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CHURCHES.
Missionary Every 1st and 3rd Sunday.
Rev. Caperton, Pastor.
German (Lutheran) Every 2nd Sunday.
Saturday before, No Pastor.
Presbyterian (Catholic) Every 3rd Sunday and Saturday before, J. P. Taylor Pastor.
Methodist (M. E.) Every Sunday and Sunday night, E. W. Pastor.
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Sister Arch Masons, meet Saturday before each full moon.
A. C. Foster, High Priest.
J. L. Jones, Secy.

COMPTROLLER McCALL.

Charges Preferred Against Him by Ex Clerk Boynton.

AUSTIN, Tex., Jan. 27.—When the accusation against Comptroller McCall were read in the house the members maintained complete silence, many of them standing and listening with the greatest avidity. The house decided that a special committee to investigate the charges was not necessary as there was a standing committee on the comptroller's and treasurer's offices. It is doubted among lawyers whether the accusations present sufficient grounds for impeachment. The following is the full indictment: "Memorial to the house of representatives: I submit to you the following for careful consideration: I charge Hon. John D. McCall, comptroller of public accounts of the state of Texas, with a misappropriation of Texas funds. In three separate and distinct instances has he been guilty of this practice, and in one certain instance the money for the pay of clerks has been used in such a manner as to further his own personal and political interests. I have been a clerk in the office and know whereof I speak. I submit that occupying as he does, a subordinate position in the government he has injudiciously exceeded the bounds of his authority in the matter and in disturbing the appropriations made for his office by the act of April 8, 1889, and should be made to explain and account for his action.

"Briefly the facts are these and from the basis of my charges: The last legislature, acted upon Mr. McCall's suggestion, appropriated \$1200 per year for the pay of a stenographic clerk for his office. Up to date no clerk of this description has ever been employed, but the salary appropriated for the pay of a clerk of this description has been used in paying salaries to persons engaged in doing office work. Out of the appropriation set aside for the pay of eight second assistant clerks at a salary of \$1000 each, he has been paying for the services of more clerks than was contemplated by the framers of the law, thus depriving the clerks, who originally drew pay for services in his office under the appropriation, of the just amount due them by law for their services.

"The last legislature saw fit to strike from the body of the appropriation bill the item which referred to pay for services of a night watchman for the comptroller's office, Mr. McCall, for some reason unknown to myself, has seen fit to employ a night watchman and has been paying Col. Streachley \$75 per month out of the appropriation set aside for telegraphing, postage and assessment rolls.

"My salary as clerk in the office was, up to about one year ago, \$83 33 per month, and upon receiving a cut of \$8.33 on the strength of his employing friends of his from the state to do work in his office dates the beginning in ear-

It a practice of a salary bashing on his part which, I claim, has no foundation in law and cannot, so far as my limited knowledge will permit, find its parallel not even in the corrupt and obnoxious administration of Edmund J. Davis in Texas. Not only has he employed more clerks in his office than it was contemplated he should do by the members of the twenty-first legislature when they framed and voted for this appropriation by items as they always do, but he saw fit at or about this time this 'salary cut' to put myself and three other clerks upon his political correspondence at which business we were busily engaged at a time varying in extent from three to four months, during which time and up to the date of my severing my official connection with the comptroller's department my pay was \$75 per month, the fact being that the extra additional clerks were employed to do ordinary routine work while we four special clerks were promoted to the 'political special department.'

"These are facts, Mr. Chairman and under a good law and order government should be investigated, their truth or non-truth determined and fixed. I, with others witnesses, am subject to the call of the committee. Respectfully,
"J. W. BOYNTON."
Austin, Tex. Feb. 4, 1891.

WORD AND SAM JONES.

The Preacher and Mayor Talk About Their Scrap.

LA GRANGE, Tex., Feb. 5.—Rev. SAM JONES delivered his famous lecture, "Get There," at the opera house last night. He was met by a report and interrogated as to his displeasure at Palestine. He spoke very freely of the matter and said that he was on the depot platform waiting for the train with a valise in his hand when a man stepped up and asked, "Is this Sam Jones?" He replied: "That is my forgiven name."

"The fellow" continued Mr. Jones, "then hit me in the face with his cane, cutting a deep gash across the cheek, and also hit me on the shoulders. I then put down my valise, grabbed the gentleman's name, and grabbed it out of his hand. I then started in and literally wore him out. We separated and I left him in the hands of some doctors for repairs. I have learned that the pugilistic gentleman is the mayor of Palestine. He will know whom to jump on next time. It was a pitiful sight to see the fellow try to draw his pistol. I am glad he could not get it out, for I would have taken it away from him and might have had to kill him.

"I dislike this very much, as I have been out of this line of business for eighteen years. I am

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afraid this kind of thing is not going to stop here. Some smart Aleck will want to whip me again. I won't have peace until I kill someone. I had criticised the town government last fall at Palestine for permitting all kinds of violations of the laws. The "keno" call of the gambling den could be distinctly heard by the ladies at the church during the hours of service, and I pleaded for women and children. I never saw the honorable mayor before. I called on him to come upon the stage if he was in the audience but he did not appear, nor did he offer to whip me last November, but waited until yesterday."

The reverend gentleman seemed to feel sore and indignant, but his lecture here was a success.

WORD'S VERSION OF THE FIGHT.

PALESTINE, TEX., Feb. 5.—Mayor J. J. Word to-day prepared for publication the following statement in regard to the affray between himself and Rev. Sam Jones, an account which he was subsequently furnished by a miss meeting of the citizens and asked to resign the position of mayor of the city:

"I desire that correct understanding of the encounter between myself and the Rev. Sam Jones be had, and with that end in view I submit the following statement to the public: During the large enthusiastic meeting held at this place by the Rev. Sam Jones, and on the last day of said meeting and before some 5000 people, he took occasion to criticize my official conduct as mayor and intimated that I was in collusion with violators of the law and directly or indirectly receiving pay from them for overlooking their offenses. Of this I have no complaint to make, as I believe in the fullest scrutiny on the part of the public into the official conduct of every public servant and have ever been ready to meet and answer any charge that might be presented against me officially.

"But on the same occasion Mr. Jones took it upon himself to refer in most insulting language to my private life and habits and that, too, before my wife and little children and relatives and friends. I was absent at the time at Dallas. Upon my return I was informed of these matters by parties whose truthfulness I could not and will not question, and then I determined that whenever and wherever I and Sam Jones met I should personally resent the wrong which I considered and will consider he did me and mine. I never saw Sam Jones but twice in my life. The first time was when he preached here in November last and the

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The only paper in Haskell County.

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Our junior H. Bee Martin accompanied by Mr. Theo. Gibson of the Star attended the Fourth Semi-Annual meeting of the North West Texas Press Association at Seymour this week. We were received and shown every courtesy by the board of trade. Seymour is long to be remembered by the members of the Press who attended the Association.

That city should be proud of her local press, the Monitor, Sun and News, the Editors of which spared no pains in making the "boys" enjoy their visit to Seymour.

The welcome address that was delivered by Judge Glasgow was concise, eloquently delivered, and to the point, which was responded to by G. F. Pearson of the Henrietta, Chieftain, in his pleasant and deliberate manner.

The grand ball and banquet on Wednesday night given in honor of the N. W. T. P. A. was the grandest affair we ever witnessed.

Promptly at 8:30 p. m. the terpsichorean festivities began in the large hall of the court house. At 11 o'clock supper was called and all repaired to the ball down stairs where a long table was loaded with every variety of edibles.

While at Seymour we had the pleasure of meeting the following members of the press:

H. J. Streckfaden and G. F. Pearson, Henrietta Chieftain; Fred J. Schilling, Mineral Wells Herald; F. T. Daugherty, Wichita Herald; A. M. Dawson, Quanah Tribune; John W. Dale, Springtown Newsdealer; Orion Proctor, Aurora Chronicle; R. L. Taylor, Archer Progress; J. P. Sampson, Montague Democrat; R. E. L. McLean, Delta Plain Review; F. D. Hill, Springtown Newsdealer; Albert G. Stuart, Rockwall News; O. W. Bradley, Harold Telephone; J. V. Watkins, Nocona Western Age; C. F. Radolph, Tascosa Pioneer; G. W. Coleman, Henrietta Independent; G. P. Barber, Seymour News; N. L. Voglesang, Seymour Sun; Capt. Norwood, Seymour Monitor.

We clip the following from our Austin correspondent's letter of this week, and are sorry it did not come to hand in time to be published in full, referring to Hagg school fund policy he says.

"There is nothing after all very novel and nothing at all experimental in the idea, for the State has now \$1,750,000 of the permanent school fund invested in railroads, the annual interest on which, always promptly paid, is \$80,000. With the aid of a railway commission to hereafter regulate the management of railroads in the State, the investment of public funds of limited quantities per mile in the stock of new roads, commends itself to the best minds at the Capital as a safe and thoroughly secure plan of disposing of the school money, and at the same time being stimulating to the growth and development of the State. Next week other features of this subject will be discussed in this column. Austin is steadily moving to the front, gaining strength and confidence at every step."

All There.

If the Rayer Lass could taffy its girls as lavishly as it does a few embryonic politicians it would soon desert the solitude of bachelorhood and don the mantle of martial felicity.—Haskell Free Press.

—All There! The Free Press young man from the locals in its paper is doing the taffy act on the young ladies of Haskell to perfection. We will wait the outcome and if all O K Brother Martin, will take your advice.—Rayer Lass.

Another Railroad.

The Reporter was informed Tuesday by an eastern gentleman that with in the next ten days Abilene would have a railroad proposition submitted to her people from parties that were fully responsible, to build another railroad into this city, work to commence within

New York Store!

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We have an immense line of Boots and Shoes in endless variety and can suit everybody, in style and price, and they are going to be closed out regardless of Cost.

GENTS' FURNISHING GOODS.

Our Stock of Men's Underwear, Casimere Shirts, White Dress Shirts, Hosiery, Gloves, Suspenders and Silk Ties, is as complete as ever, the only difference now being, we have reduced the price on all of them. Be sure and give us a call before buying elsewhere.

All our Hats Blankets, Comforts, Trunks and Valises will be sold at reduced prices.

We have determined to force out all our surplus Stock of goods in order to make room for a big Spring Stock which we have on the road, consequently we are selling all our Goods at an enormous Discount.

Come to our store and see how one dollar in cash will buy two dollars worth of goods.

NEW YORK STORE,

L. FREEMAN, MANAGER.

SEYMOUR, TEXAS.

thirty days from the time the contract was closed between the company and our people. This is good news and comes from a reliable source.—Abilene Reoprtter.

Let the road be built to Haskell.

KANSAS

First of this week was the coldest weather of the winter to date.

On last Sunday evening several youngsters accidentally met at the residence of Mr. E. A. Houston, whence they strolled over to Mr. Robertson's for music, and Mr. H. walked over to Mr. Bright's for a few minutes, leaving Mrs. H. in care of the house and two little helpless children, one an invalid.

Soon after the crowd was gone and all was quiet save the terrific blizzard that was fast locking all nature in the robes of winter. Mrs. Houston observed that fire was in the roof of her dwelling. She raised the best alarm the circumstances would permit and battled heroically, but the wind and the flames were too much for her and before she arrived her cosy home and all its splendid furnishings were consumed! The home that so recently centered the entire family and many guests forgetful of the cold weather, now had no shelter for the mother and her helpless babes, but all were cast out into the dark upon the bleak prairie on the coldest night of the winter!

Mr. E. A. Houston is one of our most worthy citizens and had recently insured and furnished his handsome residence. He and his excellent family have the sympathy of the entire community in this hour of their calamity. The family was cared for by the neighbors who tendered a liberal share of their home and comforts.

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THE AGE OF CONSENT.

An Appeal to the Mothers of Daughters in the Lone Star State.

FORT WORTH, Tex., Jan. 31.—The Saturday's Gazette special report from our legislature at Austin states that the house judiciary committee No. 2 reports favorably on a bill raising the age of consent in cases of raping from ten to twelve years.

With many other Texas ladies I signed a petition in 1897 begging

the legislature to raise the age of consent to eighteen years. We believed that it was raised to sixteen years and were thankful for the progress of justice. It seems that we were misinformed and the age of consent was left at the childish age of ten.

Mother, it is your duty to learn the fearful meaning of that term, "the age of consent." In law, it is the age at which a female child can sell her chastity, the purity and respectability of her entire life, and the contract cannot be set

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aside by process of law. How does this operate for the protection of our daughters? Under sixteen or twenty-one years, a Texas girl cannot, without the consent of parent or guardian, sell a cow, a house, ashawl or give away any property. Such articles can be recovered by process of law. If the judiciary committee's bill is correctly reported, it seems that in this commonwealth of Texas, a little child of ten years may sell her chastity, the honor and dignity of womanhood, to the lust of men, and the contract is esteemed just and the adulterer and procurer are protected in their business

Thus the state encourages the merchandise in the honor of the little daughter. Our government becomes an accomplice in furnishing the dens of infamy that lead young men to shame. The horse thief may serve ten or fifteen years in the penitentiary. The forger, the accomplice in the theft of money or other property are severely dealt with by imprisonment and their reputation is forever blackened. No penalty is affixed to the enticing away of our little Texas daughters.

The state of Massachusetts places the age of consent at eighteen, and make it a felony for any keeper of

a bagnio to have under his or her roof a girl under eighteen. Are our children less worthy of protection? Let the ladies of Texas hold meetings on this subject and send thousands of petitions to our legislators begging for a humane and just law for the protection of our daughters.—Mrs. Mary M. Clardy, in Fort Worth Gazette.

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LOCAL DOTS.

—McLemore wants a few day boarders.
—D. W. Fields was in the city Monday.
—McLemore's WINE OF CARDUI for Weak Nerves.
—Have you paid your subscription?
—McLemore's is the place to buy what you need in the drug line.
—G. W. Tanner has built a residence on his farm in the country.
—McLemore wants a few day boarders.
—R. S. DeLong & Co. are now receiving their car lots.
—For the next 60 days I will sell at cost, Mrs. W. P. Paris.
—Wall Paper at F. E. Turner & Co. cheap.
—R. S. DeLong left Monday for St. Louis to buy a spring stock of goods.
—BLACK-DRAUGHT tea for Dyspepsia.
—Corn, oats and hay cheap for cash at Haskell Feed Store.
—John Crump has accepted a position with Mess DeLong & Co.
—E. E. Nolen one of Paint Creek's prominent young farmers was in the city Saturday.
—Keg pickles, saur kraut, mackerel rel. fresh hams, at R. S. DeLong & Co.
—Bass Bros. Abilene Tex., have a large stock of Dog Poison, its the place to get bargains.
—A. F. Smith was in the city Saturday. He will plant a crop of fifty acres this year.
—Go to McLemore's for your wall paper, will trim it for you free of charge.
—Rice, hominy, beans, peas, potatoes and onions at R. S. DeLong & Co.
—Mr. R. C. Lomax and Jessie Jones, of Haskell were in Albany Tuesday.—Albany News.
—Mrs. W. P. Paris is selling out to make room for her spring Stock.
—When in Haskell call at the City Hotel, where everything is kept neat.
—Becknell & Rupe, prop's WINE OF CARDUI, a Tonic for Women.
—NOTICE—
Parties indebted to us must come and settle at once. We can only sell on 30 days time. Resp. Dickenson Bros.
—Kill your Dogs now is the time you will find the poison cheap at Bass Bros. Abilene Tex.
—In the county seat election the 5th inst in Motley county, Matador was elected.
—Call on C. C. Riddel for Harness, Saddies and Leaping Horn side saddles. Haskell, Tex.
—Mrs. J. C. Baldwin has returned from Dallas and is marking down all her goods at prices that will insure sales quick to make room for her large spring stock of millinery goods.
—The Union Market will pay Abilene prices for all kinds of hides and furs. 12 20 8t
—The contractors of the Haskell National Bank building are making rapid progress with the foundation of the same.
—Little Basil Baldwin caught fire the other day and had his coat clothes burned off of him. His screaming brought his aunt Miss Minnie Thomson to his relief in time to save him from injury. His body was protected by flannel. Miss Minnie bitated her hands in extinguishing the flames.
—W. J. Sewell, of Haskell, called this morning on his way east. His friends need not be surprised if he brings back a wife.—Abilene News.

—R. S. DeLong & Co. now have the largest and most complete line of groceries ever brought to Haskell.
—Theo Gibson made a business trip to Seymour this week in the interest of the Star.
—Ladies if you want millinery, call on me I will sell at cost. Mrs. W. P. Paris.
—Mess A. H. Bryant and Parish two of Haskell's good farmers were in the city Tuesday.
—McLemore will sell you wall paper cheaper than Abilene, and it costs you nothing to have it trimmed.
—BLACK-DRAUGHT tea cures Constipation.
—Remember the red flag catches the gray mule and ready to do your delivering.
—Mess Seaf & O'Connor of Dallas presented us with a good paper rule, which we accepted with thanks.
—Bass' Dog Poison will do the work, and you can get it at A. P. McLemore's Drug Store. 1-31 St.
—Miss Katie McLaurin who has been visiting Miss May Shipley returned home Saturday.
—Miss May Shipley who is attending the Haskell Public school, paid her parents a visit Saturday.
—Go to W. P. Paris' when you want your delivering done cheap, for the cash.
—General Delivery by W. P. Paris. Will deliver Merchandise to any part of the city at 10 cts.
—Mr. D. Deilis the representative of Mess Cameron & Phillips of Abilene was in the city this week.
—McEire's WINE OF CARDUI for febrile diseases.
—Ask your dealers for the N Porter make of Horse Collars Saddles, Harness etc., etc.
—Mr. W. D. Goodwin of Wichita Falls has purchased for \$300 cash the lot owned by the masonic fraternity of this place.
—T. W. Coker was in the city Saturday. He has begun to put in a farm and will get 30 acres in cultivation this year.
—Mrs. J. C. Baldwin and Miss Minnie Thomson, returned from Dallas Saturday. Mrs. Baldwin purchased a complete line of millinery for spring trade while at Dallas.
—Owing to sickness in the family, Mrs. J. O. Baldwin has postponed the interment to be given at her residence Saturday night. This will be a great disappointment to the literary and social circle, as a happy evening was anticipated.
—D. L. Smith one of Haskell county's prosperous wool growers, has been in the city for several days. He has been under treatment for a severe case of the gripe.
—A. B. Corothers was in town Saturday. He says he will plant 75 acres of corn, and 90 acres of oats. Mr. Corothers is one of Haskell county's most prosperous farmers.
—Mr. M. H. Lackey was in the city Saturday. He says he is going to plant 60 acres of corn this year, 100 acres of oats, and about 30 acres of cotton.
—Mr. J. M. Marshall one of Haskell's citizens left this week for his old home at Gilmer, his son Frank Marshall and Mr. Marlan Odam of Upsher county, will remain on the farm and are going to break and put in 50 acres of oats, also one hundred acres of corn and cotton. A few more farmers like this will bring Haskell county to the front as a farming county.
—McEire's Wine of Cardui and THEOPHIL'S BLACK-DRAUGHT are for sale by the following merchants in Haskell county:
Haskell, F. E. Turner,
Haskell, D. R. Gass,
Haskell, Johnson Bros.
—After Jan. 1st the Haskell and Albany Hack will run three times per week regularly. Leaves Haskell Monday's, Wednesday's and Friday's, Paris' headquarters for Abilene.
Yoe & Paris.

Groceries! groceries!

To the People of Haskell and Haskell County:

While 1890 was the Largest annual Business we have ever done we want to increase it in 1891 and are again in the field for **NEW TRADE**. We invite old customers to **STAY** with us and new ones to Give us a trial. We carry the Largest Stock and Make the **LOWEST PRICES** of any house in the city. Give us a trial we are able to take care of you and want your trade

Yours Truly,
J. M. RADFORD,
ABILENE, TEXAS.
GROCERIES! GROCERIES! GROCERIES!

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FINE WINES, LIQUORS AND CIGARS. WILL KEEP ALWAYS ON HAND A GOOD SUPPLY OF THE CELEBRATED KENTUCKY WHISKY.
WESTSIDE SQUARE, HASKELL, TEXAS.

SELLING OUT AT COST!
Mrs. W. P. Paris
Is Actually Selling Her Fall Stock and Winter Goods at Cost to Make Room for Her Spring Stock.
CALL AND SEE FOR YOUR SELF.
HASKELL, TEXAS.

J. E. GLOVER,
DEALER IN
Fine Jewelry,
Diamonds, Watches, Chains,
Charms and Gold Pens,
HASKELL TEXAS.

J. F. STROOP,
DEALER IN
GENERAL MERCHANDISE.
Prices on all Lines Very Low.
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TEAMS WELL CARED FOR.
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Jno. Deere, Clipper and Avery Plows for black and sandy land, Casady, Solid Comfort and Tricycle sulky plows. Clark's Cutaways and Disk harrows. Atlantic steel harrows, Standard cultivators and Planters, Columbia cultivators.
We are just now offering for Cash special reduced prices on:
Plows and Wagons.
Hardware, Tinware, Stoves, wire Etc., Regularly in Stock.
SHERILL BROS., & CO.

GEO. MASON & Co.
DEALERS IN
GENERAL MERCHANDISE.
Will Deliver Goods to any part of the city.
SOUTH SIDE OF THE SQUARE.
HASKELL TEXAS.

—R. S. DeLong & Co. have received 20 barrels of best hand made ribbon cane molasses. Also 30 barrels of Louisiana Sugars.
—Mr. W. H. Peters of the northwest portion of the county was in the city Saturday. Mr. Peters says he is getting 50 acres in oats, corn and cotton.
—We will take it as a favor if when you come to town you would report to us what you are doing in the way of farming.
—S. H. Woods left Monday to purchase an outfit for the Star office. He will be absent several weeks on other business.
—When in Seymour go to the St Elmore for the best dinner. The only first class Restaurant in town.
—Born to Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Bohanan the 7th instant a bouncing 12 pound boy. The boy and Jerry are both doing well.
—T. A. Witten of the Fairview neighborhood was in the city Saturday. He will plant sixty acres this year. Most of his crop will be cotton.
—Havana Press Drills are the best in the market for sowing oats. Own one yourself and plant your own crop at the most advantageous time.—E. S. Hughes & Co. have a few on hand.
All parties indebted to me and the firm of D. R. Gass & Co. will please come forward and settle their accounts at once. I am now preparing to move my goods to Rayner and must have my money. Don't wish to press anyone but I must have my money. Fair warning.
Yours truly,
D. R. GASS.

—On last Tuesday evening the following couple were assembled at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Frost. The occasion was the celebration of the anniversary of their daughter, Miss Etie's birth-day.
W. E. Johnson and Miss Annie Thumson, R. E. Martin and Miss Minnie Thomson, Hail Morrison and Miss Janie McLemore, J. E. Glover and Miss Rebecca McLemore, Prof. Warren and Miss Mollie Dewberry, Oscar Martin and Miss Mattie Preston, L. S. Long and Miss Carrie Rogers, J. W. Armstrong and Miss Gilie Rike, S. H. Woods and F. J. Long. The company were entertained in a most elegant manner, with games of amusements, Music and refreshments. Miss Etie who received the company devoted herself entirely to the pleasure of the same and acquitted herself in a most becoming manner. The Free Press wishes her many happy returns of the anniversary.
—Judge Cockrell, in his charge to the grand jury Monday, was clear and comprehensive, touching upon all worthy of consideration, and it was delivered in his logical, dispassionate but impressive style. The old Judge is pure gold and there is no dross about him. It is universally admitted that he has done more to suppress crime in West Texas than all other agencies combined, and justly bears that record, he is fair and impartial in his rulings and believes that justice should be tempered with mercy. The bench of Texas is not honored by a purer, nobler, abler or better man than our grand old district judge. May he continue in the future as in the past, "called of God" to meet out strict justice to all, and may he have, also, the strong moral support of every law abiding citizen of this district.
—Anson Western.

—Mr. R. A. Mason returned last Saturday from Kentucky. He is hearty and looking well.
—Our senior received an invitation to attend the marriage of W. J. Sowell to Miss Fannie Henry which occurred the 11th inst. Mr. Sowell is one of Haskell's prosperous young men and stands high in the best circle of Haskell. He has been the tax assessor of Haskell county for several years having defeated a number of the best men in the county for that responsible position. Miss Henry is the daughter of A. H. Henry of Kaufman and is the sister of Mrs. F. G. Alexander she is worthy and accomplished and belongs to one of the best families in Kaufman county. The Free Press congratulates both parties and wish them the realization of all their brightest anticipations.

DEAD.
In our last issue we made the mistake of publishing from rumor the death of John Williams; who was not dead. He did die Monday however, John was an honest, hard working exemplary boy, and was very popular with all the cowboys, of whom he was one. He gave every promise of making a most worthy and useful citizen and it is to be regretted that one so promising, so young should be cut down by the death angel. We tender our heart felt sympathy to his bereaved relatives.

Money! Money!
Any one having Vendors Lien, Notes and wishing to get the money on them, should call on S. W. Scott, office in court house. Notes extended and money loaned on long time at lowest rates, with real estate security.

You are in a Bad Fix
But we will cure you if you will pay us. Our message is to the Weak, Nervous and Debilitated, who by early Evil Habits, or Later Indiscretion, have trifled away their vigor of Body, Mind and Manhood, and who suffer all those effects which led to premature Decay, Consumption or Insanity. If this means you, send for and read our **BOOK OF LIFE**, written by the greatest specialist of the day, and sent (sealed), by addressing Dr. Parker's Medical and Surgical Institute, 153 North Spruce St. Nashville, Tenn.

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Pronounced Hopeless, Yet Saved.
From a letter written by Mrs. Ada E. Har of Gorton, S. D., we quote: "Was taken with a bad cold, which settled on my Lungs, cough set in and finally terminated in Consumption. Four doctors gave me up saying I could live but a short time. I gave myself up to my Savior determined if I could not stay with my friends on earth, I would meet my absent ones above. My husband was advised to get Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Cough and Colds. I gave it a trial, took in all, eight bottles; it has cured me and thank God I am now well and hearty woman." Trial bottles free at McLemore's Drugstore, regular size, 50c and \$1.00.
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Her Resources, Advantages, Progress and Future Prospects.

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

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It remained unsettled until 1874 when there was one of two ranches established. Other ranchmen followed and in 1880 the county could boast of 15 or 20 inhabitants.

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, of the Texas and Pacific railroad.

The land men of Austin have organized a company to build a road from that city to this section of the same where they control nearly all the land and one of the principal managers owns 15,000 acres in this and Knox counties.

Our school fund is perhaps the best of any county in the north-west. In addition to the amount received from the state, about \$5,000 per annum, our commissioners court have wisely executed a lease for 10 years for a league of school land, situated in the Pecosville, the revenue from which added to the amount received from the state gives us a fund amply sufficient to build school houses in any organized school community of the county.

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The soil is an alluvial loam of great depth and fertility, varying in color from a red to a dark chocolate, and is composed of its porous and friable nature, when thoroughly plowed, readily drains to the rainfall and dry seasons absorb moisture from the atmosphere and for the like reasons the soil readily drains itself of the surplus water, thereby preventing stagnation of the water and the baking of the soil as well as the germination of weeds. It is these peculiar qualities of soil that enable vegetation to withstand all varieties of weather.

Except mesquite groves and stumps, which are easily extracted,

there are no obstructions to plow and the land being level or generally rolling, and easily worked, the use of labor saving implements at once becomes pleasant and profitable.

Indian corn, wheat, oats, barley, rye, durum corn, millet, sorghum, clover, beans, feed peas, potatoes, pumpkins, and all the squash family, turnips and cotton are grown successfully and profitably.

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 15 to 30 bushels—averaging 25 bushels per acre and sold in the home market for 90 cents to \$1.00 per bushel.

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two drug and wood shops one lumber yard, one national bank, one leather 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 two saloons, all doing a good business.

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 change of residence for many reasons.

To such we would say you are just the people we want. Come and see us, and you will find a broad field of opportunity and investment to choose from, with chances greatly in your favor.

We have a county endowed by nature with all the conditions of soil, prairie and valley adapting it to the production of all the grain, grasses, fruits and vegetables of the temperate zone.

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they brought a bottle of wine. As the young man started this was produced and a stirrup cup offered to his success.

Yesterday morning when the bride awoke and discovered the foul plot of which she was the victim she was sorely grieved, and at once left home, and taking the first train came to Abilene to some friends and sent for her lover to meet her.

It is highly probable, too, that there will be another reckoning over the matter.

THE AUSTIN BUGET

The Twenty-second Getting Down to Earnest Work—The School Fund. The School Book Question, the Scalp Law and Reap-portionment: Attraction Union

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for its trouble. This bill provides for an appropriation to carry out the measure. The parents of this State are deeply interested in the question.

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