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### "Unnecessary Talk."

In last week's issue the Lockney Beacon briefly and indefinitely notices THE HESPERIAN'S response to the Beacon's nine line local of complaint against the county's vault and road litigation. The Beacon doubtless feels that it has nothing upon which to base its complaints against the County and is attempting to put THE HESPERIAN in the lead. It is merely taking the chance of establishing a ground for its complaint, altho it is not known that a ground for complaint exists. As a Supreme Judge once said in rendering his opinion on a celebrated case, "It is somewhat analogous to a 'fishing bill,' which has been defined to be one which shows no cause of action and which endeavors to compel defendant to disclose one in plaintiff's favor," since the Beacon remarks, "yet, in all that article THE HESPERIAN fails to tell the people why the vault was not advertised and let to the lowest responsible bidder." THE HESPERIAN had as well have shown some things connected with the money question as to have attempted to explain matters not referred to in the Beacon's nine line local.

By the Beacon's reference to the County's road litigation as "unnecessary money" spent, the reader could only infer that the Beacon is against the County in the suit pending. If the Beacon is against the County's side in the pending road litigation it has an excuse to complain; but if it is on the County's side it has no ground for complaint. From the manner in which the Beacon twists and shifts on its "unnecessary money" slogan, it is more appropriate for it to substitute "unnecessary talk" in its stead.

Since the Beacon says that it heartily favors the building of the record vault it has no ground for complaint on that score. Until it explains its attitude on the road litigation it is not known whether it believes in maintaining public roads already established or not. In the present case would the Beacon favor the County's surrendering to the opposition against the existence of the road in question?

The Beacon seems to think, as near as it can be comprehended, that it is "unnecessary money" spent in litigating a "proposed" road round a section or two which if appealed will likely cost more money. The Beacon should bear in mind that the road in litigation is not a proposed one but actually in existence—duly and regularly established by law. If the County were to surrender under the apprehension that the case might be appealed it would be a timid institution—too timid to protect public interests when public rights are invaded. The Beacon is aiding and abetting opposition to public interests—opposition to law and order—by its unnecessary talk about road litigation. Anarchy should never be encouraged by local newspapers.

### Poll Tax Amendment.

Judge John H. Reagan has, among other things, the following to say in favor of the adoption of the proposed poll tax amendment to the Constitution:

"I regard the proposed amendment to the State Constitution, so as to require the payment of a poll tax in order to authorize the citizens to vote, so just and necessary that I do not object to making a brief statement of my views on the subject.

"As I understand it the citizen pays a poll tax as the protection of his person and personal rights by the Government, and a property tax as the price of protection of his property by the Government.

"A failure to comply with the law by the payment of such a tax is a

breach of his duty, and bad faith to the Government on which he relies for protection and is a dishonorable neglect of public duty. By such a course he imposes on others the payment of his debt, by violating the law which requires him to pay his own debt, and is as much a wrongdoer as if in any other way he had cheated some other citizen out of what his poll tax would be.

"Common honesty, duty to the public and justice to the good people who pay their taxes to support the Government and to carry on the free schools requires that all voters, whether white or black, shall pay at least a poll tax."

### National Issues.

The Lockney Beacon evidently has little positive love for the principles of the Kansas City platform. It says:

"The Democratic party has a fighting chance for success in 1904 if reason, business and justice are adhered to. If folly, selfishness and exploded hobbies are laid aside and a platform of three planks, viz: Free Trade, an Income Tax, and an election of all servants of the people by popular ballot, from President to Post-master. These three vital measures when properly inaugurated will, in the opinion of the Beacon, give industrial prosperity and peace to the country."

Why does not the Beacon recommend the adoption of the Kansas City platform and thereby show to the world that the Democratic party is the same at all times. Free trade and the income tax are already prominent features of the Kansas City platform and the popular election of all servants has been for all time essentially a Democratic doctrine.

The Beacon's platform is good as far as it goes, but it would be silent on the question of imperialism, bimetallism, government by injunction, trusts, tenure of office, exclusion of Chinese, and many other important questions.

The Kansas City and Chicago platforms are as nearly perfect as any National platform that could be drafted. They are hobbies that honest American citizens may tie to with safety and with the approval of an enlightened conscience.

### A New School History.

The editor of this paper is in receipt of a complimentary copy of "The Beginner's History of Our Country," by Harry F. Estill, professor in the Sam Houston State Normal School at Huntsville, Texas. The Beginner's History of Our Country meets a long-felt want in our public school course in this State. It is just as its title signifies—a history of our country for the beginner. It opens the way for the student to grasp the important events in the study of our country's history. Mr. Estill, the author, is an associate author of "The History of Our Country" which was given the public eight years ago. There is not another man in Texas who is better prepared to do the public schools service in making the study of history interesting than Mr. Estill. Any of his students in the Sam Houston Normal will attest the foregoing assertion. Each teacher in Floyd county should secure a copy of The Beginner's History of Our Country and lend its contents a careful perusal and inspection. It can be secured by sending to W. L. Lemmon, manager of the Southern Publishing Company, Sherman, Texas. The price is 60 cents.

### Heaven Help Us

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Staple and Fancy Groceries,  
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### Honor Thy Mother.

Ingratitude crushes the hearts of more old grey-haired mothers than any other sin that could be mentioned. Young man, you should stop occasionally and think how you are treating your old mother. Consider what she has done for you, conceive if you can, of a love that is deep enough to cause her to do the many little things she does each day of her life, and reflect upon some of the incidents of the past and see if among them you don't recall many times when you, with other boys, have gotten into mischief, and your mother hastened to blame the other boys for leading you into it, no matter how guilty you are? Did your father see it that way? Not much. Can you think of anyone whose love for you is sufficient to blind them to your faults except your mother?

To illustrate our subject, we once knew a boy who was born and reared on a little farm in the mountains, owned by his parents. There was quite a large family of children, and the little mountain patch, with the aid of much economy, barely made them a living, but as the children grew up they were learned to work and were sent to country school, where this particular young man learned rapidly, and a merchant in a little town where the family did their trading, noticing the brightness of this boy and knowing that he came of honest parents (note where he gets his first recommendation) employed him to work in his store. He was sober and industrious; attended Church and Sunday school; prayed in public, and was looked upon as a model young man, and when his old parents came to town in their old run down wagon and took him out to the home to spend Sunday with them, nobody was ever happier or prouder

than they. Time passed on and for several years we had not met this young man. He had left the little town and secured a position as a drummer for a wholesale house in the city. Finally, however, his business brought him back to the little town, and it almost makes us shudder to tell you what we saw—a dude in the strictest sense of the word—a thing of beauty, with its hair split directly in the center of its cranium; a hundred dollar diamond in the front of its shirt; its clothing cut in the very latest fashion; a pair of patent leather shoes and a gold headed cane. It had a cigarette in its mouth and the odor of red liquor upon its breath. It made frequent use of the blackest oaths talked of Euehre and high five in a made-to-order tone of voice.

If this was all we would not have used the illustration, but this society bird had become too great to recognize the old godly parents who had tried so hard to make a man of him. He refused to visit them, and during subsequent visits to the town was known to actually dodge them on the streets. Now imagine, if you can, the feelings of that mother, but don't merely say "somebody ought to take a club and kill him," but get a lesson from this, and start in right now to honor, love and obey your mother. There is no exalted place in society so high that your mother should not be a welcome and honored guest. She may not wear the latest straight-front corset; the camel's hump on her back or have a front yard just beneath her chin enclosed with web-wire, and she may not use the best English, but she is your mother and doubtless has more common sense than a whole regiment of your society associates. If you are anything that is worthy or good your mother should have the credit for making you so, and you should see that she gets it.— Florence Vidette.







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**PROPOSED AMENDMENT**  
To the Constitution, to Be Submitted to Vote of the People on Tuesday, November 4, 1902.

**Joint Resolution.**

Amending Article 6, Section 2, of the Constitution of the State of Texas requiring all persons subject to a poll tax to have paid a poll tax and to hold a receipt for same before they offer to vote at any election in this State, and fixing the time of payment of said tax.

Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. That Article 6, Section 2 of the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended so as to hereafter read as follows:

Sec. 2. Every male person subject to none of the foregoing disqualifications, who shall have attained the age of twenty-one years and who shall be a citizen of the United States, and who shall have resided in this State one year next preceding an election and the last six months within the district or county in which he offers to vote, shall be deemed a qualified elector and every male person of foreign birth subject to none of the foregoing disqualifications who not less than six months before any election at which he offers to vote, shall have declared his intention to become a citizen of the United States in accordance with the Federal Naturalization Laws, and shall have resided in this State one year next preceding such election and the last six months in the county in which he offers to vote, shall also be deemed a qualified elector; and all electors shall vote in the election precinct of their residence; provided, that electors living in any unorganized county may vote at any election precinct in the county to which such county is attached for judicial purposes; and provided further, that any voter who is subject to pay a poll tax under the laws of the State of Texas shall have paid said tax before he offers to vote at any election in this State and hold a receipt showing his poll tax paid before the first day of February next preceding such election. Or if said voter shall have lost or misplaced said tax receipt, he shall be entitled to vote upon making affidavit before any officer authorized to administer oaths that such tax receipt has been lost. Such affidavit shall be made in writing and left with the judge of the election, and this provision of the Constitution shall be self-enacting without the necessity of further legislation.

Sec. 3. The Governor of this State is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation submitting this amendment to the qualified voters of Texas at the next general election.

W. T. Montgomery arrived Saturday from a canvassing tour of about two weeks' duration in the northern Panhandle counties.

**Out Of Death's Jaws.**

"When death seemed very near from a severe stomach and liver trouble that I suffered with for years," writes P. Muse, Durham, N. C., "Dr. King's New Life Pills saved my life and gave perfect health." Best Pills on earth and only 25c at R. C. Scott's drug store.

Miss Emme Miller returned a few days ago from a three weeks' trip to St. Louis where she has been taking lessons in the art of millinery. She selected a stock of seasonable goods.

**His Life In Peril.**

"I just seemed to have gone all to pieces," writes Alfred Bee, of Welfare, Texas, "billiousness and a lame back had made life a burden. I couldn't eat or sleep and felt almost too worn out to work when I began to use Electric Bitters, but they worked wonders. Now I sleep like a top, can eat anything, have gained in strength and enjoy hard work." They give vigorous health and new life to weak, sickly, run down people. Try them. Only 50c at R. C. Scott's drug store.

The weather this week is somewhat Novemberish—cold, drizzly, damp days.

**...TO THE POINT...**

I am a Business Man. I have no idle words to thrust upon the public. I have something of interest and importance instead. I have received a **A LARGE AND SELECT STOCK OF Men's Clothing!** My Up-to-Date, Ready-Made, Made-to-Fit Fall and Winter Suits can not be surpassed in quality and Finish. And you should see what I have in my line of Fine Overcoats.  
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**IN TRANSIT!**

**Our New Stock**

Our Mr. Nelson is in the East selecting in person our mammoth Fall and Winter **DRY-GOODS, NOTIONS, &c**

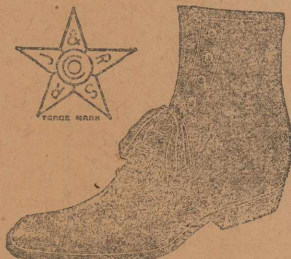
and he is selecting a stock that will present to the observing and inspecting eye the Grandest Array and Most Mammoth Display it has ever been Floydada's fortune to have for the general trade. The best goods at the lowest cash prices are being selected. Our buyer has an eye single to the wants of the Plains people. The public may rest assured that we have in waiting some exceptional and unheard-of bargains.

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I have also a good TIN SHOP in connection. Send us your orders for HARDWARE. My prices are right and I treat my customers as friends.

The protracted meeting conducted by R. W. Officer for two weeks closed last Sunday night at the Methodist Church building. There were four additions by baptism to the congregation of disciples at Floydada.

**Swapping Lies**

is practiced, but don't swap off Hunt's Lightning Oil for a worthless article. Ask your druggist or merchant for a free sample bottle.

J. H. McGehee tells it that Frank Aiken once lived in Stone wall county and was made to serve as Justice of the Peace, and two row-boys and their girls called to be married by the same ceremony. The Squire made them clasp hands and said: "Do each of you swear by all the powers of Stone wall county to be man and wife, and render to each other a faithful unlimited and everlasting service, to the best of your ability, so help you God; for which I pronounce you man and wife." —Lockey Beacon.

**We Can't Tell A Lie**

When we say there is no shaking of bottles, no licking of spoons, no wry faces when Cheatham's Laxative Chill Tablets are used. 25 cts. No cure—no pay.

The editor's heart was gladdened yesterday morning by the visit of a most devoted friend, whose name is Troop. Troop is a grateful being of the canine family. He had been absent from THE HESPERIAN home for three months, evangelizing with W. H. Carr, a Methodist minister. Since the summer revival season has come to a close Troop returned to spend some time with his most trusted friend, the chief scribe. The chief scribe reposes much confidence in Troop's fidelity. Troop is not like many dogs. He is no account as a coon dog, but he has a most responsive soul. He never forgets a kindness and never fails to return one. As long as Troop remains as he is he and the chief scribe will be friends.

State of Ohio, City of Toledo, } ss.  
Lucas County,

Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is the senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay one hundred dollars for any case of catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of Hall's Catarrh Cure.

Frank J. Cheney.  
Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1895.

A. W. Gleason,  
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Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally and acts directly on the blood and mucuous surfaces of the system. Send for testimonials, free.

F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O.  
Sold by druggists 75c.  
Hall's Family Pills are the best.

The State Controller estimates for the year 1901 136,844 persons failed to pay their poll tax. The poll tax is \$1.50 per year, \$1.00 of which goes to the support of the public free schools and the 50 cents to the general revenue. That means that the public school fund was deprived of \$136,844 and the general State fund of \$68,422. It is a serious thing to contemplate the wrong the State and the public schools sustain on account of the non-payment of poll taxes.

**YOUR READING**  
For 1902

For the benefit of readers of THE HESPERIAN who wish to subscribe for other periodicals in connection with THE HESPERIAN the following combination offer is made:

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HOUSTON, TEXAS.

Merrimac flannel at G. R. Griggs's for only 8 cents a yard.

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"The fastest selling article I have in my store," writes druggist C. T. Smith, of Davis, Ky., "is Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, coughs and colds, because it always cures. In my six years of sales it has never failed. I have known it to save sufferers from throat and lung diseases, who could get no help from doctors or any other remedy." Mothers rely on it, best physicians prescribe it, and R. C. Scott guarantees satisfaction or refunds price. Trial bottles free. Regular sizes, 50c and \$1.