO DECAMP. Reed ordered the doors locked. Among the fleeing Democrats was Kilgore. He reached the lobby door only to find it locked.

"You cannot go," said the door keeper.

"Why?" said Kilgore. "Who says I cannot go?"

"Mr. Reed," said the sentinel.

"He does, does he," said the stalwart Texan, now thoroughly disgusted. "I'll show him whether I can't go," and with that he lifted his well proportioned and heavy shoe and kicked the door open, forcing the lock and STALKED OUT TRIUMPHANTLY.

Unfortunately, Governor Dingley of Maine was on the other side and received the force of the swinging door on the nose. Kilgore of course made a most abject apology, which was accepted.

Crain had almost a similar experience although he did not force the door. He succeeded in bulldozing the doorkeeper, who wilted before the Texas congressman, remembering his colleague's experience with Kilgore.

Such in brief was the scene to-day, and it is said to-night Reed intends to put firmer locks on the doors and compel the Democrats to break them down. Tom Reed is hated worse every day. He is a tyrant and uses his power in a most cowardly way.

There are several Republicans who are just itching to twig his nose and he may get a taste of this before the session ends.

On the windows in one of the cloak rooms to-day the following notice was posted conspicuously: "Reed's menagerie; do not disturb the animals by poking them with umbrellas, and do not feed them peanuts. They will be dismissed and be fed in an hour."

The above shows the utter contempt in which Reed is held.

JAS MURPHY OF MARSHALL will probably receive a pension by special act of congress next session. The house pension committee has reported his bill favorably. Congressman Kilgore says he will not object to this pension and that he will get it through.

Congressman Mayers' recent statement of the fiscal situation of the country is in great demand. Over 50,000 copies will be scattered broadcast throughout the country.

The river and harbor bill will reach the president to-morrow, when the ten days begin within which the bill must become a law. Those best informed say that he will sign it, as he cannot afford to do otherwise from a political standpoint.

was another day of dillydallying in the house, the Democrats refusing to allow the Republicans to proceed with the Langston case. About eight Democrats remained in the house, refusing to vote. None of them were Texans. The entire Texas delegation was absent and remained away all day. At the present rate of progress congress will be here until December unless the republicans bring their own members here to make a quorum. Mr. Crisp the doughty Georgia minority leader, obstructed the speaker in every move, challenging his decisions and replying in a dignified but firm manner to the sarcastic sallies of the chair.

THE TYRANT FROM MAINE stood up all day, gravel in hand, and went through the monotonous task of trying to count a quorum, in which he was unsuccessful. There are several Republicans who say they will not return for the purpose of seating Langston; they know he was not elected legally and that he bolted the party. This attempt to seat this colored rascal will cost the Republicans the vote of every decent man in Virginia who has heretofore voted the Republican ticket.

Buck Kilgore's name will go down in history as that of the greatest kicker of the century. He kicks against nefarious legislation, pensions, bills, treasury steals, Tom Reed and the entire category of SINFUL PROPOSITIONS

put forth by the Republican party. A Texas colleague recently said of Kilgore that his name appeared in the public prints more frequently than that of any member in the delegation. Kilgore is a unique Texan and he is one of the most pious members in the house. He knows a piece of news when he sees it and for this he is sought by the newspaper men. He is not an infrequent visitor to the press gallery and all the boys like him. Here are a few comments on his athletic act of yesterday, taken from the squib editorials in the morning papers:

The Post: "Congressman Martin gained notional prominence when the speaker ordered him to take his feet off his desk, and now comes Kilgore with his pedal extremities to make use of quite an extraordinary expression of a leading member, Kilgore seems to be getting there with a both feet. Perhaps the next time Mr. Kennedy opens his mouth Mr. Kilgore will be called upon to put his feet in it."

"So Congressman Kilgore has joined the H. and H. K's—high and heavy kickers?"

"Cool. Kilgore of Texas evidently has his back up."

The Star to night says: "If Mr. Kilgore becomes speaker will he open congress with his foot?"

"Mr. Kilgore is not only a great objector, he is also a great kicker."

WILL BE SHOD FOR LIFE.

Among the dispatches received by Col. Kilgore to-day were several from leading shoe dealers and manufacturers in New York and New England inquiring what style and what shoe he wore. He announced that his foot was incased in a No. 8, box toed and square heeled shoes of the finest calf skin. It is altogether likely the member from Wills Point will be supplied with foot gear sufficient to last the rest of his life, certainly through his congressional career, and especially adopted for future emergencies in the house similar in character to the incident of yesterday.

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**TOO MUCH MONEY.**  
A Wonderful Change in the New York Monetary Condition.

From the Strengency of a Few Days Ago the Market is Flooded with Cash from the Treasury.

LOW SECURITIES.  
New York, Sept. 18.—An attempt to test the temper of the speculative community this morning revealing a bearish feeling. Many of the most long-headed men on the street have talked that way for months past. The smaller fellows are coming around to their views with astonishing rapidity. There was less ground for discouragement in the blatant utterances of the shorts than there was in the disheartened mechanical protests of the bulls. The latter repeated the same old argument in favor of higher prices, but their hearts were NOT IN WHAT THEY SAID.

There was no immediate prospect for higher prices for securities, so a majority of financiers seemed to think. The Grangers seemed to be especially unpopular, the recent published utterances of President Miller of St. Paul road adding to the other well known unfavorable arguments against the roads.

Money is easy enough. Nearly the whole of the 20,000,000 and more due from the treasurer for bonds purchased yesterday was payable in the city to day. Money will be almost a drag on the market for a few days at best.

Stocks were weak this morning. Grangers especially so. Grangers have unquestionably been through a sea of trouble. The bears are now taking advantage of these and are thoroughly discounting the future.

DIMINUTION OF EARNINGS due to the shortage of the spring crop. Granger stocks may or may not have reached bottom figures are sure to be below actual values. There will be time for rebound in Grangers. They are the promising

intures in the market, and what is true of them is true in a lesser degree of the rest of the market.

There was a lack of support throughout the entire list in the early hours. Chicago gas and Lackawanna were strong features.

In the afternoon prices improved some what in the covering of shorts.

The failure of a silk company in Boston as a result of the Potter-Lovell failure did not have any market effect.

The banks were loaning some money at 5 and 6 per cent., something which has not been done for a long time.

The closing was strong. Money was very easy.

IT MADE MONEY CHEAP.

New York, Sept. 18.—The payments in the sub-treasury in this city larger to day than for many years; in fact, the amount was so large that the officials were unable to make up the totals. The amount paid out on account of bond purchased at 1 o'clock was \$10,000,000, and in interest of 4's and 6's and heavy payments for silver, and on the pension account fully \$5,500,000 was paid out in cash over the counter. As a result of this flood of money the rate for call loans ruled at 3 to 4 per cent., and one institution made a time loan of \$1,000,000 for one year at 5 per cent.

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- FOR JUSTICE OF THE PEACE, PRECINCT NO. 1. W. A. WALKER.
- FOR CONSTABLE, PRECINCT NO. ONE. R. E. MARTIN.

SEVEN COLUMNS all home print this week.

THE HASKELL FREE PRESS has been greatly improve in its mechanical make up during the past few weeks.—Della Plan Review.

Many thanks for the notice. It affords us pleasure that our efforts are appreciated by others.

When a man comes to you and want you to vote for him man he will size you up, and if he thinks you are a green sort of a fool he will tell you a lot of tales on the other man. If he thinks you are pretty sharp he will speak of the good qualities of his candidate.

THE EDITOR OF THE HASKELL FREE PRESS is unfortunately like the Mall man in one respect, and that is there is not only one of him consequently he cannot straddle all public questions. We may not be looser by this Bro. Martin for our experience is that a brave fight even if you are defeated beats an undignified straddle.—Merkell Mail.

THE COUNTY JUDGE of Jones County has been indicted for embezzlement. The Roby Call sees fit to come out and cast reflection on the man that indicted him. A common cow thief title the Call upon him with Jones says, "I am he."

Our esteemed contemporary handed as one from the shoulder in its last issue. She strikes well for a beginner and gives promise of being able to land an occasional blow. She should not aspire to make bate for whales, it would be like a large bird trying to fill its crop with mustard seed it would take too long to fill up. If the Star did not know the article it published was loaded, we excuse it the same as the boy who accidentally shot his little playmate.

Editor Free Press: While one's vanity is tickled by the gentle flattery of being classed along with yourself and others as "among the leading members of the Haskell Star," permit me to disclaim any indorsement either of the spirit in which it was written, or of your editorial itself, commenting on a recent article in the Haskell Star.

I am perfectly willing, as a member of the Haskell bar, to take any action that may be necessary to keep the uninformed from being misled by anything calculated to do injustice to our present court. To that length I go and no further. But I am not willing for one, to be held out to the public as sanctioning a tortured construction of an article in which I am satisfied there was no evil animus against Judge Cockrell, actuating the writer. Neither am I willing to sanction a charge that the editors of the Haskell Star designedly concocted an article which contained unjust, and false insinuations against Judge Cockrell, and let it appear in their columns solely with the view of injuring him. I drop from the procession when overzealous and too sensitive friends of Judge Cockrell insist on making a mountain out of a mole hill, and where the article originating so much discussion would not have been noticed by half a dozen persons, had it not been for the intemperance of his ill advised friends.

S. W. SCOTT.

### Citation.

THE STATE OF TEXAS, To the Sheriff or any Constable of Haskell county Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon P. Stoniker by making publication of this Citation once in each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not then in any newspaper published in the 39th Judicial District; but if there be no newspaper published in said Judicial District, then in a newspaper published in the nearest District to said 39th Judicial District, to appear at the next regular term of the Justice court of precinct No. one Haskell County, to be holden at my office at the Court House thereof, in Haskell, on the third Monday in October A. D. 1890 the same being the 20th day of October A. D. 1890, then and there to answer the complaint filed in said Court on the 11th day of August A. D. 1890, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said Court No. 59, wherein C. W. Lucas is Plaintiff, and P. Stoniker is Defendant, said complaint Alleging that on — day of A. D. 1890, that plaintiff loaned said defendant a certain wagon of the value of fifty dollars that said defendant agreed to return said wagon to plaintiff June 1st 1890 that said defendant has never returned said wagon to plaintiff damage in the sum of fifty dollars. Plaintiff prays judgment for the sum of fifty dollars and cost of suit.

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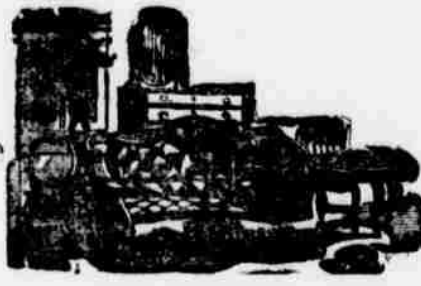
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I have three honorable opponents, all of whom I regard as gentlemen, and so far as I know there is no issue between us (except that of merit and qualification) and this issue will have to be decided by the people.

I am a Democrat and have always affiliated and voted with the Democratic party, and I understand Democracy to teach that the people are the source of all power and that all rightful government springs from and rests upon the consent of the people.

Public office-holding then is nothing but employment by the people to attend to business and execute their will. Therefore on the 4th day of November next, the voters of the 39th Judicial District will, by their votes employ an attorney to represent the State in the courts of said district for the ensuing two years, and before you cast your votes, I respectfully ask each voter to exercise the same prudence and judgement that you would if you were employing an attorney to represent you in your own private business. Each voter should feel himself directly interested in having an able and experienced attorney to represent the State, for we all know that the defendants always employ the very best lawyers they can get to defend them; therefore your District Attorney will have to contend with the best legal talent of the State. There is at present about fifty felony cases on the dockets in the district. Some of them are for murder, and besides those felony cases there is over two hundred civil cases which Mr. Cunningham's successor will have to attend to, so you all can readily see that your next District Attorney will enter upon the duties of his office

with a full docket, both civil and criminal. Therefore no man should be elected to this office except upon his legal ability and qualifications. I do not pretend to say that I am better qualified than any of my opponents for this office, this question you have to decide. However this much, that I have been practicing law for the past eighteen years, and flatter myself that I am qualified to discharge the duties of the office. If I did not honestly believe myself qualified for the office I assure you I would not have asked the people for their support.

While I am in favor of strictly enforcing our laws, yet I am opposed to persecution, and no man should ever be allowed to prosecute his fellow man through hatred or malice, but the man who openly disregards our laws should be punished, and that without delay. But I am sorry to say (nevertheless it is true) that criminals too often go unpunished. Some of them lay in our county jails for months, yet for years before they are brought to trial, this is wrong, if they are guilty they should be tried and punished, and if innocent they should be set at liberty. I think the people are getting tired of being taxed to feed men lying in jail. Remember that it is not the severest punishment that is calculated to suppress crime, but it is the certainty of the punishment. Let the criminal know that if he violates our laws that he will be brought to a speedy trial and punished according to the aggravation of his crime, and that he will receive due punishment, and that without delay or "monkey business" about it, this precedent once established and crime will decrease.

While it would be a pleasure to meet with every voter of the district before the election, yet I know this is impossible as the election is drawing near at hand. To those of you who do not know me, I ask you to make inquiry, and after doing this, if you find me worthy, competent and qualified to discharge the duties of the office, then I kindly ask you for your support, but if you find that either of my opponents are better qualified to fill the office than myself, then I say vote for him. But if I am your choice and you elect me to this office, I shall endeavor to discharge the duties of the office, and that without fear or favor to any man, and will conduct myself in such a way and manner that no man who cast his vote for me shall ever have cause to regret it.

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Saturday, Sept. 27, 1890.

### LOCAL DOTS.

Dentist at McLemores Drugstore.  
 —Mr. S. Carter has erected a residence on the south side.  
 —Buy your grain at McCorkel & Co.  
 —Dan. M. Jones Esq. of Anson was in the city this week.  
 —Go to the saddle shop for buggy whips.  
 School opened Monday with 140 pupils in attendance.  
 —Window Glass at Turner's & Co.  
 —Miss Dickenson of Illinois is paying her brother Bob and Will, a visit.  
 —F. E. Turner & Co., has Novels that never has been read.  
 —George Stroop left Monday for Winslow, N. C. where he will attend school.  
 Dentist at McLemores Drugstore.  
 —The First National Bank building will be an ornament to the north side.  
 —The place to buy anything you need in the drug line is at McLemore's.  
 —Wall Paper of all description at Turner's & Co.  
 —Judge Campbell and Judge Morgan of Benjamin were in the city this week.  
 —D. R. Gass & Co., are closing out their stock of Drugs at Cost.  
 —S. H. Johnson sold last week \$4,190 worth of town property.  
 In an other column see the new ad of Long Bros.  
 —One morning this week our friend C. B. Banks was pacing the street and rebering: "To us a son is born, and to us a son is given."  
 —Lamps and Lanterns are cheap at Bass Bros. Abilene Texas.  
 —Mrs. W. P. Paris' new Millinery goods arrived Friday evening.  
 —The race between Gray John and Campbell 1 mile, purse \$700.00 is to be run 7th Oct. Made by S. C. Hammons and Tom Pitner.  
 —F. E. Turner & Co., has wax that never has been "chewed."  
 —Misses Allie and Mand and Mr. Ed Coffey of Miller creek are attending school at this place.  
 —Stroop is still selling goods at and below "Rail Road Prices" for CASH.  
 —Mr. D. R. Livingood of Paint creek was in the city this week and says the farmers in his section are busy sowing wheat.  
 —Bailed prairie hay, Brav, oats and corn at McCorkel's & Co.  
 —Mess D. E. Gass, L. N. Riter and B. W. Almsworth have returned from Floyd county and report that county as being in a flourishing condition.  
 —Judge Cockrell and Dist. Atty. Cunningham were both on time Wednesday and the criminal dock-ot was resumed.  
 —Best Beef Pork and Sausage at the City Meat Market. Leave your order.  
 —Mess Becknell & Rape wish to return their thanks through the Free Press to the public for their liberal patronage during court.  
 —F. E. Turner & Co., have in stock a complete line of School Text Books.  
 —Mr. F. E. Deckery one of Haskell county's prosperous stockmen came in and ordered the Frazz Pans Wednesday for one year.  
 —The largest stock of Wall Paper in the west at Bass Bros. Abilene Texas. Try them.  
 —Don't fail to go to McLemore's for anything you want in the drug

McLemore will have by the 1st of Oct. the largest, and by far the prettiest line of wall-paper that has ever been brought to N. W. Texas. Buying in large quantities enables me to sell as cheap or cheaper than Abilene.  
 —Dr. J. D. Simmons of Pine Bluff Ark. has arrived, and is looking for his wagons daily. The Dr. is well pleased with his new home.  
 —R. S. DeLong & Co. have just received a large stock of clothing and gents furnishing goods, which we propose to sell at Abilene prices.  
 —McLemore will sell you wall paper cheaper than Abilene. Call and examine his stock before buying elsewhere.  
 —Ladies! Ladies! We invite you to come and see our large and fashionable stock of Hats, Dress and Millinery goods.  
 R. S. DeLong & Co.  
 —We acknowledge the receipt of a complimentary ticket to the Callahan county Fair. It will begin on the 25 inst. and continue to the 27th inst. Many thanks Bro. Gilliland.  
 —R. S. DeLong & Co. are receiving new goods every week and if you want new goods, good goods, and cheap goods, give them a call.  
 —Lamp, Lamps, Parlor Swinging, in fact all kinds of lamps at Turner's & Co.  
 —Rev. W. J. Caperton and D. W. Courtwright went fishing this week and caught a nice lot of fish.  
 —Sheriff Tucker has been quite sick this week and was unable to wait upon the district court.  
 —If you have to pay CASH for a suit of clothes you can get it almost at factory cost at Stroop's; at least 25 per cent less than any other place.  
 —McLemore is headquarters for drugs, paints, oils wall paper etc., anything in his line he can save you money on.  
 —Are you married? If not, send your address to The American Cors responding Club; P. O. Box 643 Clarksburg, W. Va.  
 —There will be a race Wednesday by Buncomb and Bay Nalley made by Geo. Williamson and S. C. Hammons, purse \$500.00.  
 Kill your Prairie Dogs, they destroy more grass than the cattle—you will find what you need to do the work at reasonable prices at Bass Bros. Abilene.  
 —N. PORTER, Abilene, Tex., —  
 —FOR—  
 CHEYENNE SADDLES, Prices \$17.00, \$20.00, \$25.00 and \$30.00  
 The Fair at Brownwood begins Oct. 7th and continues to the 11th. We acknowledge with thanks the receipt of two complimentary tickets.  
 —Ladies of Haskell try the Diamond S Baking Powders it will please you.  
 DODSON & CROLEY.  
 —Born on the 23rd inst to Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Foster a ten pound boy. As soon as he can stand examination for admission to the bar he will do Mr. Foster's Justice Court Practice.  
 —Haskell Lumber Co. will sell you doors and windows as cheap as they can be bought at the railroad.  
 —W. H. Hinds has purchased the Livery business and Haskell and Anson mail line of Messrs Farnsworth. He will take charge of same Oct. 1st.  
 —A Company of teachers of Deatur will establish a good private educational institute at this place if they receive the proper encouragement.  
 —Mess DeLong & Co. had a rush of trade by the ladies this week. Several gentlemen could not be waited upon, on one occasion and had to leave to call again next day.  
 —Haskell Lumber Co., will soon have a complete stock of concrete for Buses, buy of them and save freight from the railroad to Haskell.  
 —N. PORTER, Abilene Texas. —  
 —FOR—  
 Cheyenne saddles \$15.00, \$20.00, \$25.00, and \$30.00; Single buggy harness, \$7.50, \$10.00, \$12.00 and \$15.00; Nickle buggy harness \$12.00, \$14.00, \$15.00, \$16.00 and \$18.00; Team harness, \$4.00, \$5.00, \$6.00, \$8.00 and \$10.00.  
 —James N. Snow.  
 —N. PORTER, Abilene Texas. —  
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 —For Meat.  
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Get our Prices we are here for Business, and Mean what we say.

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SEYMOUR TEXSA.  
 "GROCERIES," "GROCERIES,"

## J. F. CLARK,

(Successor to)  
 Adair & Clark.  
 The Pine Street Jeweler Abilene, Texas.

I will sell you a watch or anything in the Jewelry line at eastern figures. Come and get my prices before buying  
 I sell all kinds of musical instruments.  
 Repairs of all kinds and engraving done.

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L. S. Long.

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CLOTHING,  
 Gents' Furnishing Goods,  
 Hats, Caps, Boots and  
 Shoes.

HASKELL

East Side Square.

TEXAS.

Capt. C. P. Killough will donate a beautiful site for a private school building, to a good company that will locate an educational institute at Haskell.  
 —On last Thursday morning Dr. R. A. Anderson of Aspermont was married to Miss Lella Gage of this place at the residence of Mr. A. Irwin. The Dr. is an old friend of THE FREE PRESS and we tender him our congratulations. The happy couple left immediately for Aspermont where they will reside.

### FOR SALE!

Thorough Bred Spanish Merino Bucks imported and home raised. Also 700 thorough bred ewes (heavy shearers.) Bring your wagons; pick you bucks at your own price. Ranch nine miles east of Abilene. E. O. Weinert. Abilene, Tex.

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40 Acres of land 8 miles north east of town.  
 J. D. Roberts,

### MILLINERY.

Mrs. W. P. Paris is receiving her full stock of Millinery goods.  
 Ladies hat and trimmings, Coin purses, Chatelaine bags, Toilet pins white and black, Kid gloves of the finest quality, Buckles for hat and dress trimmings, Dress buttons, spool thread of all kinds and sizes, Infants knit caps, saques and booties.

### CALL AND SEE THEM.

—The firm of Dodson & Croley has now contracted for the fine Diamond S Baking Powder. Every body try it it is pure, strong and healthful, no ammonia no alum no lime. This company is headleing the very best of everything and by examining their splendid stock you will be convinced. 9 6 305

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 ORDERED WORK A SPECIALTY.  
 FINEST STOCK OF SADDLES IN THE ABILENE COUNTRY.

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I will open up a black Smith Shop on the corner opposite and back of Johnson Bros. Store. I solicit the patronage of the public.

Respectfully,  
 Wm. EDGE



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HASKELL county is situated in the southern part of the Panhandle on the line of the one-hundredth Meridian west from Greenwich. It is 1,500 feet above the sea, and has mild winters and summers. It is 30 miles square and contains 576,000 acres of land. It was created in 1858 from a part of Fannin and Milam counties, and named in honor of Charles Haskell, a young Tennesseean, 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.

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

Experiments were made in 1885 with garden products, corn, oats, wheat, rye, barley and cotton and the yield was bountiful. In 1886 and 1887 the entire west, from Dakota to Mexico suffered from seasons of unprecedented dryness, but the faith of the few farmers of Haskell county, kept great and in the fall of 1887 farming began in dead earnest, and the crop of 1888 far surpassed all anticipation. Corn made 25 bushels per acre; oats made 60 to 100, wheat from 15 to 25, rye 20, and cotton one-third to one-half bale per acre, and sorghum, hay and millet was so bountiful it was hardly considered as a part of the general crop and there was no demand for it in the local market. The average farm here has increased to at least 30,000 acres.

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

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

**WATER.**  
It is traversed by numerous creeks and branches besides the rivers mentioned, some of which are fed by never failing springs of purest water.

Besides the numerous branches that afford water for stock all the time, the south half of the county is traversed by Paint and California creeks with their numerous tributaries draining the south half of the county.

The north half is traversed from Southwest to Northeast by Lake and Miller creeks whose tributaries furnish water and drainage for the same.

Besides the surface water there is an abundance to be obtained by digging from 15 to 40 feet, and all of a good quality, some of which is unsurpassed by that of any section in the state for purity and temperature.

**SOIL.**  
The soil is an alluvial loam of great depth and fertility, varying in color from a red to a dark chocolate, and by reason of its porous and friable nature, when thoroughly plowed, readily drinks in the rainfall and in dry seasons absorbs moisture from the atmosphere; and for the like reasons the soil readily drains itself of the surplus water, thereby preventing rot of the water and the soil, as well as the germination of weeds. It is those qualities of soil that enable it to maintain all vegetation in the most luxuriant and

there are no obstructions to plowing, and the land being level or generally rolling, and easily worked, the use of labor saving implements at once becomes pleasant and profitable. One man with machinery and a little hired help has been known to cultivate over 100 acres in grain and cotton.

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

**YIELD AND PRICES OF FARM PRODUCTS.**  
The average yield of Indian corn per acre is about 30 bushels and the price varies from 50c to 1.25 per bushel; the wheat yield for the year '88—a dry year—ranged from 18 to 30 bushels—averaging 25 bushels per acre, and sold in the home market for 80 cents to \$1.00 per bushel; oats yield 60 to 100 bushels per acre and usually sell at 25 cents per bushel; cotton yields a half to three quarters of a bale per acre, but owing to the great distance to market its cultivation is not engaged in to a great extent. Other crops make good yields and command corresponding prices. Home made pork is usually worth 6 to 8 cents per pound; fresh beef 4 to 6 cents; home made butter, sweet and delicious, usually sells at 25 cents per pound, chickens 15 to 25 cents each, and eggs 10 to 25 cents per dozen.

**SHIPPING POINT.**  
As yet Haskell has no railroad, and our people do their principal shipping to and from Abilene, a town 60 miles south, in Taylor county, on the Texas and Pacific railroad, Albany on the H. & T. C. 45 miles from Haskell on the south east, and Seymour on the W. V. road 15 miles on the 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 have to extend in a short time from Albany or Fort Worth to Haskell and Haskell is on the line as originally surveyed.

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

Haskell is 60 miles north of the T. & P. R. R. and 90 miles south of the Ft. W. & D. R. R. and is situated on the direct line of the cattle trail over which the Rock Island, and G. C. & S. F. propose to extend their lines.

**PUBLIC SCHOOL.**  
Our school fund is perhaps the best of any county in the Northwest. In addition to the amount received from the state, about \$5,500 per capita, our commissioners court have wisely executed a lease for 10 years of four 4 leagues of school land, situated in the Panhandle, the revenue from which added to the amount received from the state gives us a fund amply sufficient to run the several schools of the county ten months in the year. This fund can also be drawn upon to build school houses in any organized school community of the county.

**MAIL FACILITIES.**  
There is a daily mail service from Haskell to Abilene via Anson and a tri-weekly mail north to Benjamin and to Seymour on the Wichita valley railroad, these lines also carry express and passengers.

**RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATIONS.**  
The religious and moral status of the people of Haskell county will compare favorably with that of any people. The Methodist, Baptist, Christian, Old School and Cumberland Presbyterian churches have organized churches in the town of Haskell, and have preaching on Sundays, also preaching at other points in the county. We have a good Union Sunday School, and weekly prayer meeting that are well attended.

**HASKELL.**  
The town of Haskell is the county site of, and is situated one and one-half miles south of the center of Haskell county, on a beautiful tableland, and is six years old and has a population of 800. Has as good well water as can be found anywhere, which is secured at a depth of 18 to 22 feet. Also has two never failing springs of pure water in the edge of town. Haskell has five drygood and grocery stores that sell goods at prices as low as can be had in railroad towns, with 50 cents per hundred pounds for freight added, and dry goods and groceries as cheap as can be bought any where, two Millinery establishments one gin and mill. Also has two drug stores two hardware one furniture one notion one hotel and one

restaurant, three blacksmith shops; two cabinet and wood shops; one lumber yard one national bank, one barber shop; one silver smith shop one saddlery shop, one boot and shoe shop; two meat markets; two livery stables; three doctors; 13 lawyers and land agents; two first class newspapers and job offices and only one saloon, all doing a good business. The town of Haskell with her natural advantages, of location, climate, good water and fertility of soil is destined in the near future to be the queen city of Northwest Texas, and rail road connection for Haskell is all that is needed to accomplish these.

**ADVANTAGES AND RESOURCES.**  
In almost every neighborhood of the older states and the thickly settled portion of our own state there are many of its citizens who are contemplating a removal or a change of residence for many reasons. Some to restore lost health, some to make their beginning in the world, others to repair financial losses, others seeking safe and profitable investments of surplus capital. There are many others who have comfortable homes and are well contented, but who have children, whom they would like to provide with lands suitable for 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 "veteran wilds," that we are loaded with dynamite and shooting irons, that our conversations are collections of cuss words and Mulhattan mixtures, but rather that we are a people reared among the same surroundings, that we have received the benefit of the same education, that we have availed ourselves of the same educational privileges, that we have had the same christian instructions you yourselves have had. Be enlightened by past experience. Fortunes have been made by the development of new countries, and fortunes are yet to be made in our new and equally as good country.

We have a country endowed by nature with all the conditions of soil, prairie and valley adapting it to the production of all the grains, grasses, fruits and vegetables of the temperate zone. We have a climate which is a happy medium between the extreme cold and extreme heat, a climate which will preserve the strong and robust and strengthen the sickly and weak. We have a country well adapted to stock raising of all kinds. We have a country where no malarial sickness ever comes. We have a county of the best lands in Northwest Texas. We have an abundance of mesquite, elm and hackberry timber for firewood and fencing. We have the most substantial inland business town in the northwest. We have the greatest abundance of the purest water. We have a class of citizens as honest and industrious, as hospitable and good natured, as law abiding, patriotic and religious as can be found anywhere in the United States. We have plenty of room; and invite you and all who contemplate a change to come, all who want good and cheap lands. We have them, and want you for neighbors and friends.

Reader, please hand this to your friend.

**Texas One and Indivisible.**

The Chicago Evening Post thus reports an interview with Col. Henry Exall, of Dallas, who, as world's fair commissioner-at-large from Texas, is attending a meeting of that commission now in session at Chicago, on the indivisibility and increase in wealth and population of Texas:

The prediction of the saintly Elliott F. Shepard that the demerits of Texas contemplate dividing the state into four parts in order to gain six United States senators and increase the democratic power in the electoral college, received another "biff" this morning from Henry Exall, world's fair commissioner-at-large from Texas. "It would be dangerous for the political fortunes of the Texas democrat who would advocate such a scheme," he said this morning at the Auditorium hotel. "For such is the pride of Texans in their state and so determined are they to make it in wealth and population what it is in area, the empire state of the country, the advocate for the scheme would be overwhelmed and heard from never again. The growth of Texas is phenomenal. From 1870 to 1880 the population increased 100 per cent; and during the later decade, now mark this, the population increase 40 per cent, the wealth increased 300 per cent, or from \$300,000,000 to \$900,000,000. And there is little

wonder for this great growth in wealth and population when one remembers that while an average acre of land in Texas costs one-eighth of an average acre in Illinois its revenue is equal to an Illinois acre. This is an attraction which people are in search of fortune can not resist. Why, Dallas alone in the past ten years grew from 10,000 to 50,000. No, you may say emphatically that the state will not be divided. To live in a state 900 by 800 miles in extent, as wide nearly as the distance from Chicago to New York, and with transportation facilities that make its remotest points as accessible as the different parts of Rhode Island were fifty years ago, is to have engendered in one a pride that will not stoop even to gain for the democratic party a few seats in the United States senate and votes in the electoral college.

**A Beau of 1829.**  
When grandpa went a-wooing,  
He wore a satin vest,  
A trail of running roses  
Embroidered on the breast,  
The pattern of his trousers,  
His linen, white and fine,  
Were all the latest fashion  
In eighteen twenty-nine.  
Grandpa was a fine-looking young fellow then, so the old lady says and he is a fine-looking old gentleman now. For the past score of years he has been a firm believer in the merits of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. "It renewed my youth," he frequently says. It is the only blood purifier and liver invigorator guaranteed to benefit or cure, or money promptly refunded. It cures liver disease, dyspepsia, scrofulous sores, skin eruption, and all diseases of the blood. For lingering coughs and consumption (which is lung scrofula in its early stages) it is an unparalleled remedy.

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**< EAT TO LIVE! >**  
This is the maxim of some, but there are many no doubt who live to eat. I invite all to favor me with some of their patronage.  
I carry a complete line of well-assorted  
—GROCERIES,—  
Which in every variety and quality is second to none in the city. I pay cash for all country produce, and guarantee everything I sell.  
I offer advantages that are not obtained of all in my line.  
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Pine Street, Abilene, Texas.

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DICKENSON BROS. PROP'RS  
You Will Always Find us Prepared to Furnish You With  
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**BARGAINS!!**

We will from time to time keep before the public some of the grandest bargains ever put on a Texas market.

2500 Prs. men's, Ladie's and boy's shoes	- - - - -	at cost.
3500 men and boy's hats	- - - - -	at first cost.
10,000 yds. heavy brown domestic	- - - - -	at 5½ worth 7½ cts.
3,000 " " " " " " " " " "	- - - - -	" 5 " 7 cts.
2,500 " cotton checks	- - - - -	" 5 " 8 cts.
10,000 " sundry summer wash goods	- - - - -	at cost.

We are now located in our New House next to Geo. Walsh & Co's. (Wholesale Grocery) and are opening up the BEST and CHEAPEST stock in this entire country.

RESPECTFULLY,

**Abilene Dry Goods Co.**

NORTH SIDE OF THE RAILROAD.

ABELINE TEXAS

**I. W. Butler's**  
ABILENE TEXAS,  
Is the Place to buy  
**Groceries, Queensware and Tin-ware Cheap.**  
He has just received a large Stock of Goods and his house is full from bottom to top.  
Pays cash or trade for Country produce.

COMMERCIAL HOTEL  
GEO. McTAYLOR, Prop.  
THE OLD RELIABLE HOUSE.  
Nice shade trees, good water and the best supplied table in the city. Large and Well-Ventilated Bed Rooms. Headquarters for Commercial and Railroad men.  
Transient, \$2.00 per day \$10.00 per week. Day board \$4.00 per week.  
South West Side Sq. SEYMOUR TEXAS

**ABILENE BOOT & SHOE STORE**  
Handle Boots and Shoes Exclusively.  
ALL GOODS GUARANTEED  
CALL AND EXAMINE OUR STOCK.  
CHESTNUT ST. T. C. DANIEL & Co. ABILENE TEXAS.

**CHEAP SALE**  
**AND FEED STABLE.**  
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.  
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